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BASEBALL PREDICTIONS

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The baseball season is finally here—and here are our predictions for the 2019 season.

Some trades and contracts in the off season happened that had us on our toes, like Mike Trout's \$400 million contract or Bryce Harper's move to the Philadelphia Phillies.

David Lengel of "The Guardian" has high hopes for Trout's trade to the Angels.

"Hey, maybe some time over the course of the next 10 years they will actually put together a half-decent team around him," he said of the trade.

Last season, the Boston Red Sox won the World Series, beating the Los Angeles Dodgers 4-1.

Some Interesting Facts

- ◆ The first World Series was played between Pittsburgh and Boston in 1903 and was a nine-game series. Boston won the series 5-3.
- ◆ The New York Yankees have won 26 World Series titles, which is more than any other team.
- ◆ Former Yankees right fielder Mickey Mantle holds the record for most career home runs (18) and RBI (40) in World Series history.
- ◆ In 2001, San Francisco's Barry Bonds broke the all-time single-season home run record when he hit 73. He

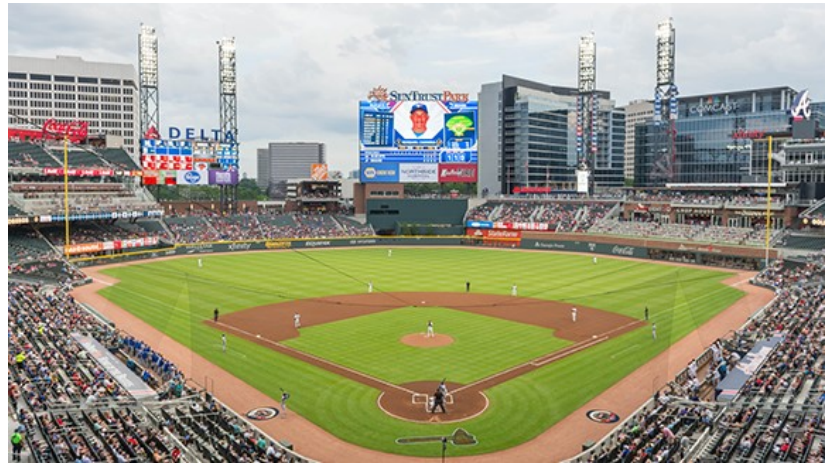


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broke the mark of 70, set by St. Louis Cardinals first baseman Mark McGwire in 1998.

- ◆ The highest batting average in the MLB was held by Ty Cobb with a .366 batting average for 24 seasons.
- ◆ The lowest paid MLB player is Ronald Acuna with a salary of \$560,000.

The Playoff Predictions

Here are our predictions for this season.

We believe that the Houston Astros and the Seattle Mariners will play each other and that the Astros will advance.

We also think the Cleveland Indians and the Tampa Bay Rays will play and the Rays will advance. Then the Astros will advance over the Rays.

The Atlanta Braves will advance over the L.A. Dodgers and the Phillies will advance over the

Milwaukee Brewers—and then the Braves will advance to the World Series.

Totally objectively *wink wink*, the Braves will beat the Astros in a six-game series (4-2), because of their very good pitching and defense.

According to projects.fivethirtyeight.com, "The Astros are first with a 100-62 record and in last place will be [Baltimore] Orioles with a 62-100 record."

Only time will tell, but we're looking forward to an exciting season!



Guess Who?

Alexa Madrid
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 is. Here is this edition’s installment:

Where is your dream vacation?

Answer: New Zealand

What is your favorite sports team?

Answer: Alabama Crimson Tide

What is your favorite color?

Answer: Blue

What is your favorite food?

Answer: Mac and Cheese

What is your favorite movie?

Answer: Any Marvel movie

What is your favorite book?

Answer: *Guests of War*



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What is a fact that most people don't know about you?

Answer: I have two semi-adopted sisters from Zimbabwe.

Last edition's “Guess Who” answer:

Señor Reynolds!

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

*SEE BACK COVER FOR THE ANSWER

Kishan on a Mission: AirPods 2 Are a Waste of Money

Kishan Patel
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When technology company Apple released Bluetooth headphone AirPods in December of 2016, they were considered “revolutionary,” and people everywhere thought the headphone market would change dramatically for Apple’s gain.

It’s been almost three years since the device was first released, and Apple claims to have made them “more magical than ever”—but that doesn’t appear to be the case. Of course, Apple has added new features ... but for \$200, this is something opposite of a bargain.

One of the main things that people expected Apple to do was release the AirPods in their Space Gray color, reserved for Apple TV units, watches, phones, iPads and starting now the MacBook, but the new AirPods are still only available in White. Apple did not hint that they will later release different colors at their event on March 25 and still has no plan to do it.

Another thing that annoys some people is that Apple has not decided to call them AirPods 2. Instead, they will just be called



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AirPods.

Still, there are only three major things that have changed with the new AirPods: wireless charging, voice-activated Siri and longer battery life. The case of the new AirPods is capable of wirelessly charging and can be ordered separately for \$75.00 on Apple.com. They charge original AirPods, but it is not worth it.

Another new feature is the new Siri activation. For those who are too lazy to put their hand up to double-tap their AirPods, they can say, “Hey, Siri!” and activate the voice activated assistant. Apple also included about 18 hours of talk time and 24 hours of listening time, so battery life is still good.

That said, I wanted to know if people were going to buy the new AirPods, so I conducted a “mini interview” with eighth grader Skylar Sparks.

KP: With only three new features and two that will matter, Apple priced the AirPods for \$40 more than the original AirPods. Is this a deal you would take?

SS: My parents have been in accounting for years, so I’ve come to understand money. I think this would be a better deal if the price were lower or if there were more features.

KP: If I told you the new features, do you think I could change your mind?

SS: Maybe...

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KP: One of the new features is a wireless charging case. There is also the “Hey, Siri!” feature, so you can summon Siri with your voice.

SS: The wireless charging is a good feature, and I think that will help to not have so many wires getting tangled.

KP: On most wireless chargers, you have to plug in a wire.

SS: Okay, then never mind. I don't like the “Hey Siri” feature because I know AirPods have a long range microphone, so if someone says “Hey Siri!” around you, then it will activate on your AirPods while you listen to music.

KP: So, would you buy the new AirPods?

SS: No. I don't think it's a good deal, and I wish, for that price, they had more features.

That concluded the interview, and I hoped it helped show you that the new AirPods are a waste of time and money. You don't have to waste \$200 on earbuds when the old ones are perfectly fine.

Next year, my missions will include a review on AirPods 2 as an owner, and if they have been released, AirPods 3.

Hot New Info on Climate Change

Caroline Warner
STAFF WRITER

Today, talk about climate change is everywhere. It's on the news, online and sometimes even talked about in school. What are the causes and effects? And what can we do as the future leaders of the world to help solve this world-wide problem? Many people do not believe this matter is a real problem, but regardless of your politics, here are some facts and how we can help.

First off, what is climate change?

Many students wonder if climate change and global warming are the same thing, and they are not. Usgs.gov says that “Global warming” refers to the rise in global temperatures due mainly to the increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. ‘Climate change’ refers to the increasing changes in the measures of climate over a long period of time – including precipitation, temperature and wind patterns.”

That said, Global Warming is a part of climate change, but the increasing average temperature of the planet is just one aspect of the subject of Climate Change.

To put it simply, climate change is the change of the Earth's climate, not weather. NASA says that “Weather can change in just a few hours. Climate takes hundreds or even millions of years to change.”

The causes of climate change are many. Scientist agree that the main cause is the “greenhouse effect”—or, the warming of Earth's surface and it's air above. It is caused by the gases of Earth's surface trapping energy from the sun. Those gases keep the Earth warm.

The “greenhouse effect,” however, is what's making Earth's average temperature rise. Some greenhouse gases are water vapor and carbon dioxide. In translation: scientist



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believe that greenhouse gases are “forcing” climate change.

Another major reason for climate change is humans! The burning of fossil fuels (coal and oil) have made an increase for carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

NASA says that “to a lesser extent, the clearing of land for agriculture, industry and other human activities has increased concentrations of greenhouse gases” and that “the panel also concluded there's a better than 95 percent probability that human-produced greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide have caused much of the observed increase in Earth's temperatures over the past 50 years” (climate.nasa.gov). This means that humans' need for agricultural and industrial goods have been a leading cause of today's climate change.

So what's the big deal? We now know what the causes of climate change are, but what are some of the effects?

The Earth's average temperature will continue to gradually get higher. Some places

will have stronger hurricanes and some places will be hotter and colder during certain seasons.

You might have seen online that climate change greatly affects polar bears. So, why is that?

With the increase of Earth's temperature, ice will start to melt. The loss of Earth's sea ice will decrease polar bears' chances of finding food.

Although there are scientific facts behind the reasoning of climate change, there is still debate over whether or not climate change really is the cause; regardless, we as humans can be good citizens of the world all the while helping to preserve the Earth.

What can we do?

It's not as hard as one might think. Simple things such as using less energy and water, turning off lights when you're not home and planting trees can help the environment—and slow down climate change. The Union of Concerned Scientists, a group dedicated to making a change in Global Warming and Climate Change, says that “in order to effectively address global warming, we must significantly reduce the amount of heat-trapping emissions we are putting into the atmosphere. The good news is that we have the technology and practical solutions at hand to accomplish it. As individuals, we can help by taking action to reduce our personal carbon emissions. But to fully address the threat of global warming, we must demand action from our elected leaders to support and implement a comprehensive set of climate solutions.” (Union of Concerned Scientist, Inc.)

We can fight this fight together—and be good citizens as well—not only for America, but for the world.

Album Review Part 2: Jon Bellion's "Glory Sound Prep"

Dominic Yeremian
STAFF WRITER

Welcome back to the review of Jon Bellion's fifth studio album, "Glory Sound Prep." This is the second half of the review—so, once again, follow along with the album to get the best experience.

If you haven't read the first half of the review, go to William and Reed's website and click the Student Newspaper tab under Students.

Track 06: "Blu"

In this song, Bellion is fighting the thought of becoming in love.

As he sinks into the vast ocean that is this woman's eye, he gives up on fighting it and decides to leave it be. He lets love run its course, and it works out well for him.

At first, people may think the flow and style of this song is completely out of place, but it will grow on you after a few listens. This is a good song with a unique sound.

Bellion is known for doing things in his music that people are not very familiar with. The slowed chorus, the drums and even the chime of a triangle in the background of the record really bring it all together.

Love songs don't stick with some people because many songs use basic rhymes that don't give off any power from the lyrics. This track, however, is a diamond in the rough when it comes to a love song because it shows how hard it is not to fall in love while many other songs talk about how easy it is.

This song gets a rating of 7.5.

Track 07: "Adult Swim" (feat. Tuami)

The lyrics in this song hit really hard with every point Bellion is trying to make in each verse. The song is about how he flexes because he actually can—and, when he does flex, he doesn't care what people think. He brags about a brilliant verse how many would brag about how many diamonds are in their Rolexes.

The end of the song shows his biggest achievements, his faith and his family. Even after everything that he has materialistically, he still maintains his religious connection and a loving relationship with his family.



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The beat by Tuami switches up twice, which brings three different flows from Bellion. Each beat matches each topic Bellion talks about. The beat in the beginning is calm but bouncy, the second beat is hard-based and sounds like underground hip-hop and the third beat is a storytelling beat that sounds like someone—Bellion—just came to a revelation in his life.

"Adult Swim" gets a rating of 8. Its multiple beat switches keeps the song fresh while being a breath of fresh air from rap that isn't meaningful. It keeps you hooked while it reels you in to Bellion's life and his point of view.

Track 08: "Couples Retreat"

"Couples Retreat" is about how Bellion and this woman he loves will always stay together, even in the worst of times. Through hard times, having a quick dance with each other will always help deal with the things life hands them as a couple.

The beat to this song is good. The basic strum of the guitar, bang of the drums, subtle claps and tambourine sounds work together nicely.

This is a song that many could dance to. After all, that is basically what the song is about.

The lyrics to this song are decent, but the beat to this song gives makes up for it. It is

not the best song Bellion has released, but it is in no way, shape or form a bad song.

This song gets a rating of 6.5.

Track 09: "Cautionary Tales"

"Cautionary Tales" is really fun to listen to. The lyrics put you in a fantasy world when he talks about vikings, pirates, gods and armies. It lets your imagination flow from verse to verse.

The song is about how Bellion is not known for the music he makes. He is known by many as folk lore like the fantasy topics listed above. It is written in the perspective of people who have heard about him and his music but have

never listened to it. So every "him," "he" and "his" in the song is in reference to himself.



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The instruments for this song are very extravagant. A combination of guitars and drums makes it sound like a rock song on paper, but it really isn't that kind of song.

The bridge of the song contains a nice piano melody, which brings the song to a nice ending. Its epic instruments and sounds make this song even better with the lyrics.

"Cautionary Tales" gets a rating of 8. It is well executed with a deep meaning and beautiful instruments.

Track 10: "Mah's Joint" (feat. Quincy Jones)

In "Mah's Joint," Bellion talks about his grandmother and the memories he has with her, but he also explains that she can't remember them. He shows the struggle that not only she has, but that he has with her dementia. He also shows love to his mom, who took care of her during this hard time.

This song is not just an outro.

Bellion's lyrics say, "...So I took tonight to put it in a song. So when she meets God he'll tell her all about it."

He made this song just for his grand-

mother to enjoy up in Heaven.

The track shows that, sometimes, the instruments can be just as impactful as the lyrics.

Just before the three-minute mark, there is a beautiful transition to all kinds of instruments and another just before the five-minute mark. Both were composed by music mogul Quincy Jones.

The first transition is for "The mothers who are with us physically" and the second transition is for "The mothers who are with us spiritually." It shows that this song was made in honor of all mothers across the world and above it.

"Mah's Joint" gets a rating of 9. This song shows appreciation for mothers, and it is a nice testament to Bellion's mother and grandmother. Its message is a nice getaway from many mainstream artists songs. I only wish there were more lyrics. I wouldn't care if it was an eleven-minute song.

Kevo Yeremian, a fan since Bellion's 4th studio album, says, "'Mah's Joint' really is a feel-good song that makes me think of my grandma and all that she has done for me."



Finally, "Glory Sound Prep" is a great and spectacular album. It gives so many different sounds and instruments, yet all the moods of the album flow through each song perfectly. The meaning of each song is deep and explained well in the lyrics.

Therefore, Bellion's fifth studio album gets an 8/10. It is an album everyone should listen to, and one to always come back to.

Stay tuned for more of my album reviews next year!

The Airsoft Experience

Devin Neveu
STAFF WRITER

Over spring break, I went to an Airsoft place in Sugarloaf.

Airsoft is a game that you can play indoors or outdoors on fields specifically made for it, which have tires and wooden walls you can hide behind.

Airsoft is similar to paintball. Depending on how many people are playing, you have different amounts of padding on your body and better guns. The guns shoot BB's, which can be steel but are usually little hard plastic balls.

There are many game modes you could play, depending on how many people you have. The field I went to was called Gold Eagle Airsoft, and it was located in a mall.

Since it was inside, the field was a lot smaller than fields usually are.

There weren't as many people as there



usually would be, so the game modes were very limited. There are 25+ game modes you could play, but most require more than five people (which we had).

Some game modes require up to 15 people. There are many different types of guns and different settings for the guns.

I really enjoyed going there and would do it again. I definitely need to do some target practice before I go back, but it was very fun. I went with my dad and my friend.

Highly recommended for summer fun!

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Devin Neveu

“Captain Marvel” Review

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STUDENT EDITOR

“Captain Marvel” recently came out and took over theaters. Soon to blow over in the excitement of “Avengers: Endgame” that made its debut shortly after it, Apr. 26, “Captain Marvel” did better in its first week of showings than any other Marvel movie to hit the big screen.

Mark Daniell, a movie critic for Rotten Tomatoes, says “...There’s enough to keep both diehard Marvel fans and newcomers engaged.”

“Captain Marvel” doesn’t really require knowledge of past Marvel movies, but having seen the other movies will clearly make the story more enjoyable.

Students at our school had pretty high views of the movie overall.

Junior Max Seckinger liked it.

“I thought it was pretty good,” said Seckinger. “Her powers were different... there needs to be a second [film].”

The basic plot of the movie follows a strong, independent woman named Carol Danvers (played by Brie Larson) who is struggling to remember who she really is, where she came from and who she is meant to be.

The movie is set in the late 1980s/early 1990s, and the plot is filled with humor and



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Easter eggs that relate to the other Marvel movies.

This movie definitely has a unique vibe, and it is different than the stories of the other Avengers. It still manages to use old

characters and a new storyline to satisfy the diehard Marvel fans.

The movie is doing an average job, based on viewer opinions. It has a 78% rating on Rotten Tomatoes.

IMDb viewer reviews range from one extreme to another. According to one reviewer, however, “It’s a good movie with funny moments and a character backstory. ...same as all of the other introductory character movies.”

This view on the movie sums up the fact that, though this movie wasn’t earth shatteringly different, it was still very good and every character needs an origin story. That said, sometimes beginnings are slow.

Something else to consider is that people’s expectations of this movie were so high because it came out as the next Marvel installment after last year’s “Infinity War” swept the nation; the bar was set unrealistically high.

Regardless, I, for one, am excited to see where this character’s storyline goes—not so much where it began.

Thoughts on “Avengers: Endgame”

BEWARE! THIS ARTICLE HAS SPOILERS

Kailin Neveu, Payton Usher & Drew Yugas
STAFF WRITERS

Marvel Studios released “Avengers: Endgame,” the anticipated conclusion to the Avengers saga a few weeks ago.

To recap, at the end of the previous film in the series, “Infinity War,” we saw many of our favorite characters turn to dust—including Spider-Man, Star Lord, Black Panther and Doctor Strange.

No one likes to see the heroes lose, but near the start of “Endgame,” we saw old characters like Hawkeye and Ant-Man reappear. We also got a new character named Captain Marvel, who came off the heels of her own movie (see the above review).

To sum this movie up in one sentence, “Endgame” was a GREAT movie with many twists and turns, which made it seem almost impossible to guess what would happen next—this includes major death scenes

none of us saw coming.

The whole timeline started with Ant-man returning five years after the infamous “snap.”

After Ant-man returns from the Quantum Realm, he decides to go to Avengers’ headquarters with a plan to time travel and fix the past. The remaining gang had to travel back to where each infinity stone was stolen and bring each to the present. Soon after, the Avengers paired off to go to the different times and steal the stones.

“The movie has one of the most fulfilling, all-out battle sequences that I’ve seen in a long time,” said Business Insider writer Jason Guerrasio.

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Alexa's Recs: The Most Anticipated Summer Blockbusters

Alexa Madrid
STAFF WRITER

The live action of the Disney classic, "Aladdin," is being released on May 24. The new version follows the same storyline as the movie from 1992.

When street rat Aladdin frees a genie who is able to grant young Aladdin three wishes, he finds all of his wishes coming true. However, when evil comes to the city of Agrabah, will he be able to save himself along with his newfound love Princess Jasmine?

This new version of the classic is being directed by Guy Ritchie and stars Will Smith as Genie, Mena Massoud as Aladdin and Naomi Scott as Princess Jasmine.

Sixth grader Spencer Fret says, "I am excited to see it because it looks interesting and I want to see how it is compared to the first one. Plus, Will Smith is in it."

The fourth and possibly final installment of the Pixar series "Toy Story" is being released on June 21.

When a new toy named Forky joins Woody and his friends, a road trip with old and new characters shows how big the world really is from the eyes of a toy.



With the first "Toy Story" in 1995 and the most recent addition of the series, "Toy Story 3," being released in 2010, fans have been wondering if another movie would be added to the Pixar classic. "Toy Story 4" was supposed to be released in the summer



of 2017, so fans have been waiting an extra two years and are thrilled for it to be finally released on the big screen.

Ninth grader Emma Merrell says, "I am excited to see it! I am really curious to see how it compares to the past films—and I hope it has a happier ending than the past ones."

Next up, "Yesterday" is a musical/romance movie being released on June 28. Jack Malik is a struggling singer/songwriter whose fame and hope is slowly fading. After a bus accident, Jack wakes up to learn that The Beatles never existed and no one knew the famous bands songs except for him.

Himesh Patel is playing Jack Malik, and British actress Lily James, most recently known for her role in "Mama Mia: Here We Go Again!," is taking on the role as Jack's childhood friend, Ellie. Singer Ed Sheeran will also make an appearance.

Eleventh grader Dylan Rowen says, "I am really excited to see this movie because I am a very passionate Beatles fan and have dreamed about being in the same situation the main character is in."



Lastly, the second installment of the "Spider-Man: Homecoming" film series is being released on July 5.

When Peter Parker's relaxing European vacation is interrupted by S.H.I.E.L.D agent Nick Fury asking for his help to stop the new Marvel villain, Mysterio, it turns into another fun adventure with our friendly

neighborhood Spider-Man.

British actor, Tom Holland, is returning to play Spider-Man along with co-star Zendaya, who is famous for her roles with Disney, coming back to play her original role, MJ.

Fans are thrilled to see another installment in this new Marvel film franchise and are also excited to see what is happening after its release in the Marvel universe.

Since the release of "Avengers: Endgame," fans have been looking for hints about what the next big Marvel movie could be. Marvel Studios has promised fans that, after the release of "Spider-Man: Far From Home," they will give a few clues to show what films they have planned for the rest of 2019 and 2020.

Eighth grader Skylar Sparks says, "I have been a fan of Spider-Man for a long time, and I love how he has evolved over the years."

Happy summer, and happy viewing!

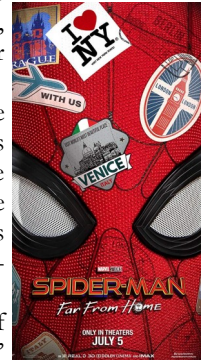


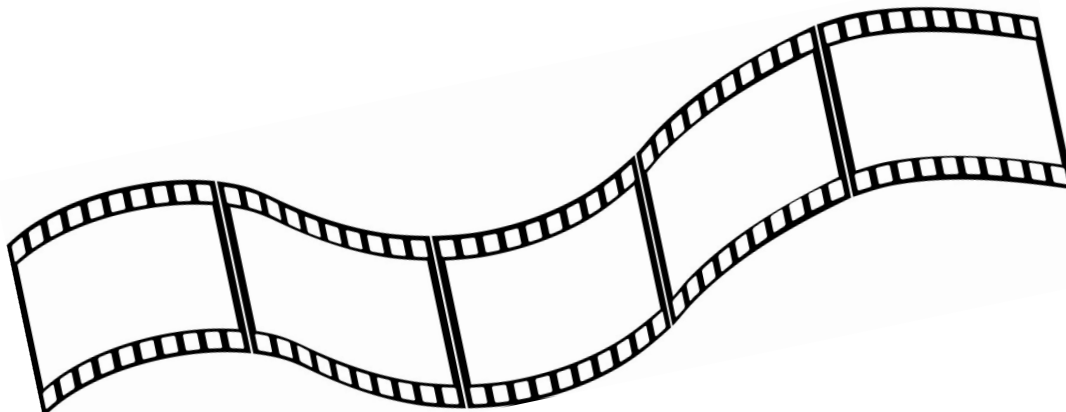
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The movie also used a lot of humor, which made it enjoyable—but not to everyone. Some people thought certain jokes did damage to some characters’ development.

Coach McKenzie was among them. He wasn’t a fan of the running gag of “fat Thor.”

“They tried too hard to be silly,” said McKenzie. “They overdid it.”

Others are saying Ant Man had too much screen time.

All in all, there were many action-packed, exciting and



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emotional scenes that dazzled audiences everywhere—including one that marked the beginning of Sam (Falcon) saying his iconic line: “On your left.”

It may not be “inevitable” like Thanos says he is that everyone love the way the saga ended, but the three-hour movie is far from boring.

According to Rebecca Fleenor of CNET, “Endgame” will leave you laughing, crying and cheering more than you’ve ever done in any MCU film.”

The Five Stripe Freakwent

Dominic Yeremian
STAFF WRITER

Welcome back, Five Stripes. Many things have happened since the last the last edition of Five Stripe Freakwent. More bad than good for the club, but many fans are staying positive for a good outcome out of the new coach Frank De Boer.

On the topic of De Boer, he has won his first domestic league game since Oct. 26, 2016. His last domestic league win was with Inter Milan in the Italian Serie A, in which he won 2-1 against Torino. Although it took him 900 days to win another game, Atlanta fans still have faith in their coach and high hopes for the club.

Despite having lost to FC Dallas at home a game later from their first win, Atlanta learned from their mistakes and won two more games.

Although the wins are good for the club, the losses should be addressed first. Since the beginning of March, Atlanta has truly suffered what many call the “winner’s curse.” This happens to many teams like Toronto FC’s 2017 MLS season or Chelsea in their 2016/2017 Premier League season.



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As seen from the game list, Atlanta’s losses are stacking up. These losses in the MLS are costing them many points in the table, and the loss to Monterrey cost ATL the CONCACAF Champions League.

At the time of publication, Atlanta is in 9th place with 11 points and are under New York Red Bull by goals scored for the team.

Of course, Atlanta United could have been much lower in the table if not for the points they have gained.

Despite the draws giving United only 1 point each, their recent wins have given the club 15 points in total.

Ninth grader Alexander Monks is excited they are making a comeback.

“Atlanta has managed to turn around what seemed to be a disappointing season. The returned success has rejuvenated the spark which led to Atlanta winning the MLS Cup, and Atlanta United’s fan base is once again hyped.”

In a win against New England Revolution, Ezequiel Barco had himself a blast. He scored two goals, with his second goal winning goal of the week. A game later, Atlanta United won against Colorado Rapids with Julian Gressel scoring the game winning goal at home.

Finally, Atlanta played against Sporting Kansas City to dominate them with three goals. Once again, Barco got on the scoresheet along with Josef Martinez, who scored the first and last goal of the game. After SKC, the Five Stripes blew past Toronto with a 2 - 0 win. Finally Pity Martinez scored his first goal of his MLS career to give ATL fifth win against Orlando City in front of 68,152.

Can’t wait to see how things go this summer!

MLS 3/3 DCU 0 - 2 ATL
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Neveu #NailedIt: A Pop of Summer

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With summer on the way, decorating for the occasion might be a fun way to ring in the new season! There are a lot of things you could do to spice up your house for summer, and this DIY popsicle banner craft is simple, quick, and very festive. All you need to make this banner is construction paper (and colors you'd like) popsicle sticks, scissors and string.

The first thing you want to do is make a base or template shape for the popsicles. One piece of paper in the perfect shape that you can use to trace so all of your popsicles are the same size and shape. You can either make the popsicles one sided, or you can put a popsicle base on both sides of the popsicle stick do it looks the same on both sides. It depends where you hang it.



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If you want to hang it in a doorway, decorate both sides; but if it's being hung on a wall, there really isn't any need to

decorate the back. Cut out as many colorful popsicle bases as you want. Make sure you have enough room to fit them all. They should be evenly spaced out on the string.

After you have your popsicle bases cut out, make smaller pieces for decoration. You can also make different types of popsicles-- maybe some classic pops and then some with two sticks.

Personalize it! And have fun; it's your banner!

Sweet Summer Treat: Cupcakes

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Cupcakes are an amazing treat, no matter what time of year it is. With summer almost here, here's a simple cupcake recipe that tastes as good as the thought of summer.

Enjoy these cupcakes on the beach, at the pool or just whenever and wherever you want! You can decorate these however you would like, but I simply frosted them with a store-bought vanilla icing and added a piece of strawberry for extra flavor.

Continue reading to see how to make these delicious cupcakes.

Ingredients:

- 2 eggs
- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 cup softened butter
- 1 cup sugar (add more if you are a sugarholic like me!)
- 1 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Directions:

- Preheat oven to 375°. Take a cupcake or muffin pan and place cupcake liners in the holes.
- Take a mixing bowl, and cream butter and sugar together. I used the Kitch-



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enAid Artisan 5-qt. Stand Mixer. That way, I got it extremely smooth and creamy.

- Make your flour mixture. To do this, mix your flour with baking powder and salt. If you happen to use salted butter, only add half the salt. Then, add the flour, but make sure your mixer is on low! Otherwise, it will go EVERY-

WHERE.

- Add the milk, a little at a time. Once you have poured all of your milk in, you should have a smooth cupcake batter ready for the oven!
- Evenly distribute your batter into the cupcake pans. (Fill the liner about halfway. You should have enough batter to make a dozen and a half cupcakes.)
- Place your cakes in the oven for 18 minutes. Make sure to watch the bake so they don't burn!
- Once your cupcakes are done baking, wait about 20 minutes for them to finish cooling. Then, take a Ziploc bag and place store-bought icing in the bottom corner. Cut a small slit in the bottom corner, and ice your cakes!

You can decorate your cupcakes however you would like. I went with a simple approach of a small strawberry topper.

Junior Dylan Rowen said that the cupcakes were amazing, while our mom, Stacey Rowen stated, "These are some of the best cupcakes I have ever tasted!"

Happy baking!

Cray-Cray May Holidays

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May 1st—May Day

May 2nd—World Password Day

May 3rd—School Lunch Hero Day

May 4th—National Star Wars Day

May 5th—National Astronaut Day



May 6th—National Nurse Day

May 7th—

National Teacher Appreciation Day

In 1953, Eleanor Roosevelt tried to persuade the U.S. Congress to make a National Teachers Day. It wasn't until 1980 that Congress declared March 7th National Teachers Day—but, in 1985, Congress voted and decided to change it to the first Tuesday in May.



May 8th—National Have a Coke Day

May 9th—National Lost Sock Memorial Day

May 10th—National Clean Up Your Room Day

May 11th—National Eat What You Want Day

May 12th—Mother's Day

Mother's Day officially started in 1914 in the USA. The holiday was created by Anna Jarvis, but in ancient Greece they celebrated a festival called "Mothering Sunday," which was made in honor of moms who sacrificed for their children.

May 13th—National Apple Pie Day

May 14th—National Decency Day

May 15th—National Chocolate Chip Day

May 16th—Honor our LGBT Elders Day.

Since 2015, May 16 is the day we honor our LGBT elders. Nationalcalendar.com says that "The rights and acceptance that LGBTQ individuals have today did not occur in a vacuum or happen by accident. Our LGBT elders worked hard to gain rights and social acceptance." If you want to post anything regarding the national holiday, use the hashtag #honorourLGBTEldersDay.

May 17th—National Endangered Species Day

About 16,306 animal species are endangered. May 17th brings awareness to this global problem.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency says that humans are a main reason so many animals are going extinct. They state on their website, "People can also cause the extinction of

plants and animals. The main reason that many species are endangered or threatened today is because people have changed the homes or habitats upon which these species depend." This just shows that we can help solve this worldwide problem.

May 18th—National HIV Vaccine Awareness Day

May 20th—National Rescue Dog Day

Millions of dogs are put into shelters each year. Of those dogs, 1.5 million dogs are euthanized each year. The good news is that the number of dogs in shelters and being euthanized has gone down since 2011. This is because more and more people are adopting dogs. The sad thing is, however, that only one out of every ten dogs will find a permanent home. Although this problem has decreased in the past few years, we still have a long way to go.



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May 21st—National American Red Cross Founders Day

The Red Cross was founded by Clara Barton in 1881.

Redcross.org says, "As one of the nation's premier humanitarian organizations, the American Red Cross is dedicated to helping people in need throughout the United States and, in association with other Red Cross networks, throughout the world."

The Red Cross has been there to help people since the late 1800s by collecting blood, helping soldiers and their families, and helping Americans with national disaster relief.



May 22nd—National Craft Distillery Day

May 23rd—National Lucky Penny Day

May 24th—Brother's Day

May 25th—National Missing Children's Day

Every forty seconds, a child in the USA goes missing. Although 90% of the cases are due to a child getting lost, miscommunication or a child running away, children still are missing. May 25th provides a day where we as community can spread awareness about the children that have not yet been found.

May 26th—National Blueberry Cheesecake Day

May 27th—Memorial Day

Memorial Day is the day we celebrate Americans who have served in the armed forces. America has been officially celebrating Memorial Day since 1971. Originally, Memorial Day was created to honor the

Union Soldiers that died during the Civil War. By the early 1900s, however, it had grown to honor all soldiers who had served the U.S.



May 28th—National Hamburger Day

May 29th—National Senior Health and Fitness Day

May 30th—National Creativity Day

May 31st—National Smile Day

Before we all go out the door, here are three tips to help you survive the last week of school:

- Get plenty of rest so your brain is ready for finals.
- Organize your notes and know when your finals are.
- Find your study buddies—studying with others helps!

W&R Final Exam Schedule

5/21- Final Exams 3rd & 4th Periods (12th Grade)

5/22- Final Exams 1st & 2nd Periods (6th-12th Grade)

5/23- Final Exams 3rd & 4th Periods (6th-11th Grade)



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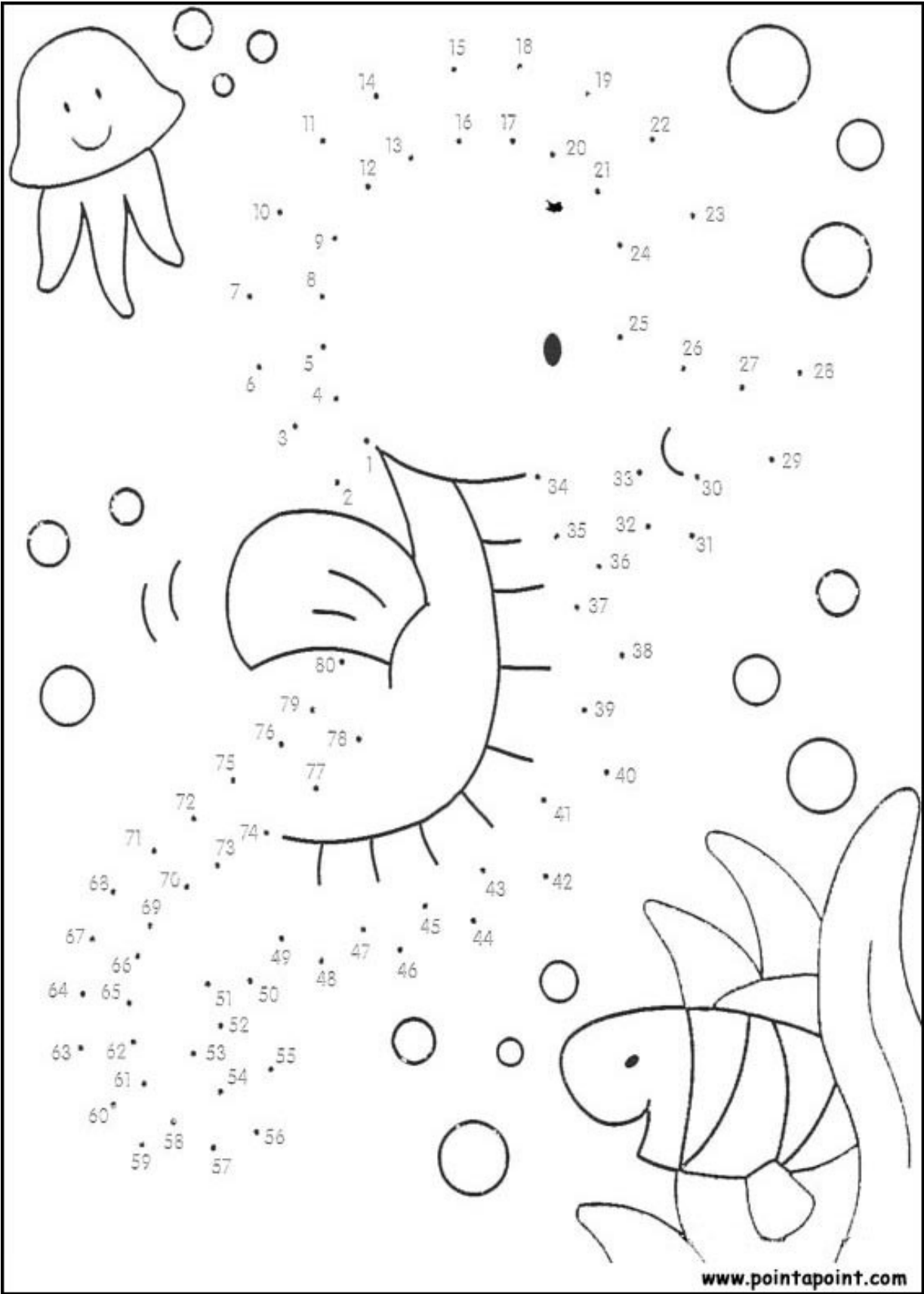
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