



# Smoke Signals

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## Spelling Bee

By: Gabbie Morrow

S-P-E-L-L-I-N-G B-E-E, Spelling bee! It is time again for Ladd Grade Schools spelling bee. Every year our school holds an annual spelling bee for grades 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> come and watch to get an idea of what they will be doing in one or two years. The spelling bee will be held February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 A.M. There will be one winner and runner up from 8<sup>th</sup> grade and one winner and runner up for 7<sup>th</sup> grade. All four kids will go to the County spelling bee which will be held in Princeton, Illinois.



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## Project Alert- Morrow

By:

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This year's 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes are learning the importance of staying drug, alcohol and violence free, and are also learning about peer pressure and bullying and how important it is to stand up for yourself and say no to things that you don't want to do. We have a local company, the North Central Behavioral System, come and teach the students here at Ladd all of these important qualities. They do an outstanding job every time they come to our school, of teaching the students to stay drug and violence free, to be smart when it comes to peer-pressure, and how to take care of bullying the right way!

**Current Events-****By: Linnea Lee-Brown**

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**Presidential Speech-****By: Michael Manning**

“Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." That is a famous quote by Abraham Lincoln the 16th president took out of the Gettysburg address. This is one of the presidents that the 7th graders at Ladd School may be imitating. The 7th grade presidential project is when 7th graders at Ladd School will be impersonating presidents or first ladies. This project will be on 2/16/12 at 10:45.

**Geography Bee****By: Jenna Parente**

This year's geography bee was spectacular! It was close but Michael Manning won! Payton Baker came in 2nd place and Alex Cattani finished in 3rd. The questions were very hard. Congratulations to all the participants. The winner will be taking a test from National Geographic to see if he qualifies in a higher competition.



## Roller Skating Pictures



## Favorite Valentine Treat-

By: Emily Breland

Happy Valentine's Day! I wondering what your favorite Valentine treat is. We interviewed 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders to find out. First, we interviewed Courtney Heinecke, Ethan Cattani, and Makenzie Meuser. Courtney said, "I like Hershey Kisses". Ethan C. said, "I love Kit-Kats." And Makenzie said, "I really like Skittles." Next, I interviewed Camden McDonald, Brooke Tonozzi, and Andrew Thomas from 6th grade. Camden said, "I'm in love with Twix." Brooke T. said "I like Dove's Milk Chocolate." Andrew T. said, "I really love Twix also." Then, I interviewed Madi Quinn, Kalysta Biskie, and Taylor Bastion from 7th grade. Madi Q. said, "I love Candy Hearts." Kalysta said, "I really, really like Candy Hearts, too." And Taylor Bastion said, "I like Sour Patch Kids." Finally, I interviewed Anthony Papini, Madison Considine, and Kaylyn Webber from 8th grade. Anthony said, "I love Suckers." Madison C. said, "I really love Candy Hearts." And finally, Kaylyn said, "I like Chocolate."



## D.A.R.E. Graduation- Linning

By: Gabby Englehaupt and Payton



On January 25th Mrs. Tumbleson's fifth grade class graduated from D.A.R.E. Deputy Dan has been visiting their class since October fifth. We interviewed three fifth grade students, about what they learned in D.A.R.E. Bryn said, "I learned that you should never do drugs because they could harm you," and Conner said, "I learned that drugs could affect the way I play sports". Brandon Friewald, a new student in the fifth grade class, told us about how D.A.R.E. taught him how to make future life decisions, "I thought D.A.R.E. was a good experience to prepare me for other life situations involving drugs and violence." They are all excited that they have graduated from D.A.R.E. but are also sad to be moving on.

All of the fifth grade class participated in the essay and poster contest. Congratulations to Gabby Englehaupt for winning the 2012 D.A.R.E. poster contest, Max Manning for taking 2nd, and Makenzie Meuser for taking 3rd. Congrats to Max Manning for also winning the 2012 D.A.R.E. essay contest, Jenna Parente for taking 2nd, and Brandon Friewald for taking 3rd. Congratulations to our fifth grade class for making a good effort to win the "Above and Beyond Award". When you see the fifth grade class please congratulate them on their achievements.

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## Science Fair-

By: Erin Biccoci



It's that time of the year again for the 7th graders to create their projects, test their hypothesis, and analyze their results. I interviewed a couple of people to see what experiments they were conducting. Vicki Wales reported hers was "What Color Popcorn Pops Best?" Kyle Follmer told me his was "Which Light Bulb Lasts Longer on a Battery?" Nick Edgcomb said his was "Which brand of Shotgun Slugs is the Best?" Lastly, Madi Quinn and Hope Goetz said theirs were "Does External Stimuli affect our Dreams?" The judging was on February 2nd at 9:00a.m in the science lab. Public viewing was February 2nd from 4:00-6:30p.m in the science lab. The 1st place winners going to Regionals in DeKalb is Vicki Wales, Michael Manning, Nick Edgcomb, Taylor Bastion, Gage Ripka, and Trey Funfsinn. Good Luck to the qualifiers for Regionals and Great Job to everyone.

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Valentine's Poems-

By: Evan Sartain

By: Abby Michels (1st)

Roses are Red,  
Violets are Blue.  
I love spending time with you!

By: Riley Coble (1st)

Roses are Red,  
Violets are Blue.  
Don't forget there are  
colors like pink and red and  
white and green.

By: Nick Yepsen (2nd)

On this special day,  
I would like to say,  
You'll always be the one.  
I love you a ton.  
I'm so happy when you're around.  
I enjoy your every sound.  
That's all I have to say,  
Besides Happy Valentine's Day.

The colors of February.

By: Claire Morrow (3rd)

On Valentine's Day we think  
Of who makes our lives  
Worthwhile. Those gracious,  
Friendly people we think of  
with a smile. I'm fortunate to  
know you, that's why I want to say  
To a rare and special person...

By: Makenzie Galetti (3rd)

Valentine, Valentine  
Valentine's Day.  
Valentine I will love you today,  
I will love you tomorrow,  
I will love you always.  
Valentine I love you so dearly,  
It is Valentine's Day,  
I came here to say,  
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY.

By: Caitlyn (3rd)

Valentine, Valentine,  
in a tree  
It is pretty  
It is for me it says  
Happy Valentine's Day



# Skating Pictures

