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HAWTHORN TRIO, HAWTHORNEY AS EVER!

On Tuesday, there was going to be a performance of the Hawthorn trio that consists of the three string professors at SMSU. The Rowley's were all very excited and a little tired because they had been to a concert the night before.

So like all those other times, they drove to Ellis hall, and picked out prime (too close to the stage in Katherine's opinion) seats, and waited anxiously for the musicians to take the stage.

Geraldine, Elspeth, and Hyuk were sitting behind the rest of the Rowleys, giggling (not Hyuk,) and asking everyone if they had any gum.

Then the three trio-ees took the stage as the lighting was lowered.

The first half of the concert was a six movement Beethoven trio that sounded very good, and was very entertaining.

After a short intermission, they played a rather long four movement Schumann, that was very good also, and when it was over, the audience clapped so much, they came back on the stage three times.

After the concert though, when pop told Dr. Hays that his tone was good, he kind of acted like it hadn't been that good of a concert.

Then the next day, Elspeth's stand mate in Orchestra told her that Dr. Muchnick didn't think she did that well either.

"She yelled at me more than usual in my lesson," said her stand mate, "But it was hard for her to be mad at me when I just stood there with a smile on my face."K

ALLISON GIVES UP

On Thursday night after dinner and cleaning up, Allison, Katherine, Elspeth and Mom went to "Half of Half" to shop for Geraldine (adopted sister) for her birthday. Allison decided to look on the racks that held her size clothing. She was about to go and find mom when she found baby blue pants that were irresistibly soft, had a draw string waist, and were the low, low price of \$5.

Allison went and tried them on, they were

a perfect fit.

Allison walked a little faster than usual to find Mom to ask her if she would buy them for her. Mom agreed to buy the pants for Allison, after some serious whining. But unfortunately they didn't find anything for Geraldine.

Allison and Mom payed for Allison's pants while Elspeth and Katherine went outside to wait. While waiting very impatiently, Katherine dared Elspeth first to touch a white truck.

"Eeww, Truck cooties." Katherine said when Elspeth did it.

Then she dared Elspeth to touch the large "Claire McCaskil for Governor" sign, on the other side of the parking lot. She did...

"Eeww, Democrat cooties!" said Katherine.

When they got home Allison went into her room out on the pants and vowed never to take them off except when she slept or went to a formal occasion.

Allison and Mom have been wearing their "sweats" around the house ever since Allison got her pants. This according to something that Mum heard in Colorado (where she got her outfit,) means that they has just given up.

"They've ALL given up!" Said Katherine who's in a tee-shirt and jeans. A+K

A PARTY FOR GERALDINE

Sunday was Elspee's friend Geraldine's birthday. So the week before, Geraldine's room mates and Elspee began to plan a birthday party for her. Well, actually Geraldine's roomies did all the planning, but Elspee helped think of people to invite, and then called some of them.

The plan was that all of Geraldine's friends would meet at seven in the evening, at Geraldine's apartment, and then, after hanging around for a while, would go iceskating, and then head to Steak'n Shake for something to eat.

"That's a great plan!" said Elspee, who started thinking of people to invite.

Saturday rolled around, and Geraldine called Elspeth.

"Do you want to come early?" she asked, "I made soup!"

"Sure, said Elspee,"

So after practicing viola a bit, she loaded up the presents she had gotten for Geraldine, and headed over to her house.

Who wants to know what Elspee got for

Geraldine? Since it has been cold and rainy of late, Elspee bought Geraldine a big red scarf, and black gloves and an earwarmer. Since the Rowley family has joked that they adopted Geraldine, Mom gave her an autograph book, which everyone signed, and Allison and Katherine gave her a five pack of Ramen Noodles, the staple food of the college student. Good presents aren't they?

So back to the party. At about six thirty one of the bassoon players from orchestra showed up, her name was Courtney. Elspee found out that she is also a freshmen, and that they are about the same age. Then a girl named Sara, who is in the same fraternity as Geraldine, came by, followed by Ann Marie, Curtis, David the next door neighbor, and his friend Andy. (you will not be tested on these names later)

After hanging out and watching some TV shows on DVD, they all set out for the iceskating rink.

Andy and Elspee helped Geraldine, who hadn't ice-skated in a long time. David didn't leave the wall, Then Margaret, Dan, and Jerad showed up, and more fun was had.

After about an hour and a half, everyone had sore feet, but were ready to go have more fun. So they all piled into their several cars, and headed to Steak'n Shake, a restaurant, that contrary to the name, does not cause seizures. The first one they arrived at was very crowded, so they piled back into the cars and went to another location, which was mostly empty. Elspee ordered a milkshake which was half vanilla and half strawberry. It was very good, but was way too much icecream.

"Mmmmm...too much icecream." said Elspee. After loitering around for a while, and probably scaring away customers, they went back to Geraldine's apartment. Elspee arrived before Geraldine, so she went to watch an episode of *Stargate SG1* with David, Andy, and Curtis, who are big fans. Elspee had seen the episode before, so she had a hard time keeping the plot to herself.

After watching Geraldine open her presents, David gave Elspee a ride home. A great time was had by all, and Elspee really wants to watch season 7 of *Stargate* when David buys it this week. E

MARGARET COMES OVER FOR DINNER

When Mom went to pick up Elspeth from collage she also got Margaret from the Scholars dorm. Mom Elspeth and Margaret went to the grocery store while they were out and got dinner stuff. Around 5:10 they

got back and in 15 minuets they had, with Allison and Katherine's help a dinner of broccoli soup and biscuits ready for eating. After their meal, Katherine got the drumsticks (Ice cream cones with chocolate and peanuts on top) out and they ate their dessert without complaint.

After dinner and 15 minuets of cleaning up Margaret decided that she wanted to go to "Half of Half" (for the second day in a row) to shop for clothes and maybe a present for Geraldine's birthday. After a lot of begging and whining Margaret got her wish. They went to Target after "Half of Half" and spent two hours there. At ten thirty they finally returned. With gloves and a ear muff for Geraldine, and had seen Margaret safely to the dorm for the night.

After returning home, everyone got ready for bed, because they had had a big day, and they were all tired. K

RIDDLES REVIVED!

So, since people sent in answers to last weeks riddle, WE WON'T QUIT DOING THEM!

But first for the answers that our readers sent in...

Jackie Kregas guessed: A herd of slightly overweight raccoons.

George Kregas guessed: A far sighted, cross-eyed, slightly knock kneed lonely moose, with an attitude.

We are sorry to say that these guesses aren't correct although they are pretty funny...

THE CORRECT ANSWER IS.....
A BEAR! Which is what Judy Paul guessed, so that makes her (drumbroll, please,) READER OF THE WEEK! YAY!

Now that you have seen what one person can win when they set their mind to figuring out a riddle, try this one!

What's red, has four eyes, plays (or played) cello, and likes to eat candy?

Okay, people, there are two correct answers for this one, and I will be surprised if no one guesses this at least one...

So that about wraps it up for this issue... Join us next week when we report on more undeniably, unuseful, unnecessary, INFORMATION!

(That's not an excuse not to send in your guesses. We love to hear from you people!) K

NEW WORD NEWS FLASH!

Word: "Canblameable" The shortened version of "Able to blame."

Example: "You're not canblameable this on me! I didn't do it!" K