

### Trick or 'Kickshaw'

BY COURTNEY WINDHAM

Trick or treat! Smell my feet! Give me something good to eat, a kickshaw perhaps. In your goody bag of Baby Ruth's and Twizzlers, you probably will not spot a *kickshaw* or fancy food. Check out what some people thought kickshaw meant.

- "someone who kicks the building at Shaw's Laundry," Caleb Mayo, fr.
- "the dictionary forgot the *n* because it means to kick Shawn," Katie Green, fr.
- "break release on a row builder," Mr. Ellenbracht
- "kick routine cheerleaders do," Ramey Couey, sph.
- "people that kick straw," Audrey Wiley, sph.
- "a dessert food," Josh Tittle, jr.
- "a Korean vegetable," Michael Clark, sr.
- "a mailbox," Carolyn Myers, sr.
- "Tae Kwando technique," Mrs. Geye
- "the art of kicking Ben Shaw," Betsy Childs, jr.



Pretty close call Josh! Not that anyone will be passing out hors d'oeuvres tonight, but wouldn't everyone prefer a Snickers over a kickshaw anyway?

#### What is your favorite Halloween candy and why?

- "I am a fan of candy corn. Why not?"  
Jon Durand, Sr.
- "Why, all of them, of course. Candy loves me and I love candy."  
Kristina Reece, Jr.

#### How will you celebrate Halloween this year?

- "One of my homegirls and I are going to throw a bad Halloween party."  
Ermelinda Sierra, Soph.
- "I am going to stay home and wait till my lil' brothers and sisters bring all the candy so I can eat it."  
Alex Cisneroz, Sr.

#### What is the weirdest thing you have gotten while going Trick or Treating?

- "A soggy tuna fish sandwich!"  
Chris Sutton, Soph.
- "Candy canes. Come on people, it's not Christmas."  
Sarah Riker, Jr.
- "Deodorant."  
Brian Skelton, Sr.
- "A ticket."  
Brandon Martinez, Sr.
- "Door in the face due to 'being too old'."  
Tyler Watson, Sr.
- "One time some lady gave me and my cousin \$5 each just to go away. We kept ringing the bell."  
Justin Veazey, Fresh.
- "The weirdest thing I have gotten was a little reindeer who looked like it pooped when you squeezed it."  
Connie Adamski, Soph.
- "Chocolate kisses, because they're different colors that fascinate me."  
Emily Tittle, Soph.
- "An apple. Who gives fruit away?"  
Anna Myers, Jr.



#### What would you say is the best costume you have worn?

- "When I was four, I was Dorothy and my brother wrapped himself in aluminum foil as the tin man and my sister was Glenda from Wizard of Oz."  
Liz Romig, Jr.
- "My mom wrapped me up with duct tape and I was a mummy."  
Carter English, Jr.
- "Rambo."  
JD Johnson
- "I was a Backstreet Boy."  
Becca Cadena, Jr.
- "I was a midget."  
Jason Karnes, Soph.
- "The best costume I ever wore was when I was Hulk Hogan."  
Kevin Seaton, Soph.
- "Cow man."  
Jebb Sifuentes, Fresh.



#### Describe your scariest Halloween moment.

"I got lost and turned around in a haunted house (you know, one that you walk through) and I was all alone and one of the skeleton guys had to help me get out. I was terrified."  
Austin Franklin, Jr.

"When I was little, I was Trick or Treating and these high school boys came by and threw water balloons at me."  
Lauren Shero, Jr.

"I walked up to this house and this blower on the side went off, and it scared me very bad. I did not want to leave my mom's side for weeks."  
Dustin Barkemeyer, Jr.



#### What is the weirdest thing you have given to Trick or Treaters?

- "An apple."  
Anna Myers, Jr.
- "Barney CD."  
Ashley Carter, Soph.
- "Pork chops."  
Efrain Barrera, Jr.
- "Slim fast bars."  
Johathan Tulcus, Jr.
- "Hot dogs."  
Stacye Jennings, Sr.
- "Pair of socks."  
Kirby Freeman, Sr.
- "Crackers, 'cause we didn't have any candy."  
Erin Gabaree, Jr.



## A Day in the Life of a Varsity Cheerleader

BY COURTNEY WINDHAM

Go, go! Fight, fight! (Gee, I hope I look all right.) In a world of pompoms and short skirts, did you ever think of the girls behind the uniform? There's more to cheerleading than just jumping around and looking cute.

The fact is that cheerleading is an actual sport. It is even listed under the physical education category on the schedule lists. And just like every extracurricular activity, lots of practice, dedication and time must be put into it.

"It's like any other sport. We practice several hours every day," cheerleader, Kandice Dennison said.

What about becoming a cheerleader? Every cheerleader has to audition in front of judges and the student body. All the cheerleaders agree that tryouts are nerve-wrecking.

"Tryouts are difficult, throwing yourself to the mercy and judgment of school, but they are worth it in the end," cheerleader, Bridgett Wells said.

Besides the overwhelming anxiety the girls feel at auditions, they also have tons of pressure pushed on them during their performances.

"You have pressure from students, faculty, parents, and the community—all with different expectations," Wells said.

The aspects are different for the pep rally audience than for the football game.

For the pep rally "every week we have to have an original and flawless rou-

tine" while at games "the more spirited the better because the audience has changed to adults," Wells said.

Varsity cheerleaders, Chelsie Carlton, Kassidy Langley, Kandice Dennison and Bridgett Wells all agree on

from adults to little kids.

"I enjoy being a role model for the little girls. It's amazing how much they look up to us," Wells said.

To give us such fantastic performances, they have to practice sometime,



the most exciting part of cheerleading—the football games!

"I just love running out to Welcome to the Jungle," said Carlton.

During the games, the cheerleaders not only cheer for the team, they also represent BHS in front of the community,

right? A magic cheer fairy is not running around granting the girls the ability to throw each other fifteen feet in the air. The cheerleaders actually practice anywhere from 12-24 hours a week!

"I don't think people know how much we practice outside of school,"

Carlton said.

They practice several hours every day after school, Thursday nights, Friday mornings and Sunday afternoon. To top it off, they still have to put on a smile and pump up their crowds.

"It takes a lot of time and energy to me a cheerleader," Langley said.

Another important aspect of cheerleading is teamwork. A cheerleading squad could not perform their awesome stunts without each other.

You have to become united or you will never be successful," Carlton said.

The group of girls seem to form a bond while they spend so much time together.

"We grow closer as friends and teammates as the football season progresses," Langley said.

With friendships come memories that will last forever.

"Sometimes cheerleading can be very time consuming and frustrating but honestly I can say I will miss it when I go to college. So many memories have been made through cheerleading and I will never forget it," Carlton said.

It takes tons of dedication and stressing practices to fulfill the role of varsity cheerleader. From tumbling to just pumping up the audience, cheerleaders work hard to support our team. So the next time the girls perform, instead of blowing off their routine or looking for imperfections, reverse the role and cheer for our cheerleaders.

## Fixed Eternity rocks the 'Wood

BY BENJAMIN HUMENIUK

Local rock band Fixed Eternity has had a busy month, both in school and out.

The Christian group, which features BHS students Jonathan Dunlap and Matt Newsom with HPU students Wylie Wood and James Baker, was the featured band at the Fort Worth Brewer pep rally on September 26, creating an energetic environment.

"The crowd was great! They are always stoked when anything different happens at the pep rally... the best thing... was being able to get up in front of our peers and show support for the team in whatever way we could," Dunlap said.

Fans got a chance to see a bit different side of the group, as senior Carolyn Myers guested on the opening song.

"When the opportunity to play came up, I was like, 'we should cover a



song!' So we asked CNAP [Carolyn] if she would sing with us... she was stoked," Dunlap said.

Many students also got to see the band perform along with Tribe 3 [see September issue] at Rocktober Fest on

October 3. But it has been a long drive since their genesis four years ago.

"One day we just felt like starting a band, so we did. Our first gig was a week after we started," Newsom said.

"It was horribly wack," Dunlap added.

Now, the group faces a new challenge as they work out how to move to the Lubbock area, as Dunlap and Newsom plan to attend Texas Tech University.

For now, they enjoy their busy performance schedule, but the band also has long-term goals.

"In 10 years, we all want families and stuff, but most of all we just want to be able to do what we do now... We'd like to be famous, but if not, we want to make enough to get by and not need another job," Wood said.

Being a band that chooses to promote a gospel message has had a significant impact on the group.

"Being in the band has changed us a lot—made us want to be different," Newsom said.

"[Our] ultimate goal is that all we do will be for the glory of God," Wood added.