

A large, white, rectangular sign with a black border stands on a grassy area. The sign features a green logo of a cowboy hat with a 'W' on it, followed by the text 'SOUTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL' in green, serif, all-caps font. Below this, a large, white, rectangular panel with a black border contains the text 'GO COWBOYS!' in black, bold, sans-serif, all-caps font. At the bottom of the sign, a black rectangular panel contains the text 'Cowboy Country Since 1979' in white, cursive, all-caps font. The background shows a road, trees, and a utility pole.

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Features – Ms. Byas

By: Peyton Flynn

Shanel Byas, the new anatomy and biology teachers is already making a huge impact. After being a student in her classroom for honors biology first semester, she has impacted my attitude and work ethic for the better. Ms. Byas is one of the most positive and joyful teachers I have ever had, and she inspired me to be a better student.

“She is always interested in making connections with every student and motivates them outside of the classroom,” said senior, Valeria Calderon.

Going on her 10th year of teaching, Ms. Byas previously taught at Glenn High School. She also attended the University of Maryland. She said she loved science as a little kid for the reason that the idea for mixing things and getting something new was inspiring.

“I was inspired to start teaching in science because I wanted to motivate more women to get into science,” said Byas.

Ms. Byas has already impacted many students already in a short period of time and she is personally one of my favorite teachers of all time. She teaches in a way that is engaging and so everyone is participating. By doing this, she creates an environment where everyone is excited to learn.

“Ms. Byas makes learning fun and incorporates hands-on activities,” said freshman, Samantha Eisenman.

Overall, Ms. Byas is a fantastic educator and role model. Any student would be lucky to have her as a teacher. I hope to see her in the Southwest community for a long time to come.



Mr. Aguiar

By: Arianna Rasing

Current theatre arts and speech and debate teacher, Jeff Aguiar, started teaching at Southwest on December 19. Mr. Aguiar left Southwest in 2007 to explore other theatre arts recommendations and officially came back in 2020. He believes we are in need for more theatre arts teachers. This class should have more recognition and should not be known as a “dumping ground” for people who don’t know what classes to take. Near the end of February, a group of students performed a simple script for black history month and caught the eyes of the audience. We sat down to ask questions about this class and talked about the impact it can make to society.

Why did you decide to be a theatre arts teacher? “I actually studied drama in my senior year and it was the fact that I was so focused on that material which made me think maybe I could do that. I went back to my first semester at UNCG as an elementary education major. I ended up changing my major because I knew the people around me and it was hard living without it,” said Aguiar.

What is unique to you about theatre arts? “Our curriculum allows us to explore creativity, which is not necessarily a common thing to explore. Creativity isn’t really something the school would have attention to like how students view a math class. In high school I went up to calculus and found

creativity in math. As for my students, they can play around and really explore what kind of creativity they can find,” said Aguiar.

What skills do students gain when this class is taken? “A lot of students, in terms of general outcomes, will gain skills like public speaking, to be more comfortable in many situations, and we find that students perform more effectively in group work. I also think there is a lot of work ethic in theatre. Being prepared for shows and starting a project is a big thing when you start with nothing there then end with these big ideas,” said Aguiar.

Mr. Aguiar hopes to have a strong connection with both theatre arts and speech and debate students. He believes it is important to know how different everyone is, so he can decide what part fits each student. Pushing students past their limit will boost their confidence and will improve their skills. After performances, Mr. Aguiar will put aside the hard work and reward his students.

Theatre arts can help students become more social and build up leadership skills. Mr. Aguiar encourages future students in Southwest to take his class and learn that you can be different, despite of what classes you want to take. The hope of more theatre arts teachers is needed to inspire kids, at a young age, to prepare them for their future.

Global News- Coronavirus Outbreak in Diamond Princess Cruise Ship

By: Valeria Calderon

The Diamond Princess Cruise ship set sail in Asia, when a horrendous disaster occurred. The ship had 2,666 guests and 1,045 crew on board, and approximately 380 were Americans. After ten reports of the Coronavirus, the ship was quarantined. However, this decision was not successful. Since the government wanted the cruise to run smoothly during such a hectic time period. Despite the infection, they decided not to isolate the crew members since they delivered passengers their food during the quarantine.

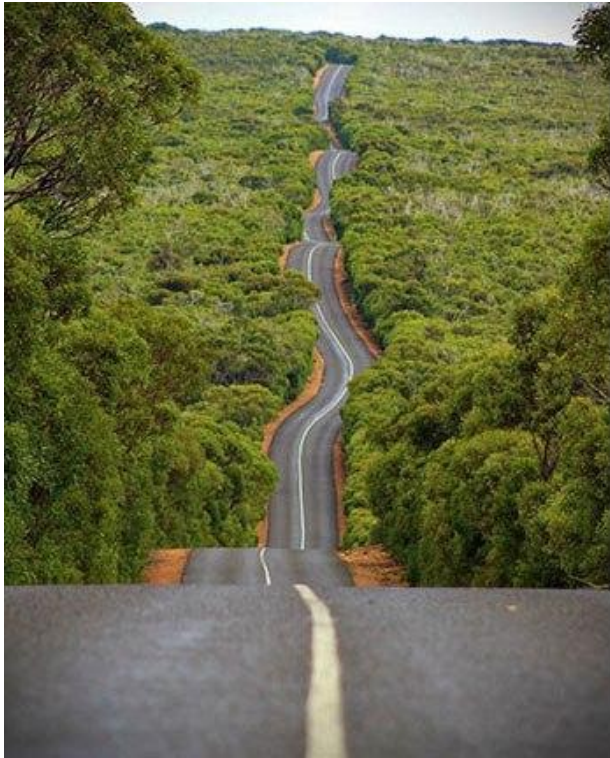
Around 705 people contracted the disease during the quarantine. Four of these individuals have passed away. Out of 1045 crew members, 150 had been infected during the isolation as well.

"It failed. People were getting infected on that ship. Something went awry in the process of the quarantining on that ship. I don't know what it was, but a lot of people got infected on that ship," said Fauci.

The guests were forced to stay in their rooms. The ship crew dropped off their meals at their doors, as well as distributing thermometers and masks. Everyone had to take their temperature and immediately report any readings of 99.5 degrees or above. The cases immediately rose from ten to 454.

After a very difficult discussion, officials at the National Institutes of Health decided to evacuate hundreds of American passengers off the ship, 14 who had confirmed cases of the disease. The passengers took buses for hours and had no access to bathrooms and took a ten-hour flight back home. The infected and uninfected flew in separate areas of the plane.





Australian Wildfire Aftermath

By: D'ascia Muir

The wild bush fires occurring in Australia started in September 2019 and are now finally contained as of February 2020. The fires have killed more than 30 people and destroyed over 2,500 homes. Around 27.2 million acres have burned in Australia, killing an estimated 1 billion animals including kangaroos and koalas. Although the fires were spread over all of Australia, New South Wales and Victoria were most effected. The fires started because of various reasons such as lightning, human actions, and the climate.

The conditions in Australia contributed to the mass amount of fires that started in Australia. The hot environment mixed with the brisk winds kept the fire growing and spreading throughout Australia. Most of the fires started because of natural causes but some were related to arson. Throughout 2019 a total of 183 people was arrested for lighting bushfires in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania.

The raging fires have heavily affected the environment. The fires have destroyed everything in its path, meaning if there is heavy rainfall all the ash, soot, and charred vegetation will wash away into the streams, dams, and beaches. This could later cause algae blooms or blooms of cyanobacteria. If the polluted water infected the Warragamba Dam, outside of Sydney, then the water supply would decrease. The smoke from the fires has released aerosols into the upper atmosphere, creating a greater amount of carbon dioxide emission. The carbon dioxide will be stored in the biomass and will stay there until the forests

regrow.

The animals are also suffering consequences of this horrendous fire. The fire has killed around 1 billion animals, but this does not account for the frogs, invertebrates, or bats. There could be at least 1 trillion insects, earthworms, and snails that were killed by the fire. There is a huge population of animals that are now without a home, water, and food. The fires have increased the chance for extinction for at least 20 animals.

The fire has changed so many lives and not for the better. In New South Wales and Victoria, a state of emergency has been declared. Majority of the firefighting force was made up of volunteers, they spent their time fighting fires instead of going to their regular jobs. People are also at risk from the smoke inhalation. There are fine particles in smoke that can later find there way into tiny crevices of the lungs and go into the blood stream. The particles can irritate your eyes and nose and may also cause bronchitis. Smoke inhalation has been linked to premature deaths in people who have chronic heart and lung diseases.

The fires that started in Australia have created a major disaster for all the organisms that call Australia home. The fires proved to be detrimental to wildlife, humans, the atmosphere, and overall the entire ecosystem. Experts estimate that it will take 100 years for Australia to recover from the devastating bush fires. Many humans and animals are without a home, but we can help by donating to the Australian Red Cross, the Salvation Army Australia, and the Wildlife Information, Rescue, and Education Service.



Sanders and Biden

By: Valeria Calderon

Bernard Sanders, also known as Bernie Sanders is a democratic socialist running for the 2020 Presidential Election. He was born in Brooklyn, and lives in Burlington, Vermont. Out of twenty-nine years of serving for congress, he was elected for the House of Representatives in 1990. After serving his time in the House, he was elected for the Senate in 2007. Prior to his law-making career, he was the mayor of Burlington, Vermont.

In America, over 30 million people are uninsured. Sanders has a goal of “Medicare for all,” meaning no copays or deductibles for all Americans. In other words, not allow the people to become insolvent after receiving the care they needed.

“Even for those with insurance, costs are so high that medical bills are the number one cause of bankruptcy in the United States,” said Sanders.

To lower the cost of prescription drugs, he plans to allow patients, pharmacists, and wholesalers to buy low-cost prescription drugs from Canada and other industrialized countries with the Affordable and Safe Prescription Drug Importation Act and cut prescription drug prices in half, with the Prescription Drug Price Relief Act, by pegging prices to the median drug price in five major countries: Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, and Japan.

Sanders also plans on guaranteeing debt free tuition to all colleges and universities and cancel all student loan debt for the 45 million Americans who owe about \$1.6 trillion. He plans on doing this by passing the College for All Act to provide at least \$48 billion per year to eliminate tuition and fees at four-year public colleges and universities, tribal colleges, community colleges, trade schools, and apprenticeship programs.

“Everyone deserves the right to a good higher education if they choose to pursue it, no matter their income,” said Sanders.

To achieve his goals on free education, he also plans on Providing Pell Grants to low-income students to cover the non-tuition and fee costs of school, including housing, books, supplies, transportation, and other costs of living, and triple funding for the Work-Study Program. The program currently provides around two thousand dollars to 700,000 students; however, by expanding the funds of the program, he aspires to reach around 2 million students.

To pay for this tremendous plan, he plans to impose a tax of a fraction of a percent on Wall Street speculators who nearly destroyed the economy. This Wall Street speculation tax will raise \$2.4 trillion over the next ten years and pay off the \$1.6 trillion for Americans debts.

By: Sophia Sentner

Joe Biden, front runner for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States, was born February 20, 1942 in Scranton Pennsylvania. Biden studied law at Syracuse University. Biden is most well known for being an American Politician and serving as the 47th Vice President of the United States during the consecutive terms of President Barack Obama. Before serving as Vice President, Biden served as a Senator for the state of Delaware where he focused on drug policy and criminal justice issues.

Biden faces a tough Primary season against a popular opponent in Bernie Sanders, as well as a tough election were, he to win the nomination for the Democrats and go on to challenge incumbent President Donald Trump. However, Biden puts great stock in a saying of his fathers, “My own father had always said the measure of a man wasn't how many times or how hard he got knocked down, but how fast he got back up. I made a pledge to myself that I would get up and emerge from this debacle better for having gone through it. I would live up to the expectation I had for myself. I would be the kind of man I wanted to be.”

Biden has had many legislative accomplishments including The Violence Against Women Act, The Violent Crim Control Act, and other bills that meant to champion the cause of the criminal justice system and those that, some would argue, have been treated unfairly by that same system. However, his campaign has not been without controversy, as allegations regarding misconduct have come to light in recent weeks from former staffers.

Biden chose to run for President out of a sense of moral obligation to the United States, going on record in a tweet as saying “The core values of this nation ... our standing in the world ... our very democracy ... everything, that has made America – America – is at stake”. Whether Biden has the ability to take the election from the incumbent President remains to be seen.



Local/School News- Guilford County Takes Students to the Polls

By: Jaxon Rauber

On February 28th, Guilford County Schools set out for the voting polls with bus loads of 17 and 18-year-old students. This optional field trip was done with parent permission. Their intention was to give the newest member of our democracy a chance to vote, register to vote, or simply just observe what goes on. While many people feel this is supporting the fundamental rights of voters, it has been met with opposition by some.

Superintendent Sharon Contreras started planning to take students to the polls in November of 2019. She believes that though we are young, we now have the right to vote and we should exercise that right.

“I think voting is a fundamental right and responsibility of every citizen. Just because these are the newest members of our democracy with respect to their age, doesn’t mean they don’t have the right to vote,” said Contreras. High Point University Professor of Political Science, Mark Setzler, is also in support of eligible students having the opportunity to vote in the primary elections.

“Encouraging young people to vote now will have lifetime payoffs. Political scientists demonstrated a long time ago that voting in even just one election early in life increases the probability of voting in future elections. This is particularly true of young people voting in the first election for which they are eligible,” says Professor Setzler.

Guilford County school board Vice Chairwomen, Linda Welborn, is against taking the young voters to the polls, and feels the idea was unnecessary. According to Welborn, Contreras failed to mention that they would be transporting students to the polls when they were planning it in November. She mentioned concerns voiced by parents about the cost of busing, not enough notice to teachers about student absences, and the possibility of political motivation. Professor Setzler rebuts the concern about the cost of busing, by reminding us that if we have the money to bus students for football games, band performances, and other school functions, then we also have the resources to transport students to vote. The common argument made in opposition to transporting students to the polls is that there are too many opportunities for teachers to influence the students’ vote. Many of these claims are coming from Republicans who have concerns about the amount of liberal teachers in our school system.

“Republicans are well aware of the fact that they have a serious problem in attracting the support of younger voters and minority voters, which is the main factor on the nation-wide movement among Republicans to make it more difficult to vote,” says Professor Setzler.

While this issue continues to cause a divide between some, the program will continue to encourage young voters and promote citizenship.

MPA

By: Samantha Eisenman

On Tuesday, March 10th the chorus classes at Southwest Guilford high school went to MPA, or Music Performance Adjudication. At MPA, many choirs perform a selection of songs that they have been rehearsing and practicing for the last couple months. There are three judges who critic the performances. They judge on a wide scale of things, some being tone, melody and harmony, and rhythmic timing. After a choir sings, they sight-read. Melodic sight-reading is an exercise which uses solfege syllables, such as do, re, and mi. They also sight-read based on rhythm using ta-ka-di-mi, a system used specifically for rhythmic exercises. The choirs get a rating on the performance from poor to superior and gets a score percentage on sight-reading.

Mrs. Catherine Butler, the school's chorus teacher, and Ms. Jessica Schneider, the chorus student teacher, took two classes to MPA. The first class to perform was the Treble Ensemble. The Treble Ensemble performed "Loch Lomond" arranged by Vijay Singh and "Ascribe to the Lord" by Rosephanye Powell. Mrs. Butler and Ms. Schneider switched the roles of accompanist and conductor for the two songs. For the singing portion of MPA, the Treble Ensemble got an Excellent rating, which is right under superior. For sight-reading, they received a 99%.

Next, the Honors Vocal Ensemble performed. They sang "O, Love" by Elaine Hagenberg and "Daemon Errpeet Callidus" by György Orban. They were accompanied by Ms. Butler on the piano and Hanna Fishastion playing the cello. For the singing performance, the Honors Vocal Ensemble got a Superior ranking. They also went on to sight-read and received a 99%.

MPA is an event that choirs go to so that they can better the choir, while also getting to hear other great choirs' performances. It is an opportunity to broaden someone's trained ear and to hear many different varieties of songs.





Guilford County Transportation

By: D'ascia Muir

Tammy Whitaker, the transportation supervisor in the Southwest/Andrews school zone, helps determine if schools will be closed, delayed, or released early. When the weather conditions become serious, her and other supervisors will check the roads around 3 am. Then they will report to the Director of Transportation with all the information they have gathered. All the information is given to the Superintendent. The Superintendent will make the call if the schools will close, release early, or have a delay.

There are several factors that determine making the decision to close schools. The supervisors must know when the expected weather conditions will happen and how severe they may get. They must know what the roads and different routes look like, and how far the students must travel. They also must take into consideration the safety for the children and staff. The main priority of closing schools is keeping the students safe. Information is gathered from different weather forecasting systems such as the National Weather Service.

If schools have a delay and the weather continues to grow worse, then they may close school for the day. When the Superintendent issues no school for the day, and the weather seems to clear up. Even with the nice weather, schools cannot open backup. With all the students

and staff members expecting no school there is no guarantee that everyone will still be able to attend. It would be impossible to have the availability of all staff members.

When school is cancelled, we must make up the day later in the year. A school calendar is published and most of the teacher workdays are marked as makeup days. North Carolina law states that students must attend classes for a certain number of hours per year. It is not based on the number of days we attend school; it is based on the hours. Every day we miss does not have to be made up. Everything depends on the number of instructional hours the students have been currently receiving. If there are enough hours collected, then students will not have to make up that missed school day.

With the help from supervisors all over the county and the Superintendent we are able to find out if we have school, a delay, or an early release. They make sure it is safe for all students and staff to travel in the harsh weather conditions. They make the decision based on the information they have gathered from the news and the outside conditions, to keep everyone out of harm's way. They provide us with this information to keep us prepared for what may be coming in the following days.

Sports- Olympics

By: Bo Bolick & Jaxon Rauber

The 2020 Summer Olympics were originally scheduled to take place in Tokyo, Japan from July 24th to August 9th. Due to COVID-19, the Olympics will be postponed to 2021. The Olympics are a way for athletes across the globe to compete in various sporting events. They put aside their nations' differences and compete for their countries. Over the past few decades, athletes have grown stronger, faster, and more physically able as they set the bar higher each year.

"The goal of the Olympic Movement is to contribute to building a peaceful and better world by educating youth through sport practiced without discrimination of any kind and in the Olympic spirit, which requires mutual understanding with a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play." says the Olympic Association.

Countries such as Canada were not going to send their athletes to the Olympics if they were still on in 2020. The Olympic Committee announced that they will move the Olympics to 2021 to avoid the recent outbreak of COVID-19.

Michael Phelps, one of the most renowned swimmers to ever live will be absent in the 2021 Olympic Games. After an astounding career, winning 28 medals in which 23 were gold, many consider him to be the greatest Olympian to ever live. Over the past few Olympics, Phelps has set many records from times to winning eight gold medals in the 2008 Games in Beijing. Phelps holds the Olympic 100m butterfly record with a time of 50.58 seconds.

Another great Olympian who will not be attending is Usain Bolt. Bolt is known as the fastest man on Earth. He ran the 100m, 200m, and the 4x 100m relay. Bolt holds the world record for the 100m with a time of 9.58 seconds and the 200m with a time of 19.19 seconds. Bolt won the 100m, 200m, and 4x 100m relay all in just one Olympic, better known as a triple-triple. Bolt will go down as one of the greatest track Olympians ever.

Simone Biles, gymnasts of the United States will be returning for the 2020 Olympic Games. Biles in the 2016 Olympics took home five medals. Biles competes in the all-around, balance beam, vault and floor. She won gold in all of these events except for the balance beam where she won bronze. Biles is most famously known for being the third most decorated gymnast with 30 medals behind Vitaly Scherbo with 33 medals and Larisa Latynina with 32 medals. Biles looks to excel in these same events next summer in Tokyo.

The Olympics will be in Tokyo, Japan from July 23rd through August 8th in 2021. Tune in and watch 206 nations strive to win gold.





What Lies Ahead for Houston Astros?

By: Taj Jones

In 2017, the Houston Astros won their first World Series title in franchise history. The Astros went on in 2018 and were snubbed by the Los Angeles Dodgers in the American League Divisional Series. After missing the year before, the Astros worked their way back to the series in 2019 and were beat in seven games by the Washington Nationals.

During the 2017 post-season though, many numbers of the offensive performance of the Houston players were heavily split. For example, when at home Jose Altuve's numbers were as follows: .472 Batting Average, .513 On Base Percentage, 17 Hits, 6 Homeruns, 12 Runs Batted In. At away games numbers were proportionally different: .143 Batting Average, .268 On Base Percentage, 5 Hits, 1 Homerun, 2 Runs Batted In.

In 2019, the Astros went under investigation by the MLB, after a matter of time the truth was out, the Astros had cheated. Someone had to be punished. The MLB declared that the Astros were to forfeit their first and second round picks of the next two MLB Drafts, pay a 5 million dollar fine, and the teams GM Jeff Luhnow and the team Manager AJ Hinch were suspended for one year. The team owner Jim Crane fired the two shortly after. This punishment also goes with the embarrassment and loss of integrity of the team, as well as the respect from other MLB clubs and fans. Many other players, coaches and sports reporters did not believe that the punishments were heavy enough.

Before Spring training some pitchers said they'd throw at Astros batters, to further "punish" them. After the first 3 games in spring training, 6 players have been hit. Opposing fans fill stands when Astros play, carrying signs indicating their disapproval of what the Astros did.

The decision the Astros made impacted the outcome of many different awards and baseball history. Many say that if the Astros did not use sign stealing the Yankees would've been in the World Series and Aaron Judge would've won the American League MVP. The situations are still irreversible because outcomes aren't known for sure, but the external use of illegal sign stealing created a sense of alternate events.

"Those guys were cheating for three years...I think what people don't realize is [Jose] Altuve stole an MVP from [Aaron] Judge in 2017. Everyone knows they stole the ring from us. But it's over," said Cody Bellinger of the LA Dodgers.

This season the Astros will have 162 games, just like every other team. Although unlike every other team they will undergo great amounts of scrutiny whether the games are home or away. The true punishment for the Astros is the fact that they must go through this 2020 MLB season with a cloud hung over their heads by fans alike. This season the Astros must prove that they are a top team and prove the media, and the general public wrong.

Giannis Antetokounmpo vs James Harden

By: Jonas Sengiyumva

Giannis Antetokounmpo and James Harden are both excellent players in today's era of basketball, both are NBA MVPs. Harden, the 2018 MVP and Antetokounmpo is the 2019 and the reigning MVP as of right now. He will be chasing it for the second time in his career during the 2019 season. Both players have made a large impact to today's game, Harden averages 30 plus points per game and Antetokounmpo constantly improves, he went from averaging 12 points per game to 29.9 points per game.

This back and forth "trash talk" started with a comment said by Antetokounmpo, "I need a guy that passes the ball." Antetokounmpo did mean to offend Harden but he was very upset with what Antetokounmpo said during the all-star draft. While being interviewed Harden said to a reporter "I average more assists than him" he told the reporter. "I don't see what the joke is" with Harden saying that he also added, "I wish I was seven feet tall and just dunk, that takes no skill at all." Antetokounmpo really didn't get mad or say something back at him, instead of talking trash or saying a rude comment back he showed Harden that he had skill, Antetokounmpo also said "my game is not just power".

Antetokounmpo is very skillful to where he can get points without any team-play and he is able to create space with his steps plus his dribble and height, and Harden can run and play smoothly either if it's him passing the ball or handling the ball on both ends of the court. Both players are wrong in this meaningless "trash talk" because both players are highly skillful, and both can pass the ball exceptionally well. Right now, Antetokounmpo averages 5.8 assists while Harden averages 7.4. Antetokounmpo on a roll scoring 32 points, 13 rebounds and 6 assists against the thunder and 41points 20 rebounds and 6 assists, for Harden 35 points and 8 assists both players play exceptionally for their positions and how they are built. Both players are wrong because they both can show skill and display great vision in games, Antetokounmpo has skill so does Harden, Harden can pass, and play make so can Antetokounmpo.



REVIEWS

Beetlejuice

By: Samantha Eisenman

The movie Beetlejuice was filmed and released in 1988. When released, Beetlejuice was very popular, due to its intriguing story and animation. A year after the movie came out it was awarded with best makeup and hairstyling as well as an award for best main actor. Tim Burton, who directed Beetlejuice is also known for directing Goosebumps.

The movie starts by showing a happy couple, Adam and Barbara Maitland. They went to the store, and on their way back Adam swerved the car to avoid a neighborhood dog, causing the couple to crash into a river. Once home, the couple is confused by a new book that seemed to magically appear in their home. The book was titled "Handbook for the Recently Deceased." The Maitlands then realize they didn't survive their crash.

As the movie continues, a new family, the Deetz, move into the Maitland's home. The youngest of the new family, Lydia Deetz, discovers she can see the ghosts of Adam and Barbara. Lydia and the ghosts become friends, but Lydia's family doesn't believe there are any ghosts. Aiming to get their home back, Adam and Barbara attempt scaring the Deetz by possession. The Deetz unfortunately found their haunting to be amusing and instead wanted to exploit the ghosts.

The Maitlands then turn to desperate measures, and call on Beetlejuice, the "Bio-Exorcist." Beetlejuice scares the Deetz but unfortunately also scares Lydia, who has grown close to the Maitlands. In the ending of the movie, Beetlejuice turns more into a menace than help as he is close to marrying Lydia in exchange for saving the Maitlands from trouble. Fortunately, Barbara finds a way to stop him by riding a sandworm, a creature from Saturn seen throughout the movie, and causing it to eat Beetlejuice. In the last scene of the movie, Lydia, Adam, and Barbara are all seen dancing together happily.

Recently, Beetlejuice has been made into a musical, which first premiered in 2018. Beetlejuice was rated 84% by Rotten Tomatoes, and 70% by Metacritic. Many newspapers including The Washington Post, Time, USA Today, and others wrote good reviews about how Beetlejuice was "hilarious" and how "Michael Keaton was the perfect actor for the part of Betelgeuse." Overall, the movie was well liked by general audiences and made great strides in improving animation and editing of movies in 1988.

The Bachelor

By: Sophia Sentner

The Bachelor is a show that chooses a bachelor to find the love of his life out of 30 contestants. The show requires the bachelor to interact with the women and give a rose to each girl he wants to stay on the show at the episode's conclusion. When one of the women go on a 1 on 1 date with the Bachelor, they must get a rose from the bachelor/ bachelorette, if they do not get one from the bachelor, then they will have to go home, losing their chance to "win" and hopefully attain true love.

Peter Weber, previously a contestant on the Bachelorette, was been chosen to as the bachelor for the current season. Weber has come back to reality TV for another shot at love, to find his Mrs. Weber. Weber is looking for his co-pilot to join him for a life full of fun and adventure. In his search for love he must pick the one woman out of thirty who he can see himself with in the future.

As of March 2, 2020, Weber has sent home 27 contestants and has three women that he could potentially see a future with. There has been a lot of drama to finally get to this point where he will find his potential wife. Madison Prewett and Hannah Ann are the final two contestants, Madison has made it aware to Peter that she is saving herself for marriage, making Peter question his decisions. Previously Hannah Ann has felt let down and worthless because Peter shows more feelings toward Madison than he does for her, though she hasn't done anything to make him question her or his decisions.

"When I'm with you, you have all of me," Weber says during a conversation with Madison about how their relationship has grown and if they see a future with one another.

All these questions are answered in the finale on Tuesday, March 9th. Madison left the show, and left Weber, leaving Weber with the decision to propose to Hannah Ann or continue his life as a bachelor. Weber decides to propose to Hannah Ann, though he's riddled with doubt as to whether he made the right decision. Peter had not told Hannah Ann that she was the last contestant on the show until the rose ceremony, leading to Hannah Ann being unsure of her final answer knowing that he was not fully committed.

In the aftermath, Hannah Ann shared on Live Today that she was let down and that Weber needed to learn to be a man before getting another shot at love. Hannah Ann saying this suggests that things with Weber had come to a less than desirable conclusion. Weber still seems to have a place in his heart for Hannah Ann, and we will see how this plays out in the long run. and see if Weber finds happiness with Hannah Ann or Madison.

Please Excuse Me For Being Antisocial Album

By: Jonas Sengiyumva

Roddy Ricch was an upcoming rap artist releasing singles and albums, even being in features with many big-name artists like Nipsey Hustle, Rich the Kid, Gunna, Meek Mill, and A Boogie. Roddy proved that he could be one of the best in the game, his flow, how he matches the beat perfectly, and his rhythm are obvious reasons. The albums and singles he released were all great, comments showed that every song he released got better and better.

Roddy has three albums, where each had over 10 million views. Feed Da Streets and Feed Da Streets II formed Roddy's music career and gave him some type of recognition to other top artist in the music industry causing him to get more features.

All the singles Roddy has released also had an impact on him and other artists. Ballin' was one of his best songs best songs getting over 80 million views. Roddy Ricch can potentially be one of the best artists of 2020.

The album he released last year was the best album he had ever done. The Box was a hit across all platforms getting over 100 million views. This song was catchy, had good rhythm, and had a great beat. War Baby, Roll Dice, Tip Toe, Bac Seat, High Fashion, Boom Boom Room, Start With Me, and Perfect Time were all hits on the album as well. Each song represented something of his past life or what happened in his current life.

Roddy's talent is phenomenal, he continues to grow throughout each album. His skill is above average and can switch the beat and rhythm at any moment. This album is one of the best albums out right now. Roddy Ricch is an outstanding artist and releases amazing music.





Life in Quarantine

By: Bo Bolick

The world has not seen a pandemic since the Spanish Influenza in 1918 which was over a hundred years ago. This comes to show what citizens across the United States and even on a global matter are dealing with in the COVID-19 pandemic. Businesses and schools are closing, people are staying in, and seniors are missing their final year of high school. I am a senior myself. A few months ago, I thought this was all a joke when I heard about it in China for the first time.

Never in my life would I have believed someone if they told me the world was going to be shut down and I was going to be in quarantine for possibly two months. In addition to that, I would practically miss the whole second semester of my senior year. I can remember thinking of this semester during my freshman year. I imagined the senior nights for golf and tennis and how awesome it would be. Along with sports being taken away, we no longer have senior prom, graduation is not

looking promising, and our spring break traditions are gone. For the past year, one of my best friends has been living in England and he had plans to come back to America for that week but that cannot happen anymore.

To many, COVID-19 has changed their life. I also grew close with two foreign exchange students my senior year. One lives in Italy and the other in France. Both were abruptly told they had to return to their home countries after the recent quarantine. Because no one could leave their houses, many people including myself, never physically got to say goodbye. This virus has taken the world by storm and will forever change history. It has taken the lives of many and will continue to be detrimental until we find a cure.

As a nation and as humans, we need to stay inside, isolate ourselves and our families to prevent the spread of the virus in hopes of everything returning to normal.