



# McDowell Messenger



February, 2010

## Heart-A- Grams

To: Destiney I love you so much. Love: Neal	To: Casey Tyler, Kylene Nicole & Devon Christopher Ha ha! From:????	To: Mr. Park You're a beast! From: Aaron
To: Sara S. & Libby S. Happy Valentine's Day to the Clueless Club!  From: Gwendolyn A.	To: Ethan Jones Best friends for life. From: Rusty Eversole	To: Cyndra, Brianna, Riley, Breanna and Ali You guys are the bomb diggity best friends, or (BFFLNMWRPWA) From: Destiny Simmons
To: All My Besties Love you guys; you're the best! Happy Valentine's Day! From: Haley Phillips	To: Bree Salsbury Happy Valentine's Day! From: ????	To: Everybody Happy Valentine's Day. Love you. XOXO From: Jessica

## Valentine's Day

By: Matt Dilley and Collin Hartley

Valentine's Day is a holiday that is celebrated on February 14 by most English-speaking countries. It is a day where lovers send each other a card expressing their love. On average, men spend twice as much money as women do. The holiday gets its name from an early Christian martyr named Valentine. The U.S Greeting Card Association estimates that one billion cards are sent during Valentine's Day, making the day the second largest card-sending holiday, behind Christmas.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball

By: Chase Euton and Kyle Ferguson

We interviewed the head coach of the boys 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball team, Tom Congrove. We asked him a couple of questions. We asked him what his current record was and what he thought was the most important game of the remaining schedule.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade boy's record is 10-2 suffering losses to Bloom Carroll and Fairfield Union. He also said that next week was going to be a tough week facing Canal Winchester and Teays Valley East.

## **Fortunes of the Gypsies Danoir, Abela and Natayla (Natural—Not Dyed!—Hair colors)**

By: Shleby Cottrill, Sara Spencer, and Libby Schwalbauch

**Blonde Hair:** Don't be afraid to try something new and out there; you'll love it. And a message from Abela and Danoir, "We're blonde, not stupid."

**Red Hair:** Never trouble trouble till trouble troubles you. Don't deliberately ignore someone. It will not have the effect you want and will blow up in your face. On the relationship front, there will be temporary fights and arguments among the two of you, and if you're single, don't worry about it; you'll find someone in the next week that you never expected.

**Brown Hair:** Your talents will be recognized and suitably rewarded. Hear a hint of sarcasm, anyone? You may want to go and bury the hatchet with a once friend, before you both do something you'll regret. On the other hand, your relationship, or lack there of, is going to be great for the next few weeks. Boy or girlfriend du jour.

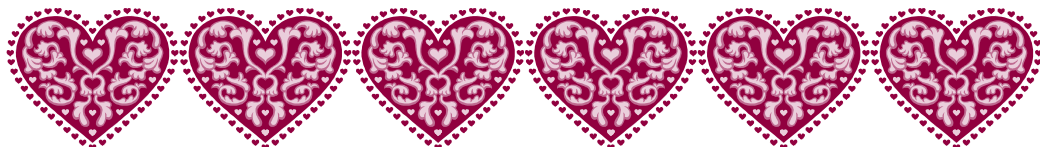
**Black Hair:** Speak only well of people, and you will never need whisper. Like your hair, you are like the black sheep of your group of friends, family and the general public. Don't let it stop you from being who you are.

### **My Prison Walls:** *By Sara Spencer*

My fists clench and hit these walls, these walls that I can't penetrate. If you only knew how hard I'd fallen, and all the love in the world couldn't win this race. No one on earth can save me from this place, this desperate, inevitable, inescapable place. Because if you tried now, it would be too late. Why do I do this to myself? Jump and hold when I know I can't get out. You could be watching me die, and you wouldn't even know because it's buried inside and this isn't your war. I don't want any help or any sympathy; it will never help. Can't you see? It will sit on the surface. I'll mask my pain, but I can't do it. It'll be in vain. My deepest darkest corner I can't fully know. I know that it's there, I know it won't go. Its ink is writing on my prison walls. I'm desperate, inevitable, inescapable.

### **Worthless:** *By Sara Spencer*

Am I good enough for you, for anyone at that? Do I have it all together? Is it all just an act? I'm not that pretty. I can't do much right. I can't even love him in his shining light. I'll mess you all up, get inside your head, and for what? For nothing... reasoning is dead. I'm past my hope fading away. I don't want your help. I am not worth it anyway. They're better than me. They'll see it someday. I want him, but that feeling will go; it will fade. He can do what he wants. I am not worth saving. He deserves better, can't drag him down with me. Guess I should have tried harder, been a little more fake, been like everyone else, could have made that mistake. He looks my way with caring eyes, but I look away with my cool calm disguise. Don't let me mislead you and pull you in. Just leave me alone, I'll deal with it.

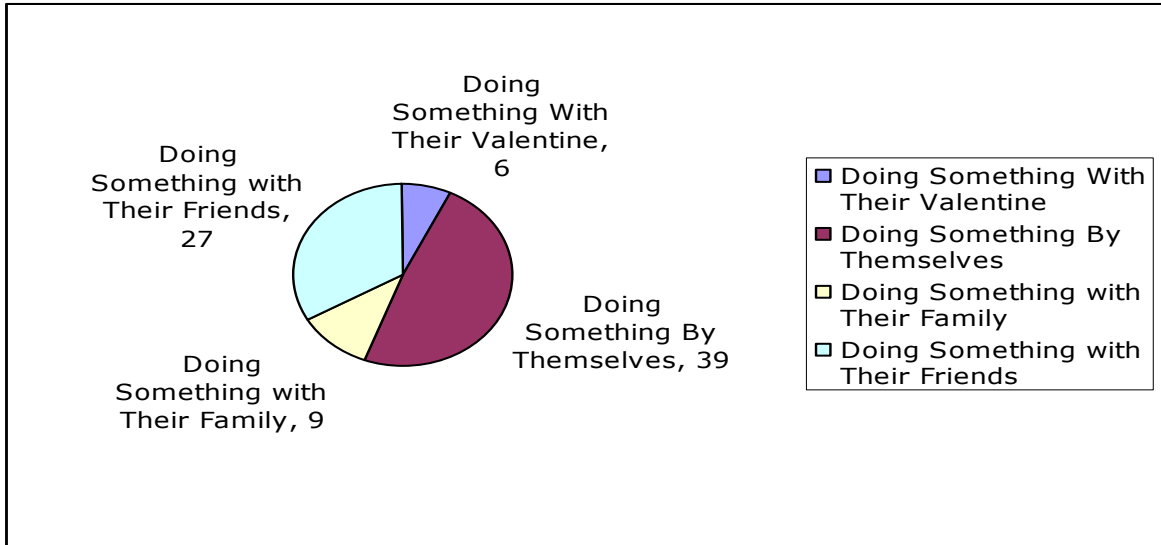


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## WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR VALENTINES DAY?

BY: Megan Stonerock, Emily Wright, and Jacob Caudill

We asked a few homerooms what they were doing for Valentines Day, here is what they said....



## Hall Talk



**Alex Bowers**

Q: What is your favorite thing about Valentines Day?

A: I don't know

Q: Do you have a favorite candy? If so what is it?

A: Sour patch kids

Q: Do you prefer chocolates or sweets?

A: Either one

Q: Do you have a significant other? If so who?

A: Yes, Shelby Seimer

Q: Will you give anyone chocolate this year?

A: Maybe

Q: If cupid came to you what would your reaction be?

A: I don't know. It would be weird though.



**Zoe Turner**

Q: What is your favorite thing about Valentines Day?

A: Valentines Day cards

Q: Do you have a favorite candy? If so what is it?

A: The Christmas trees you buy at lunch

Q: Do you prefer chocolates or sweets?

A: Chocolate

Q: Do you have a significant other? If so who?

A: No.

Q: Will anyone give you chocolate this year?

A: Probably not

Q: If cupid came up to you what would your reaction be?

A: Happy Valentines Day!

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