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KEEPING UP WITH THE DIAMONDBACKS!

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BIRTHDAYS !

BY: DANNY AGUILAR

January

Anthony Hernandez 1/3/2007
Jerin Smith 1/6/2004
Brock Harmon 1/7/2008
Chantal Castillo 1/13/2003
Juliana Martinez 1/14/2005
Juan Santos 1/18/2007
Viviana Aguilar 1/23/2006
Donovan Peterson 1/25/2004
Ruby Ramirez 1/26/2005
Melanie Moreno 1/26/2007
Breck Howell 1/30/2004

February

Daniela Medrano 2/2/2007
Miguel Jauregui 2/6/2008
Anya Lindberg 2/7/2004
Evelyn Santos 2/10/2004
Cindy Soto 2/14/2007
Westin Gustaveson 2/20/2005
Crissy Medina-Mecias
2/20/2008
Jimena Gutierrez 2/23/2005
Abigail Sponseller 2/25/2004
Olivia Charles 2/25/2006

Joke of the Month

By: Kole Snyder

"Why did the bicycle
collapse?"

"It was two tired"

"Why don't scientists
trust atoms?"

"Because they make
up everything."

Source:

<https://www.rd.com/list/short-jokes/>
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A PLACE YOU SHOULD VISIT

By Monica Rodriguez

A place you should visit is Santorini, Greece. The best time to visit Santorini is in September, October, April, and May because the weather is warm. You can see the sunset in the afternoon on the cliff tops or you can go to a restaurant that overlooks the town and the sunset. Activities that you can do are go hiking on top of Santorini volcano, visit Akrotiri lighthouse, and sail around Santorini. It has many beautiful places to visit and to view the nice scenery.



MEANINGFUL POEM

By: Evelyn Santos

Winter

Written by: Barbara Vance

When the geese are flying south
And the sky is grey, my dears,
Close your eyes and lift your nose;
Feel the winter coming on;
Hear it in the crackling trees;
Note the crisping, quivering wind
Sharply snapping as their leaves.



ADVICE

By Angelica Ruiz

It's okay to do things
alone.
You don't have to tell
everyone everything.
It's okay to vibe by
yourself.
Love yourself.



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Diamondback's Students of the Month!

Junior High

The female student of the month in middle school is Eden Roberts. She was born on August 11th. A couple of her favorite hobbies include: baking and listening to music! Her favorite color is yellow and her favorite food is pasta. She has 7 siblings and 1 dog. When asked what her favorite song was she replied with, "I don't have a favorite song, I listen to a lot of different music." Her favorite subject in school is math. When asked if she thought she deserved getting student of the month she said, "I don't know if I deserve this, some days I work really hard other days I don't really want to do it."

By: Audrie Okobia

The male middle school student of the month is Miguel Jauregui. Here are some little facts so you can get to know him a bit better. His birthday is February 6. His favorite color is orange. His favorite kind of food is pizza. He likes to play football with friends in his free time. His hobby is playing video games and hanging out with his brothers. I asked him, "Do you think you deserve to win student of the month?" He said that "I worked very hard to improve as a student and raised all my grades."

By: Mario Hernandez



High School

This month's student of the month is Daniela Sandoval. In an interview I had with her I asked what her favorite subject was. She replied, "It would probably be culinary." I also asked her, "Why do you think you got Student of the Month?" She said, "I honestly have no clue. I would also like to know." One last question that I asked was, "What are your plans after high school?" She responded, "My plans are to go to a community college."

By: Evelyn Hermosillo



For the month of January, the student of the month is Lorenzo Cortes. Here's a little bit about Lorenzo. His birthday is October 24, 2003. Someone that inspires him is his dad. I asked him where he saw himself in 5 years and he said, "Working in my own construction business." His favorite colors are black and white. In his free time, he likes to make money. I asked if he thinks he deserved student of the month and he said, "Yes because I do my work and I am respectful to my peers and teachers."

By: Irvin Soto

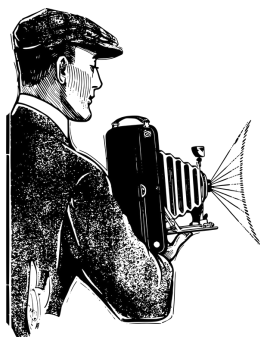
Local News

By: Erick Gonzales

Good morning ladies and gentlemen, and all other genders. My name is Erick Gonzales and I am here to report the news. Our first story, good taste in movies? Mesquite has opened up their movie theaters again and we are now able to go watch a movie again. Since we are still in a pandemic we will still have to follow the guidelines set in place. Since I am a reporter I can not share my opinion, but in my opinion I recommend you watch Wonder Woman 1984. This movie got 60% on rotten tomatoes, and seems like an exquisite movie. Now on to sports. High school basketball practice has begun. Due to the pandemic the season will be much shorter than it usually is. As of right now it is unknown what teams Beaver Dam will be playing but nonetheless, it's nice to have sports again.

Ladies and gentlemen we are disappointed to inform you that the geocache was raided and broken without reporting it. As a result the geocache has been removed from its location. The new geocache's location will be released shortly. Listen for the announcements!

For our last story we will be saying goodbye to our loved animals, R.I.P you beautiful dog. This is Erick Gonzales, signing off.



NBA Season Start Off

By: Anthony Cobian

With the season starting off, LaMelo Ball is off to an amazing start. LaMelo became the youngest player to ever record a triple double meaning at least 10 points, 10 assists, and 10 rebounds. As well as James Wisemen, he is having a great start, nothing too special happened yet, he's just learning from his teammates.

Anthony Edwards had a couple of good games but there was one game in particular where he messed up the game winning play. He turned the ball over and it cost the team the game. He's a rookie so it was all right, his teammates talked to him about the play and they didn't seem upset because everyone makes mistakes.

The Los Angeles Lakers, also the defending champions are currently 11 wins and 4 losses which is the best in the league with only their rival Los Angeles team right behind them.

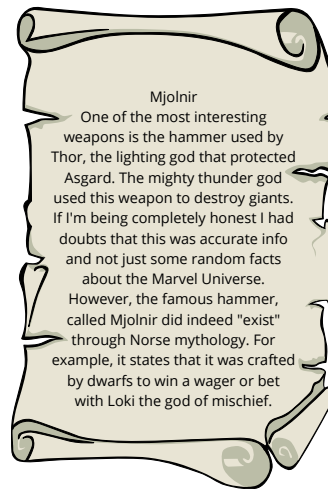
On the other hand, the Brooklyn Nets have only gotten better. The Nets already have 2 of the top 10 players in the league but they traded for another player that's arguably in the top 5. The league has some very scary sights for the playoffs. Most people think that the team will not work out because all 3 of these players are ball dominant players.



Legendary Weapons

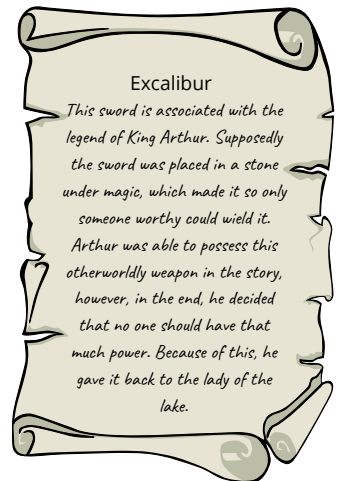
By: Donovan Peterson

Listed below are two weapons that are famous around the world. However, do you know their interesting origin story?



Mjolnir

One of the most interesting weapons is the hammer used by Thor, the lightning god that protected Asgard. The mighty thunder god used this weapon to destroy giants. If I'm being completely honest I had doubts that this was accurate info and not just some random facts about the Marvel Universe. However, the famous hammer, called Mjolnir did indeed "exist" through Norse mythology. For example, it states that it was crafted by dwarfs to win a wager or bet with Loki the god of mischief.



Excalibur

This sword is associated with the legend of King Arthur. Supposedly the sword was placed in a stone under magic, which made it so only someone worthy could wield it. Arthur was able to possess this otherworldly weapon in the story, however, in the end, he decided that no one should have that much power. Because of this, he gave it back to the lady of the lake.



Fire Signs

Aries: Animal trainer, college professor, and travel agent. These careers seem well put for you since you need a job where you have more control over your own schedule.

Leo: Politician, reporter, and interpreter. This job requires you to be a certain way towards people. You tend to be a confident person so I think this job is perfect for you since you can speak with your head held high.

Sagittarius: Anything educational, philosophy, and my personal favorite flight attendant. These careers need a person who always wants to know more. You are the person who craves new things and adventure.

HOROSCOPES

BY: YARELY GARCIA

Let's ignite your inner flame. The fire signs are on the topic this month and if you feel left out don't stress, stay in touch with this part of the newsletter. Next month we will be going over Earth signs. Here are some careers the signs should consider. Based on your characteristics these careers seem like they would be able to suit you best.

WILD LIFE

By: Nicholas Pitts

Convergent lady beetles (commonly called ladybugs) are widespread throughout North America (the US, western Canada, and Mexico) and Central America, however, they are solely recorded from Columbia in South America. Within the US, the lady beetles are often found from CA to New Jersey and Hawaii, with smaller populations within the eastern states. In some areas, the lady beetle, in conjunction with alternative native species, is also displaced by the invasive Asian colored ladybird, *Harmonia axyridis* (Pallas).



The adult is a rounded and elongated-oval, averaging 7.8 mm (0.3 inch) long for females and 5.8 mm (0.23 inch) long for males. Adults are simply recognized by their bright red or orange elytra (hardened forewings) that usually have twelve black spots (6 on every elytron). The prothorax (area behind the head) is black with a white border and 2 white lines, however, the white lines that converge behind the head are common to all individuals. The legs, head, and undersurface are black. The legs are short with 3-segmented tarsi and the antennae are short and clubbed.

The larvae are black with orange spots on the prothorax and abdomen and appear like little alligators. Larvae develop through four instars (stages) growing more and more spotted with orange and reaching about 1/4 inch before changing into an insect. The insect is hemispherical and orange and black.

Convergent lady beetles are a bivoltine species, with 2 generations annually (spring and fall) over a lot of its range. There could also be extra generations within the south; the life cycle in Florida has not been recorded. Throughout the summer and winter once temperatures are too high or low, and through periods when food sources are too scarce for reproduction, adults enter into procreative diapause. Throughout these periods, adults might gather beneath tree branches or beneath rocks. Ladybugs are a nice economic advantage to humans. Ladybugs are sold as destructive insect control agents for farms and gardens, they are natural predators of agricultural destructive insects, many species of aphids, and scale insects.