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STUDENT COUNCIL **WANTS *YOU*** TO GIVE THANKS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

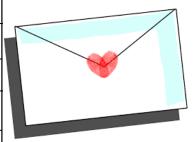
Brennan Marasco & Drew Yuhas STAFF WRITERS

Last week, Student Council asked students to help support popular Atlanta radio show The Bert Show's "Big Thank You" initiative bv writing letters of encouragement to our troops this Thanksgiving season.

They asked that students—and their families and friends-

write to currently deployed military personnel and detail how their service has personally impacted them.

however, if you would like to do veterans, new recruits, first relets exist for you to do something caregivers.



similar, year round.

As we enter this season of giv- USO Wishbook ing thanks, check out the following organizations, which not only in other ways.

Operation Gratitude

(operationgratitude.com/)

This is a great option because The Bert Show deadline for you can write or donate not only letters was Monday, Oct. 28; to deployed troops, but also to more, fear not! Many other out- sponders, wounded heroes and

Soldiers Angels

(soldiersangels.org/)

This organization takes it upon themselves to "adopt" soldierstheir motto is "May no soldier go unloved"-and they are dedicated to making sure all soldiers receive mail, and support, during mail call.

(usowishbook.uso.org/)

Lastly, through the USO, you collect letters but also take dona- can donate money that translates tions and have programs in place into gifts that bring soldiers closto support our service members er to their families. They have gifts that translate into phone

calls home for service members, long distance bedtime stories and more.

Whether or not vou decide to do more than the letters you wrote in class, your words of encouragement support mean a lot to those who are out there fighting and sacrificing for our

freedom here at home.



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Guess Who?

Devin Neveu STAFF WRITER

Hey, Warriors! "Guess Who" is a fun, quick guessing game, where you read the answers to the following questions and guess which teacher or staff member it might be.

Here is this edition's installment:

What is your favorite movie?

A: The Goonies

If you could dye your hair, what color would it be?

A: Purple

What is your favorite candy? A: Twix

What's your favorite animal? A: Otter

If you were to take a vacation, which country would you visit? A: Greece

What is your biggest pet peeve? A: Rude People

Who is your favorite artist? A: Pink Floyd



Who is your favorite actor/actress? A: Bradley Cooper

If you could describe yourself in one word, what would it be? A: Fun

What is an unknown fact about your-

A: I have a degree in Photography



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Which teacher or staff member—do you think it is?*

*SEE BACK COVER FOR THE ANSWER

Some Facts About the Rainforest Fires—That Should Scare You

Caroline Warner STAFF WRITER

For the past three months, the Amazon Rainforest Fires has been covered on all different types of media, from coverage on morning news shows to awareness posts on Instagram—and that is because one of the most beautiful and resource-rich areas on Earth is being destroyed right this second.

Who started this fire?

These fires are different from California's wildfires, as those fires were due to natural causes—and, unfortunately, in the Amazon, the primary cause of this disaster is humans, who are lighting the rainforest on fire for more space and for financial gain.

Economic groups such as



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cattle grazers and bean growers also want to cut down trees to make space for their farms.

As well, the president of Brazil, Jair Bolsonaro, agrees with the destruction of the rainforest for these reasons and even used that as a campaign tactic in his election to appeal to voters who are for it.

Because of this, even if people do stop the fires, Bolsonaro may order it to continue burning anyway, in the name of economic growth and money for Brazil.

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Unpopular Opinion Corner: Annotating Is . . . Not That Bad

Brennan Marasco STAFF WRITER

English class, in general, is a fun class. Especially for students who love to read and write. Students get to use their creative minds to think about and discuss a variety of texts. They can even write essays and stories about topics they enjoy.

There are many interesting aspects of English class, but the most iconic part of English is reading. Some students love to read, and others hate itbut almost every student can agree on one thing:

Annotating is the worst thing about English class.

Students complain that having to stop and write what the author is doing takes them out of the flow of the book, and

that they can't enjoy the story as much.

However . . . is it really as horrible as everyone thinks it is?

For starters, annotating isn't as difficult as everyone makes it out to be. While most students complain that it's hard to write down their thoughts, the truth of the matter is, it's easy. People with journals do it all the time, and writing down your thoughts in a journal is no different than writing down your thoughts in a book.

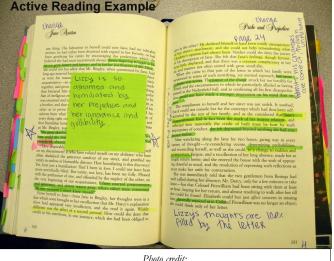
There is a constant stream of thoughts going through your head every second. With this in mind, you don't have to stop and think about what deep and meaningful statement you want to write. All you need to do is point out what you notice, when you notice it, and write down small notes about exactly what you're thinking.

If one does this, then annotating gets exponentially easier, and more entertaining, as you feel like you're having a conversation with the author rather than just listening to

Now that we've established that annotating isn't as difficult as you may think it is, you may still argue that it has no purpose to your reading, and only slows you down. Well, that statement is both true and false.

Annotating is supposed to slow you down and make you think more critically about the reading according to our English teach-

According to Mrs. Blevins, it is important



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"because it forces [students] to slow down when reading."

Generally speaking, if one reads a book for school without annotating, then he will likely skim through it and not focus on it as much as he should to fully understand it. may miss key events in the story. Then, when he has a quiz on the material, he won't know as many specifics because he rushed through the book too fast and didn't catch the important information—and then, he might fail the quiz.

While some students believe they are able to process all the information without annotating, the majority of students will try to get their reading done as quickly as possible and, therefore, they will miss more information as a result. That's why annotating is so important when it comes to reading.

Moving along from how annotating affects the ability to process information, let's discuss how it helps you study for tests. For most classes, you would probably look for answers in your textbook, right? It's rather easy to find the chapter or find a word in the index of a textbook so you can review.

But what about a test in English on a book you just read? How do you study for that? Do you reread the entire book? That seems rather tedious. Perhaps you instead get a reading guide from your teacher. But how do you fill it out? You'd have to reread the book to find all the information again.

That is, if you didn't annotate.

The truth is, annotating lets you mark the important events of the book so you can go back and review them for tests and quizzes.

According to English department chair Mrs. Yuhas, "It's like a textbook for English class."

What she is saying is, students aren't given textbooks for the books they are reading, but annotating is like making your own textbook inside the book. It gives you the ability to easily look back through the book and find all the information that you need to review for any major or minor assessment.

Annotating is very helpful, for many reasons. While many may still disagree and say that it can be boring and tedious, I can see your point and everyone is entitled to his own opinion.

While you may disagree with me, it doesn't change the fact that annotating does, in fact, improve your understanding of the book—and it is not nearly as difficult as many people set it out to be.

So what do you think now? Do you still His mind may wander while reading, and he believe annotating is the worst thing ever, and that you should never have to do it? Or do you now see the importance and simplicity of annotating, and understand its usefulness in making you a better English student?



"I always like to sink my teeth into a good book!" - Dracula

Rainforest (continued from page 2)

Why should we care about the rainforest burning down?

The Amazon Rainforest is critical to the Earth. Known as "The lungs of the Earth," the Amazon provides twenty percent of our oxygen and would also negatively affect our current fight against climate change.

In addition, the Amazon also gives humans medicine, such as cortisone, and it is home to millions of animals and plants. Without the Amazon, many whole species would die.

In an article from August of 2019 from The Washington Post, writer Andrew Freedman explains that "...a key element of any plan to restrain climate change. Any increase in deforestation there would speed up global warming as well as damage an important refuge for biodiversity."

How can we help?

We can help end the Rainforest fires, but tion. stopping the gigantic fire will be challenging-and the solutions are unclear. However, one of the ways to stop some of the burning will be changing the root problems. This includes "slash and burn," which is a form of deforestation.

In 2015, the Brazilian government elimi-



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nated the countries ban on illegal deforesta-

In an article in The Washington Post, environmentalist Paulo Moutinho says that "the fire is a consequence of deforestation and if you're not going to address this deforestation you are just going to make some treatment that doesn't make any kind of effect in the long-term."

That said, to stop the fire, he suggests Brazilians need to stop old habits.

You personally can help the cause by donating money to organizations, such as The Amazon Conservation Association at amazonconservation.org to provide relief.

We may seem far removed from the situation, but should not wait until we have lost a large portion of our oxygen, a great number of materials for medicines and millions of species realize we should have done something.



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Try Something New with Neveu: Drawing

Devin Neveu STAFF WRITER

Have you ever wondered how some FMH 29: Draw Something architectura people can draw really well? When I have to draw, I cringe a little on the inside knowing I am not one of those people who can draw at all-never mind well.

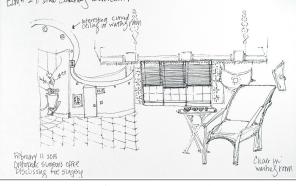
Because of this, I started to explore my options, and it turns out there are a few techniques to get better at drawing.

The first suggestion is to try to draw something over and over until you get better at it. Like everything else, if you practice at that one drawing for a while, you will get used to drawing it, and it will progressively get better over time.

The more I looked into it, the more I saw that is a major rule for learning to

draw. You won't become amazing over- many different types of artists. Find one night, however, so be sure to exercise your that you really like, and then try to make patience until you improve.

learning from other drawings. There are mimic that type of shading, emulate their



Example of Everyday Items Drawn Out. Photo credit: https://daisyyellowart.com/vividlife/15-tips-to-improve-your-drawing-skills

your drawings like theirs. See how they use Another way to get better at drawing is by lines and shapes. If you like their shading, style, etc.

You could also experiment with different materials to figure out how to create the same effects in other drawings you like. Maybe you are better using a pen instead of a pencil, or you would rather use markers instead of colored pencils.

You won't know what works best for you until you try it.

You could also try drawing on different materials, such as different types of paper or even canvas.

If those media don't interest you, however, you could try drawing digitally on a tablet or computer.



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The World Series Clash: Astros vs. Nationals

Drew Yuhas STAFF WRITER

The regular baseball season games have come to an end. In the World Series, the Houston Astros and Washington Nationals are now clashing-and history has been made because, for the first time in World Series, five of the top 10 pitchers in strikeouts in the regular season are in the series.

The best part of it all is that the Astros and Nationals share the same spring training facility in West Palm Beach, Fla., and now the two teams meet on baseball's

champion.

Now, more about the teams . . .

After 86 years, the Nationals are finally in "After all, they have been through they just to win the World Series over the Nationals. the World Series. They haven't won a single have to win the World Series." one but they will be trying especially after their long road here.

Before the season, they lost Bryce Harper, their most dynamic player, to the Philadelphia Phillies after his contract ended, and then got off to a slow start.

came from behind to win the Wild Card and beat that record. Game over the Brewers. The Nationals the top-seeded Dodgers before sweeping marked the third straight 100 win season for



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the World Series.

According to eighth grader Sean Siracusa,

They had baseball's best record in the regular season, going 107-55. Astros starters struck out 28.9% of the batters they faced in the regular season, the highest rate in On May 23, they were 10 games out of MLB history. Last year, the Astros set a first place in the National League East. The franchise record for most wins in a season The Fall Classic," said Schoenfield. post season was a different story. They then they came back even stronger this year

(National League Divison Series) to upset the Astros did this season. This 107 win of the season.

the Astros. Only five other teams have done that (the 1929-31 Oakland Athletics, the 1942-44 Cardinals, the 1969-71 Baltimore Orioles, the 1997-99 Atlanta Braves and the 2002-2004 New York Yankees), and with 311 wins since 2017, only one of those five (the Orioles) won more games in their three-year run than the Astros.

In post season, the Astros went on to win the ALDS, even though they had to play all five games of the series against the Rays. Even with a Game 1 loss in the ALCS,

biggest stage to determine the World Series the NL Central-winning Cardinals to reach they defeated the Yankees in six games. Unsurprisingly, the Astros (going for their second title in three years) are the favorites

> All in all, this season was a good one, and It was a more straightforward road for the the World Series match-up seems very intense with all the Astros and National have done throughout the season.

> > According to an article on ESPN, sports writer David Shoenfield agrees.

> > "It is a sporting event so wonderful it requires two names: The World Series or

Not much else can be said about the World Series or the regular season regarding With 107 victories in 2019, only a dozen these teams, so let's hope the whole series is then won the final two games of the NLDS teams in history have won more games than as exciting as the teams have made the rest

The Five Stripe Freakwent

Dominic Yeremian STAFF WRITER

Atlanta had a few bumps in the road in the beginning of the season; but, since April, games have been running smoothly-now adding up to seventeen wins, three draws and eleven losses so far this season. They have, this year alone, added two more trophies to their cabinet.

On Aug. 14, Atlanta United played against Club América in the CAMPE-ONES Cup (competition between the MLS and Liga MX champions). After the first goal scored by Emerson Hyndman for Atlanta United, Club América went up 2 - 1 in the 57'. Two minutes later, Jeff Larentowics scored a long shot from outside the box with Josef Martinez following with a penalty kick in the 65'.

Because of this, Atlanta United defeated



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the Liga MX giants, being the first MLS team to win the CAMPEONES Cup.

On August 24th, our guys won 2 - 1, with ten men in the U.S. Open Cup against Minnesota United.

Atlanta has now won three trophies in three seasons with a chance at a fourth, now that they are clinched for the playoffs.

After the last game of the season against New England Revolution, Atlanta has placed second in the Eastern Conference. This means the first playoff game will be against New England as the second place team plays the team in seventh. Atlanta will have the home field advantage not only for the quarterfinal but also the semifinal which will be against the winner of the third versus sixth place match.

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Post Malone Album Highlights

Domenic Yeremian STAFF WRITER

Austin Richard Post, also known as Post Malone, released his third studio album *Hollywood's Bleeding* on Sept. 6, 2019, following his critically acclaimed album *Beerbongs and Bentleys* in 2018.

Malone is considered a rapper by most; however, I believe he is not bound by a genre. He shows talent in all styles of his music from singing, rapping, his beat choice and use of instrumentals.

Without further ado, here are the highlights of his newest album.

Track 1: "Hollywood's Bleeding"

From what I understand from his lyrics, Malone speaks out about an overlooked concept by many people living in Hollywood. When he says "everyone" in the line "Everyone's gone but nobody's leaving," he means the souls and personalities of people who lived there, and the bodies that aren't leaving are all lifeless walking shells.

When he says, "Hollywood is bleeding, but we call it home" he means that Hollywood is like a broken home, but the people living in it aren't trying to fix it.

The beat is so well done in this track, and it further shows the dark and sad message of the song. The slow guitar gives a dramatic and crippling heart-sinking feeling to the listener. Even when the beat switches, you get the same message of sadness, but with a hint of anger. When the beat returns to the drums, it keeps the intensity, then makes a very smooth transition back to the more melancholy but strong tone.

Rating: (8/10)

The song does a very nice job of showing what the album is about. It explores a dark and complex concept that many people overlook when it comes to celebrities and Hollywood as a whole.

Track 6: "Circles"

The metaphors given in the chorus are hard hitting. For example, "Seasons change and our love went cold" or "Run away but we're running in circles." The song tells a story of Malone in a relationship, trying to save the other person from getting emotionally hurt. He takes the blame for not being a better part of the relationship, and he also admits he is ready to give up on something it is time to let go of.

The drums, guitars and even Malone's



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voice do a great job of making a chill beat—especially for a song about everything falling apart. It is so nice to listen to; you might find your head nodding side to side all of a sudden!

Rating: (8/10)

Sonically and lyrically, this song is so fun to listen to. It never gets old and is one of those songs to just close your eyes and listen to again and again.

Track 8: "On The Road" (feat. Lil Baby and Meek Mill)

Despite his age, Malone explains that he has been through a lot when it comes to becoming as popular as he is—and the people who weren't there for him. He promises the listener that he won't sell out like many have said he will.

Lil Baby and Meek Mill's verses in this song are so different from Malone's, in terms of flow. I like the way they fall in and out of the beat, giving diversity to the song.

The beat is also basic, which is good, as it allows one to focus on Malone's vocals and not be drowned out. There is not too much to mention about the beat, which is fine, but it allows the artists on the track to be dynamic with their flows.

Rating: (8/10)

The message in this song is very honest. Malone shows his true colors when it comes to his feelings about the people who weren't there for him. The featured artists

give a completely different sound than Malone himself as well, which allows you to focus on each of them.

Track 9: "Take What You Want" (Feat. Ozzy Osborne and Travis Scott)

This song hits hard, and it is so nice to listen to. The chorus is simple and works wonders for the track. Malone's lines are good, but his voice is absolutely amazing and outshines his own lyrics.

As well, the addition of Ozzy Osborne is definitely the best feature on this album. His voice fits perfectly on the track and makes it sound almost dystopian. Not to be outdone, Travis Scott does what he does best with his autotune rap.

What makes the track especially great is how each artist incorporates each of their own styles.

The guitars and drums give one goosebumps, and the rap segments of the beat are great and mold well into the song. Everyone's voice rides the beat so well, and nothing seems out of place. However, the guitar solo at the end steals the show and is probably the best way to end the song.

Rating: (10/10)

Objectively speaking, this song shouldn't work; a rock legend and auto-tune rapper on the same track looks absolutely ridiculous on paper. However, when you put someone capable of incorporating each genre, like Malone does, what you get is a song so soothing, and fun to listen to. It is an amazing track, and it is definitely the best track on the album.

Overall, this is one of the most ambitious albums of the year. It is inspiring because it takes risks, being so different from most music on the radio or what is being promoted on big streaming services—and it does so well conveying complex concepts of love, heartbreak and striving through adversity.



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Matt Maeson Album Review

McKenna Ching STAFF WRITER

Bank on the Funeral by Matt Maeson was released earlier this year in April. It is Matt Maeson's debut album, and it's definitely one that will make a mark.

This album has many songs that will stand the test of time. This album has been my favorite for months now and for good reason—the diversity of sound on the album is something to be appreciated. One song is slow and reflective, while the next is upbeat and energetic.

Here are the top five songs worth a listen off this album.

1. "The Mask" (8.5/10)

This song is probably the deepest on the album. It's about loss, and concealing feelings from that loss by putting on a metaphorical mask.

It's relatable to a lot of people, including myself, which is why I think it is one of the best tracks.

2. "Tribulation" (8/10)

Tribulation is all around a great song. To me, it's about a relationship that isn't working out. Again, this is relatable to a lot of people.



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3. "Cringe" (8.5/10)

Cringe is Maeson's most popular song. It's played on alternative radio stations, which is a big accomplishment in the music industry. This song's lyrics are up to interpretation, which I think is really cool.

4. "I Just Don't Care That Much" (10/10)

This is my favorite song on Maeson's album. It's about how the singer is falling apart and isn't living life the way they had in the past. It's about living more carelessly, but not in the good way.

5. "Beggar's Song" (9/10)

This song is about struggling. Maeson has struggled with addiction in the past, and that along with other struggles can be seen in this song. Overcoming adversity and not letting it keep you down seems to be a main theme. This song also says, "It's okay to let yourself hurt," which I think is an important message.

In conclusion, if alternative music is your favorite, you'll want to give this album a listen.



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A better alternative, if you have the time, is joining an art class. Sometimes there are community centers or other places where you could take a class. This way, you can learn skills from someone who has already learned about art. The teacher can show you different techniques and offer advice that you might not have figured out on your own.

You could also draw things that you see every day, that you are interested in—that might work best. When you draw something you like, it will probably keep you interested longer. If drawing objects are too tricky and you don't want to give up, try drawing



Example of a Repeating Pattern
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repeating patterns. That is a simple way to show your creativity.

No matter which approach you take, remember to have fun doing it!

Learning a new skill is a great way to help you find new things to enjoy.



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Tech Time: "Dark" New Features of iOS 13

Kishan Patel (ASSISTANT TO THE) LAYOUT EDITOR

software updates for mobile devices. This the most notable ones being dark mode and iPadOS, more to come on both of those. Ever since Apple's release at their Worldwide Developers Conference (WWDC) people everywhere have been waiting for the release of iOS 13, which came in late June.

As an Apple Developer, I tried to attend WWDC but couldn't. But when the developer beta softwares were released, I jumped on the opportunity to get them. A beta software is a pre-release of sorts. The software is released full of bugs and glitches, that you report to Apple to help them make the alpha release better. I had all the developer betas. The features of iOS 13 are endless, so here are a few favorites, and the ones you will use mostly:

Dark Mode: Everyone has been waiting for Apple to release its dark mode feature, which makes all Apple first party apps that usually appear white, black, but only if you customize it this way. For example, settings can appear white on black, which means white words and labels will appear on a black background. Messages also changes, your texts are still blue, but your recipient's texts to you are now dark gray, and so are the dots that tell you if you are replying.

iPadOS: If you are an iPad user you may have noticed that the iPhone software and

iOS 13 is the latest of tech giant Apple's Now, Apple made the official change, and using your finger, and it takes up almost no sp[lit them into two different softwares. All year brought many major changes, two of iPhones above the iPhone 6s run iOS 13,



and all iPads newer than the Mini3, run iPa-

Sign in with Apple: If you have various passwords and accounts for different apps and websites, check out Sign in with Apple. This feature automatically creates an account for you with your AppleID information that you can use to sign in automatically. This feature is good for people who don't re- the customizable options." member passwords and/or who have various passwords for different apps.

Volume Changer: Finally, the big block than the light mode!" that disturbes the view of your screen for seconds at a time is gone. It has been reiPad software have slowly grown less alike. placed by a small slider that you can adjust of it, download and enjoy it today!

space on the screen. This is a huge improvement because Apple has been getting complaints for all 13 years of iOS, aimed at the volume changer.

Memoji Stickers: Your customizable Animoji character can now react in emoji stickers. For example, there is a sticker for your Memoji with its eyes as hearts, or with your head exploding. You can use them to react to text messages using a drag and drop feature, or you can send them with a caption. Memoji is an Animoji that you can customize to look like you, and it follows your movement when you talk or move your head.

Shortcuts: Using the Shortcuts app, you can quickly complete actions, instead of taking multi-step processes. For example, instead of opening the Messages app and scrolling through your messages so you can text your mom, you can open the shortcuts app and press a single button and viola, you have texted her.

W&R 7th grader Lily Ayer says, "I love all

When asked about Dark Mode, sophomore Anika Patel stated, "It's really cool and it's a new view for the phone. I like it more

So, now that you know the features of Apple's new update and how students think

Atlanta United (continued from page 5)

Atlanta will have the home field advantage not only for the quarterfinal but also the semifinal which will be against the winner of the third versus sixth place match.

In other news, Atlanta United defender Michael Parkhurst announced his retirement from soccer on Sept. 23.

In a video Parkhurst posted on Instagram, he had this to say: "I know I'm one of the lucky ones to be able to say I've really, really enjoyed what I've been able to do the last fifteen years. To kick a soccer ball and get paid for it is an absolute dream come true."

After the match, the captain gave a speech to the fans still in the crowd in which he



said, "We're so thankful to play in front of you guys. We don't take you for granted.", he then went on to say "Hopefully I can be a two-time MLS Cup champion."

We hope so too!



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Carlee's Flick Picks: Fall Films

Carlee Schmelzer STAFF WRITER

Surprisingly, this year, toward the holiday season, there are slim pickings when it comes to new feature films. As well, many of the new movies share a common trend of either being remakes and sequels. Feelings about this trend can depend on how much people love the original movies.

Here are a few of both types either coming to theaters soon—or recently released.

1. Frozen II

Release date: Nov. 22

Rating: G

This first one is a sequel to the popular Disney animated film.

Unlike the original movie, when Elsa was scared that her powers were too much for the world, she is now looking for answers of why she has her powers in the first place.





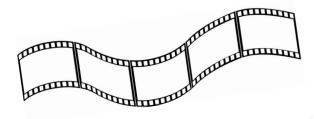
3. Maleficent: Mistress of Evil

Release date: Out now!

Rating: PG

This one is another Disney sequel.

Unlike the first film, where Maleficent planned to end Aurora's life, this film depicts Aurora's mother making war-like efforts to prevent maleficent from being a mother figure to Aurora.





2. Gemini Man

Release Date: Out now!

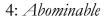
Rating: PG-13

This one is a new, original premise.

Starring well-known actor Will Smith, this action film depicts how an assassin has to face a younger clone of himself.

Criticalhit.net claims that the film will be a "wild technical marvel that needs to be seen on the big screen."





Rating: PG

Release date: Out now!

This last one is another new concept.

In it, when a young girl discovers a yeti on her family apartment's roof, she is destined to reunite him with his family. Since its release, the movie has received an 81on Rotten Tomatoes.

According to Empire Movie Reviews, "If you like E.T. and Bumblebee, chance are you'll have a good time with this slightly homogenous but sweet-natured kids' adventure."



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Kishan on a Mission: Best Halloween Candies in Full Sized Bars

(ASSISTANT TO THE) LAYOUT EDITOR Kishan Patel

Halloween is right around the corner, so I'm here to help you maximize your trick or treating experience.

There are so many sizes of candy and you want what you deserve, so first off, don't accept mini size bars.

I've done a lot of research on the matter, and here are four chocolate candy products Hershey's Cookies and Creme Bar sure to make your mouth water.



Hershey's Milk Chocolate Bar

has been around for as long as anyone can remember. Almost every house on Halloween will have these, in mini or full size. Even though there are no problems with in creamy milk chocolate—then frozen, het on Halloween, make sure to look for the mini bars, with only four tiles, you deserve better.

Try to find Full or King size branded Milk Chocolate bars containing 18-24 squares.



There may be only one thing in the world better than Hershey's Milk Chocolate bars, bar.

Made of creamy white chocolate, cream, chocolate chips and savory sugar, these bars are most frequently found as four tile mini bars-however, some houses may have the rare full-size bars, and these are some of the best things to exist on the planet.

KitKat Milk Crisp Wafers

There is no wafer better than a KitKat. The classic Hershey's milk chocolate bar The creamy chocolate covering a crunchy wafer makes for a savory taste—love at first

> KitKats are simply crunchy wafers dipped in the iconic red paper.

> You can find these in two or four wafer packs.

Reese's Peanut Butter Cups

I can't write a candy article without mentioning an all-time favorite of chocolate lovers, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups. Reese's consists of two main ingredients: peanut butter and milk chocolate. They combine perfectly, giving it a sweet, savory and unique taste that's only replicated by Haa-

You can find these in mini, single cup, and that's the Hershey's Cookies and Creme double size and king size, which gives you an awesome four cups!



Now that you know the best candies to thawed to room temperature and wrapped them for the best sugar rush and fattening experience of your life.

> Keep your eyes peeled for them-and Happy Halloween!





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Creative Costume Ideas

Mckenna Ching STAFF WRITER

Autumn is here. Warm sweaters, pumpkin spice lattes and the crisp morning air makes autumn one of the best seasons by far. With fall approaching quickly, there is one holiday in particular that is beloved by many coming up as well: Halloween.

Halloween offers a chance to dress up as someone else for a night-to embody another person or character's life.

To some, Halloween costumes get duller with age. In elementary school, kids go all out with their costumes, but as one gets older, the magic of Halloween tends to fade. It's impossible to count the number of boring cat or mouse costumes I've seen over the past few Halloweens.

When asked why Halloween costumes seem to progressively get worse, a junior from Riverwood High School said, "I don't really have any inspiration for costumes unique costumes for Halloween: anymore. I feel like my best costumes are in the past."

creative and express yourself.



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With that in mind, here are a few ideas of

A Character from an App.

But think of Halloween as a time to be Most people played games on their iPads or iPad Touches when they were little. Revisit As American aphorist Mason Cooley said, those apps and dress as a character from "Clothes make a statement. Costumes tell a them. For example, one could dress as the

runner in Temple Run, or the rat from Rat on a Snowboard.

Your Favorite Cereal Box.

From the Lucky Charms Leprechaun to the Flintstones from Fruity Pebbles cereal, the possibilities are endless. You could even wear an orange and black outfit with a red bandana, and—BAM—you're Tony the Tiger from Frosted Flakes.

A Partner Costume with a Friend or Family Member.

These could include classics like peanut butter and jelly-or something more creative, like chocolate, a marshmallow and a graham cracker to make S'mores.

These are just a few ideas, but the point is to be something different this year. Use your imagination, and see what all you can come up with!

What Makes Skeletons Scary?

Brennan Marasco STAFF WRITER

There are many themes of Halloween that are considered spooky. From ghosts, zombies, jack o'lanterns, the darkness and even dolls. Everything about this holiday is intended to scare or make people uneasy.

One of the most popular icons of the Halloween season is the skeleton. But why is that? Skeletons are only a part of the human anatomy. What about this specific "creature" do we find so scary, and should we truly be afraid of something that we all have?

One possible reason we find the skeleton so scary is not because we're afraid of the bones themselves, but because we are afraid of what it is associated with: Death.

In the wise words of Ms. Blevins, "You can't have a skeleton without a dead person."

Why humans are afraid of death is a total-



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the skeleton is clearly associated with death. For starters, most representations of the ly different topic with many answers, but Grim Reaper depict the connoisseur of

death as a skeletal figure. Not looking at the mystical side of death, when people die, their bodies decompose. All the skin, muscle, and other organs all wither away, except for one thing. The skeleton. That is the only part of a body that is left after it dies.

Another theory of why humans are afraid of skeletons has to do with the "uncanny valley." The uncanny valley is the phenomenon when humans get an unsettling feeling when they see something that looks almost human, but not quite. This is why some people fear ghosts, dolls, jack o'lanterns and zombies.

That said, the human skeleton definitely falls into the idea of the uncanny valley. It looks like it could just be human or humanoid; yet, it isn't putting us in a state of un-

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Hallow-Holidays

Kailin Neveu STUDENT EDITOR

October 25
Frankenstein Friday



October 26
Howl at the Moon Night

October 27
Black Cat Day
Visit a Cemetery Day



October 28
Chocolate Day

October 30
Candy Corn Day



Mischief Night
The night before Halloween, it doesn't hurt

to cause a little trouble to get into the spirit...

October 31 HALLOWEEN



November 3
Pumpkin Destruction Day

Halloween is over, and it's about this time that we should all be saying goodbye to our old, rotten reminders of this beloved holiday.

November 4
Candy Day



November 6
International Stress
Awareness Day

November 11 Veterans Day

November 13 World Kindness Day

November 17Take a Hike Day

Either get some exercise, or take a hint. You know who you are.

November 18Mickey Mouse Day

Apple Cider Day



November 19
Women's Entrepreneurship Day

November 22 Random Acts of Kindness Friday

Smile at a stranger! Pay someone's toll! Do something to make someone else feel good for no reason at all.

November 27

Jukebox Day

A day to throwback and like in the good old days.

November 28 THANKSGIVING



November 30 Stay Home Because You're Well Day

And don't forget . . .

W&R's Thanksgiving Break

is

Nov. 22 - Dec. 1!

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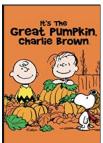
Giselle's Halloween Flick Picks: Five Festive Faves

Giselle Huggins STAFF WRITER

Sometimes on Halloween, you just want Nightmare Before Christmas is adventure- Ghostbusters to sit down on your couch and eat a bunch packed, exciting and romantic." of candy while watching movies. There are a million movie choices, so I handpicked some myself.

These are five movies that you should watch on Halloween.

It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown



My first choice is the classic unrated animated film from 1966 It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown, which gives another amazing story about the Peanuts group.

Charlie Brown is very excited when he's invited to his first party. Be- Halloweentown

he goes trick-orfore that, however, treating. Everyone is there except one person, Linus. He is going to spend his Halloween night waiting for the arrival of the Great Pumpkin, whom he believes sprouts at the most sincere pumpkin patches—and none is more sincere than his local

Nightmare The **Before** Christmas



The second one I want to recommend is PG movie, Jack Skel-Town, is tired of doing to take over the world. the same thing every upon Christmas Town, is magical."

he becomes so happy with the way they live there that he tries to change his own town to resemble Christmas Town as close as possible. It doesn't work out so well, though, of course.

Seventh grader Heather Hines says, "The

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Hocus Pocus

should watch is Hocus Pocus, rated PG.

the same year as The Nightmare Before Christmas. In it, Max Dennison, who had just moved to Salem, ex-

plores an abandoned house with his new friend, Allison. After dismissing a story Allison tells as superstitious, Max accidentally frees a coven of evil witches who used to live there. Now with the help of a talking cat, they have to steal the witches' spellbook before the witches become immortal.



The next movie you should watch is Halloweentown. In this 1998 Disney film, Marnie and her siblings are surprised when they learn they come from a long line of witches after following grandma to Halloweentown. This is the

The Nightmare Before town where supernatural beings can lead Christmas. In this 1993 normal lives but in the shadows.

On her 13th birthday, Marnie finds out lington, the pumpkin she's a witch but also that her family is inking of Halloween volved in a fight against an evil that is trying

Seventh grader Lily Ayer thinks Hallowyear for Halloween. eentown is "exciting, and very mysterious. When he stumbles There is always something happening and it

The last movie I want to mention is Ghostbusters (2016). This reboot is rated PG-The third one you 13, and it focuses on paranormal researcher Abby Gates and physician Erin Gilbert as they try to prove that ghosts exist in mod-This film came out ern society. However, when strange apparitions are found in Manhattan, they have to add engineer Jill Holtzman and the woman who knows New York's ins and outs, Patty Tolan, to their crew.

Armed with proton packs and plenty of



attitudes, the four women prepare for an epic battle as more than 1,000 mischievous ghouls descend Times Square.

This movie gives a spin on the classic 1984 film by having women parts—and play the some argue it is an ex-

ample of female empowerment.

If you're looking for something to do on Halloween night, I suggest these five films. All of them have special elements: Charlie Brown gives you something to look back on in your childhood; Nightmare before Christmas expresses a little bit of romance and change; Hocus Pocus gives adventure and puts you on the edge of your seat; with Halloweentown, it will put a smile on your face but also a drop of mystery in your heart; and, lastly, Ghostbusters will not only surprise you, but it will make you laugh as well.

So, grab a couple ghoul- and boo-friends, and watch 'em all!



Spooky Short Story: "Ghost"

Mia Szirovecz STAFF WRITER

Jane walks around the room, screaming. I can't hear her. She flips the table and pushes the chair that is chained to me.

I lay on the floor, helpless.

She laughs and talks softly, then slams the door behind her.

I stand and the chains fall. I find a bobby pin that fell out of Jane's hair.

Helpless, I'll never be.

I take a look around the gray interrogation cell.

No possible escape, except the door. Perfect, I think to myself. I can make a dramatic escape, while not getting caught.

I pick the lock, and suddenly thousands of alarms scream, but I can't hear a thing. People bang their heads on the walls, hoping I will help them too.

No, I think to myself. Keep moving.

I find a small window, perfect to escape.

It's almost like they wanted me to escape.

I kick open the window, and start running.

If I stop, they'll catch me. They'll torture me. I can't live through that again.



I think about running to my house on Caroline Street. The tulips that Alix and I planted together. The memories. All the good times.

I was on my way home from my job at Animation Studios. The sun was right in the middle of the sky. It was a cheery day, so I was going home early to surprise Alix.

As I pulled up in the driveway, I could hear

As I pulled up in the driveway, I could hear my little puppy barking from inside.

I unlocked our bright red door and scooped the little thing right up in my arms. He started to wiggle and lick my face. I couldn't help but laugh.

I got him to stop, so he didn't blow my cover. Alix was probably taking a nap, so I made steak and mashed potatoes for him. I grabbed some napkins, a knife to cut the steak, the food, and started walking up the stairs.

I knocked on the door. No answer. I called out to him.

Alix swung the door open.

He rambled, then said that we needed to talk. He sat me down and said he needed to tell me the truth.

"I'm sorry, but I can't do this."

No, no, no! I think to myself.

I hear a voice in my head, not mine.

Almost like a ghost, something appears.

The ghost looks . . . familiar. It gives off a strong, feminine presence.

It almost reminds me of Alix's sister, Jane. She always had a thing for witchcraft.

What is that? I wonder.

The ghost whispers something in my ear again, in another language I can't understand.

Suddenly, I am no longer in control. I rise out of my chair.

What am I doing?

Then, everything goes black.



I wake up in a gray room. No windows. A boring room.

The interrogation cell.

A female voice is velling at me.

I look up to see Jane. Then I realize it—the reason she always loved witchcraft.

Her eyes are red, and she's almost invisible

A ghost. A bad spirit.

Jane cackles a hideous laugh.

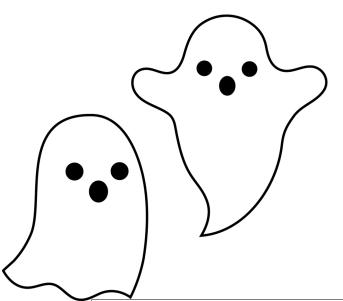
She looks at me and says, "Did you think I would let you go? After what you did?"

"I didn't do anything! I swear!"

She looks at me with fake pity.

She talks in that language again, and my body goes numb.

"Welcome," she says. "You're one of us now."



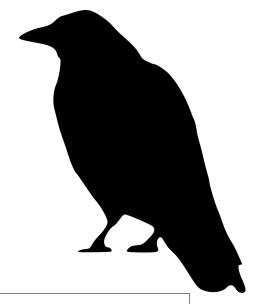


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Craft Corner: Mason Jars of Horror

Giselle Huggins STUDENT EDITOR

This Halloween, instead of buying decorations to bring the holiday into your house, vou can make vour verv own!

There are varieties of DIYs for Halloween, but not all are easy. The one I chose is both easy and simple—it's the Mason Jar Ghosts from number-2-pencil.com.

Seventh graders Mikaela Contreras and Lily Ayer think that the Mason jars are "a good idea for both little and older kids to do, for it's a festive and fun DIY."

To make this easy craft you're going to need:

- Mason jars (different sizes)
- Googly eyes
- Spray paint
- Glue

The first step is to clean the mason jars thoroughly before putting the spray paint on, and then flip them over onto a paper towel.

After this, spray paint the outside of the jars while they are upside down. Once they are dry, lift them back up and spray paint what was not sprayed such as the edges or crevices and then wait till the next day to do the next step.

The last step to this DIY is to put the googly eyes on the jars with glue. I recom-



mend using either liquid glue or a hot glue gun, if you have one.

After this, you're done! Now, these mason jars are looking decorative and a little

Seventh graders Kendall Malvin and Heather Hines think the mason jar ghosts

"It's a DIY that is able to be designed in different ways," they say, "or, they can stay [as the directions state].

If you want to make these cute mason jars a little spooky, here's another idea: Put a light or a candle inside them and display them outside! That way, when kids walk past your house, they will smile even more.

No matter what personal spin you put on them, just remember: Go enjoy Halloween!



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A last another theory we fear skeletons suggests that humans don't want to see the whether it be the skeletons in our bodies to human anatomy outside of the body.

If humans are bleeding or a bone is broken, something is wrong. Some people even faint at the sight of blood or a broken bone, because they know that isn't the normal state of the human body.

When asked what made skeletons scary, my sister, Corin Marasco, stated that it was "because they should stay inside your body."

Therefore, if one were to see a human skeleton outside of the body, then they would know that it's not normal, and just like the uncanny valley, they would have a sense of unease that makes them more vulnerable to fear.

No matter what manages to scare you, the zombies rising from their graves, have a merry and scary Halloween!

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Trick or Treat OR . . . ?

Kailin Neveu STUDENT EDITOR

Halloween is arguably the most exciting Hand out Candy when you're a kid. You get to dress up and go door to door in an adorable costume— you might as well be the person to make and you go home with pounds of free candy. other kids happy by giving it to them. Plus,

go trick-or-treating?

Well, there are plenty of options! Just because you're too old to beg for candy from Have a Bonfire your neighbors doesn't mean you can't still have an amazing time on Halloween Night.

So, what are some alternatives? You could...

Throw/Attend a Halloween Party

Halloween parties are a great opportunity to still dress up and eat candy. It's almost Go to a Haunted House preferable to trick-or-treating. You don't have to work for the candy, and you get to of Halloween is to go to a haunted show off your costume to people you actually know.



If you can't be the one receiving candy, But what happens when you get too old to you get to see all of the creativity the kids put into their costumes!

Similar to a party for those who may not want to dress up, a bonfire is more focused on the spooky part of Halloween.

All you have to do is gather around a big • fire with a group of friends, tell scary stories and maybe even make S'mores.

Another way to focus on the spooky side house. There are plenty around the areayou just need to do a little research before

Be sure to grab a friend or two, and try not to get too scared! Sometimes tricks are better than treats!

Scary Movie Marathon

In addition to Giselle's great list of Halloween movie favorites on page, here are a few fun films to binge:



- Monster House
- Coraline
- Haunted Mansion

Although there are definitely lots of things to do once you can no longer go trick-ortreating, you should still go as long as you can-yes, it can be sad to realize that you have to let go of another part of your childhood, but there are still many wonderful (and fun) things to come!

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HA-HA Halloween

Kishan Patel & Mia Szirovecz STAFF JOKESTERS

Q: What do you call a fat pumpkin? A: A plumpkin!

Q: What do ghosts use to wash their

A: Shamboo!

Q: Why is Superman's costume so tight? A: Because he wears a size S!

Q: What do you get when you cross a Cocker Spaniel, a Poodle and a ghost? A: A cocker poodle boo!

Q: What do vampires take when they're Joe: What do you call wood when it's A: Trom-Bone

A: Coffin drops!



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Q: Why is a skeleton so mean? A: He doesn't have a heart.

scared?

Bob: I don't know. Joe: Petrified!

Q: Why did the skeleton go to the prom

A: Because he couldn't find any "body" to

Q: Which type of pants do ghosts wear? A: Boo-Jeans.

Q: What do they teach in witching school?

A: Spelling.

Q: Which musical instrument do skeletons play?

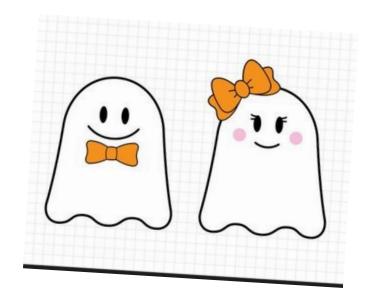
Q: Where do ghosts use their boats? A: The Eerie Canal.

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Spooky Word Search

Giselle Huggins

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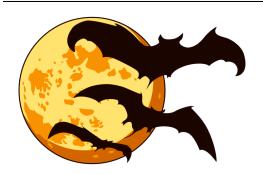
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