## Obama and McCain

## on the campaign trail <br> By Michelle Ceballos <br> rations and neglect over 100 million Ameri-

Preceding last night's Vice Presiden tial Debate, Senators Barack Obama and John McCain met on Friday, September $26^{\text {th }}$ at the University of Mississippi for the first Presidential Debate of 2008. The stage was set and the first to answer each question was determined by a coin toss Candidates were given two minutes each to get their word out and then about five minutes to debate.

Foreign policy was supposed to be the main subject Friday night, but much of the debate was focused on issues related to the economic crisis the United States is currently undergoing.

One of McCain's proposals to encourage economic growth and lead us out of this crisis was to lower business taxes. Obama's defense was that McCain was going to give over 300 billion dollars in tax cuts to some of the wealthiest corpo-
cans. In turn Obama proposed tax cuts for $95 \%$ of American families.

McCain said, "A healthy economy, with low taxes, and without raising taxes, is probably the best recipe for eventually having our economy recover."

After this, they moved on to foreign policies commencing with the war in Iraq McCain accused Obama of not supporting the "surge"

Obama replied, "John, you like to pretend like the war started in 2007." Obama continued,"the war started in 2003, and at the time when the war started, you said it was going to be quick and easy. You said we knew where the weapons of mass destruction were. You were wrong.

McCain said repeatedly that Obama refused to acknowledge that we are winning in Iraq and that US military leaders have suggested that Obama's plan to pull our troops


The juniors are ahead of the game with their float representing Australia. Parents students and sponsors work together to make this a memorable homecoming. See Homecoming Special on pages 6-7
out by 2010 is a dangerous idea.
Some people believe the debate was a tie. Others beg to differ. Who won this de-
bate is for you to decide. If you have not already watched this debate you can read about it online or search out the video on YouTube

## News Briefs

## By Paulina Ibarra

## So, what are you in for?

Ryan Mueller, a man convicted of burglary four times before, was finally sentenced to six years in a Sheboygan, Wisconsin prison. So, what exactly landed him in the big house? Mueller attempted to steal $\$ 20$ from a toddler's piggy bank. The 31-year-old crook broke into the home and made his way to the 2 -year-old's bedroom while she slept. Mueller was caught red-handed by the toddler's mother.

## Convert your dead

 grandma into blingAlgordanza, a research company nestled in the mountains of Switzerland, has developed a fashionable, albeit macabre way to remember your loved ones who have passed on. Swiss scientists have used the ashes of dead people to create diamonds. The price begins at $\$ 7500$ dollars, making the jewels rather accessible mementos. Similar companies, LifeGem and Phoenix Diamonds, located in the US and the UK respectively, make diamonds from hair.

Vomit causes car accident in Tempe, AZ
Policemen at the scene reported that members of an Arizona State University fraternity vomited milk from a campus bridge and caused a car crash on the street below. The cascading vomit caused a woman in one car to suddenly stop on the road. Another car, occupied by a woman and her toddler, smashed into it from behind. Mother and daughter suffered only minor injuries. University police say they are investigating the prank gone wrong

## Economic crisis, bailout affecting teens

With the economic crisis looming over the U.S., people have become increasingly worried about whether or not our country will fall into a recession. With the Bush Administration's new proposition to bail out failing financial companies, supposedly to cost $\$ 700$ billion dollars, or roughly $\$ 2000$ dollars for every man, woman, and child, the worry is valid.

Under the current administration, the U.S. Treasury would buy troubled financial assets from failing U.S. financial companies, mainly mortgage companies that have lost value because of foreclosures and declining house values. The Treasury would then hold on to them until the economy was better and sell them back, potentially making a profit.

The idea is that buying problem assets from banks will allow them to lend out money again. Currently, Congress has agreed to make $\$ 250$ billion available for the plan, with $\$ 100$ billion extra, if needed. Executives will have limits on compensations if they participate in the deal, and the Treasury would get an equity stake in companies helped by the bailout.

If this plan is approved (which is not even guaranteed to work), people would most likely see a raise in taxes. This problem is affecting all sorts of people, from the 24 year old college graduate to the 65 year old retiree. Already,
people are seeing their assets being split in two, and wondering if they'll ever get out of debt. Unfortunately, this has had a major impact on high school seniors. With the thought of paying for college becoming more and more daunting, even the best and the brightest are being deterred from going to their dream school.
"People who are smart enough to go to universities are deciding to go to Pima because it costs so much less compared to the U of A," said senior Sara Molera. "It feels like it'll last for a while, so it definitely messes up my plans."

With prices going up ever higher, the mere thought of paying more seems to anger some.
'I hate gas prices. I have to pay for it myself, so I can't drive around as much as I would," said senior Michelle Fuentes. "Everything's so expensive now!"

For some, the economic crisis has gotten to the point of no return: people losing homes, losing business, or just not being able to get a job. Banks are so scared to lend money that even those with excellent credit scores are having a difficult time getting a loan. This could definitely scare off potential entrepreneurs, who just might be the key to urning the economy around.

Whether or not the bailout actually helps is yet to be seen; first it must pass the House vote

## Spirit week in review

By Cynthia Lopez
Spirit week at Nogales High School started off strong, sputtered in the middle, and ended on high note, giving the students a break from the usual routine.

Monday was Sport's Day and the school was filled with students dressed up showing spirit for their favorite teams and showing off their favorite sports. Tuesday was a day in Hollywood at NHS, though it was difficult to tell at times since not many students participated
"It was too hard to dressup like a celebrity because there is too much detail in each character ," said David Gutierrez. "It's also hard to tell exacty who people are," he added

A few celebrities from the Pussy Cat Dolls to Lil' Wayne
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Freshman class Vice President Nohe Garcia looks up as his classmates work hard on their Jamaican float.

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## Campus

## Mrs. Romero, a fresh addition to the NHS Language Department

By Paulina Ibarra

Every school year we welcome new faculty members to Nogales High Schoo. This year one of them is Mrs. Romero, a teacher who makes trips between the G, J, and B buildings every day in order to teach Spanish. Tracking her down for an interview was a little tricky since she teaches in multiple rooms and looks nothing like her brother and fellow NHS teacher, Mr. Romero.

It seems that Mrs. Romero has a habit of traveling, having previously taught at Pimeria Alta and most recently up in Tucson at Adalberto Guerrero Middle School. Though she's had a variety of kids as students, Romero admitted that she felt apprehensive about teaching freshmen, who make up most of her classes.
"Thankfully, my expectations were proven wrong," said Romero with relief.

She is pretty familiar with the freshmen's sometimes rowdy reputation, since she grew up in Nogales and attended NHS herself.
"Growing up in Nogales then was pretty much the same as it is today. Everything's familiar, and everyone knows you," Mrs. Romero said

After graduating as part of the class of 1993 , Romero enrolled at the University of Arizona to get a Bachelor's Degree in Spanish Literature, and later earned a Master's

Degree in Administration from the Universidad de Guanajuato.

One thing Mrs. Romero has always had a passion for is reading. It's been a part of her life since she was a little girl. Now that she's grown up, is a teacher and mother of two, Romero keeps pretty busy, but usually man-
 ages to slip in time for her books when her children are asleep.

She didn't always want to teach, though. When Mrs. Romero was younger, she aspired to go into private administration.
"I like my job so far, it's not so bad. You learn a lot, you laugh a lot, you get upset sometimes, but most of the time it's okay," said Romero.

## Be safe during the month of October By Danissa Gil

With the rise in violence and accidents both here in Nogales, Arizona and across the border, your best shot at staying out of the hospital (and ALIVE) is to keep yourself away from danger. "How?" you may ask, well there are a few things you can do.

One of is to buckle up. A seatbelt increases your chances of surviving a car accident.
If you want to party, make your own parties. Invite all of your friends and I guarantee you will have a great time. Instead of drinking alcoholic beverages, have caffeine drinks; you'll have more energy to dance without the disgusting (and sometimes embarrassing) results of alcohol.

## Key Club pulling out all the stops

## Val's Vital Info

By Kennara J. Ramirez
Fall break: safety, report cards, teenagers, hazards across the nation. These are some of the things Mr. Valenzuela covered this month, and let me tell you it's pretty scary stuff.

Well, to start out with school info, we are half way through the first semester, and report cards are out next Friday. So ask yourself these questions. Have you met your goals? Could you have done some thing differently? Could you have done better in your classes? What's next? For all the juniors and seniors who need to pass one or more parts of AIMS, that's what's next. Tests are rapidly approaching at the end of October. Start reviewing and studying. Do not procrastinate.

On a lighter note, Fall Break is just around the corner (October 13-17). No, Mr. Valenzuela is not at all coldhearted; he wants all student body, faculty and staff to enjoy their vacation and to be safe. He wants to see everyone back and ready to work the following Monday.

Be safe, be responsible, make wise decisions and think about the consequences of your actions," said Val. This applies in everyday life.

It really bothers him to find out about all the accidents and wrecks. Therefore, we are following up with some shocking stats that you should know about and could affect you during your vacation.

According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, in 2005 a total of 5,288 teenagers from 13-19 years of age died in a car crash, Three out of every four of those teens were males. Teenaged crash rates are high, mostly because of immaturity combined with driving inexperience. Teenage drivers are a major hazard everywhere, especially in the U.S., but wrecks aren't the only thing to worry about.

There has been a noticeable difference in the amount of people that go "party" across the border. For those of you that still go, here is something that might change your mind. The U.S. Department of State has given us a Mexico Travel Alert.
"Violent criminal activity fueled by a war between criminal organizations struggling for control of the lucrative narcotics trade continues along the U.S. Mexico border." Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs.

Mafia wars are taking over and the criminals don't care who is in the way, so stay safe!

By Paulina Ibarra

For years, the Key Club has given the students of Nogales High School the opportunity to congregate and volunteer to their heart's desire. Key Clubbers can often be seen lending a hand around town at the humane society or the hospital, and they sponsor organizations like UNICEF and the annual Relay for Life. Now headed by English teacher Antonia Vladimirova, the Key Club is exceptionally busy this year, with a bunch of new projects that stay true to community service.
'Stick it to the Man' was an event held on Friday, September 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, where for the worthy price of a dollar, you scribbled a school appropriate phrase onto a sticker that was then attached to the faculty member of your choice. Vice principal Claudia Welden and counselors Issa Castillo, Judy Moreno, Daniel Moran, and Hector Ramirez had to flaunt the silly tags on campus all day long.

Most recently, the Key Club hosted a combo carne asada/car wash event outside of Wal-Mart on September $21^{\text {st. }}$. For 10 dol-
lars customers enjoyed sizzling beef straight from the grill while a bunch of chipper whippersnappers washed vehicle after vehicle. The car wash had a great turnout, with the current cash-in at $\$ 600$. The money made scrubbing windshields is funding later activities, and if you missed out, Key Club president Veronica Atondo assures that it won't be the last.
"We all focused our efforts on the endless line of cars. It was a lot of fun!" said Atondo.

But the event that has club members the most excited is a dance planned for next quarter, and it won't just be some humdrum cotillion, the theme for it is 'Masquerade Ball'. Anyone who plans to cut a rug that night is expected to sport a costume. The date of the dance is set on October $25^{\text {th }}$, so don't worry, you have plenty of time to find something to wear. The location and the price of the tickets are still being debated.

## Fellowship Club a new addition to club list <br> By Alexis Kramer

For the new 2008-2009 year, a Campus Student Fellowship club was started with a conversional topic, the Christian religion. Rumors and innverbos spread before the first meeting was even held. The point of the club is uniting Christian followers and non-believers to get in touch with their spiritual side in a positive atmosphere where fellow students can be serve as a support system.

Fellow NHS students Hannah Millner and Caroline Crawford started this group to get students to read the bible and other spiritual books, listen to music, play games, make new friends,
 and, if they want to, pray.
"This is a club where individuality is ac-
cepted and is welcome to everyone who wants to make God an important part of their life," said Caroline Crawford.

Even people who are not Christian are welcome to come and share their beliefs
Meetings are held in the Mariachi Room at 6:45 in the morning with sponsor, Ms. Erika Vipond. Come and check it out.

## Homecoming parade

Don't miss the Homecoming Parade today at 1:00 downtown. The parade begins at the old courthouse and proceeds down Morley Ave. then back up Grand.
If you want to march behind your float, please make sure you are wearing school colors. Remember, the parade is an event to show school pride, it is not a class competition. You are representing your school to our community. Make us proud!

## How to change your life in three hours <br> By GermanAlmada

Ten hand-picked members of the Pride of Nogales Marching Band, as well as ten others from the Rio Rico High School band embarked on a significant trip to Dobson High School in Phoenix on September 13 for a leadership conference hosted by the legendary Dr. Tim Lautzenheiser. The conference, or seminar, was designed to strengthen leadership skills necessary to fulfill duties as a section leader or even a drum major.
"I thought Dr. Lautzenheiser was captivating. The seminar was intense, emotional, and struck close to home. I would go again for sure," said head drum major, Carlos Tavares. Many people who went came back as a different individual having taken a step further to bring out the leader in them. Tavares also said, "It helped me, not only as drum major, but as a person as well.'

Dr. Lautzenheiser got his message across to more then 500 people in a humorous, honest, and truthful method. He made the fundamentals of leadership stand out and demonstrated them with real life applications that helped the listener fully understand the given principle.
"He really knows how to keep his audience on the edge of their seat from beginning to end," said Ana Gonzalez.

## Students prepare for the Santa Cruz County Fair <br> By JC Clark

Loads of entertainment and delicious food are back once again for the $93^{\text {rd }}$ annual Santa Cruz County Fair!
This year, the exiting activities range from rides to rodeo. As always there will be a carnival in which people can try their luck at the game stands, or hold on tight as they get tossed in the air by the various rides.

Also featured will be the 4-H exhibits and an annual BBQ lunch prior to the auction. In addition, there will be hundreds of opendivision exhibits, for which the entry date is September $30^{\text {th }}$.

Along with these events there's never anything quite like the food. Of course there are always ribs, nachos, and curly fries, but nothing beats all the corn at a county fair. From corn chips, corn dogs, kettle corn and popcorn, to just regular roasted corn, there's just never enough corn.

The Santa Cruz County Fair kicks off at the Sonoita Fairgrounds October $2^{\text {nd }}$ and continues through October $5^{\text {th }}$. The gates will open at 8 AM everyday. Admission is $\$ 5$ for adults and $\$ 3$ for children under 12 . The fair will be the perfect place for the whole family to eat great food and have tons of fun!


When asked if she had anything personal she'd like to say about Dr. Lautzenheiser, Ana plainly said, "I wish he'd personally about Dr. Lautzenheiser, Ana plainly said, "T wish he
come talk to the whole band...please," and laughed.

# Club notes you must know in order to remain in the loop 

Spirit Club
By Jose Rojas
The Spirit Club, which was founded by Mr. Tim Colgate, is one of the new clubs that came with the new school year.

The club brings together fans, commentators, and broadcasters all into one bunch.

The fans hide in the stands and pump up the crowd. The commentators provide play by play notice of the games, and the broadcasters interview the members of the team.

Thinking about joining? Talk to Mr. Colgate and help support your own NHS Apaches.

Science Club

## By Saul Leyva

The Science Club recently went to the reptile show in Tucson, and is currently planning for their annual trip to the White Mountains. The Science Club meets Tuesdays after school, new members are welcome.


## A fun-filled homecoming week for Spirited Apaches

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could be spotted on campus, with Lil Wayne winning the look-alike contest during lunch.

Wednesday was all about the different nationalities. Some of the countries best represented included Jamaica, Italy, France and Japan.
"I liked it because it gave people the opportunity to try something different," said Luz Corella. "It was eyecatching."

Thursday was class shirt day. The freshmen were oh "so fresh so clean" with an aqua blue shirt and black letters. Sophomores were "guarding the boat" with white shirts and black, gold and red letters. The "why so serious?" juniors' shirts were black with neon purple, green and yellow letters. The "perfect class" senior shirts were purple with gold letters.

Today is School Spirit Day, and students are encouraged to wear Apache shirts to support our school Only students wearing school colors may walk behind their float during the homecoming parade.

For those who participated in spirit week great job and for all of those who didn't... what's wrong with you? You should show more spirit for your school!


By Mariela Jaramillo
The Zonta Club has been around for many years and is meant to get teens more involved in helping out their communities. Every year new members are registered and are made active members with in a month of their first meeting.

The last meeting for new members was held two Saturdays ago, and now regular meetings are held every other Saturday at the Holiday Inn. The club consists of mainly girls and only about five guys. The club is a great help to the community and gets teens actually caring about what is going on.

Poms
By Lilly Padilla
Poms will be having a Car Wash this Saturday (Oct. 4) at Auto Zone-Mariposa. It is from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Tickets are $\$ 5.00$ for small cars and medium SUV's. Ten bucks for large SUV's, vans and trucks. Don't forget tomorrow, get your shine on.

## Sportsmen Club

 By JC ClarkThe Sportsmen Club has been full of adventure with recent trips such as a camping and fishing trip to the White Mountains on Aug 30-Sept 2.

Other adventures they've taken include a hiking trip to Mt. Wrightson and fishing and camping at Mt. Gram in September. Sportsmen Club sponsor Mr. Gonzales has his next trip planned for Oct 25 , when the club members will scale the Chinicahua Mountains.

## To eat or not to eat: is that really the question? <br> By Karo Peraza <br> By Mariela Jaramillo

As everybody may have noticed, Nogales High School has decided to go healthy on us. Complaints and some comments have been heard around campus What do I think about this? Here I am to let you in on my little opinion.

So the deal here at NHS is that for some reason Sunchips and Diet Coke have apparently taken over campus Yes, the evil curse of "too much diet" is enraging all of us. Pretty soon the entire city will be DOOMED! Okay, so I'm a bit over the top, but I ask you, how much diet is too much?

I'm no expert but I can fill you in on a little 411. Glucose every once in a while is sometimes good for us. Let it be for energy or for that weekly sugar rush everyone needs. I don't want to be a sugar freak here, but too many students have been complaining about the food and how it tastes exactly the same as last year. Southwest Food Services has a meal plan for everyone on campus that is trying to teach us to eat healthy, which is not a bad idea really. Being healthy
is key to many things, but that's what we have our mothers for

One of my many concerns is, if no junk food is being sold, why all the chamoy? Last time I checked, chamoy is NOT under any circumstances at the top of the food pyramid. Chips with that extra flavor aren't doing you any good just because the bag says Baked Lays. "Baked" doesn't
mean, "add some chamoy and you'll still be healthy even though it's fattening". But hey, if it tastes good, eat it. So really, if they do not allow the goodies, why that?

If you're reading this, really think about it and try to understand my point of view.

The new school food has added a touch of class to our environment. What do I think? I think the school is doing a good thing by taking away all the calories and bringing on the baked goods. It is better to keep healthy, than to be poisoning your bodies with the grease, artificial flavor, and soda. Is it really worth almost killing yourself over a bag of chips? Well, that's what I see most people do whenever there is a fundraiser. They crowd around the table as if they are getting a lifesaving blood transfusion.

It's getting to be ridiculous how such bad eating habits are affecting our bodies. I
mean come on, is it really that bad to eat healthy for once, watching your health and figure at the same time? I certainly don't think so. For once, you should actually care and take the advice that schools are trying to teach you. Eat better, limit yourself, not because they are telling you to, but for yourself. By eating so much junk, all you're showing is that junk food has control and you obviously don't. If it wasn't for such bad eating habits, we wouldn't even be having these problems. Some people's idea of a "perfect lunch" was a bag of chips loaded with chamoy and to go along with that, a soda. Is that really necessary?

Come on, try the new food in the cafeteria. It doesn't even have to be from there, since there are lots of little stands around campus during lunch. Give them a chance, they are not as bad as most students make them seem. Make today the day the junk food stops taking over and you gain control again.

## The Great Nuclear Masquerade <br> By Fernando Villa

In a stunning display of power, the United States put an end to World War II as Little Boy and Fat Man, two US atomic bombs, sent the Japanese cities into oblivion. August 6, 1945. Nagasaki. August 9,1945 . Hiroshima.

More than 60 years have passed and it seems to most that the US and China are cooperating in an effort to settle differences. In case you did not know, the United States is about 40 super-gazillion dollars in debt to China, who is also the main supplier of our imports ranging from cheap cosmetics to plastic toys that practically scream 'THE CONTENTS OF LEAD IN ME WILL KILL YOU'. Yet we buy and buy because, quite frankly, it's a very inexpensive way to satisfy our nation.

The Chinese are probably laughing right now, saying, "Hey Wasabi, how great is this- we mass produce cheap plastic stuff that Americans can't get enough of and pay our workers half of what that fly on the dumpster makes!" We have become a nation of 'Made in China' and what's more, we have made ourselves extremely vulnerable especially with our unstable economy. I think we need to look at this picture on a larger scale starting with our good friends in (communist) North Korea.

Earlier this month, N. Korea decided to revive its nuclear fuel generators, breaking a promise with the United States and partner of the United Nations, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) which
regulates and inspects nuclear technologies (internationally). What could this mean? It can mean a lot of things because this fuel is converted to energy which can be used to produce electricity and can power differentitems such as bed lamps, computers, toasters, smoothie blenders, nuclear weapon death plants, you know, the usual. In fact, the nuclear plant located in the country of Pyongyang has been estimated to have 3,000 to 5,000 nuclear fuel rods from which plutonium can be extracted and combined with uranium to produce 6 to 10 bombs. Scary, eh?

If North Korea is capable of producing instruments of mass destruction, what the heck do you think China is going to do to us? I believe that the great amount of effort and money poured into the Olympics was a perfect diversion from what China really stands for. Who isn't to say they don't have an underground group working on a plot to turn the tables on any treaties and alliances with the United States and hit us right where it hurts and when it hurts. Our attention needs to be focused on suspicious and possibly hazardous Asian activity, and although we aim to make peace between nations, we must remember to shake hands with our right hand and hold the hammer with our left.



Letters to the Editor

## Breaking Dawn is Great

Dear Editor,
This is in response to the article in the last issue about Breaking Dawn. First of all Twilight is a great book! I agree, as in almost every book series, no sequence compares to the first book. However, every book in the Twilight series succeeds in keeping the audience interested; if they didn't then the series would have ended sooner. Breaking Dawn was magnificently written and I really cannot think of any other conclusion to the series. Stephanie Meyer was a genius in the way she made everything connect. I suppose some literary competence is needed to truly appreciate Breaking Dawn for all it's worth.

## Vicky Robles

## Comics or not?

Dear Editor
We need to have more comics!

-Arturo Granados
Dear Editor,The WarCry needs to have something we should care about and less about cartoons, etc.

## Too much patriotism?

Dear Editor,
Around this campus, I encounter several administrators who in my opinion have overly conservative and archaic ideas about patriotism. Every Wednesday I witness several students get in trouble, simply for not acknowledging the national anthem. Shouldn't patriotism be a question of each individual's personal sense of what their country means to them or the values they hold true? Rather it seems that it is an enforcement of the school instead of a personal expression of sentiment and respect for their country.
-Luis Luzania
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## Opinion

## Why no more parents of the year? <br> By Mariela Jaramillo

Parents of the year, an award that recognizes parents for the things they do to help out the school and especially their kids. An honor that has been around since I was a little girl, it gives our parents that same great feeling that we get when we accomplish something. Unfortunately, for the past two years, Nogales High School has failed to recognize these parents because of some hurt feelings and petty bickering.

The Parent of the Year honor is supposed to be awarded given to the best candidates, which to me means the ones who are willing to put the most effort and are the most involved. Sadly, its high school and the award is often considered a popularity contest. The credit of those who deserve it is often given to those who are more preferred.

I think that things should be changed and favoritisn should not even be a thought in the minds of those deciding. It shouldn't matter what your last name is or which parent is most popular. Some parents are favored because they give the most money, but others give their time and support, which is equally or more important. Favoritism, greed and envy are all the signs of jealous parents who think they deserve it, but in reality do not even belong on the ballot

Sorry for those who deserve the honor of been crowned. The choice was made and hopefully the feelings of those offended will not keep going on. The decision to
end Parents of the Year has its disadvantages as well as advantages, if you think about it. Conflicts were always arising and feelings were getting hurt, I guess they had a point. The ones who actually deserved the award should have been the ones honored instead of being the ones sitting up in the stands, watching in disgust at those who less deserved it. On the other hand, parents should lose the sensitive act and get over it, like they try and teach us, Right? WRONG! They have a good reason to get mad, and I am proud to see them actually speak up for themselves and get the award taken away rather than watch the rest be rewarded for doing absolutely nothing.

Don't you think it would be nice for once to be able to congratulate them for something they did? Don't you think they deserve the Parents of the Year award or even better, the best parents ever award? I sure do. I think it would be great to be able to say, "I'm proud of you Mom or I'm proud of you Dad". Their achievements should count the most, because they do so much and are so much a part of our lives. It would be nice for once to give them the chance of getting that same great feeling you do when you accomplish something. All parents, to me, are considered the best. Don't forget to thank your parents for the things they do for you daily.

## Class Shirts not so great this year

## Dear Editor,

This year's class shirts were just horrific. The freshman shirts just stink! Nobody knows whats going on with the sophomore shirts, they're just plain weird...I mean come on "Guard the boat, mind the tide?" Definiton please! What about the junior shirts? We all know what they say in the front but
 they look deformed, they look like

Sloth's face from The Goonies. I guess senior shirts aren't that bad, but all the other classes' shirts are hideous! Erika Zarate and Laurie Puchi

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## So far so good

Dear Editor,
In my opinion the Warcry has been a great success this year. Every single article has caught my attention. P.S. Travis would make an awesome date. -Pita Estrella

# Alphabet Soup Part I 

Awaiting valid reasons By Nathania Garcia
Why is it that, on our way off campus after school, we are not allowed to drive towards the office in order to pick someone else up? Why must we get off campus entirely and drive around until we find somewhere we can make a turn to come all
 the way back? If you

## have a valid answer, please make me aware.

## Blindfold bonanza

As you may have noticed, there were recently swarms of blindfolded passersby on campus. Being one of them for the second time around, I was appalled by the behavior of some of my peers. Don't get me wrong, the majority of people went out of their way to help out and the do-gooders did overshadow their inconsiderate counterparts, but those few rude individuals were significantly immature. Being blind ironically opened the eyes of many as to which friends were trustworthy and which secretly wished to ram you head- first into a brick wall.

## Community connections

It is unfortunate that small town politics equals you get treated according to who your parents are, who you know, and what kind of car you drive. While we may not notice or accept it now, being conditioned this way will work against us if we ever have the good fortune of venturing out into the real world-out there, your last name is obsolete, and bicycles are more practical anyhow.

## Dunce cap alert

Old as it may be, the bathrooms are deplorable. Mankind is yet to understand why girls feel compelled to make their existence known through means of permanent markers and grotesque words. How classy.

## Egalitarianism

The school dress code is not a science: avoid revealing clothing, don't flaunt all the piercings in your body, and just dress with some dignity. Why then, if it's watered down so everyone will understand, is it not comprehended by so many? And why is it that certain people always get in trouble for the little stud in their noses, and while they're getting reprimanded, girls walk past by the dozens, bare shoulders, cottage cheese limbs, and all? Rules are there for a reason and if they cannot be enforced equally, they are futile.

## Lunchtime makes for a trashy situation

I am so sick and tired of seeing trash just strewn about on the floor, lying on stairs, just everywhere all over the school. Did people lose the use of their arms or is throwing trash around their idea of "decorating?

Do you really enjoy seeing pizza boxes and tea cans just spread all around? Maybe some of you are thinking "oh, it's just one can, how much of a problem can it be?" When about 1700 other people think that very same thing, yeah it is a problem, and a big one at that. Did you know that 35 cans equals about one pound? That's roughly 48.5 pounds of aluminum that is probably on the floor. With gas prices rising, the cost of everything else has followed suit. And with prices for aluminum fluctuating from $\$ 0.31$ to $\$ 0.61$ per pound, it would be well worth the effort to recycle those cans for some real money, or at least a finito. Recycling cans has benefits beyond the wallet as well. Recycling one aluminum container can power a TV for three hours and 40 cans can help save you a gallon of gas. It also save up to 95 percent of the energy used to create a completely new can from bauxite, rather than just make a can from the recycled aluminum. Recycling white paper also has the same benefits since it's the hard to make but easy to reuse.

Now, some people complain saying
stuff like, "The cafeteria food isn't tasty, the only good thing they have is the pizza outside, and they only sell healthy food at the COE store, blah blah." Be thankful for your greasy pieces of tomato bread because soon enough you might not have it! If this whole trashing the school thing keeps up, soon the cafeteria food is ALL you will be able to eat. The principal has the power to close down all other food areas on campus if he feels the need and frankly, I don't blame him. I would do the same thing if I saw my school looking like a dump. Having food other than what is given is a privilege, not a right, which is what you need to get through your skull.

Not to mention, all the paper plates in which the school food is served on. It seems to be a huge waste of resources and money just for paper plates. It would be so much easier and less costly to have hard plates and cups, instead of cartons of drinks and plastic sporks (which are lousy at holding food, I may add.) Not only would this save our resources, it also helps the environment since plastic is a petroleum product, and would help keep trash out of our landfills, which are full enough as it is. Changing to hard plates and cups would also create new jobs since someone will need to wash all those utensils. So this while it would seem
cost a bit of money at first, in the long run, the savings do add up.

Concerning the trash, people might also say, "It's okay, the janitor will pick it up, that's their job." Please, just stop yourself right there. Not only do you sound ignorant, it's quite rude to give someone even more work just because "it's their job. That's like getting into accidents every chance you get so "the doctor can do his job." I doubt you would enjoy people trashing your house, so why trash the place that is like a second home? Most of us are here about 8 hours out of the day, which is way more than the time we spend awake in our own homes. I hate the fact that every time I walk to class after lunch, I end up picking up about 10 or so cans of drinks. I shouldn't have to pick up after everyone else, I'm not your mother (who I'm sure would definitely not appreciate it if you did the same thing in your home).

So think about that, litterbugs, which would you prefer? A dirty school, no money in your pocket, and our earth becoming a proverbial toilet bowl? Or a nice beautiful clean campus with a gallon of gas in your car, and a pocket full of Washingtons? I know which one I would take in a heartbeat. So please, people, just PICK UP!

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# Make Way for Our Royal 



## It takes more than pretty flowers and a few plastic crowns

## By Saul Leyva

Planning out homecoming isn't as easy as it seems. Homecoming takes months of preparation. The administration begins the plans for homecoming about two months beforehand in order to be able to completely prepare themselves for the big event. First of all they need to figure out the parade route, and it needs to be approved by the Nogales Police Department. After it gets approved they need to make sure that they can close off the border from both sides while the parade is in progress.

They need to contact the train companies in order to make sure that no trains will be passing by on day of the event; after they have all of that figured out they need to provide sufficient funds in order to pay the working police officers overtime. They need to find out where the bus parking will be, and they need to make the invitations for those who will be coming out in the parade and they need to arrange the vehicles in which they will be traveling. When they have all of the basics covered they need to contact all the Nogales middle schools and make sure that all of the bands, and pom pons will be ready for the parade.

When everything is set and everyone is ready they need to coordinate the parade lineup, and appoint someone as the grand marshal to lead the parade. The school needs to find warehouses that have enough space to be able to work on their respective floats and make sure that everything stays under control, once they have the warehouses they need to make the purchase orders in order to have all of the supply ready for each class. Each year NHS holds elections in order to select who will be royalty for each class, once all of this is done and ready then we have ourselves a great, fun, and safe homecoming.

## Roll out the maroon carpet, Apache $\mathbf{R}$ arrived

By Lyanne Lira
Every year we elect several fabulous individuals to be our very own crowning monarchy. A have nearly the same perks as real kings and queens, they get to ride on a float, and that's pretty Through the years, the student body has voted, and nominated the coolest, the prettiest, the royal for one day. Even though football homecoming is once a year, every year, it's still a big deal Drum roll please, the members of this years royal court are Rene Calixtro, Andres Garcia, P
 Martinez, Alexia Chavez, Jose Carpena, Andrea Andres Garcia, also known as "Andy" is a and jazzercise. This simple boy would rather be doing something that keeps him awake; because he claims school isn't working. The self proclaimed nock (nerd-jock) would love to be a real king for a day. "If I were king of the world I would bomb all eastern countries, keep the oil, and hire Monika Lewinsky to take care of George Bush for impeachment, Nah! I'm just kidding," added Andy with a laugh.

Rene Calixtro is a boy who would use his royal powers to achieve world peace. His favorite past times include football, graphic design, and yoga. Rene explains that if it were his decision he would spend all his time at Erik villa's house. "I can't live without my boys" he shares. Modestly, He describes personality as being an "exotic, charming, and
 blunt guy" and the truth be told he is not fibbing.

Nominated for queen is Paloma Spence, a simple girl. Spence can't survive without mur,


Aaron Wodka and Andrea Brito were really royal for a day. Her "chill" and honest $q$ On any day of the week Paloma would rather be slee good for her like running, playing basketball and 1

Heidi Elizondo is a very colorful senior also n and loving the Jonas Brothers. As an easy going and honestly states that she would rather be eating ic person who still enjoys the simpler things in life. cones and my best friend Lyanne," said Elizondo with a smile. If she ever got the opportunity to be a true queen she says her first royal decree would be free Jimmy Choo shoes for everyone, because we can never have too many great shoes.

Joining the upper classmen in the royal court are juniors Juan Chavez and Maleny Martinez. The sophomore royals are Jose Carpena and Alexia Chavez. And last but not least are the freshmen prince, Aaron Woldka and princess Andrea Brito. Good luck to all of this year's crowned heads with their royal duties.

## Fun Facts Going Global By Czarina Nafarrate

In view of this year's homecoming theme, "Around the World", here are a few facts about the world around us:

* The Autobahn, in Germany, has no speed limit.
* China has such a big population, that if all of them jumped at the same time, they'd mess with the earth's axis. * Pole dancing is an official sport in Holland.
* Mexico City is the largest city in North America.
* Andorra has the highest life expectancy. (83.5 years.)
* Antarctica is the only continent completely covered in ice.
* Asia is the only place in the world in which you can find tigers in the wild.
* Oceania (often referred to as Australia) has more sheep than people. Bet you didn't know that juniors.
* Vatican City is the smallest country in the world. * $90 \%$ of Egypt is desert; $5 \%$ residential; $5 \%$ farmland...So sophomores, which percent is your float based on? * Ice cream was invented in China around 2000 BC when the Chinese packed a soft milk and rice mixture in the snow. * Jamaica is a beautiful island in the Caribbean and is sunny all year round, although it has competed in the Winter Olympic Games 5 times.
* In London the average tourist is caught on surveillance cameras about 300 times a day.

Don't you feel smart now? These can come in handy when awkward silences creep in! You never know what conversations can arise from these facts.

## Football jargon decoded

## By Lilly Padilla



Are you tired of sitting through an entire football game, not understanding what anyone is rumbling about? From the announcer, to out of control fans, all the way down to the field. Well, ponder no longer! Here are a few helpful Football terms to learn.

Blitz - When defensive secondary players rush through the offensive line into the backfield to try to
"sack" the quarterback.
Blocking - Offensive players use their bodies and arms as a means to impede defenders from making tackles, moving them away from the path of the ball carrier.
Buttonhook - Pass pattern in which the receiver runs straight ahead several yards, then quickly turns around to catch the pass.
Dead Ball - Declared by an official at the end of each down after a player has been tackled and the ball is no longer in play.
Down - The offensive sequence of plays starting from the line of scrimmage that begins with the center's snap and ends when the ball is dead.
Drive - Describes a series of downs in the offensive team's advance toward the goal.
Fair Catch - On a punted ball, the punt receiver signals (by waving his
hand in the air) that he will not advance the ball. This prevents the player from being tackled. Field Goal - A place kick from the line of scrimmage that goes over the crossbar between the uprights of the opponent's goal post. Field goals are used on fourth down (when the offensive team is close to the end zone) or on any other down when time is running out. It is worth three points.
Forward Pass - A throw made from behind the line of scrimmage. If the ball is not caught, it is an incomplete pass. Once the ball has crossed the line of scrimmage a forward pass is not permitted.
Fumble - When a ball carrier drops the ball on the field. The team first to recover the ball gains possession.
If the defense recovers the fumble it is a "turnover." Grounding - The quarterback
throws the ball down on the field to avoid a sack.
Hand Off - The handing of the ball to a teammate on offensive plays.
Huddle - Players gather in a circle before each down to hear instructions for the next play from the quarterback.
Interception - When a forward pass is caught by a defender. It results in a turnover. Kicker - The player who place kicks the ball on kickoffs, field goals, and extra points. Kickoff - A place kick in which one team kicks the ball to the other. It occurs at the start of each half and after each score. Lateral - When a player with the ball is ahead of the line of scrimmage and tosses the ball to a teammate beside or behind. Line of Scrimmage - It is the line along which both teams set up
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## Court: Homecoming 2008

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## atever floats your boat

pat construction birngs people together. All parshare a common goal: to beat out all other floats iving a fun time. Take a look at all the hustle and at took place this year.

## Meat grinders+storms="Homecoming from Hell"

By Alfonso Villarreal

The themes were set. The freshmen float was going to be based on prehistoric times, the sophomore float would be covered in peace signs, commemorating the 70 's, the Junior float's theme would be the present, and the Senior float would be taking a time machine to the future. The small town of Nemodab couldn't wait for the 2008 Homecoming to take place.

All the planning was done and the floats were ready. There wasn't one cloud in the sky and everyone was preparing for the most highly anticipated school event in Nemodab.

Back at Nemodab High School, all the princes and princesses were getting dressed and were preparing to be exhibited to the city. The freshmen wore cavemen costumes and had their clubs in hand. The sophomores were dressed in their tye-dye robes and had their peace posters ready. The juniors were styling the latest fashions and had the latest cell phones with them. Finally, the seniors were suiting up with their robot costumes which consisted of various wires, blinking lights, and a lot of aluminum foil.

The parade was going to be in down-

## Homecoming floats:

Some Assembly Required

## By Mariela Jaramillo

Root Beer! Ice cream! Whipped Cream! Flowers? Of course, all the ingredients of a homecoming float. Okay, well maybe not the sweets, but you get my drift. Here are a few pointers on making a homecoming float:
1.Start by getting the ingredients: the basic flowers (wire and tissue paper), platform and chicken wire. And don't forget the soda to get everyone hyped up and ready to help.
2."Pour" the opened flowers into a plastic bag, preparing them for separation of color.
3."Whip" up a good plan to form the shapes you are attempting to build with the chicken wire.
4. Get the flowers and put them on the chicken wire gently so they won't rip, as if scooping ice cream with a delicate spoon. 5.Once that's done, bubble up some trouble and get everyone helping out with putting the flowers around and on the platform.
6.Finish any minor details that are left to do as if you were adding extras to your float.
7.Sprinkle some royalty on top, and your ready to go.
8.Support your class and do some screaming.
9.Party! Eat! Enjoy your float! :) CAUTION: Do not eat your float!
town Nemodab, where the floats were already ready and waiting to be shown to the town. When all the royalty arrived downtown and settled on the floats, the parade started. The freshmen were in the front, followed by the sophomores, juniors, and then the seniors.

The float drivers were going a bit faster than expected because a few clouds showed up in the sky in the last few hours.

Since the homecoming was a pretty big deal in Nemodab, the town deli shop took out a giant meat grinder they took out every year, so they could make hamburger patties for the whole town at a much faster speed.

The parade was looking fine, until the driver of the freshman float saw Ms. Jenkins, the town's oldest citizen, who was also deaf, mute, and blind, wandering aimlessly across the street.

The driver came to a hauling stop, and because of that, the freshman prince and princess were thrust into the air, and ended up landing in the deli shop's giant meat grinder. Everyone gasped in horror, except the driver of the freshmen float, who didn't
notice and kept on driving. The other floats followed so the parade could go on.

Everything was back to normal until the sophomore float started going slower. The slower it went, the more exhaust came out of it. With so much exhaust in the air, the driver of the junior float couldn't see, so he took a wrong turn into a dirt road, where monster tucks raced every Friday. The last thing that was heard of the juniors was two loud screams, and it was later found that they were trampled by a monster truck.

The sophomore float soon ran out of gas and ended up stopping right when it was passing the railroad. Then, from nowhere, a train came and crashed into the sophomore float, demolishing everything in its path.

The seniors on the float stared in disbelief, but were relieved that they were safe Suddenly, a huge storm came from those harmless clouds. Lightning was blasting from the sky, and since the seniors were covered in foil and wires...The seniors were fried to a crisp, and suddenly, no one was too excited for homecoming anymore.

## Keeping floats flowery forevermore

## By Stephannie Quijada

Colorful, creative, immaculate floats. This has been a tradition for football homecoming at Nogales High School for several years. They may all be beautiful and look absolutely stunning at our annual homecoming parade yet there is a countless amount of hard work, commitment, as well as effort necessary in order to make this exciting event possible.

This year's float theme is Countries around the World. Freshmen have Jamaica, sophomores have Egypt, juniors have Australia, and seniors have China.

Since Monday, September 22, all four classes have been dedicating their time towards their assigned float. Whether it be making flowers, catching up with friends, or just having a good time, it took a lot in order to make flower-making possible.

First of all, it takes considerate parents to allow students to come over to their house and agree to let them begin their float making work there. Now this may seem like an easy step but most parents do not think twice before saying no. Every year classes find negative ways in which they can torment one another's floats. They egg them, throw or steal each others flowers, anything they can possibly think of in order to throw one another back in their float process. Dollar donations are accepted but all NHS students in the summer every year at registration. With all the fund-raisers and donations, we are able to buy the supplies needed to make the floats.

Two weeks of flower making and construction are necessary in order to have the floats ready for homecoming night. On top of all the floats, there is royalty, putting on a great there is royalty, putting on a great halftime show, etc. None of this could


Freshmen working hard to make their float top-notch be achievable without the time and endeavors everyone puts into this as a team. So instead of wasting time find a way to wreck one another's floats, we can use that time on more important subjects like actually making the flowers and doing everything that needs to be done that way there are no last minute emergencies the day of the parade and football. It is not necessary to trash each others floats. We all at one time were or are freshmen, sophomores, juniors or seniors Let's not take the chance of losing this unique event we have had every year. Instead, let's make the most of this occasion that no other school has the advantage to experience.


## Entertainment

## Maroon Masque gets standing ovation despite "angry actors"

## By Michelle Moraila

Murders and jurors go hand in hand like peanut butter and jelly. Being the court junkie that I am, I was intrigued by the morning announcements of "being that fly on the wall" that led to this fall's curtain call. (This September the Maroon Masque proudly put on a production of Reginald Rose's Emmy Award-winning Twelve Angry Jurors.)

The play revolves around the case of a nineteen year-old boy accused of murdering his father with a pocket knife and twelve jurors (played by Anastasia Lopez, Czarina Leyva, Ashley Naff, William Cuidad, Angela Gonzalez, Alex Martinez, Natasha Harrison, Gerardo Gonzalez, Stephanie Borboa, Roberto Zubieta, Czarina Nafarate, and Fernando Villa) who are responsible of reaching a verdict, eleven of whom are convinced that the boy is guilty. Throughout the story evidence is re-examined, emotions run high, and slowly Juror Number Eight (Gerardo Gonzalez) makes ten of them realize the possibility that they could be ruining the life of an innocent man.

By far the best part of the play was when stubborn Juror Number Three (Ashley Naff) eats her own words when she screams out "I will kill you" at Juror Number Eight. I swear the whole audience jumped when that happened.

I have to say that Gerardo Gonzalez gave an amazing performance playing the protagonist. He spoke with eloquence and as soon as they raised the curtain I forgot that this was a student at Nogales High School and was won
 over by his acting.

Overall, the Maroon Masque certainly won this case. The entire cast transported me to that room where a person's life was in the hands of twelve people. I can't wait for this spring's play.

## Featured artist: " 3 OH ! 3" sounds and feels different

 By GermanAlmadaActive since 2004, the Colorado based hip-hop/electronica group by the name of the region's area code (303) has recently made their debut on the American music scene. The band is one of the first of its music style and represents the electronic music form Colorado. The band's members, Sean Foreman and Nathaniel Motte met at a physics class at the University of Colorado and have since been inspired by the underground hip-hop movement. The duo began playing local venues and rapidly made their way up to performing major events such as Warped Tour and Bamboozle, thanks to their friendships with local bands such as Signal


#### Abstract

to Noise and The Blackout Pact. The band had their major start opening for Snoop Dogg several times and in 2007 they self-produced their first album 3OH!3

In April 2008, they signed with Photo Finish Records (an aux iliary branch of Atlantic Records) releasing their sophomore album Want on July 8, 2008, produced by the renowned Matt Squire who has also produced for Boys Like Girls and Panic! At the Disco. "Don't Trust Me" is their first single from  Want and their song "PunkB-tch" The boys from 3Oh! 3 show us their moves is on the Warped Tour 2008 compilation CD.


## Celebrity gossip 101

By Alexis Kramer
The month of September has been jampacked with Hollywood award ceremonies like no other. To kick off the first week, MTV hosted its annual Video Music Awards with newcomer British host Russell Brand.

Making her comeback that was buzzing news weeks later, Britney Spears took home three Moon Man Awards to her hit single "Piece of Me". Could this mean a triumphant return for the pop princess without the paparazzi reporting negative headlines?

Brand warmed up the audience with some controversial comedic lines after joking about the Jonas Brothers' promise to keep sex and drugs out of their lives with purity rings

Major performances of the night with new songs include from Pink, T.I., Rihanna, Lil Wayne ft. TPain, Kid Rock, Kanye West, Chris tina Aguilera, and the Jonas Brothers

For the $60^{\text {th }}$ presentation of the Emmy Award Ceremony, low television ratings were reported for the show that should have mean the biggest night for the small screen. Although being telecast alongside with the Dallas Cowboys game, which took many viewers for Sunday Night Football, the ceremony attempted to live up its name for the award recipients. The stars strutted the red carpet and showed off the A-List designers that they were wearing for TV's biggest night. *The 60's drama series "Mad Men" took home of the Emmy's top awards alongside with Tina Fey and Alec Baldwin with their comedic series " 30 Rock"

To wrap up the month, Paris Hilton is welcoming her brand new TV reality show entitled, "Paris Hilton: My New BFF", on her search for someone to tag along with her and to be her true bestie.

Entertainment shows that once were a hit are slowly bringing expectations lower and our generations pop culture needs a breath of fresh air and a reality check.

## I'm way over the hill thanks to One Tree Hill episodes

 By Laura LeyvaOnce again, lame 'love conquers all' themes are what the new season of One Tree Hill revolves around. The fact that the show made it all the way to a sixth season can be considered a little less than a miracle.

The night it premiered, I sat down hoping to watch the show it was during its first season. But all I got was disappointment. Two seasons, yeah, that's good, three seasons, well, fine. But six seasons of the same corny plots? No thank you.

Touch me, I'm going to Scream pt 1, great song by My Morning Jacket, too bad it was given as a title to a crummy episode of the show. Was I supposed to gasp when the grandpa got in yet, another mess involving a woman? Was I supposed to cry out of joy while watching two high school sweethearts getting engaged? Maybe, but I ran out of tears and interest after watching the same things happen with different people episode after episode and season after season.

The show is very well written, but here's a little tip for the writers of this show, check previous episodes so you don't repeat yourselves. The premier of its sixth season just showed how downhill it's gone. I miss the show it used to be, but I'm not about to wait 50 more seasons for the same greatness to come back.

If I wanted more of the same drama I'd watch some Young and the Restless. If you want a good show, go rent the first season of One Tree Hill. I know I won't waste my time watching the rest of the sixth season of the dim-witted drama fest One Tree Hill has become

## Let Carmen tell you what she really, really wants

 By Jeanette LermaCan one day define your life? For one young girl, that day turned her life inside out. On a gloomy Valentine's Day, Carmen had to give a boring presentation about boring antique statues. She hated public speaking. To top it all off, it was the day of the Valentine's Dance Was she willing to go through with asking her crush out?

Deciding that maybe it was not the best of ideas, she skips school, shoplifts terrible over-priced lipsticks, meets a rock star in Laundromat that oozes sex appeal, and tells the world that the only thing she ever wanted was to be loved Through out her journey, she tastes coffee for the first time, is snuck into a club; all on the unruly road to her self-discov-

Originally written in French, this quirky, light-hearted tale will make you believe in yourself and that you are worth something in the end. Even if it is only a little over one-hundred pages long, it will sure to put a smile on your face. I gave this book 4 and a half stars. Maybe all you need is a microphone shoved in your face, asking you what you really want from life.

A lovely coming of age story
 Has "One Tree Hill" gone downhill?

## What's next for the Batman clan?

By Czarina Nafarrate
With the major sucess of The Dark Knight
Batman fans are anticipating a sequel. Alhough director Chris Nolan has not decided to direct another Batman movie, rumors are spreading quickly. According to an interview for MTV, Michael Caine, who played Alfred, stated that the


Heath Ledger wowed audiences as "The Joker"

So how do they plan to top Heath Ledger's performance as the Joker? Caine claims that Warner Bros. producers want Johnny Depp and Phillip Seymour-Hoffman Johnny Depp would ake on the role of the Riddler and Hoffman would portray the Penguin.

Unfortu nately, Depp has de nied the validity of these rumors by saying, "It'd be a fun role to play, but I haven't had any offers."

## Entertainment

## Igor: good for elementary, not exactly high school material

## By Pablo Valencia

Imagine a country where mad scientists are glorified and evil storm clouds cover the sky. Well that's the setting of the animated film Igor, which is the name of the main character (voiced by John Cusack) who dreams of becoming a famous evil scientist and not just a lonely lab assistant.

With the help of his creations Scamper (Steve Buscemi) and Brain (Sean Hayes) he is able to create life in the form of Eva, voiced by Molly Shannon. Unfortunately, Eva fails to be evil and instead aspires to be a world famous actress. Igor struggles as he tries to get Eva to prepare and win the evil science fair while stopping the mad sci-
entist Dr. Schadenfreude (Eddie Izzard) and girlfriend Jaclyn (Jennifer Coolidge) from stealing his idea.

"Igor" brings out a few chuckles

Despite the fact that this movie takes place in a ruthless country, it doesn't seem to provide enough dark humor. It is very cute, disgustingly so. The graphics are good but the plot is hard to understand. I mean, I got confused trying to explain it. You can also predict a lot of the things that happen, despite the fact you don't really know what is happening.

Igor is fine for children but not really for anybody else. Though some parts might make you chuckle, you'd really only enjoy the animation. If you want to see it anyway you'll find it playing at the Oasis cinema. Grade: C

## Proof that Adam Sandler's jokes are absolutely timeless

## By Karolina Peraza

How would you like to be a 30 year old hotel heiress? That would probably be nice, right? Well how would you like to be a 30 year old loser, living with your father? Not cool but, in Billy's case it looks like so much fun. Billy Madison (Adam Sandler) makes it look like a piece of lemon pie when he agrees to re-do kindergarten through high school all over again.

Billy Madison, directed by Tamra Davis, is a hysterical bundle of laughter and pure comical genius all wrapped into one great plot. Adam Sandler plays Billy Madison, a man with no job no significant other, nor a plan for his future. His father, an extremely wealthy man and owner of a chain of hotels, decides to go into retirement and trusts his son, Billy, to take charge of Madison Hotels. The only problem is Billy is somewhat of an imbecile when it comes to responsibility and anything that involves being industrious. His childish and immature actions which include speaking gibberish, talking to shampoo bottles, and getting hammered 24/7, are a part of his daily routine. Eventually, that all has to change, when Mr. Madison, played by Darren McGavin, makes a compromise with Billy to return to school and pass every single


Wouldn't you like to be in second grade again? rade within two weeks each. Billy must face rejection in high school and Carl (Larry Hankin) becomes his rival for the hotel business. With Billy's wild imagination such as talking to a made up penguin, this movie is a total blast to watch. It's some of Adam Sandler's best work, and I can guarantee you will laugh through the entire movie. You can find out if Billy pulls through and makes the business his.

This movie is rated PG-13 due to sexual content and language. It's not really suitable or appropriate for kids of all ages, but it is something someone must watch in their life. My overall rating of this movie would definitely have to be an $\mathbf{A}$. O'doyle Rules!

## Concerts coming somewhere near you

## By Laura Leyva

Tired of being yelled at for blasting your speakers and/or ipod? Want to be in front of your favorite bands? Well, if so, then this list is for you! Mark the dates in your cell phone! Oh and by the way, buy your tickets in advance, they tend to run out.
Presenting at The Rialto Theater in downtown Tucson:

## Sunday October 05

## Mindless Self Indulgence

Tuesday October 7
The Great $\operatorname{Big}$ Sea
Friday October 10
Dub Crawl
Tuesday October 14
Norma Jean
Thursday October 16
Keller Williams
Saturday October 18
Conor Oberst and the Mystic Valley Band


Sunday October 26
Bayside
with the Matches, The Status, Valencia
Coming to The Rock (Where legends continue..):

## Friday October 12

Fear Before the March of Flames
with I am Dream, Exotic Animal Petting Zoo and more.
Wednsday October 15
Four Year Strong
With I am Avalanche, A Loss For Words, This is Hell
Sunday October 26
Jack's Mannequin
With Special guests, Eric Hutchinson and The Treaty of Paris
Tuesday October 21
Everlast
Those are a few of a concerts coming to Tucson, one hour away from your favorite bands! Go and enjoy, maybe even meet some nice people, you're bound to have something in common!

Music "carries" you away By Danissa Gil

Carried to Dust is Joey Burns and John Convertino's sixth studio album as Calexico. This album has a blend of American folk, rock and country, with elements of traditional Mexican music. Last year's television writer's strike served as an inspiration. Calexico loosely tells the story of a television hack who heads east outside of Los Angeles and into the dessert and then finds a map with a route in red Joey Burns then narrates the adventure that follows. "Inspiracion" is one of the few songs with lyrics in Spanish and one of the two duets. Mariachi horns are flaunted in "Fractured Air." The album features Jacob Valenzuela, Amparo Sanchez, Pieta Brown, and Sam Beam. Carried to Dust is now available in stores and online.

Get your school spirit on

## By Stephannie Quijada

School spirit, pep ral
lies, and memorable afte parties. Homecoming for football is more than just going to the game, it's about winning and cheering on your team and partying after its over. Here are a few movies that include homecoming in them:
-Friday Night Lights
-Remember the Titans
-Rudy
-Radio
Any Given Sunday
-A Cinderella Story
-Grease

## Name That Tune

## By Krizia Ahumada

1. "All along the western front people line up to receive she got the current in her hand just shock you ike you won't believe sun in the Amazon with the voltage running through her skin standing there with nothing on she gonna teach me how to swim."
2. "Put me in a special school cause I am such a fool, and I don't need a single book to teach me how o read. Who needs stupid books? The alphabetey crooks, and I will learn by studying the lessons in my dreams. So turn off the T.V. 'Cause that's what others see and movies are as bad as ating chocolate ice cream."
3. "I'm a Young Money Millionaire Tougher than Nigerian hair. My criteria compared to your career just isn't fair. I'm a venereal disease like a menstrual bleed, threw the pencil and leaked the sheet of the tablet in my mind."
4. "It's a thief in the night to come and grab you. It can creep on inside you and consume you a disease of the mind it can control you. I feel like a monster."
5. "I'm not loving you, the way I wanted to I can't keep my cool. So I keep it true I got something to lose So I gotta move I can't keep myself, and still keep you too. So I keep in mind, when I'm on my own, somewhere far from home, in the danger zone, how many times did it take 'til I inally got through you lose, you lose I ain't loving you, the way I wanted to."
6. "Because tonight will be the night that I will fall for you, over again, don't make me change my mind. I won't live to see another day, I swear it's true, because a girl like you is impossible to find."
7. "I used to rule the world seas would rise when I gave the word. Now in the morning I sweep alone, sweep the streets I used to own. I used to roll the dice, feel the fear in my enemy's yes. Listen as the crowd would sing: Now the old king is dead! Long live the king!' "
8. "Your voice was the soundtrack of my summer. Do you know you're unlike any other? You'll always be my thunder, and I said, your eyes are the brightest of all the colors I don't wanna ever love another you'll always be my thunder so bring on the rain and bring on the thunder
9. "Come, come summertime ove, love hold my hand, come, come summertime love, love take a ride with ne. Sweet little nectarine sit down next o me. Take a load off, Annie I think you're beautiful, did I diddy diddy dum diddy do."
10. "I'm falling apart, I'm barely breathing with a broken heart that's still beating In the pain there is healing In your name I find meaning So I'm holdin' on, I'm holdin' on, I'm holdin' on I'm barely holdin' on to you."


## JV, Freshmen Following lead

After starting the season at full force, with a 2-0 record, the JV team hit a speed bump when they suffered the first loss of their season to Pueblo High
 School from Tucson.

The game started off great with the rраиния sunne on the first drive. However the Pueblo defense adjusted quickly and held the team to a two touchdown game. On the other side of the ball, the defense struggled to stop the Warriors, which allowed them to pull away as the game went on.

Final score: Apaches: 14 Pueblo: 36
As for the Freshmen team, things are looking up. They defeated Pueblo on the road 14-7. The two teams fought hard on both sides of the ball, but the Apaches pulled it off at the end.

Line of Scrimmage- It is the line along which both teams set up across on each down. The offensive team must have at least seven players on or within a foot of this line.
Onside Kick- On a kickoff, a team may attempt to regain possession of the ball by kicking it only a short distance forward, allowing its players a chance to recover the ball. The ball must travel at least ten yards before the kicking team can recover it.
Pass Rush- When the defensive team rushes the quarterback in an attempt to tackle him before he passes.
Punt- A kick taken from behind the line of scrimmage in which the ball is dropped from the kicker's hands and punted before it touches the ground. Punting often occurs on fourth down after the first three downs have failed to result in a first down.
Rushing- The use of running plays to move the ball downfield on offense.
Sack- When defensive players tackle the quarterback behind the line of scrimmage, resulting in a loss of yards for the offense.
Safety- Two points awarded to the defensive team when a ball carrier is tackled within, or runs out of the backside of his own team's end zone.
Screen Pass- A short forward pass, lofted over the heads of rushing defensemen.
Shotgun- On some pass plays the quarterback will stand several yards behind the center to catch the snap, so as to have more time to throw the ball.
Snap- The toss of the ball through the legs of the center to the quarterback, punter, or place kick holder.
Sweep- A rushing play in which the ball carrier runs around one end, rather than through the middle of the offensive line.
Touchback- On a kickoff when either the ball is caught in the end zone and the receiving team does not run it out or it goes through the end zone. To signal a touchback, the receiving player kneels on one knee in the end zone.

## Extreme Sports: Underwater Golf <br> By Saul Leyva

We've all seen underwater hockey, and of course the infamous underwater basket weaving, but a new sport is quickly joining the ranks of underwater extreme sports ...the first ever underwater golf tournament.

The tournament was held in Fuzhou City, China at the Zuohai Aquarium. The game was staged in a 50 foot deep tank, as 50 participants dove in fully equipped with snorkels, flippers, and air tanks as they tried to swing themselves into first place.

The rules are simple it's basically just your average round of golf but contestants were judged on how long it took them to get the ball into the hole, rather than the number of strokes taken. With obstacles such as water currents, and fish it took the
 first place winner about one minute and twenty seconds to sink the ball into the hole, as the last place loser took all of about five minutes to get it in. There is no telling what the Chinese will think of next to keep themselves entertained.

## Check and Mate: Boardgame Battle Tips and Tactics

## By Robert Johnson

Playing chess is more than moving pieces across a checkerboard, it's knowing your opponent by what he does and how he does it. You might know the game of chess, or you might not, so here are a few things to keep in mind for strategic chess.

All chess pieces are individually different, from movement to rank and to what it's worth. Pawns are like the guards of chess, and they move only one space. Rooks are the castles you can use to secure check and check mates, and if you're stuck, use them to block since they move forward, backwards and sideways.

Knights are the horses, and the tricky part about moving them is that they move only in a $L$ shape on the board. Bishops are the ones next to the King and Queen; they move diagonally on the board. Then you have the Queen that can move in anyway, and last is the King. The King is the key to victory or defeat; you must always keep your King safe, and in a secure location where you won't be checked.

Here are a few tips to keep your head in the game:
-Concentration is key. In order to make sure that every move you make is a smart one, you have to be focused and concentrated to check your opponent.
-Look at the board and plan ahead. When you play look at what your opponent can do, then what you can do to make a smart move into check.

-One move is all you need. If you see an opportunity to check your opponent rather than taking pieces he doesn't use then you can finish the game
-Be professional and quick. Don't take forever, but don't rush it too much.
-Shhhh. When playing a focused game of chess, the slightest distraction can kind of kick you off your strategic concentration.
-Every piece counts. Move all your pieces, you never know when you need them, and intimidation counts.

While you are playing try to remember that no matter what you do, the goal is to check your opponent's king and score making a checkmate, which is trapping the king in a position where he can be attacked.

## Cross Country kicking it into gear By Stephannie Quijada

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Cross Country continues to heat things up as they head into the second half of the season, maintaining their winning record. Captains Jose Valdez and Hayash Garcia, under the direction of coach Gattica, are working hard to motivate the team and act as excellent role models both on and off the course.

On September 27th the Cross Country team ran in the "Los Mesquites" Invitational, one of the best in Southern Arizona. Both the girls and the boys did outstanding against twenty-eight other schools, averaging seven people on each team. In the boys' varsity team, all runners placed in the top 45 , with the boys coming away with a 3rd place trophy. The girls 'varsity team pushed really hard and got 2nd place against some very good competition.

Both male and female members do a one mile warm up at the NHS track followed by stretches. They practice everyday from 3:00 to 5:30 except for Wednesdays when they have meets. Monday through Friday members run for speed and on weekends, they train for distance. During the weekend, it is up to the runners themselves whether or not they chose to run on their own. Sometimes, they have invitationals on Saturdays. We must remember that being a runner not only means discipline but it means working out to the limit all year round no matter how hot the day is, or how high and steep Mr. Hill is, our Cross Country team will get out there and represent our colors.

Christian Perez did not join cross country until this year. He is a senior and ranks number five out of the seven boys on the team. On weekends, Chris trains on his own just like the rest of the team between Saturday and Sunday, the team runs about twelve miles.

So far, both girls and boys in cross country have had an excellent season. Let's all continue to support the team and wishing the best of luck in all their upcoming meets.


## Varsity Volleyball

## By Michelle Ceballos

Our Nogales High School varsity volleyball team is having an average season so far with four wins and five losses. Co-captain Cassie Alvarez has contributed with her kills and blocks, Olivia Valencia with her blocks, and Crystal Rolinger with her killer serves.
"We need to communicate more and follow the ball. But other than that we have great team chemistry. We just need to work on the little things," said varsity player DK Morales.

The lost their last tournament against Douglas 4-, but they still have about 15 games to go and are improving. They lost against Sabino and hope to comeback strong when they play Cienega on October seventh.

Coach Moran is doing a wonderful job coaching the girls alone.
"We're coming along. Our goal is to get to playoffs and I think we can do it," said Moran.

Make sure to go support the girls at their next game on Tuesday, Oct. 7.

## Por Fin... ¿Cambiara la historia? <br> By GermanAlmada

En el cuarto partido de la era de SvenGöran Eriksson, el tricolor irónicamente (perdiendo), está ante la posibilidad de cambiar una herencia cultural y una actitud mental de muchos años en el deporte mexicano, en especial, en el balónpie Azteca.

Al margen del análisis del partido de México vs. Chile, donde debido a que fue un partido de los llamados de laboratorio (ambos conjuntos con la mayoría de caras nuevas), lo único que podemos rescatar, es que los "verdes" tuvieron un buen arranque, donde se les vio cierta dinámica y que conforme pasaron los minutos, se fueron perdiendo en lo que se puede apreciar como falta de conjunción (sabemos que la legión europea, no le presta la titularidad a estos suplentes) y terminaron siendo superados en el marcador, por un desafortunado auto gol de la zaga mexicana

Calificación del "Tri"": juego gris o
descolorido.
El equipo chileno también alineó suplentes, y también jugaron un partido "discreto" con altibajos, quedando muy claro que fue un experimento, que a propósito, reunió aproximadamente 39,000 aficionados, dejando ganancias muy aceptables para los organizadores tomando en cuenta, que jugaron los que calientan las bancas. Ojala,
volviendo a la oportunidad de cambiar la historia mencionada, aprendamos ahora si a perder, sin que nos queramos cortar las venas o a ganar y ser mesurados, que es una costumbre de los países triunfadores.
Para tener éxito, primero debemos dar confianza a nuestros atletas y no presionarlos cuando se asome la derrota y no quererlos beatificar si le ganamos a un Brasil, Argentina o a otra potencia.

## A reason to like Mondays... football is back!

## By JC Clark

Prepare to be watching Sports Center from now until the Super Bowl because football season is back! It kicked off with great games no matter who you were rooting for.

Last season's champions, the New York Giants, are so far undefeated with a winloss ratio of 3-0. The Giants' Super Bowl rival of last season the New England Patriots, has a win-loss ratio of 2-1.

Other teams that have shown promise thus far are the Buffalo Bills and the Tennes see Titans who are both undefeated with 4-0

The Pittsburgh Steelers, Dallas Cowboys, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Washington


## FB Lingo Continued The next offensive play begins from the twentyThe next offensive play begins from the twentyyard line. <br> Turnover- A fumble or an interception which results in the defense gaining possession of the ball. <br> 

## Big bats take control of MLB playoffs

By SallLeyva
The playoffs have begun and the NL West Champs the LA Dodgers, have gotten off to a strong start behind the bat of Manny Ramirez , beating the Chicago Cubs at Wrigley Field on Wednesday night.

Other National League games will be getting started soon, with Philadelphia taking the Eastern Division and Milwaukee edging out the New York Mets by one game to clinch the wild card.

In the American League East the Tampa Bay Devil Rays and the Boston Red Sox have already clinched playoffs berths, leaving the New York Yankees on the outside looking in for the first time in 13 years.

Tampa Bay beat the Chicago White Sox 6-4 to begin American League play. Devil Ray E. Longoria went 3 for 3 , hitting 2 home runs in the Tampa Bay victory.

In the Central Division the Chicago White Sox beat the Minnesota Twins in a close game to make it to the playoffs. Finally, in the West Division the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim have already won the division and also maintain the best record in the majors with an impressive 97-60 record.

Don't miss the exciting action tonight when the Angels play the Red Sox at 6:30 Redskins and Denver Broncos have all done a good job as well with 3-1. Although not undefeated, these teams are all worth keeping an eye on.

The New York Jets are 2-2 and seem to be getting better as they play more and more with their new quarterback Brett Favre. Favre began playing for the Jets this season after coming out of retirement. He was previously the quarterback for the Green Bay Packers for 16 years.

Be sure to stay up to date on the latest scores and keep an eye on the scheduled games to make sure you don't miss a moment of this already exciting football season.

## Can Pats Win Without Brady?

## By JC Clark

Likely the most devastating blow the sports world has sustained this football season has been the knee injury of the New England Patriots' quarterback, Tom Brady.

Although it is not confirmed by the NFL, it has been reported by ESPN that Brady tore ligaments in his left knee during his first season game against the Kansas City Chiefs, from which he will not recover for months.

Brady is often hailed as the greatest quarterback in the league, and his absence will not go unnoticed in the offense of the Patriots.

With Brady gone for the season, the question is asked as to whether or not the Patriots can continue to be the super bowl quality team they have been known as for the better part of the decade.

Early signs of the weakening team were shown at the September 21 game against the Miami Dolphins. The Patriots lost the game by more than 20 points to the team with last year's worst record, which ended their 21-regular season win streak.

Time can only tell whether the team can endure without its star quarterback, or if the presence of Brady plays a bigger factor in their success than most Pat fans would like to believe

## Sports Briefs

## By Alfonso Villarreal

Matt Millen Removed as President
The president of the Detroit Lions was fired on September $24^{\text {th }}$ after seven years of being president. Under Millen's management, the Lions won 31 games and lost 84 since 2001, a new league low.

Bill Ford Jr., the son of the team's owner, wanted to get rid of Millen a while ago, but didn't have the power to. His father finally agreed with him and fired Millen after his downward spiral.

Fans have been ecstatic about the end of the Millen era and hope that someone new can take the Lions back to the top.

## Harris out with Spleen Injury

The Green Bay Packers cornerback Al Harris is out because of a spleen injury. It is not known how long he will be out, but he is expected to return.

Harris injured his spleen in the first quarter of the game against the Dallas Cowboys on September $21^{t t}$, which they lost.
Dodgers Win Share of West Title
On September $24^{\text {th }}$, the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the San Diego Padres $12-4$. They are very likely to win the Western Championship because of all their recent success. They aren't celebrating yet, but hope they can in the near future.

## Troy Brown Retires

Troy Brown, the wide receiver of the New England Patriots, retired on Thursday, September $25^{\text {th }}$ after fifteen years. Brown spent his entire football career with the Pafriots since 1993. In his first four seasons, he caught 37 passes; he caught 83 in 2000, and set a team record in 2001 with 101 catches.

## ASU No Longer in Top 20

USC reached \#1 in the AP rankings and as a result, other college football teams dropped in the rankings. One of the colleges that dropped out of the top 20 was our very own ASU. This has caused a lot of unhappy fans that can only hope ASU will be back on top.

## R会 Games

## Horoscopes

By Pablo Valencia
Aries: You will be drawn to an old flame. Be careful, the feelings aren't mutual, your feelings shall cool down as the month ends.

Taurus: It will appear that you are prone to conflicts as you engage in a few fights and arguments.

Gemini: You will make a risky decision that will alter the way your year has been going. If you have doubts about something; speak up so your fears don't become a reality.

Cancer: Love will come to you in the color purple. Keep your eyes peeled for any other signs of meeting someone special.

Leo: Keep the secrets people tell you or else there will be consequences.

Virgo: You will find out who's there for you and who just says they are, do not take these friends for granted.

Libra: Look back on previous mistakes so you don't end up making them twice.

Scorpio: You will have an urge to isolate yourself and become unavailable. Try to be around your firends more often.

Sagittarius: Remember; questioning others' intentions will soon lead to questioning your own.

Capricorn: You will have a thirst for information that cannot be quenched.

Aquarius: All petty arguments and grudges you are holding will melt away.

Pisces: Something you were once afraid of will soon be a laughing matter.

## Nogales Apaches Still Stand Tall <br> By Jose Rojas

The Nogales High School football team showed its mental toughness last Friday after defeating Pueblo High 58-37. They had suffered the first loss of the season the week before but they didn't let it slow them down one bit.

The night started with Andy Garcia scoring on the first play of the night. Then the following drive, Cory Calixtro caught a pass and took it to the house for the second Nogales touchdown.

The Apaches' offense played strong the whole night, with Garcia making six touchdowns. Other players also got into the action. Quarterback Keith Zuniga passed the ball to Calixtro for a touchdown, and two more touchdown passes were caught by Camilo Villegas.

It wasn't all offense, either; the defense took over and had a phenomenal game. They managed to stop the opposing offense several times and forced several turnovers. Linebacker Andy Bachelier had two interceptions and defensive back Fofo Suarez had one

Today Nogales will be playing Cholla High School after recuperating during last week's bye week. Expect the Apache defense to dish out punishment and to keep the night a shut out or blow out. As for the offense, injured players will return and run away with a huge margin of victory.

\#65 Eric Marquez makes a tackle

## Once upon a Homecoming...

By Alfonso Viliarreal and Pabio Valencia

How to: Without reading the whole thing, fill in the blanks with the appropiate parts of speech. Then read the whole thing. No cheating!!!!

Once upon a time, there was a $\qquad$ homecoming queen named $\qquad$ She couldn't wait for the $\qquad$ event that would $\underset{\text { (verb) }}{ }$ her life. She was always shy and ___but after this homecoming, she would be
$\qquad$ girl's name) (adj.) verb-ed) by everyone. Unfortunately, she $\qquad$ on a__ and broke her $\qquad$ She was in such a $\qquad$
(verb-ed) (noun) (body part)
(adj.) condition, that she could no longer be queen. But the school's most ___ boy, named $\qquad$ convinced (adj.) (boy's name) everyone that she deserved to be queen, and she took the throne with
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ ended up being homecoming queen and king, and $\qquad$ was so excited, she $\qquad$ in joy. It was a great night for the $\qquad$ girl, who ast tense verb in love with the
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Dersonal attention from Giba



