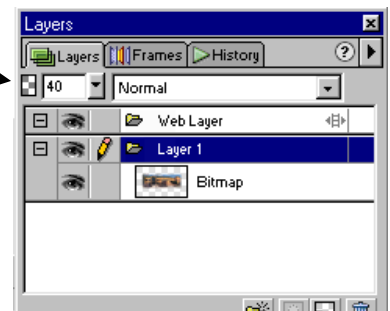


Webmaster Support Group Mini-Lesson

Feathering and Opacity

1. Save the photo located at www.nisd.net/cmpotecww/warren on your Desktop.
2. Launch Fireworks and open the warren.jpg file (**File > Open**).
3. Use the **Rectangular Marquee Tool** to select most of the main part of the image.
4. Feather the edges of the selection (**Modify > Marquee > Feather > Radius of 10 pixels**)
5. Copy the feathered selection to the Windows Clipboard (**Edit > Copy**).
6. Create a new canvas, 500 x 300, white background (**File > New**).
7. Paste the feathered selection that you copied in step #5 onto the new canvas (**Edit > Paste**).
8. Use the setting in the **Layers Panel** to change the "opacity" of the image to 40% (forty-percent transparent).



9. Click the **Text Tool** in the **Toolbox**, then click the canvas.
 - Brush Script MT
 - 36 point
 - Black
 - Type: **Earl Warren High School**
 - Close the text editor window
10. Position the text on the Warren image and trim the canvas (**Modify > Trim Canvas**).



11. Export the file as a JPG so you can use it on a Web page.
- Choose "Better Quality JPG" in the **Optimize panel**
 - **File > Export**

NOTE: In "real life," I would have used a transparent canvas for this graphic, in case I wanted to use it on a page that did not have a white background. However, with a transparent background, the opacity would have been harder for you to see in this quick exercise. You can change the background color now, if you wish (Modify > Canvas Color).