

The Living Room Times

"All the Nose that's fit to print."

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At last... the dance article!!!

Due to a busy schedule, a birthday, and Halloween, the "Living Room Times" chief editor, Brendan Loy, has not had time until now to complete an article about the Kellogg Halloween Dance. But for today's edition, the article is now finally complete. Here it is!

For the second consecutive day, Martin Kellogg hosted a Halloween dress-up day and afterschool social. Thursday was the first, for the fifth and sixth graders. Friday, was the second, for the seventh and eighth graders.

The seventh and eighth grade wing was filled with costumes. Mr. Vincenzo, Mrs. Mann, and Mrs. Agnew all dressed up as hippies. Mrs. Gonzalez dressed up a witch. Mrs. Toback was not there, but Mrs. Wertsching, her substitute, came dressed as an angel. Mr. Turner wore some kind of robe/blanket thing. Mr. Passerelli was a clown with huge ears.

Some kids' costumes were: Daffy Duck, a U.S. Army soldier, a girl with a really big (huge) gown on, Greg O'Donnell having a REALLY bad hair day, a UConn Huskies cheerleader, Jaimie Kwassman as a baby, a half-human half-goat, a soccer player, a hockey player, a caveman (well, a cavewoman), several more hippies, some kind of fortune teller or something, a mime, Bill Clinton, and a Mighty Morphin Power Ranger (Mrs. Siano's son). There were also plenty of witches, goblins, and other strange costumes.

The most popular costume of all was Bryan Rudolph's which he didn't wear until the dance started. He put on a

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"Taco's World" newspaper debuts at Kellogg

A new student newspaper made its first appearance at Kellogg on Tuesday. The newspaper, called "Taco's World," focuses much of its attention on foreign language teacher Mr. Turner, who is often called "El Taco" by his students.

Brendan interviewed one of the editors of the newspaper. Because of the nature of the newspaper, though, the editor wishes to remain anonymous.

"How often will you be writing 'Taco's World'?" Brendan asked.

"Once a week, probably," replied the anonymous editor.

"What day? Is it a specific day [that you will be bringing the paper into school]?"

"It will probably be available either Monday or Tuesday."

"Okay. What kind of articles will be featured in it?"

"Well, as you can see in this article [from the premiere edition], it says that we'll have various sports, like intramurals, football; top ten lists for various teachers; and um, anything, you know, anything."

"So, basically, it's going to be a newspaper that focuses on....the focus is on El Taco, but it will also include other things that have nothing to do with

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Monday Night Football: Packers 33, Bears 6



CHICAGO (AP) --

Unable to beat the wind and rain with Brett Favre's arm most of the night, the Green Bay Packers slogged over the soggy Soldier Field turf to earn a victory they had to have.

Edgar Bennett scored three touchdowns and Favre had a 36-yard scoring run as the Packers defeated the Chicago Bears 33-6

Monday night.

Bryce Paup intercepted two passes for the Packers (4-4), who stayed in the hunt for a playoff spot. The Bears and Detroit Lions also are 4-4, meaning the Minnesota Vikings have a two-game lead in the NFC Central.

Favre was 0-for-7 before completing a pass to Sterling Sharpe midway through the third quarter.

Finally, after the Packers' running loosened up the Bears' defense, Favre completed four passes on the drive that gave Green Bay a 27-0 lead. He capped the 65-yard march with a 13-yard pass to Bennett, who rushed for 05 yards and two other scores.

Favre finished 6-of-15 for 82 yards. But his biggest accomplishment on a 43-degree night that included 36 mph gusts and a steady rain was simply taking care of the football.

Favre, who threw an NFL-high 24 interceptions last season and was picked off seven times in this year's first seven games, carefully engineered Green Bay's no-turnover attack Monday.

Chicago, meanwhile, had five give-aways.

Erik Kramer fell to 1-4 as the Bears' starting quarterback. He fumbled once and was picked off twice by Paup before Steve Walsh replaced him to start the second half.

The loss is sure to throw gasoline on the Bears' smoldering quarterback controversy -- Walsh won three consecutive starts while Kramer was out with a separated shoulder.

The Bears avoided their first shutout since 1989 when Walsh and Jeff Graham connected on a 5-yard touchdown pass with 5:55 to play.

Reggie Cobb added a 9-yard scoring run for the Packers with 1:53 left.

Chicago won the coin toss and took the wind instead of

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WHAT'S THE WEATHER?



.WEDNESDAY... MOSTLY CLOUDY WITH A 30 PERCENT CHANCE OF SHOWERS. HIGH NEAR 55.

.THURSDAY... FAIR BREEZY AND COOLER. LOWS 40 TO 45. HIGHS 60 TO 65.

.FRIDAY AND SATURDAY... FAIR. LOWS 40 TO 45. HIGHS AROUND 60.

MKMS Halloween Dance

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woman's bathing suit bra—and stuffed it—and became a flasher/cross-dresser!

He went into the boys room (or was it the girls room?) during boys' chorus (or was it girls' chorus?) to change into his costume.

As flex ended, everyone coming to the afterschool social walked down toward the gym and cafeteria to present their tickets and get into the dance.

As the dance/social itself started, so did BLL News Radio and Living Room Times live coverage, led by anchorman and chief news reporter Brendan Loy (dressed up as Bill Clinton).

Brendan was wearing a very big Bill Clinton mask with very small eyeholes, and as he walked down the hallway, he announced, "Do not try to get in my way! Just because you can see me doesn't mean I can see you!"

"Kill Bill!" yelled Travis Derr.

"And there's an assassin on the loose!" Brendan added, as he reported to his tape recorder everything that was going on.

"Tim, how do you get a secret service?" Brendan asked Student Council President Tim Stevens, who was dressed up as a vampire.

"Talk to Dan [Seremet]," Tim replied.

"I need a secret service!" Brendan yelled when he found Dan.

"You look stupid!" Dan replied politely.

"Hi Brendan!" said Beth Milewski as Brendan continued to look for a secret service, stumbling around with his mask on. Kristyn Fontanella also came over to where Brendan was.

"Hi Schnuckums, Hi Schnuckle," said Brendan, using

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Monday Night Football

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the ball. But the Bears never got closer than Green Bay's 26-yard line in the opening quarter.

Kramer and Lewis Tillman fumbled a handoff exchange on the Bears' first series of the second quarter, giving Green Bay the ball at Chicago's 11. Two plays later, Bennett scored on a 3-yard run.

Chicago's Chris Gardocki, who had 56- and 57-yard punts with the wind in the opening quarter, managed only a 19-yarder against the gale in the second. And the Packers immediately took advantage, going 58 yards in four plays.

On third-and-2 from Chicago's 36, Favre faked a handoff left and went right on a bootleg. Following fullback Bennett and tight end Ed West, Favre rumbled down the right sideline. At the goal line, he hurdled cornerback Jeremy Lincoln to complete the longest running play of his career.

Robert Green's fumble set up Bennett's 1-yard TD run with 2:25 left in the third period, making it 21-0.

At halftime, the Bears retired the numbers of Hall of Famers Gale Sayers and Dick Butkus.

They could have used both players Monday. Sayers was a spectacular "mudder," once scoring six touchdowns in the muck against San Francisco. And Butkus, the prototypical hard-hitting middle linebacker, lived for old-fashioned, smash-mouth, get-dirty football.

Packers defensive tackle Steve McMichael had a successful return to Soldier Field. In the off-season, the Bears cut him after 13 years, including the 1985 championship season.

"Taco's World" new student newspaper

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him?"

"Right."

"How successful and popular was today's first edition?"

"It was pretty popular. Mrs. Toback found it."

"Now, would you say 'Taco's World' is... the jokes about Mr. Turner; would you say they're all in good fun?"

"Yeah. He's a cool teacher."

"Yeah."

7th and 8th Grade Halloween Dance a success

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Beth's and Kristyn's 'Schnuck' names.

"Brendan, you look so cute!" squeaked Kristyn (Schnuckle) in a high voice.

Brendan was soon surrounded by Schnucks, as Tara Boisvert (Schnucki) and Jessica Olson (not an official Schnuck, but a friend of the Schnucks) came rushing over as well.

"Hello my name is Bill Clinton, and my wife Hillary is the President," read Kristyn (Schnuckle). That was what Brendan's Bill Clinton nametag said.

"This is Brendan!" proclaimed Tara (Schnucki), as she figured out who was under the big Clinton mask.

Bryan Rudolph took center-stage again when he grabbed Brendan's Bill Clinton mask and put it on, then unzipped his coat, and became Bill Clinton cross-dressing!

Most of the dance was uneventful in terms of gossip. There were few slow songs, and even fewer rumors about who might dance, for the first hour and a half of the dance.

The rumors which were circulating said that Jessica Olson and David Downes probably would dance, and that Student Council President Tim Stevens and Kim Pina might dance.

Although there was no slow-dancing for most of the dance, there was plenty of dancing to other songs, especially when the ever-popular "YMCA" was played. Beth and Kristyn even convinced Mrs. Brown, Kellogg's principal, to come out onto the floor and dance during "YMCA"!

As the dance—which is technically not a "dance," but rather a social—went on, there were various contests, including the limbo contest. That competition was won by Kristyn (Schnuckle).

"Kristyn!" called Brendan Loy after Kristyn won. "You won! Do you have any comments?"

"Yeah, I won!" repeated Kristyn.

"Wow! What a comment!" said Sean Vivier, sarcastically.

After Kristyn won the contest, she went to talk with her fellow Schnucks and Friends of Schnucks who were at the dance—Tara (Schnucki), Beth (Schnuckles), and Jessica (not a Schnuck).

"You won! You won! Aaaahhhh!" screamed one of the Schnucks incredulously. The others were very excited as well.

"She won! She won! Aaaahhh!" Brendan repeated in a high voice, satirizing the screaming Schnucks.

And now, back to the gossip, or lack of it. There was *no* actual slow dancing—none at all—until Mrs. Siano announced that there were only two slow-dance songs left. By this time, it was almost the end of the dance.

Finally, when Mrs. Siano made that announcement, some

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couples danced. The song they danced to was "Hero" by Mariah Carey. In addition to two seventh grade couples, there were several eighth grade couples. Paul Labowski and Margaret Majewski danced again, as they had in the 'Welcome Back Social' a few weeks earlier. Tim Giles and Danielle Faulkner also danced again.

One couple who danced for the first time—at 4:39 PM—was Jessica Olson and David Downes. The two are going out, and were going out at the last dance, but they did not dance then. They did, however, dance this time.

The two people who were "supposed to" dance, but did not, were Tim Stevens and Kim Pina. Despite all of Brendan's efforts, neither one wanted to ask the other out.

"Tim!" yelled Brendan, who wanted Kim and Tim to dance so he'd have a bigger news story to write about in this newspaper. "Tim! Dance! Dance with Kim! Dance with her now!"

Brendan gave up his efforts to get Kim and Tim to dance during "Hero," because he was busy recording and taking pictures of David and Jessica and Paul and Margaret.

"Hero" was the second-to-the-last slow song at the dance. The final song, "All For One," was the last opportunity for any couples who wanted to dance to do so.

It was also the last chance for matchmaker Brendan to try to convince Tim and Kim to dance. "Where's Kim? Where's Kim? Where's Kim?" Brendan repeated. He then joked, "Everyone else is dancing and I'm looking for Kim. Where's Kim?"

It took a while for Brendan to even find Tim and Kim and get them both on the dance floor, and even at this point, they were on opposite sides of the gym. Brendan ran back and forth between them, trying to get them to dance. As time went on, though, so did "All For One" and Brendan started to run out of time.

"Dance with her! Dance with her!" yelled Brendan.

"If she wants to dance with me, tell her to ask me!" Tim replied.

Brendan then ran back to where Kim was. "Kim! Kim! He said, if you want to dance with him, ask him."

"Well, tell him to come over here, and I'll ask him!"

"No, you go over..."

"I don't wanna go all the way over there!"

So, Brendan ran back to Tim. "Tim! She wants you to go over there!"

"I'm piling tapes," said Tim, who was indeed working behind the table where all the music was.

Back to Kim... "Kim! He's piling tapes; he can't come

over right now."

"Well, then forget it!"

A few minutes later, Tim walked over in the general direction of where Kim was.

"Ask her! Ask her! Ask her!" Brendan yelled at Tim. Tim refused.

"Ask him!" said Brendan, turning to Kim. "Ask him! I think if you ask him, he'll say yes!"

Kim refused as well. They never danced.

"You failed!!!" yelled Sean, with an evil laugh.

There was a controversy throughout the dance among the student council officers, about the presence of some parents who helped out with refreshments. Kristyn Fontanella's mother was there, as was Travis Derr's mother, and Sara Hamilton's mother. There may have been others as well.

The exact nature of the controversy is not known to us, but Tim Stevens summed it up with a rather lengthy quote.

When asked if he had any comments on the dance, Tim said, "I think the parents need to be gotten rid of, but other than that it was pretty good....What I mean is, they [the parents] completely took over the food, and now they're asking if they can have refunds on what they bought, and, Mrs. Siano's failure to communicate has greatly impaired this dance. I don't see where the get off doing that!"

"Can I print that?" replied Brendan.

"Yes!"

"And that's all," said Brendan as the dance ended, "for BLL News live, exclusive coverage of the Halloween Party, the second dance of the Martin Kellogg

QUOTES ABOUT THE DANCE

"I won something!!!" —Sean Vivier

"It's fun to stay at the YMCA." —David Downes

"It was terrific....I sure did [have fun dancing]!" —MKMS Principal Amzie Brown (Mrs. Brown)

"Yeah." —Kristyn Fontanella, when asked if she had a comment. She never did tell me what her comment was, just that she had one.

"It was fun." —Tara Boisvert

"I don't think the parents should come next time." —Student Council Treasurer Dan Seremet

"I am in much deep, deep, deep, lot of love." —a seventh grader named Debbie (Herb).

"These two lovebirds want to be left alone so they can kiss." —Kim Pina, referring to Paul Labowski and Margaret Majewski.

"I thought it was very successful." —Gym Teacher and Student Council Advisor Denise Siano (Mrs. Siano)

QUOTES AND COMMENTS:

“What did you do for Halloween?”

“I got a lot of candy; about half a pillowcase full. And I went with Carrie, Brynna, Melanie, Suzie, Tim, and Jeff, and that’s it. Want to know what we were all dressed as? I was dressed as a bag of jelly beans. Carrie and Brynna were dressed as homies, Susan was dressed as a UConn person, Tim and Jeff; we put make-up on them, and, like, rouge and lipstick. And, Melanie, I think she was dressed as Cindy Crawford or something like that....We went to Mr. Spitzer and Mr. Mont’s house, so we could get candy from them. And, we went out, we were out for like two and a half hours, and then we went back to Carrie’s house, and had pizza and soda and did our candy stuff, then I went to Nancy Rudolph’s house and had dessert, and had more candy. And, I have a lot of candy now. I like it.” —Jaimie Kwassman

“Actually, I did nothing but work. I cut my class; I was supposed to go to a class last night but I cut it because I had so much work to do. And, of course, I didn’t get anything done.”
—Mrs. Toback

“I went and stole people’s candy.” —Sean Waterman

“I passed out lots of candy to some dumb little kids.” —David Downes

“I went to Brian Newbold’s neighborhood.” —Tim Stevens

“I egged Brendan Loy’s house....I smashed pumpkins at Brendan Loy’s house.” —Kevin Hauschulz

“I just walked around getting candy, I guess....I got two backpacks full of candy.” —Jeff Gustavson

“I got candy.” —Michael Fahr

“Well, I biked eight different streets, got two bags of candy—biking is a lot faster....562 or 564 [pieces of candy].” —Kieth Druckenmiller

“About half a pillowcase full [of candy]. I didn’t get a lot this year.” —Bryan Rudolph

“I did nothing.” —Billy Gray

“I stayed home, in my pajamas, giving out candy to the little trick-or-treaters.” —Lauren Correll

“I went out trick-or-treating, and then I got egged by a lot of people, so I went trick-or-treating for, like, twenty minutes. And then, I went home, and I was very upset....and also, I just want to say that Halloween is ruined by all these people, and how when we went to go for help, the lady wouldn’t let us in, and so, it just goes to show how Halloween is sucky.”
—Hilari Butler

“And whoever egged Hilari better watch out!....I did go trick-or-treating with my brother....I got a whole pillowcase full [of candy].” —Kim Pina

“I ate candy.” —Tara Boisvert

“I painted my face.” —Kristen Fisher

“Nothing.” —Carrie Angyel

cooking tip from Keith

"I took different kinds of [Halloween] candies, and I put them in the stove, and I melted them together. And then I poured them into a Dixie cup and let it dry, and then I ripped up the Dixie cup and ate that as a bar. It was really good."—*Living Room Times Food Expert Keith Druckenmiller*



TOP TEN BAD THINGS ABOUT WINNING \$70 MILLION

Letterman, Friday, October 28, 1994

10. THEY PAY YOU A DOLLAR A YEAR FOR 70 MILLION YEARS.
9. SURE, YOU CAN AFFORD LUNCH IN NEW YORK CITY, BUT WHAT ABOUT DINNER?
8. CITIBANK RAISES THE LIMIT ON YOUR VISA CARD TO \$100 MILLION, AND SUDDENLY YOU'RE IN OVER YOUR HEAD!
7. YOU IMMEDIATELY LOSE YOUR CREDIBILITY AS A DUNK TANK CLOWN.
6. TIP A WAITER ANYTHING LESS THAN A THOUSAND BUCKS, AND HE'LL CRACK YOUR SKULL WITH A PEPPER MILL.
5. PAPERBOY TRIES TO CONVINCE YOU THAT THE NEW YORK TIMES NOW COSTS \$1200 A DAY.
4. YOU KNOW YOU'LL JUST SPEND IT ON 70 MILLION MORE LOTTERY TICKETS, YOU MORON.
3. SOME CHEMICAL IN ALL THAT GREEN INK TURNS YOU INTO A CRAZY LITTLE CHIPMUNK LIKE ROSS PEROT.
2. YOU DONATE IT TO A COLLEGE & THEY NAME A BUILDING AFTER YOU CALLED "LUCKY BASTARD HALL"

