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Highland Park Middle School students Claire White and Sam Smathers, who write an advice column in the school's *Tribal Tribune*, look over pages before the paper's latest issue goes to press.

Advice

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paper is published every six weeks, and you work with the rest of the newspaper staff to put out a product chock full of photos, news, poems, and, of course, "Ask Sam and Claire." Do either of you have any journalism aspirations?

Feelin' Better!

Dear Feelin' Better,

First of all, glad to hear it. Oh, and this is Sam, BTW. I don't really "like facts," so I probably won't become a reporter or something. I'm going to Booker T. Washington next year, and Claire and I are more, like, creative people. She plays guitar and draws and paints, too. Ooo, wait, our advisor, Holly Thompson wants to say something quick ...

Feelin' Better — From my perspec-

tive, I think the girls do a great job of making the column humorous, but still taking the problems seriously. They've contacted counselors to get advice, and I think they know their role is important.

Hold That Head Up, Sam, Claire, and Mrs. Thompson

Hey Gang,

One final question. If you had to give advice to me, what would it be?

Delighted in Dallas

Delighted,

This is Sam. I'd say be courteous, be nice, and stand up for what you believe in. How's that sound?

Signing off, Sam, Claire, and Mrs. Thompson

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ENGAGEMENTS

Sims - Estes

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allen Sims of Fort Worth announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Elizabeth Sims, to Joseph Marshall Estes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Foster Estes III of Dallas.

The bride is the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ollie Doak Raulston Jr., Mrs. Beth Sims Hillaker, and the late Mr. James Sims, all of Fort Worth. Shannon is a graduate of Arlington Heights High School. She received a

Bachelor of Business in finance from Texas Tech University, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She is currently employed with Benchmark Bank in Dallas.

The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joseph Fischer of Dallas and Ms. Elena Cassino Estes and the late Mr. Ambrose Foster Estes Jr. of El Dorado, Ark. He is a graduate of Highland Park High School. He received a Bachelor of Business in finance from



Texas Tech University. He is currently employed with Deutsche Bank Alex Brown in Dallas.

The couple plan to marry on May 14 at University Christian Church in Fort Worth, with a reception following at City Club.

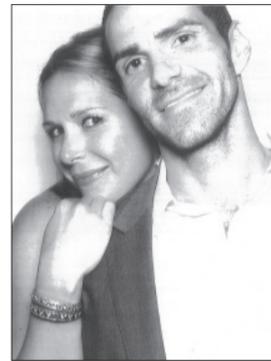
Snadon - Cluxton

Mrs. Lee Bell Snadon and Mr. Daryl Neil Snadon of Highland Park are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kendall Anne Snadon, to Harley Ernest Cluxton IV, son of Mrs. Marcia Mortensen Cluxton of Highland Park and Mr. Harley Ernest Cluxton III of Paradise Valley, Ariz.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Highland Park High School. She received

a Bachelor of Science in education from the University of Georgia in 2002. She is a real estate manager for Cottonwood Financial.

The groom is a 1998 graduate of Phoenix Country Day School. He received a Bachelor of Arts in history from Southern Methodist University in 2002 and is currently enrolled in Southern Methodist University's Master of Science in Entrepreneurship pro-



gram at the Cox School of Business.

The couple is planning an October wedding on the Windsor Lawn at the Hotel Del Coronado on Coronado Island, Calif.

She's Got The Look

When Kirby Stuart gave the Junior League of Dallas' fundraising sale a new title, she got a new title of her own: chairperson.

The upcoming Rummage Roundup is an offshoot of Trinkets & Treasures, a one-day sale that raised \$8,000 last year for the league's Community Service Fund. When the league decided to have provisional members mount a second such fundraiser, it asked those first-year leaguers to submit themes. "Rummage Roundup" was Stuart's idea.

"The next thing I know, I got elected chair," she said.

The SMU graduate is a film and TV producer, working most recently on the VH1 reality show *Football Wives*. But she's had to put that career on hold.

"It's tough because we're navigating the ins and outs of the league while putting on this event that the league kind of hasn't had before," she said. "It's a lot of firsts."

Nonetheless, her production experience has served her well as she's wrangled all the aspects of the sale.

"I've done pretty much every job in production you can imagine, from truck driving to catering to casting," she said.

The Rummage Roundup will be preceded by a VIP preview party with a "cowboy chic" theme, hence the outfit Stuart is sporting here. Partygoers can count on hearing some twang.

"There will be boot-scootin', even if it's just me by myself," Stuart said. "I'm not scared to get out there."

— Dan Koller

Kirby Stuart



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