

Teen Work



In the Eye of the Beholder By Idalys

Sharpen Your Pencil By Taylor

If my friend was like a pencil,
It would be a very tough obstacle to manage.
All the times you lose it,
All the time it breaks,
All the time it is dull,
All the times it needs to be sharpened,
All the times it is by your side.
But then again,
Is that not life?
Being lost,
Becoming broken,
Being dull,
Having the need to be sharpened,
Always having someone at your side.
So then, really, would it be nice if your friend was a pencil?
Or am I the pencil?
Is she the sharpener?
Does she find me?
Does she fix me?
Does she help me?
If I am a pencil,
Then it does not make sense for a pencil sharpener to be my friend.
Pencil sharpeners speed up the process of life.
Even if they make life go by quickly,
At least a friend was always there by my side.

Teen Advisory Board



TAB members at the 2009 Murder Mystery Dinner.

Are you interested in volunteering at the library? You can take care of some of your community service hours by joining the Teen Advisory Board (TAB).

What is TAB? TAB members are teens in grades 6-12 who volunteer two hours a month to help us make the library a teen-friendly place. They share their opinions and ideas about library-sponsored teen events at TAB meetings and help to create this newsletter. TAB meets every 1st and 3rd Monday from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Eisenhower meeting room of the library. If you'd like to join TAB, stop by the Teen Zone Desk to fill out an application. Questions? Give us a call at 720-887-2360.

We asked TAB members two questions:

1. *What's the worst present you could receive?*

Montana: Hannah Montana Barbie
Jennifer: Coal pick
Monro: Dog toy
Lexi: Gift cards to the same place
Carolyn: Piece of coal
Martin: Homework
Michelle: Used dental floss
Jackson: Dead gerbil mom said ran away while I was at camp
Nick: Norton Anthology of World Masterpieces
Caitlin: Great Gatsby book
Daniel: Van Gogh's ear

2. *What is your New Year's Resolution?*

Jennifer: Get my first novel published.
Lauren: Gain 5 lbs. in muscle.
Monro: Get into the finals for hurdles.
Michelle: Become more proficient in Japanese.
Carolyn: Get a part in the school play.
Montana: Get my production company rolling.
Taylor: Work better in a group.
Nick: Learn to fly.
Daniel: Eat 100 bananas in 5 minutes.



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The 411

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December 2009-February 2010

Teen Programs

Science Programs

All science programs are sponsored by the Science Task Force and are open to ages 9-14. Registration is required.



Rocket Works

Celebrate National Engineers Week by blasting off into physics! As the engineer, you will go full throttle and experiment with the basic principles of flight and motion. Design, create, and launch your own paper rocket. Hey, it's just rocket science!

Saturday, Feb. 6, 2-4 p.m.



Holiday Crafts

Low on cash this holiday season? Feeling crafty? Come to this teen program and make homemade gifts for your family and friends. We'll provide all the supplies, you bring the creativity.

Saturday, December 5, 2-4 p.m.



Collegiate Cash

Want some great tips on getting money for college? A representative from College Invest will show teens and parents the steps to apply for financial aid; how to apply for the College Opportunity Fund stipend; how and when to complete the FAFSA, what the EFC is based on and how to apply for scholarships.

Thursday, January 21, 7-8 p.m.



Camp Half-Blood

Join Percy Jackson and his demigod friends at Camp Half-Blood. Play games, learn Greek, test your knowledge on the Olympians, create fun crafts to take home, and learn how to defeat monsters with a sword fighting session.

Saturday, February 20, 1-4 p.m.

On-Going Programs

Boost Your Brain

Math and Science Tutoring
Tuesdays, 5:00-7:30 p.m.

TAB

1st & 3rd Mondays, 4-5 p.m.
(12/7, 1/4, 2/1)

* 12/21, 1/18 & 2/15 cancelled due to holidays

Write Out

3rd Sundays, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
(12/20, 1/17, 2/21)

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Mind Grapes: Top Five Fictional Characters by Montana

1. Atticus Finch (*To Kill A Mockingbird*)

In my opinion, Atticus is truly the most incredible man to ever be introduced into literature. Honest, kind, loving, and not to mention, the coolest dad ever. The name Atticus all in itself says, "I'm awesome. Don't be afraid to befriend me, because I'm the best family man to ever live." (...or something like that). In fact, I love the name so much, I'm going to name my first son Atticus (my future husband's just going to have to deal with it).

2. Liz Lemon (*30 Rock*)

Socially awkward, fashionable in the eyes of only herself, and incredibly quick-witted, Liz Lemon is the epitome of every comedy writer to ever exist (oh, and the glasses definitely help). She's the funniest and most underappreciated woman in TV land, and I aspire to be her in every way possible (Well, except for being completely hopeless with men. She can keep that trait all to herself if she so pleases.).

3. Lisa Simpson (*The Simpsons*)

She's the coolest vegetarian and humanitarian ever to be animated. She's the brainiac know-it-all that we all publicly resent and criticize, but who privately we all want to be BFFs with. She's the spiky-haired chick who convinced us that Buddhism is the best way to go, and who made tree hugging an art form, Lisa Simpson is what I always like to associate the term 'girl power' with. And not to mention, she's one of very few people who can pull off wearing the color orange. Now THAT'S something we should all admire.

4. Han Solo (*Star Wars*)

The first time I saw *Star Wars: A New Hope*, I fell head over heels in love. Yes, the person I'm referring to is in fact, Grand Moff Tarkin... (I really hope at least one incredibly awesome Star Wars nerd out there laughed at that). No, but seriously, no one is cooler (and prettier) than Han Solo. Every male nerd wishes to be as handsome, rebellious, and suave as Solo is (PS, nerdy boys, stop trying. It's never going to happen). But if you do happen to possess any of the same physical characteristics that Mr. Solo does, please call me so we can chat. Thanks, it's greatly appreciated.

5. Guy Montag (*Fahrenheit 451*)

A man who stands up for the right to read literature? Well that's my kind of guy! Now if only we can do something about that dreadfully evil wife of his...



Go Green in the New Year

B in the Loop allows you to sign up for emails from various departments in the City and County of Broomfield. You can sign up to receive a monthly email newsletter from the Teen Zone at the Mamie Doud Eisenhower Public Library. This cuts down on paper flyers and print outs at the library and helps save the planet. If you'd like to go paperless with us, please go to <http://www.broomfield.org/subscribe> to sign up.



Pollution By Monro

The blue sky is covered in smog
Cars and factories emit toxic fumes
Trash floats upon a pond, killing off the hardy frog
How many species our carelessness dooms
We take and take but do we care
The sound of a saw destroying our trees
Why must we soil the Earth's outer layer
Soon there will be trash consuming the seas
But all around us there is life
A shell cracks open with the will of a bird's beak
Having a complex brain is a double-edged knife
We create yet are so destructive, we are not weak
When will the balance of the Earth be complete
Perhaps when man and beast will stop to compete



Fly By Adara



Sandoz Science and Education Center:

Beautiful Truth
Cinema Libre

For all Mankind
By Al Reinert

Inside Planet Earth
Image Entertainment

Jurassic Fight Club Season One
A&E Television Networks

Fractals: Hunting the Hidden Dimension
WGBH Educational Foundation

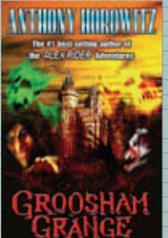
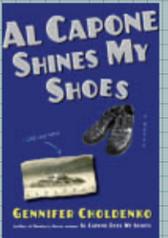
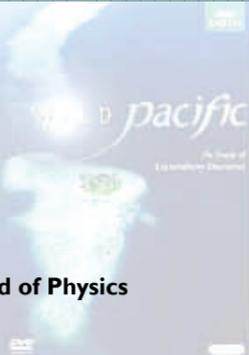


Nature's Most Amazing Events
BBC Earth

Primal Fear
History Channel
Planet Earth
BS.I.

Pre-Algebra Parts 1 & 2
Standard Deviants

The Gravity Packed World of Physics
Standard Deviants



Fiction:

Eleventh Grade Burns
By Heather Brewer YA Bre

Devil's Kiss
By Sarwart Chadda YA Cha

Al Capone Shines My Shoes
By Jennifer Choldenko YA Cho

Sphinx's Princess
By Esther Friesner YA Fri

Groosham Grange
By Anthony Horowitz YA Hor

Ghostgirl: Homecoming
By Tonya Hurley YA Hur

Flash Burnout
By L. Madigan YA Mad

Shooting Star
By Fredrick Mckissack YA Mck

Wish You Were Dead
By Todd Strasser YA Str

Gorgeous
By Rachel Vail YA Vai

Check out these new DVDs in the Sandoz Science Center.