

...engaging moments continued

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I'll see you Wednesday...

Social Studies teacher Chris Lindley and Michelle Lindley have been married for fourteen years. Their relationship was born on a blind date and within six months they were engaged.

Michelle lived at the southern end of the county and worked in New Albany, so the two usually saw each other on weekends and Wednesdays.

In early June, Chris started thinking of ways to pop the question. He decided to get the ring one week and ask Michelle on Wednesday. The two were sitting in the car at Michelle's house talking before he left and as she started to get out Chris said, "Well, I'll see you on Wednesday. We'll have some important things to talk about then."

Michelle had noticed that he had been fidgety and not himself. She got back in the car, shut the door and said, "Chris Lindley, you are not going to keep me waiting until Wednesday. If we've got a lot to talk about, then we need to do it right now!"

Chris started to backpedal when he realized he was in a bind. "Oh, it's not really all that important." He was thinking, *this is ruining my romantic plans for proposing on Wednesday; I don't even have the ring yet!* What Chris did not know was that Michelle thought he was planning to break up with her.

Finally, after building up all his courage he stammered, "What, umm, what, ummm, what do you think about, ummm, us, umm, getting, ummm, married?"

Michelle responded with a, "You don't mean right now, do you?" The couple laughed about the midnight proposal in the car that was not supposed to happen. Chris did get the ring and gave it to her on that Wednesday.

High School Sweethearts

Math teacher Darek and Abby Newkirk have been married for 10 years and five and a half months. The Newkirks dated for nine years and six and a half months before they were even married, meaning that they have been together since the eighth grade. In total the two have been together for 20 years.

It was New Year's Eve of 1999, which is also Abby's birthday, and many thought the world would end that night. Darek had been planning to propose to Abby, he had talked to her parents for their blessing and his parents helped him set up for the evening.

The two headed to Bloomington to Outback Steakhouse, which is one of their favorite restaurants. They also went to the movies after dinner and saw a football movie (that neither of them liked very much).

After that they went back to his parent's house to watch the ball drop. When they got back Abby opened her birthday presents. They were watching TV in the family room. Darek decided he would sneak into the living room and set up the proposal. He had the ring, candles and champagne out on a little table.

When Darek heard the countdown starting he asked Abby to come into the living room and told her he had to show her something. She said that the ball was dropping, but he told her to hurry up. Once she entered the room she saw the ring and the candles. At the stroke of midnight of the new millennium Darek asked Abby to marry him.

Green House Effect

Chris and physical education teacher Summer Hudelson have been married for three and a half years. Their proposal came after they had just bought a small green house and

were planting their first plants. Chris proposed in their back yard. Summer said she is not sure what was going through her head at the time, he was on his knee talking and says she was not sure she heard any of it. Summer was very surprised.

"Are we getting married or not?"

Choir director Debra Stroud was married to Mike Stroud for twenty-five years; it would have been thirty-three years this past September.

Mike asked Debra to marry him not too long after they had gone out with each other in 1976. Debra had told him that she was not getting married until after she had earned her Master's degree, and still had a year to go. So sometime later the next year, Mike just said, "Are we getting married or not?" Debra said yes and they were married in 1978.

When Mike actually gave her the ring, they were in the Service Merchandise parking lot. They did not have any money and that is where Debra picked out her ring. So, when they picked up the ring, he just said, "Here, you might as well take it!"

The best part of their story, though, is that a whole year before Debra met Mike, she had seen him with a PHS senior at the prom. It was Debra's first year at Paoli; the prom was at the West Baden Dome then. While the students were coming in, across a crowded room, Debra asked the art and Spanish teachers, "Who is that good looking blond with...?" They did not know. It was not until the next April that Debra met Mike. Debra's first words to him were, "Weren't you at the prom last year in a mint green tux with a ruffled shirt?" The look on Mike's face was priceless.

These couples have proven that love lasts forever and not just on Valentine's Day.

Story by Shelby Waynick

We love you PHS.

There, we said it. We aren't afraid of the L-word.

(Now go show us some love and check out our website: thepaolite.wordpress.com)

Farewell heavy textbooks?

...welcome to an eBook world

Since the dawn of high school, students have suffered from oh-my-goodness-my-back-hurts-so-much-due-to-all-the-heavy-textbooks-in-my-backpack-itis, or OMGMBHSMMDTATHTIMB.

Homework has often been neglected for years because no one has found a cure.

But now, at PHS an idea has surfaced.

Our school is considering switching to eBooks instead of heavier paper textbooks.

Schools around the country are already using digital textbooks. The appeal is obvious, not only would the digital books be 'cooler' they could be more cost effective as well.

A lot of money is spent each year replacing students lost or stolen books, most of the time coming out of the student's own pocket.

Principal Casey Brewster thinks

that this digital alternative could be cheaper in other ways as well.

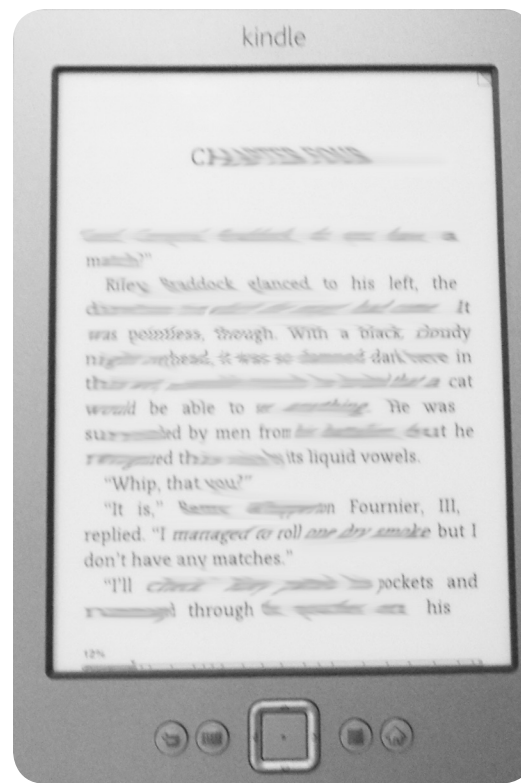
"Textbooks usually have frequent updates that are made to them, and we are not able to receive this updated book until the next round of replacing all of the textbooks. We would be able to replace these 'un-updated' books for a lot cheaper and far more frequently," said Brewster.

The digital textbooks could offer more to students than traditional ones could.

"A touch-screen could enhance classroom instruction and open up different opportunities for students in several different subjects," said Brewster.

Students could have not only their textbooks on their digital tables, but articles and novels as well.

The way this would work is each student would receive their own tablet



or eBook that would be owned by the school corporation. The students would not have to purchase their own device. The soonest this would take place is sometime next year, but that would only be for a few students to pilot the digital textbooks.

If everything keeps moving as it is students could hope to look for these technological textbooks in the school year of 2013-2014.

By Gracen Dunn

SOUND BITES

Adviser Heather Nichols to senior Allison Nail: **"You usually put stuff down and forget it."**

Junior Hannah Walker: **"Really? I usually do the opposite. I see things that aren't mine and pick them up."**

"Bang, bang, Paula Dean!"

Senior Jerica Goodpaster about the Guns vs. Butter economic discussion in Scott Gudorf's economics class.

"Save the dirty thirty for me."

Freshman Tanner Jobson talking about a Jeopardy game.

"Mark, why does your head look like a dog? Dawg."

Freshman Cohen Bostock to fellow freshman Mark Miles's newly shaven head.

"I don't want to get earthquaked on."

Sophomore Carli Smith about the earthquake drill.

IN THE NEWS:

Beyonce Knowles recently gave birth to a baby girl. She and her husband Jay-Z chose to give their daughter a very unique name; Blue Ivy Carter. Michael Jackson has a son nicknamed Blanket, and another son named Prince. Gwyneth Paltrow and lead singer of Coldplay, Chris Martin, have a daughter named Apple together.

Why do you think celebrities feel the need to give their children such "interesting" names?

If you were a celebrity, what would you name your son or daughter?

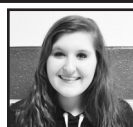
Lucas Kintz
Freshman



They are popularity thieves.

Ko Ko

Brianna Phillips
Junior



They are trying to make it a thing; meanwhile their children are being made fun of.

She'naynay or Bomqueque

Neil Dittmer
Teacher



Because they think they're better than everyone.

King James Leopold

By Alyson Graham

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