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Opinion

Debates Showcased A Surreal Election

By Angie Sanchez (2018), Editor-in-Chief

After serving two terms in office, it is time for President Obama to bid farewell to the presidency, and almost time for us to welcome a new president. Hillary Clinton (democrat) and Donald Trump (republican) were the nominees at the time this editorial was written. By the time you are reading this, the election will be finalized.

This election season proved to be a somewhat comical year for politicians, voters, and onlookers. Clinton and Trump appeared to be tied with the amount of supporters, and it was difficult to tell who will triumph over the harsh criticism along with the heated debates.

Clinton's and Trump's debates were the subjects of ridicule, praise, and unshakeable concern. The first debate set the premise for the following ones, and it was on Sep. 26 that the American people caught a glimpse of one of our future president's immorality. Under pressure, the personas of Clinton and Trump came out. But, it was not until the second debate that they gave debates a new meaning. It began with a head nod rather than a handshake and a baffled and possibly agitated Anderson Cooper (who was drained by the end of the debate as he was caught drinking on camera after it ended).

Trump's denial of misconduct allegations in the election did not sit well with the audience alongside Clinton's infamous email situation. Both candidates had yet to convince the audience of their innocence from accusations, and it is safe to say that they may never fully convince our nation.

The last and final debate was perhaps the most interesting from talk of abortion to Putin to Obamacare. Just as the nominees were about to end their debate, an audience member had a rather odd request for Clinton and Trump. They were asked what they respect about one another. Clinton took initiative and tactfully responded by circling Trump, and said she respected his children. By doing so, she avoided any possible praise of Trump. Fortunately, Trump took it as a compliment. He took a different and surprising approach from Clinton and responded by saying he respected how she was "not a quitter" and one who does not give up- nothing more or less. These forced niceties ended the last debate.

This election season was an interesting one as it appears to be that Clinton and Trump had a strenuous time managing ethical crisis and defending themselves, rather than addressing issues important to voters.

Many people have taken to creating "memes" and it has been an easy election to follow, even for kids. In the words of Hillary Clinton, "This is not an ordinary time.. And this is not an ordinary election." Yes mam.

* This editorial was written one week prior to voting day.

Advisor's Note: New Era of Titan Echo Journalists Take the Reigns

This year marks our school's fifth year in service. That milestone also marks the fifth year that the Titan Echo has been in publication. Since that time, the Echo put out 15 issues. That's 210 pages of original journalism that was conceived, researched, written, edited and published by our students. In totality, 15,000 copies were put into circulation. Furthermore, we estimate that our stories and content have informed more than 10,000 readers on campus and beyond. Equally notable are the countless hours of enriching experience our students gained in the process.

However, the founding staff and first wave of student journalists that created those groundbreaking issues have graduated and new era of journalists has claimed the reigns.

Junior **Angie Sanchez** becomes the Titan Echo's fifth editor-in-chief. Sophomore and Campus Editor **Jillian Deuel** is waiting in the wing to take over next year. Sophomore **Rodri Smith** returns and has been promoted to sports and photo editor. Big shoes to fill!

Our newest staff members are sophomores Raeleene Wilbur and Lillayana Rodriguez, promising writers that excelled in the Journalism I class last year. Kylee Sanchez (2017), Jack Garrison (2018), and Isabel Zaragoza (2020) round out the staff. They are all the new stewards of your publication.

Angie and the staff have already redesigned the cover, added and deleted new sections (sorry gamers), and rethought the delivery method. This new era of Titan Echo writers are making the paper their own. I personally look forward to witnessing their rise with the acknowledgement that they will also occasionally fall. Journalism is a tough job.

However, the commitment they possess to inform our campus is equal to their predecessors if not stronger. So, keep reading or you might miss the buzz.

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New Tardy Sweep Policy Sends Students Swarming

By Jillian Deuel (2019), Campus Editor

TITAN TOWN - Hallways at-Grand Terrace High School are bustling after the implementation of a firm tardy policy this school year.

The new policy which took effect Aug. 15, is reducing student tardies and disgruntling students in the process. Daily tardy sweeps each period, (excluding first and fourth) and disciplinary measures for repeat offenders are proving to be effective, as many students are scrambling to get to class to avoid being "swept up."

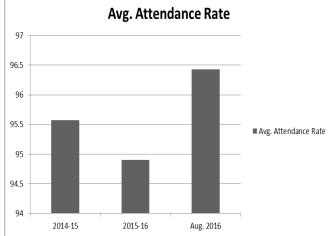
Titans who attended GTHS in past school years are familiar with tardy sweeps, but not to this extent. Previously, tardy sweeps were fairly uncommon, with a few arbitrary ones per week. Presently, they are an unavoidable and unfavorable part of every student's school routine.

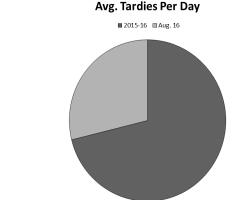
Students may wonder how the new tardy sweep policy came to be. After a drop in the average attendance rate for the 2015-16 school year alarmed school administrators, it was decided it was time to take action.

The average attendance rate two years ago was 95.57 percent, according to **Assistant Principal Chris Burner.**Only one year later (last year), that number fell to 94.9 percent, much to the dismay of school officials. To put this data in perspective, there were a total of 52,579 tardies recorded last year, Mr. Burner stated. Once the tardy policy was put into effect in August the average attendance rate increased to 96.43%.

Changes in Attendance from past years and August 2016, the month the new tardy policy was implemented.

Source: Assistant Principal's Office







A student dashes toward the A Building after jumping a small wall to avoid the tardy sweep in August. Photo by Jillian Deuel

In addition, tardies per period decreased to numbers in the single digits, Mr. Burner reported.

"We are pleased with the results," he declared, smiling, when asked to comment about the policy's success rate.

While the tardy sweeps are a big triumph for school officials, they have had an adverse effect on most students' attitudes.

Cedric Robinson (2018) gave his views on the policy saying, "I think it's unacceptable. If you have to go to the bathroom and the bell rings, you'll be caught in the tardy sweep. They should give us more time."

Adrian Uvillado's (2017) opinion shed light on both sides of the subject, "It's fair for the administration because they have to deal with all the tardies. At the same time, it's inconvenient. They shouldn't make the tardy policy for everyone. Most of us put effort into making it to class on time. They should focus on kids who are always tardy."

Despite the opposing views between administration and students regarding the tardy sweeps, they will remain in effect until further notice.

"You don't have to worry about the policy if you're in class on time," said Mr. Burner. In the meantime, halls will continue to be whirling with students whose sole goal is to be prompt and punctual in order to avoid consequences such as detentions and loss of privileges.

Graphics by Jillian Deuel Source: Assistant Principal's Office Photo by Jillian Deuel Campus Vol. 5, Issue 1 Page 4

New Class Gets Students Ready to Manage Their Personal Finance

By Raeleene Wilbur (2019) Sports and Campus Writer

TITANTOWN- This year GTHS is offering a new class that can greatly improve the future of students.

The class covers personal financial management and is taught by Mrs. Jamie Megee (Business) during third period. All grades are eligible to take the class and it can help them with college credits.

The class teaches the fundamentals of personal finance.
These are financial topics that all young people will eventually need to understand, such as loans, investments, credit, FICO scores, mortgage basics, and retirement planning. It may help students avoid debt by knowing how to manage finances such as loan term terminology.

Students can receive A-G credits. It can help with a CTE pathway, like a job in finance.

This class can help students even if they are not interested in a career in finance or college.

"Financial management is the type of thing that can help me in the future," said senior **Manuel Alvarado**, a student currently in the class.

Real Life Financial Topics:

- Economics and Personal Finance
- Business Ownership and Planning
- Credit
- Investing
- Protecting Your Finances

Muslim Student Association Starts Up



Members of the Muslim Student Association show off pillow cases they made for hospital patients.

Photo courtesy of Heidi Wilson

By Isabel Zaragoza (2020), Campus Writer

TITAN TOWN- The new Muslim Student Association club has just began this 2016 school year with a great start.

The purpose of this club is to learn more about Islam and the Muslim community. Unfortunately, some people tend to stereotype the Muslim community. This club helps people understand Islamic culture by stripping away the negative connotations. You also do not have to be Muslim to be in this club, so it is open to everyone who wants to gain a better understanding. Both President Raihanah Medlock (2017) and Vice President Asiyah Medlock (2019) put this club together with the supervision of Ms. Heidi Wilson (English) this year. The club has done volunteering such as making pillow cases for hospitalized children and planting plants for the community. During meetings, there are slideshows about different things about Islam and discussions for volunteering ideas.

They also play games and eat snacks to bond together as a group. Club member **Sakinah Storks** (2020) says that she likes the club because "It's informative and everyone is so nice."

So What?

There are about 3.3 million Muslims in the United States. Muslims believe in Allah, Arabic word for God. They base their laws on their holy books, the Qur'an and the Sunnah. Muslim women tend to wear a Hijab, a head covering, as a personal choice to show dedication to their religion.

Source: Arabsinamerica.unc.edu

Interested?

When: Mondays at 2:40

Where: A153.

Supervisor: Ms.Wilson Points of Contact: Raihanah Medlock and Asiyah Medlock Sports November 2016 Page 5

Before They Were The Titans: Pee Wee League Cultivates Future Titans

By Raeleene Wilbur, (2019) Campus & Sports Writer

TITAN TOWN- Before Titan football players were playing on the high school football field with cheerleaders and hundreds of students cheering them on, many of them played for the Junior All American Football Conference (JAAFC).

Many we now know as our dominating GT football players were known as "Little Titans" prior to becoming our JV, freshman and varsity players. The Little Titans, which range from 5-14 years of age, look forward to playing on the high school team in hopes of becoming like the players we have today.

At this age players are able to learn about football fundamentals and quality sportsmanship.

"The objective for all involved is to not only have fun learning the game of football and the spirit of cheer, but to also build their character and self esteem by practicing teamwork, sportsmanship, respect, pride, and academic excellence," according to the JAAFC website.

"It helped a lot because it taught me fundamentals and the game of football," said **Corey Fields,** a GTHS freshman football player and former Little Titan.

This program has been immensely helpful





with teaching kids the skills to become a player on a high school football team.

The kids are allowed to see if they will pursue football for GTHS. If they are legitimately interested in playing, becoming a Little Titan will improve the possibility of joining one of our football teams.

The GTHS football team often gives back to the JAAFC by helping some of the Little Titans with their drills. They also have a game or two a season where the Little Titans are allowed free entry.

Moreover, the GTHS football players and Little Titans occasionally work together to help the community as well. On Oct. 30, the Little Titans and GTHS football players planned to team up with the Hiccups Pizza Project to feed the homeless on Skid Row.

Top: A Little Titan sacks the quarterback during practice earlier this year. Middle: The Little Titans practice a standard formation. Bottom: After running laps, the Little Titans jog to the field. Photos by Raeleene Wilbur.

Why We Run: What Goes On In Cross Country Runner's Mind?

By Rodri Ana Smith (2019), Sports Editor TITAN TOWN- Running is an amazing sport and it's sad to say that not many people know much about it. There are two sports that only have to do with running in high school. They are cross country and track. Both of these sports take hard work and dedication just like any other sport.

Running is a bit different from other sports even though most would not think so. In other sports

you have breaks, timeouts, halftime, and substitutions. But, in running you have to run *your* race. There is no quitting, substitution, nothing. Everything is on you, and you can not give up. Running is a mental sport.

"When I'm running I'm thinking about all the people who did not think I run and who do not believe in me. I use what people say negatively to motivate myself and I always think that if I give up then it would last forever but the pain is temporary," said Cross Country Captain Marcus Romero (2018).



From left: Valerie Jimenez (2019), Karizma Diaz (2018), and Paola Sanabria (2019) train for time for an upcoming meet. Photo by Rodri Smith

"I feel as if the happiness at the end is what is going to matter because we are either going to do something that made us happy, or I think about what we could have done to make us happier after the race," he said.

"Pain is temporary"

Cross Country Coach,
Brittany Mac said that
cross country is a team
sport even though it is
performed individually.

"Everyone has to put in work to be a good team. In order to be the greatest and to be self motivated, you have to push yourself to be the best and push others to be the best as well," she said.

Running cross country and track and field is not about being the best or who you are faster than. It is about you. It is an individual sport and you are competing against yourself. You are racing against the clock. You are trying to "PR" (beating your personal record). That is what matters most.

Volleyball, Victors Vs Rival Colton

By Rodri Ana Smith (2019), Sports Editor

TITANTOWN – Both varsity and JV girls took a win against Colton, Sep. 22. They both won 3-0. The girls played their hearts out and gave it all they could. They came together as a team, with every bump, set, and spike.

The players and coaches were happy with how the game played out. **Coach Camille Butts** said, "The team worked together by using communication, technique, and confidence to play efficiently and aggressively."

Ms. Butts added that **Jordan Wells (2017)** and **Mathean Parentela (2018)** were the team leaders in kills with 9 and 7 respectively and that the Titans "hope to use this victory to motivate us through the end of league play and into the post season."



Senior McKenzie Miller (right side) spikes against Colton on Sept. 22. Photo by Rodri Smith

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Sublime with Rome or Just Sublime?

By Lillayana Rodriguez, (2019) A&E Writer

TITAN TOWN- If you are a fan of Sublime then you probably know about Sublime with Rome. If you do not know about Sublime, they were a reggae/ska band formed in 1988. The band members consisted of Bradlev Nowell (lead singer and guitarist), Eric Wilson (bassist), Bud Gaugh (drums), Michael Happoldt (guitar), and Marshall Goodman (drums). Sublime stopped performing in 1996 due to Bradley's passing. Before Bradley's passing they released two self titled albums: 40oz. To Freedom (1992) and Robbin' the Hood (1994). The third album was released two months after Nowell's death, which included Sublime's only number one hit song "What I Got."

A little over 13 years after Nowell passed, a former Sublime fan, Rome Ramirez, got together with the rest of the band and called themselves





Original Sublime frontman Brad Nowell (top) was replaced by Rome Ramirez (bottom). From Google Images



What do you think? Youtube and decide for yourself.
Sublime: "Wrong Way" and Sublime with Rome: "cover of "Wrong Way"

Sublime with Rome. A year later on July 12, 2010, they came out with their first album called "Yours Truly." Five months after the album's release, Bud Gaugh left the band. Even though they cover Sublime songs, they do not call themselves a tribute band. Some people appreciate them trying to keep the Sublime spirit alive while other Sublime fans are upset and assume that Rome is trying to "replace" Brad Nowell.

Some people think Sublime with Rome is merely a tribute band. Others think that Rome is the next Brad Nowell. Some fans do not like Sublime with Rome at all! A fan named **Starr Ronspiez**, a freshman at GTHS, said, "Sublime with Rome is nothing like the original." Another fan, Ralph Ledesma, a 30-year old Grand Terrace resident stated, "Sublime with Rome is the best. Rome sounds just like Brad!"

As you can see, some Sublime fans like Sublime with Rome while others do not.

New Studio Allows People To Create Interactive Movies For Free

By Jack Garrison, (2018), A&E Writer

NEW YORK - A new film studio, Interlude, has created a free-to-use program called Eko that allows you to create interactive films, cartoons, comedy skits, and music videos and upload them on the internet.

Currently, music artists such as Snoop Dogg, Led Zeppelin, and Carly Rae Jepsen have used the site to create their own music videos. Other video game and movie developers, such as Ken Levine and MGM Studios, are currently making movies using the technology. These videos and movies can evolve the art medium by allowing people to not only be able to watch something but experience it much like a video game, yet more accessible to the public. Artists can also

use this to make more complex art that involves an audience in a larger way.

Eko can be accessed either through download, or simply opening it in your browser on the website (helloeko.com). The layout is simple to use. The entire film is displayed as a timeline. You can add video clips to the timeline, which will create a separate, alternate timeline for viewers to select while watching the film.

"We look forward to working with inventive writers and directors to create compelling storytelling that will match Interlude's innovative technology," said Interlude CEO, Yoni Bloch.

A few videos have been released using Eko's platform: Wiz Khalifa, Coldplay, Led Zeppelin, and Jeff Buckley.

In development from MGM, however, is a feature-length movie, #WarGames, a re-imagining of the 1983 movie of the same name, as well as Ken Levine's film,

The Twilight Zone.

"Interactive media could become a genre of its own. Mainstream plays such as Shakespeare's have already had some form of audience interactivity, so I feel that it'll last," said Ms. Shelia Comerford (Art).

In an interview with Wired, game developer Ken Levine said, "Interactivity is a spectrum, it's not binary. I think of it as the viewer's angle in the chair. When you watch something, you're sitting back in the chair. When you're gaming, you're leaning forward in the chair. This is an interesting place in between ... your brain is forward in the chair."

Eko videos are currently available on desktops and smart devices, and are coming soon to Smart TVs and virtual reality.

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Did Your Zodiac Sign Change? NASA Tweaks the Calendar

By Lillayana Rodriguez (2019), Campus Writer

There has recently been a small adjustment in the astrology sign system that may have changed your zodiac sign.

In September, NASA announced a thirteenth constellation, "Ophiuchus."

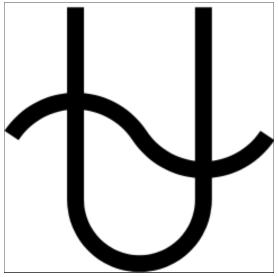
The new constellation means the dates of the previous signs were readjusted to accommodate 13 signs; therefore, changing some people's already existing signs. Many people are enraged at the fact that their previous sign did not remain the same.

Its worse for those who are the new sign, Ophiuchus, the Serpent Bearer. "Oh no.

I'm a weirdo!" said Jillian Deuel (2019), upon learning that her sign changed from Sagittarius to the new sign. "I believe that I fit into most of the characteristics of my current sign. But when the signs changed and I looked at my new sign, I freaked out because I do not fit into any of the characteristics of my new sign," said Isha Smith (2019).

Even though the dates of the signs have changed, NASA implied the current zodiac sign system, which millions of people consider a true reflection of themselves and an accurate way to measure compatibility with significant others, is insignificant.

"But even according to the Babylonians' own ancient stories, there were 13 constellations in the zodiac," NASA wrote on its website. NASA is saying that the signs did not change because there have always been 13 signs. They also stated, "Astrology is something else. It's not science."





Meet Ophiuchus (pronounced 'o-few-cus)

Some Traits: Interpreter of dreams, Seeker of wisdom and knowledge, will have a great family but have to leave the home at early age, attract good luck, visionary, seek to change, disliking routine in life, follow their instincts to a fault and can be impulsive, happy and humorous, honest to a fault, often described as intellectual and clever, think with their hearts and not their heads, powerfully passionate, creativity, imagination and curiosity, charisma, empathic, people pleasers with a knack for persuasion, sense of justice, great with language, arts and the written word, passionate and adept lovers naturally, eccentric and quirky, driven to succeed. Have trouble with monogamous relationships. Can be of the jealous type. Are judgmental and critical. Can be restless and irresponsible. Procrastinate as a rule. Have violent but short lived tempers. Best match: Pisces.

Adding a new sign may not seem like a big deal, but many people believe that they fit exactly into the characteristics of their sign. Others are not as superstitious. Thus, they have neutral opinions on the matter.

"It doesn't really matter to me its just what people put together and things that haven't been proven," said **Darline Horta** (2017).

Still, some people will prefer to ignore the new calendar. Joseph Morrall, a resident of Grand Terrace stated, "Even though they added that new sign, I am going to keep on reading my horoscope from my original sign."

The New Zodiac Calendar, according to the NASA discovery of a new constellation.

Aries April 19-May 13 **Taurus** May 14-June 19 June 20-July 20 Gemini July 21-Aug. 9 Cancer Leo Aug. 10-Sept. 15 Sept. 16-Oct. 30 Virgo Libra Oct. 31-Nov. 22 Scorpio Nov. 23- Nov. 29 Ophiuchus Nov. 30- Dec. 17 Sagittarius Dec. 18-Jan. 18 Capricorn Jan. 19- Feb. 15 Aquarius Feb. 16-March 11 **Pisces** March 12-April 18

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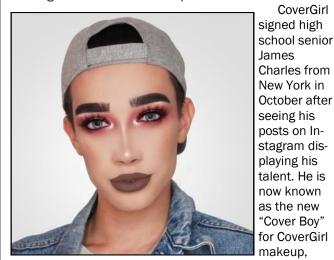
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CoverGirl's New **Face for Makeup**

By Kylee Sanchez (2017), Fashion Writer

NEW YORK - CoverGirl is known for modeling their makeup products with female models since 1961. A new face will be representing CoverGirl products, however, and will help modernize the makeup industry.

Girls have always been the face for makeup products, but boys have been transforming the purpose of makeup lately, and making it open to all genders. With this shift in society's norms, CoverGirl has recently hired a male model for their products after noticing this new streamline use of makeup and recognizing that boys have the same talent as girls in the art of makeup.



CoverGirl's new face James Charles. Google Images

Girl's image because they are breaking through society's standards and making history for makeup campaigns which have never featured male models.

James Charles told Refinery29, "I think it's important for brands to recognize the male population because we're growing."

Chris Figueroa (2018) is part of this growing population. He started wearing makeup two years ago. He was part of the societal time when makeup wasn't normal for boys and so many people did not understand this new fad. But, makeup on boys has become trendier than ever, leading up to the new "Cover-boy."

"Now, being in 2016, it's amazing to see...on Instagram...," Chris said.

Charles will have his first makeup campaign on TV, print, and digital advertisements with the new mascara product So Lashy! He will continue to break down barriers for boys who are not fully comfortable wearing makeup in public. CoverGirl will be creating new standards in society by popularizing makeup through a gender neutral representation.

Falling into Cooler Weather and Warmer Clothing

By Kylee Sanchez (2017), Fashion Writer

With fall in season, a trend of big knit sweaters, high knee boots, and turtlenecks are coming in style for women. Metallic shoes will be standing out on the streets



and bomber jackets will be keeping women warm on the colder days. For that pop of color amongst the orange and brown hues will be navy blue, deep green, burgundy, and even gold.

For men it will be a similar fashion, with turtleneck sweaters as casual wear, and a knit cardigan or trendy trench coat that can complete an outfit for those chilly days. You will also see them sporting the low cut

lace up boots and leather jackets.

Big knit sweaters can be found anywhere, from top stores such as H&M, Urban Outfitters, and Forever 21 to bargain stores such as Goodwill and Marshalls. Colors that are being widely used include camel, ginger, burgundy, and deep green. The new style of knit sweaters are being designed with a turtleneck on it, and they seem to be the latest in fashion.

Turtlenecks are definitely in season this year for both women and men. Turtlenecks were a big fashion hit in the 1920's and 1950's and they are now circulating back around to this year. Women turtlenecks are seen in burgundy, deep green, tan, and a red orange color. For men, they are seen in darker colors such as black, dark blue, or light grey or tan.



Women seem to be keeping warm by throwing on a bomber jacket over a simple shirt or sweater. Another trick women are doing to stay warm is pairing a long sleeve shirt or a long sleeve turtleneck under a flowy swing dress or overalls for a bit of layering.

Men are staying warm with leather jackets from H&M, Macy's, and Target. Men can buy cardigans at H&M, Old Navy, and Forever 21, and even trench coats can be found at Burlington, H&M and Target.

Footwear for women include metallic shoes in the silver or gold color, as well as high knee boots that are being sold in colors such as black, brown, tan, grey, and even burgundy. Shoes that are coming in style for men are the low cut lace up boots, but the typical Vans, Nike, Adidas, or Converse are great to throw on with a casual fall outfit for both genders.

IPhone 7: Apple's Best iPhone Yet? Maybe Not



By Isabel Zaragoza (2020), Campus Writer CUPERTINO, CA- Apple has finally come out with the new iPhone 7.

The device itself costs \$649 and the plus is \$769. There are many improvements, including water resistance and improved cameras.

According to Digitaltrends.com, the phone can be dunked into water for a long period of time and still function with "flying colors."

"If you're a hardcore photographer, go for the iPhone 7.." says Cnet.com. With its dual rear camera lens, it's not hard to see why. The camera on this "delivers true 2x optical zoom" and has a new retina HD display to see it on.

Also, there is a new system, mostly considered to be the big negative of buying a new iPhone. The headphone jack is absolutely gone, and is replaced with the latest "AirPods."

These headphones are completely wireless, bluetoothing into your iphone without a cord. It costs \$159, according to Apple.com. It was released in late October.

The phone comes with a lightning headphone jack connector that you connect along with your earbuds.

Senior **Amber Barzak** recently received the new phone and considers it to be "better than previous iPhones..." She likes the new iOS update, clearer camera and water resistance.

However, she dislikes that she cannot put the headphones in and charge her phone at the same time. "Im neutral about it" Barzak said. "I don't mind it, I just need wireless headphones for my only compliant." According to a poll from Gsmarena.com, 33 percent of surveyors believe that the iPhone 7 is "Great as usual, best iPhone ever!" and a whopping 67% completely disagree with a "you call this innovation?"

What celebrities had to say about the new iPhone

"I don't even own the new iPhone yet but i can guarantee you i have already lost one of my AirPod earbuds."

-Jesse Tyler Ferguson

"No phone jack in a phone is the equivalent to giving a child a Yoo-hoo with no straw."

-Josh Gad

"More like iPhone HEAVEN, am i right?!?"
-Josh Peck

"Gimme dat iPhone 7s"

-Chloe Grace Mortez

Source- gossipcop.com

Class of 2017

The last college application workshops for Seniors will be November 17, 28, and 29. The workshops will be held in the library's computer lab with your counselors. Make sure you sign up on the school website! UC College Applications are open during November 1st-November 30th.



Make sure you don't have more than 10 tardies or you won't be able to walk at graduation! You can make tardies and absences up at tutoring on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:30-3:30, or by going to Saturday school.



This year's student section at the football games seemed to have the most spirit thanks to the seniors in ASB and Leadership.



Congratulations to marching band senior, **John Brannon**, who has the honor of playing in the Rose Parade Band!



Class of 2018

The only dates for Saturday School this semester are the 3rd and 10th of December. Make sure to make up your absences next month, or you'll have to wait until next semester.

You can audition for band wind ensemble from November 28 until December 9. See **Mr. Robert Ransdell** in the band room.



The SAT dates are December 3, January 21, and March 11. Make sure to sign up a month prior to tests!



Class of 2019

On Oct. 28 the class of 2019 hosted a movie night in the lecture hall. Movies shown were The Nightmare Before Christmas and Halloween Town

On Oct. 29 the Revved Up for Reading Event took place at the Auto Club Speedway. There was a special performance by the GClub

Tryouts for Girl's Softball are Nov. 8. Basketball tryouts are Oct.21 and Marquee tryouts are Oct. 25.





Many Sophomores worked hard to take part in the PSAT and Princeton Review Practice SAT. Congratulations to students who took the extra step to prepare and did well on the test!

Class of 2020

Congratulations to the freshman football team for the win against Summit 21-20 on October 13.



Meet the READ Club

By Jillian Deuel (2019), Campus Editor

The READ (Readers Enjoying Authors' Dreams) club is comprised of a small group of students who share a love for literature.

"We talk about books and their plots and genres," explained President **Jezreel Sanchez**. The club also does book reviews which appear on bulletin boards in buildings every other week.

In addition, the club does volunteer work at the Colton Library and even donates 55 percent of the money they earn from recycling to the library toward new books.

The READ Club meets afterschool on Thursdays in room A107.



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Robotics Club

By Angie Sanchez, (2018) Editor-in-Chief

TITAN TOWN- Robotics club is a club for students who want to engage in building contraptions through the use of technology. Members meet up on Mondays and Thursdays to design, construct, and strategize for competitions, which commence Nov. 28.

Two robots are currently being perfected. One consists of a mechanical "arm" and is designed to lift a yoga ball into a basket while the other uses whiffle balls for a similar purpose.

Club member Daniel Mooney (2017) states, "Anyone with an interest on computers or mechanical engineering, or even just in how things work, should join. I was skeptical at first but now I love it. I can be productive and utilize my ingenuity to its fullest potential." The Robotics Club meets Mondays and Thursdays afterschool.





Best Buddies

By Kylee Sanchez, (2017) Fashion Writer

TITAN TOWN- Best Buddies is a club that creates one-to-one friendships between teens and students with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and those without. For the first couple years Best Buddies was not well known, with about 2 to 7 students attending and making those with IDD feel included. This year, however, there are more than 30 members attending meetings and Tuesday lunches, and giving these kids friendships they will never forget. An upcoming event for Best Buddies is the Friendship Walk. Best Buddies expects 22 members attending and raising money!

Best Buddies meets every late start Tuesdays during lunch in A114, and they have meetings every other Thursday after school in A114. If you want to join and hear about upcoming events and announcements follow Best Buddies on Twitter or Instagram @gtbestbuddies.