Congratulations Class of 2016

A SPRING OF SUPERLATIVES

On the track, on the field and in the auditorium, Billies led the way. Megan Miller set state records in the 100m and 200m sprints, the girls track team took fourth, baseball had a fabulous season, and softball pushed deep into the State tournament losing by one run to Dayton with nearly 3/4ths of the team making All League. Finally, our tiny but versatile Wind Ensemble took first in State with most playing multiple instruments.
Mr. Adams has taught at Pleasant Hill for many years, teaching Steve Smith in a Physics class. He is known for his amount of trivia and remembers even the smallest details.

The mystery of how Adams has become so knowledgeable has become his favorite subject. "It is a story of this remarkable person and legendary teacher. He taught me when I was 15 years old, in 1960, at a Naval Air Station in Florida. When asked the date of his birthday, he simply said, "May the Fourth be with you." Adams is one of the most interesting teachers you will find on this day May 4th, Star Wars Day.

Adams grew up in Bendigo, Australia, which consisted of his mother, father, and sister. He took a road trip and moved to the San Francisco Bay Area. The whole trip was done at the 35 mph speed limit imposed to save gas during the war. Adams’s father, was then stationed overseas in the Philippines. Flying Search and air rescue missions when his father was in the Philippines. His father never told him about their life there.

One day an exchange had made her more familiar with Aussies which means to sew together. You will see many "ready-to-wear" is the term that takes place in the Willamette Valley. Adams still is interested in the fashion industry, dealing with his passion for fashion.

Elie Saab: A designer of class

Elie Saab is a Lebanese fashion designer who has been designing haute couture for over two decades. He is known for his elegant and sophisticated designs, which often include intricate beading and embroidery. Saab has been praised for his ability to blend traditional Lebanese craftsmanship with modern fashion trends.

The silhouette of the dresses he creates is typically simple and elegant, with clean lines and high necklines. The sleeves are often long and flowing, and the fabrics used are mostly high-quality silk and satin. Saab's designs have been featured in numerous fashion shows and have been worn by many celebrities around the world.

Elie Saab's reputation is further solidified by his involvement in several high-profile charitable events. He has donated dresses to various causes, including the United Nations and the American Red Cross.

Saab lives in Beirut, Lebanon, and his studio is located in the city's historic district. He is known for his attention to detail and his commitment to creating beautiful, timeless pieces that continue to be popular among fashion enthusiasts around the world.
You know the story of Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, the Roald Dahl story which was turned into a successful film. The giant golden ticket: you could be the lucky one to find it. But the first few kids to find a ticket get to tour the factory, and the last one, the one who actually wins, will get to keep the factory forever!

Donald Trump has gone from one of the biggest joke in America’s election cycle, a tiresome man with a tongue that would make Richard Nixon blush. But then and now, he has always had the ability to appeal to the despair of the disappointed middle class. And it seems like this ability remains intact.

The 2016 presidential election campaign has been a disaster, and Trump is only one of the many reasons why.

In the meantime, the CTU has been fighting for a fair contract for their members. They have held rallies and marched to demand better pay and benefits for their hard-working members.

Let’s not forget that the CTU and its members have been at the forefront of many important labor issues. They have fought for workers’ rights, fought against unfair union-busting practices, and have been a loud and proud voice for workers everywhere.

But as we look towards the future, we must also prepare for the challenges that lie ahead. The CTU will continue to fight for a fair and just society for all workers.

And let’s remember: as long as there is injustice and inequality, there will always be a need for a strong labor movement.

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Inspirational quote: “The best way to predict the future is to create it.” —Eleanor Roosevelt

My favorite thing about high school... The ability to create with teachers and other faculty and staff, to be a leader and experience the culture that came from that environment.

My favorite memory... It was winning state my junior year as captain. My favorite memory... I want as much as I can. My favorite thing about high school: To attend LCC for the Dental Hygiene program.

I am the best at... Patak's Snow Birthday camping trip with SJ CT TD. My favorite memory... My plans for after high school: I plan to attend OSU and get my Business Management. My advice to the students of PHill... Enjoy your stay. My advice to the students of PHill... Enjoy the little things.
My plans for the school year…

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My favorite thing about high school: Graduating, and only having 2 classes my whole senior year.

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Dube's E.S. class, real eye opener, hope other class, we're not afraid to be honest with each other.

Noah Casarez: I confess... I put a dead frog in Jim's trunk and it stuffed it in a tuna fish sandwich for lunch. I put an old half drank can of Mountain Dew, under Bye Moore's bed just because I was feeling silly just about every day after Mrs. Saxon. room. The only referral I've ever got in my life was from Ellumi Wilson to shut up in 7th grade.

I will... All my first base skills to Colin Way. My ability to be tardy to school everyday and not get in trouble to Matt Gray. My height to Clay Weis. My perfect face to everyone. I will Bradden my ability to grow a good mullet. I will Justin Ojala my facial hair. My favorite memory... The stocks game. My favorite memory... Water fights in trash can and running in the rain. My plans for after high school: To go to Lane Community College and play basketball.

Inspirational quote: "You're never successful until the successful is greater than the unsuccessful" - Patrick Star

Tanner Wickwire

My favorite memory... Karissa Jubie. Going to high school... I'd be going to Linn Benton for 2 years to get my GED. I will be doing two years at the University of Oregon/Robert D. Clark Honors College and get a Master's degree in Fine Arts. As well as a degree in some sort of science field. I will also continue writing, and hopefully own my own business where I will be able to live on that by day and then write at night.

Inspirational quote: "Challenge is a dragon with a gift in its mouth. Take the dragon and the gift is yours" - Noela Evans

Ty Callaghan

I confess... You Miller was on a school trip and got a bunch of 2nd time drawers... I was taking the Charact card from well before you and had to take the book shelf because I left it there. I don't know if I should say anymore.

I will... Push Austin Barnes of town, to introducing the Charact card from well before you and had to take the book shelf because I left it there. I don't know if I should say anymore.

My plans for after high school... Going to Western Oregon University, to get a degree in education and become a teacher and coach school sports as well.

Tyler Doller

I will... My hardest hit in football to Byun K. My defense to my name to Devon V. My white shoes to Tiffani Smith. My favorite memory... Late night basketball games with JW, SJ, CW, PP, AS, camping trip with JW SJ JP, and Nero in Mr. Meinzen's class. My advice to the students of PHill… *wink, wink* - Operation Omsi instead of prom with IL, everything about my year I smacked a girl in the book shelf because I felt bad…….I don't think I will ever forget it.

My plans for after high school... NVPY. The sooner you get out of high school the sooner you get into the real world. Find it first; there's a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

Inspirational quote: Money won't make you happy but every want is for you to find out for yourselves.

My favorite thing about high school: Doing stuff to the squad that we never got caught. And the OG room all-entrites in basketball.

Zoie Gray

I confess... In freshman year I found a girl to the face. My only referral is for not bringing my book to freshman year. I will... Phoebe Vanis my ability to get out of a room, Jana Rushfan my superior attitude, and Vega my Spanish skills and my good luck. My favorite memory... My karate black belt, 100% black belt. My advice to the students of PHill… Don’t be in the middle of the group with AC, DJ, TD and sharing your music with everyone around you.

My plans for after high school... I will... I stayed two years at Linn Benton Community College. My favorite thing about high school... "Life is like a camera, Just focus and don’t sweat the petty things… And Remember, just like your roll and how many times you got it. You have to be studying/working on homework all weekend, dom conversations of classmates when you’re bored. Have fun with your friends, but don’t be in the middle of the group with AC, DJ, TD and sharing your music with everyone around you."
How did the system and names of the four years of high school develop?

You’ve got to call the classes SOMETHING. But I think it came about from Latin origins, at least for two of the class years. The new students to high school are Fresh Men (no girl students in earlier times), then the second year students felt they were already wise but really weren’t.

Greek word “Sophia” meaning “wise”; “Moros” meaning “fool”. So, let’s give some superlative people at the Mall — they know the PRICE of everything but the VALUE of nothing.

“Junius” is a Middle English corruption of the Latin word “juvenis” meaning “young.” “Senatus” was Latin for “old” and that’s why we have “senior citizens” and “Senate”. And, compared to the Freshman, the 17-18-year-olds ARE “seniors.”

How does the American high school system differ from the higher education systems of other countries?

Most of the other countries in Europe and Asia give each child an exam, at age 10, 11, or 12. Based on the results of that exam, a student will either be allowed to go on to the equivalent in high school (in Germany, it’s called “Gymnasium” with a “hard” G) and then on to University. Or, the rest (about 85%) will be placed into Industrial Apprenticeship programs at age 14, rather than going on to high school. Germany uses that system to produce some of the most skilled industrial workers in the world.

But only 15%, on average, go to “Gymnasium.” When international tests are given, most of the rest of the world gives those only to the 15% in high school. America gives the tests to our “top 100%”. So, our scores, on average, are lower.

Still, there’s more of a chance an American has been to college than a European and, on a test of adults, American adults know more science, on average, since more of them have gone to high school and maybe college.

Some years ago, American 13-year-olds were number two in the world in math (to South Korea) and number two in science (to Singapore). But American 14-year-olds dropped down to the bottom. Again, age 14 is when 85% of their kids go into apprenticeship programs and so aren’t tested.

Still, YOU DO need to do well on tests, since you’re representing America!

What are some major things that have changed in the education system since you attended school?

One, of course, is the availability of computers, smart phones, and tablets in the classroom and at home, which means that students are not learning as MUCH because they’re there for entertainment, rather than learning. Sorry, but that’s what I see. The competition in schools, during the Baby Boomers time period with LOTS of students, meant we were more competitive in the classroom, not just the sports venues.

What are some flaws you see in today’s high school system?

The education you get in high school depends on three factors: the education of the teacher in the subject you’re taking, your ability to actually TEACH, the number of students in a classroom (more students are less useful for learning) so that means the amount of money spent on schools, and the third and most important flaw is how seriously the students take THEIR job — the job of putting in the hours and work to LEARN.

For too many people are willing to blame “poor schools” or “teachers” and leave NO responsibility to the students, who, in truth, have the major influence on learning. And parents are a key factor in motivating students to be at school every day AND doing homework each evening.

Do you believe in “senioritis?”

“-itis” means “inflammation of” as in “dermatitis” — something yucky turning your skin red with inflammation.

So, “inflamed seniors!” When you really mean is the onset of extreme LAZINESS in high school seniors, who figure they’ve already put in enough effort. They’ll be late to class, skip school, and put in minimal effort.

But, of course, what happens the NEXT year? Either you go to work, where the Boss wants you at work EVERY DAY, and ON TIME, putting in your maximum effort, or you’re fired. Or, if you go on to college, where the usual rule is three hours of homework for each hour of class time, and so MORE work than high school, and tougher competition for grades, since only the brightest get to go on to college.

True “Senioritis” is something that can ONLY be indulged in when you’re an actual SENIOR, with a pension that allows you to eat and have a place to live WITHOUT working your tail off. And some of us, like me at age 71, still ENJOY working. Picking your occupation well can make your working life MUCH more enjoyable, besides giving you money for food, shelter, clothing, and retirement.

Do you credit the basis of your academic success to high school? Or?

My “Academic success” started in high school, when I found subjects challenging enough to get me fully involved. Chemistry was my favorite, but history and English were close seconds. When I got to college, there were times I got overwhelmed, because I was working 30-35 hours a week to provide enough money for food, shelter, clothing, books, tuition, fees, and transportation.

As a member of “The Baby Boomers” (more or less), there were HUGE numbers of students competing for scholarships. Although my mother had been widowed since she was 26, we weren’t quite poor enough to get the fewer scholarships in those days.

So, although it was hard to work long hours AND do all the homework required AND go to class, the fact that I HAD to work meant I was the one deciding if I got an education. I was paying for this and I wanted “my money’s worth.” So, it was worth it to me, literal-ly, to put in my best effort so that I didn’t have to pay for a class twice.

Still, it took me seven years to get my Bachelor’s Degree and then going summers only for five more years to get my Master’s Degree, while teaching at PHSIS.

High school got me interested in complex subjects, college and trying to make a living taught me how to WORK at something that had meaning to me.

You CAN choose certain aspects of your life — such as how much effort you’re willing to put in to make it different.

**Ask Adams**

**Grace Perkins**

**Reporters**

8 BILLIE BACKSIDE

**DESIGNED BY NATHAN FABER**

How did the new Mazda get in the city? When she’s driving she likes to listen to the radio but sometimes uses the powers of the AUX.

The other car chosen for Car of the Month was Balreet Pawar’s (12) Fiat 500. Balreet received her car from her mom a few months before she got her license. While researching to find the best car for her, she came across the Fiat 500 and told her mother. Her mother fell in love with the car and immediately bought it. When she first got her car her mom was driving it, going down a hill when they saw a table in the middle of the road. Her mom couldn’t swerve in time, and they hit the table. The damage wasn’t too bad but they did have to replace the bumper and a scratch on the headlight. While picking colors, Balreet was torn between a bright red, canary yellow and a con-