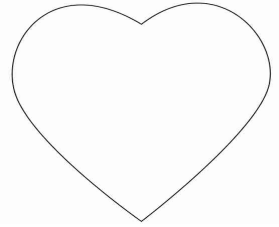




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## Casey Students Show Off Their Amazing Talents!

The seventh annual Casey talent show this year was held on February 1st. Casey students and teachers saw the performance at 2:00 in the afternoon. Parents had an opportunity to see the talent show that evening.

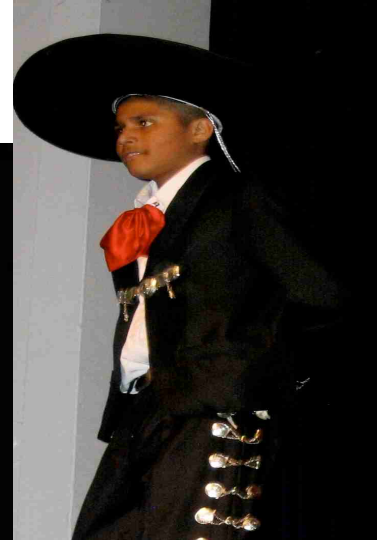
“We had some great talent,” said one student. Bailé folklorico and jazz band performed. Denzel Samaniego performed stand

up comedy. Sophie Gordon and Marley Kemler were two gymnasts who showed off their skills. Cecilia and Ali, danced to a Michael Jackson tune. Logan played the piano.

“The talent show this year was brilliant,” says seventh grader Will Barrett. “There was a lot of creativity in this talent show,” said another. “It



Denzel Samaniego shows Casey his humorous side at the Casey Talent Show.



Ernesto Flores joins the rest of Baile Folklorico.

sounded so good I wish I could have seen it,” said Zaira, a 7th grader who missed the talent show. “I love Casey,” said one parent who joined students to watch her daughter dance in Baile. “There is so much talent.”

## Eighth Graders Inspired after Movie Field Trip to See Freedom Writers

By Vanessa Zapata and Ana De Santiago

On Friday January 26<sup>th</sup>, most of the 8<sup>th</sup> graders took a field trip to a theater in Louisville to watch a new movie called *The Freedom Writers*. Many students said that they enjoyed the movie, and several said it was one of the best movies that they had seen. *The Freedom Writers* is based on a true story.

New teacher Erin Gruwell arrives at a school in Long Beach, California to teach 9<sup>th</sup> grade English at a school called Wilson High School. She finds out that her students' lives are more difficult than she could have imagined. At the beginning of the school year, Mrs. Erin meets all of her

students and she realizes they have their own groups based on skin color and that the students don't even talk to students of different races. After a few days pass, Mrs. Erin asks her students to read Anne Frank's diary together. This story is about a Jewish girl named Anne Frank who is hiding from the Nazis during World War II. After reading this diary, Mrs. Erin hopes that her students will be able to believe in themselves and also have trust and confidence.

Once they finished reading the story, she decides to give them each a journal so they are able to write about their memories or feelings. By giving them journals, Mrs. Erin hopes that her students will feel safe.

She also uses games so that her students are able to get to know each other and also realize how much they have in common. Once the students realize this, they start becoming friends.

Because the movie was so powerful, many students at Casey are starting to read the book, “The Freedom Writers Diary.” Viviana Rivas said that, “It was an inspiring movie.” Ms. Lazar said, “I have seen Hasan reading the book in the back of my room almost everyday since he got back from the movie.” Ana De Santiago dijo que le gustaría ir nuevamente al cine para ver una película que tenga un tema similar.

# OPINIONS

## The Xbox 360 vs. The Wii Round Two

By Devon Gates and Connor Murtha

In round one of the Wii vs. the Xbox 360, the Xbox 360 was given too much credit, as many agree. There are some things that the Wii has but the Xbox 360 doesn't. With the motion sensing controller that senses where the player moves the remote, the system will make the character on the screen do what the player does. For example, in *The Legend of Zelda: Twilight Princess*, if you swing the remote you wield the sword of the main character. The reaction time of the Wii is very quick and this feature makes the games more interactive.

Both systems are compatible with the previous systems' games. But the Wii comes standard with this compatibility whereas with the Xbox 360, the upgrade has to be purchased separately, which is not cheap. The feature is pretty cool because there are some pretty fun games on the Game Cube.

The Xbox 360 may have a bit better graphics because they have HD cords. But the Wii's graphics aren't that bad, and they also have HD cords. The sports games tend to be more fun because they are more interactive. You can have a better in-game experience and you don't need perfect graphics to have fun.

There's also the issue of the price. The Xbox 360 has a few different packages with prices ranging from about \$400 to \$500. The Wii has a solid price of about \$300. Both systems games tend to cost the same, but the appliances and upgrades are usually a lot cheaper.

In the area of memory, the Xbox 360 wins. It has more memory than the Wii, but they both have enough memory to have a successful gaming experience. Overall, the Wii beats out Xbox 360. Many Casey students agree.

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~Dear Cubs~

Dear Cubs,

There is a kid in school who gets picked on a lot. He acts differently. But I feel bad when I see him get teased, bumped into, and called names. What should I do?

Signed, Watching and Sad

Dear Watching,

Be brave. First, tell any bullies that they are doing something wrong, and then tell them it is hurtful. Tell the person being picked on that he or she should walk with some of his or her friends or peers. If they don't have any friends, you and your friends could back him or her up. Still, even if the other techniques work, tell the principal or another adult what's happening. Bullies don't stop on their own.

Dear Cubs,

My friends and I just had a BIG problem with two other friends and a lot of people are involved, like our parents, their parents and the principal at school. We really didn't do anything, and my friends and I don't know what to do to solve this problem. What do you think we should do?

Sincerely,

Stressed and Confused

Dear Stressed,

Try and patch up what happened. Even if you don't think you did anything, say sorry. Saying sorry makes a big difference. If you don't want to be friends anymore with these people, then stay away from them and don't make the problem worse. Don't stress over deciding what to do. You can't really solve a problem with someone else unless the other person wants to solve the problem as well. Remember, if you REALLY want to be friends with them, say sorry and mean it.



# SPO RTS

## Casey Wrestlers Winning Matches

By Devon Gates

The wrestling season started on January 23<sup>d</sup> and ends February 27<sup>th</sup>. Casey's wrestling team, led by Coach Cody Kenny, has had three meets and a total of nine matches per competitor so far. Casey has a pretty good wrestling team because they have done well. According to some students, the wrestlers train hard and are in good condition, and it reflects in their wrestling. Out of the eight wrestlers who are participating this year, three are 8<sup>th</sup> graders, four are 7<sup>th</sup> graders, and one is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader. Although both boys and girls can compete, only boys went out this year. The next meet is today at Platt.



A small, but mighty wrestling team practices in the gym for today's meet at Platt Middle School. The season continues for another two weeks under the supervision of Coach Kenny.

## Winter Sports Calendar

### VOLLEYBALL

TEAM 1	FEB.20- TUES	HOME vs ELDORADO
	FEB.23-FRI	HOME vs NEDERLAND
	FEB.26- MON	AT LOUISVILLE ms
	FEB.28- WED	HOME vs PEAK TO PEAK
TEAM 2	FEB.2-FRI	HOME vs PEAK TO PEAK
	FEB.5-MON	HOME vs PLATT
	FEB.9-FRI	AT MANHATTAN
	FEB.13- TUES	HOME vs SUMMIT
	FEB.14- WED	HOME vs LOUISVILLE
	FEB.23-FRI	AT NEDERLAND
	FEB.26- MON	HOME vs BROOMFIELD HEIGHTS
	FEB.28- WED	AT PLATT
WRESTLING MATCHES	FEB.22	AT PLATT
	FEB.27	AT PLATT



Coach Rivera congratulates the volleyball team after a good game.

## Eighth Grade Girls Score in Volleyball

By Zaira Aviles

So many Casey girls went out for volleyball that there are two teams. Both teams have won games so far. On February 13th, Coach Blackledge's volleyball team lost a close match against Angevine, while Coach Rivera's team beat Summit in a home game. Ms. Rivera's team won the match three games to two. Ms. Rivera's team will also play against Louisville Middle School on the 14<sup>th</sup> at home. Coach Blackledge said, "We are working very hard, and having fun. We have won a couple games, and we're trying to give the other team a good match." Fans are welcome at games.

## Valentine's Day Horoscopes

By Jaelen Tate, Rika Winklmann, and Will Barrett

### Aquarius-(Jan. 20- Feb.18)

You will try too hard on Valentine's Day to find your perfect match, but that one special person will be with you through it all. Don't look for love; it will come to you.

### Pisces-(February 19<sup>th</sup>-March 20<sup>th</sup>)

You are single and loving it! You just got out of a relationship that had a lot of drama and rumors. You are not on the best terms with your ex, but it really seems like he or she still kind of likes you. You should just chill with some friends and then maybe find a new match.

### Aries-(March 21- April 19)

You will not find love on Valentine's Day, but you will have a great time with your friends. Enjoy the holiday for love and you will find peace in yourself. That one special Capricorn that you have your eye on will notice you, and love will grow between you.

### Taurus-(April 20- May20)

Good luck!! Although love will not be there for you on Valentine's Day, someone that you will never expect to will come into your life and have a huge crush on you. Look out for that one new person in your life.

### Gemini-(May 21- June21)

You will have good luck with love on Valentine's Day, only to have it stolen right from underneath you. Don't try too hard to find love that is not there from the beginning.

### Cancer-(June 22<sup>nd</sup>-July 22<sup>nd</sup>)

Valentine's Day is sweet, but romance is not always! You're a little down because one of your crushes is dating one of your friends now, but it's no big deal. Your other crush is still single. Try flirting a little to get your message across. Don't worry too much if you don't hook up until after February 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Leo-(July 23- Aug.22)

A new person will come into your life and you will fall head over heels in love. Keep your wits about you. Stay away from the candy on Valentine's Day because you might get sick afterwards!!!

### Virgo-(Aug.23- Sep.22)

You're going to have the best luck with love on Valentine's Day because you may have a secret admirer. The person that your heart truly desires will come forth and pledge their eternal love to you.

### Libra-(September 23<sup>rd</sup>-October 22<sup>nd</sup>)

You are undecided over two people. Both are good looking and both seem very sweet. Asking a few friends for their opinions is fine, but don't make a big deal of it because you don't know if you are even going to ask one of them out. Wait a week or so, then make your decisions. Which one will you choose, or will you even be asking anyone out?

### Scorpio-(October 23<sup>rd</sup>-November 21<sup>st</sup>)

Some things really aren't great, especially because you are single with no crush and no match! But if you hang around some of the fun places that people go to, like skate parks and coffee spots, you might find your interest sparked.

### Sagittarius-(November 22<sup>nd</sup>-December 21<sup>st</sup>)

Two people have asked you out, but you have not given either an answer yet. What has made your situation harder is that the "someone" that you do like doesn't seem to like you. Of the people that asked you out, one is more popular and better looking, but you two have always been good friends and you don't want that to end. The other person is incredibly sweet and not bad looking either, but a little "dorky." Right now you just need to untwist all your confusing thoughts and then make a final decision after that.

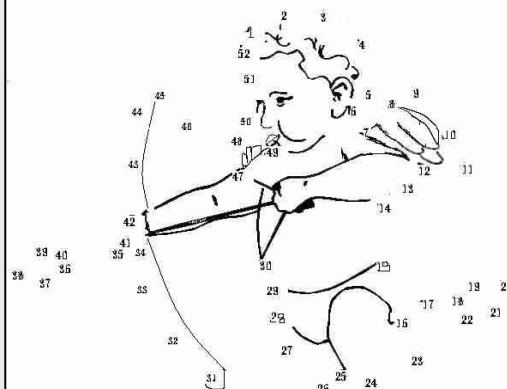
### Capricorn-(December 22<sup>nd</sup>-January 19<sup>th</sup>)

Enough people have crushes on you from what you've heard, but you don't know who they are. Your life is going pretty well, but it would be nice if you were dating someone. Right now, you're fine with crushing on your favorite celebrity! Wait to see if someone sends you anything for Valentine's Day or asks you out. If not, you might want to see if there's anyone who sparks your interest.

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

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