

# THE DAILY SHIELD

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## Who Has It Harder?

By Francheska Martinez



As prom comes and everyone is stressing about whose limo they are going in, where everyone is meeting and ending up at, who is having a party, wearing what dress, what colors to wear, corsages, garters, etc... There is always one question that is asked; who has it harder when it comes to getting ready for prom, the guys or girls?

Some may say that the guys have it harder because they have to pay for everything. Aymeric Botella, a junior, comments "The guys have it harder. We have to pay for everything when the girls just need to pay for a dress."

Others say that the girls have it the hardest. "You need buy a dress, jewelry, shoes, and make appointments for your hair, nails, and sometimes your makeup," states Jasmine Davidson, also a junior. Sami Deering also agrees by saying "The girls definitely have it harder because it takes them a while to get ready and the boys only need to put on a tux."

Morjen Jean comments that it really depends on the situation, "It depends on who pays for what or if it's split. The girls do need more time to get ready but the guys sometimes end up spending more money."

I personally think that it does depend on the situation. Sometimes couples end up splitting the cost of ticket and decide on an arrangement of who gets what. But when it comes to getting ready, the girls need more time. We always make appointments for our hair, nails, and makeup whereas the guys just put on their tux/suit and get a quick haircut. We also take up a lot of time looking for dresses and will end up buying shoes and jewelry to go with what we got, whereas the guys have to wait to know what color vest or tie to get to match us. And the best part for the guys is that they only rent a tux where the girls have to buy the dress and are stuck with it.

Prom in general takes up a lot of time for everyone, it stresses people out but it's well worth it. No matter who has it harder, the memories that go with it last a lifetime. Whether you think the boys have it harder, or the girls, the only thing that really matters is how much fun you have... and either way, everyone looks lovely!

## Canned Food Drive

By Elizabeth Beasley

The holidays are a common time to donate food, toys and money to the less fortunate. What most people don't realize however, is that less fortunate people are hungry all year long, especially as the economy continues to get worse.

A few months ago we had a clothing drive on campus. We had the same type of class competition yet instead of donating cans, we collected clothes. The competition was fierce but in the end, MacDonald came through with a win, and Angel-Diaz got second place. Rubio rallied his class late but it was not enough to overcome the early deficit, and he ended up with third place overall.

Currently, Dublin High is having a canned food drive. Not only does this drive help those in need, but it provides an opportunity to have a friendly campus-wide competition between classes. Cans are being collected in all first period classes.

"I think it's really fun to have a canned food drive and it's also a great time for Dublin High to give back to the community," said Samara Hoffman.

The canned food we collect will go to Alameda County Community Food Bank. The organization has been involved in the community since 1985. They are based in Oakland but donate food to all of Alameda County. The bank is connected to 300 other food banks and soup kitchens through which they provide food to 40,000 people per week.

Organizer of the drive Natalie Dayton said, "Alameda County Food Bank is a great non-profit organization. They are very trustworthy and we know all of Dublin High's donations will go to a great place."

The canned food drive is ending this Friday, April 10, 2009. So, make sure to bring in any cans you may have as soon as possible. Any canned food or non-perishable items are accepted.

Having a competition in which the classes compete to bring more and more and more items is fun and helps the community greatly. So, bring those cans in and let's get this competition going.

