

M-AC FANTASIES OVER DREAM DATES

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Everyone, at one time or another, dreams of the perfect date with the perfect person. Public figures are often the target of these dreamy thoughts. For instance, Freshman David Love dreams of the perfect date with actress Heather Locklear.

After a day of skiing in Switzerland, David and Heather spend a quiet evening alone in a Swiss chalet. They have a nice big fire going and they cook themselves a gourmet dinner including lobster and Alaskan King Crab legs. "After dinner, we spend the night talking by the fire about ethics, religion, and aerobic techniques," Love said.

Guys aren't the only ones who escape into a dream dating world once in a while. Junior Alice Harding's date with Emilio Estevez begins as they fly to New York City and dine at Tavern on the Green. After dinner, the two lovebirds jet down to Naples, Florida and walk on the beach under a full moon. Alice and Emilio pass the time by just talking and getting to know each other. Then they go to his father's, Martin Sheen, house and sleep for a couple of hours (in separate bedrooms, of course). Emilio will get up and make Alice breakfast and serve it to her in bed. "We spend the rest of the day sailing," she concluded.

Freshman Mike Beaver will have a busy evening on his date with actress Susan Synder (Night of the Living Dead Part II). Mike and Susan will take a private jet and hop over to Paris, France for dinner (somewhere not too fancy). After dinner they will fly to Chicago to catch Michael Jordan in a NBA game (Bulls and Hawks). After the game, they will jet over to London, England for a late night snack at the Hard Rock Cafe. Mike reflected on the date by saying, "It'll be a very expensive evening." (This comes from a guy that has two dates to the Senior Prom!)

Freshmen roommates Susan Groves and Melissa Hachet also spent an evening thinking about their dream dates. Susan wants to go out with singer/songwriter James Taylor. "I just want to listen to him play and sing all night long," she added. Her roommate Melissa spends her dreams on a date with actor Tom Cruise.

Some dream dates of students at M-AC hit a little closer to home, however. Sophomore Derek Helton spends his dream date in Hawaii with

(who else, but) sophomore Sonya Mills. Derek and Sonya start off their day with a nice continental breakfast and then on to a full day of funning, sunning, and snorkling on the black beaches of Maui. Later, they do some sight-seeing and have dinner in a quaint, little oceanfront cafe.

Derek said they would conclude the date with, "a moonlight stroll on the beach and we'd fly back to Montreat for classes the next morning."

Sophomore Sam Wheeler spends his every waking moment fantasizing of a date with Senior Jackie Beaver. Sam says that he and Jackie would take a lear jet to Charleston, SC, where they would spend the afternoon sailing. They would then come back to prepare for a great dinner at The La Batique. "It's very expensive," Sam added, "so I'll take the Mastercard!"

The two will be picked up at the restaurant by a horse drawn carriage and taken to the theater--maybe for a Spoleto concert featuring the Philharmonic Orchestra. Later they will take another carriage ride in the moonlight. "It will be a night of enchantment," Sam said.

Wintertime Blues

ALICE HARDING

Wintertime can be the most depressing season. The roads are to slick to drive on, the sky is so gray, and there is no life in the trees. Often this dampens one's outlook on the season and on life in general.

Well, there is hope! There is pretty white snow on the ground that can be fun to play in and throw at your boyfriend or your girlfriend. I know, you say you hate to get wet and cold, so don't. Instead, stay inside with a good book and a large mug of hot chocolate. Play games with your friends, like Trivial Pursuit, Scruples, or Pictionary, or study and "get ahead".

There is no need to lose hope when Winter creeps in. So, maybe there isn't a whole lot one can do outside of Montreat-- so enjoy what you have. Actually, winter is beautiful and there are days when the roads aren't all bad and one can get out of the gates. I urge you to take in the beauty of the season though, and thank God for it. Attitudes can make a difference, and I mean good attitudes. Keep yourself busy and don't stay alone for long periods of time, this may also help.

Just remember this season only comes once a year and is not that long either. In fact, in about one and a half months we'll leave for Spring Break-- doesn't that encourage you? Hang in there!

But, students aren't the only ones that have dream dates. R.D. Lou Johnson dreams of a trip to Colorado with actor Tom Selleck. They take a sleigh ride to a restaurant where they have a candlelight dinner overlooking the ski slopes. "We just sit and talk," Lou said dreamingly.

R.D. Janet Belden will take her husband Doug (Punk) on a date to remember when she takes him on a safari to Africa. "We take a balloon flight over the jungle, viewing all kinds of wild animals-- including Punk. Then we fly to New Zealand," Janet said. The couple then comes home and goes on a week long shopping spree. "Punk

just loves to shop!" she smirked.

Well, everyone has their own fantasies and dream dates, but the award for best dream date would have to go to "Mr. Romance" himself, Sophomore Kevin Harris. Kevin would take his girlfriend Angela up on a mountain for a picnic with flowers and the works. They would later watch the sunset and then sit under a full moon with candles placed all around them. When just the right moment comes, Kevin gives Angela a ring and then kisses her-- ever so gently.



Hello World

Hello out there, world;
It's me in here
Can't you see me?
What? You're having trouble hearing me?
But I'm in here.
Yes, that's right.
Inside where?
Inside myself of course.

This outside shell is very thick;
I'm having trouble getting out.
Who am I? You say I don't sound like myself,
That's because you never heard me.
This other guy? Oh, he's the shell
I told you about.

You say that's me?
No, I'm in here;
He's just my protection.
Protection from what?
From you, the world.
I can't be hurt here.
You see, my shell keeps you away.
You, the world, are pain.

I'm safe in here;
I will never be laughed at.
The shell, oh, he doesn't mind laughter.

Come to think of it,
I'm comfortable in here.
Why should I leave?
Hello, world, still listening?
What's that world?
I thought for a minute you said something.
It was a faint voice;
It sounded; human, real, I thought.
I thought is was answering me.

Maybe not.
I can't hear to well inside this shell.
Well, I feel funny, sleepy,
And it's so comfortable in here world.

POET'S CORNER



Measure for Measure

NANCY NICHOLS

I cannot hear
My heart is still
They cry in pain
I shoot to kill

My firey arrows
One by one
Hit the mark
Missed by none

The wounds are deep
But no one sees
The scars behind
The hurt it leaves.

The pain they cry
Is aimed at me
But I'm so quick
I just don't see: . . .

That they are hurting . . .
Just like me.

