



# The Hatchet

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## Governator Visits WHS

By Jackson Prudence  
*Staff Reporter*

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger visited our campus last Friday and gave a speech encouraging

underclassmen to do well for this year's STAR testing. ASB organized a special lunch for the governor and the band performed musical selections from various films in which the governor has starred. Mr. Schwarzenegger

seemed to be enjoying himself, smiling often. After the brief lunch, the governor spoke before the assembled underclassmen and gave a rousing speech. "I want all of you to exceed your own expectations, exceed

your parents expectations, exceed my expectations." Schwarzenegger said. After delivering his speech, the governor signed autographs and posed for pictures with some lucky students. He also passed out information

about various fitness programs of which he is a strong supporter. "It was really cool having the terminator talk to us." freshman Jake Escat said. The governor plans to visit all FUSD schools.

### Students bring down the house in remembrance

By Helen Preston  
*Staff Reporter*

Students gathered in the gym last Thursday for a concert sponsored by Rock Against Cancer, a non-profit organization. The concert was in remembrance for the late Paul Verhooven who taught U.S. history here for the past 10 years. He passed away in August due to testicular cancer.

Performances weren't limited to just students, however, as some teachers and administrators picked up instruments and played several songs. Sophomore Jason Quoc played an improvisational version of the song "Over the Rainbow." The crowd loved it. "It was unreal," Quoc said. "I would have played for longer, but they cut me off after ten minutes," he added. However, not everyone was pleased with the performances.

Student Leader and English teacher Erik Henderson opposed the idea of the assembly altogether. "I don't see why we have to waste school time for a silly concert," Henderson said. "If kids want to see the concert, they should go on their own time, not on my time," he concluded.

"It is unfortunate that some teachers feel that way," Assistant Principal Uli Scholm said, "But I believe the concert was necessary and beneficial for the students." The concert was planned in a joint collaboration between ASB and the band program alongside Rock Against Cancer. Rock Against Cancer provided their own, top of the line, sound system for the performers' use.



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Paul Verhooven, teacher and friend to many, passed away in August. He was 35.

### In Remembrance

By Donnie Darko  
*Staff Reporter*

Beloved history teacher, Paul Verhooven passed away last August due to testicular cancer. Mr. Verhooven had been teaching here at WHS for the past ten years. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Verhooven. Mr. Verhooven's death has sent shockwaves through the teaching community here in Fremont. The student body

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