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DAY OF THE DEAD

Celebrating Those Who Make Us Who We Are

By Sricharan Guddanti

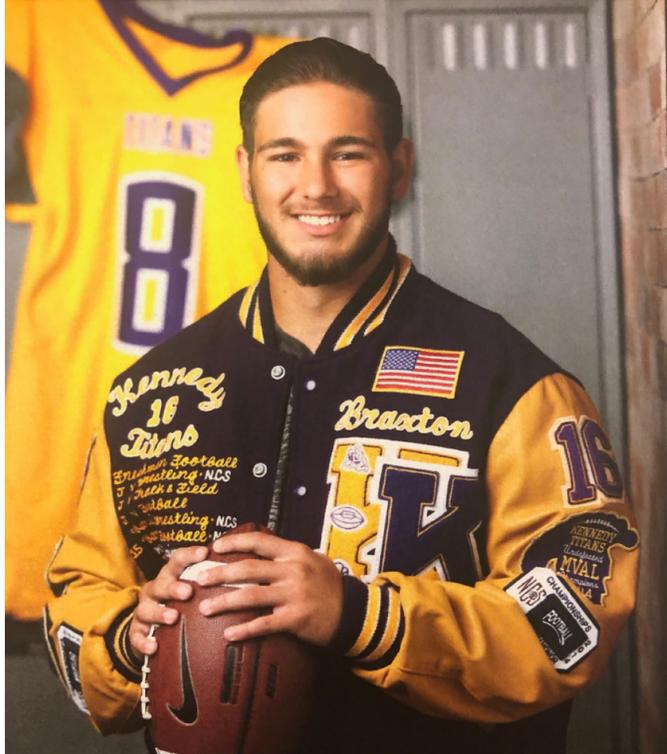


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Coach Webb influenced many Titan athletes through his valuable coaching skills

Often, when loved ones die, we mourn their death, and the thought of those who aren't with us anymore brings grief, sorrow, and a sense of hopelessness. But the Latino holiday, El Dia De Los Muertos, takes a different perspective on these important events in our lives. The holiday celebrates those who have passed away, acknowledging their achievements and remembering them through celebration, performance and art. Here at Kennedy, our Titan family has had a lot to celebrate over this past decade; for this Day of the Dead, let us remember the presence and honor the contributions that our precious family members have given us.

Coach Webb

Coach Webb was a basketball and football coach at Kennedy. His presence around the campus was inspiring and friendly and according to Mr. Bega, "he always had a pocket full of change for somebody who needed it." Bega continued, saying, "Coach Webb was probably the most unique individual I've ever met" Setting the standard for teachers, "He was kind, considerate, and a hundred



Studio One Photography

Braxton Kiester supported his friends, classmates, and teammates with his passion for sports and love of helping others

percent inclusive. He didn't think ill of anybody" In addition, Coach Webb was an avid reader. "He'd read a book a day. And we're not talking about... you know, fluff pieces, these were major works or things about political unrest around the world, I mean this guy knew everything" Coach Webb brought an inspiring personality to Kennedy throughout his years here and that positive attitude and vibe will never be forgotten.

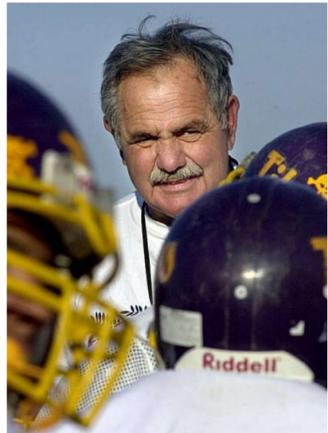
Braxton Kiester

On Friday, June 21, 2019, Braxton Kiester tragically passed away in a car crash. Braxton's passing and his contributions to our community ring deep with friends and family.

Braxton, a former Kennedy athlete, "was a big personality. He was loud. When he liked some-

thing, he was very vocal about it. Whatever he did, he did with an incredible amount of passion" recalls his mom, Ms. Angelyn Kiester. Braxton loved helping people, whether it was on the football field, or in his future plans, where he aspired to be a counselor, giving back to his community and helping people around him. He valued his friendships. He would overcome little fights and try to be the peacemaker. His mom recalls that "His friends were to him like family."

Braxton's Mom also remembers how he was a huge comic fan, and some part of how he lived his life came from those comics: "He tended to like the anti-heroes, the people who stuck up for the little guy, who went against the people in power." Braxton trans-



FUSD via Facebook

Coach Mike's legacy honored by the unveiling of his bust at Tak Fudenna Stadium September 21st, 2019

lated this idea into life, especially in football. "Braxton once described his love for Kennedy football by saying, 'Football in high school was my answer for the daily question... Why am I here?' Braxton's passion for this sport and his commitment to serve his team any way he could made him one of the most inspirational players Kennedy High School has ever had."

One of Braxton's mentors, Coach Damewood, gave a moving eulogy at Braxton's funeral; his words help us remember how inspirational Braxton has been for us: "I admired his work ethic, his love for his teammates, and his will to win." Coach Damewood told a wonderful story of how we've come to have the football jerseys we have and this one story capture's Braxton's spirit and commitment: "I was talking with Mr. Velez regarding how Braxton would not leave me alone about designing new uniforms for the team. He took it upon himself to go online and design these 'Braxton approved swag gold jerseys.' He would go to me and if I said...

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#MyLastShot

By Nicolette Madonna

"Your final photo can change lives." #MyLastShot is a campaign started by students from Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado. Twenty years after the shooting that killed twelve students and one teacher, Kaylee Tyner was inspired by the graphic photos of Emmett Till's open-casket funeral in 1955 that brought light to racism in the south and three-year-old Alan Kurdi's body laying face down off the coast of Turkey that displayed the horrors Syrian refugees face. These photos "altered the course of history for the better," according to the campaign's website. It says, "it's easier to censor deaths from gun violence" and "the truth creates change." Tyner's campaign asks participants to put a sticker with the words, "In the event that I die from gun violence please publicize the photo of my death. #MyLastShot," with their signature on any personal item. The idea is that by sharing your photo, in the event of your death, it will create the same effect that Till or Kurdi's did and draw attention to promote change. They also suggest you share a photo of your signed sticker on social media to raise awareness.

David Hogg, a survivor of the Parkland school shooting in Florida, helped the campaign gain momentum by promoting it on Twitter. As an outspoken activist for gun law reform, his endorsement helped #MyLastShot gain national attention.

And, while it gained many supporters, it has fallen under slight controversy because of its possible graphic content. Some people who are not parents worry images of deceased children circulating the news will upset their parents, but others disagree, parent Sean Bower on Twitter says, "If my daughter or son wanted to do this in the horrifying event it happened to them, I would support their decision. Somebody needs to do something." Tyner's parents had similar reactions, they were shocked at first, but eventually came around to the idea, "In the end, my parents were like, 'If that's what you want to do with your body then it's your choice.'"

A group of Kennedy students on campus have decided to participate in the campaign in addition to many students in our journalism class. Many students share the feeling that gun violence is a significant threat and crowd anxiety is at a high. With anniversaries of gun deaths happening every few weeks, students feel this movement is more important than ever. And with the recent Gilroy Garlic Festival shooting, violence feels closer to home than ever before. Even a few teachers are supporting this project. Journalism advisor Ms. Dollard says, "When we're facing such major problems..

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G.A.N.A.S. IS A FAMILY

By Andrea Medina

GANAS is a family of students at Kennedy who've committed to making themselves better. GANAS is an acronym for this family to describe what they are all about, Gaining Attitude and Accountability Necessary for Success. Another definition for GANAS is the desire or willingness to do something positive.

After some quick questions with Coach Roman, Ms. Anderson, and Mr. McGaughey, details and information on the class were provided on what the class does for the student became clear; this class focuses on the student, so the student can focus on themselves. Some of the activities in the class include meditation, workout Wednesdays, circles, and reflection time. All their academic curriculum comes from "7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens" by Sean Covey, and helps them better themselves as students. All of the activities done in this class are solely to help students reach their goals as a family, improve academically, gain confidence, and to

avoid drama or conflict. Describing GANAS as a family means that they connect and motivate each other through their struggles, they help each other as a support system, think positively toward each other, and form a bond of trust. "Together We Rise"

bolize their logo, a phoenix rising out of the ashes.

Some of the students like Daniel Cano and Andrea Villa made statements about their own view on the class, explaining how GANAS feels: "It's not like a traditional class...It feels like a fam-

ily," stated Daniel. Andrea added that "The teachers make it feel really homey... The teachers make you feel so welcome...They are very open,"; how it helps them academically, "It helps my GPA...It makes me feel like a better student" said Daniel. Andrea agreed and said "I went from a C and D student to an A and B student", she also stated how it has helped her over all "It has given me mental strength...I'm able to deal with different things in a healthy way."

The teachers in this class, Coach Roman, Ms. Anderson, and Mr. McGaughey, are very supportive of their students, and also spoke on their opinions and views of this class. They expressed their love for teaching this class. Mr. McGaughey said "I like being able to help kids to come to a better understanding of themselves." Coach Roman added "We want them to feel comfortable sharing their story." Ms Anderson also shared, "I love teaching this, I love the team I work with," Overall the GANAS program has helped many students, and will continue to improve students' academic, mental, and health prowess.



Sophia Cambra (21)

GANAS students supporting each other during their Wednesday workout

is their expression for rising out of their struggles and problems together. This is also used to sym-

bolize their logo, a phoenix rising out of the ashes.

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...in America, they require action to solve them and if our politicians are not willing to take action, then I have to support the students who are taking action." She also adds, "I support the constitutional right to bear arms. However, if we ask people to pass the test and get permits to drive because vehicles are lethal, why aren't we doing this for gun ownership?" Jack Conner ('22) said, "I hope that I'm not going to die from gun violence, but if I do, I want my image to be used to prevent what has happened to me from happening to others," and many other students agree.



Nicolette Madonna ('21)



Lauren Toledo ('21)

The reality of gun violence in schools is serious, more information about the project can be found at www.mylastshot.org. If you are interested in a #MyLastShot sticker for your phone or student id, see Ms. Dollard in room 356.

LAW FIRM ATTACKS FUSD

By Bikram Bain

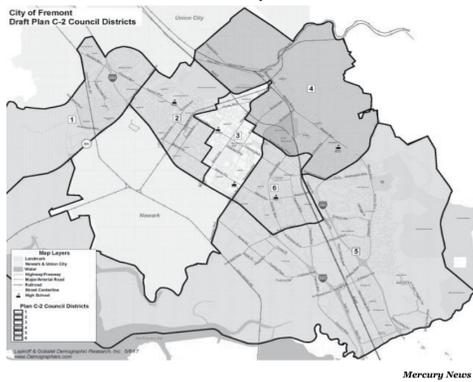
Halloween is just around the corner, and the scariest thing facing the Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) is a lawsuit.

Currently and for many years, the FUSD has had an at-large voting system, where voters cast ballots for all. Now, they are transitioning to district elections, where voters only vote for candidates that represent their area. The law firm, Shenkman and Hughes have sued the district to change their system to better represent Latino minorities. They have cited the fact that 14.5% of the FUSD is Latino, yet only three candidates who ran for board members were Latino. They attributed this to the at-large voting system. FUSD board members have voted to switch to a district election system. During The 90 day transition period, the FUSD cannot be sued.

School board member, Ann Crosbie, has fired back, saying that district elections do not make sense for a city like Fremont: "Having already seen our city go through this process, it was really clear that we are not typical in that we don't have concentrations (of types of voters), but that we are pretty homogeneous across the district, which is unusual and fantastic," Crosbie said. She argued that we have an even population of Latinos across the city so district elections wouldn't work. However, this isn't true because we can

Another concern about this shift is about the people who are suing for it, Shenkman and Hughes Law Firm. Their altruistic motivations have been under some serious doubt. Many have complained that this Malibu-based firm has sued for district elections for the sole purpose of collecting attorney fees. The fees they collect come out of school districts' budgets. They have sued school districts in Palmdale, Fairfield, and Tehachapi. Their largest case was in Palmdale, where they collected \$4.5 million in attorney fees. The shocking amount of money that was taken from the school district and given to the lawyers has concerned citizens and school board members. The possible legal costs have become so intimidating that cities, like Fremont, have decided to switch without a legal battle just so they don't have to pay. It is argued that if Shenkman and Hughes were suing to reform school districts they wouldn't be crippling them with large attorney fees. FUSD has already paid \$30,000 to the law firm for preparing a case against the current voting system.

Criticisms against the law firm have not gone unnoticed by the lawyers there. Kevin Shenkman responded to criticisms in an interview with the Los Angeles Times. He said his reasons behind suing were not monetary but, to provide more resources to minority communities. He said that the



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Possible district lines for voting

see that some schools have a significantly larger Latino population than other schools. "And instead of doing what it's intended to do [create more diversity], it actually pits areas against each other in a way that we don't normally see. So I think it's really unfortunate we're in this situation," Crosbie continued. Other board members also seem to share the same concerns about creating territorialism. Another concern about district elections is creating districts in the first place, it could take a long time and even longer to get right.

high legal costs he collected was reimbursement for the hours of work he put in on the court case. Palmdale spent \$7 million fighting against the law firm. He says that the school district has done more damage to itself than he ever did. Palmdale was the law firm's first major success, as they elected their first Latino board member soon after Palmdale lost.

Fremont is now in a transition period to district elections. In order to see if the switch will be a success we'll just have to wait and see.

LA RAZA: CELEBRATING LATIN HERITAGE

By Jack Conner

La Raza: you've probably seen them around, at multicultural week, performances in the quad at lunch, or even just practicing after school. But what is the La Raza club about? It's more than just a Mexican dance club; La Raza is a club that has deep roots in Latin heritage, and advocates equality for all.

La Raza is directly translated from Spanish meaning "the race," but its meaning is much closer to "the people." The term was first used by the Mexican philosopher Jose Vasconcelos in his book La Raza Cosmica, which described an ideal world, where all races are treated equally. The term was then shortened to just La Raza, and people began

using it to describe people with Mexican heritage. Traditionally, La Raza members, either of school clubs or outside meeting groups, will celebrate the history of their people and ancestors, most notably through traditional dances and performances, such as those seen during multicultural week.

Our school's La Raza club, whose president is Daniela Paniagua, shows their heritage and pride through traditional dances that incorporate Latin heritage into the movements. The club currently has 59 members, and has

been around for five years now at Kennedy. Daniela stated that she hopes to get more boys involved in the club this year, as well as doing more activities around the times of Latin holidays. If you want to join, but are not of Latin heritage, it's



Chloe Hennick ('22)

La Raza perform dances that incorporate Latin culture

ok; anyone can join the club. This year, the La Raza club is planning to team up with GVA to make a Dia de los Muertos shrine in the green room at school. The purpose of this is to honor and celebrate the lives of those who have died.

In the broader scale of the world, La Raza has a very different purpose. A political party exists in the USA known as "The United People's Party," which is translated from "The Raza Unida Party." This party is known for supporting minorities and helping give a voice to those that have none of

their own, specifically oppressed Chicano (Mexican-American) workers. This party formed out of frustration that Democratic leaders were not doing enough for the Mexican people, and the movement slowly spread throughout Texas and southern California. Although they are not widely known today, The Raza Unida Party has created a legacy of equality and justice for Mexican-Americans, and is still important in many people's eyes. Recently, in 2012, a weekend-long celebration took place in Austin, Texas, to commemorate the foundation of the party forty years ago.

Whether through a political party, a social justice group, or even just a local club at school, La Raza is making a positive impact on the world. As a political organization, The Raza Unida Party is helping promote social justice and reform to benefit Mexican-Americans, and, as a club at Kennedy, La Raza is spreading knowledge and information about Latin heritage to as many people as possible. Throughout the entire history of the term, La Raza has meant nothing but good times and a celebration of heritage for people of Mexican descent. Hopefully, people will continue to spread their history and equality throughout the world, and slowly make the Earth a better place for all.

YMCA YOUTH & GOVERNMENT AT KENNEDY

By Isaac Aguirre

On January 20th, 1961, John F. Kennedy inspired the nation in his memorable inaugural address regarding the greater good of public works: "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country..." In response to Kennedy's charismatic speech, a club-based program has taken flight into the realm of civic and social role development. The YMCA Youth and Government is a program that cultivates leadership roles and social involvement in the community. The former U.N Secretary General Ban Ki-moon elevates the program in a speech oriented to youth: "I call on the young people across the world to lead and act with courage." There are outstanding opportunities for enrichment in civic leadership and presumptive attendance in nation-wide conferences for representatives of the program. Participants develop compelling public speaking abilities and a distinct comprehension of judicial court systems. National and state-wide conventions culminate the year's essential progress, where students can discuss national issues and display a robust awareness of legislative processes.

For seventy-one years, the YMCA Youth and Government has attributed countless alumni with career opportunities, inspirations to engage in democracy, and has equipped delegates with indispensable civic tools. This acclaimed program has empowered participants to discuss solutions to statewide issues and has provided opportunities to strengthen communities. A delegate from the Massachusetts Y&G discusses the profound impact that the program has branded on his future, "...I have found my academic passion in politics and government, but more importantly in servant

leadership. I am grateful that my experience in Youth and Government has equipped me with political knowledge." The Youth and Government's purpose has not staggered throughout the ages, but has instead enlightened students on governmental processes, while enhancing critical thinking

lie democratic institutions and core values during sessions in the capitol. The Mock government is a system of advisories that models state legislatures. In Sacramento, delegates vie for leadership roles and participate in collaborative discussions correlated to state-wide issues at a government level.



Youth and Government Delegate

Kennedy's Youth and Government group attends multiple conferences, including one at the state capital in Sacramento

beyond the constraints of campuses. Daniel George, a senior and president of the club at Kennedy, delineates the praised program that has transformed his life: "It has personally changed my life. It was a calling for civic involvement in supporting my government... Its meetings are something I look forward to every week." The Fremont-Newark delegation is funded by East Bay YMCA Youth and Government; it reserves financial aid for the delegate's tuition to participate in state-wide assemblies. Delegates attend the Fresno conference, where students train for the concluding convention in Sacramento. They under-

The Youth and Government club at Kennedy desires to participate in these conferences and conventions in the state, representing the student body on our campus. Gathered financial and ethical support are vital components to ensure the success of this club and its existence on this campus in the following years. For the sake of civic integrity in young adults and the development of comprehension in shaping public policies, maintaining the vitality of programs like Y&G raise awareness of the endless civic responsibilities and ensure the future of our youth and government.

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YOUR BELONGINGS ARE ON THE CURB

By Isaac Aguirre

Many superlative issues in America have captured the public eye and have been contrived on political platforms, but an untold story in this country is unraveling into a startling reality. According to a dataset conducted by the Eviction Lab, in the turn of the twenty-first century eighty-five million Americans have surrendered to the eviction crisis in the U.S. "Cash and keys" evictions, or informal evictions, have not been accounted for in the dataset and scrutinized in legalized court systems in the wake of the eviction epidemic. During this recent decade of increases in rent throughout the U.S. and a combatant of hollowing household incomes, the economy has spiraled into an unsustainable housing crisis and its corollary: eviction. Eviction's recent rage in the U.S is an equivocal

and lacks the amplification that evicted renter's desire for transformations in housing policies. Desmond and his team at Princeton have drawn conclusions that the absence of documentation in many subordinate eviction cases and stagnant incomes forced to collide with the housing dilemma, is a repetitive history of income inequality that has stained the American economy.

The business of eviction is, according to Desmond, a cause of poverty on the American streets. The story of eviction in the U.S is currently in the telling, but for evictions nationwide to be tended by national spotlight, it requires a sufficient national database. An eviction from a property scars the tenant's eligibility to apply for housing in a safe and dynamic neighborhood. Evictions

sociologists alike remains an untouched mystery: why are cities plagued by evictions where housing is abundant and reasonably affordable? The Bay Area region's housing market has skyrocketed in the past decade, however, the eviction rate in California alone was at a historic low of .83% in 2016, according to mapped data from Eviction Lab. On the contrary, Fairfield County in South Carolina had an eviction rate of a perturbing 7.83 %, in a county where plains and rurality dominates the region. Eviction is a descendant of American capitalism that had developed in the South, and has recently been recognized as one of the most abhorrent social crises of the 21st century.

Surviving Americans spend roughly half their income on housing, endure emotional ex-



Dissent Magazine

Evictions across the U.S. are forcing millions of people onto the streets

predicament sustained by income inequality and racial bias.

Once a person is evicted, they become a victim of poverty. The interdependent relationship between the landlords and their residual income and property responsibilities are inextricably relevant to the renter's punctuality in utility and rental payments. If one suffers, the other is burdened in financial struggles and a hostage to the housing crisis nationwide. This is the affluence of poverty in the U.S, and the hostilities of the "eviction epidemic," that have shaped the economy we all rely on. Mathew Desmond, a sociologist at Princeton University, elucidates the inadequacy of contemporary solutions to the crisis, "Eviction is a giant problem that we only know is giant because of being in touch with communities. But we had no national eviction database. That's akin to not knowing how many car accidents or cancer cases there are each year. It's important to know what cities have the highest and lowest eviction rates to learn what's working. We've been designing policy in the dark." The collected data of evictions and research of processes in court systems in America is non-existent

leave a wreckage of instability in neighborhoods and are more likely to attribute trauma to the youth of financially struggling parents. The Boston Globe explains the perplexities of eviction on renters, "An eviction becomes an engine of downward mobility- into worse neighborhoods, worse schools, and deeper desperation." If utility payments by tenants are not met or terms of a lease violated, terminations of the tenancy are the only options to end the renter's negligence. "Love don't pay the bills," Sharmen, a landlord in Milwaukee, quotes in Desmond's acclaimed, revelatory novel: Evicted. Profiting from real estate and evicting tenants to ensure financial stability is the business of rising in poverty, saturated cities.

Arleen and her sons are fictional characters in Desmond's novel Evicted that are portrayed as a quintessential family struggling to maintain a roof over their heads, in the North side of Milwaukee. They are oppressed by evictions and entangled in financial tribulations, imitating families nation-wide who "surf" from property to property in desolate disappointment. The question that has stumbled evicted renters and

tremities during evictions, and live a story untold in America. Forced evictions by landlords and indignant tenants are the fiber of poverty, and the business of wealth in American is the dreadful dawning of an unsustainable housing crisis. It is a crisis hiding in plain sight and has engulfed gentrified regions with predominantly people of color, where household incomes are stagnant, unemployment a lifestyle, and financial agencies a void for resentment. We can no longer veil the nightmares Americans endure to thrive in their households, but must protect their human right to have a roof over their heads and make sure their belongings stay inside their home. It is an exploitation of financially challenged Americans and needs to be addressed as an epitome of "legalized inequality." Before evictions intrude on every rent-burdened family in America, affordable housing will become a neglected memory of the past. Passing the baton of this story throughout communities is a puzzle piece to this dilemma, but advocacy never outweighs the strides the government can take to relieve the eviction epidemic that has consumed millions of Americans.

AI U.S. HUMANS

By Aidan Madonna

Soon enough, robots will get creepy and powerful. Now, they can do things like pluck fruit from the trees and milk cows on their own. Robots only need a mechanic to do technical repairs. Robots are also becoming more complex and human-like. For example, one robot pledged to kill all humans.

While being interviewed, a robot made by Hanson Robotics, named Sofia, is asked the question, "Do you want to destroy Humans? Please say no." The robot then says with a smile on its face, "Ok. I will destroy Humans." This is a possibility stating how robots will take information in themselves and then use it to do what one would ask them to. Sofia is far from being able to take over humanity with little emotion.

Some movies have predicted the problem, like the movie Age of Ultron. A robot starts to take over the world by using cre-

ations of its own, named Ultron's minions, that would make mutations in the superhumans go against themselves. The Avengers had to fight many robots and many of their own robots that had been taken over by Ultron. This film is a premonition of how we need to be careful when creating Robots.



Hanson Robotics Limited

Sofia the Robot

Some humans have started to predict when the Earth will die and when all of humanity will be destroyed. Many talk about ro-

bots taking human jobs and letting humans become fat and immovable. Theories by Doug Bonderud say that robots will create a virus that takes over the world and leaves robots to dominate Earth. Other theorists like David Grossman think that AI will just take over and kill with their own decisions, not thinking about humans.

However, robots could be helpful for many things, like saving people from fires or natural disasters. Robots could shapeshift and get through small spaces and get food and water for survivors then use their strength to get out of the space with the survivor.

In conclusion, robots will need to be controlled. But, robots will have some skills that are needed. Humans will need to be careful of the power robots and AI possess. With the right safety steps, AI will make the world a better place. But left uncontrolled, AI can prove to be very dangerous.

The Mystery of the Moon Trees

By Tara Kavasseri

Green leaves, rough bark, and thick branches: this tree in San Luis Obispo's Mission Plaza looks just like any other. But unlike most trees, this one has been to the moon.

San Luis Obispo's Moon Tree is just one of many planted throughout the world. California,



NASA

Humboldt is home to many known moon trees

in particular, holds several Moon Trees. There are two in Berkeley, one in Sacramento, and three at Humboldt University. No one knows the locations of all the Moon Trees. In fact, very few people know that they exist—or that they are the result of a failed experiment between NASA and the Forestry Department.

Apollo 14 launched on January 31, 1971, carrying an astronaut named Stuart Roosa to the moon. Roosa had been a smoke-jumper for the U.S. Forest Service before becoming a test pilot for the Air Force and then later joining NASA. To pay tribute to his time spent with the Forestry Department, Roosa agreed to help them

with an experiment and packed between 400 and 500 seeds in his bags to carry into space. The seedlings were of five different species: redwood, sycamore, loblolly pine, sweetgum, and Douglas Fir. The purpose of the experiment was to

determine how the moon's unique gravity would affect (or stunt) the growth of seedlings brought back to Earth.

The experiment was doing fairly well, until after the seedlings returned to Earth. While being decontaminated, the canister holding the seedlings popped open, mixing the various species. The seeds were rendered unviable as it was expected that they were no longer able to sprout, so they were subsequently shipped to the Forest Service Labs.

Surprisingly, many of the seedlings survived and were planted next to their earthen counterparts. Today, aside from plaques, it is nearly impossible to tell the lunar trees and earthen trees apart. Because the locations of where they were planted were not recorded, no one can know where all of the infamous Moon Trees are. However, planetary scientist Dave Williams set up a page on NASA's archive site in an attempt to locate the Moon Trees and invited others to join him in the search. According to National Geographic, Williams wrote, "If you happen to know of a moon tree near you...send me an email and let me know." Currently, Williams has amassed a collection of the locations of about 80 Moon Trees.

The trees were never studied and the experiment was never completed, but the Moon Trees continue to thrive in cities and forests from Monterey to Rio de Janeiro, lending an eerie, unnameable presence to the places they hide in. While less than a hundred have been located, nearly five hundred were taken on the original mission, which means that there are many more Moon Trees still hidden in our forests, waiting to be found.

Texas Woman Shot in Her Home

By Britney Nguyen

On October 12th, around 2 a.m. at Fort Worth, Texas, an African American woman, aged 28, named Atatiana Koquice Jefferson, was shot in her own home by a police officer. The officer was a white male working in the depart-

and Jefferson's weapon. However, residents in Texas have the right to carry their own weapons, especially in their own homes.

This accident happened after Amber Guyger, a white officer, shot Botham Jean because



Reuters

Atatiana Koquice Jefferson, victim of an in home shooting

ment since April 2018. This shooting reminded residents about the shooting of Botham Jean in Dallas, Texas. The officer, Amber Guyger, was tired and walked into the wrong apartment late at night. She thought Jean was an intruder so she shot him, in his apartment.

Around 2 a.m., her neighbor called the police to check up on Jefferson because her door had been open since 10 p.m. According to Vox, when the police officer arrived, he walked around the house. Saw a person standing by the window and fired one shot. He yelled, "Put your hands up!" but he did not identify himself as a police officer and shot her seconds after. During that time, Jefferson was playing video games with her 8-year-old nephew, but she heard noises outside her home. According to her nephew, she went into her bedroom to check and took a gun with her, where at that moment she was shot. The bodycam video revealed the officer's actions

she thought he was in her apartment. She was put to jail for ten years just two weeks ago. The officer that shot Jefferson was put on administrative leave. Jefferson's neighbor, the one that called the police, felt guilty, saying that she would have still been alive if he had not called. He only wanted a welfare check on Jefferson because her door was opened. A neighbor's care and concern lead to a woman's death, which a city councilwoman, Kelly Aleen Gray, stated, "It doesn't make sense." Fort Worth leaders and residents, and her family grieved over the death of Atatiana Jefferson. The night after, 500 people gathered around her house, chanting for the officer to be fired or prosecuted. The officer resigned before he could be fired. According to the Mayor, he will be charged with murder. To show respect, flowers and a teddy bear were set up leading up to her house from her loved ones.

SF HOMELESS CRISIS

By Matthew Ibarrita

Homelessness in San Francisco is a problem; it has been since the influx of people moving there. But the ways that people are dealing with it hasn't shown the greatest side of the city known as San Francisco. As if it could be bad enough with the crime and trash the homelessness crisis is through the roofs. Through the nights of September the neighbors of home complex banded together and decided to pay for boulders to be put on the sidewalk. They did this in order to deter homeless people from sleeping in front of their homes. A source from Fox News says this, "A residential side street in San Francisco now resembles a scene out of the rocky West." "They'll [the homeless] shoot up and stay overnight," neighbor David Smith-Tan told KTVU. "A bunch of my neighbors, we all chipped in a few hundred dollars and I guess this is what they came up with." But the homelessness crisis is starting to get out of hand now and more people are starting to actually notice. An overall count from FINAL PIT shows that the population of homeless people in San Francisco has increased from 2017 by 1153. At the end of the day it is an ethical Question. Sometimes to under-



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Indignant SF residents respond to homelessness crisis

stand a person's actions you have to put yourself in a picture of the boulder "solution" in San Francisco their shoes. Fear for your child, and family or just fear of being safe. Sometimes it can be hard to feel safe when someone is under the influence right outside their home. However there are always alternatives instead of taking this bold approach. Different ways of helping the homeless are by donating your time or supplies, being more active in the community to get a deeper understanding of what needs to be done, and giving information. The best way to beat a crisis is through sharing information on what needs to be done and how it needs to be done. Other simple ways of helping is trying to take them to nearby shelters or by guiding them to the nearest caretaker that is willing to take in homeless people. Contacting organizations that help the homeless is also a great idea. If it is difficult for you to approach a homeless person but you want to help, then you are advised to call emergency services. But sometimes it is better to be personal, if you feel comfortable enough then one of the most effective ways is to try to understand the homeless person and their situation. Helping out in the little ways with the homeless community goes a long way.

ALL THE GOOD GIRLS SAVE THE WORLD

By Paige Francis

Music is great to listen to, but can it also help the planet? Recently, artists like Billie Eilish and The 1975 have been inspiring advocates to find a solution for climate change. These musicians are telling the youth to act now- from a Greta Thunberg guest appearance on their title song to releasing cryptic music videos, these musicians are telling the youth to act now- our house is on fire. Billie Eilish is the first female artist to have fourteen simultane-

future of the planet. Billie Eilish's "Where Do We Go? World Tour" kicks off on March 9th, 2020, in Miami, Florida, and will be an all green tour. In an interview with Jimmy Fallon, Billie told him "... basically we're trying to be as, like, green as possible on the entire tour. So there's like-We're actually bringing someone from Reverb, this company that basically specializes in the best and most healthy and green ways to do everything." No plastic straws will be



Don't Bore Us- The Brag

Billie Eilish performing on stage at Harder Pavilion, Sydney

ous Billboard chart entries, and her music and videos have been streamed fifteen million times. Her most recent album, WHEN WE FALL ASLEEP, WHERE DO WE GO? is the biggest selling debut album in a decade. Eilish is clearly changing the music industry, and she's only 17, but she also cares about the planet. She is a strong supporter of raising awareness for this climate crisis. On September 4, 2019, Eilish released the music video for her song "all the good girls go to hell." grist.org states "The song is clearly about climate change.". The song doesn't ask you to donate to a charity or start recycling; the lyrics are used as a symbolic message sent to her listeners, although there is a hidden #climatestrike tag in the video description. One line in the song says "hills burning in California/can't say I didn't warn ya", which is clearly Eilish referencing the burning planet. Besides leaving messages in her music, Billie Eilish

allowed, fans will bring their own water bottles, and recycling cans will be everywhere. Eilish goes on to say, "Cause it's like if something's recyclable it doesn't matter if there's a recycle bin, you know? It doesn't do anything unless there is one." The 1975 also are jumping in on promoting a solution to climate change. They recently released two singles, "The 1975" and "People," which call fans to action. The band opens all of their albums with a self titled instrumental track, but this one features a speech from Greta Thunberg on civil disobedience. This will be the band's first feature in a song, considering they think that "features are a shameless grab for chart positions." (The Guardian) The proceeds from the song will go towards the climate protest group Extinction Rebellion. The 1975 is currently on a world tour, and will most likely be flying to their destinations despite the fact that flying is a significant



BBC

The band 1975 collaborated with Greta Thunberg on a song about the climate crisis.

has also blatantly talked about climate change. On September 28th, 2019, Eilish released a video on her YouTube channel with Woody Harelson titled "Our House Is On Fire." In the video, Billie and Woody sit down and tell everyone that "we cannot let this happen on our watch." The video showed burning forests, melting icebergs, and thousands of people on strike. Harelson says that we should vote for leaders that care about the

contributor to climate change. Their album Notes On A Conditional Form comes out sometime in 2020. As more performers inspire today's youth, we will see an uprising of support for leaders who feel the same as the youth. Billie Eilish and other celebrities are doing their part to help solve this climate emergency, and it's time we do ours, too. "After all, it's the only home we will ever have."- Woody Harelson

ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE

By Marcela Ceballos

We've been guided throughout centuries about what to believe or not to believe. Our eyes have been blindfolded and our ears have been plugged. What's the news today? None. Well you are wrong. All of our news reporters and journalists are being detained and taken into custody. Throughout the whole planet, journalists have been targeted and labeled as the enemies of the people. Recently, an article in *The New Yorker* alerted the public about journalists being targeted because of their profession. They are informing mankind about what is really happening generally in the world and in politics. For example, A.G. Sulzberger, an American journalist from *The New York Times* wrote an expressive article that explicitly demonstrates the roles and experiences journalists and news reporters go through while doing their job. Sulzberger described the death threats, exiles from countries, journalists face. The worst experience was for Jamal Khashoggi, a journalist from *The Washington Post*, who had gone to visit the consulate office in Istanbul to recover some paperwork in order to marry his fiancée. Khashoggi never exited out the consulate building even though Khashoggis' assassins say he exited safely, from there on Khashoggis' body was never found. October 2, 2019 will mark one year of Jamal Khashog-

from *The New York Times*; "when the president decries "fake news," he's not interested in actual mistakes. He's trying to delegitimize real news, dismissing factual and fair reporting as politically motivated fabrications." According to Sulzberger, President Trump disregards the information released about him as 'fake news' so people aren't able to uncover his hidden secrets. In addition, since President Trump started the epidemic of smearing news as 'fake news' political figures in other countries have begun unleashing their own discrimination against news organizations. *The New York Times* article claims: "In the past few years, more than 50 prime ministers, presidents and other government leaders across five continents have used the term "fake news" to justify varying levels of anti-press activity." The people who are affected by this in terms of safety and integrity are journalists and news reporters themselves. The purpose of a journalist's job is to inform the people about the news regardless if they suffer major consequences. Other people who are linked to this problem are the ones blaming the journalists for leaking supposedly 'fake news'. Unfortunately, journalists have to suffer the consequences because of trying to speak honestly in a way that could damage some peoples' reputation. Why are journalists being attacked now? Many previ-



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Free Media in jeopardy as anti-press influenees rise

ous problems from the past have triggered journalists and news reporters to investigate more about problems occurring in the world, they call out wrongdoings from political figures and incur the consequences towards themselves. In this twenty-first century, journalists and news reporters are being targeted continuously and are being labeled as enemies to the people. Therefore, when the news is being uncovered and brought to light, journalists are the first ones to be criticized. In order for journalists and news reporters to have a say in the world and a free press from Democracy, as a society we need to put our foot down and do something to help deteriorate the growing threat journalists face. Without journalists and news reporters telling us the news who else will? Instead of seeing journalists and news reporters as enemies and Jokers of our own, we should see them as the undercover Dark Knights of our world.

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DEVOURING JACK STEM TO TOE

By Keziah Arellano

Have you ever carved a pumpkin? Whilst doing that, you could actually use all the parts of the pumpkin. Most households that will use the pumpkins' insides will make roasted pumpkin seeds and pumpkin gut chocolate chip cookies. Although they still use the pumpkin for the traditional jack-o'-lantern.



BBC Good Foods

1.Jack-o'-lantern:

This is the most traditional way that a pumpkin is used on Halloween. Jack-o'-lanterns are a good way to utilize the best part of the pumpkin. It is fun to make and a big part of Halloween.

Supplies:

- 1 Pumpkin
- 1 Large Spoon
- 1 Knife
- Design Newspaper
- Bowl
- Candle
- Lighter

Directions:

Place the newspapers down on a flat surface. Cut a decent sized circle around the stem of the pumpkin. Remove the stem and scrape out the insides of the pumpkin into your bowl. (Save the insides!!!) After removing the insides, carve the design into your pumpkin.

(Parental supervision is advised!) Place your candle inside your pumpkin and put the stem back. Wait for Halloween to light your candle and you're all set!

2.Roasted Pumpkin Seeds

Roasted pumpkin seeds are an easy festive way to make Halloween tasty. This way, instead of wasting pumpkin seeds, you're using them as a delicious snack.

Supplies:

- Pumpkin Seeds
- Oven
- Salt
- Pepper
- Paprika
- Chili Powder
- Tin Foil
- Baking Pan
- Oven Mitts

Directions:

Preheat your oven to 350 degrees fahrenheit. Start separating the pumpkin seeds from the pumpkin's guts. Put the tin foil on the baking pan and place the pumpkin seeds on it. Using your oven mitts, put the pan inside the heated oven. Wait 15 minutes and then take the pumpkin seeds out. Season your pumpkin seeds with salt, pepper, and paprika. Wait 7 minutes until they're cool and then enjoy!

3.Pumpkin Gut Chocolate Chip Cookies

These cookies are not only delicious but they're a good use of those slimy insides. Most people look at pumpkin guts and decide they're too disgusting and ugly to consume. Meanwhile that isn't the case at all!

Ingredients/Supplies:

- 1 ¼ pumpkin guts
- ½ cup of room temperature butter
- 1 ½ cups of brown sugar

- 3 eggs
- 4 cups of flour
- 2 tablespoons of baking powder
- 1 tablespoon of ground cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon of salt
- 2 cups of miniature chocolate chips
- Blender
- Baking Pan
- Baking Sheet
- Oven
- 2 Bowls
- Large Wooden Spoon
- Oven Mitt
- Non-stick Spray

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees fahrenheit. Grab your baking pan and baking sheet and spray a non-stick spray to the sheet. Place the guts into a blender and blend them until a smooth mixture appears. Mix the brown sugar and butter together in a bowl until fully combined. Add the eggs and whisk until well blended. Mix the dry ingredients together. Pour the dry mixture into the wet mixture. Add in your chocolate chips and stir well. Place your batter onto your baking pan and stick it into the heated oven. Wait 20-30 minutes and take it out. Wait 10 minutes and enjoy!

If you decide to use these recipes, you'll be gaining more than losing. You'll be getting your money's worth for the pumpkin that you've bought. Not only are you being healthier, you're being less wasteful. Now you can enjoy your Halloween in style and with sustainable snacks!

5 CELEBRITIES OBSESSED WITH HALLOWEEN

By Isaac Sawyer

1. Ryan Reynolds

Ryan Reynolds, better known as Deadpool, the loud mouthed mercenary, brought his beloved character to life on Halloween 2015. On November 3rd, Reynolds released "How Deadpool spent his Halloween" where, as the title suggests, Reynolds spent his Halloween dressed up as his superhero alter ego.



Huffington Post



Huffington Post

2. Harrison Ford

Who says adults can't go trick or treating? Old age doesn't stop Harrison Ford from going door to door collecting candy with fellow Halloween enthusiasts. Ford's costumes range from peas in a pod, all the way to an alcoholic nun!

3. Katy Perry

Sometimes, being basic isn't such a bad thing. Over the years Katy Perry has dazzled audiences as a fried egg, hot Cheeto, and a vampire. Who knew something so simple could look so good?



Huffington Post

4. Neil Patrick Harris

Group costumes are very popular for Halloween, but no group does Halloween like the Harris family. Each year Neil Patrick Harris encourages his family to get together for a family photo to show off their amazing costumes. The family has dressed up as Star Wars characters, Batman characters, and even as ghosts from the haunted mansion! #CostumeGoals.



Huffington Post

5. Heidi Klum

When someone spends as much time and money invested into Halloween as Heidi Klum does, it's fair to brand them Halloween Queen. Not only does Klum spend thousands of dollars on her costume, but she also hosts legendary Halloween parties for fellow celebrities.



Huffington Post

OCTOBER HORRORSCOPES

By Sricharan Guddanti and Tara Kavasseri

Aquarius
Jan. 21-Feb. 19

You will gain a new friendship. That neighbor that always gives trick-or-treaters sugar-free fruit snacks will mysteriously vanish.

Taurus
Apr. 20-May 20

You will swallow a bug while cracking a dad joke. Little do you know that you will fall for the Joe Mamma joke the next day.

Gemini
May 21-Jun. 21

You will discover an unused gift card hidden in your house. Shortly after, a grocery store clerk will tell you that you resemble a Muppet.

Pisces
Feb. 20-Mar. 20

Someone will find your third grade school picture on the ground. When they track you down, they will offer you six hundred dollars' worth of candy.

Aries
Mar. 21-Apr. 19

You may forget about Halloween, and while searching for a last-minute DIY costume, you will find that jacket you lost three years ago.

Cancer
Jun. 22-Jul. 23

If you see meet someone whose last name starts with a K, run.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Keep an eye on your phone. You will probably end up in a car chase if your phone is stolen. You may spill tomato soup on yourself while you are wearing white.

Leo
Jul. 24-Aug. 23

You may receive an unexpected scholarship or reward. Beware of left-justified textbooks; they hold only bad news.

Scorpio
Oct. 23-Nov. 22

Beware of those who are too nice to you; there is betrayal in your future. You will also gain a constant twitch in your left eye.

Libra
Sep. 23-Oct. 22

There is wealth in your immediate future. Unfortunately, it is not yours. You may also want to be prepared for lobsters.

Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Keep hanging on, good things are coming. However, there is a terrible tragedy in your future: you will not get any Reeses' Peanut Butter Cups this year.

Virgo
Aug. 24-Sep. 22

You will be locked out of both your house and your car at the same time. Fate will save you; your crush (or your SO) will drive by and offer you a ride.

SERIAL KILLERS MOST NOTORIOUS

By Isabella Corona and Stephanie Kay



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Ted Bundy

When you think of the name Ted Bundy, an idea of him comes to your head. Maybe it's because there's a Netflix movie and documentary made about him or maybe he's just that famous for his killings. Ted Bundy confessed to killing thirty women, although the actual number is unknown. One girl escaped him, her name is Rhonda Stapley. She said that the way Ted approached her was like any other man would. "He was very nice, polite, well-dressed. He looked like a college student and he presented himself as a college student... He told me he was a law student, he was going up to the university too and it was just right on his way, it wouldn't be out of his way at all to drop me off", (Stapley, LAD Bible). Rhonda said that opening up about this event was very hard for her since it was so traumatic. She even suffers from PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) from it that she says will last forever. Ted Bundy made his mark on the world for his murders. The good news is that he was caught before he could get away with more.

John Wayne Gacy

John Wayne Gacy was a deadly entertainer. You would never imagine the clown you ordered for your kid's birthday party would turn out to be a serial killer; well that was John Wayne Gacy. He was a clown on a murder streak. Gacy killed thirty three young men. If you didn't think that was creepy enough, he would bury his victims' bodies around his home. Gacy would torture and rape his victims before he would bury them. Gacy would mostly go after teens or young boys. Gacy's father was an abusive alcoholic and he didn't have the best relationship with his father. He was also bullied for being overweight, but he was overweight because he had a heart condition. He was tired of having all the troubles at home so he left to Las Vegas, Nevada. In Nevada, he found work as a mortuary attendant. When he was working there, something strange happened, he hugged and caressed one of the dead bodies. We believe that this chilling experience played a role in his want to kill people. His murders were discovered in 1994, and he was ex-

Jeffrey Dahmer

Jeffrey Dahmer is another serial killer who has a movie made about him. Dahmer was a convicted serial killer and sex offender. He murdered 17 males between 1978 and 1991 (according to Biography.com). Dahmer would go after men in bars and lace their drinks with drugs before strangling them to death. He would then cut up their body parts, and he would even keep some of their body parts as prizes. Dahmer would also take pictures of the murder process. "Dahmer claims that his compulsions toward necrophilia and murder began around the age of 14, but it appears that the breakdown of his parents' marriage and their acrimonious divorce a few years later may have been the catalyst for turning these thoughts into actions" (Biography.com). Dahmer always had some weird thoughts from a young age, but it drastically progressed to killing people when he got older. His first murder occurred when he had just graduated high school. He was also an alcoholic so this could have played a role on why he wanted to kill so badly.

UNSOLVED MURDERS

By Aly Davis and Brisa Miranda

Today, one-third of all American murders go unsolved. Some have elements that are violent, bloody, gruesome, and unsettling. The cases you hear about, from unsolved disappearances to creepy true stories, only make up a fraction of the crimes that people report.

JonBenet Ramsey



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Resting on the concrete floor was the dead JonBenet, a former beauty pageant dressed in the white knit shirt and underwear with duct tape around her face. The garrote made of white cloth and a cracked artist's paintbrush grip was in her throat, and there was cloth in her right wrist. The structure was covered with a white blanket from her foot. Nearby was her crimson "ceremony nightgown."

The bludgeoned and strangled body of a six-year-old JonBenet was discovered at the floor of her parents' house in Boulder, Colorado on December 26, 1996. The investigator claimed that Mr. Ramsey "held JonBenet with both hands around her waist... held her upstairs and put her on the wood floor in the living room...What was interesting was when Mr. Ramsey took the body upstairs, he never cried." Read the document. "But when he set her down, he began to utter, while peering about to find who was seeing him." Linda Arndt, an officer who was first detective at the JonBenet Ramsey murder scene, lifted the baby from the room and placed her alongside the Christmas tree.

There was an amount of uncertainty about Soininen's guilt, but the fact was never really understood since he hung himself in the prisoner transport facility in 1969. Valdemar Gyllstrom was another primary suspect of the Lake Bodom murders. Gyllstrom was the kiosk keeper from Oitta and was recognized for his aggressive behavior and had confessed to these murders before his death, caused by drowning in Lake Bodom in 1969. None of the defendants in this double murder case were convicted and these murders remain unsolved.

The Black Dahlia

Elizabeth Short, who was



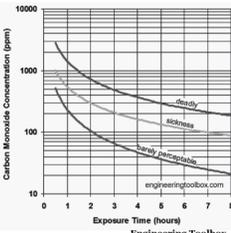
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nicknamed "the Black Dahlia," was brutally murdered in Los Angeles in 1947. Short's corpse was found mutilate and the murderer was never found. This makes her one of the oldest unsolved cases in Los Angeles. In the mid-1940, Short was living in Los Angeles, working as a waitress and an aspiring actress. At the age of 22, Elizabeth was murdered. Her body was found nude by an innocent woman taking a walk nearby.

Brian Carr, a detective who worked on Short's case said, "I just can't imagine someone doing that to another human being. Not only did the killer mutilate her body, but they had also drained her corpse of blood and scrubbed it clean." The main witness of the murder had reported seeing a black sedan parked near the crime scene early hours before. In early 2013, the case returned to the heading and multiple people confessed to the murder. Dr. George Hill Hodel was believed to be Short's killer, although they couldn't prove it. So the case remains untouched for six years.

Lake Bodom Murders

Some of you have likely heard of the Lake Bodom murders, this occurred in Finland, Sunday 5th of June, 1960. Four teens were camping on the shores of Bodom. Between 4 AM and 6 AM, an unidentified individual murdered three of the teens with a knife and injuring the fourth. The victims: 15 year old, Maili Irmeli Björkland, was knifed and blud-



CO exposure can cause hallucinations

haunting happenings or not, there is significant scientific evidence that you might just be going crazy. So, next time you're feeling particularly spooked, remember to check for mold, take a second look at your furnace, and know it might just be all in your head.

STILL AT LARGE

The Night Stalkers

Doug Clarke and his wife Carol M. Bundy were also known as the Sunset Strip Killers. While in a relationship with Doug, Carol was also in a relationship with John Murray. Doug would tell Carol about his fantasies and killing women. He then killed some prostitutes on the street and brought the head of one home as a trophy. Carol helped her husband with the killings, after this. Carol told Murray about the killings and then got anxious that he would call the police. One night after one of his shows, she led him back to his van, shot him and decapitated him. After a while she felt really guilty and confessed everything to her coworkers, who then called the police. At the trial, Clarke tried to pin everything on Bundy, but she ultimately took a plea deal for her testimony against Clarke. Bundy's testimony was enough to put Clarke on death row, which is where he died on August 11th this year. Bundy, however, got life in prison and died in 2003. (Rolling Stone)

The Zodiac Killer

He was active in the '60s-'70s. He would taunt the police by leaving cryptic messages in the letters he sent the media. We know that the Zodiac Killer is a "he" because one person escaped and was able to describe him to a sketch artist. The Zodiac Killer sent three letters to the San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco Chronicle and Vallejo Times-Herald. These letters contained information about the killing of two teenagers that only the true killer would know. He would continuously do this, after all of his killings. In one letter, he threatened to shoot a school bus tire and "pick off the kiddies as they come bouncing out." (Thepiratespeaks) In each and every letter, he would describe the murder and make larger threats. The Zodiac Killer is yet to be caught, but at this time, he is most likely dead. Numerous movies exist about or based off of the Zodiac Killer. For example, there is the classic "Dirty Harry," as well as the "Zodiac," "The Zodiac Killer." (Biography.com)

West Mesa Bone Collector

He/She was active in 2001-05, but the bodies were only discovered in 2009. The West Mesa Bone Collector killings were in New Mexico and were women and girls involved with drugs or prostitution. The bodies were discovered in February of 2009 by a woman walking her dog, when she saw a bone that resembled a human femur sticking out of the ground. After excavating this area, the police found the remains of eleven girls and women who went missing between 2003-2005. The other eight women who went missing during this time have not been found dead or alive. The police are unable to identify the killer and have no idea what the cause of death for these women were. (aetv) The police have a few suspects as to who is the West Mesa Bone Collector, but the police are not coming up with enough hard evidence to convict anyone.

SPOOKY CORNER: PARANORMAL ACTIVITY

By Nicolette Madonna

Are you worried about ghosts or ghouls haunting you this spooky season? Or do you doubt the existence of paranormal activity completely? People all over the world have been reporting strange activities and telling ghost stories as early as the first century AD. Now, scientists have a few theories to explain why people think they see what they see.

beliefs may cause them to deny all paranormal possibilities. In many cases, it's all up to personal interpretation.



Very Well Mind

Scary appearances and supposedly "haunted" places tend to spook us out more than expected.

2. Electromagnetic Fields

Michael Persinger, a Canadian neuroscientist, has been

studying the brain's perception of paranormal activity in electromagnetic fields for many years. He believes that pulsed magnetic fields can make one feel as though there is a presence in a room by causing abnormal activity patterns in their temporal lobe. However, other researchers have argued with his theory, suggesting people would feel a ghostly presence. Persinger disputed this argument by saying environments with a haunted reputation are usually near unusual magnetic fields.

3. Infrasound

Infrasound is a low-audio frequency below the human ability to hear, it is thought to be the cause of many ghostly whispers. It has been known to cause physical discomfort, change in heart rate,

and change in blood pressure. Studies from the National Physical Laboratory in Manchester, England have found links between infrasound and people who say they hear bizarre sounds.

4. Exposure to Toxicity

Reactions to carbon monoxide, pesticides, and formaldehyde have been known to stimulate hallucinations. Dilapidated houses often are breeding grounds for molds, some of which release toxins that can cause symptoms like dementia and fear. Carbon monoxide can also lead to "ghostly experiences;" the toxic gas makes you feel weak and hallucinate. Many old homes contain older furnaces in need of repair, which are often a source for gas leakage.

No matter if you believe in

STORIES BEHIND DISNEY

By: Andrea Valerio

Disney is known for creating catchy, upbeat, fairy tale stories. Their adaptation and recreation of stories have been disguising the darker stories as happy fairy tales. Originally, these stories were written for adults and have frightening elements, like rape, amputation and suicide. Fairytales have been frightening people for thousands of years. In honor of the Halloween spirit, here are a few of the fascinating, original stories that inspired many popular Disney classics.

Rapunzel by J.L.C. & W. C. Grimm



In the original version, a pregnant woman has a strong craving for rampion, which grows in her neighbor's yard. Eventually, the husband is caught and is forced to promise the unborn baby to their neighbor, Dame Gothel. Dame then locks their beautiful daughter, Rapunzel in a tower that can only be entered by climbing Rapunzel's long hair. One day, the king's son goes by and learns how to get inside the tower, and he and Rapunzel then fall in love. When Dame finds out, she cuts Rapunzel's hair and banishes her to a desert, where she gives birth to twins. The evil enchantress then blinds the king's son, who eventually finds his way to Rapunzel and is healed.

prevent this from happening, the Lord commands that no flax would ever be brought into his home. As time passed, Talia is fascinated by an older woman spinning flax on a spindle and asks the woman if she can attempt to stretch the flax. As she begins to spin, a splinter of flax goes under her fingernails and she is assumed to be dead. Unable to bury his child, Talia's father leaves his daughter in one of his many country estates. A while later, a neighboring king who is out hunting, follows his falcon into the abandoned home. Entering the house to retrieve his bird, he comes across the unconscious woman and 'gathers the first fruits of love,' leaving her unconscious and pregnant with twins, named Sun and Moon.

The Little Mermaid by Hans Christian Andersen



In the Disney version, Ariel gets her voice back and celebrates her wedding on a boat with her aquatic friends and family. In the original story by Hans Christian Andersen, Ariel's transformation to human causes persistent agonizing pain, before her heart is broken when the prince marries someone else. As time is passing and the deal made between the Sea Witch and Ariel is coming to an end, the Sea Witch tells Ariel that the only way to become a mermaid and live was to kill the prince. Instead of murdering her true love, Ariel decides to fling herself into the ocean and becomes sea foam.

Sun, Moon, and Talia (Sleeping Beauty) by Giambattista Basile



In the original story written by Giambattista Basile, wise men predict that the sleeping beauty, named Talia, would be endangered by a splinter from flax. To

THE TERRIFYING JORDAN PEELE

By Noah Macias

Jordan Peele is an american actor/filmmaker best known for his comedy skits on television and horror films. He has been very famous for creating his nightmares into stories and live action horror films. He's had major success in comedy for many years with his friend and partner Keegan-Michael Key. Creating funny skits and starring in movies is what they were known for. Then in 2017, Jordan Peele came out with his Oscar winning movie "Get Out." It was such a success for Jordan Peele, and people loved to see a new side of him which gave them chills in theaters. Two years later Jordan released his newest movie "Us," once again created a thrilling story that went on to win four different awards.



Dread Central

Candyman Returns

than Candyman, played by Tony Todd, has returned and has nothing but murder on his mind. Fans of the original film were obviously very excited to hear this news that it was written and produced

by Peele. Jordan Peele has a style that not many other filmmakers are able to master. He states in an interview with MTV News that he finds more horror in "lit up" or "day time settings." He says people are tired of seeing the same old abandoned haunted hotel and want something new. As time goes on, people keep asking for more projects from him. Jordan Peele has been able to go from Comedy Central skits to creating classic thrillers for people all over the globe. People say they feel inspired how he is able to make such a big transition and still be successful in both. Jordan Peele is a very successful comedian that also has a dark side to him and people love it. People refer to him as the Stephen King of our generation. He will go down in history as one of the greatest filmmakers and actors.

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YOUR FAVORITE DISTURBING ART

By: Noah Macias and Britney Nguyen



"Picasso's art is disturbing, so I guess that is disturbing." - Annalise Gargarita '20



"Art dealing with snakes creeps me out. Also things about Greek Gods and stuff." - Louis Lucero '22



"I hate watching scary movies and I don't like to be creeped out." - Ms. Castro (Teacher)



"I find the "Anatomical Pieces" by French painter Theodore Gericault disturbing because he uses dead bodies as subjects." - Shannia Calalo '21



I would have to say photographs of 9/11. I find fascinating for some odd reason." - Ms Damewood (Teacher)



"Art dealing with spiders is gross to me." - Jatin Kumar '23

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THE POWER OF THE TITANS

By Taneesh Kondapally

The 2019 football season is here and the Kennedy Titans are ready to play some football! Coach Roman, head coach of the Kennedy Titans, said when asked about how the team is preparing for this season, "When you commit to the football program, you are committing to a 10-month schedule of off-season weight training, speed, and agility at 6:30 am, Spring Football practice starts in May, followed by Summer football practice (minus one week for vacation). Then the actual season begins with mandatory practices and finally, the game schedule. Our core group of players have been committed all the while, and are setting the example on and off the field with their individual effort."



Taneesh Kondapally (23)

Kennedy's Titans Varsity Takes the Win Against Irvinton Vikings

The Titans this year are confident about their chances in the district. Coach Roman suggests, "Our Titan football team is poised to compete throughout the season. Our preseason schedule has been stacked with top teams in our area and has provided the pressure necessary to test our team's resolve. Our Titan football program is full of young talented football players, and in time they will be unstoppable. Our season will unfold as it always does, if we

demonstrate that we are the hardest working team, who stays committed to our team expectations, then we will play our best football. That is all any coach can ask of

and physical team, and is in a position to make a run at the MVAL Championship." The Titans are approaching this season with one main focus: winning the details. "We feel that we can teach techniques and offensive and defensive schemes, but without the understanding of the details behind those skills the scheme is useless," Roman said. "An attention to detail takes longer to instill, players and coaches must understand that it is a long and arduous process. Along the way we have run into resistance, however, we have stayed the course and continue to show growth and mastery. This process will continue to our culminating effort in our run through our league games."

The Titans' strategy will be to focus on their commitment, focus, and mental preparation. Roman says, "We are only as good as how hard we work and prepare for each of the ten football games on our schedule. Our success will be grounded in the many victories behind closed doors. The fans in attendance only get to see the outcome of the game. Most fans do not understand that the outcome is dictated over the course of our team's preparation." The Titans' season opened on September 21, against Alameda High School, at TAK, and since then, they have had a rigorous schedule. Come out and support the Titans!

SPOOKY SERVE SEASON

By Katerina Yakusevich

As the fall sports season gets underway, expectations for players are high. Will the Kennedy Tennis team make a name for themselves this year, by frightening their opponents and winning all their games? For girl's tennis, their first game was on Tuesday, September 24th. The competition lasted until 6:30 pm, starting at 3 pm. The tournament was a home game against Irvington High School. At the end of the day, the Vikings won against the Titans, setting the tone for the season.

Expectations the players had for themselves were high as their matches approached. After being asked how she feels before her match, Alysa Nartinez, a freshman and a JV player on the team, replies, "I feel very anxious and nervous. However, I feel like I can accomplish what I put my mind to." Many of the members on both teams stayed and watched their friends play through games. Kritee Kondapally of VAR 1 singles won her first match of the season. After asking Vanessa Sun, a sophomore and another VAR player for doubles, how her match went, she responded, "We lost, but it was fun to play and I enjoyed it."

Come watch Kennedy play during our remaining games! Here's our schedule for the final games of the season:

10/30 Kennedy at Washington
11/1 Newark at Kennedy

Beware of the Titan Tennis Team!

1. Jacquelyn Lam
2. Nathalie Perez
3. Kritee Kondapally



Issie Molina

The GOAT: Simone Biles

By Taneesh Kondapally

Simone Biles is a gymnast that represents the United States of America. She is an Olympic gold medalist, she was part of the self-dubbed "Final Five" team in the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Summer Olympics, and is now the most accomplished gymnast in the world. Recently, she represented America in the 2019 World Artistic Gymnastics Championships. In the championships, she took home five of the six gold medals to be won, earning her the title of the most decorated gymnast in gymnastics history. Biles' routines in

beam. Looking to win the gold medal in the 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympics, Biles has shown promise with the championship performance.

The Biles, the move named after Simone Biles, is a double-twisting double back. The move is an extremely difficult dismount on the balance beam, where the gymnast flips into a backflip, twisting two times, and landing into a flip. The move is also extremely dangerous. The international governing body of gymnastics, the FIG, deemed that

late. Packed with difficult moves, Biles landed every single move with style and flair. She even landed a triple-twisting double back, an extremely difficult move that is the same as the double-twisting double back but with an extra twist. The move is unprecedented, and Biles' execution was historical. Her floor routine earned her another gold medal by a full point over her competition.

Simone Biles has had an amazing career. She recently became the most decorated gymnast of all time and will get more med-



NBC Boston

Simone Biles in the World Championship on her way to a record breaking win

the championships were flawless. Biles' performance on the balance beam was perfect, beating her competition by half a point. She did such a flawless routine, she decided not to go for her signature move named after her, the Biles. In the 2016 Olympics, Biles didn't win the gold medal for the balance

the difficult move only gets awarded one-tenth of a point more than the same move with one less twist. This led many gymnasts, including Biles, to speak out about the move not being worth it in a competition to perform.

On Biles' floor performance, her routine was immacu-

als. Her performances in the 2019 Artistic Gymnastics Championships were historic. And we can only expect more historic performances from her. The 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympics will show more of Biles' amazing routines. Simone Biles has proven that she is the G.O.A.T. of gymnastics.

Day of the Dead: Celebrating Those Who Made us Who we Are

Continued From Page 1

no, he would turn around and show McDermott. We got tired of playing 'good cop, bad cop' and finally gave in. The result was the gold jerseys we have been wearing since. It was classic Braxton. He did not know the meaning of the word 'can't.' As we discussed this, it seemed only right for us to think about just how much this kid loved his mighty Titans. I've talked to Coach Roman and Mr. Velez and they agree that the #8 jersey will always belong to Braxton Kiester. Kennedy will be retiring #8 from our team, as a constant reminder of his footprint on our hearts and on our program. I can't think of a more fitting tribute to Braxton."

Coach Mike

Pete Michaelatos, or "Coach Mike," coached the Kennedy football team for 46 years. The four-time Coach of the Year started his career at Kennedy, as a teacher and football coach in 1965, and since then, he went on to become the longest-tenured coach in the state, when he retired in 2010. Coach Mike led the Kennedy football team to two MVAL titles in 1972 and 1988 and paved the way for young student athletes at Kennedy. He was an inspiration for not only the Titan football team, but for all students and teachers alike.

Coach Mike has left his legacy, as

one of the greatest coaches Kennedy has ever seen, and he is one of the many reasons why we hold our football team in such high regard. On Saturday September 21, 2019, Coach Mike was honored for his contributions and his career with a bust at Tak Fudenna Stadium.

This day of the Dead, we celebrate these motivating figures and all the other Kennedy students and staff who have left us. The idea of death is certainly hard, but we must recognize the impact that our Titan family has had on our lives and move on, knowing that they will always be with us. After all, they are the ones who make us who we are today.



Issie Molina

TEN TIPS TO A BETTER ATHLETIC CAREER

By Sanam Khalil

1. Maintain a healthy diet

It's important to have a balanced healthy diet to have energy, when it comes to playing sports or being active. Teen athletes may require 2,000 to 5,000 calories a day depending on how active they are. In order to stay in shape and be energetic, it's essential to eat three healthy, nutrient rich meals per day, along with two or three snacks. In between those meals, drink plenty of water to stay hydrated. When it comes to a healthy diet, protein and carbohydrates are very important. Eating plenty of protein helps your muscles grow and heal. Healthy carbs for nutritional energy, and stay away from processed food as you can.

2. Give yourself a break

With school and work it can be really stressful to have quality time for yourself. Stressed minds and strained muscles won't help with your busy and active lifestyle. So it's important to fit relaxing activities into your schedule, whether it's an hour or two a night or one full day of the week. Take a warm bubble bath, listen to your favorite music, and watch your favorite shows. Relaxing activities and getting enough quality sleep every night will help just as much as physically training for a marathon or mentally.

3. Workout in balance

It's important to plan workouts, strength training sessions to get enough aerobic exercise and to work all of your body's major muscle groups. It's also important to explore different workouts like running, swimming, for full body workouts. This is very important in restoring muscle balance throughout your body and in preventing strains, sprains, and joint and nerve injuries.

4. Stretch, stretch, stretch

A lot of us underrate stretching, but it's equally as important as getting enough sleep or drinking enough water. After your muscles have warmed up, it's essential to fit in stretching before and after your workout. During a workout, your muscles are left in a shortened state, and stretching

helps to restore muscle balance in the body. Stretching also keeps your posture strong and balanced and your joints elastic, as you age.

5. Mix it up

It's important to mix up your activities, don't just do the same activity each day. Mix it up! Challenge your body in other ways. Other activities, such as strength training, swimming, yoga, etc., not only use other muscles, but also keep your mind fresh.

6. Work on your mental game

Your mind is a powerful tool it's important to believe in oneself and focus on the task it can greatly impact performance. Positive talk plays big role also being positive and makes a huge difference on your task. The more positive and present you can be the better performance.

7. Don't follow fad diets

Following diets can only last a couple of weeks. Your body won't be able to keep up with crazy diets for months or years. Follow a healthy nutrition plan, and eat the things you enjoy to eat but in moderation. Eating healthy doesn't mean eating only a few types of food. You can eat whatever your wish as long as it's in moderation.

8. Listen to your body

It's important to listen to your body, our bodies are really good and telling us what we need. If you're not feeling well it's ok to skip a day or two of your training.

9. Eat real food

What is real food? You may be confused about what that means or what real food is. Well it means consuming foods that are organic or out of the package, such as an apple. Not foods that have been broken down, processed, and engineered into something totally different. The easiest way to do this is to limit foods that come out of a package. Replace the package foods with natural choices.

10. Aim to be B+

As humans we are not perfect it's ok to have your junk food ones while don't push yourself because you're not perfect with your diet. It's important to realize you're making mistakes with your diet and get back on track.

DEVIL'S NIGHT

By Britney Nguyen

Devil's Night, the night before Halloween, is also called "Mischief Night" or "Cabbage Night." Halloween is known for

The buildings became abandoned because of unemployment rates and economic downturns. Multiple fires were set on the buildings,

ing Devil's Night caused multiple deaths. In 1994, 314 teenagers were arrested due to their actions which caused a fire that killed a 1



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Fire it up! Fire it up! Happy Devil's Night!

ranging from 500 to 800 in just Detroit. It was common for fires to be set three days leading up to the Devil's Nights. In 1983, firefighters found the body of a man who had died by fire. However, in the 1990s, the fires decreased due to government initiative such as police actions.

Some saw that the destruction was rude, but the vandals found it fun. The fires dur-

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BEING WATCHED,"

were written to keep the

vandals away.

Over the years, the destruction of October 30th decreased due to the consequences. There was a dramatic decrease in 2017 to just 14 buildings on fire. Teenagers, or the vandalizers were being arrested, causing the deaths of many people. The tradition is still continued in some places, but with decrease of deaths, Angel's Night was cancelled.

Some saw that the destruction was rude, but the vandals found it fun. The fires dur-

STORIES OF THE CREEPIEST PLACES ON EARTH

By Sonali Dhaliwal

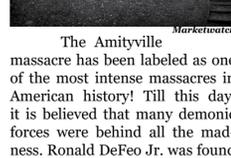
In our world, there are several creepy places with very frightening backstories. Many of these places are now open for the public to view. According to Life Magazine, these are some of the creepiest places to ever exist.

Ed Gein's Home in Wisconsin



All That's Interesting

Amityville Horror House in Long Island, New York



Marketwatch

The Amityville massacre has been labeled as one of the most intense massacres in American history! Till this day, it is believed that many demonic forces were behind all the madness. Ronald DeFeo Jr. was found guilty of murdering his family in November 13, 1974. He was a hardcore Heroin and LSD user, which he later claimed was making him hear voices. Apparently, the "voices" were instructing him to kill his family. One year after the crime was committed, the Lutz family moved into his home. Soon after they moved in, the family had reported some weird activities...specifically, supernatural activities. They would see someone's eyes through the window, random footprints, and voices of people telling them to get out. They lived in the house for less than a month before fleeing.

Island of the Dolls in Mexico City, Mexico

Over 50 years ago, a hermit named Julian Santana Barrera found a little girl who had drowned with her doll. He took the doll back to his island in the Xochimilco District of Mexico City.

After a couple of days, he reported hearing a young girl's crying and footsteps. Julian was convinced that he was being haunted by the girl's spirit and in order to bring the spirit to peace, he hung the doll up on a tree. Unfortunately, the haunting hadn't stopped, and one doll soon became hundreds! Eventually, Barrera came to believe that the dolls themselves were possessed and that the entire island was cursed. In 2001, Barrera drowned in the same spot as the little girl. Locals believe that he is among the spirits that haunt the island. Since the incident, the island has become an attraction for those who are brave enough. Many have reported that the dolls have been seen blinking or making gestures!

These are some of the numerous different places that have once existed and are now haunted. Several of these places are very frightening and are currently open for tourist visits! If you are brave enough, you should definitely go visit!



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As of 2013, the Island of the Dolls was decorated with over 1,500 dolls

The Politics of Banksy

By Taneesh Kondapally

Banksy. Such a well-known name, though no one knows who he is. Banksy. One of the most famous street artists in the world. Banksy. A street artist whose paintings have many meanings. The biggest themes that define his work are his political stances. A lot of his works have these seven main themes: anti-war, nihilism, anti-consumerism, anti-authoritarianism, anti-fascism, anarchism, and existentialism. Many pieces of work are associated with each political stance.

Banksy's style of art is one of the most unique styles of art in the world. His work is mainly building off of famous works of art and putting his own twist on them. Like his twist on the Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci, Banksy stencils the original artwork, then adds a rocket launcher held over her shoulder. By adding small details to pieces of art, Banksy can portray different messages.

Anti-war is one of the strongest political stances that Banksy takes. Anti-war is a political stance that opposes all wars. In many pieces, Banksy is anti-

war. An example includes Rage, the Flower Thrower. In this piece, a man is in a position to throw a Molotov grenade, but instead, a bouquet is in his throwing hand. This piece shows Banksy's desire to choose friendliness over war.

Anti-consumerism is another stance in which Banksy strongly believes. Anti-consumerism is a political stance that is against consuming materialistic items. In a piece of work called Consumer Jesus, the picture portrays Jesus being hung. In Banksy's version, Jesus is holding bags of groceries, showing how consumerism killed him. This artwork is a piece where Banksy shows a strong stance on anti-consumerism.

Anti-authoritarianism is a stance that Banksy shows in his street art. Anti-authoritarianism is a political stance that is opposed to submissive rule. An example of anti-authoritarianism in Banksy's art in which he painted the "Follow Your Dreams" quotation; but covering the quotation, he painted a red stamp that says "Cancelled." This shows how you can't follow

your destiny if someone controls your life.



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Existentialism is the fourth stance that Banksy takes strongly. Existentialism is the belief that everyone determines their own destiny through the power of will. An example of this is in his painting "What We Do In Life Echoes In Eternity." In this artwork, he stencils out that phrase. This shows his belief that everyone has a purpose that which they create themselves.

Banksy takes strong political stances, with a great presentation of his stances shown through his art. The politics behind Banksy is the main inspiration for all of his street art pieces. With all of his political stances, Banksy is one of the most influential people in the world.

PAN DE MUERTOS

By Alyssa Pulido

In Spanish tradition, foods such as mole, tamales, and other dishes the person enjoyed when they were alive are placed as offerings to nourish the essence of the spirits that visit on Dia de Los Muertos. One offering, popular among Spanish regions, communities, and families, is known as Pan de Muerto or Bread of the dead. Just as trick-or-treating is a tradition on Halloween, Pan de Los Muertos is baked, eaten, and granted as an offering on Day of the dead.

Several stories explain the origin of Pan de Muerto. In

If you wish to prepare your bread the traditional way,

1) Gather the ingredients:

- 6 cups flour
- 4 oz butter
- 4 large room temperature eggs
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 3 tsp whole aniseed
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 1/4 cups of warm water
- 2 Tbsp orange zest
- 2 (1/4 oz) packets dry yeast

2) Start baking:

1. Mix butter, sugar, aniseed, salt, and 1/2 cup of flour in a stand mixer bowl.
2. In a small bowl, whisk together the eggs, water, and orange zest.
3. Add this to the stand mixer bowl along with 1/2 cup of flour. Once combined, add the yeast as well as another 1/2 cup of flour and continue to mix.
4. Add the remaining flour 1 cup at a time. Once a dough forms, knead it on a floured surface for 1 minute. Using a clean, humid cloth to cover the dough, let it rise for 1 hour and 30 minutes.
5. Separate about 1/4 of the dough and use it to make bone shapes to decorate the loaf. Shape the rest into a flat-bottomed semi-sphere. Arrange the bone shapes on the top and make sure they stick.
6. Bake the loaf in the oven at 350 °F for 35-40 minutes.
7. Cool, glaze (if desired), and serve.

Add glaze (opt):

Orange juice glaze: boil 3/4 cup of sugar and 1/2 cup of fresh orange juice. Then, cool it to room temperature and brush it on the bread.

Orange juice-eggwhite glaze: mix 3 Tbsp of thawed orange juice concentrate and 1/3 cup with 2 large egg whites. During the last 10 minutes of baking, brush it on the bread.

Brown-sugar-cranberry juice glaze: bring 1/4 cup dark-brown sugar, 1/4 cup white sugar, 2/3 cup cranberry juice, and 2 tablespoons orange zest to a boil. After letting it cool to room temperature, brush it on the bread.

one legend, human sacrifices were performed to please the celestial beings until the Spaniards forbade this ritual and replaced it with making Pan de Muerto. In another, the bread was prepared to symbolize the heart of a deity being removed to share with the rest of the people. Whatever the reason for the importance of adding this bread as an offering, one thing is clear: the structure of Pan de Los Muertos portrays the dead. There are several ways to make Pan de Muerto. Listed below are two common ways to make this bread:

If you're planning on making strips instead of a loaf,

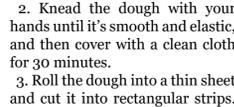
1) Gather the ingredients:

- 2 cups plain flour
- 2 softened eggs
- 2 Tbsp butter
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/8 dash of salt
- 2 Tbsp grated orange zest
- 1 cup olive oil
- 1/3 cup icing sugar

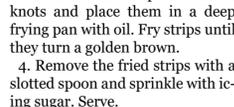
2) Start baking:

1. Sift the flour into a bowl. Add the eggs, butter, sugar, salt, and orange zest and stir the ingredients together using a wooden spoon.
2. Knead the dough with your hands until it's smooth and elastic, and then cover with a clean cloth for 30 minutes.
3. Roll the dough into a thin sheet and cut it into rectangular strips. Tie some of the strips into loose knots and place them in a deep frying pan with oil. Fry strips until they turn a golden brown.
4. Remove the fried strips with a slotted spoon and sprinkle with icing sugar. Serve.

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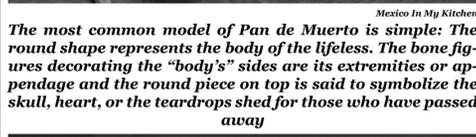
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While in some places bread of the dead is shaped like a round loaf, other families make their bread look like skeletons, skulls, animals, angels, or flowers and decorate it with seeds or colored icing



Mexico In My Kitchen

The most common model of Pan de Muerto is simple: The round shape represents the body of the lifeless. The bone figures decorating the "body's" sides are its extremities or appendage and the round piece on top is said to symbolize the skull, heart, or the teardrops shed for those who have passed away



Alyssa Pulido (23)

While the second recipe is not the most popular form of Pan de Muerto, it can be shared easily and is just as delicious as any other version of the bread.

PAY OF THE DEAD VS HALLOWEEN

By Dhiraj Bomma

The Day of the Dead and Halloween are both holidays celebrated across the world in the Fall. Both holidays relate to the dead, which can cause confusion among people about the differences. Halloween is about having fun, eating candy, and doing scary things. People of all ethnicities celebrate Halloween. The Day of the Dead is a Mexican holiday about celebrating the life of those who have passed. They are also celebrated in different ways and have a huge difference in cultural significance.

Halloween is a holiday celebrated on October 31st, and

The Day of the Dead is a holiday celebrated over the course of a few days, from October 31st to November 2nd. Rooted in Mexico, its purpose is to honor the deceased. It is represented by symbols like skulls, altars, butterflies, and flowers. Many people in Mexico celebrate this holiday, and many others of Mexican heritage across the world celebrate as well. It is a colorful and joyful celebration, where each day of the holiday is different. The Day of the Dead is a cultural celebration in which many believe that the souls of the departed return to the grave-



Community Impact

To celebrate Halloween, people adorn their front porch with jack o'lanterns. For the Day of the Dead, families decorate altars with sugar skulls to celebrate and honor the deceased.

has roots from Celtic harvest festivals. It is celebrated mostly in the US, but other countries have similar holidays. Halloween is represented by symbols such as witches, black cats, ghosts, skeletons, bats, and jack-o'-lanterns. In the US, it is a secular celebration, meaning that it is not religious. Common ways to celebrate are to watch scary movies, trick or treat, carve pumpkins, and tell scary stories. It is also a commercial holiday, as many companies use Halloween in advertisements throughout the fall. The original meaning of Halloween has been lost through the years and has become more of a festivity. When it originated in Celtic Harvest Festivals, it was to mark the end of the harvest and ward off spirits.

yard. Many people living outside of Mexico celebrate this holiday. In fact, there are Day of the Dead celebrations in San Francisco, and across the Bay Area.

Both holidays are well known and celebrated in the US. It is amazing how these cultural festivities have spread across the globe. Neither originated in the US, yet both are celebrated nearby. However, both have differences in the significance of the holiday. Halloween is a fun holiday, where people do activities that are spooky and scary. On the other hand, the Day of the Dead is about celebrating life and remembering the deceased. Both may seem similar, but they have important differences.

DAY OF THE DEAD IN THE BAY AREA

By Isabelle David

Dia de Los Muertos, also known as the Day of the Dead, is approaching soon, and will take place from October 31st to November 2nd. Whether you are honoring your ancestors, or just admiring the traditions and art, numerous fun events are held in celebration of the holiday. Many exciting Day of the Dead festivities will be taking place around the Bay Area.

Dia de los Muertos Community Center

The Dia de Los Muertos Community Concert in San Francisco is the perfect way to celebrate the Day of the Dead if you enjoy music. The event will be held on November 2nd, at Davies Symphony Hall on 201 Van Ness Avenue. It's the 11th annual community concert, and official performances will take place from 2p.m to 4p.m. However, guests are welcomed and encouraged to arrive early for additional live music, dancing, altar tours, and local art viewing. A silent auction will be held before



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Dancers rejoice at the 25th Annual El Dia de los Muertos Community Celebration in Oakland, CA

the concert starts. Tickets are on sale now starting at \$30 for adults, and \$15 for children. VIP tickets are available for purchase. A VIP package will include lunch at 11 AM, premium concert seating, and admission to an evening art tour following the performances. The San Francisco Symphony's Dia de Los Muertos Community Concert will have over ten live performances and multiple featured artists, so purchase tickets on the San Francisco Symphony website for this memorable experience before they sell out!



The Mercury News

In San Jose, Los Lupenos Juvenil dancers honor El Dia de Los Muertos.

San Jose Museum of Art

San Jose Museum of Art will be holding a Day of the Dead activity on November 2nd, from 11 AM to 5 PM. Live entertainment, including cultural demonstrations and dances will be held during the event. The museum will also of-

fer art walks and multiple crafts, like decorating traditional sugar skulls. This event will be free, and you can register in advance online on San Jose Museum of Art website, or at the door. San Jose Museum of Art's celebration is perfect for children and families, and brings together traditions and contemporary art.

Day of the Dead Procession San Francisco

A procession will take place on November 2nd and starts at 7 PM, after the Festival of Altars. The walk will start on 24th and Bryant in the Mission District, and will end at Garfield Park around 8:30 PM. This community event is free, wheelchair accessible, and good for kids. Families and citizens are encouraged to bring flowers, candles, and remembrances of loved ones for the community altar at the end of the procession. The beautiful event is the perfect way to celebrate Dia de Los Muertos and honor your past ancestors. The Day of the Dead is a beautiful, festive holiday. Bring your family to an exciting Bay Area event to celebrate Dia de Los Muertos. These celebrations are something you won't want to miss!

Festival of Altars

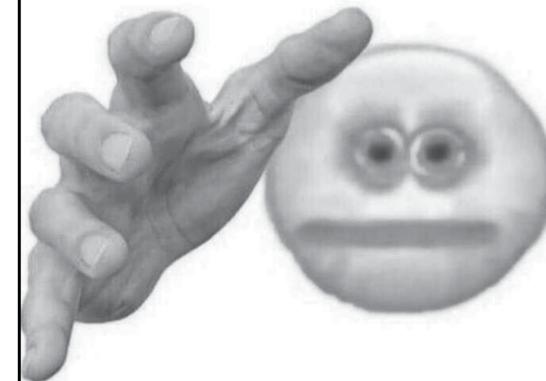
The Festival of Altars is one of the largest events in the Bay Area. The 26th Annual Festival of Altars will take place on November 2nd at 4

SPOOKY COMICS

By Zora Rasul

Younger brother: returns home after a long and tiring night of trick or treating

Me at his candy bag:



By Lance Flores



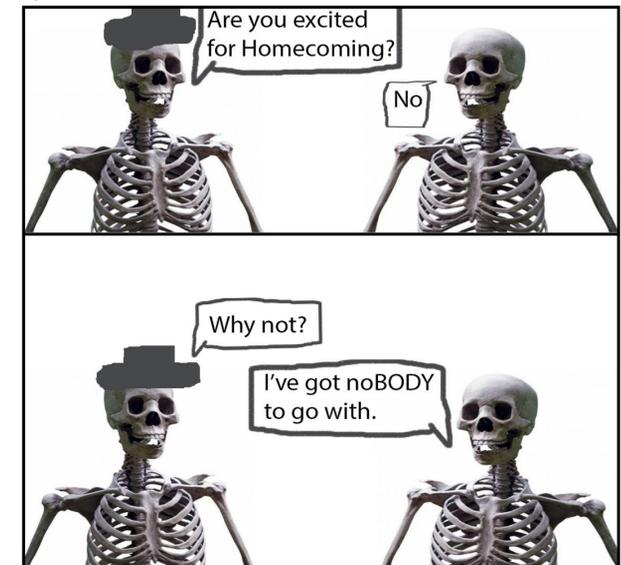
By Aidan Madonna



Running to buy candy for Halloween

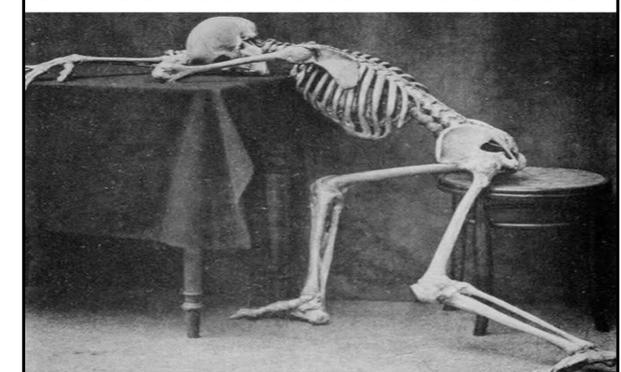
Running home after buying the candy

By Aidan Madonna

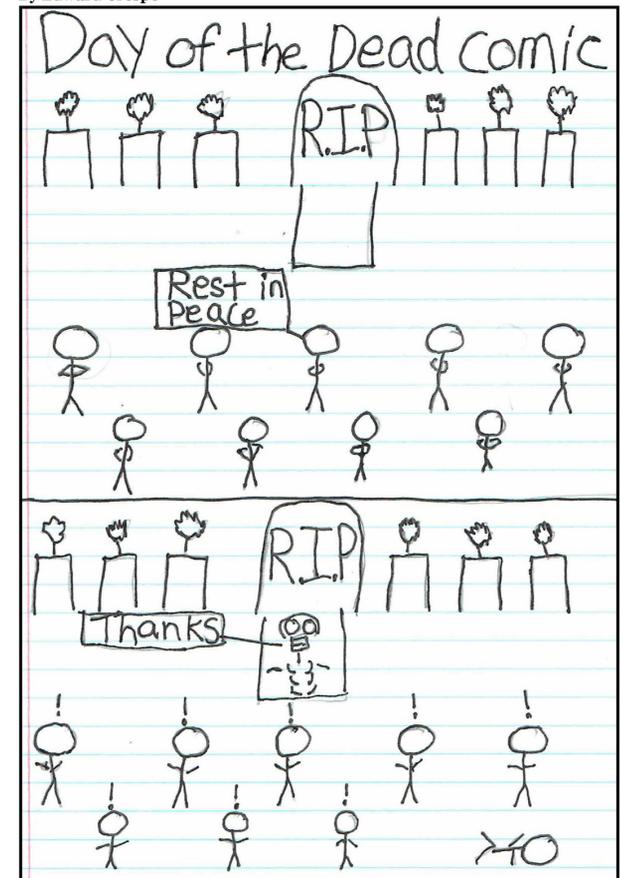


By Zora Rasul

When stores start selling Christmas trees in October



By Edward Crespo



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GO TITANS!



Benjamin Magana ('23) and Mia Miranda ('23) tap dancing their hearts out



Class of 2023 - Freshmen in Candyland



Class of 2022 Officers! Samantha Zapanta, Amanda Cawthorn, Aishi Goel, & Valencia Doan



Sophomores strut their stuff to SpongeBob and Plankton's F.U.N song



Class of 2022 - Sophomore Squarepants



Class of 2021 Officers! Cielo Adams, Shelby Trainor, Denisse Anne Cargado, & Hannah Downing



"WE ARE THE JUNIORS, J-U-N-I-O-R-S"



Class of 2021 - Jurassic Juniors



Class of 2020 Officers! Alan Henriquez, Erin Flores, Ms. Mulcahy, Marissa Freitas, & Amanda Lee



Class of 2020 performing their flash mob dance during brunch



Class of 2020 - Seniors of the Galaxy



Benjamin Magana ('23), Andrea Villa ('20), & Mia Miranda ('23)



Marissa Freitas ('20) & Dylan Estrada ('20) arrive in style



Cheer pumping up the crowd