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by Taylor Gee

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Mrs. Bass' tale of love

True love may be hard to come by, but our very own Mrs. Debby Bass has found hers, with a marriage of 33 years, a business, and four kids, how did they manage? Check out **PAGE 4** for the whole story on Mrs. Bass' tale of love.



Photo Courtesy of Debby Bass / The Panther's Paw

Kaitlyn McKnight & Konnor Timmons

Age: 18 & 18 Grade: Seniors



Photo Courtesy of Kaitlyn McKnight, her and boyfriend Konnor Timmons smile for a classic selfie.

Student Spotlight

Kaitlyn McKnight and Konnor Timmons are both seniors and have been dating for three years now. Since they have been together for so long, there are some questions that just had to be asked. They were asked where they first met, to which Kaitlyn answered, "We met in Mrs. Reagh's World Geography class freshman year." They hit it off well from the beginning because it was only "a few months before we started dating," McKnight said. Like so many people our age do, the pair played it safe and went to the movies. "I took her to see The Hobbit on our first date," Timmons said. "I didn't know

anything about it. He suggested it and I knew that's what he wanted to see so I didn't care. I just wanted to spend time with him!" McKnight said. Now one of their favorite things to do together is watch movies (those that are mutually agreed upon, of course). When asked about their favorite memories together, Kaitlyn said "when he took me to Six Flags for the first time on our two-year anniversary." Konnor has gone on several trips with the McKnight family both camping and to the beach. "My favorite memory with Kaitlyn is going camping with her family for the first time," Timmons said.

Juniors Brad Norris & Elizabeth Whitwell
Together for 2 months

~What are y'all's favorite colors?

-Brad says "Mine is orange and hers is yellow."

-Liz says "His is orange and mine is yellow."

~What was your 1st fight about?

-Brad says "An ex."

-Liz says "An ex."

~What are y'all's most irritating habit?

-Brad says "Mine is that I dance a lot, her's is that she has a really loud laugh."

-Liz says "He Dabs too much and mine is that I worry too much."

Freshmen Renea Petree & Harrison Pecot
Together for 9 months

~What are y'all's favorite colors?

-Harrison says "Hers is blue and mine is maroon."

-Renea says "Both are blue."

~What are y'all's biggest fears?

-Harrison says "We have the same fear of not being together."

-Renea says "His is losing me and mine is losing him."

~Who said "I love you" first?

-Harrison says "I did."

-Renea says "He did."

The "Newlywed Game"

These four couples were interviewed separately to see how well they knew each other. We asked different grades with different lengths to see if those factors affected their answers, and it didn't really.



These pictures are courtesy of the couples.

Seniors Christian Johnson & Skye Parr
Together for 1 yr and 5 months

~What is y'all's favorite foods?

-Christian says "All around for both of us."

-Skye says "We both like anything."

~What are y'all's biggest fears?

-Christian says "Mine is not being successful and her is losing me."

-Skye says "His is not being successful and mine is losing him."

~Who said "I love you first"?

-Christian says "I did."

-Skye says "He did."

Sophomores Trent Thompson & Maddie Malloy
Together for one year

~What is y'all's song?

-Trent says "Hollaback Girl."

-Maddie says "Hollaback Girl."

~What was your first fight about?

-Trent says "I don't remember."

-Maddie says "Him ditching me."

~What are y'all's biggest fears?

-Trent says "Mine are spiders and hers are roller coasters."

-Maddie says "His are spiders and mine are roller coasters."

Darcy asks the students!

How would you still have fun on Valentine's Day without a date?

"Get as many pillows and blankets as you can for comfort and watch Netflix."

—junior Ethan Ender

"You get a bunch of other single friends together, take a trip to Brookshire's, and get Ben & Jerry's ice cream, because they're the only men you need in your life."

— junior Avery Barnhill

"Watch movies, and stuff your face with food with your best friends."

—junior Noe Nelson

What advice would you give to someone if they got dumped on Valentine's Day?

"Go get a rebound like me in basketball."

—junior Blake Zeilinger

"It's okay, there's more fish in the sea. You just have to find your Nemo." —Anonymous

"Go treat yo'self with some Lindor chocolate truffles." —sophomore Sarah Puckett

"Start a childish twitter fight." —sophomore Brooklynn White

"Don't waste time crying over it, pick yourself back up and eat a pizza."

—sophomore Kaitlyn Morris

What are some fun date ideas for Valentine's Day?

"Stargazing" —junior Grace Stark

"Jam sesh" —junior Ethan Ender

"Hammocking" —juniors Brad Norris & Elizabeth Whitwell

"Game night" —junior Noe Nelson

"Drive-in movie or carnival" —junior Alden Washington

"Play League of Legends together" —senior Zack Wessman

"Geocaching" —junior Blake Zeilinger

What are cool gift ideas for Valentine's Day?

"Gag gifts" —sophomore Tana Gilliland

"Giant stuffed teddy bear" —junior Alli McCarver

"Concert tickets or a meaningful letter" —junior Alden Washington

"Hand-picked flowers" —junior Zack Wessman

Senior Suggest

"V-Day is the time to spend w/ that significant other, not a time to break the wallet."

—Julie Hodges

"Treat yo-self."

—Jackson Ross

"Try to incorporate the sentiment: 'I got your love letters, corrected the grammar, and sent them back.'"

—Lauren Walker

"Love comes in all shapes and sizes."

—Christina Chapman

As I was saying...

Alli's words of wisdom

Valentine's Day is great. It really is.

I'm not going to sit here and write about how it's overrated, because it's not. Valentine's Day is an awesome opportunity for couples



and hopefuls to show their affection to their significant other, and that's a really good thing. However, it is a holiday for those in relationships, so I, your fellow single lady, am here to offer you another option.

Galentine's Day.

Or Bro-entine's Day, if you're a bro.

I'm dead serious, you guys. Don't stress about Valentine's Day if you're single. Remember that with single life comes some serious freedom, so spend the 14th with some gals or bros! Go out to movies or dinner and eat dessert. Lots of dessert. Or, stay in and wear sweatpants and eat more dessert. Send each other flowers. We all like flowers. And guys, do whatever you guys do. Binge-play Fallout 4 or something. Eat dessert. Dessert is universally loved.

Don't worry about being single. In the end, it's kind of awesome. It's fun to date in high school, but your gals and bros are what it's really about.

Have a great holiday y'all. Go to Sadie's. Remember half price chocolate on the 15th (that's the real holiday).

"Julie breaks the bank."

—Kaden McKlemore

"Guys should spoil you everyday, not just on Valentine's Day!"

—Destiny Walker

"Kolby, will you be my valentine?"

—Nobody... JK Hannah Grubb "Um yeah."

—Kolby Tulpa

"It's ok to be your own Valentine."

—Anonymous

Cute Dates in this Area

- ~Studio Movie Grill-Tyler
- ~Drive in Theater-Tyler
- ~The Bridge-Longview
- ~Cherokee Trace Drive Thru Safari-Jacksonville
- ~Villa Montez-Tyler
- ~Go Eno and have a picnic- Anywhere!
- ~Oil Bowl- Longview
- ~Big Sandy Dance Hall- Big Sandy
- ~Caldwell Zoo- Tyler
- ~Play Mini golf
- ~Go to an Art Gallery
- ~Go on a playground date
- ~An Arcade Date
- ~Go on a frozen yogurt date
- ~Mud Hut- Longview
- ~Sky diving- Gladewater
- ~Texas Zipline Adventures- New York, Texas
- ~Take a stroll in the Tyler Rose Garden- Tyler
- ~Disney Movie Marathon

Valentine's Day playlist voted on by students

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| L.O.V.E.- Michael Buble | Give Me Love- Ed Sheeran |
| I Won't give up- Jason Mraz | Love Song- Sara Bareilles |
| All of Me- John Legend | More Than Words- Extreme |
| Love Story- Taylor Swift | Turning Page- Sleeping at Last |
| Don't- Bryson Tiller | Stay With me- Sam Smith |
| Slow it Down- Lumineers | Love TKO- Teddy Pendagrass |
| Photograph- Ed Sheeran | I'm Yours- Jason Mraz |
| Stitches- Shawn Mendes | Sorry- Justin Bieber |
| Hello- Adele | Die a Happy Man- Thomas Rhett |
| Can't Sleep Love- Pentatonics | Thinking Out Loud- Ed Sheeran |
| Our Song- Taylor Swift | Say Something- Great Big World |
| Purpose- Justin Bieber | Flowers in Your Hair- Lumineers |
| I will Always Love You- Whitney Houston | Crazy Girl- Eli Young Band |
| | I Love You Baby- Frankie Valley |
| | Hopelessly Devoted to You- Olivia Newton John |

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Mrs. Bass Love story

by Taylor Gee

With divorce becoming more and more common in America, it seems like there are fewer and fewer couples that stay together. However, Mrs. Bass is a true story that shows that true love is possible.

Debby Bass and her Husband Jim Bass met when Mrs. Bass was 18 years old and Mr. Bass was 20 years old. They met at A & M Wesley Foundation which is a college youth group basically.

They played flag football to get to know each other. One day Mrs. Bass asked Mr. Bass if he had a date to the football game and he responded with "No, no one would got with me," to which Mrs. Bass responded "I'd go with you!"

So the two went on their first date to a concert before going on to the football game. They then started dating. The couple dated for four years before tying the knot. They have been married for 33 years.

The best part of their relationship is when they had to move to New York for a year so Mr. Bass could do an internship. They really bonded there.

Relationships are not always easy, one hard part of their relationship is when they owned their own company and had to make tough decision.

Being together for so long, the Basses have a family. They have 4 kids: Brian, Michael, Anna, Lisa.

Mrs. Bass says that couples should get to know each other very well before they decide to spend the rest of their life together. It's a long term commitment and too many people jump into and she says to completely get to know each other before taking this commitment.



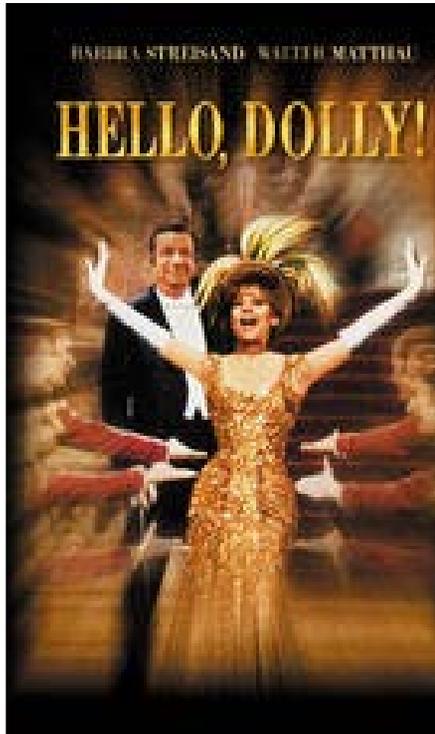
In this picture, Debby and Jim Bass pose with all four of their children, supporting A & M with their maroon shirts.

Photo Courtesy of Debby Bass / The Panther's Paw

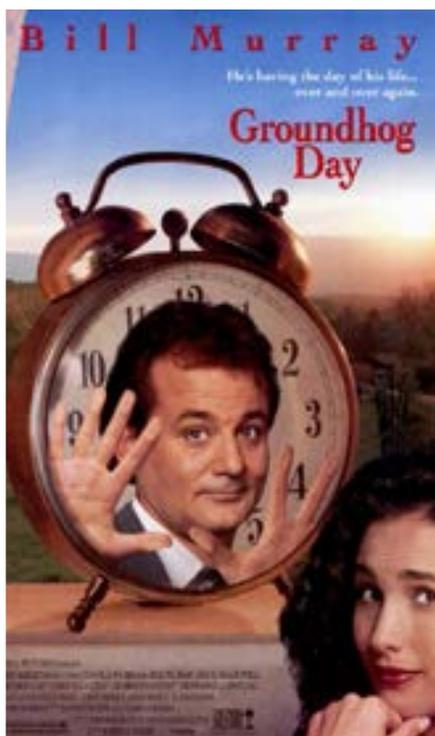
Laura's movie review for Valentines

If you feel like watching a classic movie for Valentine's Day, below I have two that I highly recommend.

Hello Dolly! would be a film I would suggest for ladies who love cheesy musicals, while Groundhog Day is one I think would be more geared for the dudes.

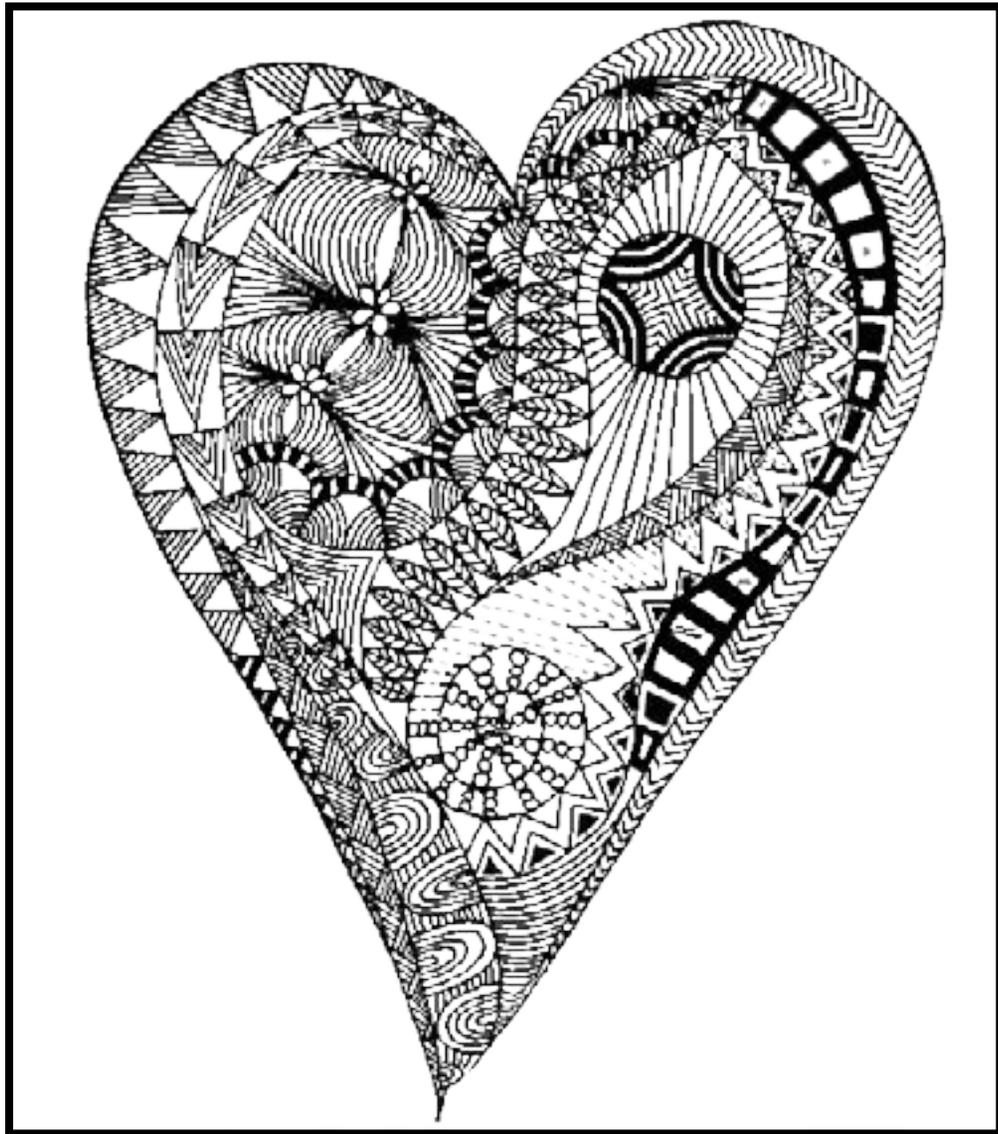


Hello, Dolly! is the film adaptation of the Broadway musical and the illustrious Barbra Streisand plays the main character, Dolly Levi. Dolly is a well-known matchmaker but when she meets her new stubborn client, Horace Vandergelder, a single "half-a-millionaire" of Yonkers, New York— she might have met her match. This film is filled with dazzling dance numbers, awkward situations, and beautiful ballads. If you like the theatrics of Broadway and the charm of Barbra Streisand then this movie is a match for you.



Do you ever have déjà vu? Well, in the movie Groundhog Day, Phil Connors—played by Bill Murray—can relate. Phil, a weatherman, goes to the Groundhog Day festival held in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania but then finds himself living the same day again and again and again. He elaborately tries to get his coworker Rita Hanson to fall for him but these attempts mostly end with a slap to the face. Until Phil begins to learn from his mistakes and adjusts his attitude does he make progress. This romantic comedy is hysterical and gives light to the reevaluating how one lives their life so this film might be one to watch again and again and again.

Valentine's Day coloring page



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Girls golf team finished second with a first place individually

By Taylor Gee

The Spring Hill Lady Panther golf team has begun their spring season of tournaments. Tuesday, Feb. 9 the Lady Panthers traveled to the Brook Hill Golf Classic tournament at Eagles Bluff golf course. The team finished second overall, with sophomore Zoe Mayfield taking first place individually.

Last week hosted the Spring Hill Invitational at Wood Hollow, finishing second place, with Mayfield placing first.

"I think we did good yesterday," senior Hannah Murray said. "It was a tough course but we held it together."

Spirits are high after placing in both tournaments.

"I feel like we'll have another successful season (knock on wood)," senior Aubrey LaMore said. "Hopefully [we will] make it to State for the second year in a row."

Being a senior team member is a source of pride.

"It still feels surreal being a senior," LaMore said. "I'm enjoying golf more this year though, because I can tell I've improved since freshman year, and that's what keeps me wanting to play."

The amount of practice time the girls have put in certainly helps with their confidence and tournament outcomes.

"We usually play about six holes everyday and on Thursdays we go to the range," Murray said. "Some practice on the weekends, as well."

Varsity basketball celebrates seniors

by Kayla Miller

Tuesday night was Senior Night for the Lady Panthers basketball team. Seniors Ann Hollas, Julie Hodges, Hannah Grubb and A'Kia Larke were honored for all their hard work and dedication this season.

The Lady panthers fought hard against Gilmer, but ended up losing to the Buckeyes 55-76. Ann Hollas was the team's leading scorer with 29 points, and junior Kayla Crowe was the next highest scorer with 10 points.

Varsity boys faced Gilmer, as well, but also came up short after a tough game. The final score was 54-70.

The Panthers are focused on winning their next game and clinching a spot in the playoffs.

The JV team also lost to Gilmer, but the freshmen team defeated the Buckeyes.

Both teams take on the Chapel Hill bulldogs tonight, February 12.

It is Senior Night for the guys and the last home game of the season for both teams, so come out and support your Panther basketball teams.



Senior, A'Kia Larke holds on to the ball while being blocked by two Gilmer players. She looks for an open teammate, resulting in points scored.

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The Lady Panthers pose with their medals after the Wood Hollow tournament. (L to R): Tyler Newman, Aubrey Lamore, Hannah Murray, Kyra Hamilton and Zoe Mayfield.

Denver takes the title

by A'Kia Larke

Underdogs do it in a surprising win !!

Going into Super Bowl 50 the Carolina Panthers were the most highly talked about team. If you could've asked someone to place a bet on who they thought would win, I bet 80% would've said it'd be the Panthers.



Afterall, they had the best record of the two teams going into the game with only one loss. Also, Cam Newton was the most talked about Quarterback, because he carried his team on his back.

Meanwhile, you rarely heard anything about the Denver Broncos, except how great Peyton Manning is.

Denver's defense is what clenched the title for them, as offense only got 176 yards total for the game.

It is said "defense wins games, while offense sells tickets;" this was certainly evident in the 50th Super Bowl.

In the end, Denver came out on top with a score of 24-10.

Sadies Hawkins Dance



Door Decorating Contest

by Taylor Gee

National Honors Society hosted the annual door decorating contest with the theme Valentine's Day. Over the past few weeks, many classes participated in this contest by picking a theme associated with love and decorated accordingly. From Star Wars, to Legos, to famous couples, to sweets, and puns, the class decorations were all over the imagination spectrum. The Top 5 classes won and get to go to the pizza luncheon today during fourth period.

The winning classes are:

- 1st- Mrs. Bass' Class
- 2nd- Mrs. Smith's Class
- 3rd- Mrs. Herman's Class
- 4th- Mrs. Allen/ Mrs. McFatridge's Class
- 5th- Mrs. Tucker's Class

Congratulations to all who participated and thank you for all the beautifully decorated doors. There was a lot of competition, and NHS is glad for the participation.

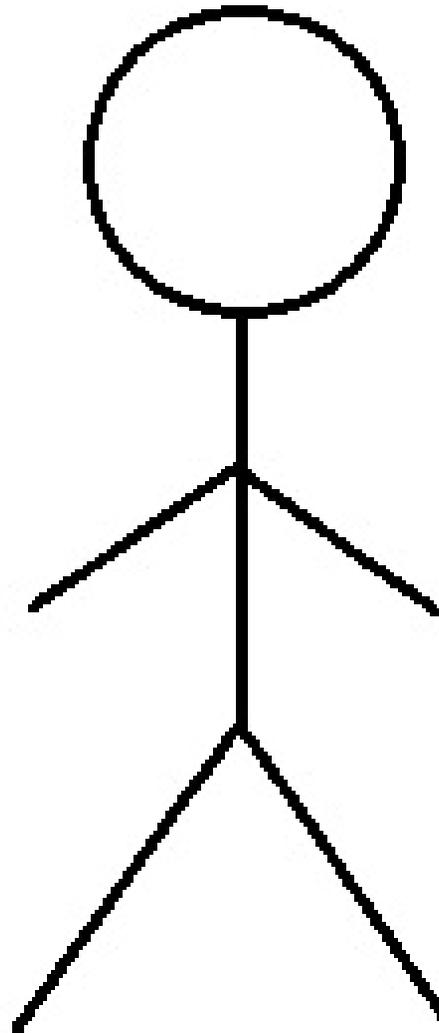


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Students stand by their door, showing off all of their hard work for the contest.

What are YOU wearing for your Valentine's date?

Draw your best version of the outfit you have planned, and the newspaper staff will choose FIVE winners to be printed in the Valentine's Day issue of the Panther's Paw! You are encouraged to use color in your sketch! (Anything inappropriate will NOT be printed)



Please return to room B208,
Journalism staff room

Congratulations to the winners of the annual NHS Door Decorating competition



Mrs. Bass and her Robotics class



Mrs. Smith and her Speech class



Mrs. Herman and her Geometry class