

# The Pekin Chinks : a historical account of a city's tradit

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## Abstract:

Tradition is not something easily changed and is rarely forgotten. For decades, the small Midwest town of Pekin, Ill., embraced a tradition considered by many to be an act of prejudice and ignorance. It was not until the late 1980s that Pekin Community High School students no longer called themselves "Chinks," and the school unveiled a different mascot, the Dragons. However, the derogatory stereotypes continued as evidenced by memorabilia that states, "Old Chinks don't die – they just „Drag-on." This creative project sought to identify how this city's controversy compared to related debates about the use of derogatory names and mascots across the country and, most importantly, what impact the nickname Chinks still has on the community. Varied research methods, including interviews, ethnography, and secondary research, were used to produce a historical case study of the community.

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