

# The *Graffiti* GAZETTE

Your Rockin' Auction Update...



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## THINK PINK

And we're not talking about  
Victoria's Secret here ...



## Pink Ladies pīngk·lā'dēs

By Brian Gladden, Graffiti Character Spotter

Often seen as the feminized version of The Greaser, the Pink Ladies normally traveled in packs. While usually observed in the vicinity of Greasers, the Pink Lady's appeal was not lost on clean-cut boys, jocks, or nerds. The Pink Lady could steal your heart, beat up the school bully for you, and cause great distress to your parents.

Fashion: Jeans, satin jackets with identifying group affiliation, hair band/ribbon, gum

Often Found: Looking dismissively at everyone else

Mode of Transport: (See Greaser)

Associates with: Rizzo, Pinky Tuscadero, Frenchy

Listens To: Elvis. Just Elvis. There is no one else.

Girls Rule! Especially Alameda's own First-Grade teachers Briggette Niebergall and Kiya Masunaga with Second-Grade teacher Heather Hedman. Bring your gang and show your true colors!

What's in your closet?

## Auction Special Appeal



The idea to create a new and improved playground area for our over 700 students at Alameda began well over a year ago. First, out with the old, unsafe wooden play structure. A special thanks for Tyler Storer for generously donating this work through his company Tyler Dean Construction. Next, the field watering system needed some maintenance. Third, a creative plan needed to be designed and now lastly... We need to raise funds!

Along with a representative from Northwest Playground, the committee has been working to plan, design and authorize an incredible assortment of play structures for the east end of our campus. The design includes an Active play structure, an Adventure Series Play Structure, an X Wave, two Playmotion rides (skateboard and snowboard), a 4-station spinner, a Triple Twist, two curved balance beams, parallel bars,

tetherball, and a Triple Shoot-Out Hoop.

This could keep 100 of our awesome students playing safely at one time!!! We need to raise about \$50,000 to complete this project. You have probably seen the tile fundraising going on this fall. We have had a wonderful turn out of support. Thank you! We have also reached out to the community and written grants looking for funding. And now we are asking you for your help at the auction.

How can you help? This year's special appeal (aka paddle raise) at the auction will benefit the playground project. This will be a wonderful time to show your support for the school and its playful students.

By Kate Alvord & Andrea Lamprecht,  
Playground Committee  
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## ALAMEDA'S PLAYGROUND



A representation of the new Alameda Playground: the diagram is provided by Northwest Playground Equipment, Inc. The field will be PVC Free.



OOOOWWWOOOOOOOOOOOO! Wolfman Jack here. Can ya dig it?

Dear Wolfman,

All right! I'm convinced! I want to go to the auction. How do I get tickets? And is it too late to get one for the teach'?

Signed, Ticket Taker

Dear TT,  
Al' righ'! You've come to the right place! Team Graffiti tells me this is the week! You should be getting the Gazette (are you reading' it right now?) and an envelope containing a ticket form and a save-the-date magnet. I hear dere's a spot right on the form to buy those teacher tix. Can ya dig it?

— WJ

Dear Wolfman,

What is this Preview Party I keep hearing about? Got the dirt?  
Signed, Party Animal

Dear PA,  
Well, ya see, the auction is a party, a big party, and we don't wantcha to miss anything! So Team Graffiti has set up this little sneak peek for ya. It's gonna be on **Wednesday, January 27, 2010** in the **Alameda Cafeteria** from **6:30-8:00pm**. What

do we do? Well we buy our tix (if dere's any left!) and swipe our credit cards and pick our seats and peruse da classroom projects. I hear that Team Graffiti might even be doin' a wine raffle or wine wall or sumptin' like dat at da auction so ya could drop off a bottle of wine to help. Team Graffiti is also lookin' for records — LOTS o' RECORDS! Scratched abused unplayable unwanted vinyl records in any size (33s, 45s, we take 'em all). Got any of dem in dat basement of yours? We'll take 'em!

— WJ

Dear Wolfman,

I want to help Alameda and I want to support the auction, but I am not much of a partygoer. What can I do?

Signed, Not a Party Animal

Dear NaPA,  
Hey, dat's okay! Here are some options for dem folks who like to lay low...

**Donate:** Ya help da auction and don't have to come. Team Graffiti can tell ya later what your item went for.

Just get your forms in by **January 8, 2010!** Ya dig?

**Volunteer to be an Overnight Babysitter:** Know some folks who want to go? How's 'bout a sleepover at your house? Kids, jammies, popcorn, movies... happy parents who pick 'em up in the morning. Sounds like a match made in heaven!

**Buy a Staff Ticket:** Let's try to get staff to da party without dough out of their pockets. Ya dig?

— WJ

# 2.20.2010

## Where will you be?

### Preview Party:

# 1.27.2010

# Sponsor Spotlight: JH Kelly

By Graffiti Gazette Staff  
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Alameda parent Mason Evans and his company, JH Kelly, is proudly sponsoring Alameda Graffiti. Mason has generously sponsored the Alameda auction for the past three years. We spoke to Mason about being an Alameda parent...

**GG:** Tell us a bit about your family.

**ME:** My wife Mary and I are the proud parents of Connor (Mundal), Danny (Pre-K), and Maggie (Alameda All-Star in-training).

**GG:** Tell us about JH Kelly and what does your business do?

**ME:** JH Kelly is an HVAC and Plumbing company for commercial facility owners and an industrial contractor. The company has been in my family for four generations now.

**GG:** What buildings have your worked on? Any we would know?

**ME:** Let's see. We did buildings for OHSU on both ends of the tram (top and bottom of the hill). The building at the bottom of the hill was LEED Platinum certified. We also worked on the con-

dos on the south Waterfront (also LEED certified). Right now we are working on several projects for area hospitals, such as the cancer pavilion at Providence and the Children's hospital at Emmanuel.

**GG:** Gosh, the Alameda community must be a hot-bed of business opportunity for you (not!). Why do you sponsor the auction?

**ME:** That's easy — to support a good school!

**GG:** What do your kids like to do outside of school?

**ME:** They live and breathe soccer. Just soccer.

**GG:** Even Maggie?

**ME:** We plan on getting her into Lil' Kickers as soon as we can.

**GG:** What are you wearing to the auction?

**ME:** Oh man! I kind of like the Greaser, but I don't know if I could pull it off! Mary's going to wear one of those skirts the girls wore in the 50s. What were they?

**GG:** Poodles?

**ME:** That's it! A Poodle skirt.



# JH KELLY

# Chris's Corner

You may be thinking, "Another Gazette?" Well, this "Special Edition" of the Gazette should be accompanied by a ticket form and save-the-date magnet in an envelope. If you are reading the Gazette online or need an envelope (for whatever reason), additional envelopes will be on the bulletin board in the main hall. Printer friendly versions of the ticket form will go online as well.

A couple of reminders:

1. If you are looking to get your child's teacher or staff member a gift, consider an auction ticket! Contact Titia Quinton at [auktiontickets@alamedaschool.org](mailto:auktiontickets@alamedaschool.org).
2. This Saturday is our first "Donation Drop-Off Day." Our Procurement Leader, Kathryn Loescher, is hosting at 3424 NE 67th. So drop by, fill our a form, get rid of your item, and make space in your house for the holidays!
3. Donation Deadline: **Friday, Jan. 8, 2010.**

Have the Happiest of Holidays! I hope to see you in the New Year! (That's when our fun really starts!)



Chris Wiegand,  
Head Cheerleader

# Important Auction Dates

By Chris Wiegand,  
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December						
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Legend	
	- No School
	- Late Opening
	- Donation Drop-Off
	- Important Date
	- Alameda Graffiti



# CALENDAR

- Dec. 19 — Donation Drop-Off Day! 3424 NE 67th from 9am-noon
- Dec. 31 — Sponsor/In-Kind Donor Deadline: All sponsors/in-kind donors must submit a form by this date.
- Jan. 8 — Donation Deadline: All donation forms must be in by this date. (Items need not be turned in, but the forms need to be in.)
- Jan. 9 — Donation Drop-Off Day! 3424 NE 67th from 9am-noon
- Jan. 27 — Preview Party: Alameda Cafeteria from 6:30 to 8pm. **Also**, this is the deadline for purchasing the "Staycation" Ticket Package
- Feb. 10 — Deadline for ticket purchases and meal choice (beef, chicken, or veggie)
- Feb. 20 — Alameda Graffiti! Columbia Conference Center, 8521 NE Columbia Blvd, Doors open at 5:30pm.

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28						



# Class Projects | 3rd Grade Rock Stars

By Kristin Cooper and Sharyn Smith, Classroom Project Co-Coordinators  
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## Preview Party: January 27, 2010

And the hits keep coming with classroom projects for Alameda Graffiti 2010! The third-grade classrooms have filled out their set with some chart toppers featuring a personal touch.

- **Miller** and the **Memory Makers** are putting together the perfect number for dancing cheek-to-cheek — a hardbound book featuring student portraits and quotes.
- **McElroy** and the **Architects** are rocking the charts with a medley of Portland's bridges in drawings, furniture and linens.
- For the brainiacs out there, **Reynolds**

and the **Rook-Takers** will help you check your mate with a chess table and stools.

- **Buckowski's Grape Stompers** get their groove on with a wine collection accompanied by student-created wine glass charms and container.

What's the story with your classroom? Check out the Billboard Top 26 in the front hallway! Need help getting something in the can? Get in touch with Kristin Cooper and Sharyn Smith at

[auktionclassprojects@alamedaschool.org](mailto:auktionclassprojects@alamedaschool.org)

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Where will you be?

[alamedaschool.org/auktion](http://alamedaschool.org/auktion)

HOMEROOM

# SPONSORS

Sponsorship Deadline: December 31, 2009

## Deuce Coupes



## Thunderbirds



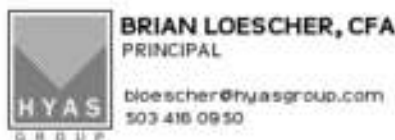
SPKH Wealth Management Group

Aaron A. Kohn

Vice President - Investments



## Bel-Airs



## HELP WANTED

By Jenny Stadler, Volunteer Lead  
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Are you a doer, not a watcher? Does small talk give you the shivers? Is hard work your favorite kind of donation? If so, come and volunteer at the auction! We have several positions available, including one that will fit your skills perfectly. Here's what we're looking for:

- Set Up Wizard
- Silent Auction Mastermind
- Silent Auction Closer
- Greeter
- Data Entry Phenomenon
- Herder/Nagger
- Live auction runner
- Photo booth maven
- Live auction bid recorder
- Bouncer
- Packager/Runner
- Important looking walkie-talkie holder

Let us know how you'd like to help! We'll provide the deli tray and water bottles, you provide the fun!



## Impalas



Fremont Veterinary Clinic

