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Tiffany

Connie



Tiffany & Connie Marszalkowski

by Missy Cheaney

Tiffany and Connie Marszalkowski are 2 talented sisters from Naples High. Their parents enrolled them in a variety of classes when they were very young, discovered where their talents were, and now the girls concentrate on those specific areas. Tiffany is a dancer and loves to dive. Connie is a singer and dancer. They seem to be each other's best friend, yet they are very different.

Tiffany

Tiffany is the oldest and very independent; she graduates this month and will attend Florida State University, majoring in engineering and minoring in money — one day she hopes to patent a "million-dollar invention." Her motto is "nothing is impossible."

A remarkable diver, she learned in 3 months and is undefeated in District and Conference, and placed 11th in State. She has placed in many state and regional meets in gymnastics. Tiffany is a cheerleader, sings in the choir, and is a member of the Show Stoppers Dance Troupe. She loves all outdoor sports.

To keep up her honor roll status, she organizes her time and her studies, and admits to being a perfectionist, and loves to work under pressure.

Both enjoy flashdancing, jazz, racquetball, pageants, etc. But asked if you could be anywhere at this moment, where would you be, Tiffany said, "On a desert island with my sister for company — although I love the hustle and bustle of a busy schedule, I wouldn't mind a time of peace and quiet — a place where you don't have to worry about anything."

Tryouts for "Annie"

Make an appointment with the Naples Dinner Theater to tryout for their production of "Annie" by calling 597-6031. They need 10 girls from 6-13 years old.

Left to right: Shelly Coghill, Chuck Nolan, and Tracy DiLella



Photo by Missy Cheaney

BCHS: "Mixed Nuts"

by Missy Cheaney

Michael moves to New York shortly after graduation from college. A writer, he is looking for fame and fortune in The Big Apple, the city of excitement.

Michael rents an apt. in Manhattan from a woman named Edna. The rent is high and the quality is low, but it's home. The apt. building contains many unusual tenants.

Before he settles in, he hears a high pitched scream from upstairs. A few minutes later, Marshall, dressed in a pimento-stuffed olive suit, explains that the scream was from Tanya, a ballerina who defected from Russia. Screaming is part of her therapy. Michael also meets Phil, an actress who runs around in her bathrobe at 3:00 in the afternoon and snoops around his kitchen demanding "caffinated" coffee.

Michael sells an article about the crazy antics taking place constantly among his new friends, but he is afraid to let them read it. An immense fight breaks out, but it all works out. In the end, Michael and Phil admit their love for each other and live happily ever after...for now.

Barron Collier High School outdid itself on this play. It was directed by drama teacher Rodger Bechtol. Shelly Coghill portrayed Edna, a worn down looking landlady. Chuck Nolan played Michael. Chuck made his character comical, serious and sensitive. Marshall, an actor who specialized in fruit and vegetable commercials, was portrayed by Mark Ringley. It was humorous to see just what outfit he would come out with next. He was a hit with the audience. Marcy Norris played Tanya. Her acting and accent was smooth and natural. Tracy DiLella played Phil with great sarcasm. Michelle DiBene made Heather, a flakey and vain New York model, very entertaining.

"Mixed Nuts" earns 4 stars from me — it is good enough to be seen again.

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Kids News Staff

Missy Cheaney

Naples High School — Junior
Missy is the Assistant Publisher, staff reporter, and photographer. She was president of FBLA, member of Keyette Club, in the concert choir, and on the yearbook staff. She plans on becoming a photo-journalist.

Jenny Prue

Pine Ridge Middle School — 6th grade
Jenny writes a recipe column. She belongs to the Girl Scouts and Cypress Knee Cloggers. She also enjoys figure skating and square dancing. Jenny plans on becoming a doctor.

Judy Lawrence

Graduated Michigan State University long ago
During the day Judy is the mild mannered typesetter for Fifth Avenue Advertising. But evenings and weekends she becomes... the mild mannered publisher of Kids News. If she ever grows up, she hopes to be a novelist.

TL Lawrence

Lely High School — Junior
TL is the Editor of Kids News and writes a video/computer column. He is a member of the Computer Club. He plans on attending Michigan State University to major in computer science, with a minor in film arts. He enjoys sailing, and 'going out'.

Monica Masterson

St. Ann's — 8th grade
Monica writes a rock column, an outlet for her addiction of MTV-itis. She is also a Girl Scout, is on her school basketball team, and studies dance at The Dance Center. Monica would like to become a school teacher. (Maybe by then MTV will be a subject, like geometry.)

Sheri Hoy

Golden Gate Middle School — 8th grade
Sheri creates word puzzles for Kids News. She is on the National Junior Honor Society. Sheri has 6 trophies for her figure skating and would like to become a professional roller skater.

Brenda Richard

St. Elizabeth Seton — 8th grade
Brenda is a staff reporter. She studies dance at The Dance Center and would like to become a lawyer or psychiatrist.

Andrew Glazier

Naples High School — Senior
Andy is the staff artist. This summer he will spend 6 weeks at the Andover Academy in Massachusetts and plans to attend Rhode Island School of Design upon graduation.

Sonja Craparo

Pine Ridge Middle School — 6th grade
Sonja is a staff reporter. She is a member of 4-H and would like to become a radio D.J.

Colleen Duggan

Shadowlawn Elem. School — 5th grade
Colleen's many trophies from pageants qualifies her to write a pageant column. She studies voice and modeling and won the So. Florida Miss Charm pageant.

New staff members include Laura Walker, Theresa Smallridge and Nikki Giles.

Marcy Norris and Mark Ringley as Tanya and Marshall in Barron Collier High's hilarious performance of *Mixed Nuts*



The Best Man for the Job Just Might be a Woman!

by Jenny Prue

What do you want to be when you grow up? It does not matter if you are a girl or a boy. You can be whatever you want. You can be a lawyer, doctor, or even a banker.

In 1820, women were not allowed to be doctors, lawyers, or even bankers! Now women can, because Elizabeth Blackwell stood up for women and she was the first woman doctor. She believed she could do it and she did. Then other women stood up for their right, too.

I want to become a doctor and I am going to go for it!

Book Review

by Laura Walker

Hi! I'm going to be a book reviewer for each Kids News. If you have a book you would like to suggest or one you would like me to try out for you, write to me at Kids News.

"JUST DIAL A NUMBER"

Rating: ★ ★ ★ Type: suspense
Level: Middle School/Early High School

Just Dial A Number is about a high school senior named Cathy. One night, after a play she acts in, she and her friends are at her house. Her boyfriend proposes a joke. Have Cathy call a random phone number and deliver her one and only line from the play, "Someone tried to kill me." It would be a gas! Against her better wishes, Cathy makes the prank call. However, what happens next throws her into a nightmare of guilt and terror of being found out. Along the way, she deals with a failing romance, a straining friendship, and close contact with a victim of her call.

Amusement Park

Phase I of an amusement park opens this December. — by Jenny Prue
Park will offer a 36-hole miniature golf course, a miniature race car track, bumper boats, and a concession stand.

It will cover 11 acres north of Pine Ridge Road and east of Airport-Pulling Road. The park will also have nature trails, lakes, streams, fountains and bridges.

Phase II will have a smaller race car track and boat pond for younger kids and will be ready in 1985.

Mr. Frank Cardillo is the developer.

Dungeons & Dragons: Under Fire

Recently, the Parks and Rec Dept. cancelled the Dungeons and Dragons class which has been taught for over a year at Fleischmann Park by Walter Bleck, a senior at Naples High School. Walter taught the class to help pay his tuition at a Lutheran college in Pennsylvania. With only one more 4-week class scheduled, pressure from a local church forced the cancellation.

The church feels that the Dungeon Masters Guide is very close to a satanic handbook for devil worshippers. And while it is true that a kid who played D&D did commit suicide (not in Collier County), other teens who swim a lot have committed suicide, and kids who watch TV commit suicide, and kids who have flower gardens commit suicide.

Dungeons & Dragons (D&D) is a role playing game whereas the players pretend they are heroic figures adventuring through dungeons and towns seeking treasure, fame and fortune. The player chooses his race and class (magic user, fighter, cleric, monk, ranger, etc.) Magic users cast spells to heal wounds, create fire, throw lightning bolts, etc. The player encounters dragons, wizards, ogres, traps and other obstacles.

A mother of one of the class members said, "It's unbelievable (that the class was cancelled.) It's just a game. My son has no difficulty in his mind what's real and what's not. It requires a lot of intellect."

A class member who has taken classes for 3 years (not all at Fleischmann) commented that it is a very complicated game requiring a lot of memorization and the reading of 5 books.

A D&D player figured that those who are against the game simply have never played it, or watched it being played. The minister who had the class cancelled never attended one of the classes.

Dungeons & Dragons is loosely based on J.R.R. Tolkien's "Lord of the Rings" series — classic heroic quest stories. Tolkien's work is a chronicle of the great War of the Ring whereas the One Ring is the Master of all the Rings of Power. To its wearer, the One Ring gives mastery over every living creature, but it was devised by an evil power. Frodo, hero of the story, swears to return the One Ring to the Fire that will consume its power for evil.

Tolkien writes of battles with a dreadful spirit of the underworld, of spells, wizards, warriors, magic, good, evil.

D&D is a combination of the heroic quest, mythology, adventure. It is a challenging game. Not a cult.

D&D players can't understand what the fuss is all about. Walter Bleck was very calm, obviously intelligent, and has maintained a great attitude. He understands the fuss, but doesn't agree. He believes that everyone has the "freedom to express an opinion, but not to infringe on my rights."

We couldn't agree more.

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Last month we promised to give \$5 to the best "Happy Birthday, Kid News" greetings we received. It was just too tough to pick one winning entry, so we declared a tie between Charlie and Lora Tripp. And just to prove how generous we really are, we're not splitting the prize to give each \$2.50, but each one will receive a big \$5! And our thanks. Here's the winning entries plus a couple more we really liked.

Happy Birthday

by Lora Tripp

I have ideas, thoughts, opinions.

But is there someone who would care?

I like to make cartoons, draw pictures.

Is there some way I can share?

Who would pay attention to me?

I mean, I am just a kid.

Until I grow up — 18 or so,

do I have to remain a kid?

Three years ago, no one would have given

a kid like me a chance.

Then Kids News was born

and all the kids should dance

Because now there is a way

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Thank you and Happy Birthday!

JON LEITHE — "Happy Birthday." I like your newspaper because kids write it and kids read it. Also because on regular newspapers, you read: murders, robbers, and rape. That kind of newspaper is made for grown ups and that's why grown ups read it. But your newspaper talks about kids doing what kids do and that's why I think you're the best newspaper. — Your Number 1 fan, P.S. I also like your newspaper because it's free.

Hillary Grode and Stacey MacDonald, about to perform in the "Velvetine Rabbit" put on by the DC Childrens Theater in May.

Dear Kids News

by Charles Tripp

I think Kids News is great because:

- It's around for a whole month so you don't miss a copy.

- It gives kids a chance to write about almost anything, giving practice in written expression.

- It treats kids like people with interests and ideas worth publishing. Respects their opinions.

- Free ads and a free message service in Personals.

- Inexpensive, affordable — because it's free.

- Right size — conveniently fits in notebook or easily mailed. When you finish reading it, it recycles to line your bird cage.

- Classic covers — black and white.

- Leader — the only local children's publication covering all ages, schools, kinds of events.

- Pictures — lots of them — showing local kids.

- Convenient — distributed at library, parks, etc.

- Variety — almost anything kids care to write or draw.

- Friendly, beautiful people on staff.

RANDY SCHOOLCRAFT — Know what I like best about Kids News? When it has pictures of me in it! Thank you so much, you made my day! Happy 3rd Birthday, you're almost as old as me! (EDITOR'S NOTE: We put Randy's picture in the May issue and wished him Happy Birthday)

Best Dressed Cabbage Patch Kids

by Brenda Rickard

Over the Christmas season everyone wanted a Cabbage Patch Kid. Recently the Fur Galleria in Cedarhurst, New York announced the wealthy look for your CP Kid — fur coats! Starting at \$200 for a beaver fur, they go up to \$795 for a reversible beaver and silk fur.

What's the next stop? Cabbage Patch Inn?

Tumbling for the Worlds Fair

Gulfcoast Gymnastics Academy's Show Teams are going to the World's Fair July 28-30. They are selling raffle tickets to help pay their way.

The tickets are \$2 each and the winner receives a trip to the Bahamas for 2 for 3 days and 2 nights. The drawing will be July 4.

You can buy tickets at Gulfcoast Gymnastics, 2222 Kirkwood Ave., 775-6542 or by calling Debbie Crockett, 774-1494.

SPLASH



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Rock Review: Van Halen

by Monica Masterson

Van Halen's latest album, "1984" has just recently gone gold with the group's number one hit "Jump." They have recorded six consecutive platinum albums. Their newest releases are "I'll Wait" and "Panama."

Van Halen includes lead guitarist Edward "Eddie" Van Halen, 27; singer David Lee Roth, 29, known for wearing about 3 different outfits per video; the drummer is Alex Van Halen, 29; and the bassist is Michael Anthony, 29.

If you want to write to the group, their address is: Van Halen, P.O. Box 2128, North Hollywood, California: 91602.

MathCounts Competition

by Laura Walker

At the University of Central Florida on April 7 the 2nd annual Florida State MathCounts began. Eighteen teams attended the competition. They were the winners of the 18 Regional MathCounts competitions, which were held at places ranging from Jacksonville to Miami to Naples. This region's winner was the team from E. Naples Middle School.

The competition started with a written test consisting of 40 questions to be finished in 40 minutes. "It was easy," stated Mark McComel from Lighthouse Acres Middle School, this region's individual winner.

Next came the individual speed round. Each person was given 5 sets of 2 questions each, with a time limit of 4 minutes on each set.

A special topics section in geometry followed the speed round. Pam Shriver, the E.N.M.S. coach was taken aback by the difficulty of that section. "The practice questions we were given were much easier," she said.

A free lunch was served in the student cafeteria. Over lunch, the teams and coaches discussed the difficulty of the previous sections and strategy for the team round, which was next.

The team round consisted of 10 very difficult questions to be answered in 20 minutes.

That was the end of the competition. The judges counted up the points.

The 1st place team was Coral Springs Middle School. E. Naples Middle School tied for 15th. The team members were Laura Walker, Matt Bressie, Kellie Gonn, Lili Crawford, and Pam Shriver, the coach.

The individual winner was David Nations, a 7th grader from Pine View School in Sarasota.

It was an exciting day, filled with mathematical equations, and a day I am not likely to forget.

BE CREATIVE THIS SUMMER!

Mothers hate to hear "I'm bored!" Don't be bored! Sign up to learn a craft — sand sculpture, soft sculpture dolls (Cabbage Patch Kids), mobiles. Make things with magnets, soap sculpture, and plastic needle work. The following one week classes start June 11 at Creative Touch, Park Shore Plaza.

- JUNE 11 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1-3 p.m. SOFT SCULPTURE. Ages 8-18. \$30 includes all materials. Runs again June 18.
- JUNE 18 Monday through Friday 10-12:00 GENERAL CRAFT classes. Ages 4-18. \$25 includes all material.

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CLOGGING — The Cypress Knee Cloggers want you to join their club. Call 455-5498. Classes each Wed. 7 - 9:30 PM at Carpenter's Hall, (behind Hart's Dairy on Airport Rd.) 3427 Enterprise Ave.

HAVING A PARTY — or get-together? Need entertainment? Call the kids: THE CYPRESS CLOGGER, 597-3989.

Personals

Almost anything goes here, unless it is libelous or slanderous (untrue or too nasty). Last names will not be used without permission. Must include phone number or your 'personal' won't be published. (Phone number for Kids News use only.) **Personals MUST BE MAILED TO KIDS NEWS, PO BOX 45, NAPLES, FL 33939. NO PHONE CALLS.**

GRANDMA/MOTHER — Happy Happy. We remembered again! Your ever-loving daughter and grandson.

MISSY — Still livin'! — Marcie

ROBBIE, JOHNNY, SHANE & JOEY — Hello! — Justin

HAPPY 16TH BIRTHDAY — CHRIS LANDHERR — JUNE 14TH — Love, Mis

MRS. MASON — A wonderful teacher — Jenny

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY RICK — Love Randy, Sabrina, Missy

HAPPY 3RD BIRTHDAY KIDS NEWS — YOU ARE THE BEST! — Keep up the good work JTM

TINA — Quiet Woodrow! — Marci

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BRENDA R. JUNE 17 — Kids News

LORI — Good luck with the boys and have fun in Mid. I know I will — Jenny

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY DAD — Love, Tootsie

GULFVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL — Kids News took lots of pictures at your prom, but they were lost by the developing house. We're really sorry, it would have been a nice layout.

GRAN — The nicest person I know — Love Jenny

EVERETT C — Get in touch with KN and get my address — Marci

CARRIE — Thanks — Jenny

HI MOM — HAVE A HAPPY!

JASON — You're cute — Love Jenny

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Alex Saari and Joe McGuire, ready to go on stage for the "Velvetine Rabbit," put on by the DC Childrens Theater in May.



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Thank You Naples Park

by Jenny Prue

I spent 6 very nice years in Naples Park Elementary School. Now I am going to 6th grade. Why do I miss that school so much? It's the school. It's the teachers' smile and help and the fun we had. It's the special friends I made and we had a lot of good times, the manners and responsibility we learned, the teachers always saying the right things. It's the warmth and laughter we got. The special kind of listening or the little extra thing.

Those are some of the reasons I will miss that school. But I'm looking forward to next year in my new school.

Thank you to all the people in Naples Park Elementary School.

Little Miss Firecracker

Deadline for registering for the annual Little Miss Firecracker Contest is June 23, but call 263-4552, 262-6141 or 774-4912 NOW if you plan on being a contestant.

Votes are collected from containers placed around town. Each cent collected is one vote. Contestants must be between 3 - 6 years old by this June 30. \$5 registration fee is nonrefundable.

"Most Patriotic" costume will be judged on July 1.

The contest is conducted by the Naples Jaycee Women and proceeds to go to the Training and Education Center for the Handicapped "Step-by-Step" Program. This program serves handicapped kids from birth to 5 years old who are not currently being served by the public school system.

Movie Review: Indiana Jones!

by T.L. Lawrence

"How's he going to get out of this one?" you'll be asking yourself all through this second Indiana Jones movie. In it the infamous Indy drops in on a little village in India, along with his young cohort, Short Round, and nagging blonde, Willy Scott. Indy learns that an evil cult has stolen the village's magical stone. Since then the river has dried up, the crops caught fire, and their children were stolen. Indy, being an archeologist, accepts their offer to try and regain the stone.

This movie is incredible, the visual and sound effects are fabulous, and the action non-stop. From start to finish it keeps you on the edge of your seat. Better than Raiders of the Lost Ark, if you can believe that.

Peer Tutors

by Sonja Craparo

There are 11 5th grade peer tutors at Sea Gate Elementary. They are: Stacey Philips, Cathy Petz, Mandy Cross, Kelley Halsey, Pam Porter, Jeff Mahaloff, Sonja Craparo, Nicole Jansen, Stacey Wynn, Shara Cohen, and Katrina Davis.

Tutors are special people who give up their recess time to help young students in kindergarten - 3rd. All the tutors enjoy working with the children. They work in every subject area: reading, math, language. All the tutors give of themselves and are willing to help in whatever way the teacher would like.

Mrs. Urbach is the coordinator of the program. The students and teachers think it's a worthwhile program.

Birthdays of the Stars

by Monica Masterson

These are some of your favorite star' birthdays you don't want to miss this month.
RON WOOD (Rolling Stones) — June 1
CHARLIE WATTS (Rolling Stones) — June 2
FRANK ESTER SMITH (Air Supply) — June 5
NICK RHODES (Duran Duran) — June 8
MICHAEL J. FOX (Family Ties) — June 9
DOUG McKEON (Alice) — June 10
BUN E. CARLOS (Cheap Trick) — June 12
BOY GEORGE (Culture Club) — June 14
BARRY MANILOW — June 17
PAUL McCARTNEY — June 18
MICHAEL ANTHONY (Van Halen) — June 20
JOHN TAYLOR (Duran Duran) — June 20
TRICIA POWELL — June 20
CARLY SIMON — June 25

Softball 10-12 Division

by Nikki Gilles

Many girls signed up for softball in March, and for many there was fun and excitement. A couple of weeks after you sign up, your coach calls and tells where and what time practice is.

The softball season ends in June and your game might be very soon, so you have to try to make the practices. Then, after a few practices, your team has a game against another team. After your first game, you have more practices and more games. At the end of the season you, your coach, and team mates have a fun party.

Some teams win about every game they play while others lose them. Lots of players try very hard to win the games, but most of all you should have fun!

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