

wkh#srolw\ndo#wrldhw

Yummy.

Bush vs. Kerry

Inside this Tissue:

Bush vs. Kerry	1
Czech Pride	1
Annika's Jokes	1
Calendar of Events	2
Whoa. That's a big..	2

Annika's Weak Jokes of the Week

Why don't anteaters get sick?

They're full of anty-bodies!

What do you call a guy who never passes gas in public?

A private tutor!

How does a gingerbread man make his bed?

With cookie sheets!

What song would you sing if everyone in the U.S. sneezed at the same time?

God Bless America!

Hahahhahaha...

So no one emailed me their opinion on who they think the next president will be. *Sigh.* In response to that, I took articles off of the internet that are both interesting and semi-political. Remember to vote next Tuesday the 2nd of November. Also, come to the house event that night in the TV lounge to see who ends up being the next president. Fun times.

NEW YORK - Kid power! Democrat John Kerry (news - web sites) is the winner, and the rest of the country should pay attention because the vote on Nickelodeon's Web site has correctly chosen the president of the United States in the past four elections.

Nearly 400,000 children and teens voted, and the results were released Wednesday. Kerry received 57 percent of the vote; President Bush (news - web sites) got 43 percent.

Nickelodeon has been airing information on the Nov. 2 election, plus sponsoring debates where kids could put forth their views on the

environment, the war in Iraq (news - web sites) and terrorism. Some animated shows on the cable channel also have been focusing on the election.

Linda Ellerbee, who writes and hosts "Nick News," says their voting usually reflects their parents' views — but not all the time.

"Every so often you get a kid that says, 'My parents are voting for X, but I'm voting for Y,'" she said. "It's amazing, the point when kids start forming their own ideas about issues."

Ellerbee said Nickelodeon has been traveling the country teaching about the election and the importance of being socially informed. Seven-year-old Anthony Viggiano of Baldwin, N.Y., won a contest for the best song lyrics about freedom of speech and performed it with rocker John Mellencamp (news).

"If we can get kids interested earlier

in voting, when they can legally vote, they will," she said. "They will run for office, they will be the candidates (that) people want to vote for."

Ellerbee, who will announce the results on "U-PICK Live" Wednesday night, said many children wonder why they can't vote in the real election.

"Kids aren't dumb, they're just younger and shorter," she said. "In fact, last election, a boy came up to me and said, 'We picked George Bush (news - web sites) to win, and he didn't really win. Al Gore (news - web sites) won the popular vote, so we were kinda wrong.' Quite an observation."

So that's the article. Hmm. Who knows how the votes will turn out. But make sure to vote. Because voting is cool. And cool kids vote.

-Franky Lee

Kerry to get Czech honor — even if he loses

PRAGUE (Reuters) - Win or lose, U.S. presidential hopeful John Kerry will receive an honorary citizenship in the Czech town of Horni Benesov, where his grandfather was born and lived in the late 19th century.

"The life story of John Kerry is amazing, showing how a boy from a poor family and a village in what used to be the Austro-Hungarian empire can become a candidate for the U.S. presidency," Horni Benesov Mayor Josef Klech said on Tuesday.

Klech said the town of 2,400 inhabitants would bestow the honour on the U.S. Senator from Massachusetts "no matter how he does" in the November 2 election.

Records show Horni Benesov as the birthplace of Kerry's grandfather, Fritz Kohn, who historians believe was most likely of Jewish origin and spoke German.

Horni Benesov, called Bennisch in German, belonged to the Austro-Hungarian empire, which disintegrated after World War One. The town is now in the Czech Republic.

The Kohn family left Bennisch for Vienna in 1878 and Fritz Kohn later changed his name to Friedrich Kerry before leaving Europe with his family for the United States in 1904.

Legend has it that Fritz Kohn and his brother Otto picked a new name after closing their eyes and pointing a finger at a randomly chosen map, hitting Kerry county in Ireland.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, 10/27, Dinner Discussion with Dr. Terry Richmond, 6-8PM in the PDR. Dr. Richmond is Associate Professor of Trauma and Critical Care and she will be discussing the repercussions of firearms in the community.

Wednesday, 10/27, Penn(y) War starts. It's your floor VS. every other floor of KCECH at Oasis, your commissary. All proceeds go to charity. Drop off your unwanted pennies and help people at the same time.

Thursday, 10/28, Penitentiary visit, 6:30 -9:30 PM. Come scream your guts out. Halloween fun. \$8 to go. For all those are interested, e-mail siuj@sas.upenn.edu.

Friday, 10/29, Halloween Party - Costume Judging Party @ 1938 Lounge, 9pm -1am: "Monster Mash" will be playing all night long. If you don't think this is a party, you don't know jack-o-lantern.

Friday, 10/29, Family Weekend starts. Come meet people's parents. Come meet your own parents. Let their parents meet your parents meet you. Ok that made no sense.

ELECTION DAY Tuesday, 11/02, "Who's gonna be the next president?" Come see who the next leader of our nation will be with members from your college house. Held in the TV lounge. Be on the lookout for fliers!

Thursday, 11/04, Must See T.V. 8PM. Come watch your favorite line-up of shows, one after the other. Munchies will be provided!

Saturday, 11/06, KCECH Semiformal: "Clock Strikes Ten" at the Double Tree Hotel. Come spend the night dancing and having fun. Talk to your RA/GA for all the details.

October/November 2004

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
FALL BREAK!			Dinner Discussion with Dr. Terry Richmond Penn(y) War starts!	House Penitentiary Visit	Halloween Party, 1938 Lounge Family Weekend Starts!	
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Election Day: Who's gonna be the next president of the United States of America?		Must See T.V., 8PM		KCECH Semi-formal at the Doubletree Hotel

YOUR INDEX FINGER LENGTH REVEALS WHAT?

Hold your hand out. Are your index and ring fingers the same length or is the ring finger longer?

For most men, the ring finger is slightly longer, and in most women, the two fingers are the same length. But men whose fingers are the same length seem to have a special skill at scientific research.

Why? New Scientist reports that researchers from Bath University in Great Britain say this is due to above average prenatal levels of estrogen that aid their analytical skills. It is thought that estrogen causes the right side of the brain to develop, which is responsible for spatial and analytical skills. In other words, these scientists are in touch with their feminine side. (Some developmental genes, which would be impacted by exposure to estrogen and testosterone, control the formation of both the reproductive system and the fingers.)

The opposite is also true. While those who had a "female" pattern of hormone exposure in the womb became scientists, those who had a "male" pattern and whose ring finger is slightly longer than the index finger chose the field of social science, notes New Scientist.

In this study, all the researchers in the departments of chemistry, computer science, mathematics, and physics had index and ring fingers that were about the same length, a clearly feminine trait; however, fully 81 percent of them were male. But in the departments of economics, education, management, and social and policy sciences, most had a ring finger that was slightly longer than the index finger, a distinctly male trait, but only 66 percent of the sample was male.

"It's unnerving to think the profession I'm in was determined by the hormones I was exposed to in the womb," lead study author Mark Brosnan told New Scientist.

He speculates that exposure to unusually high or low levels of testosterone in male fetuses leads to the scientific brain, while average levels of hormone exposure lead to a social science brain.