

# Trevor's Weekly News Letter

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Monday, January 20th

NIPSTA Fire Academy- the class of 2001 are inside the hangar classroom having lectures the instructor is going over Water Treatment Facilities teaching the students how the water is distributed. That's about it going at the academy today real quiet because of Martin Luther King Jr an interesting holiday I approached with a thoughtful question I had a discussion with our good buddy Ken Koerber on what he thought of our country if most of us the people have taken to this important historical figures teachings about bringing all of us together solving matters peacefully rather than through violence breaking out at protest rallies, seems to think our country is about 60 percent but of course there are still a lot of Americans out there fighting to bring things back to the way they used to be rehashing old ideas to impede all of the progress our country is trying to make strides to bring. I for one hope that one day Martin Luther King's vision will become realized, John Lennon as well the more history I dig up the more it opens my eyes just how much there really was dating back to the 60's era and beyond people trying to normalize so many things that were never really normal to begin with I find it disturbing with my reaction using being like what the heck was wrong with these people during those times? I get we didn't have the technology and medicine we have in today's world but that's still no excuse for people leaving so much hate unchecked and letting it run rampant instead of doing more to stop it from exploding in the first place. That's just my humble opinion on the matter the more I learn about history and just how difficult it really is for people to both communicate well and get along without it erupting into a third grade shouting match.

Tuesday, January 21th

NIPSTA Fire Academy- the class of 2001 is inside the hangar this morning on another cold winter's day practicing training with the fire hoses going over safety measures making sure all the students have their fire helmets, safety glasses, gloves, and shoes. Their also rolling the hoses one side on the ground across the other side of course being the reporter that I am have to be careful not to get tripped and tumble on my ass, the instructor made a joke about that with the students I could overhear him "don't hit Trevor it's minus points if you do"

thankfully I do know where I'm going around the campus even if sometimes my mind is cloudy like last night when I forgot to add the attachment to last week's newsletter oh well it happens to the best of us.

Wednesday, January 22nd

NIPSTA Fire Academy- The class of 2001 they are outside by the collapse training prop practicing with the fire hoses dragging it on the ground and then hauling them back on the fire truck. Possibly going to use the building for training purposes and shooting water out of the hose from the top floor unless it's too cold for that on a day like today. Elsewhere our good buddy Ken Koerber is working on a project grabbing tools and hitting nails into piles of wood it's going to be a newly decorated office space for the instructors no definite time line yet how or when it might be finished, but it's coming along so far and from what I've heard front desk Mike he's doing well training to become a full fledged firefighter his dad is one as well so he has somebody in his life to live up to but I know he's got this. This is the second week of training next week is the third, seven weeks in total before graduation so plenty of time.

Thursday, January 23rd

NIPSTA Fire Academy- The class of 2001 doing SCBA training in the hangar going inside the back room where their crawling on their hands and knees feeling their way through, there's also a group in the cafeteria doing the same thing but in the middle aisle. I had the chance to speak with Mike for a few minutes he explained to me the feeling of it its like shoveling snow but with a lot more weight that you are carrying on yourself, very psychical training with everybody wearing their firefighter gear and equipment. I wish you the best of luck with the rest of the weeks man, I'm sure your dad will be proud of you. That's all going on today if there were any classes it was before I started my shift tomorrow it looks like we'll have the police officers here. Everybody stay safe and warm be wary of the roads when traveling through the snow and ice regardless of when you go home for the day or evening.

Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>

NIPSTA Fire Academy- The class of 2001 they are outside over by the pad area moving chairs and boxes around the students are also carrying hammers in their hands possibly to use it to hit something inside the training prop to pull apart. Their also burning wood with the fire pit the usual stuff on Friday's, I followed them out there to get a good look before they started going at it. The police chiefs are also here at the academy doing having a meeting in classroom two and one of the guys actually recognized me and came to say hello while I was working said he used to be stationed in Wilmette but has now relocated to Vernon so only comes out here every now and then asked about my family told him everybody's doing fine. I recognized his face but don't remember his name my parents might, there's a first time for everything the police officers here have never known me before up until now.

Writer's Note- Hello everybody since I am switching things up this week I'm going to dive into something else apart from music, today is a special day for all witches and warlocks out there as the third part of The Chilling Adventures of Sabrina drops on Netflix continuing the adventures of Sabrina Spellman with her buddy Harvey her mortal girlfriends and her aunts trying to save Sabrina's boyfriend from literal hell while overcoming the desires of the devil himself. This version of Sabrina is quite different for those who grew up with the 90's version of the character, originally a sitcom called Sabrina the Teenage Witch that ran successfully for seven seasons started in 1996 until 2003 with three films made for TV in between it also brought the actress huge success in the industry becoming a household name inspiration for all young girls and woman alike. Fast forward to today and the new version of Sabrina couldn't be further away from that format instead of a sitcom high school setting about the girl growing up, it's a decidedly more horror sinister take on Sabrina Spellman the witch although her crush Harvey and the family is the same. Chilling Adventures of Sabrina was created by Roberto Aguirre also the creator of The CW's Riverdale very similar in tone except of course with Sabrina being on Netflix they don't have to worry about the restrictions placed on cable so their able to do more with the material. The actress who played The Master during Peter's run as the twelfth doctor also has a role in the Netflix version of Sabrina as well playing a mysterious teacher. In between these two some animated shows were created to continue the stories of Sabrina, originally part of the Archie comics dating back to the 60's era. Sabrina's cat Salem a black cat naturally could chat with his owner in the classic sitcom where as in Chilling her cat is there but he doesn't speak therefore the role is very minor and not as important. The actress who originally played Sabrina spoke about the

new series and she said she was glad the character lives on for a modern world, but that it is a bit scary for her to watch and consume also saying that her kids are not yet old enough to see it. Who knows maybe one day they will I don't know if she's one of those people who doesn't like seeing themselves on screen or what not. I would imagine either Sabrina's cat Salem came first and inspired the creation for Zachary Binx in the classic film Hocus Pocus or possibly the other way around, there both black cats and they can talk although Hocus Pocus did come out in 1993 however the Sabrina Archie comics are very old at least the original series so who knows. Both stories are also about witches as well casting spells and getting into all kinds of mischief.

I remember when I was a young lad my exposure to Sabrina came from watching the original Pokemon series when I was eleven years old during the first season there was a gym leader specializing in psychic telekinesis powers Ash comes across in Saffron City but learns the hard way that Sabrina is no ordinary gym leader as there is this possessed doll who took over the real Sabrina's body and if you lose the match, you could get trapped inside her toy box for all of eternity. Only reason our hero Ash gets out is because the girl's dad comes to the rescue and saves him at the very last minute before it's too late. By far one of the scariest memories of my childhood watching TV when I was a kid I had no exposure to anything like that until I sat down to see it. Ever since I've found the character of Sabrina no matter the version quite interesting and intriguing she's always been described as a young woman with a special gift.

Next week I'll be here back to talking about New Music Friday today I felt like switching it up and doing something different.