



Left of Center

By: Devyn Roberts

Unscramble Me?!

Hypap:

Tnggsiaknihv:

Suftt:

Yueroslf:

Adn:

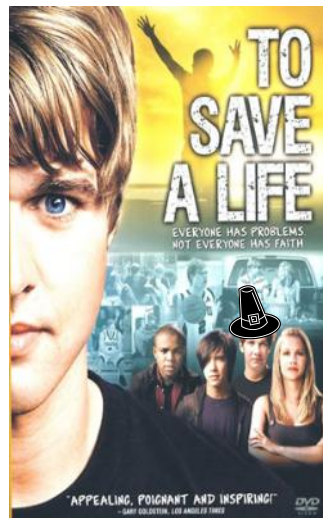
Eb:

Saef:



Bullying Prevention/To Save a Life Program

By: Hannah Hays



Inside this issue:

Sports Center	2
Husky Happenings	3
Homecoming Recap	4
Superintendent's Corner	5
Principal's Corner: Mike Somnis & Husky Helper	6
The Presidential Elections & SLAM Poetry	7
Principal's Corner: Brandon Hammond	8
Junior High & Thanksgiving Recipe	9
Word Search	10
Dear Ed	11

Sherman Jr. /Sr. High School went on a field trip to Condon High School Monday, October 22nd to participate in a S.A.F.E program (Suicide Awareness for Everyone) which was hosted by S.A.F.E members of Condon in Gilliam County. Several actors, including Sean Michael Afile, from *To Save A Life* spent their mornings spreading the word about Bullying Prevention and helping those in attendance to be more aware of the issues about bullying and suicide.

When SJSBS buses arrived at Condon High School, students made their way into the gymnasium to find seats with their assigned teacher and group. The groups were mixed with students from all grades

and ages from Sherman Jr. /Sr. High School. The SJSBS students joined other schools to watch a few movie clips of the actor Sean Michael Afile.

Afile's group gave a presentation of the five different types of bullying. They are cyber, verbal, physical, mental, and emotional. Cyber bullying is one of the most common types of bullying today. Teens are becoming more and more technologically savvy and are on computers, phones, and iPods more than ever. Teens often use the internet because it is a faceless environment. However, cyber bullying is possibly the easiest to

***Continued on top
of page 10...***

{ P.S. Don't forget to find the six..Pilgrims hats! }

Sports Center

By: Katie Poirier

The fall sports season here at Sherman Jr./Sr. High School as flown by. All teams, have had a great season.

Recently, the Junior High and High School girls' volleyball teams played Condon High School. Both teams lost, but both fought hard. The Junior High girls used great communication and had a tremendous effort. It is clear to see from watching these 7th and 8th grade girls play, that our future volleyball team will be just as good as our current one.

The high school girls also showed great effort, with a new Libero, Shelby Kaseberg. A Libero is a player who is a defensive specialist. (The Libero remains in the game at all times, always in the back row, and is not limited by the rules of rotation. The Libero is constantly ready to play and is always focused, having to be an excellent passer and digger, as well as consistency and quickness.) Shelby, as well as the other players, seemed ready to play against the Knights, but lost in 3-0.

At our homecoming game against Dufur, our girls gave it their all, but lost in 3-0. Against the Ione Cardinals (a game that would determine whether or not the girls would go to districts), the Lady Huskies lost 3-1. Although the season was not as long

as desired, the girls all deserve a pat on the back for all the hard work and time that they put into the team and sport.

The Jr. High Boys won against the Condon/Wheeler Knights. By the third quarter, the score was 46-0! Having watched the Junior High Boys play, it is safe to say that Sherman County's track record of having an amazing football team will be continued in the future.

The Boys' football season; however, is still going strong. They easily defeated the Knights with a final score of 72-28. Brian Simantel helped boost the score with an impressive touchdown during the game. Our Huskies played extremely well, like always and are currently ranked #6 in the state.

Against the Dufur Rangers, our homecoming game opponent, the boys couldn't defeat the Rangers. They played hard; however, and the final score was 38-24.

Going up against Ione, the boys easily won again with a score of 62-22.

They played Arlington and also brought home a win. Cody Jauken made an impressive interception during the game, which resulted in him scoring a touchdown that helped rack up a score of 64-28.

At the play-off game against the Elkton Elks, our boys made it a nail biter, but they won with a



close score of 54-40. This sent the football team going to the next round of play-offs, playing Camas Valley on November 17. The 7 hour drive took its toll on the men and they lost to Camas Valley 48-6. It was a disappointing loss, but we're all proud of our boys for making it so far. On the positive side though, they got down and dirty in the mud playing their final game.

Congrats to all the fall sports players for a season well played! Now let's get ready for some basketball!



Husky Happenings

By: Devyn Roberts

November is the month of feast and the giving of thanks and is also one of the months with the least school days of the school year.

The Rufus Community Center hosted a haunted house, storybook villain walk, and games. Concessions were provided by the Sherman Cooperative Preschool, decorations by the Sherman County Senior Class. The Senior class would like to recognize the dedication and hard work by Jeanie Pehlke, the Senior class advisors, Jacob Gradek and Jillian Echlin, and all else who helped put this Halloween event into action. A thank you is sent out to the Rufus Community Center, Senior Class, and everyone else who participated in this successful and quite spooky event.

A food drive will be held at Sherman Jr./Sr. High School November 29 and 30.. It'll be a competition between classes for class points and staff is encouraged to compete, as well. As in the past years, money can

be donated with one dollar equaling to three pounds of food. All food and money contributed will be donated to the Sherman County Food Bank, "We hope to beat last years' record of 3156 pounds of food" says Gail Macnab. To inspire student and staff participation, a treat will be rewarded to the winning class; mochas, pizza, and ice cream.

Parent/Teacher Conferences were on November 8 and 9 of this month. A parent/teacher conference allows students' parents and their teachers to discuss students' progress, classwork, and anything else pertaining to the student and that class. Parent/Teacher Conferences are important because they enhance parent and teacher communication relating to students' grades and work. SJSHS strongly encourages all parents to attend Parent/Teacher Conferences held annually at both schools.

At the 2012 Sherman Homecoming game, our Husky

boys were defeated by a mere fourteen points! The spirit and essence that the crowd displayed for the football players gave them the courage to do their best and give their all. Conquered by a well playing team, our football players accepted loss with pride and respect, ending the night well. They ended their season with a 5-1 record and had a play-off game at home against Elkton winning with a score of 54-40.

With holidays, come vacation days, and as a reminder, the days off for the month of November and December are listed below:

November
8, 21, 30 (1/2 days)
9, 12, 16, 22, 23 (full days)
December
7, 14, 19 (1/2 days)
20, 21, 24-28, 31 (full days)

Homecoming Recap

By: Hollee Kaseberg

Homecoming 2012 was full of fun and competitive activities for all of the classes at Sherman Jr/Sr High School. Those activities included boys' volleyball, hallway decorating, spirit rock painting and lunchtime class games.

The boys' volleyball tournament brought lots of great sportsmanship, support and enthusiasm as classes cheered for their team. The Juniors beat the Seniors in the Championship round, leading them to an additional set against the staff. At the end of the set, the staff claimed the win.

Following the boys' volleyball tournament, students from each class and three staff members were selected to compete

against each other in musical chairs. After a long fight, for the last chair, Riley Brown beat Ben Holliday to win the game for the Senior class.

The final competition of the day was the Court Relay. Princesses Maddie Belshe, Shania Drinkwine, Michaela Hays and Rebekah Bourgeois along with one boy from their class completed an obstacle course with seven obstacles. Each team had to jump over straw hurdles, crawl under a straw bridge, push a wheel-barrow (with one of the participants sitting in it) weaving through orange cones, use woodskis to move four feet forward to the next

obstacle where one person held a bucket while the other used a toy gun to shoot a ball into the bucket, then ran to a tub of whipped cream and Jell-O to find a hidden object. The course was completed after each participant was soaked in water going down the Slip-'N-Slide. Senior Princess Maddie Belshe won the race with her classmate Riley Brown.

During halftime at the Varsity football game, the Homecoming Court rode onto the football field in Polaris Razors. Each girl wore a beautiful dress and tiara, and while standing with their escort, they were introduced. Maddie Belshe was named 2012 Sherman County Homecoming Queen.

Competitiveness shined through the whole school as each class participated in class competitions, hallway/locker decorating and spirit rock painting, aiming to get the Spirit Stick for their class.

After being judged, the Sophomore class claimed first place for hallway and locker deco-

rating while the Seniors took second. The Junior High took third, and the Juniors placed fourth. Bringing up the rear in fifth place were the Freshmen.

Throughout the week, four random pictures were taken of the Spirit Rock. The Class of 2015 and the Class of 2014 both left their mark on the rock one time, and winning the Spirit Rock competition was the Class of 2013 with two total possessions.

At the end of the week, the Freshman class received 5th place with 88 points, the Juniors received 4th place with 118 points, the Junior High received 3rd place with 130 points, and the Sophomores received 2nd with 161 points. The Seniors received 1st place with 174 class points. The Class of 2013 won the Spirit Stick with a total of 184 class points. Congratulations Seniors!



Superintendent's Corner

By: Wes Owens

Standardization has been at the forefront of educational reform for several years. Unfortunately, not all students individually benefit from the one size fits all approach. While standardization may serve some purpose, I and my fellow colleagues are above all committed to serving all students to the best of our abilities. We became educators because we believe in the potential of young people and we are proud to be educating a new generation of leaders. In our work, we choose to get to know our students and their families on a personal level and we choose to spend time listening

and responding so that we can personalize each student's educational experience.

I am very pleased to announce that our district has taken a major step toward personalizing education for every student. We have partnered with a virtual charter school known as ORVED and created the Sherman Online Academy. This partnership has brought broader and deeper curriculum offerings to our students in grades 6-12, thereby expanding learning options for our students and students across eastern Oregon. This partnership is not about making money by pull-

ing students from other schools, like some other virtual charter schools have done. This partnership is about helping implement online learning strategies, thereby strengthening schools with resources and programs that help reach the needs of every student. Our district is now a trusted partner for our neighboring school districts as they too strengthen their schools with expanded online learning options for their students.

I remain committed to ensuring high quality and rigorous educational programs for Sherman County and Sherman Online Academy

students. As with any new venture, especially one as potentially transformative as this one, there will no doubt be stumbles and things to figure out. We will continually adjust as the program develops and grows. It is important to me that online learning supplements, not replaces, our curriculum and talented staff. As always, please feel to contact me with questions, comments, and your feedback. I can be reached at [541-565-3500](tel:541-565-3500).

Sincerely,

Wes Owens



Sherman Online Academy
Working together to put student
success first

Principal's Corner: Mike Somnis

By: Mike Somnis

As the school year progresses into the holiday season, Thanksgiving fast approaching, and the first quarter already behind us, it is a great time to reflect on the start of the 2012-2013 school year and the things for which I am most grateful at Sherman Jr./Sr. High School.

To begin, I am extremely grateful for our staff. We have the best staff in Oregon. The dedication of the teachers and support staff is evidenced by the time and effort they invest into the education of our students.

Next, I am grateful to our coaches who dedicate an amazing amount of time and effort into our student-athletes and extra-curricular programs.

No list would be complete without being grateful to our parents whose support was shown in the excellent attend-

ance of parent/teacher conferences on November 8th and 9th. It was great to see all of the families, parents, and guardians come visit their students' teachers and touch base with all involved in the educational process. If it weren't for strong parental/guardian support, our students would not be so well-mannered, hard-working, or goal oriented.

Next, I am grateful to our School Board and Superintendent, who have exhibited great leadership and who have a vision for the future of our district. With their guidance, the Sherman County School District has become one of the premier small school districts in the state. The programs we offer and the quality of education our students receive is outstanding.

Another area in which I am grateful is our community. There are an amazing number of volunteers who help with all of the various programs that our district offers. The number of hours given by the volunteers and the financial support of many of our businesses and private donors throughout the county is incredibly important to the overall functioning and success of our school district.

Finally, I am personally most grateful and thankful for my family who has endured many hours apart in support of my career as a principal and a coach. Their support allows me to support students and staff alike.

As the holidays quickly approach, I want to wish everyone a wonderful season and a very restful Thanksgiving.

Husky Helper

By: Katherine Shafer

This month, Gail Macnab who has worked for the Sherman County School District for twenty three years inspiring and educating students, is this month's Husky Helper.

Gail, as she graciously allows her students to call her, teach-

es different classes ranging from Culinary Arts to Jr. High Keyboarding. Though the curriculum in each class differs, one thing all students agree on is how fun her classes are! When asked what her favorite part of working at Sherman is she laughed and re-

plied, "I love the kids."

Outside of the classroom, Gail is always willing to help with different things. She was responsible for making Mr. Husky possible, a fund-raising competition. As well, without Gail's help our Homecoming Week would not run so

smoothly or be as fun.

She has dedicated countless hours outside of the classroom to help the school.

Gail is an amazing help and awesome teacher. If you should happen to pass by her during or after school, take some time to thank her for her hard work! She deserves it!

The Presidential Elections

By: Katherine Shafer

On Tuesday November 6th, with the exception of Florida, all 50 states collected and counted all their votes, concluding the end of this year's presidential campaign and with Barack Obama receiving enough electoral votes to win a second term in office.

An electoral vote is the vote cast in the electoral college of the U.S. by the representatives of each state in a presidential election. The legal definition of an electoral college is, "nominated persons, known as electors, from the states and the District of

Columbia, who meet every four years in their home state or district and cast ballots to choose the President and Vice President of the United States. These votes are the deciding votes for the election and decide who the next

President and Vice President will be."

During the 2012 Elections, though both parties worked extremely hard for their causes, Barack Obama received 332 electoral votes and Mitt Romney received 206. For more information on the 2012 Elections and any other political event go to www.politico.com.



SLAM Poetry

By: Katherine Shafer

On Thursday, November 8th, approximately 60 people filed into the cafeteria to watch Sherman County's first ever Slam Poetry Night, performed by Ms. Echlin's tenth grade class. "We've been working on Slam Poetry for over a month," reports poet Michaela Hays when asked about the event, "Overall I think we did a good job." The audience certainly agreed with Michaela, if their applause were any indication. It truly was a great night.

Before the Slam Poetry began four judges were picked to judge each poem from a scale of one to

ten. After a poem was performed the judges combined their scores to find an average and that would then be the score. There were four groups in the competition: VIP Entrance, the Wolf Pack, Pedestrian Crossing, and the Night Hawks. Once every person in the group got a score, their scores were added for the final group score.

Each group did an amazing job writing and reciting poems. From Meagan McKinney's and Kevin Hart's tribute to Chuck Norris and Blake Evans' and Makenzie Blaylock's poem, "There is a Boy," the whole event was a true success. In

the end Pedestrian Crossing won with 16 points. VIP Entrance and Night Hawks tied for second with 15 points and the Wolf Pack came in third place. No matter who won, all groups did amazing jobs and should be congratulated for their efforts.

Good job and thank you Ms. Echlin and all of the students in her 10th grade English class for making the night memorable!

Principal's Corner: Brandon Hammond

By: Brandon Hammond

The staff at Sherman Elementary School works tirelessly on helping their students achieve to higher heights. They have also strived to communicate these efforts and the happenings in their classrooms on a regular basis with parents and guardians. I thought that this was an appropriate time to share some of the learning highlights that have occurred this past month within the Kindergarten, first and second grade classrooms. There is so much that could be shared for each classroom. I have chosen the highlights from each grade and will share our third through sixth grade teachers in next month's issue.

Kindergarteners have reading logs that students maintain on a regular basis. These reading logs track books that the students are reading at home. They are also learning and adding words to their "Word Wall". Some of the words learned thus far have been; **we**, **the**, and **like**. The students also focus on various letters and its sound throughout the day. This month the letters were **k, m, u, w, a, j, n, x, p, s, v**. Math is also an area of emphasis. Students have played a game that taught shapes, practiced writing various numbers, learned about probability, made patterns,

counted by 5's & 10's, learned about tally marks, and focused on counting and identifying objects to ten.

First graders have been doing a myriad of learning activities that focus on all aspects of education. In math students have learned about subtraction, understanding time to the hour, arranged and counted coins, domino addition, 5's & 10's counting, used tally marks to express numbers, learned about "flip-a-roo's" and fact families, measured gourds and were taught the ones and tens place values. The class also does extensive reading. Mrs. Sharp has shared *Where's my mummy?*; *Giggle, Giggle, Quack*; *The Biggest Pumpkin Ever*; *The Very Busy Spider*; *Raccoons and Ripe Corn*; *Don't Need Friends*; *LMNO Peas*; *A Pocketful of Kisses*; read about Christopher Columbus; *Dem Bones*; *Clifford's Halloween*; *Stellaluna*, *A Whisper is Quiet*; *Haunted House*; *Bat Helps Out*; *Halloween Fun*; *Who Took the Farmer's Hat?*; *Franklin in the Dark*; *Walking Through the Jungle*; *Room on a Broom*; *A Baby Koala*; *Mouse's First Halloween*; and *Always in Trouble*.

Second graders recently were able to put their learning into action. They had been studying about primary elections and the

process that is involved with elections, even a lesson on the Electoral College. As part of the unit taught by Ms. Barnes students were able to register to vote, cast their vote regarding which candy bar was their favorite, and then receive a voter's sticker. The class has also been learning about "Hungry Ants" as part of a math unit and are constructing their own story problems. Writing is also a focal point within second grade. One way in which Mrs. Huffman has helped to create a classroom of writers has been through the teaching of transitional and sequencing words. Some of the examples shared by Mrs. Huffman are: first, next, then, finally, eventually, in the beginning, in the end, now, last, next, after, during, later, suddenly and meanwhile. At school students are instructed to "practice, practice, practice!!!"

These are only a few examples of the countless lessons and activities that are occurring within our primary grades. The teachers have an extreme admiration for each of their students and are doing their best to help all students achieve!

Junior High

Coordinated By: Hollee Kaseberg

Renee Bourgeois (7th grader), supplied the Husky Times, November edition with one of her favorite poems. It's written by Shel Silverstein.



"Band-aids"

"I have a Band-Aid on my finger,
One on my knee, and one on my nose,
One on my heel, and two on my shoulder,
Three on my elbow, and nine on my toes.
Two on my wrist, and one on my ankle,
One on my chin, and one on my thigh,
Four on my belly, and five on my bottom,
One on my forehead and one on my eye.
One on my neck, and in case I might need 'em
I have a box of thirty-five more.
But oh! I do think it's sort of a pity
I don't have a cut or a sore!"

Thanksgiving Recipe

Strawberry Pretzel Salad

Prep: 35 mins

Cook: 10 mins

Ready In: 45 mins



Ingredients:

- 2 cups crushed pretzels
- 3/4 cup butter, melted
- 3 tablespoons white sugar
- 1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 (8 ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 2 (3 ounce) packages strawberry flavored Jell-O
- 2 cups boiling water
- 2 (10 ounce) packages frozen strawberries

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).
2. Stir together crushed pretzels, melted butter and 3 tablespoons sugar; mix well and press mixture into the bottom of a 9x13 inch baking dish.
3. Bake 8 to 10 minutes, until set. Set aside to cool.
4. In a large mixing bowl cream together cream cheese and 1 cup sugar. Fold in whipped topping. Spread mixture onto cooled crust.
5. Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Stir in still frozen strawberries and allow to set briefly. When mixture is about the consistency of egg whites, pour and spread over cream cheese layer. Refrigerate until set.

Continued Bullying Prevention/To Safe a Life Program from pg. 1....

fix. One can simply turn off the computer or delete an account. However, one can also use these messages of bullying and can tell someone trustworthy about it.

Verbal abuse is often seen and heard happening everywhere. It's when someone verbally talks about someone badly. Verbal bullying can affect one for a lifetime. If you see or hear this happening, you need to immediately step up and tell someone what is going on.

The next type of bullying is physical, this is usually done by hitting, punching, or anything physically damaging to the bullied victim. It can be one of the most dangerous and life threatening and can result in hospitalization or even death.

Not only are cyber, verbal, and physical bullying a problem, there are also mental and emotional bullying. Mental bullying is a result of verbal abuse and can cause serious problems with someone's mental health. This form of bullying would consist of playing "head games", threats or even making someone believe that

they are too skinny, too fat, or too ugly to be loved.


The last form of bullying is emotional abuse, it is related to mental and verbal bullying, it will cause long term damage to self-esteem.

The bully prevention workshop at Condon was supported by principals and directors of many of the surrounding counties to show the importance of bully prevention. Students had a chance to ask questions to the guest speakers. They were answered with true life responses. Katie Poirier from Sherman asked Sean, "What if an adult is the one who is bullying you?", and got a quick response on the process of dealing with the bully. Sean also told Katie that it is a serious issue and needs to be addressed, ending with "Make sure to tell someone you trust." Katie Poirier's question was chosen at the end of the day as the best question and she received a signed poster of the cast of a movie that Sean had been

working on.

If you or anyone you know is having trouble with bullying, make sure to tell someone or call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255. It is important to speak up if you are being victimized by someone. The first thing you should do in the case of bullying is talk to someone you trust, and tell them what is happening to you, it can be a best friend, a family member, or even a teacher. If someone is being bullied in the halls,

it shouldn't be passed by as nothing to worry about. Step in and help even if they don't ask for it. Bullying is dangerous in any form, and should be dealt with on the spot. Bullying isn't tolerated at Sherman Jr. /Sr. High school and will be dealt with in an efficient manner.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING WORD SEARCH

P	C	O	W	X	Y	W	O	C	O	W	X	Y	W	W
U	H	K	E	A	U	L	U	F	K	N	A	H	T	E
M	V	O	I	S	T	U	F	F	I	N	G	F	D	D
P	M	J	L	W	M	C	K	Y	J	T	W	A	C	B
K	T	A	U	I	K	N	J	T	G	U	D	M	N	R
I	N	M	H	C	D	G	M	U	M	Y	E	I	G	E
N	R	V	I	E	O	A	H	R	V	I	E	L	J	A
Q	E	B	O	R	L	D	Y	K	P	O	R	Y	D	D
F	R	I	E	N	D	S	A	E	I	P	F	P	K	D
S	Q	U	L	B	L	L	S	Y	U	L	B	L	L	O
W	A	Y	G	S	E	O	T	A	T	O	P	A	O	O
X	S	A	L	A	D	I	X	S	T	K	G	Q	I	F
D	Y	A	M	A	D	S	D	D	R	M	B	Z	U	U
F	L	T	H	A	N	K	S	G	I	V	I	N	G	Y
G	P	Q	C	H	S	E	L	B	A	T	E	G	E	V

See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

1. THANKSGIVING	5. THANKFUL	9. STUFFING	13. PUMPKIN
2. HOLIDAY	6. FOOD	10. SALAD	14. PIE
3. FAMILY	7. TURKEY	11. BREAD	15. VEGETABLES
4. FRIENDS	8. POTATOES	12. YAM	16. HAM



Dear Ed...



Dear Ed,

I am friends with the boy I like, but I want to take it to the next level. What do you think I should do?

Yours Truly-
Willy Wonka

Dear Willy Wonka,

You should tell the boy you like how you really feel! That way you two can be open with each other, and so you can relieve the stress that you're probably having. Just remember, if he doesn't like you back, it's not the end of the world, just move on. But stay friends! Because friends will ALWAYS be there, no matter what.

-Ed

Dear Ed,

Have a super amazing, extraordinary Thanksgiving! And be sure to eat lots of food!

Sincerely, LakkaWakka

Dear LakkaWakka,

Thank you! And I will be sure to eat LOTS of food! My Grandma is making her homemade stuffing! Yippie!!

Sincerely, Ed!

Dear Ed,

Should I play basketball this year? All my friends keep telling me to, but I'm just not sure if I'm good at it?

Sincerely, ??

Dear ??,

Basketball is a great winter sport to play! And it's a great experience to see friends from all over, stay in shape, and it gets you out of school!!! (;

But, really, don't worry about not being "good", people play sports for the enjoyment, so if you have the slightest interest in playing, then I say go for it! What could it hurt to at least try?

Sincerely, Ed

Dear Ed,

It's so hard to stay awake for the first few periods of school! How do I s t a y a w a k e ?

Sincerely, Sleepy

Dear Sleepy,

School in the morning is difficult for everyone. Usually some people drink coffee, or chew gum to keep them more alert. But the main thing you need to do, is get plenty of sleep at night. Teenagers in high school NEED to get at least 8 hours of sleep. It's because our brains are functioning all day, and they need their "cool down" time. So make sure you're getting plenty of sleep, and invest in some minty gum to keep you alert in the morning. Plus if you drink coffee, it'll help keep your breath fresh afterwards!

~Ed

Dear Ed,

My friends and I keep fighting a lot, and it's beginning to cause all sorts of drama. How can we avoid fighting with each other? And to resolve our problems?

Sincerely, Upset

Dear Upset,

Seems like you and your friends just need to talk to each other and work out your issues. By talking to each other you can avoid the drama. Talking is the best way to stop fighting, and to resolve your problems!

~Ed

