

HSAS'S GINEL SLIDES INTO A-ROD'S SPOT

By Kimberly DeJesus('08)

Captain of the HSAS softball team, Cecily Ginel('08), has just turned Major League Baseball upside down. Breaking all current norms within the league, Ginel has just been drafted by the New York Yankees.

Ginel, who is currently hitting over .700 in the early stages of the PSAL softball season is ready for the challenge that awaits her, stating confidentially "the MLB holds no weight. I can handle it."

The surprising move by the Yankees began when a mysterious man was spotted lurking behind the gates of Harris Field, watching as Lady Senator Softball game against Taft High School a week ago. The crushing 18-0 defeat of the opposing team was led in part by the power surge displayed by Ginel, who hit a monster homerun shot to center field ending the game with a total of six RBI's.

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After the game, the mysterious man took off his baseball cap and dark tinted glasses to reveal that he was none other than Yankee General Manager Brian Cashman.

Impressed by Ginel's power and cool demeanor, Cashman signed Cecily on the spot to a major league deal, surpassing the minors all together. She is expected to make her debut within the early weeks of the Yankee season, batting clean-up and taking the field at shortstop.

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The move left many wondering what would become of the two current Yankee team giants Alex Rodriguez and Derek Jeter. When reached for a comment, Yankee manager Joe Girardi said, "we're all professionals here." He added that, "both Alex and Derek know their places in this club house and if someone can fill their spot better than they can, they have to move over and accept what's best for this ball club."

The question still remains as to how the softball team will deal without their star player. The Lady Senators plan to go ahead full force and continue the winning tradition they have started over the past few seasons. When asked about how he felt about losing Ginel, softball coach Chris Ballerini replied, "it's a hit to our team for sure, but as long as I get season tickets I'm sure I can deal with the pain." ☞



Picture set-up by K. DeJesus('08)

A-Rod accepts Ginel with class

SOFTBALL BABY!

By Boss Lady Thom('09)

Keslie Carrion('09), star catcher of the Senators' Softball team, is proud to announce the birth of her first son, born on March 11, 2008.

The baby was named Micah, after Micah Jenkins, a confederate general during America's Civil War, obviously proving how truly dedicated Keslie is to American Studies.

Carrion had been looking tired, reacting slow and eating less. *Common Sense* deduced that there could be only two possible explanations. Either Carrion recently had a baby, or she was a

High School of American Studies junior. It turns out that both assumptions were correct.

The baby weighs a healthy 8 lbs 3 oz, and has blonde hair and blue eyes. Some of his favorite activities are eating, sleeping, crying, and playing Call of Duty 4 on Xbox.

Arnold Mansdorf('1776) was unsympathetic adding, "I don't care if she had twenty babies, the DBQ essay is still due on Monday."

He went on to say, "my very own mother once gave birth to quintuplets while churning butter and getting my father ready for the American Revolution." He then went back to sharpening pieces of chalk into aerodynamic knives.

Justine Lucid('08) was present at the birth, as she was the midwife.

That baby is a gift to our softball franchise,

"Live babies are disgusting. I'm definitely never going to have one of these slimy, skeevey creatures," Justine could be heard saying as she cut the umbilical cord.

Alexander Aleman('09), who Carrion has named as the father, was non-responsive only adding that the, "[expletive] is triflin'. That baby ain't mine. She's just tryin' to make trouble for me and my wife."

The three of them are scheduled to go on the Maury Povich show next week.

Katie Adrian('09) said, "Alex needs to take responsibility for his kids. That baby is a gift to our softball franchise, as well as to the human race."

When asked if she planned on having any more children, Ms. Carrion said, "Of course! I'm going to form an army to overthrow the dictatorship that is the Department of Education."

She continued on to say that, "my next child will be named Bosslady, even if it's a boy. Because I want him or her to be a gangsta."

Ms. Carrion has decided to raise the baby Jewish. ☞



HSAS AFTER HOURS

By M. Hamlett('08)

Have you ever wondered what goes on at HSAS when we are all kicked out of the school building at 4 o'clock by one of the many different safety officers? Do you notice that our freedom to roam the campus has been dwindling? They must be hiding something.

The safety officers are actually an underground gambling ring. They are exporting illegal lemon drops, threatening our administration to look the other way, and bribing the president of Lehman College to keep us out of the café after school.

The uncovering of the Public Safety enterprise comes as no surprise to Utak Westside('88) who

told *Common Sense*, "since the foundation of this school I have formulated theories of the extracurricular activities that the security guards have conducted and have concluded that my conspiracy theories have been correct."

Carl Geyla('98) was astonished, "to even think that the people you trust to protect you would conduct such ruthless, relentless, and selfish behaviors," concluding that he regretted, "that we elected them."

When I reminded Carl this was an article about the Safety Officers and not on America's foreign policies, he responded by saying "oh."

Not all the students were opposed

to the black market activities of the constantly shifting safety officers, who are only protecting their goods.

When asked how he felt about these actions taken by our safety officers, Ariel Amayini('69) simply said "viva la revolution!"

Julian Kilowatts('00) was indifferent to these findings saying, "it doesn't really matter to me... actually it would be nice if the students were granted some type of reparation, or compensation for being kicked out so early against our will." He added "why go home and do homework, when you can hang out at school with your buddies."

His cousin Timothy Microwatts('71) agreed, "if they're going to use our facilities, at least give money back to keep us quiet."

If you're still reading, you're obviously extremely bored or you would like to know how the security guards were uncovered and how this story ends. Well, it's your lucky day, because this is how it ends.

Officer Casse tossed out a delivery boy who was here to drop off Officer Huckleberry and Officer Cupid's Chinese food.

The resulting madness and mayhem was everywhere. The officers accidentally broke the door to the janitor's closet, where their stash was located, in their anger.

Due to further investigations led by the F.B.I., the schematics were located in Mr. Mansdorf's podium. ☞

IT'S NOT PANDA, BUT WHAT IS IT? By J. Lucid('08)

Since the student body is reduced to eating at the student cafeteria at Lehman college for lunch, many of the students try their luck at the on site Panda House.

The portions are large and pretty affordable, and there are many dishes to choose from. Albeit that their profits have consistently risen over the last few years, there is most certainly a drop in the quality of the food, most noticeably in their meat dishes.

Many students have agreed that the chicken is most certainly anything but chicken. There have been many theories about what these mysterious cubes and lumps of greasy, gelatinous material actually are composed of—but up to this point in time, there were no *factually* based assertions.

A team of HSAS students, specially trained in the former USSR's espionage tactics, collaborated and conducted a fact finding mission. It seems as if there are not two but actually three levels of tunnels beneath the college campus; but access to the deepest tunnel system is only permitted to cafeteria workers.

Apparently, what the investigative team discovered was so egregious that actual photographs could not be included in this issue of the newspaper. There were cages upon cages of nothing but pigeons.

Typically, pigeons are silent

creatures; yet these birds were squawking and pecking one another's eyes out. They were being fed worms and canola oil so that they would grow up to 18 inches tall and weigh in excess of 6 pounds (feathers not included in that final weight).

When questioned by *Common Sense*, the Panda House chefs declined to comment if their names were going to be included in the article. Anonymously they offered, "why pigeon? They are spreading disease in our streets, eating our birdseed, and making messes on our automobiles. They must be stopped!"

When notified about the contents of the dishes that the average HSAS student consumes, our freshman friend Matthew Peretti ('11) says, "I always had this feeling that if I really knew what was in the lunch, I would regret spending my weekly allowance on it." Matthew added that "It's peanut butter and jelly from here on out."

Marieke Walter('10) is "happy she's been eating the pizza," adding that "I find it disgusting, but I'm still going to eat it because it tastes pretty good."

By the time the current freshmen become seniors, the "Pigeon House" [renamed by Cassandra Donaltn ('09)] will more than likely be out of business. ☞



Picture set-up by J. Lucid('08)

EDS EPIDEMIC HITS THE HSAS POPULATION

By Jose Gonzalez('08)

Student Marcus Berdequezh (O'never) was found to have a deadly and contagious disease named EDS, otherwise known as *Eventual Death Syndrome*. The disease could be contracted in many ways. Even one infected person could mean the eventual death of the entire school.

David Meyers('2014-hopefully) contracted the disease shortly after Marcus came to school. David told *Common Sense*, "I can't believe I caught the disease. I wasn't even in any of his classes. I'm such a noob."

Even people who haven't been in school have been getting this disease, like Petor Cipriano(O'sooner or later), and Henry Cheng(O'lol).

What exactly is EDS? This is a "most terrible disease" according to the CDC that causes natural death to occur. The usual age of death of someone who has contracted this disease is between 60 and 90 years-old according to popular insurance tables.

Now what do we do, you ask? Well we all just die....eventually. Thanks to Marcus Berdequezh, we are now doomed to eventual death.☞

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The League turned its attention to Coach Steven Schulman in late 2007. An investigative team tailed Schulman in order to track his whereabouts.

After checking into this incident, the PSAL found out that Schulman had purchased a case of anabolic steroids, which were believed to be the reason for the team's enhanced performance.

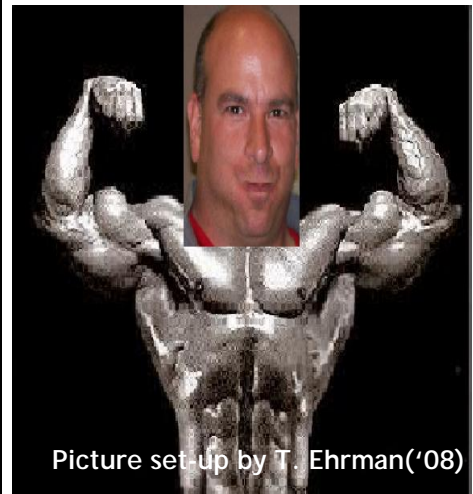
When questioned about the allegations, Schulman had this to say, "its true, I did give them steroids."

"I took them reluctantly," Deandra Norman('08) said, "because I knew that there would be consequences if I didn't."

"Coach told me that I wasn't strong enough to play," cried Naomi Weisz('10) who told *Common Sense* that "he said that the pills would improve my game, though he didn't tell me what they were."

The newest members of the team were shocked to hear the allegations. Alana Menendez('11) commented that, "I thought that they won by pure talent. I can't believe that Schulman did something like this."

Coach Schulman has been subpoenaed to testify before the United States Congress sometime in the following weeks, which will now dismiss the Roger Clemens case to focus its attention here. ☞



Picture set-up by T. Ehrman('08)

HAVE DENTAL FLOSS, WILL DEFEAT U-BOAT By Alex Messana('09)

It has recently been released by the U.S. government, several decades after the fact, that World War II was won by our very own Mr. Elinson, sort of.

Many students have often wondered why Mr. Elinson knows all the inside details of American History. *Common Sense* has the real reason.

Towards the end of the war, in April of 1945, Mr. Elinson's ship, the U.S.S. *Lifetaker*, was confronted by the German U-Boat the *Hassle Hoff*. Instead of letting the rest of his crew panic, Elinson instinctively rose from a deep sleep to take action.

Still clad in Navy issue boxers, he calmly told the crew, "don't worry guys, I'll handle this." He then proceeded to jump into the ocean, and swim the 20 miles between the ships in a record three minutes.

As he climbed onto the German U-Boat, most of her crew swam. With only a butter knife and some dental floss, Elinson overtook the remaining German crew, and commandeered the ship as a trophy for the United States of America.

Witness to the phenomenal battle, Michael Hamlett II('49) said that Elinson was, "the bravest man ever." He added that, "he will go on to do great things in life."

Bossman Thom II('29), our own Bosslady's grandfather, was so impressed that he offered to buy Elinson a pair of pants and let him keep the U-Boat where it now serves as a party boat for locals.

Although many students believe Mr. Elinson was absent from school for medical reasons last month, the truth is he was in Washington DC at a party thrown in his honor.

If you see him in the hall, congratulate him on his great success, and thank him for winning the war.

The Major Motion Picture *Rambo*(2008) is loosely based on this experience.

