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Hello and welcome to the fall publication of The Lake Ave Times!

I am this year's editor and very excited to be so. I have high hopes for this year's paper and those writing for it. This is my senior year at Auburn High School, and there's no other way I'd want to spend it. I am thankful for the opportunity to fill the role of editor and I can't wait to see where this year's publication takes us.

This paper would not be possible without the hard work and cooperation of students in Journalism, and the Newspaper Club to produce interesting and relevant stories. Their dedication to people and events in the community, both at the highschool and in Auburn as a whole, is something I hope to emphasize across the articles in each publication.

It can be seen over and over again that people, particularly youth, who get involved in their communities stay involved-or in this case, in-touch. Publishing articles written by students, targeting an audience that is composed of peers, fosters that in-touch aspect, and ultimately, involvement.

It is my hope that this paper will be a means of showcasing the writing prowess of various students, as well as their many interests and opinions. It is my goal that The Lake Ave Times helps challenge the notion that youth are apathetic and uninformed on what is going on in the world around them.

Hoping you're as excited as I am,

Jadan Hand

## **Spirit Week at AHS**

Griffin Dautrich

The week of October 21st, an eventful week for Auburn High School Students. This is a time where students can get creative, show their school spirit, and go all out. Popular themes and trends were assigned to each day of spirit week and individuals are encouraged to participate.

In the past years, Monday has been a very popular day known as “Merica Monday.” However this year Christopher Columbus Day happened to fall on the first day of spirit week so students were unable to take part. On Tuesday, or “Tropical Tuesday,” the theme was to dress up as tropical as you could. Hula skirts, leis, and floral shirts were some of the common attire that was worn. There were a good amount of participants on Tuesday but there could definitely be more.

Wednesday was “Way back Wednesday” where the theme was to dress like you were in either the 50’s, 60’s, 70’s or 80’s. Although it seemed like a very good theme, there were very few students who participated and dressed in past decade clothing.

Thursday was the well anticipated and loved “Jersey Day.” There were many participants who wore either NBA, NFL, NHL or even their current sports teams jersey. School Spirit was at its high today with someone wearing a jersey every which way you looked.

On Friday, it was the annual Maroon and White Day. Students were encouraged to wear their “Once a Maroon, Always a Maroon” T-Shirt for the day which supported the Homecoming football game. This was another theme which really got people to show their love for Auburn High School.

A good amount of Auburn High School students did their part participating in Spirit Week and went all out. For next year, should we change up the themes? Should we better inform students on the themes on each day? Feel free to suggest ideas to any of the Varsity Club members or Mrs. Casaletta in room E215. Go Maroons!



## **Have You Caught Maroon Fever?**

Gavin Moody

Homecoming-Auburn High School's most electric and prideful time of year-is always exciting, and 2019 was no exception. The raw energy of the Pep rally got everyone crazy, rowdy, and loud. The Auburn pride emanating from the crowd was uncontrollable, with many seniors refusing to be seated and insisting on standing to support their grade.

The atmosphere during the Pep rally was full of intense energy that is bound to emit from cheering and screaming highschoolers. This fever did naught but strengthen following the arrival of the Varsity sport teams. Auburn students faithfully showed their dedication to the school and wild applause ensued, but only the football team received a standing ovation from the senior class.

The cheerleaders wowed the entire school with an incredible performance of elegance and coordination. They got the crowd going with the infamous "Git Up"

dance and their impressive tumbling skills. Even the Vanguard left everyone paralyzed following a stunning performance, the synergy of the color guard left many speechless.

The Volleyball game between the teachers and the seniors was very back and forth, but the students took the win and absolutely destroyed the teachers in the end. The sophomores won a brutal game of musical chairs and a new game graced the gym floor: Hungry Hungry Hippos. An idea that must have looked much better on paper, as the next several minutes witnessed plastic balls spilling into every corner of the gym. Seniors took the win in the end as well.

Finally it was time for the tug-o-war tournament. Chants of "Freshmen Suck!" were bellowed by upperclassmen. The seniors easily demolished the freshmen in the first round, followed by a massive upset as the sophomores curb-stomped the juniors in the second round.

The seniors cleaned the floor with sophomores in the third round, only to come up against a brick wall that was the teachers tug-o-war team, a team that Matt Moskov described as "Diesel." This team hammered the seniors in a grueling, yet hard-fought match. A fitting climax and then end to an amazing pep rally.

## **The Last Game / The First Game**

Maddie Dedrick

Last week was the week of the Homecoming game and dance. For some, it was their last time participating in a highschool Homecoming game. For some, it was their first, with three more years to enjoy the fun. This year's Homecoming game was definitely worth bearing the cold for.

The date of the game was October 18th and it was Auburn against East Syracuse Minoa. The theme for the game was whiteout. Everyone in the student section had their Homecoming t-shirts on to reflect school spirit.

The night of the homecoming game was Auburn's senior night. This year there were 21 seniors being recognized at the event. All of the seniors have put forth their effort and time to make the football team a well-rounded program.

To start the game off, ESM scored first with a touchdown. Auburn brought the fire in response; Auburn's desire to win was ignited. In the first quarter, Auburn scored with Robert Morris catching a 46-yard pass thrown by quarterback Troy Churney. By the

end of the first quarter, the score was 7 to 8 Auburn with the lead.

Auburn kept that fire going in the second quarter. Shaheed Beal, scored a touchdown on an 83-yard run, bringing Auburn up to 15 points. The whole student section was very vocal with their support of Beal. As the time was running down Beal scored another touchdown off an 80-yard punt return.

Next up to score was Captain Owen Spearing. He scored a touchdown by a pass from Churney for a 40-yard pass. The kick from Jaymr Grimes was solid. The last person to score in the second quarter was Connor Mahunik, returning a fumble 63-yards for a touchdown, an amazing end to the second quarter. The ESM team did not score at all in the second quarter.

Halftime came around and the Auburn Vanguard performed. Homecoming court arrived on the wagon shortly after. Court this year included two couples, Sydney Alberici and Kanye Fasce, and Makayla Nolan and Dante Herndon. The rest of the court was: Ian Chisom, James Grimes, Bridget Donnelly and Abbie Love. Jack Moochler and Marlee Soloman were

included, being the graduating class' Mighty Maroons.

No one scored in the third quarter, leaving the score with the Auburn Maroons up 35 to 7. ESM scored a touchdown in the fourth quarter. Davari Agee finished the game with touchdown on an 8-yard run. The Auburn Maroons won the game 43-14.

The Auburn Maroons have had a great year winning with a record 6-1. All the parents at the end of the game had met their child with their senior night sign and had a wonderful time talking to their sons.

It was an exciting win all around. For Seniors, their last Homecoming game ended on a high note, with good memories to last a lifetime. For Freshmen, their first Homecoming was a high note and hopefully a reflection of the years to come.



### **Fun Fall Activities**

Nicholas Schattinger

Even though we are almost through the month of October, there are still important events students can participate in. The month of November also has a handful

of events students can involve themselves in as well.

Even though the end of October is creeping up, there are still activities students can go to and or participate in. Getting closer to Halloween, there are many haunted houses students can visit. The closest haunted house is the Fright Night Mansion. The Fright Night Mansion is located in the Fingerlakes Mall. Auburn will also be hosting a haunted history tours. The tours will be throughout Auburn's museums and downtown. There are many festive activities for students to do with their family or friends.

For those not interested in a scary experience there is also Tim's Pumpkin patch located outside of Skaneateles. Tim's is a great place to go to get pumpkins and enjoy the fall season. There are still many fall activities to do in Auburn before the end of October.

The month of November will include one of the most popular events among students. For the first time in 2 years Late Night Volleyball will be making a return. Late Night Volleyball will take place on November 8th in the High School gymnasium. Sign up forms are outside of

Mrs. Dautrich, it is \$15 per team. Teams are made up of 6, 3 guys and 3 girls. Late Night Volleyball is the perfect event for students looking to have fun with their classmates.

On November 18th Winter sport tryouts will begin. The tryouts will be for Varsity Hockey, Boys Junior Varsity and Varsity Basketball, Varsity Wrestling, and Indoor Track. Tryouts are open to everyone who is interested in these sports and wants to represent Auburn High School. Coaches encourage those who have never played before to not be afraid to show up.

Even though the fall season is half way through there are many activities students can stay busy with. Interested students can access more information on the school webpage.



### **Tips and Tricks for Carving a Pumpkin**

Emor Decann

Do you think your house isn't complete for Halloween? Need something to spruce up that old front porch of yours? You

should consider carving a pumpkin! Here are some helpful tips and tricks to make carving your pumpkins easier.

For starters your going to want to pick a decent sized pumpkin. Then you'll want to clean off your beautiful pumpkin's skin to make it sparkle. Then once you've cleaned off your big orange beauty. Take a decent sized knife and cut the top part of the pumpkin off around the stem.

Pull off the top part after you've cut it and gut a pumpkin. To make it easier you can attach a metal whisk to a drill and use that to clean the pumpkin guts off of the walls. (If you want you can bake the pumpkin seeds, they are extra yummy!)

Pick a design from the internet for what you want. Try your best to draw out the design you want. Carefully cut out the design on the pumpkin following the outline you drew. After that set the pumpkin on the front porch with a candle in it and let people enjoy its beauty.





## Greatest Of All Pies

Jack Moochler

When you think of fall, what comes to mind? Perhaps you imagine yourself walking through the park, with warm colored leaves crackling below your steps. Also, you could imagine a plump turkey fresh out of the oven, and family everywhere you look. However, the thing that truly emphasizes the fall season is the wonderful and delightful pies that come with autumn.

As the summer greens fade into warm reds, yellows, and oranges, as well as the typical coconut cakes, and ice cream sandwiches, that transform into various fall pies. Fresh from the oven, the beautiful smell of baked deliciousness, it is easy to want a pie during the autumn season. However, what pie is the best pie? There are so many to choose from, such as america's pie, apple, or maybe pumpkin, pecan, or chocolate.

All fall pies are great in their own ways, however, I would like to focus on the chocolate pie, one that I find underrated during the season. The humble chocolate pie is often overlooked for its more fruity counterparts, however, it possesses qualities unlike any of the other pies available.

Chocolate pie is often baked using a typical pie crust, which can be made by simply mixing cold butter, flour, salt, and sugar into a food processor, and then cooling the dough. From there, the pie filling is made, usually with a chocolate pudding as a base. Then, homemade whipped cream is formed using cold heavy cream, powdered sugar, and vanilla extract. A simple recipe can go a long way with a chocolate pie, similar to pumpkin pies.

Ultimately, a chocolate pie is to be enjoyed at a chilled temperature with homemade whipped cream atop of the chocolate filling of the pie. It is not only easy, but a highly delectable dessert to enjoy during the fall season with your family and friends. Even though it is an underrated pie, it deserves to be noticed as a top-tier pie and dessert overall.



## DIY Costumes

Asia Arnaldo

Everyone always looks forward to Halloween. One of the biggest questions is, “What am I going to be?” Some may not have the time to put a big costume together or they may not have the money to go out and buy a \$50 costume. Here are some costume ideas that are easy and affordable!

- **Queen of Hearts** - Grab a deck of cards, some red lipstick and a red dress if you have one and boom, you’ve got yourself the Queen of Hearts!
- **Arthur** - find a yellow shirt, a headband, fake glasses and some fabric to make ears.
- **Ghost Costume** - the simple old fashion way! Find a white sheet and (with permission) cut two holes to make eyes and there you have it.
- **Smarty Pants** - easy and simple. Find a pair of pants and tape Smarties candy all over.
- **Hippie** - Get a pair of circle sunglasses, from the Dollar Store even and a flower headband!
- **Snow White** - Get an apple from your kitchen, find some red ribbon to tie around your head.
- **Gumball machine** - Buy a bag of colorful pom poms, use a hot glue gun and cover a shirt in them.
- **Picasso Painting** - wear all white, go crazy and paint yourself with crazy colors, then get a frame that’s big enough to go around your upper body.
- **Tourist** - take out all of your vacation clothes! Put some sunscreen on your nose, get your dad’s fanny pack, socks and sandals with a hawaiian shirt



## Psycho II: A Worthy Followup to the Unfollowable

Ian Janas

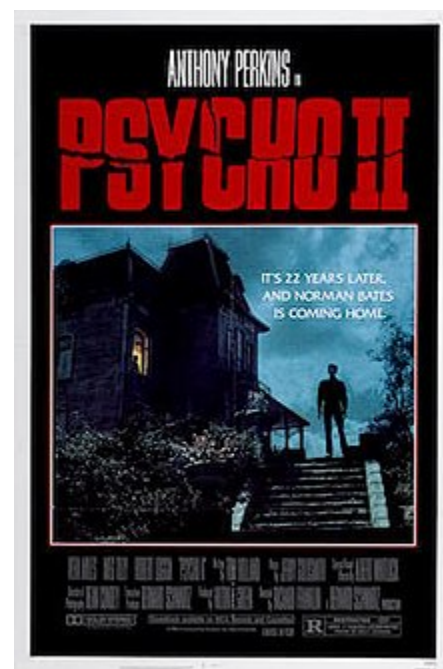
Creating a sequel to one of the most celebrated films of all time, one made by one of the most celebrated directors of all time, is no small task. This outrageously tall order was thought by many to be impossible; and yet Psycho II (1983) succeeded with flying colors, which makes it quite a shame that it's all but forgotten today. The film, as the title suggests, is the sequel to Hitchcock's masterpiece Psycho (1960), a personal favorite of mine which is consistently ranked at or near the top of not only lists of the greatest horror flicks of all time, but the greatest films ever made. The filmmakers behind Psycho II had an impossible task ahead of them, to create a worthy followup to this masterpiece, and by some miracle, they succeeded.

My initial reaction upon finding out there was a Psycho sequel was not very positive. I assumed that, like most sequels released decades after the first film's relevance, Psycho II would be an embarrassing cash grab for everyone involved; I was very wrong. When I sat down to watch the film I was pleasantly surprised by the film's treatment of Norman; while the original managed to avoid the offensive pitfalls of the era by portraying Norman as a sympathetic character, Norman still broadly fell into the archetype of the mentally ill villain; in Psycho II, Norman is well on his way to becoming a fully functional member of society. As a mentally ill person myself, and having several friends with more severe symptoms, I was glad to

see a more accepting portrayal of one struggling with their mental illness, rather than the typical role of the "crazed killer".

Psycho may have pioneered the genre, but Psycho II is not a slasher in the traditional sense; rather, it's much more of a character driven drama with murder mystery elements. Anthony Perkins slips right back into his role as Norman Bates and delivers a standout performance that elevates an already excellent film, and the reversal of Norman being the victim of the new antagonist gives us an all new angle on the character.

The film is not without its faults though; at times it seems too in awe of the Hitchcock original, containing a good amount of unnecessary fanservice that bogs the film down at points. Overall Psycho II serves as an incredible companion piece to the 1960 original and I would highly recommend it to any fan of the series.



## **School is Cool**

Jack Moochler

Many people believe that school is long enough as it is, and that having it last over ten months per year is already too much. However, I'd argue that having school last throughout the entire year might not be as far-fetched as it might seem. If school was stretched out throughout the entire twelve months of the year, it would allow for more scattered breaks instead of one, long summer break.

Having a longer school year would create more opportunities for breaks in between school days. For example, there could be a three-day weekend every week, or there could be an addition 2-week break some time during the school year.

With more breaks throughout the year, rather than just a long summer break, students would have more leisure time throughout the year, and more time to do activities with their friends and family around the holidays and different seasons. Longer weekends for students will also help kids get more rest every week, which would help with the current problem of kids being sleepy in class. Students will be more awake and productive in class.

Overall, the proof is in the pudding, having a longer school year may seem unfair and tough for students, but by doing so, kids would have longer weekends and breaks throughout the year. Instead of having a typical long summer break, there would be many more shorter breaks throughout the year. Students would ultimately have more leisure time despite having a longer school year.

## **School is Long Enough**

Jason Baranick

Some people believe schools should have extended school days and be extended all year long. I strongly disagree with this due to many reasons. One of the main reasons is by the end of the school year students are exhausted and tired of school. Extending school would only make students slack, frustrated and more leisurely towards school.

Extending the school year is a bad idea because kids deserve to have time off for other activities outside of school. For example, some students need to help their parents and work when they aren't in school, extending the school year could cause more kids to drop out and get their GED. A lot of students play sports or take in after school activities, extending the school day will only take away their time to practice sports and participate in clubs.

Students already feel pressured and stressed with school as there are many projects and assignments due at a certain date. Extending school will only put more pressure and stress on students as more and more will drop out. If School is extended the expense for schools will increase making it harder to put money towards everything that needs it. Kids in school need more one on one attention to help them learn to the best of their abilities, they don't need longer school days to make them more tired and less efficient.



# Field Hockey Cancer Game

Rachel Tarby

Wednesday, October 9th, Auburn's Field Hockey team had an important game, and an important win. Every year the team has a game that brings awareness to and raises money for cancer. This year, the team brought awareness to everyone affected by liver cancer.

Before the game there was a ceremony honoring both survivors and anyone defeated by cancer. Both Cato, the opposing team, and Auburn mentioned any family members affected by cancer. Cato wore pink shirts in honor of victims of breast cancer and Auburn wore a bright tie dye green shirt in honor of liver cancer.

After the ceremony, Auburn played one of their best games of the season. They stayed strong for the full sixty minutes and did not give up. Auburn won 2-0 against Cato with goals scored by Ellie Dann and Lauren Lowe. Lowe's goal was called a "buzzer beater" by the team because it was scored within the last 10 seconds of the game. This was a very special win for Auburn and brought the Field Hockey team another step closer to sectionals!

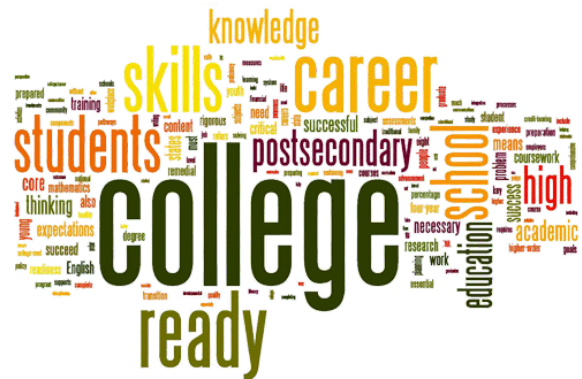
## College Night

Ashley Wood

College night was a hit! Many students came from all over to meet with college representatives. Not just Seniors from AHS, but people from the surrounding area, including Tyburne and Southern Cayuga attended as well.

College night was great for students who weren't sure what college they wanted to attend. If there was somewhere you wanted to attend but the college did have your major then you could easily find another college that better met your criteria.

There were multiple presentations on topics like Financial Aid and Athletics. There was a great turn out of both students and colleges. It was very easy for students to find information about potential colleges they may plan on attending.





## **History Club, Not Just For History Buffs**

Abigail Swartwood

Imagine you're a freshman in high school. Your counselors and parents are pushing you to join clubs so your college resume looks good in the future. We have all been through it.

I interviewed Mrs. Oliver-Carr about the history club at our school. Mrs. Oliver-Carr has always liked history. Her favorite topic to teach is about the European rulers. Since she is a history teacher she does try to push kids to join into this club. Meetings for the club are once a month but vary because they don't want their meeting to interfere with other clubs.

This club started in the 70's by Mr. Martin. Mr. Martin was Mrs. Oliver-Carr's teacher when she was in high school. Mrs. Oliver-Carr took the history club over eight years ago and is Co-Advisor with Mr. Ferrara. Right now the history club has about 25 members. The purpose of this club was to get kids into history, expose them to places in the world through trips and,

making a bigger and better community through kids meeting people in the club.

Not all kids know that you don't have to be good at a subject or like it to be in the club. This club is for everybody. You don't have to be good at history or love history to go on his field trips, learn about culture, and have a good time. This club also covers different things in history.

The highlights of this club is that you get to go on amazing trips, make lots of friends, and be apart in different games and elections. Upcoming trips that are being planned are a trip to Philadelphia, Washington, and during the summer they are planning to go to France. Many students say the trips are a blast.

I asked Mrs. Oliver-Carr if there was anything that she would like to add about the club and she said, "Mr. Ferrara plans all of the trips and he is a fantastic trip planner."



## **More Like Model F-U-N**

Gavin Moody

Model UN is a thrilling Auburn High School club. The club is designed around debates held among the club members as they represent real world countries and discuss real world problems. A very engaging and stimulating environment, Model UN ensures fun and real world experience for its members.

The club is generally broken down into meetings and trips. The meetings are held weekly and are generally mock debates, informational discussions or preparation for the conferences. The Model UN conferences occur twice a year. After determining the country (or countries) the club is representing, the club travels to whichever school is hosting, and debates other schools (all of which are also representing a different country) on a variety of topics and issues.

Model UN meets every monday in Mrs. Molloy's room. Mrs. Molloy is the director of the club. She has been running it for 3 years, after the retirement of Mr. Schmidt. Mrs. Molloy has a very light touch to the running of the club when compared to Mr. Schmidt, allowing the officers to run and direct meetings and membership has

increased drastically as a result. Her only insisting that we dont drop too many nukes as Auburn is known for being rowdy at the conferences.

The club president is Charlie Moskov, with James Cuddy, Jimmy Vasilie, and Div Petal serving as vice president, treasurer, and secretary respectively.

Charlie believes Model UN to be great for students, "I was very shy freshmen year, and putting myself into role helped me to get out there and have my voice heard for the first time."

Charlie has also worked to better prepare students for the conferences. "Freshman year leadership was rough, and we've really worked to get all club members ready and prepared for an amazing once in a lifetime experience here in model UN" Charlie says.

Model UN is great for experiences, opportunities, and a whole lot of fun. From meeting real UN delegates, to creating new fictional african country to blow up, Model UN has an appeal to everyone. It is great for all who love global politics, arguing with peers, or exploring wild topics from new viewpoints.

# Senior Superlatives!

## **Practically Sisters**

Alex Calkins and Claire Alexander

## **Best Death Glare**

Joey Leonti and Sage Haines

## **Most Flirtatious**

Shaheed Beal and Claire Brundage

## **Most Likely to Make a Difference**

Div Patel and Jadan Hand

## **Always in the Band Wing**

Thomas Pilbeam and Bri Packard

## **Always in the Art Wing**

Noah Long and Abby Marinelli

## **Most Likely to be ID'd at 30**

Klender Quezada and Caroline Netti

## **Drama King and Queen**

Jay Baranick and Emma Donovan

## **Couple that Never Was**

Jeremy Casterline and Sydney Whitford

## **Most Likely to be an Olympian**

Ross Burgmaster and Carissa Hlywa

## **Fashion Icon**

Liam Sanders and Maddie Hall

## **Good at Everything, Great at Nothing**

Griffin Dautrich and Gabby McGinn

## **Best Excuse Maker**

Jackson Engle and Lilli Spin

## **Most Likely to Never Grow Up**

Nick Pipher and Kiley Crehan

## **Biggest Bookworms**

Cameron Defendorf and Marissa Smith

## **Worst Case of Senioritis**

Hunter Tubbert and Kayden Parry

## **Will Do Anything for a Retweet**

Will Clark and Hannah Diego

## **Most Changed Since Middle School**

Ian Chisholm and Janet Dauenhauer

## **Most Likely to Be Catfished**

Mike Fimano and Carly Dolan

## **Mighty Maroon**

Jack Moochler and Marlee Solomon

## **Most Contagious Laugh**

Kurtis Reilley and Madelyn Dean

## **Tightest of Homies**

Ross Burgmaster and Lucas Hogan

## **Class Clown**

Gavin Moody and Torrie Fiduccia

## **Cutest Couple**

Abbie Love and Nate Garrigan

## **Most Versatile**

Owen Spearing and Emma Nolan

## **Born to be Wild**

Logan Murphy and Jillian Alberici

## **Most Unforgettable**

Justin Lockheart and Sydnee Raymond

## **Always Dancing**

Chris Hawkins and Claire Bonilla



**Most Likely to be on Reality TV**

James Grimes and Nia Boothman

**Most Likely to Teach at Auburn High**

Charlie Moskov and Kate Scanlan

**Digital Genius**

Josh Smalley and Gabbie Scharett

**Star of the Stage**

Cameron Hodson and Donovan Tanner

**Sweetest Ride**

R.J. Szakalski and Adrienne Kelly

**Wallflower**

Billy Foster and Alexa Driscoll

**Biggest Bedhead**

Jude Diffin and Claire Netti

**Koolest Kicks**

Jake Sanders and Abbie Love

**Class Crush**

Lucas Hogan and Katelyn Montone

**Most Likely to Ditch Auburn**

Dan Lovell and McKenna Wilson

**Worst Driver**

Julian Butler and Miranda Reilley

**Most Likely to Brighten Someone's Day**

Zach Wlad and Meghan Gionnotta

**Most Likely to Shock Everyone at**

**Reunion**

Clay Vanostrand and Asia Arnaldo

**An Accident Ready to Happen**

Robert Hill and Kacie Hulik

Happy  
Fall  
Y'all

