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HOMECOING 2022

BY MOLLY O'RILEY

A high-spirited green and white Friday kicked off Homecoming 2022. Students celebrated their school during the fun festivities at the pep-assembly. The annual parade down Champaign featured each class float sparkling with the builders walking alongside. They threw candy with spirit while the homecoming court rode in their fantastic cars in front of them.

The 2022 Homecoming Court lead the parade, beaming with excitement. The girls chosen for court this year included: Lily Akers, Emma Buffa, Luci Granata, Katelyn Littleton, and Emma Ramey. The boys included: Owen Alvarez, Gilberto Chapa, Craig Cyrbok, Jaylen Fields, and Jason Zepeda. Everyone in the student section was excited about the 2022 Court.

The 2022 Homecoming game was packed with all of Allen Park. The new field was finally ready and everyone was excited about the grand opening. The stands were filled top to bottom and the crowd was wild. The support of the Jag Jungle was so strong, the game couldn't have gone any better. Our football team fought hard and won the game 48-0 against Edsel Ford. At half time our students voted Luci Granata and Gilberto Chapa AP's 2022 Homecoming King and Queen. Our homecoming court had many great things to say about their time on court. "It was such an extraordinary experience," Lily Akers said, "I felt like a princess!". "This was one of the best feelings in high school I will ever experience, I'm glad I was able to enjoy the ride." Jason Zepeda said after the crowning. Gilberto Chapa added, "It was truly just an honor to represent my school and class this year."

At the fairytale themed homecoming dance, all the students danced the night away to their class songs. Sophomore, Kate O'Riley said, night was filled with excitement, after the senior class of 2023 won their first ever spirit brick. "I "Everything was so well decorated, it will be a night I will never forget." The entire couldn't have asked for a better homecoming my senior year." said senior, Cooper Johnson.







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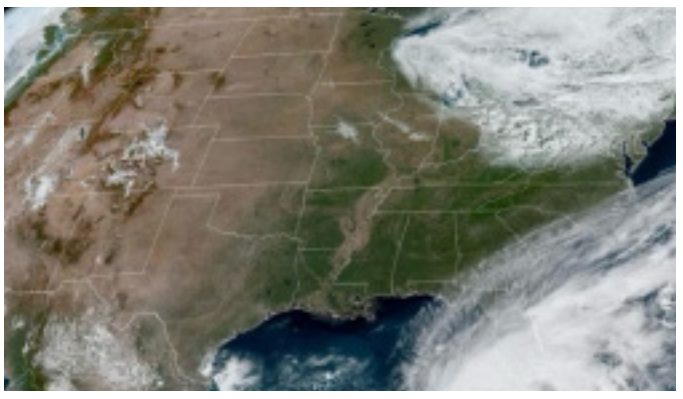
By Morgan Sizemore

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Hurricane Ian made landfall in Florida on Wednesday afternoon as a very strong Category 4 storm. The winds reached up to 155mph and was 2mph short of becoming a Category 5 hurricane. More than 2 million people are left without power and it may take weeks to get power back. Ian was expected to dump up to 2 feet of rain in some areas. This was one of the most catastrophic hurricanes to hit the United States in decades. By Wednesday night Ian was weakened to a Category 1 storm with winds around 90mph. Storm surges are expected to be up to 18 feet in some areas and flash flood warnings are very common during this time.

Florida has issued a curfew for the whole state to keep everyone off the streets except for the first responders. First responders are out to provide assistance to those who received damage during this storm. Damage has happened all the way down to the Everglades up to Tampa. Tampa hasn't been hit with a hurricane this strong since 1921. More than 2 million people were given evacuation orders and hurricane/ tropical storm warnings were given to all of Florida and up to South Carolina. The heavy rain falls are expected to happen until Sunday. Tornado warnings are popping up throughout all of Florida. These tornadoes are very strong and destructive.

On Thursday morning, Hurricane Ian was downgraded to a tropical storm and continues to move north. The massive storm surge and rainfall are expected to make it one of the most costly storms in United States history. The first death in Florida was confirmed on Thursday morning. Ian has emerged into the Atlantic and has become a Category 1 hurricane. Ian made landfall on Friday afternoon in South Carolina with winds up to 85mph. With the system moving at 15mph north. Over 100,000 people were left without power in Charleston. It has been confirmed that Ian has killed at least 80 people. Most of the deaths





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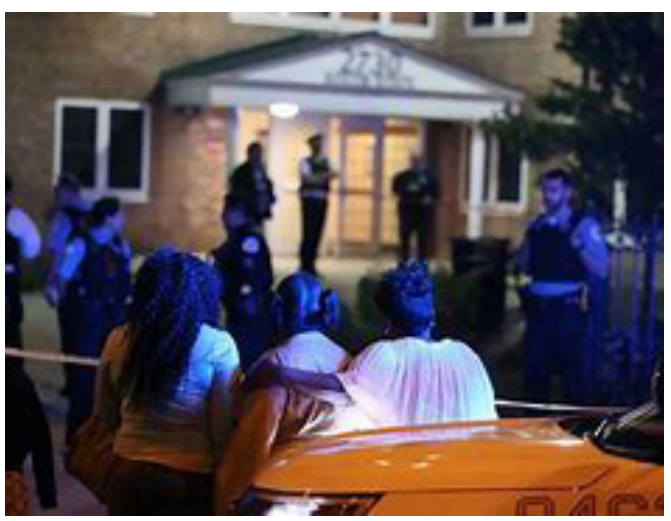
Shooting in Dearborn

By Avery Palka

On October 5th in the Hampton Inn on Michigan Avenue a gunman barricaded himself inside of one of the rooms. “The shooting was sparked by a confrontation over the bill on the hotel’s third floor and the gunman wanted a refund,” said chief of police Issa Shahin. During this argument the clerk was shot. Unfortunately, a 55 year old worker was pronounced dead upon arrival at the hospital.

When police arrived around one pm, they attempted to confront the man, he had not shot at police but waved it in the air. Before any action could be taken, he had barricaded himself into one of the hotel rooms. While police were trying to negotiate with the shooter, firefighters were helping guests and staff get out of the building through a shattered window on an upper floor. This barricade lasted until eight thirty when negotiators finally got the man to surrender. He was brought into custody on Thursday night, the barricade lasted a total of eight hours.

Thankfully no one else was injured during the shooting. After investigation on who the shooter was it was made clear that he had suffered with severe mental illness and drug abuse. Chief Issa had this to say, “I’ve been a chief now for about nine months and far too often we’re running into situations where people suffer from mental illness that are armed with firearms and the outcomes are often tragic”. This sentiment was shared by the mayor of Dearborn, Abdullah Hammoud and echoes throughout the community. The name of the gunman has not yet been announced by police.



Hurricane Fiona

By Michael Young

More than a million people in Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic are waking up without power or running water again as crews work to repair critical utilities disabled by Hurricane Fiona, which is now a Category 4 storm heading toward Bermuda. Hurricane Fiona began as a Category 1 storm, which reached Puerto Rico on Sunday, September 18. Five people have died from this Hurricane across the Caribbean, which includes one person in Guadeloupe, two in Puerto Rico, and two in the Dominican Republic.

“This was something incredible that we’ve never seen before,” Ramona Santana in Higüey, Dominican Republic, said. “We’re in the streets with nothing, no food, no shoes, clothes, just what’s on your back. We don’t have anything. We have God, and the hope help will come.” Looking ahead, with sustained winds of 130 mph, the center of Fiona is due to pass just west of Bermuda next. After that, the storm is forecast to impact Nova Scotia with extreme winds.

In the Canadian province, residents should prepare for tropical storm-like or even hurricane-like conditions starting as early as Friday evening by securing outdoor items, trimming trees, charging cell phones and creating an emergency kit, said Jason Mew, director of the emergency management office. To assist the public, shelters will be open for those experiencing homelessness and anyone else in need. In even more bad news, a developing storm poised to be named Hermine could become a monstrous threat to the US Gulf Coast by next week, now forecast models show.

In better news, Puerto Rico will receive relief from the United States, with President Joe Biden declaring a major disaster declaration for Puerto Rico. The move allows residents to access grants for temporary housing and home repairs as well as low-interest loans to cover uninsured property losses. In a history lesson, Fiona hit almost exactly five years after Hurricane Maria plunged the island into an extended blackout. Across the island, more than 800 people were housed in dozens of shelters, according to Puerto Rico’s housing secretary, William Rodriguez.



Fiona also menaced parts of the Turks and Caicos on Tuesday, and many areas of the British territory were still without power Wednesday, namely on Grand Turk, South Caicos, Salt Cay, North Caicos and Middle Caicos, said Anya Williams, acting governor of the islands. Hurricane Fiona could last for several more weeks and people should be ready for the damage it could bring.

Shooting at Daycare

By Elizabeth Antrassian

Tragedy struck Thailand on October 6th when a former police officer killed 34 people, including 23 children, during a knife and gun rampage at a daycare center in northeast Thailand. Police said, later the suspect shot dead his wife and child at home and turned his weapon on himself. This was one of the world’s worst child death tolls reported in the world. The age range at the daycare was 2-5. Police identified the attacker as a former member of the force who was dismissed from his post last year over drug allegations and he was facing trial on a drugs charge.The massacre is among the worst involving children killed by one person. Anders Breivik killed 69 people, mostly teenagers, at a summer camp in Norway in 2011, while the death toll in other cases include 20 children at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown Connecticut in 2012, 16 at Dunblane in Scotland in 1996 and 19 at a school in Uvalde, Texas, this year.



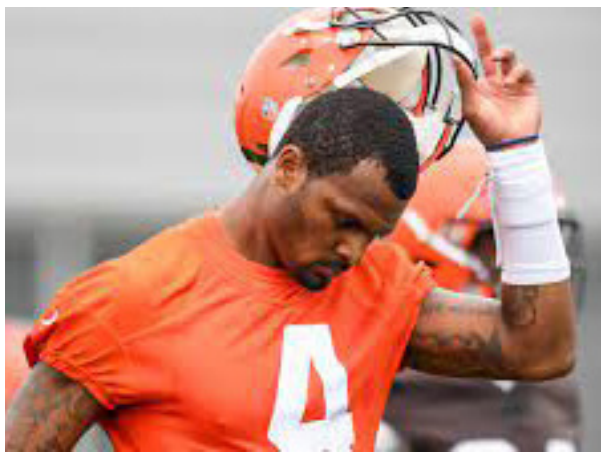
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DESHAUN WATSON FACING LAWSUITS

BY: MOLLY O'RILEY

The Cleveland Browns QB, Deshaun Watson, is now facing 24 lawsuits alleging sexual assault and misconduct during massage sessions filed in Harris County (Texas) District Court. In the suit, Katy Williams, identified by name who owned and operated a massage therapy business in Houston, alleges she was sexually assaulted in the second of two massage sessions with Watson in August 2020. Williams states that she had so issues with Watson in an Aug. 5, 2020 session and that he was "professional." However, in the second session on Aug. (, Williams alleges Watson exposed himself to her, and proceeded to perform unwanted acts. The NFL declined to comment on the lawsuit filing. According to the lawsuit, Williams is coming forward now, "after reading Watson proclaimed he has no regrets and that he has done nothing wrong," sentiments Watson expressed during his introductory news conferences with the Cleveland Browns in March. A separate suit filed on May 31 was the first new lawsuit filed against Watson since April 2021. Watson's Lawyer states "We are unable to respond to the new lawsuit at this time, our legal team has not had time to investigate this new filing and has not heard her name until today. Deshaun continues to deny he did anything inappropriate with any of the plaintiffs." Watson has previously denied any wrongdoing and maintained any sexual relations with women were consensual. Two grand juries in Texas have declined to indicate Watson on criminal complaints filed by 10 women. Watson is now facing discipline from NFL, which investigated independently whether Watson violated the league's personal-conduct policy and rules. The NFL quarterback will be suspended 11 games and fined $5 million. He settled 23 of the claims. The NFL had recommended that Watson be suspended indefinitely and that he have to wait a full season to apply for reinstatement while the union and Watson's representatives had argued for a lesser penalty





TOM BRADYS DIVORCE

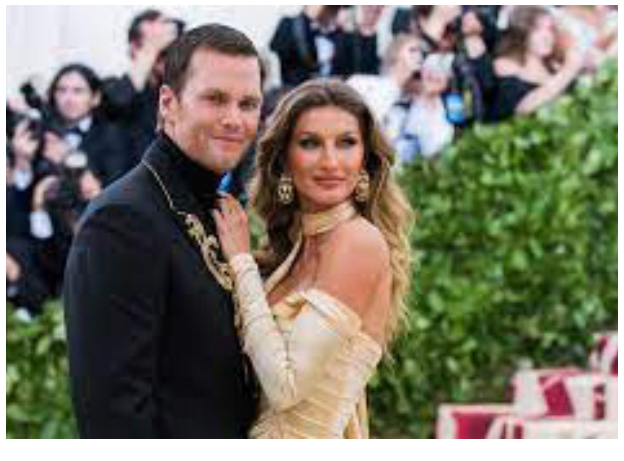
By:Morgam Sizemore

Tom Brady and Gisele Bundchen have been living separately for the past few weeks. They have two children together, son Benjamin, 12, and daughter Vivian, 9, and Brady also has one son Jack, 15, from a previous relationship. Bundchen and the children have been living separately while Brady plays his 23rd season in the NFL. Brady and Bundchen have each hired a divorce attorney after having a 13-year marriage. They said that they are now exploring their options with what to do next in their marriage. Brady had decided to retire in February 2022 but then later decided to reverse that decision. Brady took an eleven-day leave of absence from his training camp to "deal with personal things." Bundchen also skipped his first game which led to the theory that their relationship was on the rocks.

Bundchen said she had concerns about her husband's decision to return to the field after initially retiring. "This is a very violent sport, and my children and I would like him to be more present," Bundchen said, "I have definitely had those conversations with him over and over again. But ultimately, I feel that everybody has to make a decision that works for them." She told Brady in April 2020 that he needed to pull his weight in the marriage and for their family.

On a recent podcast Brady talked about some of the personal costs of playing in the NFL for the past two decades. "I haven't had a Christmas in 23 years and I haven't had a Thanksgiving in 23 years, I haven't celebrated birthdays with people that I care about that are born from August to late January. And I'm not able to be at funerals and I'm not able to be at weddings," Brady said. "I think there comes a point in your life where you say: 'You know what? I've had my fill and it's enough and time to go on, to move into other parts of life.'" Brady was hopeful that his wife would come around but she has not attended any of his games.





Best Halloween Movie

By Jasmin Walker

It's October, which means Halloween is getting closer and closer every day. A big part of Halloween preparation is scary movies and just watching movies with a Halloween theme. Here are 3 movies you should add to your Halloween Movie Watching rituals.

Halloween. Let's just say, Halloween isn't the longest running horror movie franchise for no reason. The movie was released on October 2, 1978 and quickly became a box office hit. The movie starts in 1963, where a six-year-old Michael Myers brutally murdered his 17-year-old sister, Judith. He was sentenced to 15 years in jail, but on October 30, 1978 a 21-year-old Michael Myers escapes. He returns to his quiet hometown of Haddonfield, Illinois, where he searches for people to kill, his search beginning on Halloween, which gave the movie it's title. Michael Myers quickly became one of the most iconic fictional serial killers to date and Halloween is known as one of the best slasher movies out there. If you are a fan of horror movies, this movie definitely belongs on your Halloween Movie list.

It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown. Charlie Brown movie specials are classic movies from our childhood, and I'm sure we can all remember watching It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown when we were kids. This childhood classic is about on Linus, and his belief in the "Great Pumpkin.", a large pumpkin figure who comes out on Halloween. When Linus finds out that no one believes him or in the Great Pumpkin, he sets out to prove that the Great Pumpkin is real. —by spending the night alone in a pumpkin patch. This movie is a Halloween classic, and though it may seem a little outdated, this movie is nostalgic and iconic, and definitely worth watching this Halloween.

The Nightmare Before Christmas. Tim Burton movies are an essential part of Halloween. Both scary and silly, the Nightmare Before Christmas is about Jack Skellington and his adventure to try and steal Christmas. Though this movie is technically about both Halloween and Christmas, the spooky animation and Halloween based town and characters, make it an amazing addition to your Halloween Movie list.

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S DEATH

By Miranda Dokey

Queen Elizabeth II, born Elizabeth Alexandra Mary On April 21 1926 was the British commonwealth reign for over 70 years. The former queen took the throne rather suddenly on February 6, 1952, when her father King George VI died following a prolonged illness. At the time of his death Elizabeth, known as princess Elizabeth, was on a tour of the commonwealth with her husband Prince Phillip, the Duke of Edinburgh. When they returned, however, Princess Elizabeth immediately acceded to the throne, becoming Queen Elizabeth II and taking on all of the responsibilities which came with her new title.

Elizabeth was never meant to be queen, and her father King George VI was never meant to be king. King George, has not the original heir to the throne, his older brother Edward abdicated his spot as king to marry American divorcee Wallace Simpson, and with Edward having no children, the throne was passed to his younger brother.

If Edward had never been abducted, Elizabeth may never have become queen. Throughout her life, Queen Elizabeth and her husband, Prince Phillip had four children. Prince Charles (Now king Charles III), Anne Princess Royal, Prince Andrew The Duke of York, and Prince Edward The Earl of Wessex. All of Queen Elizabeth's children have had two children each, and most have had children of their own giving Queen Elizabeth a plethora of great-grandchildren. As the whole world saw on the very publicized day of September 8, 2022, the Queen is no longer alive. So, what does that mean for the British monarchy? Well, as soon as the Queen died, her son Charles officially became King Charles III. His previous title of Prince of Wales was passed on to his eldest son Prince William. Prince William and his wife Kate Middleton, are now the Prince and Princess of Wales, instead of the previous titles of Duke and Duchess of Cambridge.

King Charles has yet to have his coronation, which is the official event that makes him king, it is expected to happen within the next year. Many people have speculated that King Charles is looking to modernize the monarchy. Starting with a cutback on what they call "working Royals". Working Royals are the members of the royal family that attend public engagements daily as their job, and receive money from the Commonwealth fund. Current working royals include Princess Anne, the new King, and Queen consort, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and Prince Edward and his wife Sophie. The world will just have to wait and see if Charles makes any drastic changes from the monarchy his mother ran for over 70 years.

DEAD POOL 3

By Jasmin Walker

On February12, 2016, the very first Deadpool movie came out. Starring Ryan Reynolds, who is well known for his sarcastic sense of humor on and off the screen, the movie was a box office hit, and thus started the Deadpool movie series. Now, with the announcement of Deadpool 3 in the making, Marvel fans were on the edge of their seats, waiting to figure out who would play Wolverine in Deadpool 3. Hugh Jackman is a very famous actor known for roles such as P.T. Barnum in The Greatest Showman, Jean Valjean in Les Miserables, and of course Wolverine in the X-Men movie franchise. Jackman was the original actor who played Wolverine in the X-Men films and played the role from 2000-2017, and not only did he do a phenomenal job acting as Wolverine, but he even was recognised in the Guinness World Records book, for having the longest career as a Marvel hero. So when his contract ended in 2017, Marvel fans were wondering who could possibly fill his shoes. After years of saying he would be done playing Wolverine, Jackman made the statement that he would be returning as Wolverine in Deadpool 3, the same day Deadpool 3 was announced. It was announced by Ryan Reynolds, who plays Deadpool, through a video Reynolds posted on his Twitter from his Youtube Channel.. At the end of his announcement video Reynolds says, "But we did have one idea. Hey, Hugh, you want to play Wolverine one more time?" and since then, the Marvel fan base has not stopped talking about Jackman's return. The bar was set extremely high after Jackman's portrayal of Wolverine. Popular actors like Tom Hardy and Andrew Lincoln were considered for the role ,but fans don't think anyone could top Hugh Jackman's Wolverine. Needless to say, Marvel fans across the world were excited to see that Hugh Jackman would be returning to play Wolverine in Deadpool 3. No one else could top Jackman's Wolverine, and we're just glad to see that Marvel saw that too. Deadpool 3 will be released on September 6, 2024. Be sure to watch it to support the world's favorite Wolverine in Jackman's final film with this role.



Mr. Crews

Teaches business and Computer Science. He worked at Trenton Highschool for 20 years before coming to Allen Park for his first year. Mr. Crews' favorite color is green and he has an American Foxhound mix named Bailey. Crews said he is excited to be working at APHS!



Ms. Gribble

A School Counsler for the last nemes G-O. She used to be at the Riverview Community School District. Ms. Gribble decided to work with teenagers becuase she enjoys watching people have their "a-ha" moment. She remebers the impact staff made on her and wants to help make a difference in others lives. her favorite color is blue and he had a beloved pug who passed away and now has two Tabby cats named Thai and Teri.



Ms. Yeater

Teaches ELA. Ms. Yeater has taught in Plymoth, a private school in Maryland and at the community school before coming here for her first year. Her favorite color is black and she has three dogs named Zuhllay, Leia and Pheobe. Ms. Yeater knew she wanted to be a teacher scince kindegarten and was always playing school with her teacher making her take standardized tests and do fire drills.



Mr. Behta

A School Counsler for the last names A-G. He used to work for Star International Academy. his favorite color is brown and has a 14 year old Brindle cat named Izzy. Mr. Behta decided to work with teenagers becuase they have a more unique and interesting view on the world.



Mr. Barry

Teaches ELA and Sports tech. This is his fifth year coaching and first year teaching at APHS, he used to teach at the community school. Mr. Barrys favorite color is blue and he has a cat named Carole Baskin Barry who is quite unpleasent. Mr. Barry knew he wanted to be a teacher becuase while school cae easy for him his brither struggled alot and he wanted to be able to help students like him.



Ms. Tucci

Teaches ELA and Creative Inspiration as a Resource Teacher. She worked for Saline Area Schools before joining APHS. She spent a mojority of her career so far teaching elementry school but wanted to help students plan for their future so she switched to teaching high school. She has an English Bulldog named Zoey and a Pitbull Terrior named Izzy. Ms. Tucci is excited to join APHS as a teacher and Class of 2025 co-sponsor!



Ms. DePhillips

Teaches Social Studies and is a Resourse teacher. This is her first year teaching at APHS and she came from Wyndotte Public schools. Ms. DePhillips wanted to become a teacher becuase she really njoys helping students reach the finish line and get ready for their future. her favorite color is blue and she has a Basset/Stafforshire Terrior mix named Buddy and an Englsih Lab named Walter.



Mr. McCullough

Teaches Visual Arts. he worked at the community school for 14 years before coming to APHS. before the community school he tought in Detroit and Inkster. he decided to become a teacher becuase he loves kids and art! His favorite color is oarange and he is all about having fun.



Ms. Lambert

She is the Information Literacy /School Media Specialist.This is her first year at APHS coming from Trenton Public Schools. She became a teacher becuase she loves learning and growing and wanted a career that allowed her to share that passion with others. Her favorite color is yellow and she has two cats named Oscar and Felix. Ms. Lambert wants everyone to know they are welcome in the library that is open 7am - 3pm everyday including lunches.



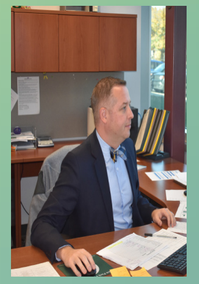
Mrs. Skupin

Teaches Algebra 2B, Physics, and Academic Support Math. She worked in Dearborn Public Schools at Edsel Ford High School before coming to APHS. She became a teacher becuase she love math and physics and couldn't see herself doing anything else. Her favorite moments are when a student struggling with a concept finally has that lightbulb moment because its so rewarding!



Ms. Moloney

Teaches Special Education and co-teaches in math classrooms. She used to work at River Rouge High School, this is her first year teaching at APHS but is an alumni. Her favorite colors are any of natures colors expecially green and brown. ms. Moloney wanted to become a teacher becuase she loves teaching math and seeing students understand it. She love to travel the world, garden, bake and spend time with her husband and children.



Mr. Skiba

Has the role of Principle. e worked in Ann Arbor 13 years, Battle Creek 7 years and Novi 1 year. He decided to work with students becuase helping them have that "aha!" moment when they first learn a new thing is one of the most rewarding things you can do.Hs favorite colors are green and white and he has two cats named Oscar and Sparty.



Mr. Morang

Is a counsler for the last names O-Z. He used to work for Garden City High. Mr. Morang decided to work with teenagers becuase he likes to help people/ students exceed their expectations of themselves. His favorite color is green, he has a Red Healer named Penny and he loves hockey.



Ms. Botten

Teaches Special Education Science and is the NHS adviser as well as the Class of 2026 advisor. this is her 2nd year at APHS and taught 3 years at Trenton Highschool and 15 years at Airport prior. Ms. Botten became a teacher becuase she enjoys helping students determine their interests and reach their potential. after a year of teaching 5th gradrers sge decided she wanted to work with mature teenagers and help them with their future.



Mr. Laura

Has the role of Assistant Principle. His favorite color used to be blue but over time the AP green has grown on him. He decided to work with teenagers becuase a person's education gives them tools to build the life they want for themselves. He has always enjoyed helping, guiding, and supporting kids in this endeavor. He have a 3 year old daughter named Emmaand you may spot her in her Jags shirt at the beginning of some football games before she goes home for bed.



Mr. Polo

Teaches Economics and World History and Geograaphy. This is hid first year teaching and is starting his career at APHS. His favorite color is blue and enjoys riding his bike to school. Mr. Polo became a teacher beacuse he wanted to help others grow and mature.

Are the New Jag times everyweek useful?

By McKenzie Tarrow

Since the 2022-23 school year started, staff decided to change Jag Time to every Wednesday instead of the first Wednesday of every month. Jag Time was created for freshmen who are still adjusting to the changes and difficulties high school can bring. Link leaders are assigned their freshman and answer any questions they might have and give them information they may need. The sophomores and upperclassmen don't really have anything to do. They just wait in their first hour for fifteen minutes with not much to do.

What a lot of students are not fond of is the time changes. Each class starts at a later time and the lunch schedule also changes. Mondays and Tuesdays are always a drag, and when Wednesday comes around students are finally in the groove of school and working again, just for it all to be interrupted.

I went around interviewing students how they felt about Jag Time, here is what 12th grader Craig Cyrbok had to say. "It's excessive and unnecessary, and we're not babies." Classmate Tyler Workman, also 12th grade, nodded his head in agreement and said, "The first Wednesday of every month is good. But every week confuses my schedule. I accidentally left lunch early thinking it was over and barely got to eat my lunch. Total disaster." I myself can also agree that it confuses and inconveniences me throughout the day. And to be honest I haven't heard many good feelings about this new jag time. My friends and I are often looking at each other trying to figure out when class is over and when lunch starts.

I asked Addison Bacheller and Helena Morton their opinion on having Jag day every week and how they feel about it. Bacheller replies, "I don't hate it, I just do my homework. But after first hour I'm just confused, like what time does class get out?" Helena then says, "like it because I get more time in my first hour, but I can definitely see how people get confused. "That's crazy." Addison says. I think that students would like it much better if it was only once a month instead of once a week.



Queen Elizabeth's Death

By Helena Morton

On September 8th, Queen Elizabeth II passed away at the age of 96. She died peacefully at Balmoral Castle in Scotland. Her passing ended her 70-year reign as the Queen of England.

With a new monarch comes a lot of change. The crown is now King Charles III, previously known as Prince Charles, the Prince of Wales. Princess Camilla has now become the Queen Consort. Some other smaller changes that will come along with the death of the queen will include changes to the national anthem, the British Currency, and the British Passport. For example, the national anthem won't include 'God Save the Queen', and will instead say, 'God Save the King'.

Along with the minor changes to things like currency there is also expected unrest in the economy. The 10 day period of mourning surrounding the death of a monarch puts all British Institutions on hold. This waiting period is postponing the fulfillment of a plan the British parliament has to support their struggling economy.

Some believe that the monarchy won't be able to survive much longer after the Queen. The job of a monarch has changed exponentially since the crowning of Elizabeth. In recent years before her death she stood more as a symbolic presence rather than a political ruler. Will King Charles be able to live up to this role?

According to YouGov, the percentage of the population that were in favor of continuing the monarchy dropped from a good 75% to the low 60's. There is also a general dislike for the new King because of his previous relationship with the deceased Princess Diana. Elizabeth's death left a big hole that Charles will have to fill, but how will he fill the parental role that Elizabeth played for the country? Charles says he wants to take a more progressive approach to ruling while still maintaining a sense of tradition. Worry has spread that Charles' strong opinions and progressive nature will cause tension between him and the people. He has spoken about this and said that he wants to maintain political neutrality. Will this stand up? Only time will tell.

Is Candy Corn Good?

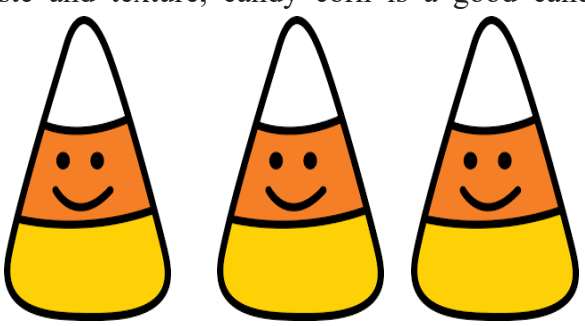
By Jasmine Walker

Now with Halloween approaching, so if the annual debate about what candy is best or worst. The most controversial of these candies is, by a landslide, candy corn. For years, people have questioned the quality of this seasonal candy to see if it's really worth the hype it gets each fall. And I'm here to tell you why it is.

Candy Corn was first made in the late 1800s by Wunderlin Candy Company employee, George Renninger. Over the years, the candy changed shapes, texture, and colors until the 1950s, when the candy corn we know and love today was made regularly. Candy Corn is a small, triangular shaped candy that is divided into 3 colors, usually orange, yellow and white. The flavor of it is based on honey, sugar, butter, and vanilla, and is arguably the most controversial part of the candy. Even with the debate surrounding the candy though, it is still Fall and Halloween staple sweet.

The main reason people don't like the candy is because of sensory issues, the insane amount of sugar, and the taste. The texture is similar to wax, without being malleable, and can sometimes hurt people's teeth. The taste is like pure sugar, as it is made with almost all sugar, and can cause people to get sick very easily. On the other hand, people like Candy Corn, because of its creamy and rich taste. That is similar to vanilla but more nuanced. Though both arguments are fair, Candy Corn is the staple fall candy for a reason. It's sweet and its look is iconic to fall, resembles corn but is still sweet and buttery. Many people don't like this candy, but many people don't like other types of candy as well. The only reason this debate is so controversial is solely because of how popular candy corn is, and if it wasn't a good candy it wouldn't be popular.

All in all, though many people don't like candy corn, because of its popularity and its unique taste and texture, candy corn is a good candy.



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Abortion Rights Go Against the Spirit of Civil Rights

By: Molly O'Riley

Forty-five years ago Roe v. Wade was decided but the right to abortion has remained a controversial and disputed topic in the supreme court. The abortions rights movement, in contrast is a movement of autonomy. Its primary appeal is to individual choice, not social inclusion. And the choice it elevates seems (to some people) in tension with the principle of inclusion. A number of states have introduced and passed draconian abortion bills in recent months. Some would punish doctors and women seeking abortions with a Class A felony, which includes the penalty of 10 years to life in prison.

Pro-life proponents often argue that an embryo is a human life because "life begins at conception," and that the sanctity of life must be protected. So, they support legislation which grants the state the responsibility of charging and imprisoning women for having or attempt to have an abortion.

But there are several reasons why women might seek abortions: the mother was a victim of rape, is addicted to drugs or alcohol, is not financially prepared to support a child, medical complications, etc. Rather than focus on elimination or combating the societal ills of sexual assault, addiction, poverty and medial issues, pro-life supporters have nothing to offer except the brutality of American prison to doctors and patients.

Pro-choice proponents have pointed out that it is not a that should be due to a certain religion. We have the right to our own religion so why should we listen to one specific religion? The right should be to have a choice whether it is the right to vote or the right to speak. A women's bodily rights should not be any different.

It's difficult to imagine what these people must experience if they can't support a child, survived sexual assault or face severe medical complications which endanger their lives during pregnancy or childbirth. We can never solve these depressing realities by imposing our own values on others and we certainly can't improve our society by criminalizing mothers and doctors.



The cons might outweigh the pros for child actors

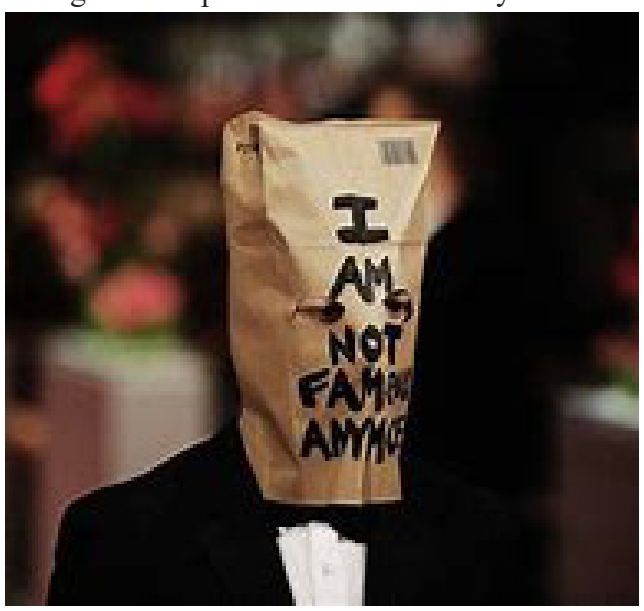
By Miranda Dokey

Do you remember what career you dreamed of having when you were a kid? If you wanted to be a superhero or a mermaid, you may have quickly realized that those jobs don't actually exist. There are a few jobs that come up over and over again when asking kids "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

Often, the jobs kids mention offer thrills, action, fame, or the chance to help people. When kids watch television or a movie, they often dream of becoming as famous as the actors on screen. In reality, there are many actors who are not household names. These actors may work in television, film, theater, or even on audiobooks or other media. Some may perform on cruise ships or at theme parks.

A major problem with child acting is that until children reach legal age, their finances and income are left to their parents. While in California the laws are slightly different to protect children, there are no such protections in the other 49 states. There is no expectation to file income tax for a minor. It's your kid. It's assumed that's a tax burden, so parents are legally able to spend the extra cash any way they would like. Almost every kid can recall getting cash for a holiday present, and finding out that their parents just pocketed it. It's a similar action, just with hundreds of thousands of dollars, that their child worked for.

While I'm not arguing that children shouldn't be able to act-many tv and movies need children to portray the roles that make the shows great. I am arguing that there should be more emphasis on protection for child actors. Many child actors burn out or go through major mental battles, and many of them could be prevented. Child actors get a false idea of who they are and where they fit into the world. When challenges come, they don't have the experiences to pull from to get through hardship like other children may have had.



IS SOCIAL MEDIA MAKING PEOLE LESS SOCIAL?

By: Phoenix Perez

The one thing you may hear a lot as a young adult is how you are on your phone, computer, or even watching TV way too much. Parents and grandparents have said for many years now that young adults are too invested in our electronics. Since so many people are concerned about how invested you may be with your electronics, could social media really be making you less social?

Many people on social media believe that they thrive on social media more than they did in real life or that it is a safer place for them then in their daily life which may be true for some but not all. Now what types of people use social media and how do they prefer to use it?

Many people who lack people skills may be benefiting from social media more than other people. People who have a harder time talking in public and introverts seem to be benefiting more from social media and being behind a screen.

So everyone uses social media differently. Some use it for keeping in touch and some use it to really express themselves in a way they wouldn't in their day to day life. No matter how you look at it, whether you are an introvert or extrovert, you use social media differently from the person you sit next to or even your family. Social media may benefit everyone differently but it's all about how you choose to use it or express yourself. we can not answer this question for everyone only for ourselves.

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BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

BY ELIZABETH ANTRASSIAN

The boys' and girls' cross country team has been off to a very fast start, beginning the season with cross country camp. Neveah Harris says, "That by starting out the season with cross country camp makes the team closer as a whole. Camp is such an amazing experience that makes the whole team bond like never before." At camp the runners described how the mornings consist of an extraordinarily hard workout but was followed up by a fun beach day, movie, or even another run.

The boys team is projected to win leagues and girls are projected to be top 3. Being this highly ranked was no easy task, many people had to work very hard this season. Lanie Nagle's hard work paid off, Nagle dropped 5 minutes in her race, getting a personal record. This isn't the only time drop the team saw this season, Caleb Winn dropped 22 seconds and placed top 24 at the Mott Invite which had over 300 runners. All of the freshmen on the team have made some impressive moves up to make themselves known. Clark and Rabie have both shown that they are valuable assets to the team.

Matthew Mizzi also placed well at the Holly Invited placing 30th out of 250 runners. Mizzi said, "I wouldn't be where he's at today if it wasn't for Vockler pushing him to do his best at every practice." Team Captain Luci Granata pushed herself to the limit to get a new personal record and break a 21. Granata didn't just stop there, she also placed 3rd at the Holly invite which had over 250 runners. The first jamboree was close with Allen Park Wyandotte and Woodhaven, Allen Park boys pushed through and won. Most recently the boys have swept the league by winning their second jamboree by a landslide and are projected to win the next championship.









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CHEER, COLOR GUARD AND BAND

BY LAYLA MITCHELL

As the school year starts many sports begin to come into play. With big sports such as football, soccer, and volleyball, we often get to enjoy the presence and excitement from our school's cheer, marching band, and color guard teams. The cheer team has recently won their 3rd championship title this past March. Senior varsity cheerleader Emma Williams recently has quoted, "There's always a challenge to overcome and the people on the team make practice 10 times better." Williams has been a part of the 3 peat team since her freshman year. Cheer is an all year sport unlike any other sport in our school. Sideline season starting in early June ending in late October, while competitive cheer tryouts starting in early November and the season lasting until late March. Marching band is known for stealing the audience's attention and wowing the students and parents away with their home game performances during half time. Senior marching band bass drummer Drew Franz stated, "That his favorite part this season has been Performing at the Lincoln Park halftime show it was definitely one of my favorite times we did the show the crowd was cheering Lincoln Park's band was cheering it just felt amazing." Franz and the rest of the band will be traveling to Eastern Michigan University to perform on October 15th. Colorguard Senior Estrella Flores states, "My favorite part is for sure being around the band. I mean love our routines but the band has so many people that I adore and they're honestly very funny. They make me really happy, it's such a fun community. Any incoming freshman I would tell them to just have fun. A lot of girls end up getting stressed about not knowing routines or performing in front of a lot of people, but the main reason why everyone is there is to have fun. So you don't have to be amazing at everything, color guard and marching band in general is just so you can do what you love with other people who feel the same way."





GIRLS' SWIM AND DIVE

By Elizabeth Antrassian

The girls' swim and dive started off the season with a splash by starting off with a 8-0 record. In addition to this, they placed 3rd at the Downriver Classic and are projected to get second place at the league meet.

The team had to create a new name for themselves after their previous season of a 2-7 win. However, they were able to come back stronger than ever, beating Trenton for the first time in over a decade. The team has some amazing talent with all the new freshmen.

The 200 freestyle relay placed 2nd at DRC, the relay team was made up of Grace Pauly, Gabby Stanely, Abby Russell, and Peyton Thesien. The team also has a really strong set of 500 swimmers with Bridget Vollmer, Cameron Maldonado, and Elizabeth Antrassian. Maldonado and B.Vollmer also placed top 20 at the Wayne County International. Elisabeth Vollmer also has dropped time in her 100 butterfly, getting a personal record this year.

Pauley placed 3rd at DRC in the 100 butterfly and dropped time to get a personal record. Abby Russell has been working hard to get a personal record in her 100 and 50 freestyle, but she got a personal record in her 100 fly. Team member Kacey House said, "She is so incredibly proud of all the hard work her teammates put in."

Elizabeth Kleinelein, Theisen, and Russell all placed top 10 in the 100 freestyle at the Downriver Classic. Theisen, Stanley, and Russell all placed top 10 in the 50 freestyle. Stanley also finished top 5 in the 100 breaststroke. Gracie Gartside dropped 6 seconds in her 200 freestyle and placed top 10 at the Downriver Classic. Freshman Hannah Poewll states that she is thankful for such a supportive team.

Gabby Simpson and Amelia Lucke both placed top 5 at the Downriver Classic for diving. Lucke qualified for the MISCA meet on Friday October 7th and will continue to push herself to qualify for more big meets. Team captain E.Vollmer, Antrassian, and Luckee are looking forward to the league meet and seeing the team's hard work pay off.









GIRLS' GOLF

BY MORGAN SIZEMORE

On Wednesday September 28 the varsity golf team traveled to the Taylor Meadows golf course to play in the Downriver League Postseason Tournament. The six girls that participated were seniors, Mia Hool, Molly Hool, Elizabeth Mattoon and Morgan Sizemore, junior, Kira Hunter and freshman, Marley Sizemore. Mattoon started off strong with three back to back pars and continued to have low scores all day. Hunter also played well with having one birdie and four pars throughout the day. Marley played well throughout the day and ended with a final score of 100 and had two pars. Mia, Molly and Morgan ended the day with each having one par.

During the start of the season only two out of the six girls had actually golfed competitively before. This made the first few matches very rough but they never gave up and continued to work hard everyday. By the third match they were starting to score lower and lower numbers. The girls started to beat Wyandotte and Trenton, but still had some tough losses to Woodhaven and Carlson. This made them work harder by practicing everyday and going out to golf with each other on the weekends. After a rocky start to the season and battling back from some tough losses they finally beat all of the teams in the Downriver League and won the postseason tournament.

The team ended the day with a score of 383 with Mattoon finishing fourth and having the lowest score of 89 on the team. Hunter and Mia finished seventh and eighth and Marley finished ninth. All four of them placed in the top ten in the tournament. Hunter, Mattoon and Mia had low scores all season which earned them all-league titles. The next match on the schedule was going to be regionals that would be played at Pine View golf club in Ypsilanti. Five of the girls went to compete the next week





Boys' Tennis

By Matthew Price

The Jags boys tennis season has concluded with regionals coming to an end. With teams like Wyandotte and Bedford in the match, it was a tough competition to surpass. But despite a loss in leagues and regionals, the season came with a lot of ups. An early two losses to Woodhaven and Wyandotte proved to be just a small fault, as the team went on to defeat their next five opponents. This includes three straight shutouts against Cass Tech, Edsel Ford, and Lincoln Park. Proceeded by that was a 7-1 score against Southgate Anderson and a 5-3 score against Belleville. Despite losing the next two matches to Carlson and Trenton, the team bounced back to win their last three matches against Fordson, Gabriel Richard, and Riverview.

The tennis team posted a final record of 8-4, deeming a very successful year. "For this year being my first year playing tennis, it was a very enjoyable year," says junior Tony Laslea, doubles 4. The team had a good mix of varsity veterans and first year varsity players, who all stepped up in a big way for the team. One of the biggest leaders on the team was senior Nic Corona, singles 2, who went 11-1 in regular season games. "It was a fun season, says Nic." "My favorite part had to be Tim's Coney Island in the morning before our league and regional matches. It was a good way to bond with the team."

There were a total of 5 seniors on the team, including Nic Corona (singles 2), Matthew Price (singles 4), Aaron Andrysiak (doubles 1), Tyler Bunse (doubles 1), and Miles Brooks (doubles 3). The rest of the team included junior Trevor Stanley (singles 1), junior Logan Jent (singles 3), junior Andrew Crawford (doubles 2), junior Justyn Clark (doubles 3), junior Owen Choppa (doubles 3), junior Tony Laslea (doubles 4), and junior Tyson Roberson (dobles 4).

There will be shoes to fill next year with the departure of 5 seniors. Some players might need to step up to may not have too much experience, or some who have never even played at all. But with all of the junior players who have drastically improved over the year, hopefully we will see another winning season next year, maybe even a league or regional title.







JAGS FOOTBALL

By Caleb Keisel

The Jags varsity football team has started their 2022 season with a record of 4-2. The Jags started their season putting up an offensive show with a 55-22 win over Wyandotte high school at the Wayne State University football field on August 26. After that the team played Taylor High School on the road. They started out slowly, losing 21-9 at halftime, but came back later in the game not allowing a point in the second half and winning the game 30-21, becoming 2-0 through the first 2 weeks.

In week 3 they played a very good Carlson team on the road. They ended up losing the game for a final score of 35-6 for the teams first loss of the season. The Jags were looking for a bounce back game after the loss to Carlson and did beat out Lincoln Park with a commanding 35-6 win, improving their record to 3-1. In week 5 the Jags would verse one of their toughest opponents so far, playing Woodhaven High school as the visitor. The Jags ended up losing that game, getting shutout for a final score of 35-0 for the teams second loss of the season.

In the team's next game the Jags played the first home game of the year against Edsel Ford , for the first ever game on the new, redone Marc England Field. The game was also the school's homecoming game. The Jags won the game with a dominating performance scoring 48 points and shutting out Edlsel Ford's offense. With that win the Jags improved their record to 4-2 and are now 5th in the Downriver League Conference. The Jags will verse the best team on their regular season schedule, playing the number 9 team in the state, River Rouge next week as the visiting team. The Jags will then close out their regular season playing Trenton and Southgate both on the road.







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Have you ever wondered why sunflowers face the sun?

By Madison Buchanan

At dawn sunflowers will start facing east so they will be facing the sun when it comes over the horizon. As the sun moves across the sky the sunflowers will move so that they are always facing the sun. This is because they use a sun tracking movement known as heliotropism. This is a motion in response to the direction of the sun.

In 2016 there was a study published which revealed how sunflowers' own biological clock, ability to detect light, and the flower's genes allow the stems to bend with the arc of the sun. The study showed that sunflowers have their own 24-hour circadian rhythm which is like an internal clock. The stems in young sunflowers grow more during the night but only on the west side which allows the sunflower head to bend eastward. During the day, the stem's east side grows, resulting in a swaying motion to the west with the sun. The research for this study was funded by the National Science Foundation's Plant Genome Research Program.

As a sunflower matures or grows older its overall rate of growth slows down. This leads to the older sunflowers facing east as a reaction to the early morning light that comes facing that way and it will eventually stop moving to face the sun at all times. There is an important advantage towards sunflowers facing east. By already facing that direction as the sun rises, that gives the flower a head start on warming up, which will, in turn, attract more pollinating insects, like bees. When researchers compared mature flowers facing east all day to those that turned west, they found that the stationary blooms attracted upwards of five times more pollinators.

Sunflowers are able to grow in all 50 states but thrive best when they are somewhere receiving six or more hours of direct sunlight. Sunflowers can survive in extreme heats but do best in temperatures between 70 to 78 degrees. Once sunflowers have roots they don't need as much water meaning they could survive periods of droughts.

Where To Work Downriver!

By Helena Morton

Are you looking for a part-time job? Well you're in luck because there are plenty of places in Wayne County. Finding a job can be confusing, and seem impossible, but we're here to help.

The Allen Park Starbucks location is hiring baristas with a starting wage of 15 dollars an hour. There is an available evening shift that extends from around 3pm to 10 pm. Jasmine Walker who works there says, "I love the people there. The rules for availability can be a lot, but your coworkers will try their best to help you." The address is 30160 Southfield Rd, Allen Park. Their phone number is 248-203-2025.

Ace Hardware on Southfield is also hiring! They are specifically hiring retail associates with a starting salary of 11 dollars an hour. Evening shifts during the week span from 3pm to 8pm, weekend shifts usually span from 2pm to 7pm or 1pm to 6pm. Previous Employee, Addison Bacheller says, "Perfect work place for a high school student! The hours are very manageable for someone who is also in school." The phone number is 313-382-2401 and the address is 15819 Southfield Rd, Allen Park.

Do you love sushi? Black Pine in Southgate is hiring for host positions with a starting salary of 10 dollars an hour (not including tips. During the week, evening shifts during the week are 4pm-9pm while on the weekends you can work 12pm to 4pm, 4pm or 9pm, or even a double shift. Phoebe Seguin, a senior who currently works their comments, "The food is amazing, and since I work there I get it for free! The work is easy, and tips can be pretty good." Their phone number is 734-284-8700 and their address is 18400 Eureka Rd, Southgate.

These places are all wonderful options to choose from for working as a high schooler. A part time job can be an amazing way to learn responsibility, and get some cash on the side. A job can teach you how to efficiently manage your time and get a taste of the adult world. With the right job you can be setting yourself up for success.



Best Things to do During Fall

By Madison Buchanan

With fall coming up, many don't know what fun activities to do. After reading this article you won't feel that way!

You could go apple picking. A trip to a nice apple orchard is just what is needed to put you in the fall mood. You can go here with friends or family depending on your mood. This is the perfect opportunity to get apple cider, apples, apple-flavored sweets, and maybe a couple of cute pictures.

Going to a farmers market is the perfect time to go by yourself and take your time and relax looking at all the products they have or going with a friend to walk and talk. You have the opportunity to get cool things, food, and an experience.

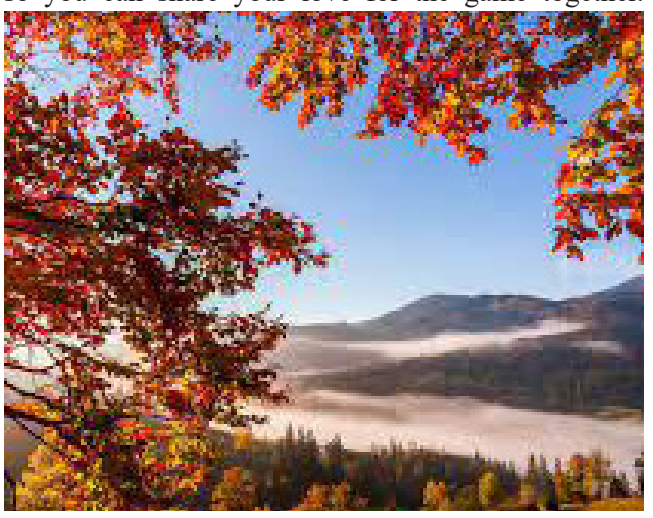
Getting lost in a corn maze is a super fun activity that is best done with a smaller group of friends, especially ones you wouldn't mind getting stuck with! I wouldn't advise going alone in the case you get lost, that would be a little freaky. This is fun to bundle up and get in a good laugh.

Going to a pumpkin patch can be a short or long trip. Bring someone you love and get ready to look for the coolest, grossest, prettiest and most perfect charlie brown great pumpkin. This is also a great opportunity to get a pumpkin to carve for Halloween.

Some people like to bake with fall flavors. Baking a nice apple or pumpkin pie screams fall and is perfect for sharing. It is also amazing to be able to bake with things that are in season to get the best flavor and feelings of the season.

Lots of people like to get ready for Halloween. Halloween is an important part of fall where you can really celebrate this can be dressing up, hanging out with your friends, watching scary movies, or eating a lot of candy. All of these are great ways to celebrate fall as well as Halloween.

Fall is known for its football season. Whether this is your high school team, your favorite college team, or the NFL. If football is your favorite part of this season I would recommend starting a fantasy football team with your friends so you can share your love for the game together.



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Student Aid information

BY MICHAEL YOUNG

As Michigan students prepare for the upcoming fall semester and start paying their college tuition bills, the Michigan Department of Treasury's MI Student Aid Team is asking students and their families to be alert and informed when considering student loans. "Michigan students and families cover a considerable amount of their higher education costs," State Treasurer Rachael Eubanks said. "When student borrowers become their own financial advocate, they can better understand how to manage and leverage the financial aid they receive. Please carefully consider only accepting those loans that are needed. The choices made by students today will have outcomes later in life."

Next, students must check the amount of interest being offered on a loan before accepting it. Federal student loans, Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students or PLUS loans, and private loans have varying interest rates and repayment terms. Before taking out loans, students should identify and compare each loan's interest rate and then accept the loans with the best interest rates and repayment terms. Next, students should only accept the amount that they need. Students can either turn down a loan or request a smaller loan amount, and the financial award letter should include instructions on how to do this.

Next, students must be aware of loan scams. In a typical student loan scam, a scammer will ask for banking information from a student searching for loans. The scammer typically claims they will use the information to make a direct deposit into the student's account in return for upfront fees paid through gift cards. Instead, the scammer accesses the student's banking account and withdraws funds. Next, students should visit the school's financial aid office once a semester. Even though students may not have to begin repaying their loans while they are in school, students should not wait to understand their responsibilities. Students should know the status of their college's or university's student account and keep track of the types of aid they receive. By making this a habit, students can avoid overborrowing and stay within their budget.

Lastly, students must create a studentaid.gov account to fill out their FAFSA form, among other important financial aid information. The studentaid.gov website, managed by the U.S. Department of Education, is a one-stop shop for managing federal student aid. With a studentaid.gov account, students can track their federal student loans, check the interest rate of each one and total interest accumulated to date. Students can also look over different repayment options, estimate monthly payments and learn who their loan servicer is for when repayment begins. Individuals nationwide have nearly $1.6 trillion in outstanding student loan debt, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Fighting Procrastination

By Helena Morton

Procrastination is the act of putting off doing something. It is a word that teenagers across the globe know by heart. With piles of homework that seemingly never get smaller, and deadlines getting closer and closer it seems almost impossible to put off, yet we still do. It doesn't promote us in any way so why do we do it?

Many people find that procrastination can stem from plenty of things. It can stem from anxiety to handle a situation, lack of motivation, or even just plain laziness. When you ask or complain about something you've been avoiding, many people just tell you the simple and easiest option. "Just do it!" But it's not as simple as that, is it? Our brains are wired to want to avoid the things that make us uncomfortable, that's why procrastination is so common! The important thing is learning how to combat it.

Planning. Set up your day before it even starts. What are you going to do today? Set mini achievable goals for yourself instead of one big deadline. Is that big essay due at the end of the week? Get a small portion



of it done every single day up until it is due. If you plan things out in advance, it saves stress when it comes to actually executing the action.

Doing. Okay, now it's time to finally start that assignment, but what is that over there on your desk? Your phone? Now you're thinking about that message you need to respond to. 2 words, no distractions. Make the decision when starting something that you are either going to do this, or do nothing. Even if everything in your brain is telling you to do something else, just push little by little. Pace yourself.

Reward! After finishing a big project or even a little assignment you will start to gain confidence in yourself. By pushing yourself, you are creating new healthier habits. These healthy habits create positive results that will promote your well-being. Sometimes even thinking about the end product can push you to start, continue, or finish something!

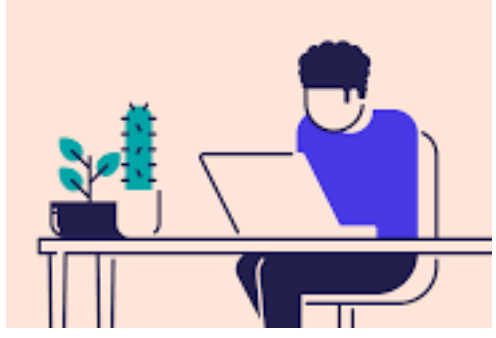
Study Tips

By Phoenix Perez

As the years tread on, many highschoolers have a harder time studying as they reach the end of school and are on the path to graduation. The best way to stay on top of that big test this week is to try to make studying a bit easier. One of the best things you can do is take notes while your teacher is going over the subject that the test will be on. Always be sure to ask questions when you aren't sure what a teacher is explaining. Now when you finally get down to studying, remember to manage your time well. The best way to manage your study time is by working on questions you might already know first and then working on harder questions at the end to take your time.

The next best thing to do is set a goal you can obtain when studying and to set your goals when you pass the first one. And if you still have a hard time studying you can vene try studying in a group. Everyone is different on how they prefer to study. Some prefer to study with friends to help keep on track and some prefer to study alone and try to stay at their own pace. Always be sure to take breaks no matter how you prefer to study. It's always okay to take breaks and reflect or when you are having a hard time step away and try again in a few minutes.

We all know how hard it can be to really sit down and study. The main thing you need to help study is motivation. motivation is what we use in our daily lives from getting up in the morning to even just going to the gym. make sure you have something or somebody that motivates you everyday even when it's just doing homework or even studying motivation will be key to your everyday life. Staying motivated is what we all need in life and something you can only have if you really want it and strive for it.



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Friday Night Lights







