



Ski & Snowboard Club gearing up for winter

By Madeline Clark

Get your boot warmers and lift passes ready because ski season is right around the corner! While many G. Ray Bodley High School students are just beginning to hunker down for the winter, a select few are waxing up their planks and boards for a winter on the mountain. That's right; the G. Ray Bodley Ski and Snowboard club is gearing up for the 2011-2012 season.

Students met on Thursday, October 20 for the second time to discuss the many preparations for the coming winter on Labrador Mountain. On the agenda was a new addition to the club's structure; a mandatory parent meeting on Wednesday, November 2 at 7 pm in the GRB cafeteria. The meeting is being called to discuss topics like the initial deposit, ski and snowboard rentals, lessons, and the snow-loving contingency's favorite; the warm and ever-hospitable coach bus. So what's the catch? Well, if you don't mind the cold, there is none!

But what if you only want to make a single trip with the powder-pupils? Ski and Snowboard Club Advisor and French teacher Mrs. Honeywell said, "We're not sure yet (if last year's flexible choice would be available), it depends, but if there's space, sure!"

It was later revealed to *RaiderNet Daily* by Mrs. Downing, that, "we (the Ski and Snowboard club) only have two open spots!" Interested students need to be sure to sign up quickly because there is not much time left for prospective members. And what about the question on everyone's mind, "do I have to know how to ski?" Mrs. Honeywell enthusiastically responded, "No, not at all, but if you're brand new, we require you to take lessons."

Fellow advisor and math teacher Mrs. Downing also gave some insight as to the inner workings of these flakey fellow students. As to any new changes that may have occurred in the past year, Mrs. Downing stated, "We have 48 members; we merged

the clubs at the junior high and the high school." She continued by proudly informing that the club was in need of a bigger bus! Mrs. Downing also noted the addition of two new chaperones, Mrs. Ryan and Mr. Ward. With so many big changes, surely this year is going to be a big one.

Mr. Senecal, yet another Ski and Snowboard Club chaperone, gave the dish on what he was looking forward to this ski season. "I'm hoping for great snow and a long season," he stated; a simple wish that means the world to any winter-lover. When asked why students should join he gave an answer that would be appealing to any high-schooler. "It's a great way to hang out with

your friends or to learn what could be a life-long activity!" And on the most important question of all, "skis or board?" he said "I ski, I'm too old to snowboard. I don't think I could take the beating."

So what are you waiting for? Get your mittens and hat out and come join the GRB Ski and Snowboard Club on Tuesday nights at Lab! The cost is around \$200 for transportation, a six-week lift ticket, and six lessons, and meets promptly after school, returning at 10 pm, beginning sometime in early January to get the maximum slopeage out of their Tuesday nights! See Mrs. Downing, Mrs. Honeywell, Mr. Senecal or Club President Maggie Ryan for more details.



Band Director Mr. Caviness, foreground, works with members of the G. Ray Bodley High School band in preparation for this week's concerts at the high school. The Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble will be performing tonight while the Concert Band and Concert Orchestra will take to the stage on Thursday. Both performances are free to the public and will begin at 7:30 pm. Pictured playing from left to right are Maureen McCann, Katie Salmonsens, Kayla Hatch (hidden) and Jessica Bonning. (Nick Abelgore photo)

Trick or treating: how old is too old?

By Vanessa Langdon

Every kid looks forward to Halloween. After all, what's not to love as you get to dress up and get free candy?

But when is someone too old to go trick-or-treating? When is it time for people to retire their plastic pumpkins and start handing out the candy to the next generation? According to a study conducted by Facebook the cutoff age is 13 years old, when you are no longer a child. But what does the student body at G.Ray Bodley think?

Junior Jen Guilds and senior Sierra Mahar feel there is no "too old." Jen herself plans on going trick-or-treating again this year and even into her college years. Sierra, on the other hand, feels there is no cutoff age, but plans to hand out candy this year. Junior Ally



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Bricker agrees with the Facebook finding that 13 should be the cutoff but senior Carson Metcaf said he stopped going trick-or-treating after sixth grade, which would make the cutoff 11 years old.

Going into this article I had envisioned the students of GRB agreeing with the Facebook study and that I would find the majority of the students agreeing with the age of about 13 to be a fair age to stop going trick-or-treating. The results were quite the opposite. Most students believed there was not an age where one should stop going trick-or-treating, and that the majority of them planned to continue to go trick-or-treating for the foreseeable future, a select view even during college.

While I think it is fine to continue the Halloween spirit and participate in some way, by the time you reach the end of your high

school years it may be time to retire your beloved sack for the chair to either pass out candy or help a younger sibling.

If you are planning to go trick-or-treating once again this year remember a few simple rules, put some real effort into your costumes, do not just throw on a bandana and call it a costume, be polite to everyone; say "trick-or-treat" and "thank you," and most of all be VERY nice to the little kids and let them go first.

Bizarre News of the Day:

One way to live the dream

An elderly Russian woman was arrested, after she stole her neighbor's stallion on her 80th birthday to complete one her dreams on her "bucket list."

Agrafena Vasilyevna was quizzed by police for rustling after creeping into neighbor Igor Vasilev's stable, where she saddled up his horse Lyme and galloped away. When she returned an hour later she found her neighbor and a police car waiting for her.

Mrs. Vasilyevna, from Tverskaya, told stunned officers that she had always wanted to ride a horse but had never had the chance. "They told me off but it was worth it. I've fulfilled a dream I've had since childhood and I was running out of time," she said. She went on to say that, "I've got a few more things on my list so people should stand by to be shocked."

By Morgan Firenze

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The adventures of 'lil Bodley!

By Madeline Clark



Keep your life off of Facebook, out of school

By Laura Perwitz

Ever since school started, there seems to be a problem with keeping our personal lives to ourselves. People share strong emotions on Facebook that don't need to be shared, and if they don't put it on Facebook, they tell someone in school. Both are obviously bad ideas for sharing your problems, so why do that to yourself?



When you post something on Facebook about your life or someone else, it starts a controversy about the problem, creating a bigger problem than before. It's pretty safe to say that if you post a personal problem on Facebook, it's going to get twisted around, and then everyone will know a totally different story. Or the other possibility, people just won't care, and won't read it. Half of the time,

people post things to make other people feel bad for them. Half of the time, it doesn't work. Why would you want someone to feel bad for you? It's pretty safe to say that the answer is for attention. Well guess what, you're getting it and sometimes, way too much of it. Facebook would be so much better if people just kept their personal problems to themselves. That's not too much to ask. Facebook was made to reconnect with friends and family that you may have lost contact with, not for petty little problems that you can figure out on your own.

When you tell someone something that's supposed to be private, you should fully expect someone to twist the story around. This is how rumors are spread. If it's really that personal, keep it to yourself. It's obvious that you're going to get mad if the rumor is twisted, so why don't we all just keep our feelings to ourselves for once? Do you really think anyone cares what so and so did last night, or if someone got drunk and passed out at a party? No! If you have a problem that serious with someone, then take it up with them. Don't spread vicious rumors about them that you know aren't true. It's just wrong to do that, and it's very immature.

When on Facebook or talking to someone in school, just be sure to keep your problems to yourself. It's better for everyone if they follow that, so school and Facebook can be a drama free environment. Honestly, who needs all of that in their life? Nobody. It's not too much to ask, so please, keep personal problems to yourself, off of Facebook, and out of school.

Quote of the day:

"The fact that we cannot kiss our ELBOW... is enough to realize that some things in life are very close to us.. but are still beyond our reach."

Author Unknown

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What Are You Doing For Halloween?



"Going to a Halloween party."
Vishal Patel



"Going Trick or Treating as the Haircut Kid."
Jeff Waldron



"I don't know."
Johnelle Dishaw



"Going to a family party."
Kayla Distin

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Mostly cloudy with showers.

55°

Average: 56°
Record: 78° (1963)

Tonight:



Cloudy, leftover showers.

39°

Average: 38°
Record: 24° (1976)

Tomorrow:



Rain and snow.

43°

Average: 56°
Record: 75° (1991)

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