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Vikings Combat Budget Cuts

Fundraiser to purchase supplies in the 2011 to 2012 school year

By **Kianna Anvari**
Features Editor

In January, California Governor Jerry Brown unveiled a budget that included cuts to state worker pay and social services and a plan to extend tax increases.

Dana Irwin and Beth Penny, two determined PTA members, have created a plan to “Conquer the Cuts.”

Their goal is to raise \$200,000 from March 1 to May 1. In the first two weeks they raised \$60,000, and they plan to meet their goal soon.

They have made it very simple to make donations online at www.ljhs.sandi.net/foundation



tion, where donations of any size are welcomed.

There will be a weekly meter in the *La Jolla Light* showing the progression of the fundraiser.

Irwin and Penny will also be hosting a Rubio’s fundraiser on April 13 from 3:00 to 9:00 PM, with all proceeds going straight to “Conquer the Cuts.”

The parents have done a great job jumpstarting this fundraiser, but now the students have taken the cause into their own hands.

ASB hosted a bake sale fundraiser on Saturday, March 26

on Fay Avenue. They raised over \$200 for “Conquer the Cuts.” ASB is also selling “Conquer the Cuts” bracelets in the student store for \$1.

The past two fridays, students have been rallying to raise awareness by holding up posters before school.

“I think it’s important for students to realize that the budget cuts are very serious,” sophomore Paulo Serrano said. “We should be doing everything in our power to help.”

Every student should be aware of the potential bud-

Goal

\$200,000
March 1 - May 1

get cuts for La Jolla High and other schools throughout the state.

Nine faculty members at La Jolla High have received lay-off notices for next year—strictly based on seniority.

Programs such as athletics and art could be largely affected by the cuts. Class sizes could also increase significantly in the years to come.

Senior Alex De Stasio believes that everyone should be doing something to help. “Seniors might not be too concerned with the budget cuts, but it is an important cause that will affect future generations if we don’t fix it now.”

ASB UPDATE

From the President’s Desk

Hey Vikings!

I hope you’ve had a great month and are looking forward to an amazing spring break!

Airband will be the Thursday when you return from Spring Break! The theme this year is “I <3 YouTube”. We will have 11 clubs and groups competing and a great group of hosts!

Tickets will be on sale Monday through Thursday when you return. The 5:00 show will be \$5 and the 7:00 show, where the winners will be announced, will be \$7.

Today at lunch we held a

blowout merchandise sale! Also, be sure to get your new LJHS quarter zip sweatshirts!

The Junior Class is planning a rummage sale on April 22nd.

The senior letter will be sent out today, this will include all information regarding senior dues, graduation, and all end of the year activities!

Have a relaxing spring break. Make sure to get some rest before school returns in April!

Sincerely,
Victoria Frager
ASB President

LJHS TEAM WILL COMPETE AT NATIONAL OCEAN SCIENCE BOWL FINAL

Students exhibit passion for marine science in national competition

By **Jordan Linsky**
Staff Writer

La Jolla High School’s National Ocean Science Bowl team will be competing in the NOSB finals at Texas A & M University in Galveston, Texas, from April 30 to May 1.

The team won the opportunity to compete in the finals after winning the regional Grunion Bowl. La Jolla has won the Bowl for 11 consecutive years now.

The National Ocean Science Bowl is an academic competition that tests students’ knowledge on marine sciences, including biology, chemistry, and physics. Anything that relates to the ocean is fair game.

Questions range from simple knowledge to graduate information. Teams of four to five students test their knowledge through buzzer answers and

team challenge questions.

This year’s winning team is composed of captain Ian Fong, members Nicole Jarvis, Varun Rau, Leslie Timms, and Amanda Martin.

Mr. Dave James has coached for three years now and has led them to the competition each year.

Being the only honors marine science teacher at the school, the choice to coach the academic team was an easy one.



Photos Courtesy of lajollalight.com

The winning team by their area of expertise with Coach James.

The team practices twice a week in the mornings or at lunchtime. Preparation for competitions begins with a lot of studying for the students. Their knowledge of marine science must be extremely broad.

The National Ocean Science Bowl is an extremely important competition. Mr. James and the NOSB team are looking forward to participating in the finals and excited to compete on behalf of La Jolla High School.

COMING SOON

Spring Break: April 2-10

College Information Night: April 12, 6 p.m.

Monster Movie Night: April 15, 7 p.m. Band room.

Air Band : April 14, 5 and 7 p.m.

LJHS Band Concert: April 20, 7 p.m.

STAR Testing: April 21-22, 25-26

Mariners Fashion Show: April 28, 6 p.m.

Food Fair: April 29. Lunch.

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New single from 13-year-old singer begs the question: Where is contemporary music headed?

...And Sunday Comes Afterwards

By Tim Rayner

Staff Writer



With all the advances in music editing and pitch-correction software, anyone can be a superstar--anyone. Nobody exemplifies this better than 13-year-old pop sensation Rebecca Black, who took the internet by storm in a matter of days with a single song. Black, an 8th-grader from Anaheim, CA, gained overnight fame for a low-budget music video, which amassed more than 18 million views on *YouTube* in the span of a week and hit #19 on the iTunes top sales charts.

However, popularity is not always a positive thing. **The song, entitled, "Friday," is known not for its musical quality (or the lack thereof), but its humorously terrible lyrics.** The song and video were produced by "indie" record label *Ark Music Factory*, which centers around bringing the spotlight to up-and-coming musicians in their teens and younger--basically kids with rich parents and, sometimes, some singing talent--admittedly through heavy use of Auto-Tune.

Most of the, dare I say, infamous, lyrics are in the interlude of the song, which has achieved meme status for its frustratingly uncreative material; that being, "Yesterday was Thursday, Thursday/Today it is Friday, Friday/We, we, we so excited...We gonna have a ball today..." It only gets worse: "Tomorrow is Saturday, and Sunday comes afterwards..."

However, the issue goes beyond the song into the pop genre itself. "Friday" is only one of hundreds of popular songs

today which seem to follow the same format, and employ heavy use of Auto-Tune software.

As a musician, I am inherently meticulous about the kind of music I listen to, and very critical of even my favorite songs. Since learning how to critique music, I have looked down upon the genre of pop as simplistic and showy. Maybe I am a "jazz snob," but it does not take a musical ear to pick up on the fact that all contemporary music sounds the same.

I am only one of many people who have become angered with the cookie-cutter music industry. Heck, it brought about an entire new rebellious social class (see "hipster"). Many are asking questions like, **"When are stars going to write songs that use time signatures other than 4/4?" or "When will four-chord songs go out of style?" The likely answer is: possibly never.**

Yes, the Billboard Top 40 has yet to introduce a "non-standard" song to the charts, and it is because that is what the public wants. Nowadays, music has become a secondary form of entertainment. People have nary the time to listen to music out of enjoyment and appreciation of an art form. Music is now an accompaniment to a larger interest, whether it be a lyrical message, or a hopping nightclub. **Simplicity overpowers complexity because it is easier on the ears of someone who is grinding up on a girl,** hoping to take her home that night, or a teenage girl trying to blow off some

steam after a stressful week.

In addition, people focus more on the singing and less on the music, because it is a more interactive way to enjoy music.

Record companies have little interest in the artistic quality of the music, because the public has little interest in it. They want to sign the artist who will bring in the most revenue, regardless of whether that means conforming to the "standards" of contemporary pop.

Back to Black: "Friday," written by two producers from Ark (probably in about ten minutes), is a catchy tune. No one better to sing it than a teenager with Bieber Fever, who fits right into her own target audience. I mean, with cash cows like Aaron Carter, and more recently Selena Gomez and J-Biebbz, a teenage pop star is a sure-fire way to get some serious shekels. And, lo and behold, millions of dollars have been made by a single song almost overnight. Case in point.

What gives me a little bit of hope is all of the negative press about the song, which straddled the boundaries of how bad of a song--and its grammatical mechanics can be. **Even Bieber tweeted, "sunday comes after saturday? weird."**

But it still makes me fear for the future of pop. Will the music industry ever abandon its penchant for depressingly similar songs? Probably not. But one thing is for certain: it will be long before the trend of producing songs that took less time to write than to actually sing will permanently catch on. And for that, I am thankful.

What are La Jollan moms thinking?

Sweat Suits

By Wilson Mokiao

Staff Writer

It takes but one casual stroll down any La Jolla street to notice a peculiar fashion trend, one so fake and desperate that it spontaneously induces migraines. Two words, sweat suits.

This reporter doesn't know whether the mothers who partake in this fashion faux pas actually think they look good, or if it is just a call for attention, a "Hey look, I work out".

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While the streets and dog parks may be full of yoga pants and Juicy Couture sweat-ers, one place you can't find them: gyms and yoga studios. To the affluent La Jolla mothers, projected image is more important than actual image. "Whenever I see one of those moms walking around in yoga pants, I don't think that they are just coming from a workout, rather they are clamoring for attention," Ben Ghelerter said. Track suits were invented for a reason, to exercise in. Most of those moms haven't seen anything close to an exercise ball in ages. So what keeps them so thin? Most likely the answer is more along the lines of a scalpel and suction, not downward dog and swooping crane.

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ward dog and swooping crane.

Image means a lot to the La Jolla matriarchal herd. In a process similar to natural selection, soon-to-be mothers who have the largest Silicon Valleys seem to be able to marry the most affluent ex-nerd turned businessman. Now rich, and with back problems, the mothers find a need to flaunt their wealth and good fortune, along with their unnatural "looks",

Push-up bras and sweatshirts, yeah, that's how someone works out. Last time I checked, people don't run in yoga pants and yoga-ers do not wear shoes.

So all you La Jolla mothers, reading the school paper that their student brought home, this is for you: work out clothes are for exercising, posing as such looks ridiculous.

Manners Matter

By Dana Derissi
LJHS Alumni Contributor

Isn't it really disgusting when you are trying to listen carefully to your teacher give a long, monotone, complicated lecture on the millions of resonance structures involved in organic chemistry, while you have a grown woman sitting across the room smacking her mouth with Bubbalicious Bubble gum like it's everyone's business? Well, I think so.

If you don't consider yourself a farm animal, then I believe that you were, in one way or another, taught to have some manners and respect for other people. Holding the door open for the

make me insane, they worry me too. Are these people teaching their children manners?

Passing gas, aka farting, has become as common as the the dreaded opened-mouth chew. I have found that in many relationships, couples (more so the men) feel that it is okay to release a loud or silent but deadly fart, around their partner. Don't you have enough respect for your partner to excuse yourself and move to another room or restroom? It's even worse when it smells like death combined with rotten eggs and ten year old spoiled milk. I have found, after talking to some close girlfriends of mine, that some girls even

ple's ears, eyes, and noses have to be exposed to it. Burping is a reversed fart coming out of the oral cavity and again, no one should have to hear or smell it.

Did you know that your sneeze travels on average at ninety mile per hour? That's faster than most cars you and I drive by on the freeway. Do you know why you sneeze? Usually because your body is trying to eject some foreign microorganism that could possibly harm you.

Along with your super fast traveling sneeze comes a whole lot of saliva and other germs that I personally do not want to embrace. So, COULD YOU PLEASE COVER YOUR MOUTH? What is it with people? Do they read the papers with headings such as, "Get Ready for Flu Season," "New Deadly Flu Coming Near You," and "Get Your Flue Shots or Die?" Don't they read? Watch TV? Get sick?

I hate when I am walking behind someone and she blows out a nasty sneeze (probably infested with a whole bunch of icky things) and doesn't cover his/her mouth. Then my immediate reaction is to cover my mouth and nose, but it will be too late because my reaction and movement towards that person is a lot slower than the speed of that person's sneeze.

The list of distasteful and inconsiderate things to do goes on and on, unfortunately. It all boils down to respect, considerateness, etiquette, awareness, and value for yourself and others.

The quote, "do to others as you want done to you" is important to keep in mind when we are out and about with friends, children, family, lovers, and the general public. Sometimes, just by exercising your man-

Holding the door open for the people behind you, covering your mouth when sneezing or coughing, internalizing a burp, and so on are simple considerate things to do when in public; and they will be much appreciated by the people around you.

people behind you, covering your mouth when sneezing or coughing, internalizing a burp, and so on, are simple considerate things to do when in public; and they will be much appreciated by the people around you. When one does not adhere to their manners it allows those around them to draw their own conclusions regarding upbringing and DNA code.

Chewing with your mouth open has to be one of the most disgusting animal-like behaviors one can possess. The fact that one sits in a quiet room or talks to someone while smacking and slurping makes, my skin cringe. It's revolting, sloppy, distasteful, and makes you unattractive to the people or person you are with.

Your behavior shows that you either: one, weren't raised by very thoughtful people, or two, you were raised by thoughtful people, but still feel that you are God's gift to mankind so these rules do not apply to you. These people are ignorant to what kind of madness they are creating among the people around them and probably don't even care.

These are the people that make me insane. Insane to the point I start to think horrible things such as, wanting to bash their heads in with bats or hoping that they choke on whatever it is that they are chewing on. Not only do they

think, "It's cute in a weird way, because it shows that he is comfortable with me."

WHATEVER! "Weird" is right, you're weird! Comfortable? Show them the birthmark on your butt, let them answer your phone, or tell them a personal secret! Don't fart in their presence. "Hey babe, I love you so much." Phhhrrrrp-ppp. I don't know about you, but I think its repulsive.

What I love the most is when I see a beautiful girl, that I am somewhat threatened by, release a masculine burp; one that echoes through the halls and makes people's heads' turn. The burp auto-

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matically mitigates her beauty and everything good about.

Burps are sometimes accidentally released, and I can forgive people for that, but intentional burps that are somewhere along the lines of a rooster's morning wake up call are not forgivable. Yes, at home, do what you have to do, as many times as you want, and as loud as you want, but not in public where other peo-

ners, you might come across someone that hasn't acquired your etiquette level and cause them to desire to be like you. Then you would be indirectly opening up someone's eyes to their ignorance and possibly making this world a nicer and more pleasant place to live.

We are all human and we all do really gross and nasty things, but there is a time and place for everything.

Ranting and Raving

La Jollan Bubble

Leave La Jolla already.

By Jordan Linsky
Staff Writer

The saying, "there is no place like home" is very true. However, some La Jollans take the simple saying to the next level and choose to never leave home. Ask around and you will hear about how your neighbor's great-great grandparents graduated from La Jolla High together. And to top it all off, they are cousins as well.

Generation after generation of La Jolla graduates are still living in La Jolla, raising their children in the same house that their own mother was raised in. Sure, La Jolla is the "jewel" of San Diego, but has it never occurred to these folks that there is a world outside of this secluded city? What happened to stories of traveling to unfamiliar, mysterious lands and experiencing different cultures?

People have become too comfortable with their family roots within La Jolla. Instead of branching out and creating a new name for themselves, people are simply satisfied with following in the footsteps of family members. La Jolla has turned into a secluded bubble.

La Jolla is a wonderful place, but people need to break free of their boundaries and live more on the edge. We all need to travel to new places, eat exotic foods, and most importantly, break through the suffocating bubble that has formed around this city.

Illegitimate

That is not legit.

By Alex McMahon
Staff Writer

The common man has taken it upon himself to contour the English language for his comfort. If this sort of action continues, our nation will speak a different form of English from one shore to another. Languages have grammatical and spelling rules for reasons, and they should be followed. Without them, people will become incomprehensible and will descend into an unintellectual abyss.

Wordy Writers

Are you addicted to a thesaurus?

By Wilson Mokiao and Tim Rayer
Staff Writer

La Jolla High apparently has no problem with hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia, or the fear of long words.

Student's essays are made up of a plethora of ostentatious words. It really is quite blasé. Students feel the need to ameliorate their writing with grandiose words.

The 'fourth word' rule, (replacing every fourth word with one from the thesaurus) is a despicable practice. Students need to learn to use pedestrian words in an eloquent way. That is skillful writing.

Dirty Dancing

Ew. Enough said.

By Bree Jones
Staff Writer

Who does not love a school dance? It is a chance to dress up and have fun for a night. Students have to stand in a line that takes up the entire lunch to buy tickets and to sign the paper of "proper conduct" that the school has for dances. Sometimes, these rules seem to change dramtacially between signing and arriving.

Attire: Ladies, wear a dress that says, "I want to attract every man in the world." Not only should the dress be like a second layer of skin, but it also should be so short that it barely covers the student's rear end. And do not wear comfortable shoes; instead wear high heels so high that only exotic dancers would think to own a pair. Now that it looks like the ladies should have their own corner, they are ready for the dance.

"Dancing": Students should dance like a child is about to be conceived. Making out on the dance floor is also suggested. Standing around is prohibited. Failure to freak dance will result in immediate expulsion from the dance floor by peers.

Proper Conduct: Acting as foolishly as possible is highly regarded. Tying balloons to soda cans, playing Twister under tables, and getting cross-faded at the after parties is encouraged. Make sure there is an escape plan just in case the cops show up.

Now that you have interpreted the rules in your own way, sign here on the dotted line and sell your soul to the dance devil.

Feel like ranting? Email your rant to ljhitide@yahoo.com

The Hi-Tide's CULINARY CRAWL

The Hi-Tide investigates local hole-in-the-wall dining destinations.

By Catherine Sulpizio
Staff Writer

Though the frozen yogurt trend is still in full swing, there is yet another delicious alternative to ice-cream, the **Gelato Bus Stop**. Located in the heart of P.B., this gelato store prides itself on its authenticity:



the owner, Clint Legnini, originally opened a similar store in his hometown, Bologna, Italy after graduating from Gelato University. With credentials like that, Legnini is an innate connoisseur of the art.

The gelato is made daily from scratch with completely all-natural flavors, and he carefully tweaks the 140 plus recipes based on customer input. The result is a silky gelato that bursts with so much flavor, that the need for the usual slew of mix-ins and whipped cream is instantly passé. Prices are surprisingly low and there are a profusion of promotions available, from \$1 gelato shots to 50% percent off on certain days. Try the Super Peanut, guaranteed to induce nostalgia of those Nutter But-

ters from childhood snacks, or the Nutella flavor, which is the chocolate-y spread's bona fide gelato incarnate.

The Farmers Market on Sunday Mornings at La Jolla Elementary may bring flocks of healthy lifestyle devotees, but it also draws a markedly different category of followers. These people skip right past the locally grown arugula and organic raw honey, and head straight for an unobtrusive stand in the back. This stand, **The Cravory**, features some of the best cookies in San Diego, and if one needs proof, they only need to fight the crowds to get a free sample. But these fans are not just in it for the free samples, the cookie itself is fully worth its steep price tag (\$2 for an average sized cookie). At this stand, the classic chocolate chip cookie is hardly the Tollhouse counterpart your



mom used to make; this variety uses three types of hand-chopped Guittard gourmet chocolate morsels, unbleached flour, and is kissed with a sprinkle of sea salt crystals. The

Cravory not only revamps the classics, but kicks them to the curb in a way that would leave even the most adventurous foodie a little alarmed. If you're up for it though, try the more daring flavors like Rosemary Balsamic and Pancakes & Bacon.

Papalulu's Restaurant is nestled in La Jolla Shores just a stone's throw from the beach. The small family owned restaurant encompasses the culture of Southern California fare, perfect for a casual Sunday brunch before hit-



ting the waves. No-frills Baja Californian food is dished up in generous portions, albeit a little slowly. The chicly kitsch atmosphere brings a fresh feel to what could be a tired concept. While the orders may take a while, drinks are brought out quickly, leaving diners able to enjoy the scenery (both inside and out!). Try their signature Oatmeal Pancakes that transform the essence of homemade oatmeal cookies into a healthy breakfast, and the Papadillos, which are spicy and bold, especially topped with the Kaluha Pork.

You might walk right past **Cof-**

fee Cup, and indeed its faint silver letter look more run down than they do vintage, but inside is a scenery bustling with color and verve that matches its approach to food.

Long before the organic craze hit La Jolla, Coffee Cup was serving up health food that actually tasted as good as it was for you. Asian and south of the border influences merge to create food that is original and jam-packed with flavor. The restaurant itself is almost jarringly unique, the environment somewhat a distraction rather than an enhancement of the food, but is never the less part of the whimsical appeal.

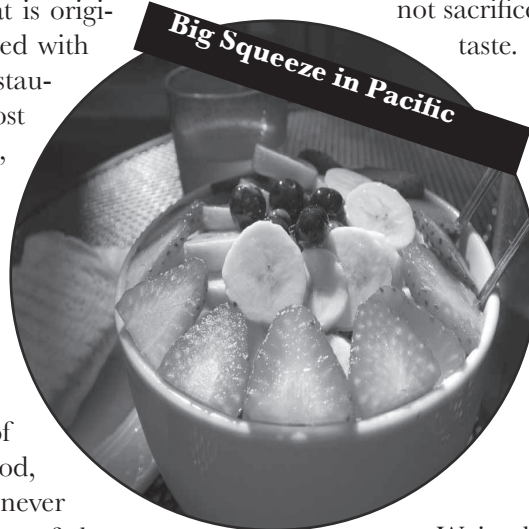
Here the beverages are an instrumental part of the cuisine and reflect the attentiveness to the menu as a whole, rather than just the sum of its parts.

For example, the elements in the Vincent Vega (a blend of Coke, espresso, and vanilla syrup over ice) balance each other out in way to create a surprisingly restrained drink with a subtle tinge of cocoa. Try the **Papas**



Loco for a sophisticated vegetarian redux of the rife California burrito or the Nuevo Roll-ups for a refreshingly light Asian meal.

Though Jamba Juice is housed just a few stores down, **Big Squeeze** in Pacific Beach does not need to worry about corporate competition. While the tiny store may forgo aesthetic appeal, it certainly does not sacrifice taste.



With a stress on health-food, Big Squeeze's menu includes a handful of homemade juices, all promising a better quality of life in some way, a plethora of smoothies which could give Naked a run for its money, and perhaps the best, the Açai bowl.

The bowl is made with Açai berries, a natural superfood rich in anthocyanins and flavonoids. The hefty price tag (\$6.25 for a small size) may not settle with skeptics at first, but upon the first bite, anyone would reconsider. Mangoes, strawberries, bananas, and peaches are drizzled with a dollop of honey, then served over granola and an Açai puree made with either soy milk or apple juice.

So the next time you want to try some place new, stop by one of these hidden culinary treasures.

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APPLAUSE AWARDS

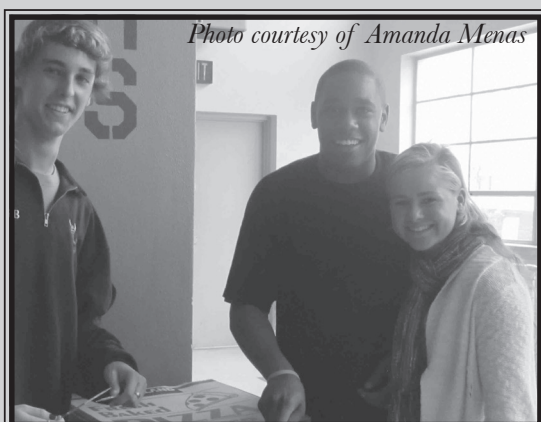



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Pictured above: ASB members Scotty Fletcher, Cameron Baggett, and Katie Beathard set up the awards.

Congratulations to the 2011 first semester Applause Awards recipients! The ceremony, hosted by Link Crew Commissioners Ally Reilly, Cameron Baggett, and Richard Sharpe, took place during fourth period on Thursday, March 17. 168 freshmen with a 3.5 or higher grade point average were treated to a lunch and comedy show courtesy of ASB and the Improv Club.


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Guess Who



By Edward Gonzalez
Staff Writer

Well this is it, La Jolla! I'm leaving next year for Brown University and I'll be studying Foreign Relations. I'm so excited about the new adventures, but I'll miss my friends and my mother's cooking.

I'm not sure if I'm ready to enter the 'real world,' but I did work at a pottery studio, which helped me gain responsibility. Besides my job, other after school activities that I enjoyed were track and cross-country. I won CIF in cross-country this year! I also started the "Mustache Club" and it was a huge success. I occasionally practice yoga because it helps me to relax, and I snowboard in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

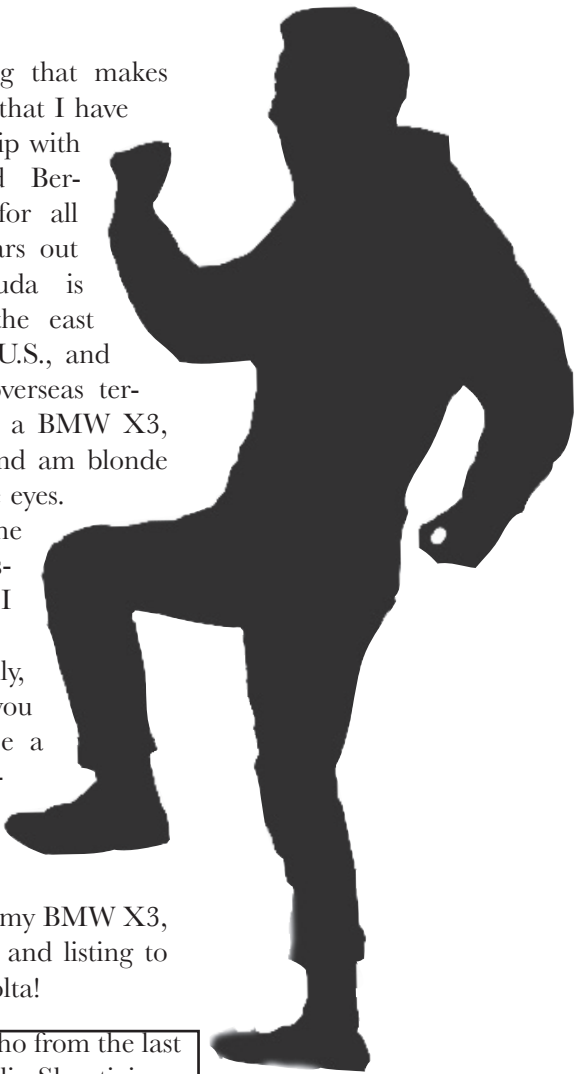
My favorite food is bacon. I simply cannot live without it. My favorite film has to be "The Graduate," and my favorite television show is "Iron Chef." I love the band The Mars Volta because hard rock is my favorite genre.

Something that makes me unique is that I have dual citizenship with America and Bermuda. And for all of you scholars out there, Bermuda is located off the east coast of the U.S., and is a British overseas territory. I drive a BMW X3, like a boss, and am blonde and have blue eyes. Also, I have the coolest mustache. Well, I did.

Hopefully, next time you see me I'll be a foreign relation advisor to the U.S. and Bermuda, driving in my BMW X3, eating bacon, and listing to some Mars Volta!

The Guess Who from the last issue was Kaitlin Shantiai

Photo courtesy of Carey Kennedy



COFFEE THAT CARES

By Carey Kennedy & Mae Goodjohn
Editor-in-Chief & Staff Writer

Located on La Jolla Boulevard, Bird Rock Coffee Roasters is the best place to buy fresh ground coffee. The owner, Chuck Patton, a local San Diegan, has lived here long enough to cater to the family-friendly atmosphere.

Patton's shop has participated in many fundraisers that have assisted Bird Rock Elementary, La Jolla High School, La Jolla Historical Society, Menehune Surf Contest, San Diego Junior Lifeguard foundation, and other community affiliated events. He also aids annual fundraisers held in La Jolla such as the Bird Rock home tour, and the Taste of Bird Rock.

La Jolla High senior Jake Linksy has been working at Bird Rock Coffee Roasters for about two years bagging and preparing coffee.

"They focus on direct trade rather than fair trade, which means they negotiate directly with the supplier," Linksy said.

Linksy plans to work at Bird Rock Coffee roasters during



The view from outside Bird Rock Coffee Roasters on La Jolla Blvd.

his time back from college. He recommends all of the medium coffees and notes that if you are not a coffee person, they have excellent Italian sodas.

A major part of Chuck's business is giving back to the farmers that supply the store and community.

"Meeting the people who actually grow our coffee is a valuable and enriching experience. As the only coffee roaster

in San Diego that deals directly with independent farmers at origin, we work hard to get farmers as much money as possible for their crop, and to help them produce the quality of coffee that we need- which in turn, allows them to charge more for their great product," Patton said.

They currently supply coffee from Guatemala, Nicaragua, Columbia, Ecuador, Bolivia, and Ethiopia, but have pur-

chased coffee from about every major coffee-growing country.

"It's good quality coffee that you can't get anywhere else in San Diego," senior Alex Dunwoody said.

More recently, Patton traveled to Ethiopia, the birthplace of coffee, in which he witnessed the poverty of a third world country.

"The experience strengthened our resolve to do as much as possible on our end to raise the living standards of each farmer we work with," Patton said.

The shop also includes an optional, unique service where Patton delivers coffee beans to residents in a golf cart.

"I love that Chuck brings coffee to my door every week. It is an excellent service to the community," Bird Rock Home Owner Neil Young, said.

All of Patton's time and research has obviously paid off, because although it is right across the street from the multi-million dollar company, Starbucks, Bird Rock Coffee Roasters still manag-

es to hold their own on the block. If customers are lucky enough to find a table in this busy place,



Owner Chuck Patton by his delivery car.

they will be able to enjoy free Wi-Fi, local art, and the relaxed neighborhood feel.

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The Latest and Greatest In:

TECHNOLOGY

iPhone Apps for Students

By Emily Kuo
Staff Writer

SAT Question of the Day

For those needing a score boost on the dreaded SATs, and who doesn't, say hello to The Official SAT Question of the Day app. The app is self-explanatory and features SAT preparatory materials directly from The College Board. Exam Vocabulary Builder is another alternate to Dictionary.com that can enhance one's vocabulary and features challenging vocabulary words on flashcards, it includes a quiz mode, spaced repetition mode, and a search engine bar for entire vocabulary lists.

"The Vocabulary app is extremely helpful, but right now I do not think the SAT Question of the Day is that great. I will not really know how useful it is until I get my scores back," junior Carmen Quinones said.

MyHomework

Typical school planners are useful and cheap, but a nuisance to flip back and forth and cause a major problem if lost. myHomework allows a student to keep track of their homework, classes, projects, and tests in a electronic notebook format with colorful stickies. A student can quickly enter their class schedule, and the app will tap them on the shoulder when they have an upcoming assignment.

"I use this app to help me keep my assignments organized. I think it works well for when I get overwhelmed with homework. Overall, I would give it four out of five stars," sophomore Selena Solis said.

Dictionary.com

With Dictionary.com, students can now look up any word without Internet connection. It has definitions and a thesaurus with over two million words, and features 90,000 synonyms and antonyms, example sentences, phonetic and audio pronunciation, word origin history, and so much more. Internet connection is required for Word-of-the-Day, audio pronunciation, and spelling suggestions, but not for searching particular words. This app was named one of the top ten apps in the "App Store's High School Survival Guide."

"It works perfectly; I have not experienced any problems so far. Also, it is super user-friendly and has a whole bunch of different definitions," junior Ellen Grace said.

Dragon Dictation

Perfect for those who are slow typers on essays or projects, Dragon Dictation may be very useful, and it is quite time-saver. Dragon Dictation allows one to speak and have those words written on the electronic screen, which is up to five times faster than typing. Furthermore, Dragon Dictation supports many different languages and can upload stated text to e-mails, text messages, Facebook, or Twitter. However, this app requires internet access. It works for the iPad, iPhone, and the second and third generation iPod touch (needs external microphone).

"I've only used this a few times, but it's extremely useful especially when I'm running short on time. I recommend it to everyone," junior Lexi Chipman said.

WHICH DO YOU PREFER?

By Bella Spies
Staff Writer



I'm a PC

I'm a Mac

By Bella Spies
Staff Writer

As you look around your classrooms you will most likely see new surround sound speakers, document cameras, and Promethean Boards. Since the passing of Proposition S, a \$2.1 billion bond program which provides resources to the San Diego Unified School District; there has been a constant flow of technology pouring into the classrooms.

Proposition S is a general proposition which sets aside money to repair, revitalize, and renew San Diego Unified schools. Every school in the district is becoming more technolog-

ically advanced due to the i21 Interactive Classroom Initiative. The i21 Initiative optimizes both teaching and learning through the use of audio, visual, and computing technologies. In the next five years all of the 7,000 classrooms in the district will become better equipped with technologically.

The tools classrooms will all be receiving are interactive white boards, student notebooks, teacher tablet PC laptops, presentation stations, and audio/video systems. Each presentation station includes a mobile table, a work stool, and a document camera.

Since the beginning of the technological age, there has been an ongoing battle between Mac users and PC users. Macs are known for their sleek and stylish look. PCs, on the other hand, are popular for their gaming and entertainment quality. Both have a variety of features, but is one brand really better than the other?

Macs have always been thought of as the more attractive computer. The body of a Mac is typically slimmer than a PC's, and the casing is aluminum rather than plastic. Macs come with Apple's iLife suite, which contains programs like iPhoto, iTunes, iMovie, GarageBand, and many other useful tools one might need. Macs also run OS X as its operating system, which hardly ever crashes and is easy to run. There are far less hackers looking to tar-

get Mac users because there are far less opportunities to hack a Mac since there is less third party software to download.

"I prefer Macs because they are a lot more entertaining, I have a PC and it is frustrating to use," junior Kelsey Meksto said.

There are a wide variety of PCs to choose from including Dell, HP, and Toshiba. PCs have a wide range in price, one can buy a PC for as low as \$200. At first, Microsoft's operating system was not great, but as time has gone on, Windows has become better and better. Windows also comes with Microsoft Office, which is a great feature for making slide shows, creating documents, and keeping charts. "I am a PC,

they are a lot faster and more efficient," said freshman Brandon Hornback.

Of course, neither computer is perfect. Macs do not support Blu-Ray discs. They do not have a large variety of computers and are only one brand. Cost is another issue, the cheapest Mac is about \$1000, but PCs tend to have a lot more viruses and computer hackers targeting them. The computer bodies themselves are much bulkier than Macs. "Macs do not get viruses like PCs do and they are good about their warranties," said sophomore Tom Graham.

In the end, all computers are good computers. There are so many options out there to choose from, so choosing the perfect computer should not be a difficult process. When buying a computer, personal preference should always be the deciding factor. So the real question is, are you a Mac or a PC?

TECHNOLOGY OVERLOAD

The plan for integrating the technology into the classroom is to start with math, science, and English. With these advances in technology, many teachers will have to revise their lesson plans in order to incorporate the new tools. Mrs. Vu, a math teacher, makes great use of her tools, she uses her document camera to go over notes with her classes and uses her Promethean Board as a white board to help solve math problems.

Ms. Bertier, a science teacher, has not yet received a Promethean Board, but uses other

technology around the classroom. "I do use my projector and document camera most days," Bertier said. "We use laptops in class for data collection by way of temperature sensors, called thermistors, pH probes, and colorimeters."

Proposition S, along with the i21 Interactive Classroom Initiative will bring many new devices and tools into the classroom to enhance students' learning. For some teachers the new technology will be very helpful for teaching, but for others the new devices could be a waste.

Tech Update: Your favorite old tech toys are new and improved.

By Wendy Nettleton
Staff Writer

Apple iPad 2

Apple just released their new, upgraded iPad 2 on March 2011, and according to Apple Insider, almost 500,000 were sold on the first day. The new iPads are so popular that there is a three week back order on online purchases. But, even with the wait, the new iPad is completely renovated and is still in high demand. It now features two cameras (one on the front and one on the back). With these, one is able to chat "face to face" with someone on FaceTime. The camera on the backside of the new iPad can also be used to film in HD. The new iPad is slimmer, lighter, and two times faster than its predecessor.

Apple MacBook Pro

Along with the iPad 2, Apple has announced the release of their new line of MacBook Pros. Compared to last year's model, this MacBook has two times faster processors and three times faster graphics. Apple also worked on the computer's camera which can now be used in HD in FaceTime. This makes everything three times more clear and with the improved low-light performance, no detail goes unnoticed. Enjoy playing applications on the iPad, iPhone, or iPod touch? Well, now it is possible to do that on a MacBook with the new Mac App Store. This new computer runs practically identically to the other Apple devices and is still very easy and simple to use.

Amazon Kindle 3

A new generation of e-books has arrived. The Kindle has over 850,000 types of entertainment. The new line of Kindles are thinner, sleeker, faster, and now capable of hooking up to your 3G cell phone services, as well as WiFi. The International Data Corporation released numbers saying that the Amazon Kindle took up 48% of all of the eReader market. On certain products such as a cell phone, it can be difficult to see the screen on a sunny day, the eReaders have perfected this problem with new anti-glare software. The Kindle has revolutionized the way one reads a book.

Microsoft Kinect

Will it ever be possible to physically go into a video game to play it? With the fresh-off-the-market Microsoft Kinect, being inside a game seems possible. With the Kinect, the actual person is the controller, and their body movements correspond to those on the TV. To kick a soccer ball, do not press a button on a controller, just kick. To dance in a game, just dance! Kinect also connects voice commands into its technology. The Kinect can recognize certain commands that correspond to an aspect of it. It is possible to even control movies played through an Xbox without any remote control. It does not stop there: Kinect can recognize a certain person and access their personal Avatar profile.

Softball
The unrecognized sport
By Grant Simington
Staff Writer

The La Jolla Vikings softball team has gotten off to a good start this season. Softball is one sport that La Jolla High students never seem to appreciate.

The games are played in a corner of the school that most students only ever venture near on the ways to their cars. The sport does not receive the same respect, nor the fan base that most Viking sports have.

Other than the football team, nobody has been mocked the same way the softball team has in the last few years. Even though softball is not the most popular sport, it should still be given the support it deserves.

However, softball is by far the most commonly played recreational sport amongst adults, even more commonly in males. According to Los Angeles parks association, almost one in every four men in LA county will play in an organized softball league at some point in their life.

As for our girls' team, the girls will continue to have fun and promote their play until the sport receives the respect it deserves around campus. The games are high scoring and fun, so next time you find yourself with a couple hours to kill, sit down and watch a Vikings softball game.

STANDOUT ATHLETES

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Matt Ohara and Lauren Coles



By Princess Wendelyn
Staff Writer

Matt Ohara has excelled greatly in lacrosse. Ohara picked up lacrosse in seventh grade after he had quit soccer. Lacrosse provided a sport for Ohara that was fast paced and physical.

He has been a star lacrosse player at our school and also on his club team, called the LaxDawgs.

This club team has just recently won the Starz Tournament and have been the SoCal champions six times straight. The lacrosse team at La Jolla has gone to playoffs the past three years.

The best memory Ohara recalls from lacrosse was back when he was a sophomore.

The La Jolla team was playing The Bishops School, a huge rival, and they were tied up down to the last seconds. The Vikings pulled through and scored in the final seconds to beat the Knights.

Ohara is planning on continuing his lacrosse career by playing at Division III Skidmore College in New York.

For this upcoming season, Ohara is not skeptical, even though they lost 11 seniors last year, because many new players have stepped up to fill those shoes and now CIF playoffs are a definite possibility.

By Princess Wendelyn
Staff Writer

Being a high school athlete comes with many challenges. Athletes have to balance academics and as well as their sport. For these two athletes, this may come as a challenge, but they have gone above and beyond to set an example for all student-athletes.

Lauren Coles and Matt Ohara are both senior captains on the girl's and boy's lacrosse teams, respectively.

Lauren Coles has been playing lacrosse since sixth grade with the Muirlands Middle School team. Coles has been voted a second time to be captain of the girl's lacrosse team. When she is not on the La Jolla field playing lacrosse during

the spring, she can be found organizing practices before season for the team, or playing with a club team.

Coles made it onto the Starz Coastal Cougars team where she played with girls that have won CIF Championships and are going to play at top lacrosse schools. Coles is very passionate about sports and believes that lacrosse has taught her teamwork and how to be a leader at the same time.

Coles not only enjoys the sport because it teaches these values and provides a good challenge, but it also is a great chance to meet friends who share similar passions. The La Jolla High team has started off their season with a win and Coles is hopeful to get to CIFs and maybe even take the title.



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New Coaches

This 2011 season welcomes
four new coaches to La Jolla
High School athletics

Track & Field

By Amanda Menas
Staff Writer

Stacy Sundholm becomes the newest member of the track and field team as throwing coach. Sundholm started coaching at LJHS in 2008 with the volleyball team after coaching club volleyball for two years at Epic.

“Starting competitive sports at a young age helped push me to become a coach after high school,” said Sundholm. “I had so many instrumental coaches in my athletic career who not only helped me grow as an athlete, but also helped me grow as an individual.”

She played two years of volleyball at Grossmont and one year of throwing for Mesa. Sundholm is currently finishing her BA of Science at SDSU, where she will graduate in May and continue for her teaching credential in the fall. In regards to the LJHS, she hopes to provide her athletes with correct throwing techniques and “a safe and fun environment that will make their track and field experience enjoyable and memorable.”

“My kids are great. They are funny, genuinely nice, and they have the desire to become great throwers,” said Sundholm.



Baseball

By Amanda Menas
Staff Writer

Varsity’s pitching coach, Jake Grosz, is another new addition to the school. A LJHS Alumni, Grosz graduated in 1995 after pitching on La Jolla’s 1993 CIF championship baseball team. In college at Santa Barbara and Oregon, Grosz continued to play baseball until multiple shoulder surgeries stopped him from pitching. He graduated from UC Davis in 2000 and began volunteer coaching at Little League teams, soon moving up to coach at the high school level. Most recently, he coached at Mater Dei Catholic High School. Then, “‘the dream job for a pitching album’ opened up...pitching at my alma matar: the La Jolla Vikings,” said Grosz.

So far, the support from the fans and families is great motivation for the players, and Grosz knows that his team has a chance at winning every game. The “buzz surrounding home games by our fans really makes a difference,” said Grosz. “contributing to rallies on offense and doughnuts on defense. I hope to see that enthusiasm continue to grow all season. We have a team capable of keeping fans on their toes ‘til the bitter end. Go VIKES!!!!”

Volleyball

By Amanda Menas
Staff Writer

Though new to their positions on the Boy’s JV and Novice Volleyball team, the coaches certainly have no lack of experience. Kara Kraszewski has coached on and off for LJHS and is currently coaching JV while working for her teaching credential at CSU San Marcos.

LJHS Alumni, Dan Neiman, is coaching the Novice team after coaching both Boy’s JV and Girl’s Varsity last year. The expectations for this season run high: the Varsity team has been either CIF champions or runner-ups for the past four years.

This year they opened the season with their biggest competition Cathedral with a loss, “but it was close considering they returned 5 starters and LJHS returned one, Blake Chadwick,” according to Coach Jones. The weekend of March 26, the team hosted one of the biggest Varsity tournaments in the country, including teams from California and Arizona.



Gas: The \$4 Mark

By Jojo Webb
Staff Writer

The rise in gas prices has been hitting La Jolla High students hard. As of March 29, the national average escalated to \$4.04 per gallon. This is 93 cents higher than last year’s average

This 93 cent change may not seem like a large number, but for high school students paying for their own gas, the skyrocketing prices can easily become a financial burden.

At \$3 a gallon, the average American spends around \$1,600 on gas per year. With the current average of \$4, this number can skyrocket to over \$2,000.

Senior Skylar Mellby is among the many students who are feeling the wrath of the pump prices. “I pay for my own gas, so the higher prices have definitely caused me to drive less,” Mellby said, “I try to carpool with a friend whose parents pay for his gas.”

According to CNNmoney.com, the expense of crude oil is up to \$103 per barrel. This is the highest level since 2008, the year the highest recorded average in the U.S. was set.

Oil prices first started to rise in mid-February, when the uprisings in the Middle East began. Protesters in Egypt took to the streets, fighting for political change. Libyan protesters followed suit, also fighting for freedom. However, this drastically cut off Libya’s exports.

Libya produces around two percent of the world’s oil, making it the 15th largest oil exporter. 1.6 millions barrels are manufactured daily.



According to The International Energy Agency, this number has dropped to 850,000 due to the rebellion. This is a drastic drop and although a majority of oil produced in Libya is exported to European countries, it causes a ripple effect that reaches the U.S.

Students will have to get used to finding ways to conserve their gas.

“The rising prices definitely make me reconsider my driving habits,” junior Noah Mazur said, “It is time to start conserving.”

If gas prices do reach the \$4 mark, as they did in 2008, it could have a large effect on the economy and its recovery from the recession.

Students who drive will have to cope with the skyrocketing prices for a while longer. It is predicted that prices may reach \$5 by this summer.

However, in a matter of months they should start to come back down to a reasonable price as turmoil in exporting countries decreases.

ROAD TO RECOVERY: AIDING JAPAN

By Christine Han
Staff Writer

Every one has heard about the devastating 8.9 earthquake and catastrophic tsunami that hit Japan in early March. The earthquake is the worst in Japan’s recorded history and the fifth strongest worldwide in the past century. More than 10,000 people died in this tragedy.

The time for mourning and recovery has just started. At an estimated \$309 billion cost to rebuild and recover, this is the world’s most expensive natural disaster. Japan needs as much support as possible to get through this crisis.

The enormously powerful tsunami created 30 foot walls of water that overflowed the cities, damaged buildings and houses, and swept away vehicles. Six million homes were without electricity. Many companies are shut down because they cannot get electricity to operate or they

are unable to ship products and their supplies are impaired. The capacity to produce electricity was reduced to 40 percent.

Nations all over the world are responding quickly, sending workers and rescuers, and reaching out to those suffering in Japan.

“I can’t image how in a matter of minutes those people lost everything they had,” junior Rachelle Hancock said. “It makes me think about how I would feel if something like that happened to me.”

The crisis could get even worse, as a result of the cooling system failure at the Tohoku Electric Power Co’s Onagawa facility. Four Japanese nuclear power plants closest to the disaster have been shut down. Prime Minister Naotao Kan stated that radiation had spread from the four reactors of the Fukushima Dai-Chi nuclear plant along Japan’s northeastern coast.

People can make a difference

La Jolla High’s Speech and Debate team heads off to state championships

By Jordan Linsky
Staff Writer

Students at La Jolla High School have heard about the successful varsity woman’s soccer team, as well as nearly every other sporting squad. However, there are other teams within the school that do not require a ball, bat, or cleats. The only extra equipment required is a pen, some paper, and a bright mind.

La Jolla High School’s Speech and Debate team is an extremely successful club that meets throughout the week to practice debate and impromptu speeches. Impromptu speeches are five minute speeches developed from a single topic after two minutes of prep time.

“You learn a lot, like how it’s not what you say but how you say it. You can say the stupidest, most random thing and people will believe it if you say it with the right emphasis,” senior speech and debate president Rishi Sangani stated.

Competitions are every couple of weekends on Fridays and Saturdays. The Speech and Debate team has had an extremely successful year and is now looking forward to taking part in the

VIKING DEBATORS



California State Championship. They took home trophies and medals at nearly every competition.

There are tournaments for speech and debate throughout the fall and spring; however, the most critical competition is the state championships. State finals are the most competitive event for students within the club. The most outstanding students from around the state gather to compete. Six La Jolla High students attended the state qualifying competition, and five moved on to state finals. Haziq Siddiqui, Milan Halgren, and Nicholas Halbert are the three students that will be taking part in this major event in a couple of weeks.

“State Finals is like competing in the Rose Bowl, you are up against the best and the brightest from the entire state of California,” parent volunteer coach Mark Linsky said.

If they are interested in joining the Speech and Debate team, students are invited to contact Mr. Boyd, head coach of the team, and let him know that they are interested in participating. Or, they can just drop by room 514 on Mondays at lunch or Tuesdays after school to express any interest they may have.

“Speech and Debate is a fun way to think on the spot. The captain, Rishi, came into my history class and encouraged us to join, so I showed up and liked it,” freshman Pryanka Nanyakara said.

The Speech and Debate team is not a credited course; all the work done for the club is taken out of student’s personal time. Just as La Jolla High backs up its sports team, the students in Speech and Debate hopes to receive full support as they prepare to move on to state finals.

Estimated cost of the disaster : \$309 Billion



without actually flying out to Japan. Lending a hand through a text or website is just as useful. Many popular charities are taking donations via text messages and websites. For example, texting “redcross” to 90999 will make a \$10 donation to the American Red Cross.

The charges will be added to your cell phone bill. The Red Cross has also launched a campaign to raise at least \$25,000 for relief efforts.

By logging onto Facebook, anyone can donate \$10 to \$500 to help tsunami victims and their families. Their donation will go to support relief efforts for the earthquake and tsunami victims.

“It’s extremely important to give a helping hand because as we grow up, we become more mentally aware of and mature enough to know what is going on in the world around us,” junior Anna Olevsky said. “After all, how can we expect any kindness in return if we give none initially?”

Even something that sounds quite irrelevant, such as buying virtual goods, could help children affected by the catastrophe in Japan. One hundred percent of the purchases of virtual potatoes in the facebook game, CityVille or radishes in Farmville will go towards Save the Children’s efforts to provide care and relief in the Pacific.

In addition, one click can change someone’s life. The users of Explore.org are donating \$1 for every ‘Like’ of the “Dog Bless You” facebook page up to \$100,000.

“It’s nice that we are able to put aside our differences and reach out to Japan through one click on the Internet,” freshman Irene Dea said.

While Japan is one of the most affluent nations in the world and its government has stated that it is equipped to deal with the costs, anyone can find a way to show support for Japan.

Even the smallest of donations counts toward rebuilding a region that is still reeling from its losses.

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1980's

By Catherine Sulpizio
Staff Writer

Lady Gaga has been called lots of things: attention-seeking, a hermaphrodite, a drug addict, but unoriginal has never been one of them. Until now. Amidst the release of her new single, “Born this Way,” similarities have emerged between her and the icon, Madonna. Whether Gaga’s unoriginality will affect her fan’s ardoration for her is disputable, but the striking resemblances remain in central focus of critical pop-culturists everywhere.

Gaga's style is recognized for its avant-garde and its supposed originality. However it seems as though our society has a memory shorter than Gaga's sequined skirt. In Gaga's music video for "Alejandro," she sports a machine-gun bra, a perverse rendering of Madonna's once shocking

and forever memorialized cone bra. And though Gaga's infatuation with everything S & M is decidedly more baring than anything our society has seen, it was Madonna who brought this particular subculture to the public eye in her famous nude shoot for her 1992 book *Sex*. Contrary to the shock of America when Gaga showed

that Gaga is a style icon, one can debate over the origins of her seemingly nonpareil style.

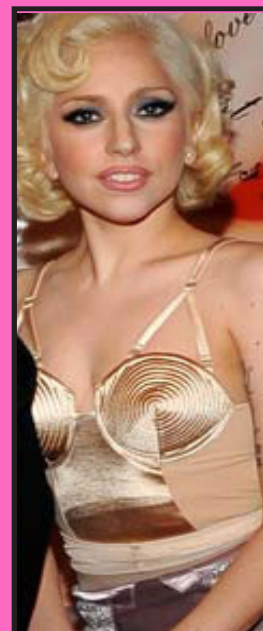
Beyond just fashion, Gaga also seems to have a tendency towards the same controversies Madonna once was immersed in. The release of “Alejandro” brought about a stream of criticism from conservative members of the Catholic Church due to its use of

religious imagery in the overtly sexual video, particularly the erotic montage of Gaga swallowing a crucifix.

The very same controversy appeared twenty plus years earlier with the release of Madonna's "Like A Prayer," which featured a steamy liplock with no one other than Jesus.

a shocking whole, will our interest in her fade? Probably not.

Every aspect that makes up the realm of mainstream pop culture: the style, the persona, the music, is a carefully regulated façade, of which its main purpose is to garner as much money as possible. The recently cemented public opinion that Gaga is indeed a card-carrying member of this club will perhaps cause more fans to write off her antics as another publicity ploy. However, Gaga's persistency should not be discounted. Artists, by nature, hate the very mainstream label that they also live off of, so just as Gaga will surely keep climbing the outrageousness scale in an effort to shed her mainstream image, our increasingly shock-proof audiences will surely keep watching.



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Paris Hilton 2005




John Lennon 1974



Gaga
2010

up to a Mets game wearing just a bra and underwear, Gaga was not the first to wear lingerie on the streets. It was Madonna in 1990 who deemed this style socially acceptable (or at least palatable) when she wore a sequined bustier with black thigh-high socks. Though no one can challenge



George Harrison defended her video zealously, saying its intent was to highlight the singer's own spiritual awakening. However many critics seemed to disagree, arguing that it referenced only the shock-factor, rather than any sort of deeper meaning, compared to Madonna's more substantive video.

Does this signal the death of Gaga's mystique? Now that our society, particularly the youngest generation, is starting to see Gaga as the sum of her parts rather than as simply

A weekend of discovery

COACHELLA

By Bree Jones *Staff Writer*

...mainstream artists like Kayne, Mumford and and Wiz Khalifa, but are also bands that most never even heard of. Bands like Ariel Pink's Haunted Ghosts, The Bright Eyes, and

By Bree Jones Staff Writer

Coachella is one of the biggest music festivals that takes place in California. Up in Indio, California, Coachella features close to a hundred bands in the three days of the festival. On each of the three days, the bands for that day play from morning to night, making Coachella a constant party.

Ranging from rock to techno to rap, Coachella has enough bands for every type of music lover. Coachella has

mainstream artists and bands playing like Kayne West, Mumford and Sons, and Wiz Khalifa, but there are also bands that most have never even heard of. Bands like Ariel Pink's Haunted Graffiti, The Bright Eyes, and The Pains of Being Pure at Heart are examples of some of the obscure bands Coachella features.

So make sure to have a list of your favorite bands in mind when you go to because you will make new favorites!

If you like Duran, Duran, who is also playing at Coachella, then Ariel Pink's Haunted Graffiti is a band that is a must see. Their sound has been called psychedelic rock and they have a strong 60's sound.

Their goal is to make the listener feel like they are back in the 60's when concerts were

on a small stage while everyone else was sitting on blankets in the middle of a grassy field.

For those who love Jason Mraz, Bright Eyes are the perfect choice for those who love the soft rock/ pop sound that Jason Mraz has.

For fans of the Rolling Stones, The Pains of Being Pure at Heart, is a band that has to be checked out at Coachella. They have the same rock feel that made the Rolling Stones so famous and the same rock star quality as well.

For those who want to go, tickets are already sold out, and in recent years, students have had to experience the same ordeal of wanting to buy tickets and having them already be sold out.

“A couple years ago, I tried to buy tickets, but they were all sold out. I was really bummed because I had spent a lot of time doing chores to raise money for the really expensive Coachella tickets,” junior Noah Mazur said.

“Last year I really wanted to go because some of my favorite DJs were spinning, but tickets were so expensive, and on top

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Gypsy and **the Cat** • **12th Planet** • **Breakage** • **Hurts** • **the Rural Alberta Advantage**
Beardyman • **Mount Kimbie** • **Jakes** • **Kyle Hall** • **Enicida**

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Arcade Fire
Animal Collective • **Mumford & Sons** • **Bright Eyes**
Empire of the Sun • **Big Audio Dynamite** • **Steve Angello** • **the Kills** • **Erykah Badu**
Paul van Dyk • **Broken Social Scene** • **One Day as a Lion** • **the London Suede** • **Fedde Le Grand**
Scissor Sisters • **the New Pornographers** • **Gogol Bordello** • **Cage the Elephant** • **the Swell Season** • **Shingon** • **Laidback Luke** • **Elbow**
Badelon • **Delta Spirit** • **Two Bear Chimney Club** • **Jenny and Johnny** • **Franks** • **the Tallest Man on Earth** • **Cults** • **the Radio Dept.** • **Chuckie** • **Raphaël Saadig**
Lil B • **B** • **Yella** • **Electric Touch** • **the 10th** • **the Get Down Stay Down** • **the Joy Formidable** • **Phosphorescent** • **Francis and the Lights**
the Love Language • **Here We Go Magic** • **DJ Rype** • **DJ Marky** • **Joachim Garraud** • **the Henry Clay People** • **Freddie Whales**
Mariachi El Bronx • **the Twelves** • **EE** • **Bomba Estéreo** • **Andy C** • **SBTRKT** • **the Felice Brothers**
Trampled by Turtles • **Mary Anne Hobbs** • **All Alpha**

Kanye West • **the Strokes** the **Duran Duran** • **National** • **PJ Harvey** • **Death From Above 1979**
Nas • **Damian Marley** • **Ratatat** • **Wiz Khalifa** • **Jimmy Eat World** • **Axwell** • **Sven Väth**
Bloody Beetroots • **the 77** • **Chromee** • **Duck Sauce** • **Neon Trees** • **the Presets** • **Leftfield**
Best Coast • **Lightning Bolt** • **She Wants Revenge** • **Jack's Mannequin** • **Green Velvet** • **Fistful of Mercy** • **HEALTH** • **Jack Beats**
CSS • **MEN** • **City on Colour** • **Foster the People** • **Angus and Julia Stone** • **Belorean** • **Trentemøller** • **Phantogram** • **Twin Shadow**
OFF! • **Time Tempah** • **Plan B** • **Caspa** • **Riva Starr** • **Jay Orionson** • **Messumma** • **fun.** • **Good Old War**
Ellie Goulding • **Nye Rye** • **Ella Doolittle** • **Los Bunkers** • **High Contrast** • **DJ Zinc**
New Pants • **Thunderball** • **Gord Boome** • **Tekimonsta**

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of that, buying a room at a hotel was also impossible since a lot of the rooms were taken,” junior Sabrina Escobedo said.

Even though some students have had bad experiences with buying tickets or getting a place to stay for the weekend, Coachella is still a fun event

for those who have gone in previous years and who are able to go this year.

For those who want to go next year, purchase tickets early to be able to enjoy the extremely fun adventure of spending three days up north in Indio, California.