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Battle of the Bands

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It was Friday before winter break. With winter vacation on everybody's mind, student piled into the little theater for the annual Battle of the Bands.

Mike Turner, 12, and **Sam Ochstein, 12,** warmed up the crowd with humorous jokes and impressions. The bands that made the cut for the battle were Forest Fire, Chasing the Tail of Smoke and Reason, Still Rock Steady, The Pinstripes, and Two Years' Notice.

"I really liked Forest Fire. They played a good mixture of music," said **Paige Buffington, 11.**

"Two Year's Notice put on an amazing show. They could have won!" said **Eileen Wulff, 11.**

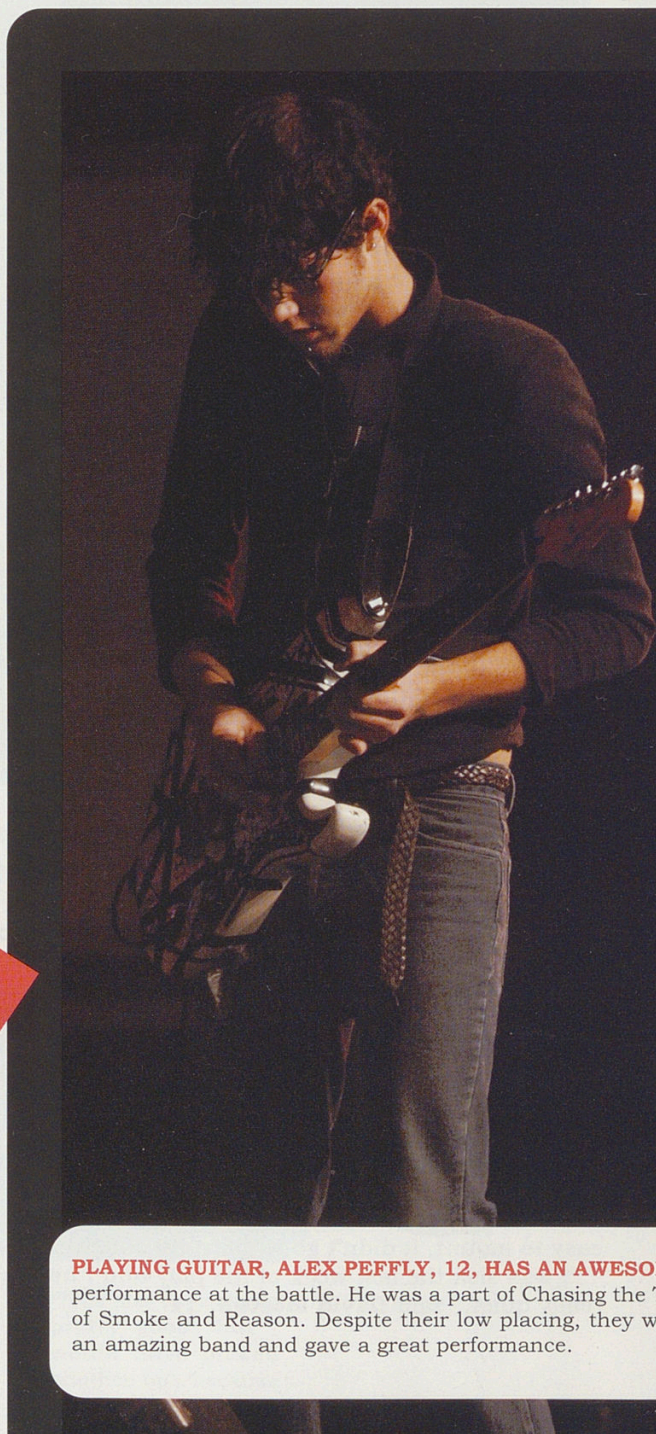
Not only were the bands amazing at the battle, the intermission acts were very entertaining.

The Flyerettes performed a complex dance routine for the audience. **Daniel Schear, 11,** **Alex Gering, 11,** and **Sam Cole, 11,** performed an acoustic set that covered Guster and Simon and Garfunkel.

The curtains closed after the ritual senior band's performance. The class of '05 band was Still Rock Steady. They performed the cover "Walk This Way," by Aerosmith, leaving the crowd pumped with energy to go and vote. A new voting system was introduced with voting for two bands!



JEFF MILLER, 12, KIAN FALLAHI, 10, AND ANDY CAIN, 12, played guitars and bass for their band Chasing the Tail of Smoke and Reason. **Alex Peffly, 12, J.D. Hall, 12, and Alex Macintosh, 12,** also played alongside these talented musicians. They played very unique music that was different from every other band competing.



PLAYING GUITAR, ALEX PEFFLY, 12, HAS AN AWESOME performance at the battle. He was a part of Chasing the Tail of Smoke and Reason. Despite their low placing, they were an amazing band and gave a great performance.

