

NHS Administration gets tough on drug users

Having trouble getting a pass to use the rest-room lately? It could be related to the increase of drug use and drug trafficking at NHS this year.

The administration recently issued a memo to teachers directing them to use more discretion when issuing hall passes. So far this year, 7 to 8 students have had a long term suspension because of drug-related offenses.

According to a counselor, NHS security personnel have confiscated pills suspected to be rohypnol, or rufies, outside of the B building rest-rooms. Rohypnol is a depressant that is in the benzodiazepine family and can be addictive. Because of this, administration suspects students may be dealing drugs in the bathrooms during school hours.

Students have also been caught on campus under the influence of pills and other drugs, such as marijuana.

"Why any student would take such a risk with his entire future is beyond me," said NHS teacher George Thomson.

According to the NUSD discipline matrix, any student in possession of drugs, drug paraphernalia, or alcohol will be suspended for at least 9 days, at the end of which a hearing will take place to determine whether or not that student will be suspended for a longer time or possibly expelled.

"We will continue to be proactive against drugs and will keep our campus safe," said NHS principal Mr. Parra.

NASCAR car show



Muscle cars and tricked-out trucks dominate car show (see related story about this event on page 2)

News Briefs

By Pablo Valencia

Water found on the Moon

NASA announced, on November 13th, that water had been found on the Moon which could lead to a new chapter in lunar exploration. The water was found during a project where a satellite was purposely crashed close to the south pole of the moon. Afterwards, a rocket flew through the debris cloud, measuring the amount of water there along with other data. This water could also unlock some of the mysteries of the Solar System. If astronauts figure out how the water got there they could learn more about things such as solar winds, comets and even earth itself.

Man attends his own funeral

On the day of the dead, many went to a funeral to mourn a man who wasn't really dead. Ademir Jorge Goncalves, a Brazilian bricklayer, was confused for someone else in a car accident the day before. Considering the holiday, he decided to have a funeral for him. Goncalves, was not the victim, however, and had actually spent his night in a bar nearby the car crash. The body was later identified as man from a neighboring town.

911 Prank not taken lightly

It was an emergency, at least according to Joshua Basso who was arrested after repeatedly calling 911 asking for sex on November 13th. Basso claimed that it was the only number he could call and kept on asking the female operator to come to his place and take part in sexual actions. After five calls he was arrested. Basso told the officers that he didn't think he would get in trouble for the calls. This isn't his first run-in with the law as he was arrested before for theft and other crimes.

Budget override turnout burnout

By Alfonso Villarreal

As a result of the budget override election, held on November 3rd, the Nogales Unifies School District will only receive a small fraction of funds for the 2010 school year.

Only about 800 voters showed up for the election, less than 10% of the registered voters in Nogales. This most likely occurred because the election wasn't advertised at all; virtually nobody knew about it. If the election had advertised, it probably would've had a different result.

If the override passed, NUSD would keep on receiving a few cents from the city taxes to fund extracurricular activities and other programs, but this was not the case. Many voters thought that the override was a new tax, and therefore voted against it.

Next year, NUSD will probably have to eliminate various extracurricular activities due to this low budget. Virtually all the clubs, sports, music programs, and a lot of the electives are on the chopping block. One of the major things that might be removed is the Honors and IB program, which will undoubtedly change Nogales High School and cause various complaints.

"People have no idea what this override means, and they'll eventually get upset when they start cutting programs. Parents will begin complaining," said a science teacher from NHS.

Many students are very upset that the override didn't pass and suspect that things are going to go downhill.

"I think students' grades are going to drop because some of them just keep

their grades up to be eligible for sports," said NHS Junior Celina Landa.

This quote addresses a very good point because if sports offerings are reduced, a lot of students will be negatively affected. Sports aren't the only thing that will suffer due to the election; a lot of students are also involved in clubs at NHS, and it change the entire atmosphere on campus and in our community if they are eliminated

"I know the clubs are going to be affected, but I hope there is only minimal change," said Mrs. Mendoza, FBLA sponsor.

The defeat of the override has already gotten the community talking, but it is not set in stone. In March 2010, there may be a re-vote for the override, and there could still be a chance for NUSD to keep its funding. It all depends on the number of voters who make it to the polls.

"People have no idea what this means"

Crash victim Brooks has a lot to offer

By Robert Johnson

Imagine you woke up one day and couldn't wiggle your toes. Last Tuesday, Nogales High School students were asked that one question by the traveling inspiration Kevin Brooks. Brooks presented his tragic story of a drunk driving accident to all grades in the auditorium, an event hosted by the Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) club.

Brooks has traveled all over North America to share his story about the mistakes he has made in the past and help students realize the effect of bad decisions. Brooks' previous presentations have been done at conferences, but for the first time he shared his story at an American high school.

"I'm happy that my first American presentation was in Nogales," said Kevin. "Sharing the experience and having inspiration to keep going, I appreciate it and I want to thank all of you," he added.

Kevin's presentations have been broadcasted from Trya Banks TV show to Washington's State Conference. With the help and funding from George Silva and the Santa-Cruz County Attorney's office, his message of safety and responsible decision-making was made possible here at Nogales High School.

"I'm happy that students were respectful and took advantage that Kevin is here," said Ms. Perez-Abreu. "We look forward to more successful events."



Brooks hopes his tragic story gets through to the students

What's inside this issue....

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Check out some new sport updates and what some NHS clubs are up to pg. 10-11

Campus

Despite weather, Mechanics Club trucks on

By Susana Valenzuela

Old and new, classic and “teched out”, all kinds of car were seen at the Mechanics Club’s first annual car show held on November 14, 2009.

Although rough weather interrupted some of the events, the car show proceeded.

There were all sorts of unique automobiles, from classic Chevys, a black and grey Camero, to a “Pink Panther” Jeep. On display were cars with brand new engines, to old classic well-kept motors.

Crowd favorites were definitely the trucks with waist high wheels and wicked sound systems.

“The car show was awesome,” said Seb Senday, owner of a ‘74 orange Bug.



All types of car were shown off.

Not many people were present, but the mechanics club can say that they were successful. Many of the members worked together to pull off an enjoyable event. Carne asada plates were being sold as an additional fund raiser, as well as a concession stand.

“I’d rather push a Ford than drive a Chevy,” said Frankie Bermudes, president of the Mechanics Club.

Thanks to Frankie’s leadership and enthusiasm, the club managed to make the most out

of the car show. There were also authentic fire flame framed trophies handed out to participants who entered their autos in the exhibition.

“The kids hit a home run with it,” said auto mechanics class teacher and sponsor, Mr. Verdugo.



A colorful array of cars was displayed.

Poetry fills English classes

By Ruth Portela

Poetry Out Loud is a national competition for high school students. In this event students memorize and perform a piece of poetry.

Participants choose a poem from the website, www.poetryoutloud.org, and recite it in front of their class. Each English class chooses the best performance and from there the finalists are gathered to choose who will move on to the next round. The winner of the competition goes from school-wide competition to state competition and at last, to National Finals.

In Nogales High School, 16 teachers signed up for the competition and most of them are still up for it.

The NHS coordinator for this year’s poetry competition is librarian Wanda Kerchief-Mendoza.

“It’s a tremendous opportunity for students,” said Kerchief.

One of the teachers signed up for this competition is English teacher, Mr. Peterson. His classes have been working on the Poetry Out Loud for the past few weeks and much improvement has been shown from the beginning.

The finalists for Mr. Peterson’s class are: Donaldo Landa, Patricia Maldonado, Isaac

Zepeda, and Kenya Jimenez.

“They all did a good job and they all have an opportunity,” said Mr. Peterson.

They will meet in the James K. Clark Auditorium on December 1 for the finals. The finalist will be sent to state which take place on March 5 in Phoenix, AZ.

The winner at state will receive 200 dollars and an all-expenses paid trip to Washington to compete at the National Championship and his/her school will receive a 500 dollar award to buy poetry books for the school library.



A bread-lover’s worst nightmare

By Czarina Nafarrate

The swine flu epidemic has scared us all, but as we have realized... more people die from the common flu. However, there are other diseases that can kill and people are still oblivious to their existence. One of these is Celiac Disease.

This is a serious disorder. Unfortunately, it is often neglected, or not even brought up. Many may be living with this disease and may be completely ignorant to it. It is a silent illness that with time can grow into a complete health disaster.

Celiac disease, or gluten intolerance, is an auto-immune disease that mainly affects the digestive system. When gluten (a mix of proteins found in wheat, rye, and possibly oats) is introduced into a celiac’s body, the villi (or intestine projections) become flattened, which impairs their ability to absorb nutrients properly. The immune system responds to gluten by attacking the small intestine. With time, this

can eventually harm the intestines something permanently. A person with this disease can go years without any complications or severe symptoms even, but severe stress, major physical injuries, childbirth, or surgery can “ignite” Celiac Disease.

A person with celiac disease can have an array of symptoms and they can be completely different from another celiac. One person could have constipation, while the other has diarrhea, and a third person may have neither! The more common symptoms include: constant abdominal pain, bloating, constipation, and nausea. The more severe symptoms are pretty significant to one’s health and cannot be easily ignored, such as: anemia, easy bruising, depression, growth delay, hair loss, seizures, and vitamin or mineral deficiency.

Celiac disease is



The truth, this disease can easily be confirmed through a series of blood work and endoscopes. Nevertheless, American doctors tend to neglect the situation deeming the problem gastritis or irritable bowel syndrome.

If you think you may have this disease, contact your doctor and talk to him/her about it. Ask for the diagnostic blood work and if you do have it, remember to stay away from bread, cookies, and those gluten-filled foods.

NHS Honors Club

By Ruth Portela

The Honors Club is a new organization at Nogales High School designed to get honor students involved and help make their lives a little easier. Its purpose is to raise money to pay for IB and AP exams. It also gives the honor students a chance to socialize more with fellow members.

“The main goal is to help out students to pay for external exams,” said chemistry teacher, Mrs. Jennifer Valenzuela, who is also sponsor of the club and coordinator for the Honors Program.

Mrs. Valenzuela and members of this club are really looking forward to having fun, but also working hard in order to get the money they need for exams honor students will take.

Fundraisers are still not set on date. If you want more information on what will go on with this club, see Mrs. Valenzuela in room C5.

Apaches at ASU

By Minerva Lopez

Gear-Up recently sponsored a trip to Arizona State University for Sun Devil Day. About 20 Nogales High School juniors piled into a school bus on Friday 13th along with students from Pierson Vocational High School.

Sun Devil Day gave students the opportunity to learn about different aspects of the university. It consisted of four sessions, each of which reported about the different undergraduate programs offered at the school. For instance, the ‘Undecided and Exploring Students’ session, provided attendants with information on University College, a program that aids undecided students to choose a major. Other sessions included conferences on business, engineering, arts and design, and pre-health programs. Not all of these assemblies dealt with academics, however, but with housing and student life, as well. Visitors learned about the social life and extracurricular activities at ASU as illustrated by a student panel.

“It was very informative and fun,” said Peter Santa Cruz, a junior at NHS.

The fourth session concluded Sun Devil Day; it consisted of a campus tour in which students from the university guided the guests around the buildings surrounding Memorial Union.

Like with many other Gear-Up trips, students departed with brochures, newfound information, and a positive outlook towards college.



Campus

FBLA & SEAHEC join forces in conference

By Pete Vela

“Zero to Leadership in Six Hours” was the main theme for FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) and HOSA’s (Health Occupation Students of America) annual Fall Leadership Conference. This year’s was different from the past conferences. For the first time HOSA and FBLA came together to take their members on a leadership journey, with over 2000 members of both organizations attending that day.

It was a fun event and it did exactly what its theme implied, students attended expecting to perfect or better their leadership skills and with the help of various workshops students came back with more than just shirts. Workshop topics included: Entrepreneurship, College Preparation, Bio Technology, and other club based events. During opening and closing ceremonies and throughout the workshops, guest speakers shared their anecdotes, jokes, and tips to pursue a successful life. They also spoke of how they got to where they are today and what we can do to follow in their footsteps.

When the conference was over both organizations were invited to Rawhide to relax and end the day with a few burgers and fun activities ranging from riding a mechanical bull, rock climbing, watching a hilarious gun show or just relaxing on a calm carriage ride.

Leadership Training created a unique, highly energized and dynamic program that pushed FBLA & SEAHEC members to think and act outside the box, while meeting members from across Southern Arizona! This year’s program was fresh and relevant so even if you attended last year, this year still felt completely new!



FBLA members enjoy the closing ceremony
-Photo by Krystal Soto

Apache Cafe opens soon CTE Club food drive

By Tania Martinez

As some of you may know that the Apache Café opened its doors to those who wanted to eat a good meal on Thursday, November 12.

However, the Apache Café hasn’t really started. According to Mr. Schmale it was only because of cancellation on another project that gave them the opportunity to try it out. Mr. Schmale has plans to open the cafe on a regular basis starting in January.

About 20 people made reservation for the service in the classroom for the preview opening, and 10 people got service in their classroom. They can only accommodate 24 in the classroom, but can deliver many more.

“We want students to come in January. We will probably have it two days in a row, so students get a chance to sit down and dine,” said Mr. Schmale.

Schmale says his students need to learn how to make many different types of food and not all is going to be what teacher and students may like; he wants his student to educate their taste buds and minds to what other people throughout the world eat. Cost for a complete meal is only \$4.

By Vanessa Garcia

The CTE (Career & Technical Education) Club here at NHS hosted a food drive in school last week. They asked fellow students to donate canned and non-perishable goods that were donated to the Crossroads Mission. Besides donating food, others also helped by volunteering to serve at the mission Thanksgiving Day with some of the club members.

The club right now consists of 25 members and they are hoping to get more students to join. The club meetings are held every Tuesday

after school in classroom L3.

President of the club, Francisco Olguin, and vice president, Jose Valdez, seem to have great ideas on how to make this club very interesting. The club mascot is said to be a two foot horse that is described to be very witty. As for anything else coming up, they might plan a car wash but that’s just still a thought.

So for now we’ll have to wait and see what other good deeds these students have coming up to help the community.

Talent is well and alive at NHS

By Ruth Portela

Musicians, singers, actors, and most importantly, painters, are always present on Nogales High School’s campus. Out of all these artists, art teacher Mr. Peters, has chosen a sophomore, Naila Espinoza, to be recognized for her artistic talent as the featured artist in this issue of WarCry.

“She is an Art I student, but works as if she was in Art II. She is dedicated, focused, always on task, never complains and she always does her work,” said Mr. Peters.

Espinoza never thought of being an artist when she was younger. She was always compared to her naturally talented brother in everything she did. Since her brother was an artist, she always looked up to him and started enjoying art as well as her sibling.

“Art came to me first because I needed a good grade in that class, but then I started liking it,” said Espinoza.

Art is one of the ways she likes to express her feelings and forget about everything that is going around and just relax.

“I like being in my room, listening to music and drawing. I try to be calm and don’t stress too much about

school. Sometimes I sit outside and just look at the world. I don’t like being tense,” said Espinoza.

To Espinoza, art is the best way to loosen up instead of rocking out loud to music or just complaining.

“You can do anything with art. Anything you do or see is art,” said Espinoza.

Many artists use nature, objects, feelings (etc...) to get motivated on drawing or painting, but to Espinoza, it’s something very unique.

“My little sister is the inspiration of most of my art. Her



Some of Espinoza’s art

happiness is a big part of my life,” said Espinoza.

Most of her time is spent on her notebooks. She has more than 100 pages filled with her drawing (that doesn’t include her art work from school). In class she has created about 5 works of art, and the one she likes the best is the one made on scratch board. She named it Future Land; it basically describes how she sees the earth in the future. This drawing was also Mr. Peters’ favorite.

Mr. Peters enjoys having Espinoza in his class.

“I don’t know her that well yet but she’s talented. I know she will go far in art,” said Mr. Peters.



Espinoza has an intense eye for art

SOTM: November

By JC Corella

Luis Rocha

Recognized By: Mr. Howard Zlamal

Czarina Patricia Nafarrate

Recognized By: Ms. Sandra Corbitt

Allen A. Hernandez – Leadership

Recognized By: Mrs. Wanda Kerchieff/ Mrs. Sue Baz

Victor P. Mendoza

Recognized By: Mr. Rajesh Arora

Joshua Gamez

Recognized By: Col. Terrence Stiff

Delilah Cecilia Romo

Recognized By: Mrs. Molly Harral

Maiya Grace Block

Recognized By: NHS Administration

Kariza Lizarraga

Recognized By: Mrs. Audrey Garcia

Timmerly Leigh Dibene

Recognized By: Mr. Victor Gomez

Jesus Claudio Cowan

Recognized By: Mrs. Sandra Mihalko

Alejandra Denisse Bohon

Recognized By: Mr. David Jimenez

Emanuel Valencia

Recognized By: Mr. Oscar Favela Jr.

Is some art too racy to be shown in public?

Nudity is not appropriate family art
By **Tahyanna Ruedaflores**

Female (or male) "attributes" being displayed in plain sight on the walls of the mall, or even McDonalds. I don't have to go into detail, you know what I am talking about. That type of "art" belongs in men's sexy magazines.

The so-called art of nudity isn't exactly what a well-positioned, sane family will display in their living room. Instead, they will display a floral painting or something that is appropriate for the family to see. This art doesn't fall into that category because it is not exquisite or full of class. It is not fitting for the public to see.

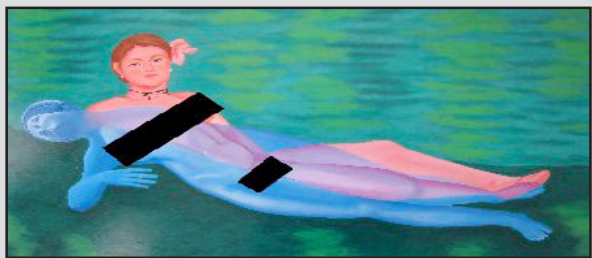
This type of beautiful art is the same exact art that belongs in playboy magazines. That is where it should stay, for this we need censoring.

Censoring nude art will put barriers of what is suitable for the public to gaze upon and what is completely inappropriate.

Movies are rated for the same reason. So that people who don't enjoy the type of vulgarities don't have to see it. The fans of it could watch it.

I believe that it should be the same way with art. I am not saying they should get rid of it. Only not show it off to the world.

We don't want the children fantasizing inappropriately from the time that they are three. Censorship is the way.



Suppression of art is suppression of thought
By **Ryan Thomson**

Being politically correct is vastly overrated. In fact, it is downright stifling. We keep inventing more and more rules because our society is so concerned about offending anyone anywhere. This idea of living in a perfect, inoffensive world is naive it limits creativity. This censorship is evident in many areas today, including one where there should never be any censorship...art!

Getting straight to the brass tacks, I thoroughly believe that censoring art is no better than killing a unicorn with a bomb. The whole point of art is that it has no limits. The purpose is to allow people to express themselves however they want, be it music or painting or acting. Suppression of art is suppression of thought, and suppression of thought will lead to an ignorant world. One in which free speech is a myth and humanity has no say in what they want to create.

When people correct what they believe is wrong or offensive, it begins a viscous cycle of constant revisions and edits and changes that, inevitably, leads to the original product losing its art value, ideas, and original purposes. What if the Bible was censored? Cutting out all the things that may be interpreted as not "politically correct" would destroy the very basis of what half the world warships daily. I find it preposterous that there are people demanding covering certain parts of the statue of David because they don't want their children's virgin eyes to look at one of the most beautiful works of art ever sculpted.

"Artists must continue the conquest of new territory and new taboos," said Norman Rosenthal, Director of the Royal Academy of Arts. This quote really speaks for the point I am arguing. The idea of art is to push boundaries, express who you are, and stimulate the mind of anyone who looks or listens to it.

NHS's two cents



Are female athletes treated differently than male athletes? Why?

"Yes! Do you see girl jerseys being sold in Wal-Mart?" - **Balta Valencia (12)**

"Yes because in a lot of places they don't think women are important." - **Danika Navarro (10)**

"Yeah because males are like the ideal athletes." - **Olivia Valencia (12)**

"Yes. I mean c'mon. You don't see people talking about female athletes. It's always like Tiger Woods or Kobe Bryant. It's like guys are more important." - **Jose Rojas (11)**

Dear Editor,

The article one of your reporters, Pete Vela, wrote was very untrue. Trick or treating on Halloween is classic! I really didn't like the fact that he emphasized that it was childish, and so what? Who cares if a high school student wants to go trick or treating? I went trick or treating and nobody told me to get my own flipping candy!

One reason why people like going trick or treating is that it doesn't cost money. It's safe because the police are supervising the premises and it's fun! And by saying to go to a party, that's like a recipe for disaster! If you ask yourself "What do teenagers do at parties?" the answer is usually drinking, vandalizing stuff, and sex. This would be really easy for vandals

because the majority of the officers and adults of Nogales are going to be at Meadow Hills supervising the younger kids that are trick or treating. And going on a date here in Nogales, there aren't many options. The only places where we are able to go and have "fun" is the movie theater, the skate park, or at a friend's house.

So on Halloween, it's okay to go trick or treating! Nobody really cares if Pete's last time trick or treating was when he was thirteen! Everyone is different and who cares if it's not "age appropriate", it's fun to do kid stuff once in a while! So no matter what he writes, we as teens have the freedom to live up to our own expectations and not somebody else's. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ana Camila Lopez



When life gives you lemons...lots of lemons

By **Paulina Ibarra**

It will never stop amazing me just how much a tiny mistake, committed in a fraction of a second, was able to throw so much in disarray. It was less like throwing a wrench into the proverbial gears of my plan, and more like dropping an anvil on them. But I'll start at the beginning, more or less, because that would make sense.

My returning flight from our nation's capitol, Washington D.C., was scheduled to dispatch from its gate at the airport at 7:00 AM. If you've ever traveled by plane, you know that checking in your luggage and making your way through the security check can take up to as much as an hour. Then, there's getting to the airport itself, and hauling your suitcases in. The one I needed to get to, which was in Baltimore, was at least forty minutes away depending on traffic flow.

So it was good thinking on my part, then, when I set my cell phone alarm to ring at 4:30 AM. I don't think we're allowed to print what it was on my part when, immediately afterwards, I forgot to turn said alarm on.

My roommate ended up startling me awake with the sound of her blow dryer about an hour after I should have woken up. It took a \$70 cab ride to rush me to the airport, and I missed my flight anyway. After I explained the situation to some lady behind the luggage check-in counter, I was graciously accommodated onto a later flight that began boarding at 5:00 PM, but because the flight was already full, I was warned I might not get a seat.

And I didn't. Instead, I watched the plane, my plane, roll away from the gate while my mother screamed into her cell phone at me, loud enough for everyone around me to hear. I was in shock. It had been my first time traveling alone, and up until that morning, everything had gone off without a hitch. My mom continued her shrill lecture from across the country, and all I could think about was how far away I was from home.

But that was that. According to a different woman behind the check-in counter, there were no

more flights to Phoenix that day, and I would have to spend the night alone in a city I didn't know.

I remember thinking how I couldn't panic, that I had to wear a brave face for my mom. So instead of crying the way I really wanted to, I laughed it off and joked that at least the hotel room I was staying in was free, and hung up before she could call my bluff.

Following the instructions I had been given, I set off to claim my luggage only to find out it had made it onto the flight. Just when I thought a public emotional breakdown was inevitable, I caught sight of a framed quote that was hanging on the wall. After reading it over numerous times, I snapped a shot of it with my cell phone and, empty-handed, went on my merry way. Almost as quickly as everything had gone wrong, it seemed to fix itself again, just because my outlook had changed. If you're wondering, this is what it said:

"I am still determined to be cheerful and happy in whatever situation I may be, for I have also learned from experience that the greatest part of our happiness or misery depends upon our dispositions and not our circumstances." -Martha Washington



Sincerely,
Ana Camila Lopez

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Students' futures overridden

By Robert Johnson

What makes school so much fun? Is it the classes you take, the friends you have, the sports you play, or maybe those clubs and organizations you're involved in? What if next year you couldn't participate in the same clubs? And what if your sport was limited or cut entirely? Quite impossible? Override thinks not.

The honest truth is that I don't feel driven to come to school to learn about what happened in 1905, or what the square root of 9 is. Regardless of the benefit and purpose they serve, core classes just don't drive me. It's the special classes, like electives, and the clubs that are the spark of my everyday school life. I enjoy having the ability to pursue what I'm interested in and have fun doing it. Next year it looks like some of the things I'm

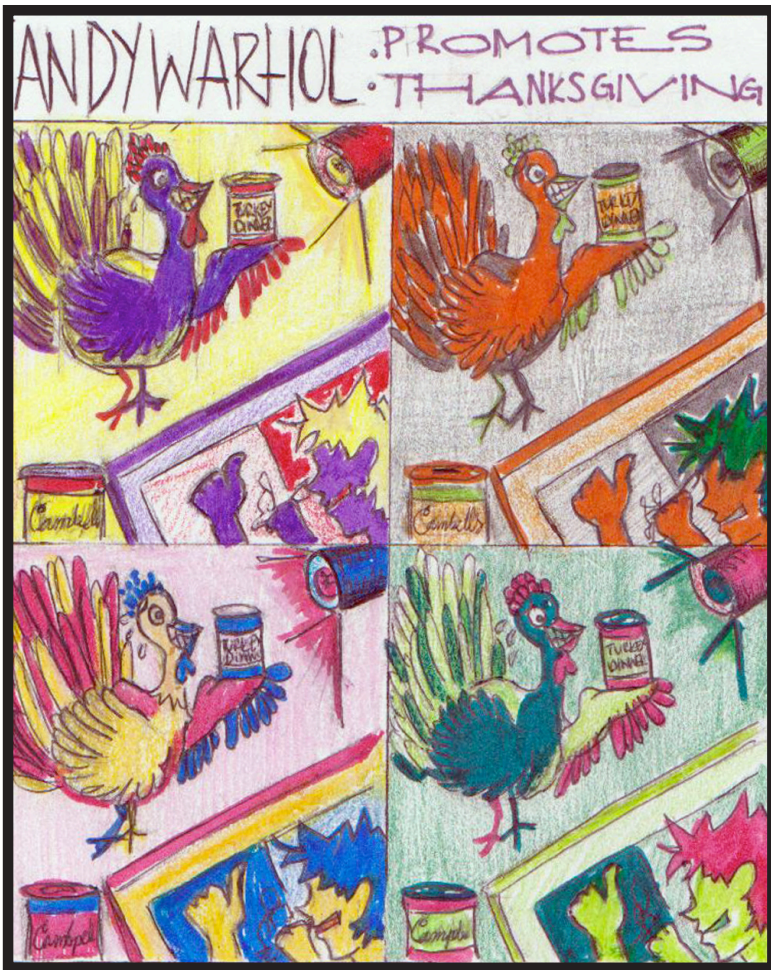
active in like band, drama, the Apache Geek Squad, and even WarCry might not continue, and it makes me mad.

On November 5th, the Nogales Unified School District held a budget override election to decide if a tax increase can be added so that there will be enough funding to support Nogales High School's clubs, sports, and organizations. The only thing I saw wrong was that it was unannounced and less than 10% of Nogales registered voters attended, and the ballot was a simply "Property tax increase? Or not".

The effect of this sad election hurts not only the students in clubs and sports, but also those students who have studied countless nights for their IB exams and are concerned about their future. Perhaps now their dreams of graduating with an IB diploma are shattered because only 10% of the voters bothered to vote! So the hard work they dedicated will no longer can be proven. Many friends of mine who heard of this were devastated and felt that their hard work was just thrown away, by a misunderstanding of an election ballot.

I don't blame the parents, chances are that some probably didn't want to pay the property tax increase, when probably at the same time some didn't see the other side of the purpose to the election. Rumors have gone around that there might be a re-election in March, and hopefully after seeing what the override can actually do, the tax payers will decide one final time if they want to pay that tax to fund our extracurricular activities here.

Comic by Lilia Moncada



Drugs and school just don't mix

By Vanessa Garcia

Let's be serious; people in this school do drugs. It may be the cheerleader, the geek with the glasses, the teachers pet, or even the teacher. You just don't really know, do you.

We've heard it all before-- "Don't do drugs," but are people actually listening. I don't know which is worse, that NHS students are dumb enough to take them, or that coming to school to learn isn't enough that they need to bring drugs and show it to their friends. What kind of person do you have to be, I wonder, to give someone you love something that is without question harmful and addictive? Let me ask you a question, would you give your mother drugs.

Encouraging others to do drugs is wrong, but doing it during school hours is just plain stupid. I mean, what if someone has to go to the bathroom during class and some kids are lighting up in the bathroom? Then a security guard shows up and thinks that innocent person was getting high with them. That's only one possible victim.

Now I'll let you try to guess who else will pay for the selfish mistakes these people make. You guessed it: the entire school will have boundary issues and will be implementing new, stricter rules, which nobody, not even the teachers, are going to like.

So Apaches, if you don't want to get busted doing drugs in school, here's a solution: don't bring them. Better yet, don't do them! However, if that's not possible, then please just leave them at home.

Hey! Got something to say?

Send in your letters to the editor to:

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Think before you ink!

By Tathyanca Ruedaflores

Quotes, stars, bows, or Chinese characters, it doesn't matter. Lately it seems that the hottest accessory is the deep-in-skin art of tattoos.

Years ago, this art was only for bikers, sailors, or heavy metal band members. Now it has gone from obvious rebellious entertainers to TV idols that come off as sweet. Are young people noticing the harm that might come later?

This type of rebellion is the same one that makes so many teens smoke, use drugs or tanning methods. These young people don't focus on the long-term cost but on the short-term gain.

Unlicensed tattoo artists are more common than those who are actually licensed. When a teen goes to get a tattoo, he or she doesn't always take notice that there are safety issues involved. There have been reported cases by The Center for Disease Control and Prevention of methicillin-resistant staph infections among tattoo recipients from unlicensed tattoo parlors.

Besides unwanted infections, an unlicensed tattoo may also stay longer. Inferior ink quality impurities like lead, chromium, copper or lithium, which aren't exactly the types of things you would want under your skin anyway, are also harder to come off. These are more resistant to remove with a laser removal package.

Tattoo recipients (even with licensed artists) are more vulnerable to attain blood-borne diseases or infections. Some of these are: tetanus, tuberculosis, and hepatitis B or C. Even HIV can be transmitted by the unsanitary use of needles. Some people are allergic to the pigment of tattoo ink that can cause itching and redness.



The seriousness and permanence of tattoos shouldn't be underestimated just because now there are ways to remove them. Ask yourself; will you still like that in a few years?

If you will and are still planning to get a one you might want to consider these tips:

- *Check in the town health department to make sure the artist is licensed.
- *Ask the artist to guide you through the whole process. Remember white, yellow, and green are hardest to remove, black and blue are easiest.
- *When tattoos are still fresh they form scabs that can cause scarring or infections if scratched.

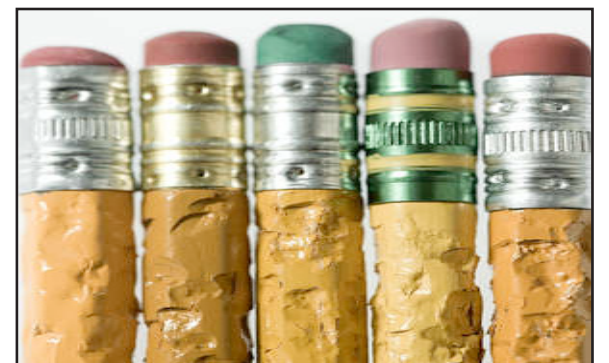
Fads and trends come and go with the blink of an eye, tattoos do not.

Don't worry, be happy

By Evelyn Casas

When people have headaches, back pains, and sleeping disorders and many other symptoms, the root of the problem is probably related to stress issues. This can cause you loads of trouble. Stress can be produced by unpleasant events as well as changes for better things. People should avoid thinking of the things that harm them and, instead, try to be happy and laugh a lot. Laughing can reduce the causes of tension, and it's also good for the heart.

Having to deal with pressure can cause you some bad physical and emotional changes. Being stressed can rob you of your sleep and can give you painful headaches; as a result, it can be harder to concentrate on things. School can cause you stress as well, because dealing with grades and wanting to improve them or keeping them the way they are supposed to be can be really stressful. Ways to prevent stress can be easy and fun, yoga is a helpful way to reduce stress, exercising can help with this too, and it's good for many things. If stressed, try to do some of these things, and it will start reducing immediately. Remember to keep your chin up and stay positive.



Warhola changes the art world

By Alex Bolaños

Andy Warhol- The man, the legend. Here's a guy who's done just about everything considered "art." He's made paintings, photos, movies, music, and even books. You name it, he's done it.

Andrew Warhola started out in commercial art. He became very successful in illustrating and advertising. Warhol created works for companies like Campbell's Soups, Coca-Cola, and I. Miller. Warhol's main goal was to establish Pop Art. He loved pop-culture and when he went big with his creations, millions of people loved it too. Some of his most famous pieces include pictures of celebrities. There was Marilyn Monroe, Marlon Brando, Elvis, and Mickey Mouse.

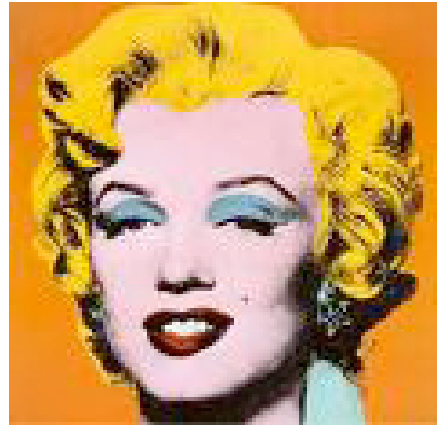
Along with celebrities, Andy Warhol made abstract pictures of a big electric chair, flowers, and repeated images. It's fairly easy to distinguish Warhol's works because of the colors. He liked using bright colors and repeated images.

Warhol once said, "Once you 'got' Pop, you could never see a sign the same way. And once you 'thought' Pop, you could never see America the same way again."

People liked him for his way of inspiring people to get their shot in the spotlight.

"In the future, everyone will be famous for 15 minutes."

For all you starving artists in Nogales that want to start a new genre of art, ask yourselves, "What would Warhol do?"



Piercings and tattoos really are art

By Tania Martinez

Painting and sculptures aren't the only forms of art. Body art is one of the best known types of art. This type of art has been around 5,000 years. It's well known because of tattoos and piercings.

Back then tattoos were usually symbol or tribal markings. Tattoos are artsy now-a-days because you can design your own. It can be any type of design but if it is custom made it can be more expensive because it takes time to create them. There are some very common tattoos; women tend to get like butterflies, stars and shooting stars, flower patterns, etc. Some common tattoos men tend to get are animals such as lions, tigers, dragons and snakes.

Tattoos are made by placing small amounts of colored ink underneath the skin. It's done by a machine called tattoo gun and this device moves the needle up and down. As it goes down the needle drops of ink. You can ask the tattoo artist for a unique design. Some tattoo parlors can scan a picture of someone and make it into a tattoo.

Although tattoos seem to be very popular the color can cause problems to some people. They don't know their skin is going to react to the ink. Also, tattoos can



cause skin infection. Some sign of infection are increase pain, increase of redness, warmth greater than what is surrounding it, red streaks extending around it, bad odor and fever.

Body piercing has been around 4,000 years. They were used as adornment contemporary culture. Now they are used for decoration or just for fun. Piercing is puncturing a whole into a part of your body where jewelry can be worn. There are many types of piercings but

the most common are ears, tongues, nose, bellybutton, eyebrow, lips, labret, and some body parts. Piercing can be done in any part of your body, literally.

Tattoos and piercing is the art most teenagers recognize these days, but also there are various more types of art like sculpture, paintings, murals, etc.

What color are you?

By Fany Borboa

Do you ever wonder what the true meaning of colors is? I mean, besides representing a tint or hue. People's personalities and emotions can be represented by colors. When determining one's color, you would usually go by your mood. For example, if I'm feeling caring and overly sensitive, I'd be feeling blue. Or if someone is feeling angry or frustrated, that person would be under the color red. Here are some definitions of colors:

Red: Very dense color attracts or repels worries or obsessions, anger, unforgiveness, anxiety or nervousness.

Orange: Reproductive color shows vitality, good health, and excitement, lots of energy, creativity, productive, adventurous, and outgoing.

Yellow: It's the color of awakening, inspiration, intelligence, playful, optimistic, and easy-going.

Green: Very comfortable, healthy, color of nature, represents growth, balance, leading to change, love of people, animals and very social.

Blue: Calming color, cool, and collected, caring, loving, love to help others, sensitive, intuitive.

Violet (purple): The most sensitive and wisest of colors reveals psychic power with self, visionary, futuristic, idealistic, artistic and magical.

Silver: Color of abundance, spiritual and physical, plenty of money and awakening of cosmic mind.

Gold: Color of enlightenment and divine protection, protection of wisdom, inner knowledge, spiritual mind, intuitive thinker.

Black: Unforgiveness color towards others draws or pulls bad energy and problems to certain people.

So, have you decided what color fits your personality or did you discover it?

Where in the world is Carm... David

By Sushi Valenzuela

Picasso. Van Gogh. Duran. Remember that last name for it surely will be heard in years to come. David Duran, a talented young artist, former Nogales citizen, now in an prestigious art school in Los Angeles, is becoming quite known. His talent was recognized from the moment he took his first art class in sixth grade. To David, he never even planned to have had such a distinctive talent for the art.

With the help of his middle school art teacher, Mr. Randolph, David's talent grew and flourished. His art techniques got David to distinguish his cultural ideas and perspective on life on his canvases. After receiving many awards from art competitions, some of his work was disqualified, for the brutal truths David was painting. This only encouraged him to change the view of those who saw his art. One of his wishes was to do a community project and design a mural painting. He never accomplished this. David was a member of the community, an Aztec dancer, band member, Cross Country and Track top runner, IB candidate, and a High School student. He left this past August and hopes to visit this month. David is doing well, and he wants to express himself the way he currently is.

Apparently he eats, breaths, and sleeps art. And with the influential art around him, David is spreading his persuasion through art, by taking in brand new experiences and techniques. You can check out his work at WCMS, and at the Hill Top Gallery.

Local artists express themselves using their unique talents

By Jessica Gonzalez

Art is the act when your body and soul become connected to a paintbrush and canvas. Yet Arizona might not be the easiest place to get recognized as an artist. Here is an artist who managed to make it big! His name is Ricardo Santos Hernandez, but he calls himself "consumer man." He was born and raised here in Nogales. He has tried to send a message through his paintings, an environmental and eco friendly message, "I see a strong disconnection between Latinos and the environment. It is really sad, because if you have a disconnection, your soul is also not grounded," said Hernandez.



He believes that people need to start helping the earth or else no one will. It is a chain reaction, what one sees, one does.

As he began his journey, he moved to Chicago to attend the School of Art Institute. He began to use a type of art called, rascuachismo, which means to create art with minimal resources. Hernandez's, vision and notions of environmental themes that connect with both typical and unusual ideas about Urban Latino Heritage. Whether his themes concern balancing nature with human-made space or digging into a spiritual heritage

How to draw

By Erika Dominguez

Learning how to draw cartoons is not as hard as you think you will never want to stop, and you won't have to learn how to draw!

How to draw a bee:

Drawing a bee is one of the easiest cartoon characters to draw.

Step 1: Start by drawing two circles, one above the other for its head and the other for the body.

Step 2: Next, draw two wings using a rectangular part near the body is a little narrower.

Step 3: Then draw both front and back legs.

Step 4: After that draw its antennas and lines on its body.

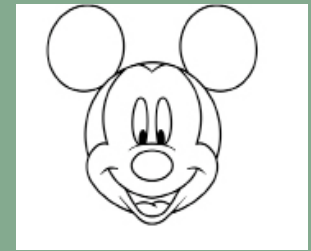
Step 5: Finally, color your work of art and have fun!

How to draw Mickey Mouse:

Mickey Mouse is the favorite cartoon character of many children.

Step 1: Start by drawing a circle and add Mickey's features.

Step 2: Then, add Mickey's eyes and nose. His nose is a circle on the edge of one center line. Make sure that you add a line below his eyes.



Step 3: Next, add Mickey's ears and chin.

Step 4: Finally, draw Mickey's smile. Then add curved lines for his cheeks. Go back and clean up Mickey!

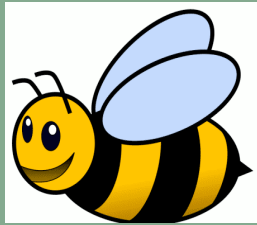
How to draw cartoons

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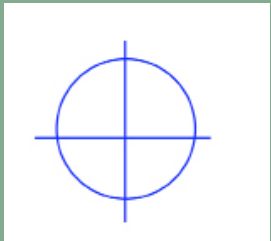


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David Duran?

to come. But who is this Duran? Full name, David Duran, Los Angeles. Not many knew David, but he was indeed a student at Wade Carpenter Middle School. According to his mother, she was surprised by his talent.

nourished. His intriguing talent was discovered although David received a scholarship to pursue among his friends before leaving to L.A. An important asset to this young man is an exceptional Nogales artist. Finally content to be able to do what he loves.



s more likely to exercise his talent, but some of his work at the gallery is truly impressive.

Elements and various methods

of Mother Earth, this Latino artist is making us look at the environment that we might take for granted.

As an artist, which is here from our neighboring town, he likes to look at glass and see more than outside, but a landscape and galaxy. Bruce Baughman first began as a painter, till finally when the time came, he quit and started painting on glass. Baughman's paintings are reenactments of "his" own life on the back of glass. This technique is known as reverse painting, the artist applies paint to the back of the glass and it is flipped to be viewed from the other side.

In traditional painting on a canvas, Baughman goes on 20th century versions of glass called Lucite or acrylics usually measure at least 40 inches square, or a full wall.

"I do the old lady kinds of paintings," said Baughman. "But if I am to paint I want to do something different than the old lady kind."

He opened his own gallery, called the Tubac Bruce Baughman Gallery. Nationally recognized, Baughman's work has been shown worldwide. His art is not even the stars are his limit.

Get a taste of art back in the day

By Minerva Lopez

Who hasn't heard of the Mona Lisa and Sistine Chapel ceiling? Art has existed since the dawn of time and still continues to thrive. It has in many ways expanded from cave paintings on walls to the digitally produced graphics used today. Throughout history, art went through a series of styles including Baroque and Realism.

The oldest known art includes paintings on rocks and cave walls and also sculptures. There isn't much examples of this ancient artwork or many known artists, but it was the birth of art, nevertheless. Medieval art then followed, which included the construction and designing of buildings, churches and mosaics. By the 15th century, artistry and craft changed dramatically.

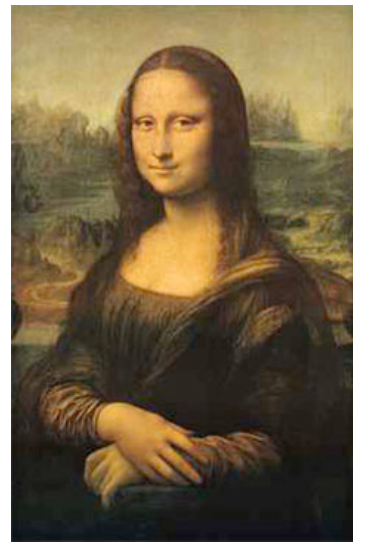
During the Renaissance, artists started to apply 'rules' to art as it became more individualized. Famous figures such as Michelangelo, Leonardo, and Raphael created one of the most celebrated masterpieces in history.



Art, once again, took a turn during the Baroque period. Artists during this time started to incorporate emotion and passion into their work. Their creations also displayed religious themes and scientific understanding. As this era faded, Neo-Classicism developed, which was mainly characterized by the recreation of the classics. Romanticism occurred at just about the same time. This style, strongly influenced by the Enlightenment, had a great impact on the course of art.

Impressionism which was another influential movement, allowed artists to experiment with many types of art.

From the late 19th century up to today, Modern Art developed. With the same ideas as Impressionism, modern art sought to give artists the freedom to create anything they wanted. Today, art is more about the concept than anything else. Though through the ages, this wasn't always the case, art has existed in society for centuries. People still continue to appreciate it and there are no signs of it disappearing any time soon.



Virtual painting 101: the art of technology

By Susana Valenzuela

Imagine a computer program where you can physically paint a whole masterpiece by the mere sound of your voice. Both technology and art have reached a point in modern civilization where the unimaginable can be accomplished.

Virtual painting has become a reality with an amazing new program, where you can take a photograph, scan it and do with it as you wish on the computer. Enhance the color, add or remove certain assets to the picture itself. Photographers are able to do this in no time, and has made photography a bit more interesting.

Another program has been created to make it possible for an actually command from the person is understood by the computer. You actually speak the command of the color, the computer processes this, and all the while the only painting utensil you need is your finger.

Like any projector, the program requires a white flat surface screen, so that the touch of your finger is transferred to the computer knowing the colors. It is a beta program, so no official name has been released. Price ranges for such programs have not yet been released, but assuring they're

your typical laptop program.

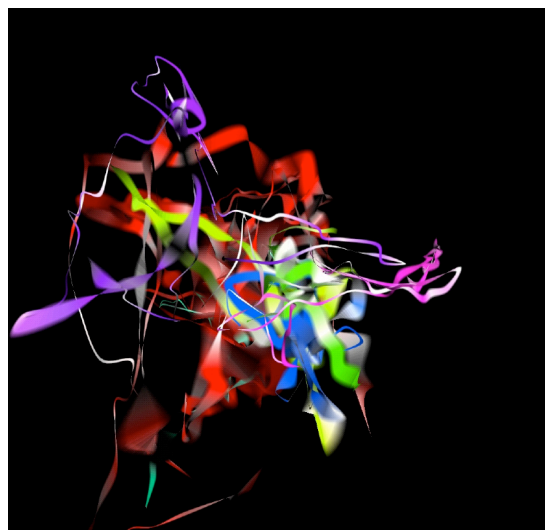
Now technology is capable of great things, and helping the mind express itself in ways inconceivable. No more need for a paint brush or paint, but a need for an up to date computer, and wide imagination. Even top seller, Crayola is proceeding to enhance their products.

The latest creation from Crayola is a light brush that allows one to simply trace patterns in the dark and have no spill or mess. Crayola has always had a wide range of materials to satisfy the kids, but it's not necessary that the products are just designated for children.

Graphic designers understand this... they deal with art every day! It is truly genius what some computers can do with a simple click and drag.

Sure, little icons or graphics seem not so complicated to the average Joe, but you try creating a whole virtual world of art and color on a computer screen.

Technology is beyond doubt making this world a smaller place, and art is on the move catching up. Watch, in the next decade art classes being taken through a computer, and a mouse/paintbrush.



Check out these painted walls around YOUR city

By Evelyn Casas

Nogales has a lot of places to go visit and many things to do. One of the things that people should go observe are the murals that are displayed in this town full of American-Hispanic and Anglo cultures.

The murals around Nogales have history and art combined to make beautiful pieces of art. One of the places where murals and paintings can be found here is at the Hilltop gallery. This gallery is a place to spend time with the family to see all the wonderful things that they have. It has been open since 1972 and it exhibits art from both sides of the border.

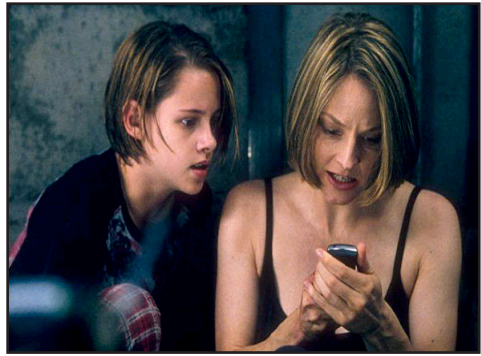
The Guevavi ranch has a lot of murals around the hotel created by the muralist and bullfighter Salvador Corona. This hotel is a place to go relax and spend a good time. A mural that was done by the young artist David Duran is the one at Wade Carpenter Middle School. Rec's mural is really descriptive of the sports played here.

So next time you're driving around town with nothing to do, check out some local murals.

Hiding in a *Panic Room*

By Erika German

Panic Room, featuring Jodie Foster and Kristen Stewart, is a great, suspenseful movie. Although the movie is a decade old, the story to the film is better than most modern suspense films. The movie takes place in a panic room of a big house where Meg, the new mother, and Sarah, the daughter, have just moved in. They soon acknowledge that the house has a panic room in which there is money that they aren't aware of. The first night they spend at their new house is an intense, heart racing night with cops and robbers.



This movie was intense!

This movie is unpredictable and will leave you at the edge of your seat. Twilight star Kristen Stewart is ten times better in this film. She takes her acting seriously as a little girl. Jodie Foster as always is a great actress in suspense/ drama films.

Panic Room is an intense film where there are dramatic decisions made by house robbers. Meg does anything for her daughter. I give this movie 5 out of 5 Errkas because of the overall great story told and because of the intense conclusion.



Gossip Girl delivers

By Fany Borboa

This season of *Gossip Girl* has turned more than TVs on! Previous ones have been about the privileged teenagers from New York City, attending an Elite Private School and this season is goodbye high school, hello college life. Too bad none of them knew what to expect.

Gossip Girl is one of those shows that is obviously not real, but it is worth spending that hour watching it. With guys like Chuck, Nate, and Dan, what girl wouldn't enjoy it? It is also exciting to watch the latest, most fashionable trends the girls are setting upon themselves and the big drama that goes around their "little" social life.

Speaking of drama, this season has had enough so far and more is expected. We're talking about dealing with unwanted roommates, showing who's the boss, who attends the hottest parties, and of course, showing who has the power to rule. Also, they introduced new characters like Hilary Duff, playing famous actress Olivia, which is now dating Dan.

The last seasons have just shown the typical rivalry within the girls groups and fighting to show who the best is. The show improved by a significant amount this season, adding more about their lives, surrounded with fashion and gossip. The new season of *Gossip Girl* is only leading to a more exciting and unexpected ending.



I give the new season of *Gossip Girl* 5/5 Fany's because it's just an awesome show overall that gets you hooked. Anyone would like to enjoy a little TV drama? Tune in at the CW Monday nights at 8pm to catch on with the juicy gossip.

New Moon adds to the romance and excitement

By Lilia Moncada

Vampire or werewolf? Love or friendship? Tight abs or steroids? What was it that really went on in the recent release of the second movie in the *Twilight* series, *New Moon*? Well one thing's for sure: Kristen Stewart really knows how to leave the attractive brokenhearted.

Actor and former rockstar Robert Pattinson played Edward Cullen, the handsome vampire boyfriend of Isabella Swan. Isabella, played by Kristen Stewart, is a small town girl broken into pieces after Edward leaves her. That's when Jacob Black (Taylor Lautner) an easy-going, indigenous, 16-year old, comes to save the day. Bella then decides to spend more time with him to put painful memories away for good, even if it meant hurting herself. When they start getting close, though, an unfortunate event pops up and causes to split them up once again. After this, it's up to Bella to figure out Jacob's mysterious new habit of life and mortal secret. Things begin to get better as Jacob reveals he is a werewolf and has Bella back as a friend, but Edward's reappearance in the story brews up trouble once again, and in the end Bella is forced to choose between the strong bond of friendship or true love.



Who will she choose?

Overall, the special effects displayed in the movie were decent but not something to admire. You can tell that some effects weren't even finished and stand out in the movie. The scene where Jacob rips right out of his clothes and into a werewolf would be a perfect example. The tattered bits and pieces of clothes that were left flying in the air suddenly disappear and reappear on the ground almost instantly. Quite frankly, that tiny flaw made the whole scene uncomfortable. Yes, at least the wolves looked real, but just not real enough. Their movements were a little exaggerated and facial expressions a little dull. The fight scenes weren't bad though. They looked like there was a lot of effort put into them.

The same can't be said about the storyline though. It's no surprise that the movie didn't follow the book 100% but there were some scenes that were so off, they had viewers baffled. Some didn't make sense and others were a little awkward. The music may have had a little influence on this because the tracks picked for specific scenes such as fight scenes, death scenes, and make-out scenes didn't fit at all and created a sense of confusion in some parts. The acting was excellent though and made the film enjoyable. I recommend this film for teenagers thirsty for dramatic love, especially for teenage couples. I don't recommend it for small children, though, they might find it a little boring. I give *New Moon* 3.5 out of 5 Lillys because it was fairly entertaining, but had a strange music choice and some flaws.



Name that tune

By Victoria Flores

1. One, two, three, not only you and me, got one eighty degrees and I'm caught in between
2. I want your drama, the touch of your hand, I want your leather-studded kiss in the sand
3. Feel it comin' in the air, see me the streets from everywhere I'm addicted to the thrill
4. I can't go any further then this, I want you so bad it's my only wish
5. Yes I can see her, cause every girl in here wanna be her. Oh she's a diva
6. I feel like I just seen the sun for the first time, you make my life bright cuz you shine
7. You can never say never, why we don't know when, time and time again
8. I want you to know that it doesn't matter where we take this road, someone's gotta go
9. It may not mean nothing to y'all but understand nothing was done for me
10. Mmmm whatcha say, Mmm that you only meant well?

Bone Thugs rock Rialto

By Ryan Thomson

Rap is greatly under appreciated by many. The usually obscene and violent lyrics of songs tend to drive many people away. What they don't understand is that behind the drug use and swearing is a story. A painful, true story only made more intense by the way they speak. Bone Thugs-n-harmony is a group like this, yet unlike other rap, it is smooth and harmonious, and the five members of Bone Thugs all have something meaningful to say. I had the pleasure to see them in concert, and it was \$40.00 well spent.



All five on stage once more

Their concert was on October 30 at the historic Rialto Theater. The doors opened at 7:00 and the show started at 8:00. By 7:45 the room was packed and everyone was excited. I thought that Bone would come on first, but there were four local Tucson groups before them. I wasn't paying much attention to them, but they all put on a good show and threw plenty of money, shirts, and CD's into the crowd. Finally at about 10:45, Bone Thugs took the stage. It was amazing seeing all five of the classic rappers perform. They had a magnificent and haunting stage presence that made it obvious they were there to put on a great show. They played all their best tracks, including "Notorious Thugs," "Days of Our Lives," "Buddha Lovers," and their Grammy award winning "Crossroads." They also covered Notorious BIG, Jay-Z, and Easy E. They sounded a lot better on stage than they did on CD.

Seeing this group live was a huge experience for me. They are by far some of my favorite rappers and put on a concert I will never forget. If they ever come back, I highly recommend you buy a ticket and see for yourself. I give this concert 5/5 Ryans because they put on a great show and I'll never forget it.



Uncharted 2 leaves players wanting more

By Pete Vela

When it comes to treasure hunting, Indiana Jones doesn't have anything on Nathan Drake. Uncharted 2 focuses on a well known historical figure known as Marco Polo, who was said to have recorded all the information from all but one of his travels. That one undocumented trip was when Polo left Asia and was headed for Italy. It seemed like a regular trip but by the time he arrived home in Italy, Polo was down to one ship and 18 survivors out of 800. He never said what happened and on his death bed, when people were questioning some of his recordings, he said "I didn't say even half of what I saw." This confusing quote is investigated in the game as Drake tries to find out the truth about Marco Polo's famous journey to Asia. The game focuses on finding a powerful wish granting sapphire, which according to Polo's journals, was found in the mythical City, Shambhala.

The story takes place in much more varied environments than the first game. In the game you visit places such as Turkey, Nepal and Tibet which look amazing graphically. Drake's new enemies are much more powerful and even more power hungry than the two antagonists from the earlier chapter of the series.

In addition to the second female and former love interest of Drake, Chloe Frazer, brings jealousy to Nathan's relationship with Elena and forms a humorous love triangle.



Do you want to mess with this?

Unlike the past game Uncharted Two brings co-op to the table where three players can go through the story and discover the details of things not explained in single player mode

As for the game play it plays like a dream, the controls are easy to remember, it moves smoothly, and visuals are just amazing I give it 5/5 Pete's. I recommend this game to anyone that enjoys puzzles and a high action story.

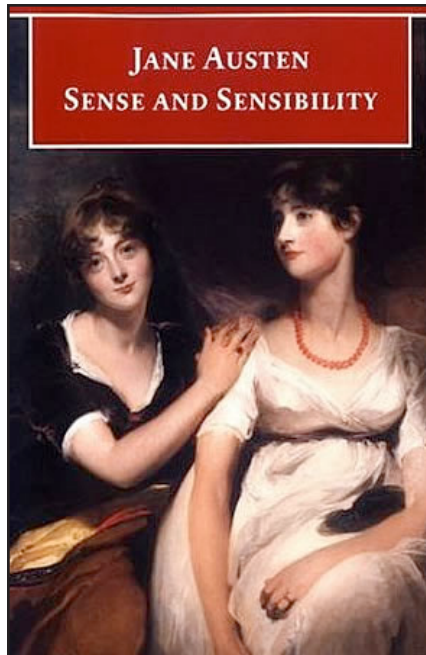


Sense and Sensibility

By Minerva Lopez

Sense and Sensibility by Jane Austen is not your typical romance. This novel is nearly two centuries old, but a breath of fresh air. The plot revolves around the Dashwood sisters, Elinor and Marianne, and their highly distinct views on love. After their father dies, his fortune is inherited by their half-brother and his intolerable wife. They are then driven away from their home and are forced to live in a small cottage in Devonshire.

This romantic book takes you back to 19th century England in a time where social class was extremely important when it came to marriage. The two young women face the turbulences of falling in love with two men who are above their social status. Superficially, the book mainly deals with marriage and romance. However, it is the underlying message that the reader will most likely relate to. What is the distinction between sense and sensibility and which is superior? Elinor, embodying 'sense', has the qualities of a rational person and is the more responsible Dashwood sister. Marianne is the passionate one who relies heavily on her emotions.



Every rose has its thorns

Although the book is written in the 19th century English style, the plot is easy to follow. Throughout the story, you see the transformations of both characters as their perspective grows. The ending was somewhat surprising and bittersweet.

I give Sense and Sensibility 4.5/5 Minervas because the plot is easy to follow and it's exceedingly preferable to your typical teenage love novels.



Our fascinating Earth

By Erika Dominguez

Advertised as a must-see motion picture film, Earth is a great movie to watch. Earth was directed and written by Mark Linfield and Alastair Fothergill. The footage from this amazing film took more than 4,000 days to film, making it the biggest nature documentary of all time. Earth follows the migration routes of three animal families across earth. This movie is not a nature documentary, but the most astonishing film you will ever watch. It covers themes such as the seasonal climate, climate change, and individual animal stories. Earth is not only a go green movie, but a story of the harsh lives that animals must live in order to survive.

Throughout the movie whale, bear and elephant families are followed as they struggle to survive. Shots taken deep in the sea or as high as Mt. Everest were absolutely spectacular. Earth will make you laugh, but also cry. It shows dancing birds that are absolutely stunning to jaguars hunting down prey. The film was so effective that a show has been made named "Planet Earth!"

Earth is a great film and I recommend it to people of all ages. Also, stick around on Earth Day 2010 to watch the are release of "The Oceans." Overall, I give this movie 5/5 Erika's.



November's DML

By Jessica Gonzalez

Zip it up!

Story told by: "Creeped Out"

I was walking through Wal-Mart and I never noticed my zipper was down. It isn't that bad right? Well that's what I thought until an old lady I have never met, comes up to me and zips it up for me!! DML.



"Umm... That's mine!"

Story told by: "Gobble Gobble"

Every Thanksgiving, my mom, my dad, and I go to Safeway to pick out the perfect turkey. I finally spotted a good plump turkey, as I was walking towards it a lady stands right in front of me and grabs the turkey I had wanted. So I patted her shoulder, "Umm... That was mine," I said politely. She gives me a quick look

over and says, "Trust me, you don't need it." I have been on a diet for five months. DML.



Pretty Artsy!

Story told by: Anonymous

We were making plaster masks for art. My friend put plaster strips on my face so we could make the mask. When it was time to take off our masks, I pulled it off. I guess I pulled it too fast because I started to feel burning in my lower face. I looked down to find that there was bunches of hair on the mask. I guess it was time for a lip wax. F.Y.I, I'm a girl. DML.



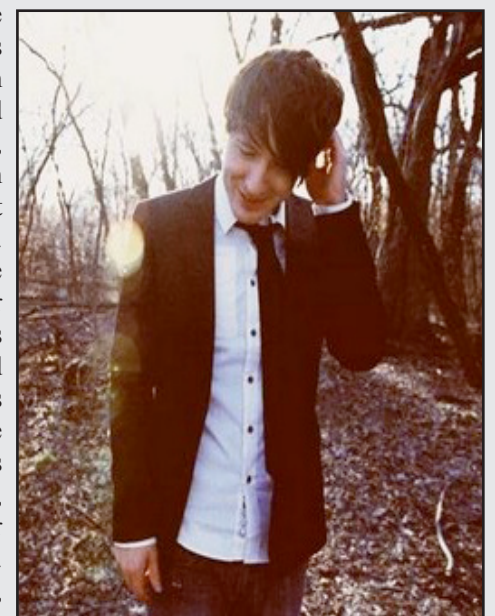
Welcome to Owl City

By Jessica Gonzalez

Is there really any pure music anymore? Today it is difficult to find any songs that do not include drugs, women, or "getting low." Finally, someone brave enough to go beyond the distance of the "regulars" has appeared, and this man is Adam Young from Owl City. This band was formed in 2007 in Owatonna, Minnesota. Owl City has been blooming since then, landing at number one on the Billboard 100.

More than ten million people on MySpace have heard their best single, "Fireflies," and it is also the number one downloaded song on iTunes. His music has opened eyes to the imagination we "teens" have lost long ago. This is what our generation needed, a new era, an era that brings our inner child out into the world.

As Adam Young once said, "If your house appliances wrote love songs while you were away on vacation, their cheerful beeps and blips would pour out of the windows, sweep through the neighborhood like candy-coated tidal waves, and you would return home to find crowds of people standing outside your lawn, clapping and singing along to the happiest pop melodies imaginable. Welcome to Owl City."



Owl City gives me "Fireflies"

Sports

Cross country team named state champs

By Lilia Moncada

It was November 17th and the pressure was building that chilly Saturday morning. The hour was near and there was no escaping the queasy feeling in the pit of their stomachs.

The time had finally come for the NHS Cross Country Apaches to demonstrate what they could really accomplish. As if the regional title wasn't enough, now the athletes were determined to bring home the glory once again. The race came and went and, sure enough, by the end of the day, the team came back victorious.

"Before the race, all we had to think about was staying positive, not overconfident, but positive," said coach Gatica.

The total was forty-seven points for the ladies and one hundred and forty-seven points on the men's side. The men placed fourth in the 4A 1 Division race followed by McClintock high school.

The highlight of the day, though, were the girls. From the moment the gun was shot to the last seconds (or meters) of the race, the maroon and gold jerseys stood out on the field and as more and more were seen crossing the finish line in the top 20, spectators began to realize what Nogales was really made of.

Zahira Ximenez, an NHS junior, had been waiting for an opportunity at state since her sixth grade year and when she finally got the chance two years ago she didn't disappoint. Zahira placed third her freshman year, thirteenth her sophomore year, and finally, with a time of 18:59, Zahira took home first place. How did it feel becoming state champion?

"It was a dream come true – my dream come true," said Zahira.

The team's top seven runners also placed well that day: Following Zahira, Konnie

Zuniga came in third, Lilia Moncada eleventh, followed by Diana Padilla who got fifteenth and Esther Estrada who came in seventeenth. Melissa Durazo and Melissa Leon placed 83rd and 88th respectively.

They placed first as a team also followed by Cactus Shadows high school with a total of 88 points. Not only did they beat the runner up (Cactus Shadows) by almost double their points, what's more amazing is the fact that five out of the team's seven runners managed to place in the top 20, something that has rarely been done before. Tears ran down the girls' cheeks moments after the awards were given.

Even though it seemed that the guys just sat in the shadow of the girls' glory, they actually had their fair share of the fun too. They didn't mind at all placing fourth because they knew they had given it their all.

"No worries, we'll get it next year for sure," said sophomore Josue Rosas.

Josue placed 23rd that day and in front of him Jose Valdez came in 18th. After Josue came Aron Valdez placing 31st, followed by Carmelo Moraila, 34th. Rafael Valenzuela, Julio Palacios, and Jesus Rosas finished 47th, 77th, and 108th respectively.

"There couldn't have been a better ending to this cross country season!" said Melissa Durazo.

It's true, the season is now over, but could it mark the beginning of a long streak of state championships?

One can only assume but what's come true for now is the gold trophy now standing in the trophy hall near the gym's entrance. A reminder of the talent discovered in the 2009 Cross Country team.

Soccer players get ready for a new season

Boys win tournament opener

By Victoria Flores

Goal kicks, throw-in's and corner kicks. Yes, you know it. Soccer is back. The Nogales High School 09-10 varsity soccer team is up and running for this year's season, off to a great start by shutting out Catalina Foothills 2-0 in the season opener. Unfortunately, the boys lost to Sierra Vista, 1-2, on Nov. 27.

With about 15 returning players and only a few new on the team, varsity coach Luna is

preparing them to win it all.

"We'll have a better team this year. They all have good attitudes and they've matured," said Luna.

All those hours of practice and hard work will be put to the test later on this season.

"Our goal is to make it to the championship. We've been chosen before, we can do it again," said Mr. Luna.

Hector Miranda, a returning

player from last year's team, says he's excited to start the season because he feels they have a chance to win state.

"I feel it's going to be a great season because we have a strong team," said Miranda.

Their next game is against Santa Rita on Tuesday, Dec. 1 then against Amphi on Friday. Both games will be played in Tucson.



The lady Apaches practice their skills.

By Norma Suarez

Girls show promise

Coach Romero got a chance to see what his girls were capable of when they went up against the toughest teams in the Brandon Bean Kickoff last week. The Apaches lost their first few, but managed to score some goals and are already showing improvement.

The girls' soccer practices got off to a good start; conditioning for the whole two hours, five days a week, and working on their kicks. The girls have been practicing long and hard.

Girl's soccer season started on November 2. The final list of players was

posted on November 12.

"There are a lot of returning players on the team," said Romero, head coach for girls' soccer.

There are about four seniors, seven juniors, four sophomores and three freshmen on the team. Most of the team consists of juniors who are mainly returning varsity players from last year.

"The freshmen are in good shape, physically and soccer skills wise," said Romero.

Romero is expecting a good team this year. The players are hoping to be a better team than last year. They are hoping to come together as a team and do the best they can.

"It's going to be better than last year," said Romero.

Upcoming sports events

JC Corella

9th JV, Varsity Boys & Girls Basketball

Tues 1 – Dec VS Rio Rico

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Tues 3- Dec @ Buena

Fri 4 – Dec @ CDO

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Mon. 7 – Dec VS Sabino

Tues. 8 – Dec VS Douglas

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Thurs. 10 – Dec @ Catalina Foothills

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Fri. 11 – Dec @ Sabino

Fri. 18 – Dec VS Sabino

Sat. – Wed Dec 26 – 30 @ Greenway

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Mon – Sat Dec. 14 – 18 @ Sabino

Tournament

JV B Boys & Girls Soccer

TBD

TBD

Wrestling

Wed 2 – Dec VS CDO (Pierson)

Fri – Sat Dec 4 -5 @ William Bell

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Wed 9 – Dec @ Rio Rico (3 way0

Fri – Sat Dec. 11 -12 @ Douglas Invite

Successful season comes to a close

By Paulina Chavez

The Nogales Apaches were seeded number 13 in 4A1 division for state playoffs and headed back up to Vail to have a second shot at beating the Cienega Bobcats

Unfortunately, the Apaches could not slow down the determined Bobcats. By halftime the score was Nogales 0 and Cienega 30. But the Apaches didn't quit! They made two touchdowns by the fourth quarter. It still wasn't enough to win, the game ended with the Apaches losing The score was 14 to 51.



The game against Marana determined whether or not the Nogales Apaches would be going to playoffs. Fortunately, they won with the final score being Nogales 32 and Marana 7. Two of the touchdowns were made by wide receiver, Camilo Villegas. Another was scored with a 92 yard run by wide receiver, Steve Solis. The other two were made by cornerback Bryan Robles and fullback Jimmy Lopez.

Although the players were cheering about going to playoffs, there were a few tears and sad moments. That night was the last night the seniors would step foot on the NHS field. Even though that was the last time the Apache seniors would play on their own turf, it was not going to be the final game.

The Apaches showed endless effort against Desert View on October 30th.

Accompanied by the Pride of Nogales Marching Band, guard, dancers, and cheerleaders, came home with the victory of winning the game with the last seconds ticking on the clock. Nogales 27 Desert View 24.

Sports

Poms and Cheers compete for the title

By Paulina Chavez

The hard work and endless hours have finally paid off for the Nogales Apache Dance Team and Cheerleaders, when they both qualified for State.

The Apaches proved themselves at the AIA Regional competition that took place in Phoenix, Arizona on November 14th.

Both the dancers and cheerleaders competed in a 4AI/II coed division, and the Dance Team took first.

The cheerleaders came in second place and also qualified for state.

"Nogales had many victories. Our Poms performed with their hearts and received first place, partner stunt placed third and cheerleaders did their routine with lots of spirit and received second place. I'm sure that both the Poms and Cheers will come out on top when the January competition comes along," said Amy Amaya, one of the Cheer captains.

After not being allowed to compete last year, it was quite a big jump for the dancers to bring home first place and qualified for State.

"The countless hours paid off, but it took us only one person to do it all for, Sofia! That is the only person who will continue to inspire me throughout the rest of my senior year and future. Congratulations girls, keep your head up high, your poms shining bright and a smile on your face!" said Anais Rojas, Dance captain.

Since both teams qualified, they will keep giving it their all in their long practices for the state competition in January 30th.

The Cheerleaders hope to keep up their winning streak and the Dancers would like to start a tradition of their own.



The Apache Dance Team celebrates a victory for a dearly missed friend

It's wrestling time

By Karo Peraza

Let's get ready to rumble! It's that time again. The fresh smell of sweaty shoes, the slap of the matts, the intense concentration and the sight of that oh so flattering spandex.

It's wrestling time and the boys are in it to win it as they prepare for this year's season. With returning and fresh new members, the team seems pumped to go out and literally bring the competition down.

A lot of the members are excited for this season.

"Last year's season was the best we've had in a while, so we're looking forward to building a strong team. We have a lot of returning athletes including, J.D., Nick Inzunza, and Gilbert Duran, who will be looking to wrestle hard, win matches, and possibly bring another championship season to our school. Several ninth graders are bringing in fresh talent to the rosters as well," said Jose Rojas, a Junior on the team.

Seems Rojas is excited and is wishing the best for his team members.

Practicing hard and staying fit is the key to being a great wrestler. Coach Villanucci encourages the guys to be healthy and to not give up.

"We're doing a lot of running because, even though a match is only six minutes long, we need a lot of conditioning to get through it. Also, during practices, we do stretches and exercises to be flexible and get in shape. And last but not least, we learn moves and practice them until they're almost perfect," said Ivan Carreño.

As far as dieting goes, Carreño also mentioned that they try to watch their weight because a lot of the athletes have to lose weight or be at a certain weight.

"Plus," he adds, "We want to eat enough to keep working hard."

Go out and support your fellow Apaches at their first match of the season and cheer them to a great victory.

The NFL rings my bell

By Judy Bojorquez

The NFL has fined Tennessee Titans owner **Bud Adams** \$250,000 for making an obscene gesture at Buffalo fans while celebrating Tennessee's victory over the Bills.

·Seattle Seahawks runningback **Julius Jones** missed Sunday's game at the Minnesota Vikings because of a bruised lung. **Coach Jim Mora** thought it to be a cracked rib sustained in the first quarter of Seattle's loss at Arizona on Sunday. Coach said it was a bruised lung and potentially, possibly a cracked rib.

·**Atlanta Falcons Michael Turner** has a high ankle sprain, but so far the Falcons are not discussing how that will affect his Week 11 availability

Not your normal surfing

By Alex Bolaños

Train Surfing- A sport or stupidity? In South Africa, it's illegal and many people have died or been seriously injured from playing this dangerous game.

The sport originated in Germany in the 1980's. It had been forgotten up until a gang in Frankfurt, Germany rediscovered it in 2005. The leader of the gang rode on top of the fastest train in Germany called the Inter City Express. The Inter City Express can go up to 186 MPH.

How do you declare a winner? Simple. You get points for not falling off and breaking every bone in your body.

Professional Basketball for us all

By Norma Suarez

The National Basketball Association (NBA) rankings are amazing. The ranking have changed a lot since the 2008-2009 season with the Atlanta, Hawks being ranked number one with their record being 8-2. After matching Cleveland's win in Orlando with their own breakthrough in Boston, it's time to toss it out there: How much more must the Hawks do before we all start saying that the East elite runs four teams deep?

The Denver Nuggets are only a game away from the Hawks with the record of 7-3. When the two teams play against each other it is going to be an intense game. Third on the list of ranking is our very own Phoenix Suns with the record of 9-2, Amare Stoudemire is scoring an average of thirty points per game.

The number four team is the returning Boston Celtics with the record of 8-3. The Celtics have the most championships in all of the NBA with the Lakers being only about four championships away. The Lakers, like their old pals from Boston, are faced with their first losing streak of the season. The view, though, is clearly more troubling for L.A., now that Kobe has his own groin injury to go with Pau's bad hammy. The Lakers are ranked number five with the record of 7-3.

Right behind the Lakers with the record of 7-3 also are the Cleveland Cavaliers. After that with the number seven spot are the Dallas Mavericks having seven wins and three loses also. At number eight are the Trail Blazers with 8-3.

Miami, Heat are seven and two and finally at the number ten spot is Orlando, Magic with the record of 7-3 also. Probably time for us to hush our fawning about the Magic's depth. They get Rashard back this week and look like they need the boost ... although defense has been the real disappointment, which is Dwight's department.

Two-game losing streaks for the Celtics and Lakers -- with Atlanta's road win Friday over Boston trumping Denver's home win over the defending champs on the same

night -- created an unexpected opening at the top that the Hawks have rightfully seized. Atlanta's best start since going 11-0 to open the 1997-98 season includes a home rout of Denver and an impressive win at Portland.

Throw in Phoenix's ongoing rise and we have a top three we never expected to see, even in the unpredictable early portion of the season, with the Celtics, Lakers and Cleveland Cavaliers shoved down into the Nos. 4, 5 and 6 slots, and Orlando dropping to No. 10. when they were runner-up in the 2008-2009 season.



Boys' basketball

By Paulina Chavez

After long strenuous basketball tryouts, the Varsity players have finally been selected.

-Isaiah De La Riva	Guard
-Octavio Martinez	Forward
-Cesar Solis	Forward
-Alan Moreno	Point Guard
-Eric Maldonado	Point Guard
-Steve Solis	Guard
-Ernesto Martinez	Guard
-Andres Sanchez	Center
-Joseph Monreal	Guard
-Jesus Salcido	Forward
-Aaron Valencia	Forward
-Victor Dominguez	Center
-Mario Franco	Forward

There will only be one returning player this season for the varsity team, so it will be a building year. A few underclassmen were brought up to play for varsity as well.

"The team this year looks vary young, but good. They have a good work ethic," said Coach Bambi.

He is hoping that his team stays healthy and thinks they will do well throughout the season.

"The toughest competition will be the conference over all. I think that it will come down to Cienega, Flowing Wells and us," said Bambi.

Girls' Basketball

By Erika German

The lady Apaches have started their fall basketball season. This year's head coach, Mr. Douglas Odum, is very excited to teach the girls a little more about the sport.

"I'm very excited and enthusiastic about this basketball season. I have a great group of girls who are working very hard," said Odum.

There are three returning varsity players, but only one starter, Olivia Valencia. Varsity's first scrimmage was held in the gym November 18 against Catalina Foothills and their first game was the 24th at Salpointe for the Boyd Baker tournament.

As for the JV and freshmen teams, they will have more time to practice and prepare for their first game against Rio Rico on December 1st. New coaches for JV and freshmen include Mr. Calderon for JV and Ms. Lopez for the freshmen team.

"There are a lot of new players on varsity this year. Hopefully we improve on our skills because of the big shoes to fill in from last year," said Suzy Cota, "It's a lot to get used to because we have a completely different program with the new coaches and players."

Hopefully the lady Apaches come out strong and have a great season.

Games

Thanksgiving Leftovers

By Erika Dominguez

A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store, but couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked the stock boy, "Do these turkeys get any bigger." The stock boy answered. "No ma'am, they're dead."

Who is not hungry at Thanksgiving?

The turkey, he's already been stuffed!

How many cooks does it take to stuff a turkey?

One, but you really have to squeeze him in!

What happened when the turkey got into a fight?

He got the stuffing knocked out of him.

Can a turkey jump higher than the Empire State Building?

Yes, a building can't jump at all!

What are unhappy cranberries called?

Blueberries!

Asked to write a composition entitled

"What I am thankful for on Thanksgiving."

A student wrote, "I am thankful I am not a turkey."

What would you get if you crossed Easter with Thanksgiving?

Feaster Sunday.



Name that Tune-Answers

By Victoria Flores

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| 1) 3 - Britney Spears | 6) La La La - LMFAO |
| 2) Bad Romance - Lady GaGa | 7) Never say Never - The Fray |
| 3) Run this Town - Jay-Z | 8) I'm Already Gone - Kelly Clarkson |
| 4) Meet me Halfway - Black Eyed Peas | 9) Forever - Drake |
| 5) Sexy Chick - David Guett | 10) Whatcha Say - Jason DeRulo |

It's in the Stars... December Horoscopes

By Erika German

Aries: March 21- April 19

Luck might not be in your favor at the beginning of the month, but give it two weeks and you'll get the surprise of your life.

Taurus: April 20- May 20

Love is in the air so take advantage of it. Your luck will top the charts this week.

Gemini: May 21-June 21

You're going to have so much fun this week so relax and let things roll how they do.

Cancer: June 21-July 22

Your future plans may be in danger so take things into consideration and put thought into what you have to say.

Leo: July 23-August 22

Why so serious? Chill out and enjoy each day as it goes and have fun with what you have.

Virgo: August 23- September 22

Put yourself as top priority and forget about everything. You will soon realize what you have been looking for.

Libra: September 23- October 22

You thought everything was going your way, but soon there will be a speed bump in your life so be prepared!

Scorpio: October 23- November 21

You don't need a four-leaf clover or a horseshoe, luck is on your side so put it to good use

Sagittarius: November 22- December 21

Forget about what happened in the past. Start off fresh and use the people around you to help you out.

Capricorn: December 22- January 19

Stop being so negative and look at the bright side of situations. Your friends and family want the best for you so change your ways of thinking and be a better you.

Aquarius: January 20- February 18

Take a risk this month. This is your moment to shine and do things you wouldn't normally do.

Pisces: February 19- March 20

Today someone may come back from your past that you've been trying to avoid. But listen to what they have to say and be the good friend that you are.

Ask Aly

Dear Aly,

My boyfriend is moving away after Christmas break. I really love him but I am not sure how it will work out as a long distance relationship. What should I do? - Long Distance Girl

Dear Long Distance Girl

Well sometimes you just have to wait for time and circumstances to decide. Don't let the fear of "what if" keep you from what might be a great learning experience and chance to increase your love for each other. It is true that most long distance relationships don't work out, but I say go for it! Who knows, you may be one of those lucky couples. -Aly

Dear Aly,

One of my closest friends and I have been in a fight. The reason is that I did exactly what she did to me, for example if she said I looked fat than I would tell her she was ugly. For some strange reason it was completely unfair when I did it but when she did it, it was acceptable. What should I do? - Uncomplimented

Dear Uncomplimented,

A gentle answer deflects anger, but harsh words make tempers flare. Proverbs 15:1. Whether you believe in God's words or think they are overrated there is no doubt that these are very wise words. Try not to play her game. This will slow down on her comments if she sees that you are still good and not to bothered by them. Do not pay too much attention to her or she will feel as if she has power over you. -Aly

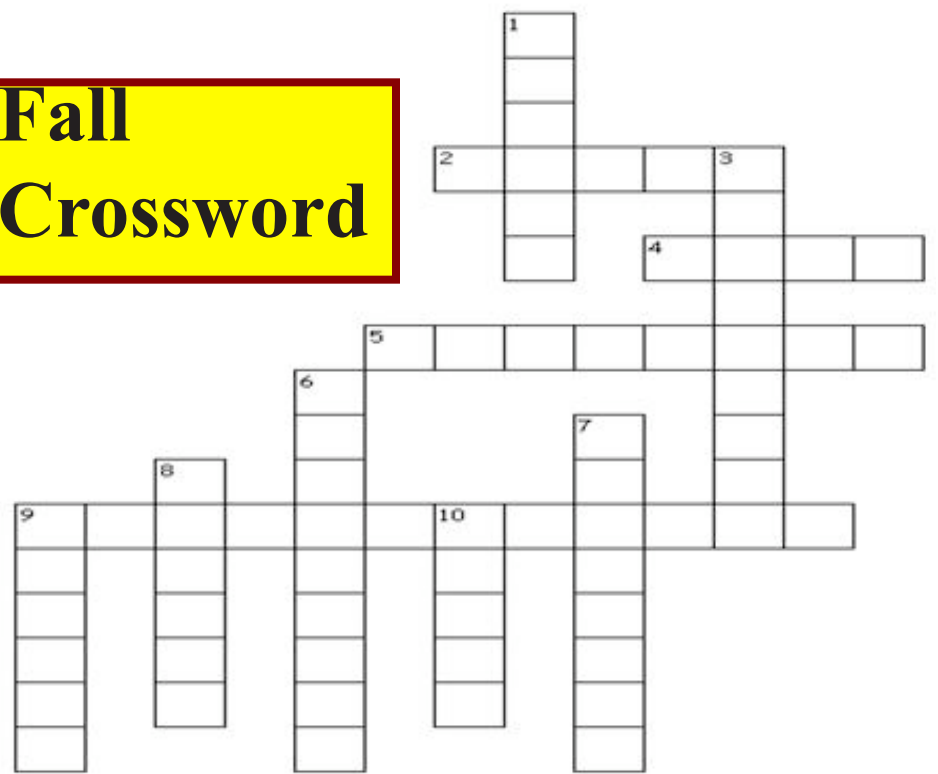
Dear Aly,

My teacher HATES me. She is so mean to me. She practically called me an easy girl (which is not exactly what a teacher should call a student), she kicks me out of her class for no reason and is completely obnoxious. She says she can do it because she is the teacher. I don't leave her class because she is a very good teacher, but I think she needs to be more respectful about her comments. -Teacher's Pet

Dear Teacher's Pet

You are right, those words are harsh. We may not always be able to change the way others view us, but we can think about their reasons for doing so. Is there a valid reason she thinks you are "easy?" Still, even though she is the teacher, she does not have the right to say as she pleases. Talk to her and if that doesn't help, see your counselor and insist the teacher behaves in a more professional manner. Good luck! - Aly

Fall Crossword



Across

- Everyone gets together and has a big _____.
- The season when Thanksgiving takes place.
- Goes inside the turkey.
- When families get together to have a special meal and give thanks.

Down

- The best treat of the night.
- Everyone has a special holiday _____.
- Usually the desert that is served. (Two words)
- The month when we celebrate Thanksgiving.
- The people you love.
- The main course.
- The yummy brown stuff we put on the turkey.

Words

To Use:

- Tradition
- Thanksgiving
- Fall
- November
- Turkey
- Feast
- Family
- Gravy
- Stuffing
- Pumpkin Pie
- Dessert