

## Destination TEXAS: Super Mileage team gears up for Spring Break trip south in first race of the year

Over Spring Break some people travel, some people stay home and some people go to Discovery Green Park and Science Center in Houston, Texas to race a car.

Over Spring Break, the Paoli Super Mileage team will be headed to Texas to race their car in the Shell Eco Marathon.

Members of the Super Mileage team include: Garrett Sanders, Garrett Shepard, Colton Phelps, Skylar Hodges, Devin Durbin, Ben Bosley, Trevor Axsom, A.J. Fulkerson, Lee Apple, Jacob Smitson, Ron Compton, Wes Phelps and Frank Calzada. This year the team is thirteen members strong and they are ready to compete.

The team has been around for a total of three years. Up until now, the team has only competed at the Lucas Oil Raceway in Indianapolis for the IMSTE, or the Indiana Math, Science, Technology & Engineering Association's Super Mileage Challenge. This year, along with the competition at Indy, the team will head to Texas.

"The Shell Eco Marathon is open to high schools and colleges across North America opening up the competition," said teacher and coach Jason Goodman. "The purpose of the Super Mileage team is to design and build a one person vehicle capable of high fuel efficiency."

One reason for the team going to Texas for competition is that the design rules are more open to creativity and more complex designs than with IMSTE.

While at the competition, students will also have an opportunity to talk with vendors, colleges and representatives that will speak about college and job prospects. In the past, the team has won the Performance Concept Award, meaning they had the closest calculation of fuel mileage. The team calculated that their car would run 300 miles per gallon and the car went 321 miles per gallon.

The team goes to Indianapolis April 29 and 30.

"The students had to raise money to help pay for gas for the drive there and

back, and for the hotel stays on the way there and back. The actual contest is free and Shell provides three meals a day and free housing for team members while in Texas," said Goodman.

The 13 members of the team started to design their high-efficiency gas mileage car at the beginning of the school year and they believe that they will be a contender in Texas. Their goal for this year is for their car to get above 500 miles per gallon. The team spent approximately \$3,000 on their car for this year.

"We raised most of the money from sponsors or we had sponsors make or donate a part. We also recycled some parts from last year's car, such as the wheels," said Goodman.

This year the two drivers of the car are seniors Trevor Axsom and Skylar Hodges. As a class, the team decides who is small and lightweight and then designs the vehicle around those specific people. Only people who are licensed drivers are allowed to drive the car at the competitions that the team competes in.

The team hopes to have a successful finish at both of their contests this year. When they go to Texas, they will be competing against 90 other teams. They are looking to have a car that goes at least 500 miles per gallon. They have spent thousands of dollars on their car and some people have even chosen to donate parts.

Over Spring Break, the team will head to Texas. Hopefully the Paoli Super Mileage team returns to Indiana with a great win with their car.



Photo by Wes Phelps

Story by Bailey Rankin

## Movie Review: *This Means War*

A relationship is meant for two people, but in *This Means War*, that rule does not apply.

The basic plot consists of two best friends, who have fallen under the spell of the same woman, Lauren, played by Reese Witherspoon. While the movie wasn't exactly sophisticated, and would probably be considered laughable by many movie buffs, I happened to enjoy it.

The characters were all well developed, unique and easy to relate to. It wasn't hard to connect with the story line, no matter how farfetched it may have been. This movie tugs at your heart strings, makes you

laugh and forces you to reconsider what really matters in a boyfriend or girlfriend; is it the safe choice, the person who looks good on paper and has all of the things you are looking for? Or is it the person you can really connect with and be yourself around?

To summarize, I would recommend this movie to anyone who is looking for a good romantic comedy. If you are looking for a mature, culturally enriching movie, then this may not be for you. This movie may not be winning any awards, but it definitely serves its purpose; to entertain the viewer.

Review & Chart by Alyson Graham

### PHS Rates: *This Means War*



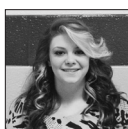
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Luci Waynick

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Hannah Dooley



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Sophomore  
Nikki Mitchell

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Logan Cook

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## MEET: Freshman

### Brandie Hankins

What would you do if you woke up next to a polar bear?  
What happened last night?

*The Notebook* or *The Vow*?

The Vow, I got to see Channing Tatum.

What do you brush your teeth with?  
Channing Tatum's finger.

What color light saber would you want?

I want a green one because it reminds me of Katlyn Miller's boogers.

Look!  
At what?

Do you like crayons?  
They are my favorite midnight snack.

By Taylor Pigg

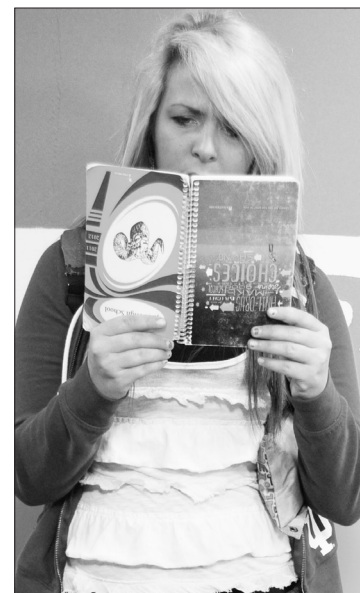
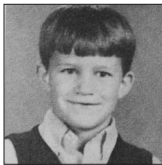


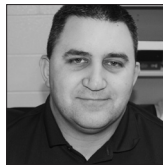
Photo by Chelsea Talmage

# THEN & NOW

Remember when takes on a whole new meaning when the *Paolite Staff* asks students and staff how life has changed for them.



## Math Teacher Darek Newkirk



### In Kindergarten...

### Question

### ...and Today

Purple	<b>Favorite Color</b>	Purple
G.I. Joe and He-man	<b>Favorite Toy</b>	Max's Lego Heros
G.I. Joe	<b>Favorite TV Show</b>	How I Met Your Mother
Jeremy Nolan	<b>Best Friend</b>	Abby Newkirk
Being able to talk correctly.	<b>Plans (For Future)</b>	Retirement
"Abracadabra"	<b>Favorite Song</b>	FSU War Chant
Turtle	<b>Favorite Animal</b>	Polar Bear
Play with toys.	<b>Favorite Thing To Do</b>	Watch TV and play with Max and Libby.
No pet	<b>Name of Pet</b>	No pet
<i>Superman</i>	<b>Favorite Book</b>	<i>The Hobbit</i>
Being able to talk correctly.	<b>What Are Your Goals?</b>	Retirement
Nap time	<b>Favorite Subject</b>	Algebra I and II
Nap time	<b>Best Time For a Nap?</b>	Anytime
Florida	<b>Favorite Vacation Spot</b>	Florida
Could not say my kindergarden teacher's last name.	<b>Worst Flaw</b>	No Flaws

By Maryah Hickman

## Southern Indiana Tornado Recovery

# How to Help

In the harder hit areas they are needing people who are site-seeing to **stay away** because it is effecting their efforts to secure the area and begin clean up.

### Donate cash

- To donate specifically to East Washington students' families who lost everything, you can send a check to Eastern Pekin High School made out to "2012 Tornado Disaster Fund".
- The Washington County Community Foundation has established a Disaster Relief Fund. To donate, please visit their website at [www.wccf.biz](http://www.wccf.biz) and click on the "donate now" button in the upper left corner. Mail or deliver a check to the Foundation office at PO Box 50, 1707 North Shelby Street, Salem, IN 47167. Be sure to put "Disaster Relief Fund" in the memo line. Call 883-7334 with any questions.
- American Red Cross says to donate money, not items. They are stationed at the American Legion in Salem. They are also in need of blood donors.

Upcoming Blood Drives:

- First Christian Church Blood Drive Mar 16, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
305 East Walnut St Salem, IN Please call 800-RED-CROSS to schedule an appointment

### Taking Donations

- Monies for school supplies and for the children in general are being sent to the Henryville Kiwanis Club at PO Box 371, Henryville, IN 47126 with Attention: Teresa Tanner.
- Pekin United Methodist Church is collecting and are in need of: Personal hygiene items (toothpaste, all forms of soaps, deodorant, toothbrushes, etc.), towels and wash cloths, blankets and pillows, Gift Cards to major stores (Jay-C, Walmart, Lowe's, Home Depot, etc.). They are also accepting cash donations and 100% goes toward disaster relief.
- Pekin Fire Department to aid with clean-up: gloves, cleaning supplies, buckets, rakes, totes, laundry baskets, wheel barrels, shovels, flashlights.
- Eastern Pekin High School "The Leadership Project" is in the process of planning a school-wide Volunteer Day (approximately 550 people) tentatively scheduled for March 20. Any items you would like to donate to help with the clean-up are appreciated.
- If you have items you wish to donate, please do NOT take them directly to affected areas, unless you are responding to a specific request for family or friends who will receive them. Instead, you can take them to a mobile warehouse where they will be stored until people need them in the coming weeks and months. That warehouse is located 700 Patrol Road, in Jeffersonville, Indiana. Patrol Road runs parallel to Highway 62, and that address is just past the Nu Yale plant. The site is open 24-7, and you can reach them by phone at 812-287-0090 or 812-287-0026.