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Summer Simkins Reporter When FFA finally revealed

that the theme for this year's Sadie's was "A Night at the Carnival" they were not kidding around.

The dance was held at the back of the high school and it was clear to see that it was truly going to be "A Night at the Carnival". From the rock wall to the bounce house and the corn toss to the fortune teller, there were plenty of activities to keep students entertained.

"It was different [from other/past dances] because there was so much to do, rather than just being crammed in a

room," From the rock wall to the bounce house and the corn toss to the fortune teller, there were plenty of activities to keep students entertained.

Savannah Topham exclaimed. It was evident



Students at Dixie had a great time at Sadie's. Photo Illustration by Emily Nostrant, FlyerFlash

that the other students agreed by the incredible turnout.

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Along with all the games and entertainment, the original dance still went on and was a wonderful success. There was food, games, friends, and dancing; everything a good dance should have.

Day dates are always one of the best parts of dances, and this years Sadie's was no exception to this. One group, went to Desert Industries and picked out crazy outfits for their dates and had to wear

them for the rest of the day. Another group went to several stores around town and played capture the flag along with several other fun games.

It never takes much to have an enjoyable and memorable time at dances, it can sometimes be stressful for those who plan everything. Luckily all the work and effort that was put forth was seen by everyone.

"My favorite part was dinner. It was so fun and I felt See Carnival on Page 6

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One of the hardest choices a person will make is choosing a career. Most high schoolers think that it is a decision they won't have to face until much later in life, but the truth is that conclusion comes now.

Most professionals and counselors suggest that high school is the best time to make this decision. They advise trying out as many different things as possible to find the best match. Mr Simons says, "concentrating on being a good student and being involved in school," is important when preparing for a career. "All the attributes that employers want to see are the same attributes that you can develop on a team or club,"

He shared an example that happened to him while going through the checkout line at Walmart, "The cashier was just sicker than a dog, so sick that you wanted to move as far away from her as possible."

A fellow coworker came up to inquiring why she didn't just See Career on Page 6

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Volleyball vs Canyon View

Friday at 7:00pm

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Football @ Payson Thursday at 7:00pm Payson High School



In today's world, fantasy football is growing bigger and better than ever before.

To those of you who have never even heard of the popular online program, fantasy football puts you in the front office and on the sidelines as general manager and coach of your very own team.

You start off by deciding what kind of league you want to participate in, obtain a roster, and then begin selecting from a list of the very best players in the NFL by either through manually drafting the players or simply by allowing the program to auto-pick your team for you.

The players on-field performance steers your fantasy point total and overall success.

The draft includes: choosing your quarterback, runningback, wide receiver and so on until you have every position filled and players on the bench for back-ups.

Senior Juan Araujo, is new to fantasy football this year and already is enjoying it. "To be honest, [when deciding who to draft] I just listen to who is good," says Araujo, "The big names who haven't been taken yet."

The next thing is to set your lineup of players each week during the season and watch as touchdowns, yards gained,

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There is no "I" in team, especially the Flyer family football team. Coaches, players, students, and faculty were all in cheering on the Dixie Flyers. "We got a lot of love from the school tonight," said Ammon Takau after Dixie's long awaited matchup with the highly ranked Desert Hills Thunder that ended with one of the most improbable upsets of the 2014 Southern Utah football season.

The Flyers started off quick moving the ball deep into Thunder territory before being stopped and settling for a field goal. Mclane Keenan booted a 25 yard field goal and put some points on the board for Dixie.

Girl's Soccer @ Canyon View Friday at 4:00pm

Canyon View High School

Dixie battles against Pine View. Photo by Emily Nostrant, Flyer Flash

Desert Hills would respond a few minutes later with a touchdown.

The Flyers continued to fight bolstered by a student section using blue chalk and pyrotechnics to keep the atmosphere pumped. Quarterback Ammon Takau would later run the ball in from 5 yards out to score

Dixie's first touchdown of the game. The score would give Dixie a 10-7 lead which the Flyers would hold until the fourth quarter.

For the first time in region play Dixie would go into halftime with the lead. The message in the locker room; stay

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Dixie High's girls volleyball team, looking for a change of pace in their already slow moving season battled Desert Hills on the court once again. The Flyers fought long and hard against the Thunder but couldn't quite come out on top.

However, that didn't stop the Lady Flyers from doing the best they could. Junior Kaylee Carter, came out with some amazing spikes and blocks throughout the game.

was executed very well and she successfully blocked several hits from Desert Hills in the first set.

"The volleyball game was rough. We did some good stuff, but we made some simple errors during the game," Fakahua commented. They ended the first set with Dixie 17 and Desert Hills 25.

The second set included an incredible block by Fakahua and Bowers that scored a point for they ended the second set 17 points again.

In the third set Desert Hills had a huge lead but then the Flyers attempted to tie it up. Kaylee Carter had a great spike and scored a point for the flyers.

Abracia Payton had an awesome dig in the third set that scored Dixie a point. Hannah Nyberg had amazing hits that helped tie the game up in the

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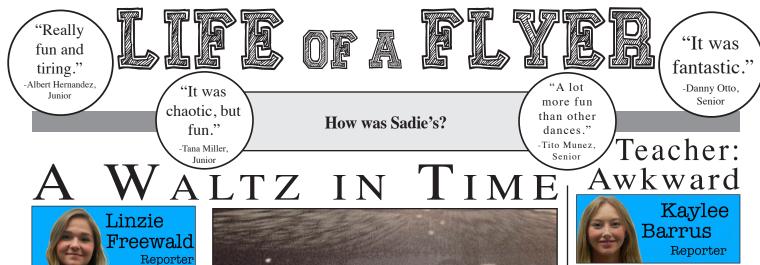


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As we make dance memories of our own, teachers recall their experiences. It's crazy to think that teachers were once o ur age, right? They also went to their school dances and made awesome and crazy memories just like the rising generation.

Our teachers here at Dixie High have either completely different high school experiences or very similar. It's definitely always fun to ask a teacher about their favorite high school memory; people don't know what to expect or what their going to say.

Mr. Huddleston's friends played a joke on him and told

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Teachers reminisce their dance memories. Photo Courtesy of Dixie High School

him that his date wanted him to be her first kiss. Meanwhile, they had told his date that he was bragging that he was going to kiss her. What a outgoing group of kids Mr. Huddleston used to hang around, nobody would've ever thought that he was a rambunctious teenager.

Mr. Huddleston never thought that one day he was going to grow up to be the teacher he is today. He never once in his life wanted to be a teacher when he was younger. Until one day his mind changed and his final desire was to be a teacher.

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first. Mainly girls agree with this rule because they don't want to annoy the boy they are texting.

"The rule that girls shouldn't text boys first is dumb. If you want to talk to someone, talk to them." Chris Hall says, explaining his dislike for this rule.

There's lots of negative things you could do when texting or that could happen if these unspoken rules aren't followed, but there are also positive things that can

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Most people have had some horrific moment in their lives'. Whether it was ripping pants on the playground, or leaving a zipper down, if it hasn't happened yet then you've at least dreamed about it.

And believe it or not teachers have them too. With three to four times the life experience we have, they have some amusing stories.

Ms. Dupass had a dramatic story to share. An unruly adolescent was granting on Dupass' nerves. She took him out into the hall for a confrontation on his behavior when he started to run his mouth.

Dupass recalls, "I put my hands on his arms and shoved him against the wall, his little feet weren't even touching the ground. Then I thought to myself, 'Where are your hands?' I dropped him and put my hands behind my back. Thank goodness his dad was so understanding!"

Ms. Dupass is not the only one with tales to tell. Mr. Huddleston has his fair share of embarrassing mishaps as well.

"While I was teaching at the middle school, I would play football at lunch," Huddle reenacts, "At some point I ripped my pants and didn't know it. So I went on and taught my class with a huge rip right down the front."

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Vivian Fraser Reporter

Texting is something that teenagers tend to gravitate to when they are bored, trying to plan something, or just trying to get to know someone. The society we live in today is obsessed with cell phones, but what are the rules when it comes to them, or are there any?

According to several students, three things that bother people the most

when texting are:



slow texters, no emotion being shown, and people who text too often.

It is no fun talking to someone who takes two hours to

respond every time of if no emotion is expressed in the text messaging, people get the feeling you don't want to talk to them.

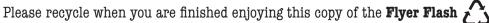
Something that students should also keep in mind is that nobody wants to talk to someone who texts you every hour of every day.

Another unspoken rule says that girls shouldn't text boys

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UPCOMING EVENTS	
All State Choir	October 9-12 <sup>th</sup>
Sterling Scholar Judging	October 10-15 <sup>th</sup>
Choir Fall Concert	October 13 <sup>th</sup>
Fall Break	October 16-19 <sup>th</sup>
All State Choir Concert	October 21 <sup>st</sup>
Debate Tourney	Ocotber 24-25 <sup>th</sup>

## CHALLENGE OF CHANGE

Andrew Eames Reporter

Change can be alarming to most people. To some high schoolers it can be petrifying.

It can take on multiple forms, whether it be moving, meeting new people, or whatever occurs that is beyond the norm in someone's life.

Graduating might be the biggest change students at Dixie High will experience at this point in their lives.

Once students exit those doors and enter life's stage, all guidance ends and every single one of them is expected to adhere to the notion of servitude and responsibility.

In a sense, their actions can now greater impact people. They are anticipated to apply what they learned from their years in this rehearsal toward enhancing society: their performance.

What do students at Dixie High plan to do with these years ahead of them?

Some students plan to follow through with their education by relocating to a different state. "I would like to continue pursuing my education in Colorado," says Kay Ainu'u. She



Students take their future into consideration. Photo Illustration by Emily Nostrant, *Flyer Flash* 

either hopes to join the military or become a doctor later in her life, seemingly confident in what she wants to do.

However, Ainu'u also admits to being worried and unsure about after-high school life. "I'm cautious. Because I've experienced it and it's not easy." This could reflect the attitude of many Dixie students toward the future. Sakston Tesch, like many other seniors, confirms his uneasiness about his future but accepts it as a fact of life. "I'm trying my best to embrace it. It is a rather large shock, but that's life. Just have to keep moving forward."

Sophomore Jack Wright wishes to obtain an aviation career by attending an

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How do teachers really feel about their students? Why do teachers have a bad side when they chose to teach high school students as a living? Do they really enjoy it?

Talking to a few of the teachers here at Dixie High, there were many different perspectives of why they teach high school students. All of them said they love their job and wouldn't want to be doing anything else, but it's a different challenge every day with the kids.

One teacher stood out while being interviewed, Mr. McConnell said the reason why he chose to teach high school students rather than younger children, he replied, "Younger kids are too goofy. I like teaching students with a higher maturity level and I want to help them gain an education for when they leave to college."

He was also asked if he had

favorite students and he said, "Yes. All my students are my favorite."

He doesn't really get frustrated when he teaches because if he allowed himself to stress he'd "be a nut case and most likely get an ulcer." He's learned to not let things get to him so that his students can get the best out of his teaching.

McConnell trusts the kids he teaches. He says that he has good honor classes so most of the students are hard workers and care about their grades and other honors teachers agree with him.

The few students that don't care about anything the teacher is trying to teach, McConnell says he let's them have their own consequences by letting them fail the class. He, like the other teachers here at Dixie, let those students deal with their own choices.

All teachers really care and love all their students, that's the main reason they all gave to why they wanted to teach

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According to Oxford, the word of the year for 2013 was the word "Selfie." Sitting in class, students who finish their work early usually think to themselves I should read, "But first, let me take a selfie."

Dixie High students spoke out on the differences of a good and bad selfies.

"No duck face at all" stated Houston Tanner, which all students agreed with was the worst facial expression in a picture.

"Don't look like everybody else! Make yourself different from everybody else, make it unique!" exclaimed Amairani Martinez. There are lots of ways to make it different, but Martinez said her selfies are unique because a majority of them include the product Herbalife.



"But first, let me take a selfie." Photo by Emily Nostrant, FlyerFlash

A large amount of students would testify with that and say "don't edit to the max," as Amairani responded to labeling a selfie terrible.

"Make sure you're outside. Natural lighting is the best lighting," Addy Edwards replied.

"If you look ugly that day you can always do the half face, and take it next to a window," was Chanlie Randall's advice.

Junior Aubree Sorenson, believes the opposite about half face selfies, "Don't take a whole side picture, you have to have your whole face in it."

Sorenson also gave a guideline on selfies that she uses, "Roll up my window and get good lighting at around the hours of 10am-4pm. No awkward things in the backgrounds. Be yourself, look hot! Be careful who you send it to!"

Hannah Kerr stated one thing for all students, "Don't use the app Perfect365." Kerr explained that using that app alters the properties of the photo into a terrible selfie.

Some students say they have a more flattering angle to take pictures. When Chanlie Randall was asked which was angle was her best, she confidently answered, "All angles." Randall replied, "With Sarah (Steele) she's always on the left and I'm always on the right, it just feels weird the other way."

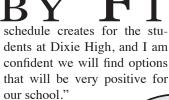
Out of all the advice given by students the most important for taking a good selfie would have to be "A smile", said Briana Ranger.



Washington County School District has announced that starting in Fall 2015, every student will have the opportunity to take ten credit classes instead of the standard eight. This means that students will be able to have five classes everyday.

Principal Campbell is very pleased with this new development, "I'm excited about the pos-

sibilities this new



Even the students are "This saying that they like

this new schedule. is for more August Wood, a says that "at first" class I wasn't happy

with the idea, but after hearing and learning more about it, my attitude

changed." Sophomores and Juniors are getting more enthusiastic as they are being better informed on the changes.

Now for the students out there who still aren't convinced that this is something that they will enjoy here are the other facts. If used wisely, it will help pri-

pritize and better use the short amount of time the students spend here at Junior at Dixie, variety in the high school. This change is not, however, to be used to get more difficult or advanced classes.

Wood states that "this is for more variety in the class choices." What that means is students should be expounding on the CTE classes, or the classes that they are interested in maybe for future careers.

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Another new option being introduced next year is more support classes and tutoring will be offered for the students who need it and don't have the ability to go in the mornings or after school.

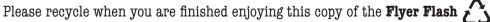
Teachers are also looking forward to this new challenge, though there are some worries. Many of the Core classes, such as English, Math, and Science, are concerned they may not have enough time in class anymore to fully prepare their students in the subject. Then, on

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## Waltz

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High school dances are definitely a great way to make special memories with fun people; don't miss the chance to go to a high school dance, or it will be a very regretted decision. Crazy enough; however, some teachers, when interviewed, exclaimed that they were never lucky enough to go to a high school dance.

For some people, high school dances are one of the most

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aeronautical university someday; he too seems to follow this pattern of uncertainty. "I am fairly cautious...but I am always prepared to embrace it as well."

Wright started preparing for his future very early on to avoid such stressors. "I have not stopped, so by this point

## Carnival

<u>Continued from Page 1</u> like that was when our group was together the most." <u>Topham explained. With</u> important things and can't be missed. According to Mr. Mc-Connell, it was a memory that can never be forgotten. One major reason it wasn't forgotten for him was he was voted as prom king. Sure enough, he's still very glad he went and hasn't regretted it since.

As for everyone, school dances need to be taken advantage of. Everyone needs to ask somebody and needs to be asked to a dance at least one time throughout their high school years.

I have done just about everything I could to prepare and I am still preparing."

Whatever it is someone wants to do, there is a leap of uncertainty that is required. It is uncomfortable but ensures growth and development. Change should be a help, not a hinderance, and is part of growing up. How that change is applied is what matters in the end.



group sizes up to 14 couples, there was never a dull moment.

There is so much that goes into dances and making sure

### <u>Career</u>

*Continued from Page 1* go home. The cashier replied that she couldn't leave until a set time or she would receive a tardy.

Intrigued by this comment Simmons asked what she meant by that. She went on to explain that if you didn't complete a select number of hours in your shift or turned up late you were given a tardy. After a number of tardies you received an absence. An X amount of absences, can mean loss of the job.

"I couldn't help but think that it was just like our no grade system!" Mr. Simmons exclaimed. "Lots of people think of school as school and work

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Mr. Nelson's moment of horrendous ignominious wasn't in the classroom but in front of thousands of people. He was in Peru attending a LDS church conference, when he was pulled from the crowd to translate for one of the speakers that only spoke English.

"I was so nervous," Mr. Nelson says, "that I didn't listen to any of the other speakers. When it came time for the general authority to speak, he stood and approached the podium."

Mr. Nelson stood up and approached a microphone that was next to the podium for the translator. Another man, a Peruvian who was fluent

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everyone has a good time and it can be very difficult, so knowing that everyone had a good time is what makes it worth it all.

as work, but all the things you are doing in school will apply to the workplace."

There are thousands of careers out there, and they constantly changing. Mr Simmons says, "By the time most of you graduate and get hired you will be hired in jobs that don't even exist today. Which is why its so important to be a good learner because the career field is always growing and changing so quickly."

The best thing to is be a good student. That means showing up to class on time, doing the best work, learning how to communicate with others, and trying out different classes to find out where life's path is going.

in both English and Spanish, came to the microphone at the same time.

"We looked at each other like 'what are you doing here?' then it occurred to me that he was to translate the general authority's talk to the congregation. I was supposed to translate the other, previous, talks to him. Needless to say, I failed miserably and bolted out of the building as soon as the conference was over."

There is an endless supply of embarrassing stories out there to go along with these. The best thing we can do is take Ms. Sisam's advice, "I embarrass myself every day. Most of the time I just laugh and forget about it."

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sacks, interceptions and much more create fantasy points.

Araujo said he decides who to play by, "Who had a good week the previous week and who are playing this week."

Many other people decide who to play the way Araujo does. Junior Dhir Vyas, said, "I choose depending on how good they are."

Each week you go head to head with another team in your league and whoever achieves the greatest amount of points wins that week.

Throughout the season each win and loss develops your record which will determine if you are able to play in the playoffs or not. The few teams with the best records that are able to compete in the playoffs



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second set.

Unfortunately, the Flyers couldn't keep the streak going and lost 18-25 in the third set to Desert Hills. That set ended the match and the final score

## Texting

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happen or that students can do. Small talk is always good, but when asked, students say they like having the more meaningful conversations.

"I like getting to know people through texting, not just the, 'Hey, what's up?" Savannah Topham says. If you care about what oth-

ers are doing and



third quarter was a defense filled draw. Neither team scored any points until Desert Hills forced a safety to cut the Flyer lead down to one.

After receiving the free kick the Thunder quickly drove down and scored their second touchdown of the night. A few penalties later the Thunder were forced to kick their extra point from 40 yards away. The kick was good and the Thunder had the lead for the first time since the second quarter.

Dixie, down by six points, put their heads down and dug in their heels pushing the Desert Hills defense closer and closer to their own end zone.

After grinding against the Thunders defense all night, speed demon Junior Runningback Tre Miller finally found a seam up the field and took a carry 41 yards before being stopped by Desert Hills safety Gabe Sewell. Quarterback Ammon Takau later scampered into the endzone tying

#### <u>Teachers</u>

(*Continued from Page 4*) high school students. They show they care by showing up to school and providing our

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the other side, the CTE and Art classes are excited to see bigger classes and more opportunity to teach as many students as are wanting.

Mrs. Campbell has assured them though, that this new schedule will allow for "flexibility and that our school dis-



the game at 16 to 16. Keenan made the extra point to give Dixie the 17-16 lead.

Two more Thunder possessions both ended with big Flyer defensive stops. Including the game clinching interception. With just under two minutes left in the game Thunder quarterback Nick Warmsley threw a pass that was tipped twice, the first time to RJ Wilgar, the second time Wilgar tipped it back to himself to come up with what became the game clinching play.

On a night that began with blue skies, the only thunder that could be heard was from the student section as they stormed the field to celebrate the win with the team. After the game Samson Kennedy had something to say to the fans, "Our student section was great tonight, a big thank you to them."

education in the various subjects.

Here at Dixie High the students love the teachers, and are grateful for everything they do to help further their education. trict is committed to ensuring that all students learn at high levels and will receive the help they need."

This new and exciting decision will be challenging but rewarding, Dixie's students are encouraged to start preparing and planning for their new schedules and to start getting really excited for a better high school experience.

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are ranked by their record. For

example, the best team that is

qualified will start by going

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Just like real life sports, fan-

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Mailea Dalley Reporter

Awkward; Lacking skill, zero dexterity, little grace or ease in movement. Its commonly used word, there are many possible definitions of the word or mood it implies. Whatever the definition, everyone has to experience a moment of it to be human.

Moments that can be considered and titled as awkward occur ordinarily to anyone and everyone. Let's take a glimpse at a few to enjoy.

Senior Sara Glauser told of one such moment that happened during the Dixie High School production of the musical Beauty and the Beast. She was in the girls' dressing room and didn't realize the door was open while she was changing costumes. Michael Graf, then a junior, walked by and saw her in her nude leotard and tights.

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else's car.

They turned towards each other at the same time, and, "we both screamed the door, and to simultane ously!" It is well

was in someone known many people that moments like Glauser's arise in-

cessantly during these high school musical productions.

Another moment was shared by Helen Ramirez, a junior



Awkward moments make life great. Photo by Emily Nostrant, Flyer Flash

Flyer. She was briskly leaving the gym to the parking lot in the pouring rain. In her haste, she jumped into the passenger seat of the wrong car.

had sat down, losed the door, and to my surprise, I was in someone else's car. As soon as I realized, apologized for getting into his car and hurried

Gwen Tagliarino, a senior, told of an awkward moment she experienced while peering into Mr. Myers' room in

out."

hopes of locating the teacher. When she discovered the room was vacant, Tagliarino swung her arm in frustration, but didn't see the young man beside her. "The kid was standing right there and I hit him right in the crotch." She described that she then patted him on the shoulder as she apologized. "I didn't know him...but we haven't talked since."

Whatever the moment, and no matter how torturously embarrassing it may seem, remember everyone has awkward moments. It happens to every Flyer and the negative feelings subside after a while.

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