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Ben and Jerry's fans overcome with new flavors



Growing in popularity, Ben and Jerry's ice cream has done a lot for charity and ice cream lovers alike over the years.

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Resident Evil video game turned into flick



Viewers have conflicting opinions regarding the recently released cinematic production of the popular video game.

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Girls' track squad heads indoors



Coach Brent Pitt and the girls' track team have sprinted off the blocks on their '02 season and are looking to finish strongly.

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Antioch pursues land deal

Cooperative effort to create space for sports, recreation

By Kristen Berman

Seventy acres of land will be purchased in collaboration with the Village of Antioch, Antioch Township and Antioch Community High School District 117. The land will be used for Antioch Community High School athletic playing fields as well as a public park, recreation facilities, and hiking trails.

The land borders Depot Street and runs up against the industrial buildings off of Anita Street. The project will be funded by a recently approved grant for \$702,700 by the

Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

40 acres of the land are currently owned by Waste Management, while 30 acres are a part of the Horak estate.

None of the land in question is on a landfill site.

"The Village, Township and District 117 are in the process of

finalizing their intergovernmental agreement," said Dr. Dennis Hockney, District 117 superintendent. That agreement ensures that each group will have equal say in how the land is used.

"The high school has been working for a couple of years exploring the possibility of acquiring additional land for athletic fields," said Bill Ahlers, business manager. Ahlers said they were approached by Waste Management to see if there was an interest. There was, but the school lacked the funds. Looking into the possibility of receiving a

grant, it was discovered that only a government agency could request money.

"Antioch Township applied for the grant last October," said Steve Smouse, Township

supervisor. The township and high school have worked together previously concerning building on the new high school's property.

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-Bill Ahlers
ACHS Business Manager



Photos by Kristen Berman

IF THEY BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME: This field, off of Depot Street, will someday be the home to ACHS athletic playing fields, public parks, and biking and hiking trails. Steve Smouse (insert), Township supervisor, points out, in an aerial photo, the location of the land that the Village and Township of Antioch, and District 117 will purchase together.

As of now, the land has not been purchased and a date for the purchase has not been set. However, Hockney predicts that in the next couple of months an agreement will be met and plans made final.

The 70 acres will be more than three times the size of the current high school's facilities which are 17 acres. The second high school will sit on 65 acres. Polley field has 50 acres. However, the newly acquired 70 acres of land will not all be usable since some of the land

is on wetlands.

A future expansion of the land is a possibility. An additional 90 acres sits next to the 70 acres, however as of right now, it is unusable. Half of it is owned by the Village and the other half by Waste Management.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) along with Waste Management is in the process of restoring the land. No plans have been made to purchase the land off of Depot Street or develop it until the EPA gives the go ahead.

First annual prom fashion show raises funds for Sigma Alpha Delta

By Jessica Halston

The first annual Sigma Alpha Delta Prom Fashion Show took place on March 13 as 31 Antioch Community High School juniors and seniors took a stroll down the catwalk. Held in the ACHS auditorium, contestants helped raise funds for pre-prom activities and other campaigns run by Sigma members.

Gurnee area stores including Group USA provided dresses for the ladies, and tuxedos were supplied by Jack's Four Squires in Antioch and Mike Bjorn's Fine Clothing and Museum in Kenosha, Wis.

ACHS junior and choreographer Gina Kraenzle helped contestants maintain grace in the limelight with a lesson in modeling

etiquette. Contestants went through a two hour practice session, during which they were asked to wear dress shoes while perfecting their walk.

"It was interesting learning how to walk," said ACHS junior Shanna Casey. "It's a lot more detailed than it looks."

Casey, who accompanied senior Nathan Sackschewsky during the pairs demonstration, was one of 20 girls to choose their dresses on Casimir Pulaski Day.

Sigma leaders Lisette Hirsch and Tim Noonan supervised as the girls were asked to pick ensembles that varied in style and color.

Junior Kristen Kessell, who walked the stage with a zebra-print clad freshman, Andrew Newton, agreed that the show was a success.

"[The best part] was actually performing it with the lights on the stage."

Noonan was happy with the fundraiser and Sigma made out better than they expected to.



Photo courtesy of Yearbook
PRETTY IN PASTELS: Ashley Hayner and Pat Angell teamed up for the pairs portion on March 13.

Council disappointed... Food drive could 'have been better'

By Matt Ward

For the second straight year, the Antioch Community High School student council participated in a countywide food drive. The food collected, including that collected at ACHS, totaled a massive 67 tons of food and the most successful to date. The food was distributed to 18 different Lake County food pantries. Organized by the Lake County Food Resource Council, much of the drive's food came from local area schools. The drive took place from March 1 to March 10.

ACHS' contribution to this year's food drive was disappointing for the council.

"I think it wasn't as good of a production as last year," said Sarah Fielder, student council president, "it would have been better if we had gotten more."

The school ended up producing about 10 boxes for the drive. The three-day weekend that fell on that weekend is also thought to have contributed to the poor turnout.

"Our biggest problem this year was the

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