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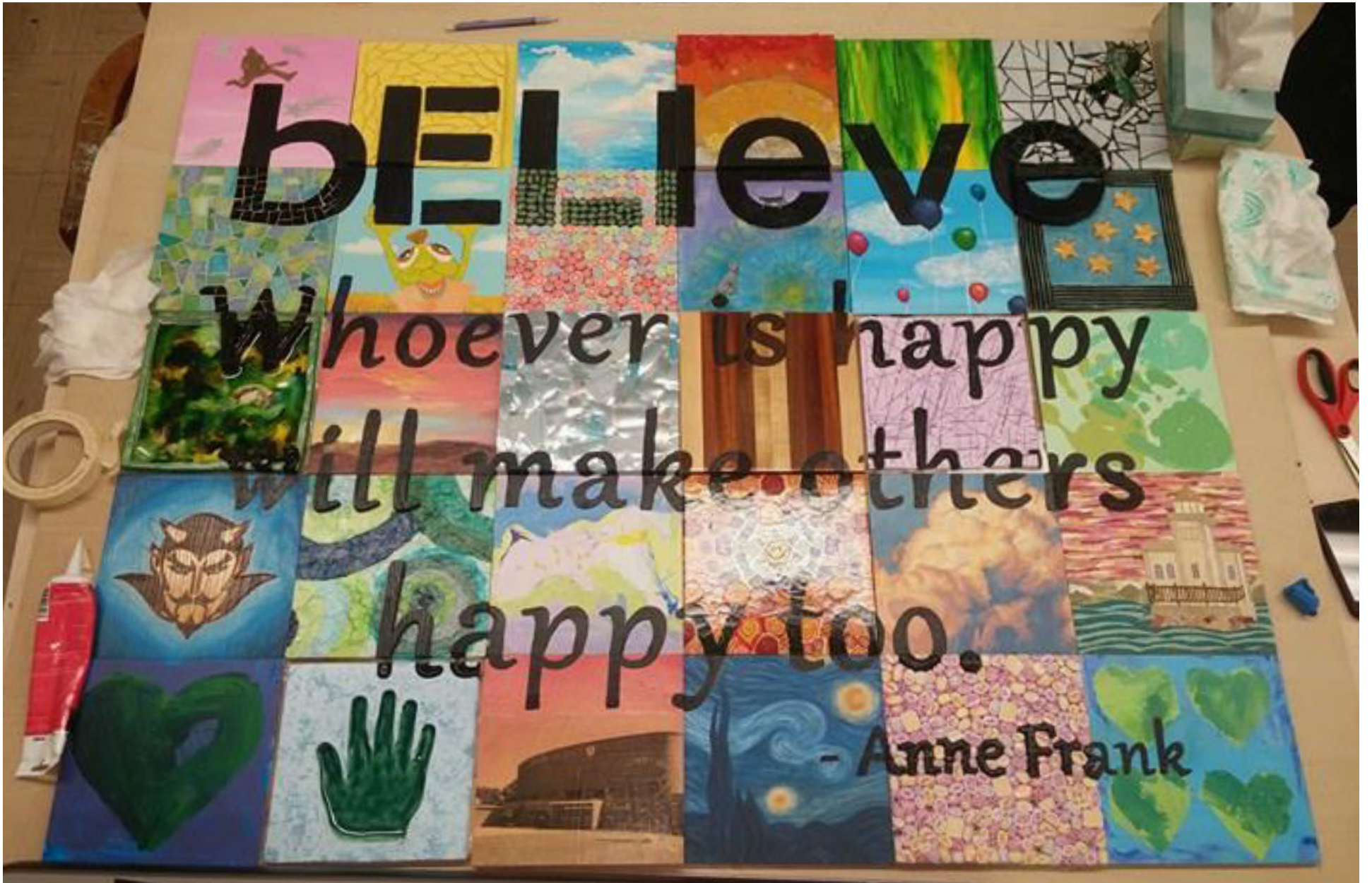


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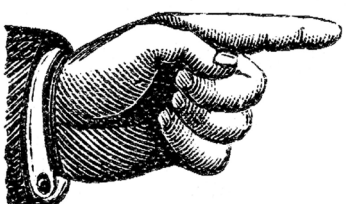


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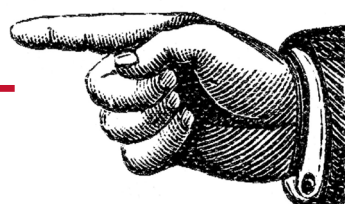


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THE TRUE DISCONNECT

It's Sunday morning. You ride your bike into town to get breakfast, pick up a muffin from Rise Above Bakery, stop at the farmer's market to sample some pickles from Horman's Best, among other tasty treats, and head on over to Heckscher Park to eat.

You look around. Here and there, runners, walkers, cyclists—those just enjoying the nice end-of-fall weather with friends, family or both—are all making use of the great space that is in our town. Yet, among each of these people is something that at times—not constantly, but at many times throughout the day nonetheless—can act as a disruption to our lives. It's called a cellphone.

This isn't one of your average soccer-mom-created. "Kids are spending too much time on their phones" pieces. Phones aren't bad. I, like many others, am a strong advocate of them—when used properly. They provide a new way to connect the majority of the people on this planet. However, there are several problems with phones, which lead to their becoming disrupters to the serenity.

They are over-used. Cell phones have solved more problems than they have caused.

They can save lives, help those in need, or can be used to elicit help from emergency responders. Yet many people don't even use them as phones. They text, they tweet, they snap, they gram—they digitize the world away—making them somewhat problematic.

Whilst looking around the park, you notice something. The walkers have headphones, as do the runners and cyclists. Whether it be music, public radio, podcasts, even Rush Limbaugh, they are tuned into their own private worlds and tuned out to the real world. They don't hear the beautiful sound of a chirping bird or smell the authentic smell of nature. They're barely even there.

People take cellphones for granted. They use them for games and entertainment. Yet, in doing this, they are ignoring the ever-entertaining world around them.

Notably, the possibly most used aspect is social media. The mediums for this are endless—might it be Instagram or Snapchat or Facebook or Twitter—people consistently seem to find themselves immersed in a world of friends and companions, who can be miles away.

You look several yards to the right, and there is a family of six

having a picnic on the grass. Yet it's hardly a picnic. While the two parents talk, and the grandmother munches quietly on her rye bread, the three children are chatting up a storm. Yet none of them say a word.

This occurrence isn't rare—not in the slightest. Go into any restaurant in town and find a large number of the patrons using their cellphones and ignoring their companions.

Knowthenet, an internet safety website, published a study which showed that fifty-nine percent of children use social media. A survey from the password manager, "Password Boss," showed that fifty-nine percent of consumers reuse passwords. But that's beside the point. The point? It's that people are connected more than ever, yet they're disconnected at the same rate.

There is no way to stop the correlation. The fact that as interconnectivity increases, personal connectivity decreases at the same time, is a stunning fact. And it won't stop soon. The best that we can do is sit back and watch. Although this might seem passive, it isn't. By actually watching—meaning the phones are put away, we can actually watch, and see how everything plays out.

THE DISPATCH

After School, Room 252

WEDNESDAYS (Main Meeting)

THURSDAYS (Writing Workshops)

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ADVISORS: Florea & Antorino

ROBOTICS

After School, Woodshop

TUESDAYS

(accommodations made for student council members)

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EMAIL: huntingtonrobotics@gmail.com

WEBSITE: team5016.com

ADVISOR: Reynolds

"We encourage people to join regardless of any technical experience!"

KEY CLUB

2:30, Rm 140 Heritage Room

EVERY THURSDAY

INSTA: hhs.key.club

ADVISORS: Colica & Krycinski

"We're the key to success!"

MOCK TRIAL

After School, Room 201

EVERY FRIDAY

EMAIL: sbiagi@hufsd.edu

ADVISOR: Biagi

MATHLETES

2:30-3:00 Room 121

EVERY TUESDAY

REMIND: @limathlete to 81010

ADVISORS: Mattis & Scott

"We aim to enjoy challenging Math questions"

YEARBOOK

2:30, Room 223

WEDNESDAYS (1-3x/ MONTH)

REMIND: @2017hhsy to 81010

EMAIL: huntingtonhighschoolyearbooks@gmail.com

ADVISOR: Casazza

"Looking for students who take pride in their work. Many assignments available. Photographers, writers & creative thinkers welcome."

GSA (GAY STRAIGHT ALLIANCE)

After School, Room 110

EVERY WEDNESDAY

REMIND: @gsahhs2017 to 81010

ADVISOR: Cooper

"Our club works to promote LGBTQ+ issues within our school and beyond. We are a club that is a place for everyone to belong, and we hope to create a stronger sense of acceptance within the HHS Community"

CHINESE FOREIGN EXCHANGE

After School, Room 207

FRIDAYS

REMIND: @chinese4 to 81010

EMAIL: jgould@hufsd.edu

ADVISORS: Gould & Leavy

AWOD (A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE)

After School, Room 201

MEETINGS TBD, LISTEN FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMIND: @ec28e to 81010

EMAIL: sbiagi@hufsd.edu

ADVISORS: Biagi & Decannio

"Join AWOD to promote anti-bullying and diversity in our school and community"

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

2:30, Room 146

FRIDAYS

REMIND: @envir2016 to 81010

INSTA: @environmenthhs

ET CETERA

HUNTINGTON'S LITERARY MAGAZINE CLUB

2:30, Room 204

"COME TO ET CETERA

ALL CREATIVE MINDS WELCOME THURS RM 240"

REMIND: @etcmag to 81010

ADVISOR: Molenko

"Expressing ourselves one word at a time"

ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY

After School, Auditorium

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY

REMIND: @nehshhs17 to 81010

EMAIL: aantorino@hufsd.edu

ADVISORS: Antorino & Guarino

MATH HONOR SOCIETY

2:30-3:30, Room 130

1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS

REMIND: @htonmath to 81010

ADVISORS: Racz & Avelli

"We aim to provide tutoring for peers, raise money for math scholarships, and assist elementary schools in Math Nights"

GRANDFRIENDS

After School, Room 201

MEETINGS TBD, LISTEN FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMIND: @grandfr to 81010

EMAIL: sbiagi@hufsd.edu

ADVISOR: Biagi

NOTICE: Senior Senior Prom Friday, May 5th

UNITED AMIGOS

After School, Room 143

EVERY THURSDAY

ADVISOR: Lorenzana

"Assisting the ESL students to assimilate to school culture"

INTERACT CLUB

2:30, Room 206

THURSDAY 2x/MONTH + EVENTS

REMIND: @mstedesch to 81010

CONTACT: kayla ryon on fb, check instagram, twitter

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LAS PÁGINAS EN ESPAÑOL

UN NUEVO CAMINO

Camino por los intrincados pasillos de Huntington High School, son tales como un laberinto que descifrando el camino encuentro mi destino.

Todos me miran, me distingo como ojos cafés, cabello negro, piel morena y estas cualidades me identifican como una orgullosa de tener sangre latina. Así también la tristeza invadió mis pensamientos y es la razón por la

cual decidí romper la ley. Era tierra que pise y debajo de esa tierra iba a amanecer si no rompía la ley. No tenía sueños porque así también no tenía derechos. Mientras más me alejaba de mi tierra el tiempo pasaba tan lento cómo pasa el agua por el dique, los recuerdos me hacían caer en llantos y recordaba la situación en mi país y solo limpiaba el mar de llantos con las teñidas

mangas de mi camisa. Mi corazón sereno se abría como un tesoro al soplo de la borda del sueño americano. No fue fácil, tuve que tomar decisiones de una mujer cuando solo era una niña con sueños, ese camino es ardiente como el infierno, arden las esperanzas de un humilde y soñador latino. Tienes una botella de agua y sabes que eso será tu salvación, mientras dure. Es difícil

decir que no cuando ángeles inocentes te ruegan por una gota de agua para humedecer sus resacas gargantas, sé que el agua no tiene gusto alguno, pero con la sed que teníamos el agua era un regalo del cielo.

Cuando miras hacia atrás y quieres regresar todos gritaban: “ya no hay vuelta atrás”. Las estrellas guiaban de mi camino errado porque esas mismas estrellas vigilaban desde el cielo nocturno a quienes caminábamos en el temible desierto. Estábamos en una duna de arena, ni de ve nada, no se escucha nada, las espinas traspasaban tus gastados zapatos y mientras corrías las palabras que escuchabas en ese momento de muchas

por Marilyn Menjivar

mentes pensando en poder llegar era” no te quedes atrás”. Cuando puse mis dolorosa y maltratados pies en la tierra prometida, la libertad gritaba y yo la escuchaba con claridad y estoy aquí recordando cada minuto que pase llorando y queriéndome dar por vencida. Me parte lo profundo de mi alma, cuando crean estereotipos tan negativos de nosotros por tener sangre latina, miró a ambos lados de los pasillos de esta escuela que vio cuanto envidiaba al sol, por más solo que es tuviera siempre brillaba.

Cada persona que camina por los mismos pasillos, tienen diferentes metas, distintos pensamientos.

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“ACEPTADO”

ESCRITO POR ILSI MARTINEZ E. Y
EDITADO POR MILDRED MARTINEZ E.

No recuerdo haber jugado con una pelota, papelotes o los carritos, aunque tampoco me decidía con las muñecas, aun así todos sabían que era raro, incluso algún momento lo ví así. Me gusta vestirme como mi corazón se viste, soy una persona especial a las demás porque en mi corazón caben miles más. La gente me ve diferente pero no es así, no soy diferente a nadie, tengo manos y piernas, tengo ojos y boca, oh!

También tengo algo más, tengo un corazón con que caben miles más, pero nadie quiere estar ahí, solo porque creen que soy diferente a ellos pero no saben que soy igual que ellos.

28 de junio, mi corazón quiere salir, mi corazón salta de emoción porque quiere ser libre y aceptado como es, pero olvida que detras de casa puerta que se abre para él, hay muchas más cerradas

con grandes candados y cadenas colgando. ¿Por qué no quieren que entre? ¿Por qué me tratan así?

Seguiré moviendo las manos y usando labial rojo. Quiero mostrar la figura de mi corazón, que es la más valiosa, quiero bailar contigo y volar como una mariposa que acababa de salir de el capullo. Quiero gritar ¡Amor! ¡Amor! ¡Amor! Y ¡Amor para todo el mundo! Porque soy igual que todos y quiero ser libre.

SI TU QUIERES A ESCRIBIR PARA ESTO SECCIÓN, USA EL REMIND PARA EL DISPATCH (TEXTO @HDISP A 81010), VEN A NUESTRO SESIONES MIÉRCOLES DESPUÉS DE ESCUELA, Y EMAIL ARTÍCULOS Y PREGUNTAS A HHSDISPATCH@GMAIL.COM

"SOÑADORES"

ESCRITO POR ROCÍO RIVAS

¿ALGUNA VEZ HAS PENSADO EN TODO LO QUE PODRÍAS HACER EN UN PAÍS TAN GRANDE COMO LO ES ESTADOS UNIDOS?

A lo largo de la historia, ha sido prácticamente un cliché pensar que lo que llamamos "Tierra de oportunidades" se base en oportunidades que están limitadas para cada persona, especialmente entre aquellas que son, y aquellas que no son originarias de este país. Se dice que para aquellas que lo son, encuentran una muy grande facilidad ejerciendo la mayoría de acciones ya que todos ellos no tuvieron que llegar hasta acá para tener que adaptarse a una cultura totalmente distinta y más que diferente a la tuya. Por esa razón, a veces algunas personas pueden sentir que van un paso atrás. Pero hasta hoy en día, eso no tiene que ser nunca más de esa manera, porque Estados Unidos además de sosten-

erse a sí misma como una "tierra de oportunidades" es un país en el que se disfruta de la igualdad. Una igualdad que vas más allá de juntar diferentes puntos de vista para reflejarse incluso en aquellos que alguna vez se invadieron de pensamientos constantes y recurrentes que en sí, les hacían creer que no eran lo suficientemente buenos para triunfar y hacer de su futuro un orgullo, estando en un país tan grande, un país que desde el primer día se aparece ante todos tan lleno de luces, y luego tan cambiante.

Para empezar, todo ser humano tiene sueños. El mundo puede estar dividido en miles de lugares, los cuales difieren millones de personas, pero algo seguro es que en nadie nunca faltará un sueño, un sueño que no te hace pensar en el lugar de donde vienes, sino en el lugar al que quieres llegar, cada uno de esos sueños se encarga

de exaltar lo que tú eres, lo que tu esencia y todas tus habilidades te harán capaz de alcanzar. Es un hecho que lo que traes en ti nada lo podrá cambiar, a donde vayas ese orgullo patriótico irá a tu lado, porque será un símbolo de que lo lograste y lo hiciste bien aún cuando no tuviste todas las facilidades deseadas. Pero más allá de eso, lo que realmente llega a definirte es lo que se muestra en todos esos esfuerzos y sacrificios que mantienen todos tus ideales volando constantes, justo así como los planetas en órbita en el universo día tras día, pero en tu cabeza. Porque más de una vez, toda persona ha imaginado ese maravilloso futuro en el que los sueños que tuvieron alguna vez los hicieron escapar de la noción del tiempo y tal vez no de un momento a otro, pero saltaron a la realidad; y tal vez no de repente, pero aparecieron justo frente a sus



ojos en un mundo en el que ahora con orgullo se muestran ante los demás como la exacta, viva y admirable imagen de ellos mismos en la cima de todo lo que alguna vez anhelaron.

Hasta hoy en día la ilusión de cada persona no puede ser tirada a la basura tan fácilmente, no cuando hay una infinidad de personas que han sido y son el vivo ejemplo de cómo la manera en la que manejaron sus ideales los llevaron tan lejos. Y que también sirven como base y motivación, desde los primeros que llegaron al país e iniciaron desde nada, hasta aquellos

que aún no teniendo nada se inundaron de prosperidad y éxito al paso del tiempo tan sólo manteniendo perseverancia y teniendo en mente siempre aquel sueño que nunca escapó, aquel sueño que se adueñó de todas sus visiones y generó acciones que así mismo están despertando hoy en cada uno una mejor oportunidad para llevar a cabo lo que sea necesario para cumplir sus sueños y alcanzar lo más grande, lo que siempre se sostuvo como su sueño Americano.

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ARNOLD PALMER: MORE THAN JUST A DRINK



by luke farrell

With the recent passing of Arnold Palmer, one of the most beloved athletes in the world, at the age of 87 on September 25, 2016, let us look back at his marvelous life.

Arnold was born in Latrobe, Pennsylvania on September 10, 1929. His introduction to the game was very quick as

his dad was the president and superintendent of the Latrobe Country Club, and Arnold began swinging away at the age of four.

He then became big before his collegiate days at Wake Forest University on his golf team. However, Arnold took a leave of absence from golf due to a friend's automobile accident.

When he returned

in 1954, Arnold had won the United States Amateur and started his way on the PGA tour. Arnold was known on the PGA Tour as part of the "Big Three" along with Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player. Although fierce rivals at playing time, they were the best of friends off the golf course.

Throughout Arnold's illustrious career he won seven major titles,

four Masters, two Open Championships and one US Open. He also won Sixty Five PGA Tour events which is Fifth on the all time rankings.

His accomplishments don't end on the golf course, as his philanthropy was also legendary. Arnold Palmer's Hospital for Children was founded in 1989 to help with pediatric care. Along with

his late wife Winnie, he helped create the Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women and Babies in 2006. He received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the United States highest civilian honor in 2004 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 2012.

Arnold Palmer was more than just a drink; he was a legend of our time. May he be dearly missed.

KILLER CLOWNS... NO, SERIOUSLY.

BY JULIA GILES

2016 has been a year for the books. As if things couldn't get any crazier, thousands of men, women, and children are all dealing with something no one thought would ever be a major concern in their lives: killer clowns. And that's not even the strangest part of the story.

In late September of 2016, a young boy in Greenville, South Carolina, spotted two clowns in the woods. According to his mother, Donna Arnold, the mysterious circus icons tried to lure the kid into their house, presumably to harm him. That's where all of this craziness started.

Since this incident, clowns have been popping up in all of the New England states, each with

terrifying makeup and a devious agenda. Many of them are going out at night attempting to disrupt the peace. On social media, where many clown accounts have recently appeared, the clowns are posting death threats towards towns, even threatening to bomb schools.

Naturally, people are frightened yet intrigued by the clowns, with colleges going on clown hunts and police staying up late to search for them. This has garnered some hate from actual people who make a living as clowns, with the World Clown Association's leader saying that these criminals "are not real clowns."

A movement called Clown Lives Matter has even started up with the

purpose of fighting for clown rights and trying to work against the bad press. In fact, the movement was scheduled to have a march in Arizona until it was canceled due to controversy and yet again, more death threats.

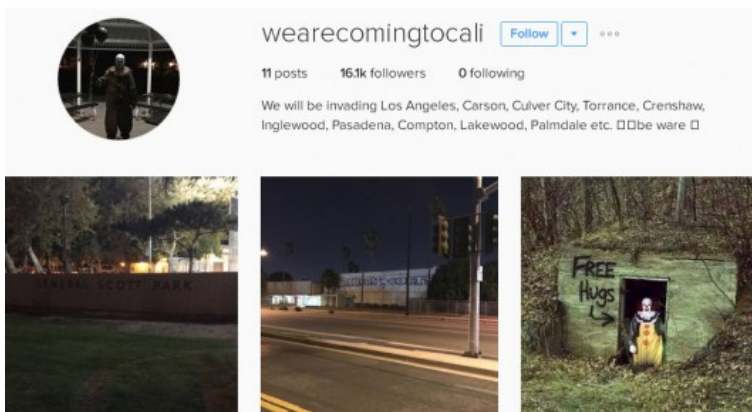
Despite all of this clown chaos, it's unlikely that it'll lead anywhere. The schools that clowns have said they would attack have remained untouched, their threats proving empty, and many of the people they've terrorized have gotten away safely with minor injuries, excluding a few unfortunate cases.

It's most likely these "clowns" are just a bunch of bored people caught up in the media hype who are too scared to carry out the chaos they've promised.



(above) one news channel reporting more clown encounters

(below) an clown instagram account threatening california towns



ARE STUDENTS JUST A NUMBER?

by ana luna-mancia

Getting accepted to the college of your dreams is a challenge, because obtaining a good score on the SAT or ACT is complex.

There are different sections in each standardized test which all serve to assess the critical thinking of the student. Is it wrong for colleges to deny a student the opportunity to be admitted only because they didn't receive a certain test score? Many people think it is in fact wrong, and thus believe that there needs to be a reform in the way colleges approach their admissions. Students should not be evaluated on a test score number. Instead, a student's individuality and service to the community should have stronger weight.

“A test cannot simply determine a student's capacity to handle college work, or more than that a college environment. Students are diverse, and they offer a wide range of talents.”

The SAT and the ACT are used today to determine a student's college readiness; before however, the SAT's purpose was to measure a soldier's IQ, first instituted in 1926. The first college that implemented the SAT was Harvard University in order to start a new scholarship program. The test granted the intellectually gifted students who did not come from boarding school an opportunity to demonstrate their intelligence despite their background. In 1933, Dean James Bryant Conant decided to use this test because he liked the way it measured a person's pure intelligence. Later on the ACT was adopted as an alternative to the SAT with the same purpose.

The real problem is, how can a test accurately determine a student's college readiness? A test cannot simply determine a student's capacity to handle college work, or more

than that a college environment. Students are diverse, and they offer a wide range of talents. Some students are artistically gifted, others are musically gifted and still others are intellectually gifted. There's a broad spectrum of talents- some that can't be represented through a test. Also, there are good test takers and bad test takers; some can't handle the emotional aspect of tests or college.

Many students feel strongly about being just a number, and they have shared their thoughts. Kei Ron Byrams, a senior at Huntington High School said, “I don't think that students should be based on a test score number.”

Another student, Sonia Chemerisov, decided

to share her perspective on the SAT, “I feel that the SAT is not actually testing what we learned in school. It doesn't represent how smart or dedicated a student is, and there should be something easier that shows more about the student.”

Colleges should consider the student's perspective on the standardized testing. Students are dreaming big, but sometimes their dreams are being crushed because they don't have a test score high enough to be admitted into their dream university. Each person is unique, and a test that only measures intelligence will only increase the opportunity for the intellectually gifted. So what will happen to the other gifted students? Will the future of standardized testing change? Students should not be afraid of rejection only because they didn't achieve a high score on the SAT or ACT.

H - T O N H E A L T H F A L L I N G S H O R T ?

BY CHLOE LIEPA

AS TEENAGERS

MATURE, they cultivate more responsibility for their personal health and safety. High School is where most youth are supplied with their information, and it serves as a vital role in preparing students for the rest of their lives. Is Huntington High School doing enough to encourage healthy choices?

The first prominent fault within the health programs employed at Huntington High School is ironically the lack thereof. Students have to meet requirements of core classes, such as multiple years in a language course, a mandatory year in an art or music course, and four years of a P.E. credit. The fact that health education is only enforced for a half year course raises questions about what the school values.

Every year in the United States, approximately 2,000 teens die from alcohol abuse behind the wheel of automobiles. While one may argue that learning a language would be beneficial in flourishing in a future career, shouldn't the course that could potentially save thousands of lives be more strongly mandated?

Mr. Agnello, the health teacher in Huntington High School, finds fault within the miniscule health requirement too. Mr. Agnello states, “I cover less than 50% of what I feel are important health issues our youth face.” As young adults preparing to start the beginning of the next chapter of their lives, students need to have more general health knowledge to be safe and make responsible choices. As many of us go to college and some even dorm in alternate states, we will be surrounded by new environments and thus need to be prepared to act in them. Mr. Agnello furthers this in stating, “I believe most students leave high school without the necessary health knowledge. This

could have a negative impact on their lives.”

Problems such as depression, drug abuse, teen pregnancy and even simple stress and anxiety all are prominent issues that play a role in the everyday lives of teenagers. Although some youth are helped through this stage of their life by outside forces, for many, the health education that they receive in high school will be the only guidance they'll ever receive.

Furthermore, many students target the “Blue Devil Fitness Program” as an exercise regimen that is inapplicable to the rest of their lives. Others simply find it to be a poorly executed program. Senior Sarah Grassi states, “It's a good idea in theory, but implemented horribly.” Having an intense workout in the middle of the school day is something many students can't seem to get behind. Several students have proposed that the P.E. program be composed by unique and more life applicable classes such as yoga and spin instead.

Mr. Fishlow, the Huntington High Physical Education instructor who introduced “Blue Devil Fitness” to the school feels differently about the routine exercises than many of the vocal youth. Mr. Fishlow acknowledges the somewhat limited time span of the program, however believes that “Blue Devil Fitness” is more about demonstrating to high schoolers that inner strength and endurance do exist in each and every person. Mr. Fishlow states, “My focus in my phys ed. is to get you guys to realize that you didn't think you could do that [exercise.]” Mr. Fishlow seems to not be fazed by the negativity surrounding the program in Huntington after seeing how it has changed the lives of his students. Mr. Fishlow claims, “I feel that from looking at my students, it [“Blue Devil Fitness”] is a

very positive experience.”

Although Mr. Fishlow has rational objectives through employing the program, the primary objective of high school is to prepare you for life after high school, and there are alternatives to “Blue Devil Fitness” that do this effectively, while also exciting students. For example, if students were given more intense instruction of various popular adult activities such as tennis, yoga and volleyball for the first half of the year, then were able to sign up for their desired activity in the remainder of the year, the students would feel more in control, and would be more compliant in completing the exercises. “Blue Devil Fitness” could even be featured in the beginning of the year to demonstrate a high endurance form of activity.

To defeat all of the high schoolers flocking to the “easiest” activities week after week, students could put their names into limited slots a week prior. Although no program is perfect, as a high school it is important to remember that this is a transitional period in the lives of the students, and versatility in the realm of fitness education is vital in encouraging students to find an activity that they will enjoy enough to participate in after high school. Fitness transcends maintaining a healthy weight; it's about supporting a healthy mind, and can also be a spiritual practice.

Athletic Director Georgia McCarthy understands the importance of fitness within the school. However, she also understands the technical issues that are presented when adding another health course. She stated “There are many different variables that go into the planning and scheduling of courses. And if we add something [an elective] which, I would love to as the health and phys ed director, that means that we would have to take something away from another department and that's not exactly the right thing to do.” Mrs. McCarthy hopes to work on this issue, by accepting any suggestions and by possibly hosting health education seminars and forums in the future.

Between the employment of the somewhat limited Blue Devil Fitness program during P.E. sessions and mere half-year health education classes, on the surface of the issue, it seems that the health programs of Huntington High School could definitely do more to assist the developing lifestyle choices of the students, especially at this vital transitional period in their lives.



HUNTINGTON STUDENTS CHEER ON TEAM AT HOMECOMING GAME,
SEE HOMECOMING ARTICLE AT RIGHT FOR MORE



**BLUE DEVIL MARCHING BAND
BEGINS SEASON WITH A BANG**

It is no secret that the Huntington Blue Devil marching band has made its mark over the last few years.

After being crowned state champions and winning the Governor's Cup in 2014, the band has had high expectations to exceed. With their 2016 program, "New World," the band has something to celebrate. After a first-place win at the Malverne competition--marking an undefeated beginning of the season--band members are excited for what is to come.

"I think this band season has been truly wonderful so far," says Anjali Kapur, who serves as the Blue Devils' drum major along with Rachel Roday. "Since the start of rehearsals during the summer, the band members have been enthusiastic, hardworking, and eager to make this year's show a great one. We just had a fantastic performance at the Malverne competition, marking the halfway point in our season. I am confident that the band will finish out the year just as strongly as we started it. Personally, I am having a really enjoyable and memorable last year with the marching band and can't wait for championships in Syracuse."

With championships just around the corner, the band has been working tirelessly to perfect the show. Led by director Jessica Castaneda and assistant director Brian Stellato, the band and color guard is comprised of about 115 students.

"I feel that the band is having a very successful and fun season so far," Ms. Castaneda said. "Each week we are making adjustments to details both musically and visually, and it makes the big picture that much better when it comes time for competitions. We are looking for the students to keep pushing to raise the bar each week. Syracuse is in our sights... as long as the students work to make memories and have a goal of peaking at the Dome, we will finish this run feeling very accomplished."

The Blue Devil band has also been active within the community, having marched in the Homecoming Day parade, and several half-time shows at home football games.

"Our hard work is paying off, and we hope to keep working just as hard," says junior color guard captain Sofia Martinez. "Working hard" is a bit of an understatement--band members have

dedicated almost every day since mid-August to perfect the show and better the band.

Drum major Rachel Roday is also very eager to see how the season plays out.

"I'm extremely excited to see how much further we can grow as a band. We still have a lot of work to do and these kids are totally up for the challenge. It's really bitter-sweet for me and the other seniors, since we only have a few weeks left. We definitely want to make the most out of our last season and do our best at the remaining competitions," says hopeful Roday.

"I think everyone is looking forward to the trek up to Arlington and Mineola's night competition. They are definitely my favorite because the band always has a different energy, which is exciting to watch and be a part of. Besides that, all that's left is our final performance at the Syracuse Carrier Dome. No matter how the season finishes up, I am so proud of my band and all the work they've put into this show. I truly consider them my family. 'Eyes with pride!'"

Editor's Note: HBDMB took home a historic 3rd place prize from Syracuse-e!!

HTON HOMECOMING HUGE HIT

BY ALYSSA BEFUMO

Huntington students let their school pride shine throughout the last week of September in preparation for the annual homecoming celebration.

For five days, students participated in the well-loved spirit week, which consisted of popular themes such as tie dye, pajama, and blue and white day. By the time Friday afternoon's pep rally got under way, everybody was buzzing with excitement and couldn't wait to kick off the festivities.

At around 11:30 on Saturday morning, Huntington's annual homecoming parade got rolling. The parade's lineup was filled with students and community members, all marching as part of different groups, clubs, and organizations. Some notable attendees included the high school's Robotics Team, the Highsteppers, the Huntington Blue Devils Marching Band, as well as various sports teams.

In addition, each class displayed a float that they had worked on together over the past several weeks, and completed the previous evening at Float Night.

The four classes created floats to fit this year's homecoming theme-- 'Decades'. The freshman class made an '80's inspired float that featured vintage arcade games, while the sophomore class depicted the 1950's, complete with a jukebox and record player.

The juniors worked together to design a 1920's float, topped with the iconic yellow convertible as described in *The Great Gatsby*, the Chrysler Building, and a Zeppelin. Finally, the senior class' construction had influences from the '60's, fitted with a yellow submarine in reference to *The Beatles*' hit, and a peace-sign covered trailer skirt. The seniors ended up taking first place in the float competition later that day.

Members of each class' student government proudly rode in the floats, greeting parade spectators along the way. Everyone--parade participants and onlookers alike--was grateful that the cloudy skies didn't disrupt the day's plans.

"It was really nice to see the town all coming together," said junior Serina Aguirre.

The parade took route down Main Street where participants were welcomed by shop owners and pedestrians, and ended at Huntington High School just in time for everyone to find a seat in the bleachers for the varsity football team's game against Centereach, where Garrett Moya and Leanne Daly were named as Homecoming King and Queen.

Winning the game 14-9 made for a perfect end to this year's Homecoming week, and the Huntington community excitedly looks forward for what next year has in store.



the winning float from class of 2017

A Photo Gallery- Style Article Dedicated to the Beloved Eli Mollineaux

THIS EVENT SHOWED
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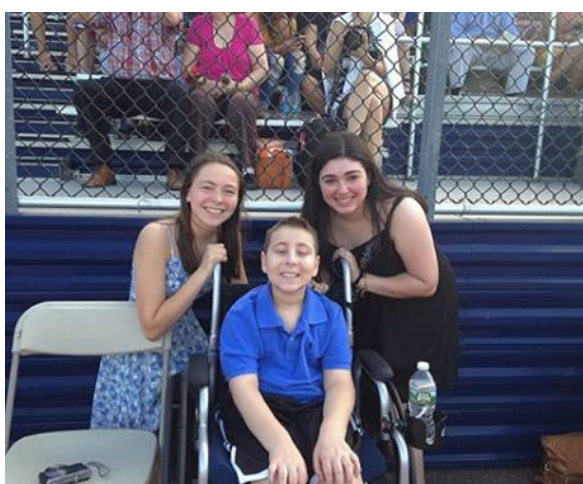
BY MICHELLE
D'ALESSANDRO

REMEMBERING

In the very early hours of October 31st, Huntington High School lost its most angelic Blue Devil. Eli Mollineaux passed away serenely after living over 10 years longer than had been predicted. The fifteen year old's long-lived battle against Pearson Syndrome--an incredibly rare mitochondrial disease with less than one hundred reported cases--has captured the hearts of all of Huntington. Surrounded by loved ones, family, and friends, he left the world knowing that he was loved.

INTRO BY MAX ROBINS

"ELI AND I USED TO EAT LUNCH EVERYDAY LAST YEAR AND WE'D HAVE THE BEST TIME. WE'D JUST JOKE AROUND AND LAUGH NONSTOP. HE'S MY BEST FRIEND AND I LOVE HIM SO MUCH." - Teddy Holly



"YOU CAN NOT SPELL BELIEVE WITHOUT ELI.' SO GRATEFUL THAT I GOT TO KNOW ELI OVER THE PAST YEAR. ELI REVEALED TO ME WHAT TRUE RESILIENCY AND HAPPINESS IS. THANK YOU ELI, FOR ALLOWING ME TO SHARE A PART OF YOUR STORY THROUGH FILMMAKING."

- Senior Charlie Ehrman

"Eli was the strongest and most inspirational individual I have ever met. Thank you so much for letting me into your life and for changing mine. You will forever be in all of our hearts.

Love you E."

- Junior Rachel Moss



"I HAD THE HONOR OF BEING PLACED IN THE SAME BUSINESS CLASS LAST YEAR WITH ELI. I ALSO HAD THE HONOR OF SEEING HIM YESTERDAY (OCTOBER 30) AS HE SLEPT IN HIS BED PEACEFULLY AND SEEING HIS FACE MADE ME THE HAPPIEST PERSON. WHEN I FIRST MET ELI, MY WORLD CHANGED. HIS PRESENCE AND SMILE CAN MAKE A BAD DAY AMAZING AND AN AMAZING DAY EVEN BETTER. THIS BOY WAS THE BIGGEST FIGHTER I KNOW AND EVERY DAY I WAS ABLE TO SEE ELI WAS A GIFT TO ME. TO HIS FAMILY AND MS MESSINA - THANK YOU FOR GIVING THE COMMUNITY OF HUNTINGTON SUCH AN AMAZING KID TO LOOK UP TO. ELI WELCOMED ME MORE THAN ANYONE HAS EVER HAD WITH HIS SMILE. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING ELI. THANK YOU FOR SHOWING HOW TO KEEP A POSITIVE LOOK AT LIFE AND TO KEEP FIGHTING. I ALWAYS KNOW YOU ARE WATCHING OVER HUNTINGTON. REST EASY ELI #BELIEVE" - Senior Ally Arleo



"Eli will never truly be gone. His legacy will forever live on in our hearts, not only as the oldest person to live with his disease, but as a loving, caring, sweet soul. He was absolutely incredible, and I can definitely say without a doubt that there will never be anyone else like him. We were so lucky to be able to have him in our lives"

- Senior Isabella Scarpati



ELI MOLLINEAUX

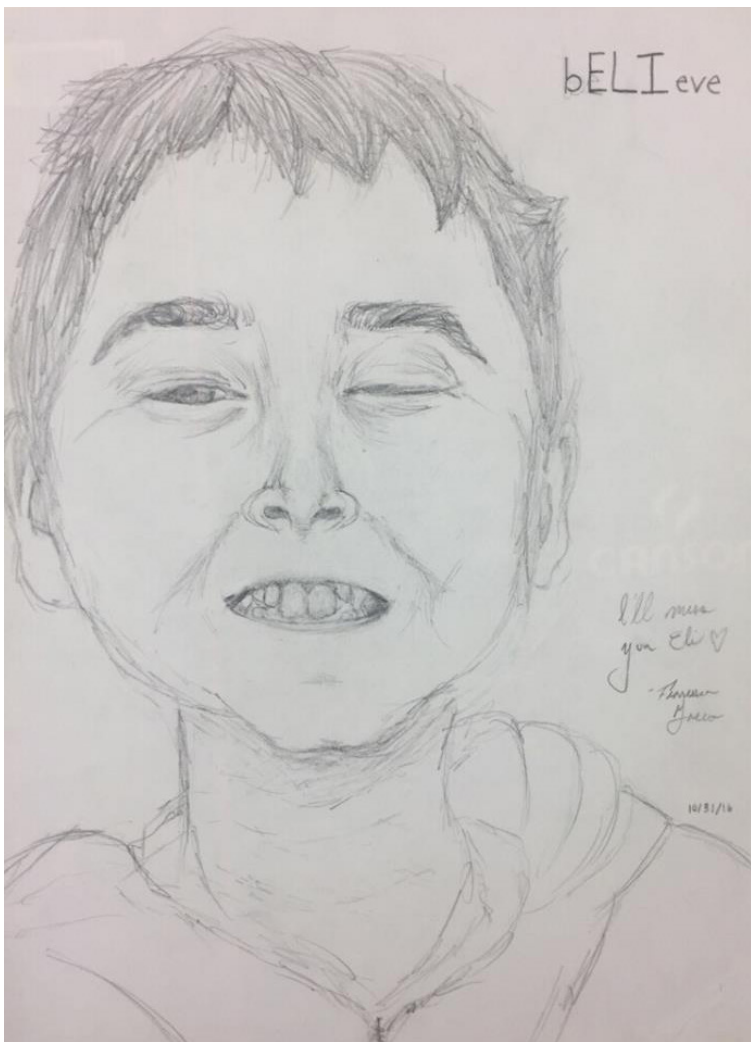


"My absolute favorite memories will always be of Eli coming into my ceramics class to work on his clay projects. As he was working, his smile would exhibit how much he truly loved being there. He would also brainstorm amazing new project ideas with Ms. Messina, and every project he made would definitely show that it was made and thought of by Eli."

- Senior Alyssa Bailey

"BEST MEMORY OF ELI- THE DAY THAT HE TOILET-PAPERED MR. CALECA'S OFFICE! ELI BROUGHT JOY, FRIENDSHIP, LAUGHTER, AND HOPE TO OUR SCHOOL. HOPEFULLY WE WILL ALL CARRY ON WHAT HE STARTED WHILE HE WAS AT HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL."

- Staff member
Jody Kavanagh



A DRAWING OF ELI BY FRANCESCA GRECO

We Still bELIeve

A dreaming soul, I knew of him
Who rode the halls with lightened grins
And laughed, and joined us all as one
'Tis a nightmare to think him done

But such, most things come to an end
Even joy and elated bends
Still, one thing refuses to be erased
The dreams and hopes he's weaved into those days

I'm sure you'll shed a tear or two
But we must go on, it's what we do
And on our path, we'll carry his dreams
And create a world of harmony

Even in death, I know he'll be
Grinning and otherworldly glee
This world is as wonderful as you perceive
but only if you bELIeve

- Bradley Landberg

MEET THE IPHONE 7

by Tazz Akber

THE IPHONE 7, and its larger brother the iPhone 7 Plus, was finally available for sale back on September 16, 2016. With how quickly it sold out you'd think that the iPhone 7 is a massive positive change from its predecessor, but critics believe that the iPhone 7 is nothing but a scam. How different is the iPhone 7 from the previous iPhone? Would the changes that Apple has made be considered innovation or gimmick?

Let's talk about the display and visuals first. Apple has decided not to upgrade their screen resolution. The iPhone 7 has kept the resolution of the iPhone 6S staying at 1334 x 750p (326 ppi). Apple has decided that the 750p resolution is good enough for iPhone users. That could change some time in the near future, but Apple hasn't stated otherwise yet. However, Apple compensates for their missing resolution upgrade by increasing maximum brightness, supporting a larger and richer color pallet, and better color management.

Up next comes the massively debated 3.5mm headphone jack. The iPhone 7 does not have a headphone jack and can only be used with Bluetooth headphones and speakers. Apple is making a bold move attempting

to push their smartphone users to switch to Bluetooth headphones. This seems like a downgrade from the iPhone 6S, but the iPhone 7 uses this emptiness to make space for a second built-in speaker. The iPhone 7 now comes with two speakers making it the first iPhone to support stereo sound rather than mono sound.

The size of the phone is almost just the same as the iPhone 6S. They both have the same dimensions of height, width, and length, but the iPhone 7 is just 5g lighter. Apple has also removed the Space Grey colour option but has replaced it with the Jet Black colour scheme. Unfortunately, this glossy and shiny new colour scheme is more susceptible to scratches. Apple has even admitted that it will scratch more easily than any of the other iPhone 7 colours.

The storage and battery life are without a doubt an improvement. An upgrade that all iPhone users wanted for a long time. The new base level of storage for the iPhone 7 is now 32GB rather than 16GB with the above storage options being overwhelming. Is 128GB not enough for you? Try getting the 256GB option instead. Unfortunately, there is still no support for a microSD slot. For the



battery, a single charge can last the user another hour or so of usage. It was increased from a 1715mAh battery to a 1960mAh battery.

The camera hasn't changed much. The rear-facing camera is still 12 MP with the front-facing camera upgrading from 5MP to 7MP. Apple does claim, though, that the real improvements of the camera come from their new six-element lens upgrade from the five-element lens. Pictures come out sharper and the flash is 50 percent brighter reducing the amount of noise that the camera picks up.

What about the specs of the phone? Most people don't pay much attention to the specs of a phone except for smartphone and tech enthusiasts. Therefore, it is

usually overlooked and not covered. The phone has upgraded from the previous A9 chip to their new Fusion A10 chip. Although Apple has not stated the more detailed specs of their new chipset and processor, they have claimed that it offers almost 50 percent faster graphics management and drastically improved power efficiency which leads to the extra battery life previously stated.

Finally, there is the change between iOS 9 and iOS 10. Visually, both of the OS programs are almost the same other than a few minuscule layout changes. However, there are some very useful features that have been introduced into the new iOS. For instance, "Raise to Wake" is one of the new features. The name makes the feature pret-

ty explanatory; picking up the phone and looking at it is all it takes to light up the screen while putting it away turns it off. Another large overhaul is the Emoji pallet change. Apple has added 100 new emojis and has changed the visuals of some of the older emojis.

The iPhone 7 has made some innovative changes from the previous generation. But are these changes enough to balance out some of the large negative changes such as the lack of a headphone jack? Positives, negatives, replacements: Every phone has its ups and downs. In my opinion, the iPhone 7 is certainly a step up from the previous iPhone, but it could have done much better when compared with current technology and enhancements made in other smartphones.

PIXEL - BY GOOGLE, FOR GOOGLE

by ben ribando



On October 4, Google's second phone was announced, Pixel.

After Google's first phone, the Nexus, Google knew they had to kick it up a notch. One of the newest features on the Google Pixel is the ability to connect to the new Google home, the new Google VR headset Daydream View, the new Google routers, and Chromecast Ultra. The Pixel comes in two sizes, 5.0 inch screen and the 5.5 inch screen called Pixel XL but have no software differences. The Pixel have a Metal unibody with Gorilla Glass 4 coating, it comes on 3 colors, Quite Black, Very Silver, and Re-

ally Blue.

The Pixel is an extremely fast phone with the most RAM on it than any other smartphone. When you buy the phone, you have a choice of 32gb or 128gb of built in storage with no storage expansion, and has a decent battery of 13 hours use time with the option of fast charging.

One of the most extraordinary features of the Pixel is its camera, it has the best camera ever made on a smartphone. It has a 12.3 megapixel camera and an 8 megapixel front facing camera with many extra features like autofocus, digital zoom and geotagging.

One of the newest feature in the Pixel is there built in google assistant. With Google Assistant, you can have a natural conversation with them to find information about your schedule, time, traffic, etc. by just saying "Ok Google" or hitting the home button. The worst feature about the Google Pixel is there price, Pixel starts at \$649 for the 5 inch 32gb phone and goes up to \$869 for the 5.5 inch 128gb phone.

Pixel has many upsides and downsides to it but overall will be one of the best phones on the market, Would you buy this phone?

FALL'S MOST ANTICIPATED NETFLIX ORIGINALS

by kathy dora

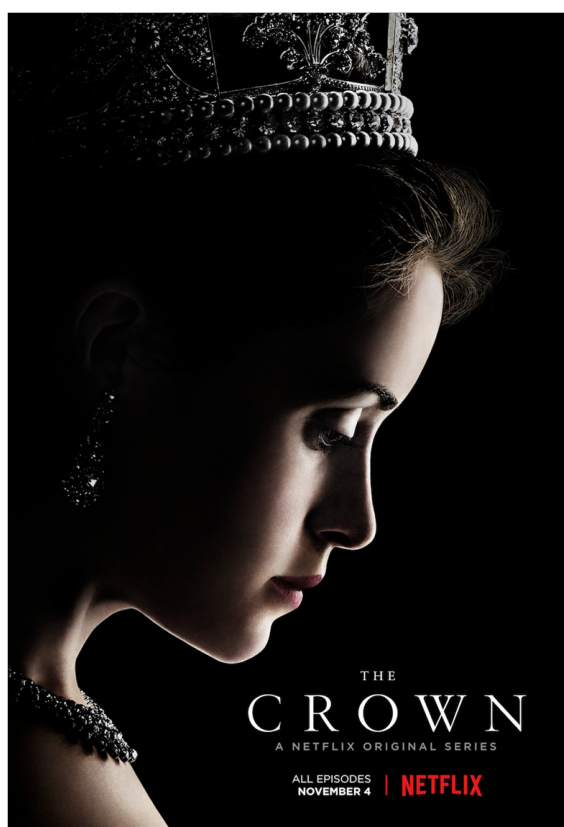


GILMORE GIRLS: A YEAR IN THE LIFE

November 25

It was announced last year that the feel-good series *Gilmore Girls* would be revived on Netflix, nearly fifteen years after the show originally aired on the Warner Bros network. *Gilmore Girls: A Year in the Life*, will be a four-part Netflix revival that will take us back into the quirky world of Stars Hollow with the very caffeinated duo of Lorelai and Rory Gilmore as our guides.

From what is known of the revival, it will take place over the course of the year, with each 90-minute movie representing a season — winter, spring, summer, fall. And no matter which boyfriend Rory ends up with — if any of them — or whether Luke and Lorelai finally tie the knot. Nearly the entire original cast has returned for the reboot, including Lauren Graham as Lorelai Gilmore, Alexis Bledel as Rory Gilmore, Milo Ventimiglia as Jess Mariano, Jared Padalecki as Dean Forester, Scott Patterson as Luke Danes, and many more. The show is sure to have its quirky characters, tricky relationships, mile-a-minute dialogue, and out-of-control pop culture references. But more importantly, there will be lots and lots of coffee.



THE CROWN

November 4th

It is being billed as the most expensive TV series ever produced—with a budget of \$130 million—and the upcoming Netflix series *The Crown* is setting high expectations among fans of costume dramas. The Netflix drama focuses on Queen Elizabeth II as a 25-year-old newlywed faced with a series of unimaginably daunting private and personal challenges as she ascends to the throne following the unexpected death of her father, George VI. The series has been written by British playwright Peter Morgan, author of some of the most successful plays of recent years, including *Frost/Nixon* and

The Audience, which focused on Elizabeth's relationships with the U.K. prime minister of the day. Morgan also wrote the 2006 film *The Queen*, which earned Helen Mirren an Academy Award for her role as Elizabeth II. Stephen Daldry, who directed *The Hours* and *Billy Elliot*,

directs the 10-episode first season.

To judge by the trailer this new series it will be a must-watch for all Anglophiles this fall. It focuses on Elizabeth's relationship with two important men in her life—Prince Philip and Winston Churchill. Claire Foy plays Queen Elizabeth II, and Doctor Who alum Matt Smith plays her husband, Prince Phillip. (Based on the trailer, he gets to speechify a bit, a skill which he honed during his time as the Doctor). John Lithgow plays Sir Winston Churchill, Victoria Hamilton is the Queen Mother, Jared Harris plays King George VI, Vanessa Kirby is Princess Margaret, and Dame Eileen Atkins plays Queen Mary.

Each season of *The Crown* is designed to explore the political rivalries and

personal intrigues across a decade of Queen Elizabeth II's reign, examining the delicate balance between her private world and public life—meaning we could have up to seven series to look forward to if the production is a hit.

MARVEL'S LUKE CAGE

September 30

Following the smash-hit of Netflix's Marvel series *Jessica Jones*, *Luke Cage* follows the life of Jessica Jones steel-skinned, super-

strong friend. Taking place a few months after the events of *Jessica Jones*, *Luke Cage* takes place in the heart of Harlem.

The title protagonist, played by Mike Colter, deals with the aftermath of his wife's death by putting his abilities to good use by protecting Harlem from the crime that plagues its streets. Scientific experiments left Luke with super strength and virtual invincibility, tying him into the Marvel universe. It is unknown whether his past love-interest and fellow super *Jessica Jones* (Krysten Ritter) will appear in the series, but it is a distinct possibility. The show is highly anticipated by fans of Netflix's other Marvel shows, *Jessica Jones* and *Daredevil*.



NYFW TREND UPDATE

THE NEWEST STYLES GOING FROM NYFW RUNWAYS TO HHS HALLWAYS

by halley deonarine

1. OFF-THE-SHOULDER TOPS

Off the shoulder has been fall/summer's hottest style amongst the adolescent and teen populations.

Celebrities such as Kendall Jenner and Hailey Baldwin have assumed

this style as a staple in their wardrobes.

This easy, breezy style has been seen from every setting, either being seen as bohemian beach drifter to an urban baddie.

Designers such as

Rebecca Minkoff, Brock Collection, and Hellesy have incorporated the off the shoulder top into their respective collections as seen to the right in modern, contemporary silhouettes.



2. TIMELESS TAN COMES BACK



Tan, a timeless shade, has reappeared on runways, starting its fad in the age of the Burberry trench coat.

Tan has symbolized the warm feelings of comfort, from fireplaces to

slightly steamed coffee in the winter. It brings a new twist to the basic colors, white and black, acting as a neutral that can be paired off with any ensemble.

When most see tan

they might think it's "boring", but when tan is seen in structured pieces, that characteristic is proved as a misconception, transforming into a "chic" look instead of "drab".



HHS SENIOR
DOMINIC CATALDO
DONNING A TAN
BURBERRY-
PATTERNED SCARF

3. CHOKERS, CHOKERS EVERYWHERE

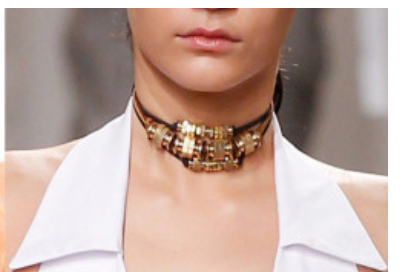
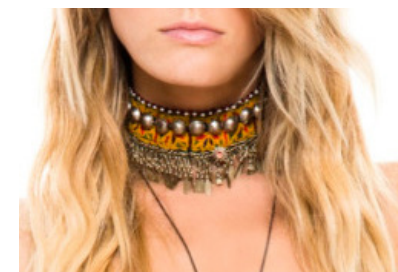
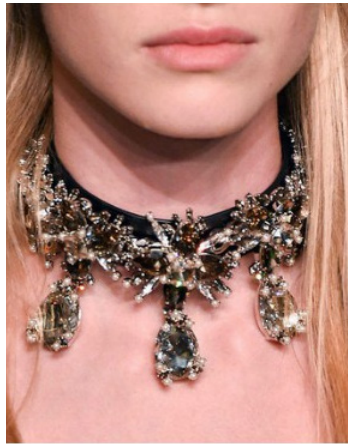
You would be lying if you said you've never worn a choker.

Chokers have been sweeping the nation in the fashion, everyone testing out the trend at least once. Chokers originated in the 90's but the revival on NYFW runways have given them a more sophisticated, formal look to the

once-casual accessory.

Designers such as Oscar De La Renta and Adam Selman have adopted this accessory, pairing them with formal gowns, slip dresses, and business casual outfits.

The girls at HHS have been rocking this accessory in their unique, personal styles.



HHS SENIORS
MICHELLE
D'ALESSANDRO &
CASEY DEVILLE
BOTH SPORT
CHOKERS IN
SCHOOL



4. REIGNING RUFFLES

Ruffles have been the epitome of femininity and elegance for the longest time as ruffles are similar to rose petals.

Ruffles can be dressed up seen in a ball gown (center) or be in the form of a crop top and paired off with a maxi skirt (to the right) for a style that is elegant yet edgy. Ruffles have originated from Spain, as depicted in their traditional salsa dancing costumes.

Compared to the silhouettes (Oscar De La Renta, Christian Siriano) in NYFW, the colors have been played around with, adopting softer tones, opposed to the traditional red and black.

You don't necessarily have to be bold to try out the ruffle trend, but the risk will definitely be worth it. Ole!



5. METALLIC DREAMS

Spaceship Chic? This metallic trend has landed on Earth, and more specifically, on the runways at NYFW.

The shiny, extra-terrestrial look is sure to stand out on the streets of New York and everywhere else, as the risk takers will

be "shining bright like a diamond," as Rihanna would say. Designers such as Baja East and Tibi have taken this look to contribute to their "cool-girl" personas.

Metallics can be paired with any shade or color, as fashion knows no bounds.



SENIOR CORDELIA BLAIRE DONS A METALLIC DRESS



GINO'S VS. ROSA'S

BY JONAH ANASTOS

WHILE WALKING ALONG MAIN STREET AND CRAVING A SLICE OF PIZZA, ONE IS OFTEN FACED WITH A DIFFICULT DECISION: GINO'S OR ROSA'S. THEY'RE BOTH GOOD CHOICES, BUT EACH SHOP HAS ITS POSITIVES AND NEGATIVES. I HAVE DECIDED TO JUDGE BOTH PIZZA PARLORS IN FOUR CATEGORIES- CUSTOMER SERVICE, TASTE, CONVENIENCE, AND COST- TO HELP THE READER FIGURE OUT WHICH ONE SUITS THEM BEST.

CUSTOMER SERVICE- CONVENIENCE-

If you are looking for great customer service and a comfortable booth, Gino's is the place to go. There are numerous times when I have sat in Gino's with friends for about an hour or more with no fear of having to leave. When asked, students such as sophomore Luke Luckow even go so far as to say "Gino's has the nicest employees, the service is always friendly and very helpful when choosing a slice."

Rosa's, however, can be very crowded at peak dining times, and sometimes lacks good customer service. The staff has a tendency to be impatient due to the crowds, and will sometimes rush the customer. However, since Rosa's has been in Huntington for a much longer time than Gino's, most of its employees are better trained and will be able to serve you quicker than some of the newer staff at Gino's.

TASTE -

Despite the occasional line or trouble finding a seat, Rosa's will have your pizza prepared quicker than Gino's without sacrificing flavor or freshness. Sophomore Jack Langton claims "Rosa's pizza is always fresh and quickly prepared." Both pizza parlors serve delicious slices, along with garlic knots and other entrees.

Although Rosa's basic slice beats out the Gino's basic slice, Gino's offers a larger variety of popular slices, such as the chicken bacon ranch and bacon mac and cheese, along with many others. Although Rosa's does offer a variety of delicious alternative slices, such as their loved spicy buffalo chicken slice, many consumers tend to go with the popular basic slice.

THERE YOU HAVE IT—A PIECE-BY-PIECE BREAKDOWN BETWEEN GINO'S AND ROSA'S FOR THE RARE UNDECIDED GROUP. BE WARY- NO MATTER WHICH PIZZERIA YOU CHOOSE, BE PREPARED TO JOIN A STRONG GROUP OF PIZZA LOVERS THAT SWEAR BY THEIR FAVORITE.

Both Gino's and Rosa's are located in the center of town on Main Street. Rosa's corner location gives it a bit more foot traffic than Gino's, which is centered between two roads. Additionally, Rosa's is more convenient for cars than Gino's because of the parking lot only about 2 stores away, whereas with Gino's, you have to be willing to walk a bit farther or be lucky enough to find a spot on Main Street. There is a large parking lot near Gino's, but it's about twice as far away from Gino's as the other parking lot is to Rosa's.

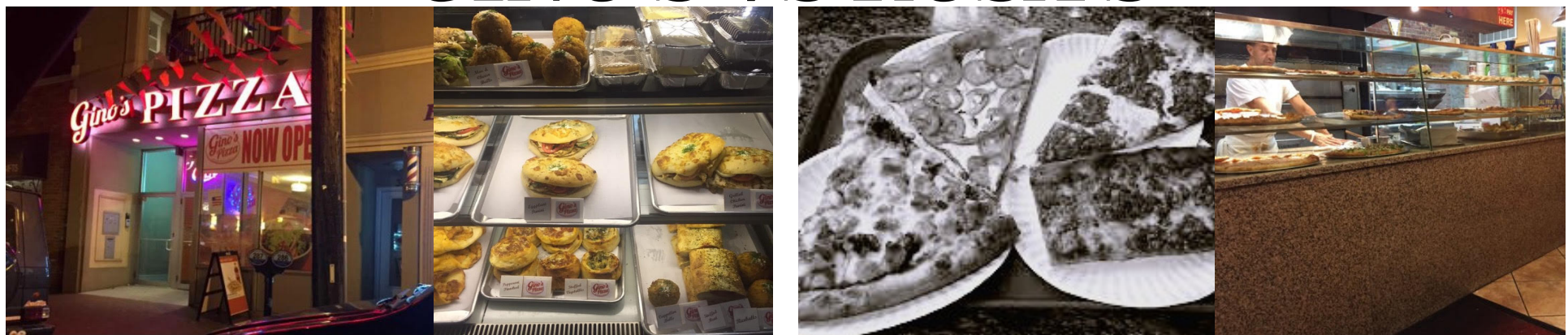
Despite Rosa's winning store access, seating is generally more convenient in Gino's. Although it is generally open, finding a table at Rosa's can be a wait during peak dining times, while Gino's tends to be more available. Rosa's offers individual chairs and tables for dining, and Gino's offers booths, which comes down to preference.

Gino's also offers free delivery for orders five miles away or less, but Rosa's does not deliver aside from large catering events.

COST -

Though both places are inexpensive, Gino's is relatively cheaper. For example, a Gino's plain 18" pie costs \$14.75, while a plain 18" Rosa's pie costs \$15.70. A Sicilian pie from Gino's costs \$15.75, while one from Rosa's is \$16.60. Other items such as soups or salads are also cheaper at Gino's. However, toppings for a whole pie from Rosa's are \$3.00 and Gino's toppings are \$3.50. The argument can be made that Rosa's uses fresher ingredients, and therefore have slightly higher prices.

PHOTO GALLERY: GINO'S VS ROSA'S



FOOD NEWS UPDATE: ARE HOT DOGS SANDWICHES?

by Benjamin Ribando

A big question that is going around Huntington High School is if a hot dog is a sandwich.

First things first-- a hotdog is not a sandwich. Many people are saying it is a hero, a wrap, or a sandwich.

"It's not a sandwich, it's a hot dog," that was an exact quote from Brock Holt of the Boston Red Socks.

A sandwich usually includes deli meat, tomato, lettuce, onions, etc. Even the National Hot Dog and Social Council (NTDSC) says that a hot dog and a sandwich have nothing to do with each other. Due to a recent poll in this school, 92% of people said that hot dogs are not sandwiches.

To conclude, hot dogs are not sandwiches, they are hot dogs.



HERRELL'S VS. BEN & JERRY'S

BY TAZZ AKBER AND WILSON GARAY

WHO DOESN'T LOVE ICE CREAM? Chocolate, strawberry, vanilla, cookies n cream--there's a flavor for everyone. The real question is, where do people prefer to get their ice cream? Do the people of Huntington support the famous ice cream shops or do they support their local businesses? We asked around town to see what people's opinions were for their favorite ice cream shop in town: Herrell's or Ben & Jerry's?

First, we wanted to get a little information on both shops. Ben & Jerry's is an ice cream shop chain while Herrell's is more local and only has two locations. Ben & Jerry's has been around since 1978 and has been a popular choice

among many since its opening. Herrell's, although opened in 1973, has stayed a small business but is known well among the people.

"The recipes here for the ice cream is a unique recipe," says Sean Mello, an employee at Herrell's, "we're not allowed to give it out." The ice cream in Herrell's is only known by the founder and the employees. It's made special and customers love it. The recipe for Ben & Jerry's is more publicly recreatable. However, it still brings back customers regularly and is also a favorite among many.

We did a survey asking a few people in town about what they believe to be their preferred

choice of ice cream. Out of a total of 30 people who gave a response, the majority of votes came out to show that Herrell's is much more popular among Huntingtonians over Ben & Jerry's. There were 19 votes for Herrell's, 9 votes for Ben & Jerry's, and 2 votes for no preference of ice cream shop.

"Ben & Jerry's is just sweeter. The ice cream at Herrell's feels icier," according to Huntington Senior Felipe Alvarez. According to Felipe and a few of the responders, Ben & Jerry's has a smoother and richer taste than Herrell's ice cream.

However, the opposing side states that Herrell's ice cream is creamier and is made with care

and time because all of the ice cream is made in the store by the employees.

In the opinion of Wilson and I, we say that Herrell's is better for the same reasons as the responders. The ice cream is always fresh and made daily in Herrell's and the ice cream simply has better texture and taste. "You can taste the hard work and dedication of the staff in Herrell's' ice cream just by the rich flavor," says Wilson Garay, after tasting both stores cookies n cream flavor.

The answer to the question "Which ice cream store is better?" is a matter of opinion, but the majority seems believes that Herrell's is better than Ben & Jerry's.

PHOTO GALLERY: *HERRELL'S VS. BEN & JERRY'S*



HERRELL'S PROS:

- CANS OF THEIR RICH HOT FUDGE FOR SALE
- THEY CAN MIX IN TOP-PINGS COLD-STONE STYLE
- UNIQUE FLAVORS



BEN & JERRY'S PROS:

- MANY TYPES OF ICE CREAM (YOGURT, NON-FAT)
- MORE LOCATIONS & AVAILABLE IN STORES
- ALWAYS NEW FLAVORS



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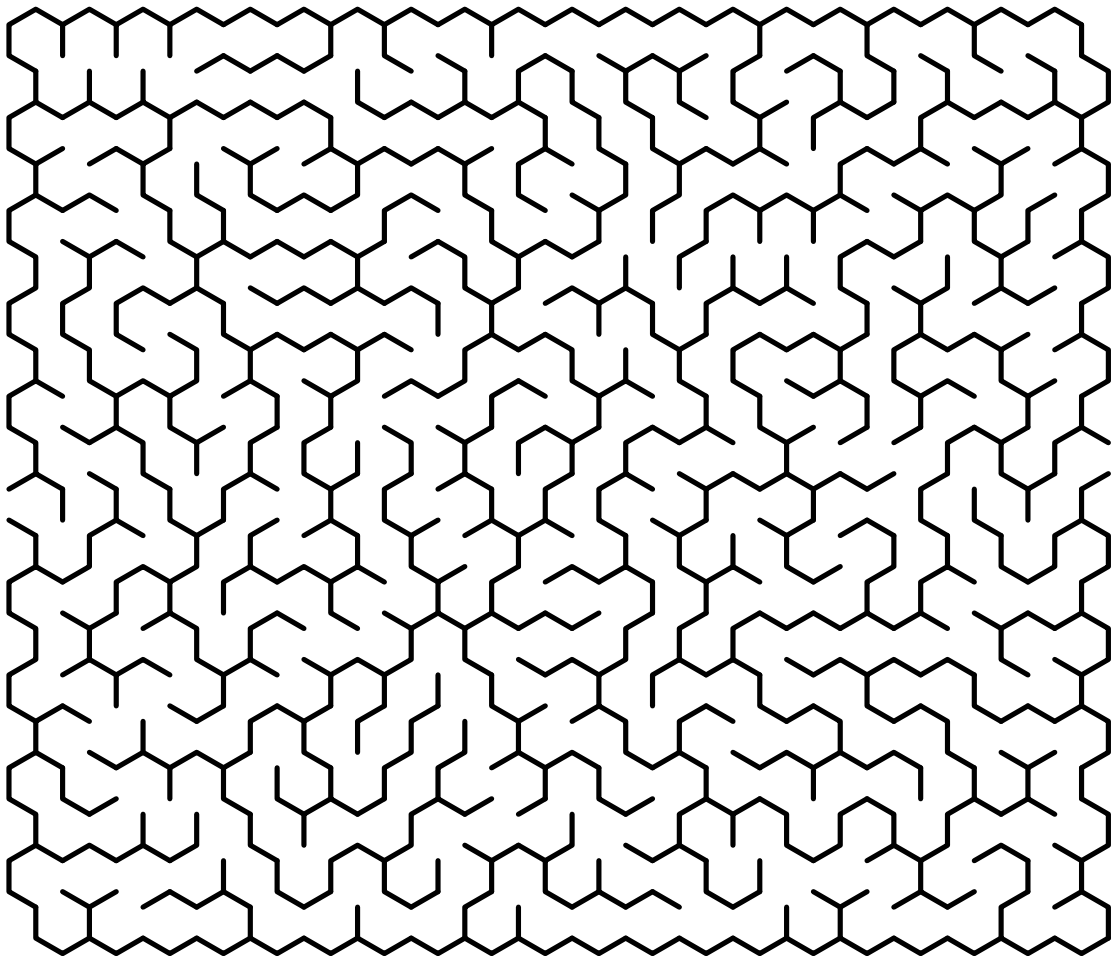
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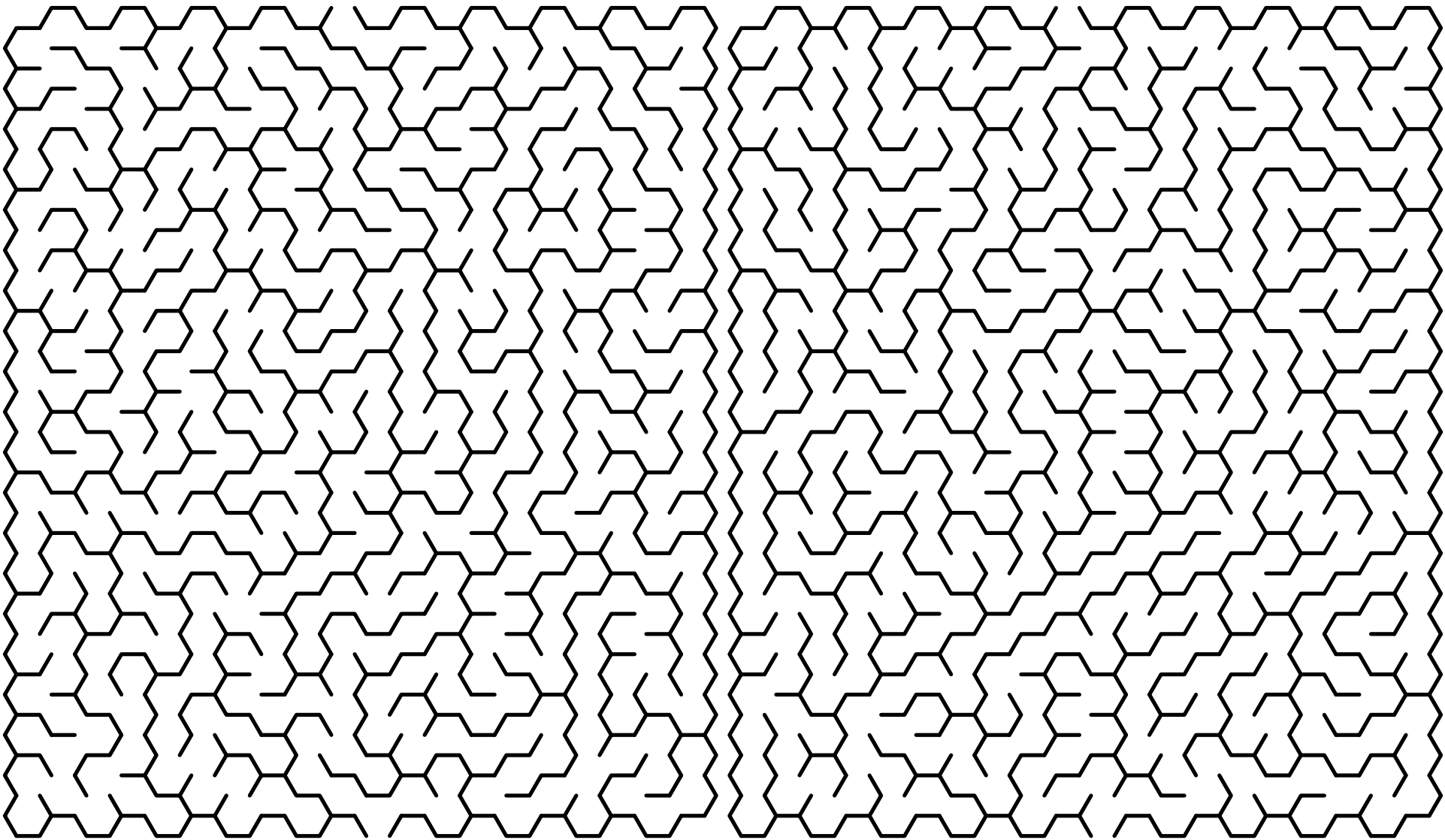
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SPORTS



BY CHRISTIAN BELLISSIMO

On September 25th, 2016 Miami Marlins star pitcher Jose Fernández died in a boating accident in Miami Beach.

Fernández, who was 24, and two other men were found dead after their boat was discovered upside down on a pile of large rocks. The coast guard on patrol noticed the boat at 3:15 a.m. The two other men on the boat were Fernández's friends and were also in their 20's.

This death left millions of hearts across the nation broken, but it hit Florida, especially Miami, the hardest.

"He was a pillar to our community. He was involved in everything that he could be to give back," said Lorenzo Veloz the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission spokesman. Veloz also explained that the boat was not owned by Fernández and there were no drugs or alcohol involved.

Marlins president David Samson couldn't believe it when he was first told the news. "Jose is a member

of this family for all time," said Samson. Marlins manager Don Mattingly made this statement at a press conference, "When you watch kids playing little league.... that's the joy that Jose played with -- and the passion he felt about playing." Mattingly had to stop mid sentence to wipe away tears. He was too emotionally shaken to continue.

After fleeing Cuba in 2008, Fernández was drafted to the MLB in 2011 and by 2015 he was a 2 time all star and the Marlins superstar pitcher. The baseball community was shocked after hearing that he had passed. Fans, players and coaches were stunned and devastated.

The New York Mets honored Jose by taping his jersey to the dugout wall before their game. Videos of Marlins players taking it all in and crying were posted on social media. MLB veteran David Ortiz, in his last season with the Boston Red Sox, was caught on camera crying in the dugout. The Marlins put number 16 on the pitch-

er's mound for Fernández. Five days before his death he announced that his girlfriend was pregnant on social media. All of this shows the impact that Jose had on the sport and the people around him.

Dee Gordon, one of Fernández's teammates, went up to bat right handed and took the first strike to honor Jose. The next pitch he went back to his lefty stance and crushed a home run over the right field wall. The stadium emotionally roared in honor of this great player. Jose Fernández will be dearly missed.

R.I.P Jose Fernández.

Editors Note:
Results from a toxicology report run during Fernandez's autopsy revealed he was legally drunk and had cocaine in his system the night of the crash. They are unsure who was driving the boat, but suspect the drugs involved held a part in the fatal crash.



BLUE DEVILS GIRLS SOCCER END THE SEASON WITH HEART AND HUSSLE

by Lauren McGlone

On October 19th, seniors Ryann Gaffaney, Tara Wilson, Anna Gulizio, Emma Petrizzi, Erin Morrisroe, Shannon Maloney, Jolena Smith and Lauren McGlone suited up for the last time as a blue devil soccer player against Centereach.

The stands were filled with decorations and posters to celebrate the seniors last game as blue devils. Peers and parents of players came to watch as the girls lined up getting ready to start the game. "It was a really close game and in my heart I believe they could've won, but Centereach held their ground not letting the girls score." says Pauline McGlone, sister of senior forward Lauren McGlone. Even though the battle against Centereach was brutal with an ending score of 0-0, the girls played with heart and they played for their beloved seniors.

Anna Gulizio, se-

nior goalie, played an amazing game with 17 saves and no goals scored against her. "Anna is an amazing goalie and we're so lucky to have had her as our goalie this year, without her we would've lost many more games." says senior defense Emma Petrizzi.

After the game, the seniors lined up as Coach John Walsh presented each senior with flowers and a quick statement about each girl. The parents and the team then went to the Huntington High School cafeteria to have one last final dinner together that Laura Maloney and Jim Maloney set up for the girls.

"I was an emotional journey, especially our team not making the playoffs but I'm honored that I had the opportunity to play with such amazing girls and made friendships that will last forever." said senior goalie Anna Gulizio. The seniors wish the best of luck to future juniors.

