

JOE KING REVEALED !



EK 2475: Photograph of Alleged Joe King, Taken H.B. Woodlawn upper hallway Feb.9,1980
Suspect circled at right.

In Search of Joe King

Joe King: The name rings of dark mysterious regions of the mind. Joe King: a phantom student who seems not to exist, but like the Bermuda Triangle, the Loch Ness Monster, and Arthur Woodman, refuses to go away. Joe King: His name appears on English Elective sign-up sheets, on official transcripts. He buys tickets to dances, he spray-paints his name in the hall. He pinches 8th grade girls in the john. Joe King: a perennial student. Older teachers claimed they had him in their class in '76, or was it '74? We learned that some students, afraid of facing the "real world" delay graduation for a year or more -- there were a couple of solid cases to prove this point. But Joe King, how had he slipped through the brass-knuckled clutches of the County Administration and the herculean task of faking his way through the mountains of paperwork which armed the ever-vigilant office staff? Old alumni were asked informally as to their knowledge of Joe King. Most answered they remembered him vaguely - a few said their best friend had taken independent study P.E. with him. When queried as to King's academic performance, teacher Alice Sufit refused to comment. Custodian Bill Holseberg rolled his eyes and told us, "Joe King? That boy used to hang out on the smoking court. Thought I saw that so-&-so here yesterday too. Makes a heck of a mess. Send him by here if you can catch him so I can knock some sense in his fool head." After we found one of his notebooks in the cafeteria, we knew we were hot on his trail. We held the book in our hands, trembling with expectation. The cover flopped open. The book was blank... We knew we were stumped. We decided to consult an expert, someone who was the most reliable source of information about Joe King, Head Teacher Ray Anderson. The following is a transcription of a series of intense, probing interviews.

Ray: Joe King... Do you want the true story or a better than true story?

Yearbook: We want the facts. Facts.

RA: Shouldn't you explain that the only reason I'm disclosing this secret is that I've been bribed by a piece of fairly warm Mario's pizza... a crucial element in forcing me to reveal that Joe King is really the son of Joe McCarthy and he was so embarrassed by his father and his anti-leftist attitudes that he in turn decided to start a hippie

school in Arlington, and that in fact is the real Joe King?

YB: The real story?

RA: Do you want to know the year?

YB: The year, yeah, ok.

RA: It was '73-'74. Fall of '73, three students (tape inaudible) fake name (tape inaudible)... At any rate they came to me to decide to pick a student and Brian Price published...

Here there is an 18½ minute gap in the tape

... the real story is that Margery Edson and I were both at Wakefield many years ago and Joe King is our second son...

YB: Gasp!

RA: ...But we've never told anyone that and he was put up for adoption right after he was born. He was born over summer vacation and, uh, when he got back to high school age he decided to go to Woodlawn...



Photo reputed to be Joe King original Woodlawn building 1973

Peter Deer: Hi, Ray! What's up?

YB: Quiet Goob.

RA: uh, where was I... and I didn't want him to come because I wanted him to go to a good school where he could really get a good education and learn the proper way to address adults and wear proper clothes etc., etc., and learn something about dates and facts and history and how to spell instead of all the wierd things that go on at Woodlawn, but I couldn't tell him who I was and he wouldn't pay any attention to me because I was head teacher so he stayed...

YB: So that's the story.

RA: Well, there wasn't really ever a J...

PD: Get a handkerchief! Shove it in his mouth!

RA: ... or a Santa Claus, or an Easter Bunny! Fzbchgrwpgrwl!

YB: Are you ok, Mr. Anderson?

RA: Yes, I've regained my composure.

YB: Anything else we need to know about Joe King?

RA: Have you ever seen the famous picture of Monty Python at the Last Supper in the Art room?

YB: I give up.

Note: If anyone sees or hears of Joe King, please tell him to return the six-pack he stole from Dave Hall's pickup in '75

THE FACTS:

Fact; B.B. King's guitar is named Lucille.

Fact: Gas at Amoco is \$1.26 a gallon

Fact: Joe King's astrological sign is the Little Dipper

Fact: On October 8, 1961, Ray M. Anderson skipped his ROTC class.

Fact: King Island is 56 miles NW of Tasmania, Australia
39'50' S, 144'00' E

Fact: Bob E. Rock's phone number really is 534-3450.

Fact: Stella went to Beauty School in Harrisonburg, Va.

Fact: Brian Price had his first psychedelic experience in 1973.


Fact: The speed of sound is 1100ft/sec. at sea level at 70 (21 C)

Fact: Investigators have found nearly 4000 new M2 Machine guns in the Alabama Arms depot.

Fact: Gas tank capacity of a '68 Dodge Monaco is 24.3 gals.

Fact: Life is a bitch

Fact: "You can't have nudes in a high school yearbook!"



Is This really Joe King?
The mystery continues...

HAVE WE SEEN THE LAST OF JOE KING ?