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You learn something every day if you pay attention.—Ray LeBlond



### It's magic! Meet HVHS magician Chris Hovey...



Chris Hovey explains his next trick to Rachelle Bastarache.

Photo by Leah Alexander

#### By Harbour Views Staff

"People love illusion," says Grade 12 student Chris Hovey. He should know. He's been practicing the art of illusion - magic- since Grade 10.

Chris gave a performance for his English class (and special guest Mrs. MacGregor) on the last day of school before the Christmas break. Classmates took turns sitting in the hot seat while Chris dazzled everyone with card tricks and tricks done with elastics.

"It's all the small moves, one thing at a time," explains Chris. "It takes an unbelievable amount of practice. I've worn out decks of cards."

Magic dates back to 50,000 BC, but Chris's heroes are slightly more modern: Daniel Garcia and Wayne Houchin. He's not a fan of the popular star Criss Angel, saying only that while he has a lot of charisma, he doesn't actually develop his own tricks.

"Magic isn't actually about what's going on," says Chris, "it's about how its perceived."

One of Chris's most astounding tricks was making an 'A' appear on his wrist. The 'A' represented the Ace, a card chosen and returned to the deck at random.

An extra benefit of performing magic is the boost in self-confidence. Chris professes to be a shy guy, but you'd never know that when he's performing a trick: he banters and jokes with his volunteer as he works his way into the trick.

"Everyone likes magic and no matter how many times I've seen a trick I never get tired of it, "says Chris.

It's clear that he enjoys showing off his skill—if you see him around, ask him to show you something; he's always got a deck of cards in his pocket.

#### at HVHS

- · 6th first day back
- 25th-28th Exam Week

Congratulations to all the CAST of Les Miserables! We're looking forward to another wonderful production this spring. If you're interested in helping out behind the scenes, be sure to speak to Mrs. B-L!

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## Math Competitions Coming Up!

Pascal, Cayley and Fermat Math Contests will be held Thursday February 25th, 2010.

For more information, please see Mr. Smith.



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## Don't stress about exams....use these handy study tips!

There are all sorts of guides out there to help you make the most of your study time. With exams around the corner, perhaps now is a good time to revisit some of the strategies that will help you succeed at the end of the month!

#### Strategies on using time:

Plan for blocks of study time and breaks

Dedicate study space free of distractions like computers and cell phones

Review material weekly

Prioritize assignments

Get something done.

Postpone unnecessary activities.

Identify resources to help you.

Review notes and readings just before class.

**A.S.P.I.R.E.**—a study technique

A - Approach/attitude/arrange

Approach your studies with a positive attitude

Arrange your schedule to eliminate distractions

S - Select/survey/study

Select a reasonable chunk of material to study

Survey the headings, graphics, pre and post questions to get an overview Mark any information you don't understand

P - Put aside/ piece together

Put aside your books and notes

Piece together what you've studied, either alone or with a study pal, and summarize what you understand

I - Inspect/investigate/inspire

Inspect what you did not understand

Investigate alternative sources of information (textbooks, websites, teachers etc)

R - Reconsider/ reflect/ relay

Reconsider the content

Reflect on the material

Relay understanding

E - Evaluate/ examine/ explore

Examine your grades on assignments and tests—look for patterns

Examine your process towards improvement.

From the site Study Guides and Strategies (http://www.studygs.net/index.htm)

### Harbour View High 2010 Exam Schedule

	MONDAY 25	TUESDAY 26	WEDNESDAY 27	THURSDAY 28	FRIDAY 29
9 AM	ELPA	ELPA	3rd period class	5th period class	Snow Day
1 PM	1st period class	2nd period class	4th period class		



# HVHS Students lend a helping hand

Cohen O'Connor and Joseph Comeau present a cheque for \$100 to Leslie Estabrooks of the North End Food Bank. The money was raised at the HVHS Fine Arts Alliance Coffee House and presented to the food bank on December 8th just in time for the Christmas rush.

(Photo submitted by Mr. Pottle)

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#### From the editor....

By Sarah Reed

2009 has come and gone, and now it is time to start fresh in 2010. Second semester is nearly upon us, which means new classes, new teachers, and for grade twelve students our last semester of high school. changes will be coming for the grad class of 2010 in this semester. After graduation, we will be starting entirely new lives, but this semester is sure to be just as good as the last, and will give the grads many memories to take with us when we leave the halls of Harbour View. The last five months of school will not only be about the graduates however, the SRC is bound to make the rest of the school year memorable for all the students at Harbour View High School.

With the New Year upon us, the staff of Harbour Views is looking forward to achieving bigger and better things. We are committed to making a newspaper each month that our school can be truly proud of. Although we hit some bumps along the way, the first semester was an overall success for Harbour Views. Even so, we are always looking for interesting story ideas and new members to join our staff. If you have a story, or are interested in joining the newspaper, listen to the announcements and attend our next meeting or feel free to talk to me or our advisor Mrs. McDonald in room 218

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Harbour Views meets weekly in Room 218. Listen for the announcement about our next

meeting. Everyone is welcome.

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### A word from the principal...

Happy New Year and welcome back to life at HVHS

I hope all our family at HV had a nice, relaxing break and are ready to get back to their friends, their classes and their extra-curricular activities. We have had a terrific fall with students and teachers continuing to maintain the academic reputation Harbour View has established within the university and college community. Our sports teams represented the school with pride and perseverance; our budding artists continue to display their artistic talents with works



that inspire us and our music and theatre groups continue to entertain us with performances of such quality and poise. There is so much talent here. "Wow, what a school to be a part of."

We have watched as our home-room assemblies have grown, both showcasing our talent as well as keeping us up-to-date on all that goes on here.

The New Year presents a good opportunity to make a resolution: Get Involved. The various clubs around the school are always looking for new members. With so many different things going on within these walls, I'm sure you will find one that piques your interest. Make your high school experience a truly a memorable one and join one.

Good luck to everyone on his or her exams. Let's make 2010 even better at HVHS as we strive towards tomorrow.

Mr. Morgan



## A picture is worth a thousand words...



Top Dylan Daye and Janna Sherlock show off their masks at this year's cabaret held on December 16.

Bottom: Jessie Melanson (middle) and Chris Harvey (right) share turkey dinner with a guest at the Life Skill's Christmas dinner held Dec 16. (Photos contributed by Mrs. Doucette)





Ms. Sanderson's class received a gift from cookie elf, Josh Bradley. Josh has also made fudge and cupcakes for lucky students at HVHS.

(Photo submitted by Mrs. Doucette)



Robert Carpenter and Brandon Spence decorate cookies at the Library Reading Club Christmas get together.

The next Library Reading Book Club - Valentine Theme will take place in January, 2010 with a deadline of Friday, January 29th. The luncheon will take place on Friday, February 12, 2009.

(Photo submitted by Mrs. Thompson)