



# The Posted Paw

## Letter from the Editor

By: Geordan "Fashionista" Smith, Editor

Once again it is your fearless leader of the newspaper here to tell you about... well, the newspaper who woulda guessed. Today is a special day a very, very... very... Okay it isn't that important, but it is worth noting, therefore you Bethelonians need to take note. We have a new student from Norman High School, her name Karley Steelman and she is one of the elites of the "Paw Posse." I'm sure her articles will be superb. So if you see her tell her congratulations; it's hard to get in our crew. You gotta enroll in it and such. Other than that next week is Red Ribbon Week so don't do drugs and don't let your friends do drugs. Please participate in the days and most of all HAVE FUN WITH IT. Last, but certainly not least, S/O to the softball girls for making runner up at state this week. Stay elegant, Bethel Acres.

## Obama Care

By: Marcia "The Dazzling M" Clemmons, Staff Writer

Obama Care many have heard about it and thought what is that? Obama Care, aka "The Affordable Care Act", goes back to 1989. Obama did not invent it but in 2008 it was put on the democratic platform. But most republicans liked it, even Romney was in favor of it, so it could have been called "Romney Care." But not every democrat likes it obviously but in a survey conducted this summer over moderate to conservative democrats 46% voted against it and 47% for it that's almost a 50/50 tie.

So what does the Affordable Care Act do exactly? ACA requires everyone in the U.S. to get health insurance by January 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 or they will have to pay a penalty fine. ACA also enforces that health insurance companies can no longer deny people for insurance because of their age, disease, or income. It also requires health insurance companies to pay for preventative healthcare (paying for people who are a little sick now and can become more sick in the future) Obama care will cost most of us (your parents) between 3% and 9.5% of our income after cost assistance. Cost assistance is given to low-to-middle Americans who shop on the Health Insurance Marketplace (an online marketplace for insurance that is established by Obama Care).

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## Poetry Out Loud

Poetry Out Loud is coming to Bethel November 12 and 13. It is a national poetry recitation competition. For more info and to sign up, talk to Ms. K in room 8.

## Successful Ag Students

By: Kade Goggin, Staff Writer

Tyler Hill placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the PI contest advancing to state in the green hand quiz contest this fall. He had to study very hard to take a written test, oral question round (determining advancement), then advance to PI placing in the top 2, then advanced to state. GOOD JOB to Tyler Hill.

## Cyber Bullying

By: Brandy Herndon, Staff Writer

Cyber bullying mostly occurs among adolescents and teens. Several people take it seriously and commit suicide. According to cyber bullying statistics from the i-SAFE foundation,

- Over half of adolescents and teens have been bullied online, and about the same number have engaged in cyber bullying.
- More than 1 in 3 young people have experienced cyber threats online.
- Well over half of young people do not tell their parents when cyber bullying occurs.

We as students should speak up and be a voice for those who can't stick up for themselves, but you should always ask if it's ok with the person you want to defend. It may upset the person you are sticking up for, but we cannot allow bullying to continue. Don't stoop to their level. If you are being verbally/physically abusive you are being a hypocrite and a bully yourself.

## Bethel Student Needs Car Name

Michael Williams has suggested we do a poll for his 1999 Lincoln Town car which is a slick Charcoal gray color. We wish you the best of luck naming your car and here are the results, as you can see Mildred has won the superior name.

## Michael William's New Car



■ Lucille

■ Mildred

■ Gloria

■ Janice 2.0