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New Foreign Exchange Student Arrives At HHS

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Senior Maria Hansen (Photo By Danny Hutchinson)

Some of you may be aware that there is a new foreign exchange student here at Harrisburg High School. Her name is Maria Hansen and she is seventeen years old and a Senior. Maria has lived in Harrisburg since August 16. She said she has enjoyed living in Harrisburg so far. She said "the people are freindly and I enjoy living in a small town". She is staying at the Aljabori residence, and she seems to have been enjoying her stay at the Aljabori's.

Maria is from Denmark a country which is close to Germany. While living in Denmark, she attended the same school for ten years. The school she attended was a public school called Ejegod school. Then she attended Lindeskov school for one year. Some of the classes she took were Math, Danish, English, and German.

While at Ejegod school she took four years of English. Some of Maria's hobbies are going to the mall to shop, and drawing and painting pictures. She plans on moving back to Denmark sometime in June. Her plans for the future are going to a college in Denmark. And pursuing a career from there. So if some of you haven't met Maria, you may want to meet her before she leaves in June.



And Now The News...

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News Editor

Controversial Surgeon General Gets the Boot. Elders Fired After Comments at AIDS conference.

WASHINGTON, District of Columbia- Outspoken U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders has now faded into history. The sixty-one year old Surgeon General was asked to resign by President Clinton on December 9th after making comments at an international AIDS conference on December 1st.

The Surgeon General has become famous for her seemingly absurd comments about such things as crime and drug abuse. Perhaps her most famous statement came in December of 1993, when the Surgeon

General, making a speech at the National Press Club, suggested that a study be done to determine the effects of legalization of now illegal drugs.

With that comment Elders made several enemies in the Conservative part of America. Undaunted by becoming the butt of numerous jokes, Elders, assuming that her post made her supreme to all Americans, went on to call the Republican Party the "non-Christian religious right" simply because they chose not to go along with her ideas and plans. There has been outcry for Elders' removal from office since the comments at the NPC last year, and now President Clinton, formerly supportive of his extremely controversial Surgeon General, has decided that he too has seen enough. As yet another member of Clinton's cabinet leaves the scandal-plagued administration, Elders' successor has not yet been named.

Commuter Plane Crashes in North Carolina Bad weather blamed for deadly crash.

MORRISVILLE, North Carolina- Another American Eagle commuter plane has fallen from the sky, and weather appears to be the cause. The American Eagle JetStream Super 31 twin engine turboprop crashed near the Raleigh-Durham airport after a flight from nearby Greensboro at 5:40 P.M. on 13 December. Weather in the Raleigh area was bad at the time, overcast skies with rain and fog limiting visibility to under three miles.

The JetStream Super 31 is built by British Aerospace, and has very little in common with the French built ATR-72 which crashed in Roselawn, Indiana in October. According to sources at the Federal Aviation Administration, the JetStream has no problems with turbulence, like those suffered by the Avions Transporte de Regionale-72 or -42. The aircraft came to rest in a wooded area, not far from a residential neighborhood near the suburb of Morrisville, North Carolina. Aboard were 19 passengers and 2 crew members. Five people survived the crash.

Career Club Takes Trip

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Many students join clubs because they are fun or interesting. But the students in College and Career Club are thinking about their future. This club is designed to help students choose a career or which college to attend. And that is exactly what it is doing. The club recently took a trip to Murray State University.

Over the past year or so the club has been raising money to help pay for their trips to different campuses. The charter bus used for this trip was paid for from money earned in last years candy sale and this years football concession.

Along with sponsors Susan Aljabori, Brenda Ziegler, and Brenda Curtis, twenty-one students toured the campus. The students arrived at the university in the morning. Two students, Jeremy Johns and Josh Allen, met and talked with the football coach from Murray State. The other students were meanwhile being given a tour of the library and other campus facilities. The students then all met up and were treated to lunch by the university.

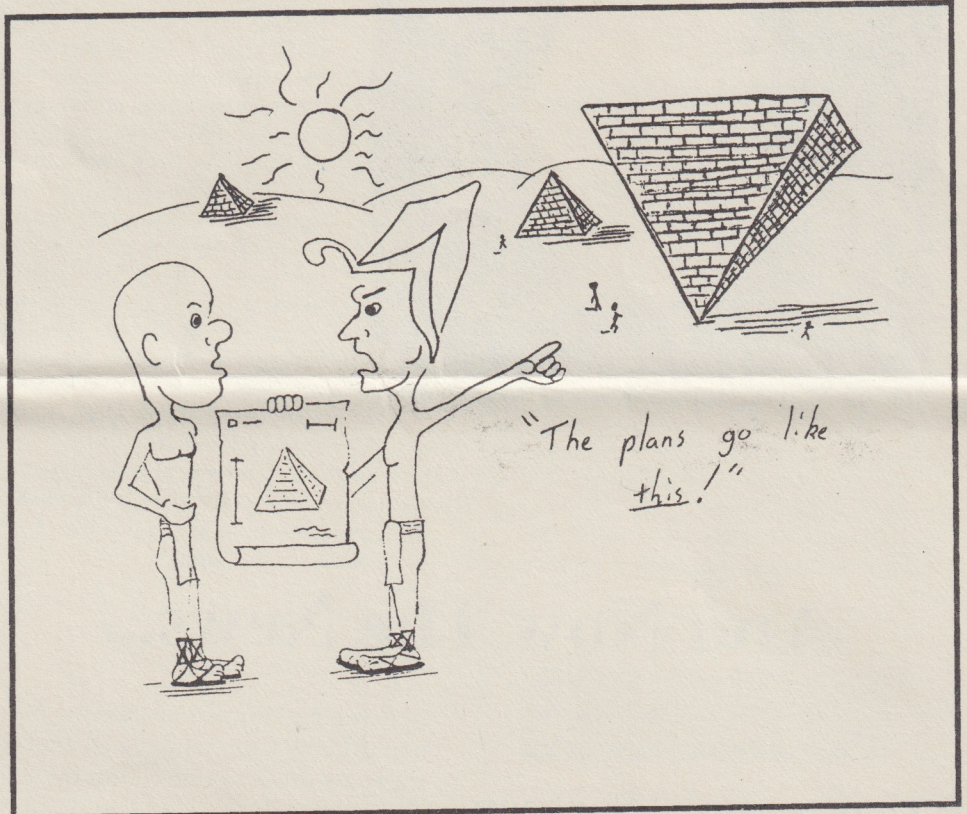
After lunch the students toured the dormitories. "I think

the students were really surprised with what the dormitories looked like. They realized they(dormitories) lacked many of the comforts of home.", commented Aljabori. She said the rooms had twin beds, a desk and some room for a small, mini refrigerator in the corner. Senior Erin Steinsultz described the dormitories as, "It looked like a cheap motel." Aljabori also said that although the rooms were small they were pretty similar to the basic college room.

All of the advisors agreed

that the trip was a positive one. "The University treated us very well and the students were well behaved." added Aljabori. The advisors would like to thank both Murray State University and the students for making the trip a success.

The club is planning another trip to Eastern Illinois University. If you are not in the club but are interested, you should see either Mrs. Ziegler or Mrs. Curtis in the Media Center or see Mrs. Aljabori in the guidance office.



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Scholarships Are Available

The Senior year of high school can be very difficult for some people. Trying to keep grades up, finding the right college, working part-time jobs, and applying for scholarships can be frustrating. Help is available for those who are applying for scholarships. Either of the two guidance counselors will help anyone with filling out applications, and also help people actually find out what scholarships are available. The help from the guidance counselors takes away a little of the stress of finding scholarships, but the majority of the search is on the student. To find out about the scholarships, contact any organization that there is a slight chance of one being available. The Elks Club has a scholarship, VFA offers a scholarship, but has certain qualifications attached to it. In order to find out more about the many scholarships that are available, pick up the phone and start calling. It never hurts to ask question, especially if they will help out in the long run.

Along with applying for scholarships, comes searching and finding the right college. Representatives from different colleges come to the school throughout the year in order to help those students who are unsure of where they will attend college, or if they even will attend college. Also, the library is stocked with catalogues and brochures from just about every college around. Another way with finding the right college is by calling the school and making an appointment for a tour. Most colleges will be more than happy to set up an appointment for a prospective future allumni. College representatives discuss everything from majors to financial aid, and answer questions on any topic in between. It never hurts to just call them up, and ask for a tour of the campus.

Throughout the year, there will be plenty of chances for everyone to visit any college they chose. Hopefully, there will be some college that holds the interests of everyone. If any student is still searching for the right college, good luck. Remember, the guidance counselors are here to serve the students with their college decisions.

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