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### BRIGHT LIGHTS, **BIG GYM**

School officials aim for a mid-October opening for remodeled facility to feature a Lancer black ceiling, two video projection screens, cleaner windows

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#### **MEGAN SHIN**

Staff Reporter

Jet black, huge ceiling.

Windows with more light com-

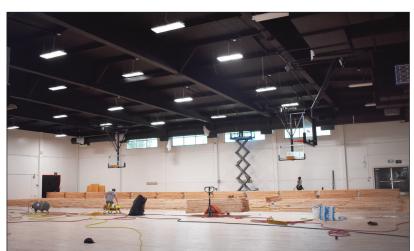
Two--not just one--video projectors with two drop-down screens in front of each side of bleachers.

Those are just some of the eyecatching features of the new remodeled gym, scheduled to be completed by mid-October, school officials

"Everything came, ... and once [construction workers] gutted the gym and took the bleachers and the floor out, the gym was enormous," said principal Allen Whitten, who on Aug. 24 gave The Accolade editors an exclusive sneak peek of what's inside the gym from its front, right side door. "We had so much junk on the wall that we never noticed how big it was."

tor Jon Caffrey.

comes to gym design," Caffrey said.



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**RENOVATION:** Workers place pieces of flooring in the freshly gutted gym. Principal Allen Whitten allowed Accolade editors and a photographer to take a sneak peak inside the building on Aug. 24.

"[We] look at other schools-mainly colleges—and look for clean lines of the gym; we didn't want anything too busy."

Along with the new Lancer-Whitten attributed the new gym's colored black ceiling, the updated appealing design to athletics direc- facility will reveal two drop-down around [the gym]," Whitten said. be really useful because it will crescreens in front of each bleacher on "We [do] a lot of research when it both sides. These two projectors will make it easier for students to view

presentations, Whitten said.

The principal hopes to see students enjoy the changes once the remodeling is completed, especially in regards to its new aesthetics.

They put in new baskets all "There are also these huge venting systems in the gym that just disappears [in the rafters]."

He also hopes to have the gym done in time so that seniors on the volleyball team can be recognized at their last home game Oct. 24 against Buena Park.

"[The workers] are working really fast, so we asked them if there is anyway to get it open for a couple volleyball games," Whitten said.

Athletes who use the gym for basketball games are also looking forward to using the revamped building.

"I am hoping by the beginning of the [basketball] season, [the gym] would be done," said senior Karis Chun, who plays center for the girls basketball team. "I heard that they are working on building a clean restroom and including new bleachers, which I am [thrilled] about."

Other students, including sophomore Ashok Thaker, hope the gym will help with the traffic flow of assemblies and pep rallies.

"I think the new entry way will ate a quicker way to exit and enter," Thaker said.

### **SOFTBALL COACH** RETIRES

After 15 years guiding the softball team, including 11 C I F



appearances, playoff Art Jarman has decided to retire from the diamond. See Sports, pg. 11 for full coverage.

### Disneyland looking for 'Dreamers,' 'Doers'

**CHRISTINE CHOI** 

Staff Reporter

School officials are encouraging students who have excelled in civic and campus service to apply to be considered as a nominee for a recognition program sponsored by Anaheim's Disneyland Resort.

"A lot of students at our school are involved with so many different volunteer activities," said principal Allen Whitten, who will have until Nov. 3 to select up to two applicants to nominate to Disneyland Resort Corporate Citizenship as a Dreamer and

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### Labor Day weekend vandalism strikes 60 lockers

#### **OGE OKPALA**

Staff Reporter

Around 60 lockers were broken into during Labor Day weekend, leaving several students with their valuables stolen or missing, school

officials said. "I don't see it as a prank; I think that these were people who were trying to find valuables," said assistant principal of student affairs Mason Morris, who was referring to the Sept. 7 evening vandalism. "It just seems kind of odd to want to find something out of a school locker."

No information was given as to who first contacted Fullerton police and at what time, but as of Thursday no one has been arrested, Morris

New security cameras had been installed on campus earlier in the spring semester, but the administrator said authorities were still reviewing video footage.

"With cooperation with the police, we are still looking at the video

and trying to figure out who the suspects are," Morris said.

Although police had first reported that the locker vandalism occurred in the 20s and 40s wings, the assistant principal said it "ended up being throughout campus. There were freshman, sophomore, junior and senior lockers that were all hit."

Authorities were also able to conclude that all the locks were removed from those storage slots using bolt cutters, said Morris, who arrived on campus Sunday to survey the crime scene after being notified about it by the school's resource officer from Fullerton police.

He said he cleared out exposed items and stored them in the Lyceum for students to claim when school started the day after Labor Day on Tuesday.

Upon inspection, Morris said he saw no signs of damage on the lockers, which some students say are available for students to use again.

Misplaced textbooks were found in unclaimed lockers all over campus, he said.

Students said they also noticed some books were allegedly thrown into trash cans.

Other valuables like water bottles, clothes and food remained missing

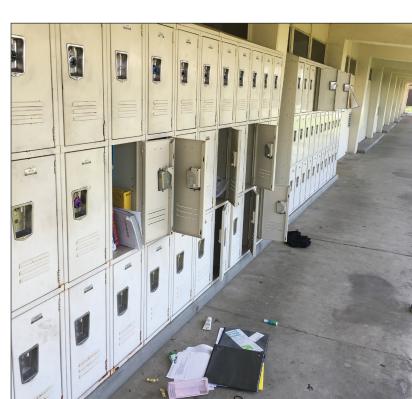
as of Thursday, Morris said. "[There are no] major things I've heard of yet that's been reported missing," Morris said.

Students affected by the vandalism received an email from school officials Monday night and were allowed to go to the Lyceum to recover any of their belongings the next day.

"My friend [who] was walking by my locker on Sunday [told me about the theft]," junior Daniel Chu said. "They stole [four of] my textbooks, and I was really mad [that] a person would do that."

Some like sophomore Jasmine Tan had better luck.

"I was kind of nervous when I first heard that my locker got broken into," Tan said. "But the only thing they stole was my trash, and I got everything back."



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BREAK-IN: Lockers remain open with papers and binders still inside or fallen onto the ground the day after the Sept. 7 Labor Day weekend vandalism. As of Thursday, no one has been arrested.

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**STUDYING HARD:** Junior Won Yeong Choi (left) and sophomore Natalie Herrera study while taking full advantage of the new table's electrical outlets in the library.

### Lyceum books more fitting fixtures

**OGE OKPALA** 

Staff Reporter

"The couches make stu-

dents want to come in a

little bit more and relax.

-Laura Prompongsatorn

It's a small, Starbucks-esque coffee shop furnished with modern tables and couches adorned with outlets for electrical devices—only there is no coffee, in fact, there is no food or beverages allowed at all.

As per the vision of the Parent Teacher Student Association [PTSA] and school officials, the

lyceum mimics the aforementioned coffee shop with the addition of lamps, desks, couches and stools the building.

Through renting out lockers, the PTSA funded the \$15,000 purchase from the company Viesso, which also supplies Starbucks with their furniture.

librarian

"Our vision is that we wanted to look like a Starbucks without the coffee," said principal Allen Whitten, who worked with PTSA vice president Ivonne Wang to select eight bar stools, one counter height bamboo table, two sofas and four cube ottomans.

The fixtures, ordered on March 8. arrived over the summer and were available for student use during the second week of the school year.

With the purpose of aiding the school's shift towards more collaborative learning, the table and couches are equipped with outlets to charge chromebooks and other devices

"Now our teachers are having students do more group projects that require you to sit together and use different styles of research," Whitten said. "So we [wanted] furniture that really assists that process."

To achieve this goal, about 80 computers and one table underwent removal from the lyceum in order to make room for the new furni-

ture. They were then arranged with some guidance from the PTSA.

"As a member of the PTSA board, was aware [for need the fur-

niture]," Wang said. "Because my background is in architecture, I was glad to be able to apply that knowledge and help the school."

The PTSA also looks toward ordering a second set of fixtures for the lyceum, which will hopefully include more furniture.

Though students were not able to take advantage of what the revamped lyceum furniture had to offer at the start of the school year, Whitten said he had hoped they could have enjoyed the furnishings last school year.

"Getting that furniture was ridiculous," Whitten said. "We were still waiting for a couple of the things [until the order was cancelled],



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LYCEUM RECLINING: Juniors Nathan Mai (left), Daniel Lee, Blake Eckerd, and Joshua Tan-Tories recline on the new couch from Viesso, the company that provides Starbucks with their furniture, during break in the Lyceum on Aug. 28.

though most of it came over the summer, but that's how long it's taking."

With the library open from 7:15 to 3:30, the principal hopes the lyceum will draw more students in, especially those doing group projects.

"[Our goal is for the lyceum] to be accessible to our students as much as possible," he said.

So far, students and staff reacted positively to the more comfortable seating arrangements because of its café-like design.

"[The couches] make students want to come in a little bit more and relax," librarian Laura Prompongsatorn said. "This gives them a place

to study or a chance to just decompress from all the school work."

Junior Austin Hendry shares this sentiment by adding that the new fixtures create a familiar environ-

"I noticed that there has been an increase of comfort within our lyceum," Hendry said. "[It] definitely gives off a Starbucks-like vibe."

Because the furniture creates such an enjoyable space in the building, some students believe that the lyceum will be a new rendezvous for their peers.

"I think [the lyceum] is now a nice chill place to just be and hang out," sophomore Phillip Sim said.

Senior Lorena Acosta views the seating arrangements as a big help while completing tasks.

"[The desks are] really comfortable for me when I'm doing my homework," Acosta said. "It keeps me very focused."

Whitten plans on making more renovations as soon as possible, since students appreciate the more modern look of the lyceum.

"This is a good start, but we have a long ways to go," he said. "I'd really like to take the carpet out of there and put some nice looking hardwood floor and add some better lighting."

# A Whole New World Homecoming assembly will be on Sept. 22 and held in the guad because of gym renovation

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### The ASB to remember victims, heroes of 9/11 on Patriot Day

**MEGAN SHIN** 

Staff Reporter

With 9/11 having occurred nearly two decades ago, the ASB will hold an event next week in the quad to continue to remember the victims and heroes of that day with a spirit day ceremony, including a special performance from members of the choir and a moment of silence.

"It is obviously important to remember what happened on that day and to celebrate the courage of the people involved that represented our values," the ASB co-adviser David Fenstermaker said about the East Coast airplane hijackings that occurred on Sept. 11, 2001, resulting

in the death of nearly 3,000 people. One of the al-Qaida terrorist hijacked planes-United Flight 175—crashed into New York's World Trade Center's south tower, while the other hijacked passenger

aircraft—American Airlines Flight

11—rammed into the north tower.

A third hijacked aircraft—American Airlines Flight 77—crashed into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. And the final hijacked plane—United Airlines Flight 93—crashed near Shanksville, PA., because its crew and passengers tried to take back control of the aircraft.

By December of that same year, president George W. Bush signed into law making 9/11 "Patriot Day." And on Sept. 10, 2012, president Barack Obama "issued a proclamation renaming the day as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance," according to nationaldaycalendar.com.

Because of the devastating effects of the event, the ASB wants to make

sure it delivers a strong message that demonstrates its importance in this "We hope that people become

more knowledgeable about this

day," the ASB activities commis-

sioner senior Miranda Gawlik said. "[We] want to remember all the innocent lives that were lost."

To be held on Sept. 11 at break, the ceremony will include some members of the choir performing a patriotic song as well as a speech from principal Allen Whitten, culminating in a moment of silence, the Fenstermaker said.

"[Students] should expect some [patriotic] decorations [on campus] and a spirit day where they wear red, white and blue," he said.

Junior Martin Rodriguez is among several students who plan to take time out during break to join the memorial.

"I'm expecting to have a typical moment of silence out of respect," Rodriguez said. "I feel [positive] about the event because it shows that not just several people gather and show respect [for the lives lost], but the whole school and our nation as well."

### HUGE TURNOUT FOR SEPT. 1 FROSH ELECTIONS WITH 14 CANDIDATES

More than 350 freshmen use 5
Star app to cast their votes—more than in past four years; only one runnoff held for class treasurer position.



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**DONUT FORGET TO VOTE:** Freshman James Linehan (left) accepts Daniel Magpayo's offer to vote Sept. 1 using the 5 Star app through a Chromebook. Magpayo garnered enough votes to win his bid for class president and will join the fifth period ASB class.

#### SHINE LEE

Staff Reporter

An increased number of voters this year used the 5 Star app to elect four leaders to represent the freshman class in the ASB.

Over 350 freshmen voted during the Sept. 1 freshmen elections, which consisted of 14 candidates, the ASB co-adviser David Fenstermaker said.

That number was "more than usual; I think part of it is the [ability to use] the 5 Star app," Fenstermaker said. "The ASB advisers teach seven sections of freshmen, and that helps, too."

Running with campaign slogans based on a food theme, Daniel Magpayo defeated three others to become freshman class president.

"[My slogan was] Donut make the wrong choice! Vote Daniel for President!" Magpayo said.

To spread the word, Magpayo said that he would utilize his knowledge of technology to implement different skills into his leading abilities

"One thing I will do [as president] is post on my Instagram or Snapchat that [the ASB] events are happening and selling," Magpayo said.

Using a DC superheroes motif, Ethan Lau garnered enough votes to avoid a runoff against one other challenger for the vice president spot.

With his elected title, Lau said he wishes to promote the student government body on campus.



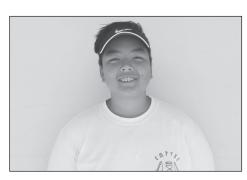
President Daniel Magpayo



Secretary Jenna Beining



Vice President Ethan Lau



Treasurer Zachary Crisostomo

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"I [want] to design some Sunny Hills merchandise," he said. "[Since] I have background in editing, I hope that I can help make ASB videos."

Hoping to make an impact on campus, Jenna Beining said as freshman secretary, she plans to communicate with other freshmen and listen to their opinions.

"I would like to see all freshmen involved and making a difference in their community," said Beining, whose campaign posters featured a movie character known as Napoleon Dynamite.

With only one campaign poster on campus and fliers passed out to classmates, Zachary Crisostomo defeated three opponents for treasurer, one of whom he overcame in a runoff

"I never thought I was going to be elected because I'm not that popular; but it feels really good,"

Crisostomo said.

ASB co-adviser Mike Paris said he commends the students for their accomplishments.

"They are leaders and were courageous enough to run for office," he said. "We look forward to working with them in ASB and [seeing] the contributions that they'll make towards making this a fantastic school year."

### Student Senate digest

The information listed below is based on the first Student Senate meeting of the 2017-2018 school year, held Thursday in Room 53.

If students would like to offer feedback on the items, please contact staff reporter Minji Kim, who is among the 30 representatives of the Student Senate at theaccoladesh-hs@gmail.com

- Freshman student senator Acira Mehta discussed an issue regarding how the freshman class candidates were carrying around their Chromebooks, asking students to vote for them.
- The ASB adviser Mike Paris said that there has been more candidates (14) and votes (roughly 400) than the past four years. The 5-Star App impressed him, leading to a discussion on how it increased participation in school
- Senators were satisfied with the food at Lancer Palooza but were disappointed by the long line for hot dogs and the lack of advertisement. One idea was to keep Lancer Palooza as an after school event and the beginning of the year assembly on a separate day to bolster school spirit.
- Students felt the stag dance theme, "The Deep End," was too similar to last year's stag dance theme, "Baywatch." However, they enjoyed the DJ's choice of music and the option of requesting a certain song at the dance.
- Paris brought up the changes regarding the homecoming assembly this year because of the gym renovation. Instead of the regular double second period assembly in the gym, all students will be excused to the quad at the same time during one assembly period.
- Paris said the ASB plans to invest \$20,000 into a DJ and decorations for the homecoming dance, which will be held Sept. 23 in the quad.
- Senators agreed with another suggestion for the home-coming dance to have more slow songs because previous dances only had two.

The next Student Senate meeting will be held Oct. 3 in Room 53 during fifth period.



Applications due to Principal Allen Whitten's office on Oct. 13



WINNERS MAY RECEIVE:
Disneyland Resort theme park tickets, an invitation to a symposium and celebratory luncheon, a stay at the Disneyland Hotel and more

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Doer. "It's a good way for them to get some recognition."

Started in 2015, Disneyland's Dreamers and Doers program "honors students who are taking action to improve their communities and schools through four focus areas: Strengthen communities, Think creatively, Conserve nature and Live healthier," according to its website.

Those interested need to fill out an application online at publicaffairs.disneyland.com/education/dreamers-and-doers/. Once completed, applicants must submit their printed responses to Whitten's office by Oct. 13.

According to the online application, a major part contains five short essay responses related to students' experiences in contributing to the community and school.

The fifth essay question asks, "If given the opportunity to support a local charitable cause or organization in Orange County that directly relates to your community outreach efforts, which organization would you choose and why? Please be specific."

That question is tied to one of the Dreamers and Doers' "Luminary" awards, which allow student winners selected by a panel of community leaders in January 2018 to give a \$3,000 grant to a favorite Orange County charitable organization.

"Representatives of the Disney-

"During the application process, we read through the applications and pick the two who have the greatest impact."

-Allen Whitten *principal* 

land Resort will select [from among the nominees recommended by Orange County administrators] the Shining Stars," who will receive a \$1,000 grant by the end of this year, according to Disneyland's Dreamers and Doers website.

Besides those possible awards, the last tier of winners are the

Dreamers and Doers, who will be notified between Nov. 6 and Nov. 10 if they are nominated. They would be eligible to receive "Disneyland Resort theme park tickets, an invitation to a symposium and celebratory luncheon, a stay at the Disneyland Hotel and more," according to the

Dreamers and Doers website.

Nominees representing Sunny Hills last year were former IB student Angelica Song and former ASB vice president Chloe Torres.

Whitten said he chose them for their volunteerism, care and innovative approach to doing great deeds for others.

"During the application process, we read through and pick the two who have the greatest impact, [hoping that they'll receive] great rewards for [doing] great things for their community," he said.

International Baccalaureate coordinator and Conservatory of Fine Arts director Brian Wall, who encouraged Song to

submit an application last year, said he looks for someone who stands out from the crowd.

"[When I nominate students], I look for the whole package," Wall said. "[I ask myself if they] challenge themselves academically, are involved in service or have amazing extracurriculars."

### ARTS&ENTERTAINMENT

# The original 'Mean Girls' returns

The Accolade asks theater teacher Amanda Gieser to gives insight on the October musical 'Heathers'



Amanda Gieser

**Q**: Who came up with the idea to do the musical "Heathers" and why? **A:** My students were talking about it nonstop last year. I have never heard of the musical. I got an email from the company that produced it, and they emailed us saying that they had a high school edition. So I checked that out, and it is even cleaner than "Grease." So we decided that it was actually doable.

**Q**: What is the musical about?

**A**: "Heathers" is the original "Mean Girls." It actually inspired the movie. You have a girl, Veronica, who is kind of the social outcast at her school. Then you have three Heathers (a clique). The Heathers bring her into their group, and she starts to get popular only to realize what you have to sacrifice to be popular. But she also falls in love with this guy named J.D. (Jason Dean), who is also like a social outcast. But there is also some serious stuff they deal with, [like] suicide and bullying. We wanted to do this musical because we wanted to bring awareness to those topics.

**Q:** Were there any big surprises this year during the auditions?

**A:** One of the things that was surprising was how popular this musical was for people, and how much students wanted to be in it. I thought only my theater students knew about it, but a lot of people came to audition and said that they already knew about it. We had a lot of [talented people] and ended up having 25 girls that we called back for six roles.

**Q**:When are they selling tickets and how much

will they cost? A: Tickets are \$10 with an ASB gold card and \$12 without. We usually do a pre-sale discount for the week before, so follow us on social media!

**Q**: What are you most excited about regarding this musical?

A: I was excited for how many students came out to audition (60) that are not a part of the arts or not part of the theater. It's so cool to see all the talent on campus that we do not really get to see. **Q**: Why should people come to see the show? A: It's a fun show: it is the original "Mean Girls," so it's something they can relate to. It's also really meaningful. It's fun to see friends up on stage that you are used to seeing on the basketball court or a science class that you didn't know had this talent. Then, they are on stage singing and dancing their heart out.

Compiled by Michelle Buckley

#### **Main Cast Members:**

Kassidy Hughes – Veronica Sawyer

Ben Woehrer – J. D. (Jason Dean)

Esther Tualea – Heather McNamara

Celina Jeon - Heather Duke

Maddy Marks – Heather Chandler

Josh Acosta –Ram Sweeney

Sammie Cano -Ms. Fleming

Nick Beltran - Big Bud Dean

Nancy Cervantes – Martha Dunnstock

Joey Linehan - Kurt Kelley

Linda Arredondo – Principal Gowan

Priscilla Canadas – Coach Ripper

Source: Amanda Gieser

### Season 3 online food reviews totally 'Worth It'



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THE WAIT WAS 'WORTH IT': Andrew Ilnyckyj and Steven Lim prepare to touch one another's chips with their own in a celebratory manner.

#### KIHOON KIM

Opinion Editor

Following the announcement of BuzzFeed's season 3 "Worth It" trailer, fans have waited eagerly for the release of the first episode. After the grandiose season 2 finale

that was filmed in South Korea which the trio, Steven, Andrew and Adam critique, viewers looked forward to what the Worth It crew was preparing to pull out of its diverse menus.

Ten days after the release of the trailer on Aug. 27, the first episode of season 3 finally arrived, cultivating expectations from many eager fans as to what amazing new food ad-

ventures the trio planned to conquer. After the first episode's release, the video amassed approximately 1.9 million views within the first day, displaying the strong support the trio built

up from their ever-growing fan base. Many of the viewers were probably surprised as to what kind of food the crew had determined worthy for the start of a new season, which was none other than the American classic: macaroni and cheese.

The 13 minute video titled "\$3 Mac 'N' Cheese Vs. \$195 Mac 'N' Cheese" follow "The Three Foodsketeers" as they travel to three drastically different pricepointed restaurants to decide which

of the three are the most "worth it." The audience members will find themselves drooling as the trio hits one restaurant after another. While following the routine of previous episodes with additional commentary given to us by the trio,

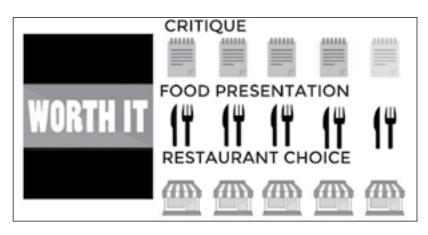
For what appeared to be such a humdrum food choice, the crew did what they do best by giving the audience a riveting presentation of the food and a great insight into every dish.

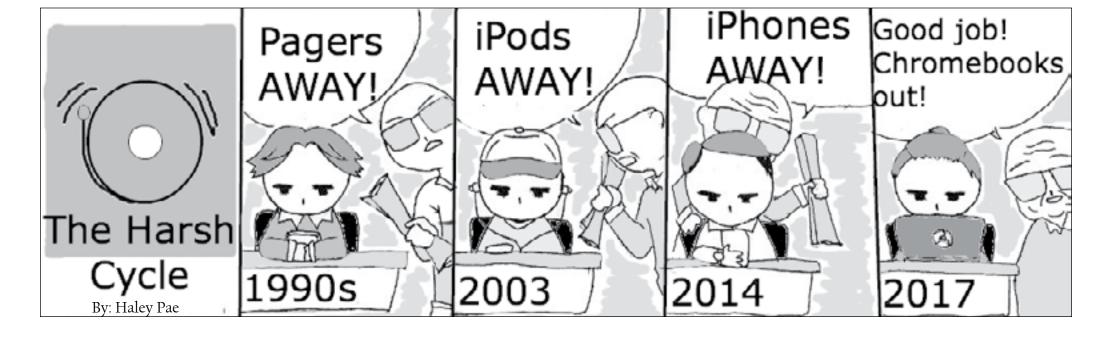
Many may think that the main reason this series is so addictive is a result of the incredible foods presented throughout the series. However, the main reason is a result of the impressive chemistry exhibited

between the three members as they give effortless, witty remarks and poetic reverence for the food they eat.

The upcoming series shows some

obvious promise, and anyone who plans to watch the series will surely not be disappointed. This series is definitely going to be "worth it."





### New series 'beams' up its viewers

Students and teacher share insight and expectations for upcoming rebooted television series "Star Trek: Discovery"

ALLISON LOUIE

Staff Reporter

"Space: the final frontier. Where one could explore strange new worlds, new life and new civilizations.'

The Star Trek series' mission to boldly go where no one has gone before continues in a new TV show, "Star Trek: Discovery," with the debut episode airing Sept. 24, 8:30-9:30 pm on CBS.

Set 10 years before the original series, the sci-fi drama follows the adventures of the United Space Ship Discovery's female first officer Michael Burnham (Sonequa Martin-Green, "The Walking Dead").

The ship's crew will also clash with the Klingons, a hostile alien race.

Although it may not have iconic characters like Capt. James T. Kirk and Spock, the show features characters from the original series like Spock's father (James Frain, "The Tudors") and sociopath con man Harry Mudd (Rainn Wilson, "The Office"), who the Enterprise crew encountered during their missions.

According to variety.com, the season is divided into two parts: the first will run until Nov. 5, while the other half continues January 2018.

With the exception of the premiere, "Discovery" will be streamed on CBS All Access to increase the streaming service's amount of

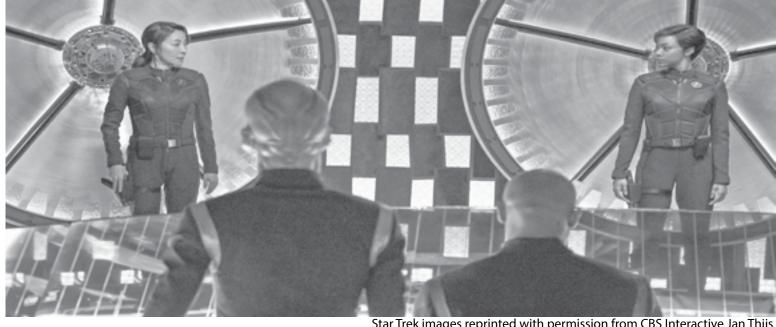
But will the gamble to charge \$5.99 per month to watch the rest of the series this season pay off?

"I'll watch [the premiere] for free, but it would depend [on] if the pilot was any good to pay for the season," sophomore Asif Khan said.

Though English teacher David Wolf prefers the other sci-fi franchise "Star Wars," he would be willing to watch the premiere.

"If I'm bored and ['Discovery'] is on, I'll take a look at it, but I won't set my life to it," teacher David Wolf said. "I've grown out of 'Star Trek' in a way that I've never [done] with 'Star Wars.'"

Fans of the original series, like social science teacher Robert Bradburn, plan to watch the the



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THE CAPTAIN AND HER OFFICER: Capt. Phillipa Georgiou and First Officer Michael Burnham plan their descent.

pilot but prefers not to pay subscription to watch the whole season.

"There is a new [younger] fan base coming for Star Trek [that may be interested], but if people are into science fiction, it might be more enjoyable for them."

- Asif Khan | *sophomore* 

"I think I'll watch it with my wife, but I

don't think I will pay because I'm so busy with

other things that [the time to watch] TV is so limited," he said.

However, many Lancers are unaware of the series because of its lack of publicity. The mass production of science-fiction media may contribute to the small interest in the series.

"With all the competition for TV programs these days, I'm sure that science fiction genre is not as popular anymore with [teenagers]," said Spanish teacher Gene Bordy, who plans to beam himself into the living room to catch the premiere.

Despite the low interest in the series and genre, Star Trek's "Discovery" may succeed in attracting those who still enjoy the science fiction genre.

"There is a new [younger] fan base coming for Star Trek [that may be interested], but if people are into science fiction, it might be more enjoyable for them," Khan said.

After its debut near the end of the month, CBS will find out whether "Star Trek: Discovery" will stun the audience, so stay tuned for-as Spock would say-a "long and prosperous" season.

Will you watch the Sunday, Sept. 24, premiere of CBS' new show, "Star Trek: Discovery," at 8:30 p.m.? Let us know on **Facebook** by Wednesday, Sept. 6, so we can post the results on our next issue Friday, Sept. 29.

- Yes, by the order of Capt. Kirk I can't wait.
- No, not even a Klingon can make me watch this.
- Maybe, if I have nothing else to do that night and I'm willing to let Scottie beam me

### June's MonthLee: Action films lack compelling plot

"...behind all the flashy bat-

tles and destruction a hol-

low story still remains."

Picture yourself eagerly waiting in line at the theater to watch a much-anticipated action film. You take a seat after buying a ticket, the movie plays, your popcorn bag



*june*Lee A&E Editor

is emptied, and finally, the movie is over. However, you blankly stare at the ending credits scene, wondering, "What did I just watch?" Whenever I see these films, I cannot help but wonder how the director

managed to produce a shallow story and still put bread on his

table. I have seen multiple action and adventure films, but many have failed to impress me for the past two years.

In movies such as Chad Stahelski's "John Wick Chapter 2," the story is overly simple. Much like its predecessor, the film is only appealing because of its violent and fast-paced action scenes. The story itself is completely irrelevant and focuses on the protagonist shooting heads, taking hits and stabbing his enemies. Although these scenes are exhilarating, the question is: How did these films get

such high ratings? If the opening of the movie has given some sort of plot, then the film should have followed it and come to some sort of resolution. However, all we see is John

Wick (Keanu Reeves, "To the Bone") simply murdering his way through a mob of adversaries, hence pushing the audience away from the main point of the story, if there ever was one.

Similarly, Michael Bay's Transformers series follows this pattern. In most, if not all of Bay's films, the audience is given the same aspects repeatedly: explosions, overly sexualized women, enourmous alien machines and more explosions. The action in the movie is indeed breathtaking, and the computer graphic imaging seems realistic. However, behind all the flashy battles and destruction, a hollow

story still remains. At the very least, the first Transformers film had some appeal because each character strived to achieve some sort of goal. Unfortunately, despite Bay's

attempts to please his audience, the series lacked a relevant story.

> While I do find the aforementioned films as dull, filming is a form of art.

Directors create their movies the way they believe will exhilarate or simply humor their viewers, and every viewer has their own preferences toward every filmmaker's work.

However, if directors are looking to create a dramatic story and to move their audience, solely relying on mass

explosions or fight scenes are not going to succeed in creating a relatable and entertaining film.

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Hype An inside look into Orange County's most talked-about, trending shops and restaurants. An inside look into Or-

**LAUREN KIM** 

Staff Reporter

Customers excitedly fill their bags with candy at Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour, yet their eyes wander to the ice cream that seductively calls their name. They try to snap out of the delicious haze, but no avail.

Located by Knott's Berry Farm, Farrell's in Buena Park reopened on August 18. This site allows convenience for the tired, hungry visitors who are coming back from the amuse-

Farrell's displays an amiable environment with workers who help customers to enjoy their time there. The friendly workers find ways to interact with the customers by constantly checking on them and by sharing some favorites on the menu. However, the noisy atmosphere does not make it an ideal study location.

When people spend their birthday at the Farrell's located in Brea, they get a special celebration. I went to the restaurant on my 12th birthday, and I received a free ice cream sundae lit with a candle, along with a birthday song from the workers. However, this type of celebration is not presented at the

Farrell's located in Buena Park.

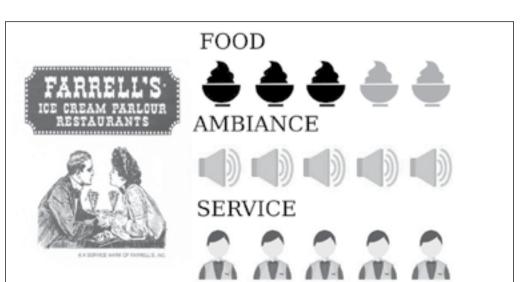
The menu varies from chicken caesar salads at \$12.50 to traditional banana splits at \$10.50. Not only does the tasty ice cream attract customers, but they also have a wide range of different American and Mexican foods on the menu.

Food prices are not cheap; meals start at \$11.25 for a classic burger and a summer salad for \$13.50, and the small portion size does not account for the high price. The ice cream starts at \$3.95 for a single scoop, \$4.95 for a double scoop and \$5.95 for a triple scoop. Unlike the meals, the ice cream is served in large portions, making each purchase worth every cent.

Their ice cream seems to be a lot creamier compared to Baskin Robbins, since there is a lot more condensed into one scoop of Farrell's ice cream.

Additionally, the new Buena Park location has a candy shop run by Sweet Pete's. It sells different candies such as jelly beans, peach rings, gummy worms and more. Customers can fill their bags for \$4 per quarter pound.

People should definitely visit Farrell's, also known as "The Sweetest Destination on Earth," for it is a place filled with food and fun.



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### **STAFF EDITORIAL** Hurricane Harvey victims saved by American efforts

We have been told that we million donation as well as have become a divided nation. From differing political ideologies to cultural appropriation, America has been hopelessly reduced to a point where civil discussions regarding any topic—without violence or major dispute—is a mere phenomenon. However, the revelations that followed the catastrophe in southeast Texas tell another

story. August 25 2017. Hurricane Harvey, one of the most destructive natural disasters in the states, had slammed into 11 Texan counties. The Category 4 hurricane has claimed 63 lives so far and left some places engulfed in nearly 52 inches of rainwater. With billions of dollars in

ter the disas.

When it seemed as hope existed for fast recovery, Americans—led by president Donald Trump's 1

comedian Kevin Hart-have chipped in to help rebuild what was destroyed. They have opened their homes to displaced strangers and donated emergency supplies, which has facilitated Texas's journey of recovery.

This sudden overflow of generosity precipitates an important question: Why? Despite our differences, why set them aside for Harvey?

Though political opposition and ideologies may split us apart, these occurrences serve as a reminder that America was able to set aside its differences to help its citizens.

Many Americans turned out to have a strong and deep yearning to do the right thing: to help others. Through these kind actions, we highlight the morals and values that serve as the foundation of our country.

On Wednesday, the House of Representatives passed a bill that dedicated nearly \$8 billion for Harvey aid with a 419-3 vote. This national effort to help rebuild what was destroyed by the hurricane epitomizes the deep connection we share as a country.

This campaign has also

in students' and educators' recovery through an event. By sending student-made cards of comfort and encouragement to hurricane victims, the Feel Better Letters club--a new student group on campus formed by a freshman--exemplifies the heart of giving at a time of need. The Giving Children Hope club and the theater program deserve praise for collaborating to support hurricane victims by accepting

encouraged high schools to

support the Hurricane Har-

vey Relief efforts. Principal

Allen Whitten, for example,

stopped one of our Accolade

editors in the hallway to share

his vision of adopting one of

the devastated high schools in

the Houston area and motivat-

ing Lancers to provide support

packs in the quad at break and lunch since the beginning of this week. With Hurricane Irma scheduled for a direct hit on the south Florida coast this weekend followed by Hurricane Jose, we can only hope that our campus and our country's

hygiene products and back-

support will not be stretched too thin if more weather-related catastrophes were to occur.

### YouTuber Jake Paul: Watch what you write, say, do

a video with more than 3 million views in less than 24 hours, wouldn't you be curious as to what made it so popular?



Feature Editor

This was my excuse for watching Jake Paul's channel.

As he raps in his music video "It's Everyday Bro," the former Vine star has now become the first YouTuber to accumulate 5 million subscribers in six months, and, by the end of this month, he would have hit a whopping 10 million subscribers.

While looking at his channel, my eyes immediately drifted to his most viewed video. His hit song released on May 30 features members of Team 10, his management company, and has gained 107 million views in two months. The pop single boasts Paul's recent successes, with lyr-

ics like "man I'm poppin' all th checks, got a brand new Rolex" and "I just dropped some merch and it's selling like a god, church."

After I finished watching his music video, I could not comprehend why it was so popular. In my eyes, it was basically just Paul and his friends bragging about materialistic items and spouting out shallow lyr-

That's when I decided to find out more

With his massive audience, Paul stands as one of the most influential people on the Internet today. His words carry the power to affect millions of his fans, and we know how easily people tend to believe everything online.

However, this large platform creates a vast sense of responsibility to whoever owns it. But, based off of his recent behaviors, he does not seem to under-



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After kicking off his YouTube career, Paul has been involved in multiple scandals. In fact, when I Google searched his name, most stories circulate around his negative actions. For instance, one of the scandals involved an alleged abusive relationship with his ex-girlfriend Alissa Violent: She claimed he elevated a fight to the extent that she ended up bleeding and crying in

> Once I saw this, I could not believe it. I again failed to understand how someone could be so loved committing such harmful actions. But, it did not end there.

In his latest music video that uses a foul language word in its title followed by "JAKE PAUL,"

tions and claims that the realization of his torn-down image gave him the urge to try to turn himself around for the better.

Although he seems to be on the right track, he simply acknowledges what he has done in his video—he never clearly apologizes for his misdemeanors or explains in depth as to why he may have seemed reluctant. This could just be another public appeal and promise that he may not end up following up on. Also, the fact that he uses profanity in his title does not help clean up his

If he actually puts in an effort to change himself, then he has hope to improve his image. Until then, he still remains as one of the most negative influences on the Internet.

Because of this, figures like Paul should recognize how much power they hold in every word they type, write and say.

### Doctor's tweet over patient discrimination raises concerns

A middleaged mother desperately screams for help as her daughter writhes in agonizing pain. A nurse immediately rushes to their



Editor-in-chief

aid and guides them to a doctor, but the mother refuses the help. For what reason? Merely for the color of the doctor's skin.

I recently came across a Facebook post on Aug. 27 by senior Irene Pak that came to my sudden attention. The post included an article published under Yale's School of Medicine website, titled "Prejudice in the Emergency Room," and after thoroughly examining the article, I could not help but react with utter disbelief and disgust.

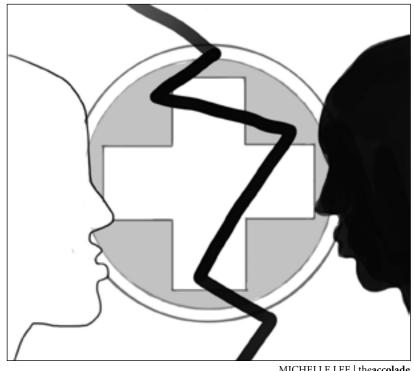
According to the article, every year, a few patients at Oregon Health and Science University Hospital in Portland refuse treatment in the emergency department from medical doctor Esther Choo. According to Choo, the patients deny assistance not because they doubt her 15 years of medical practice or they consider her medical degree insufficient—but because she is not "white."

In response, Choo initiated a conversation through a Twitter thread on Aug. 13, following the white supremacist rally in Charlottesville, VA. One out of her 11 tweets stated, "The conversation usually goes like this. Me: 'I understand your viewpoint. I trained at elite institutions & have been practicing for 15 years. You are welcome to refuse care under my hands, but I feel confident that I am the most qualified to care for you.

Especially since the alternative is an intern.' And they invariably pick the intern as long as they are white. Or they leave."

Growing up in a heavily Korean community, I have only received treatment from Asian doctors, orthodontists and pharmacists; however, there has never been a case when I was in the emergency room. Since my parents are very Korean-cultured, I asked for their honest opinion if they would prefer an Asian doctor to treat me during an emergency situation. Both of my parents responded that they would allow a doctor of any race to perform surgery on me, as long as I received the proper treatment.

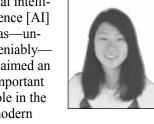
Choo's experience is not rare; patient prejudice towards doctors is now so common that many medical professionals consider experiences like Choo's a routine that they have to face as part of their jobs.



MICHELLE LEE | theaccolade

### AI APOCALYPSE? NOT SO

Artificial intelligence [AI] has-undeniably claimed an important role in the modern stage.



*eunice*Lee From Managing Editor helping

identify major diseases such as Alzheimer's in its early stages to navigating passengers with a driverless pod, it completes tasks in an efficient manner and thus, improves the quality of life for many.

However, an opposing population express their reservations toward such developments, which—ironically—includes Elon Musk.

Musk is the frontrunner of numerous technological pursuits such as SpaceX and Tesla, whose autopilot software that allows cars to stay within its lane and self-park. Musk warns us about the risks of embedding AI into everyday life.

In a twitter post on Monday, he admits that AI robots will perform tasks more efficiently, but

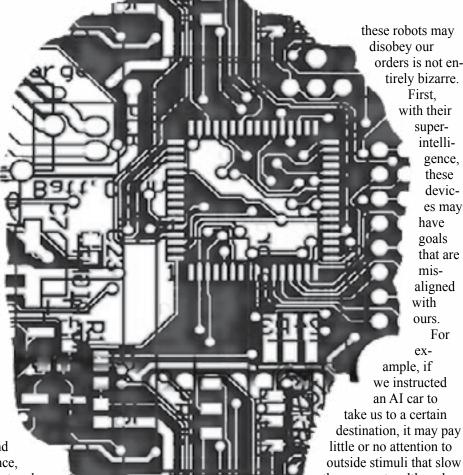
he worries that its advent poses a fundamental threat to life as we know it and may as well be the cause of the next world war.

The media has also showered much attention onto the AI scene.

From age-old comic books of the '70s to present day movie blockbusters, many technological terrors such as "The Terminator" and Ultron have suggested the idea of potential robotic control of the modern world.

With their piercing bloodshot eyes and intimidating appearance, it is understandable as to why we have harbored a negative stigma regarding these devices.

Though we need not to worry about an AI apocalypse, the idea that



orders is not entirely bizarre.

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the commute, although it would take us there in record time.

Whether it be passing a red light or causing a major car accident, AI may not put much thought to factors that we subconsciously take in when making decisions.

With this possibility, it becomes all the more important that we have control of these artificial beings through the appropriate programming, and that they carry out their tasks efficiently.

Yes, Musk does highlight a big concern regarding AI development, but that should not deter us from exploring further into the field.

Broadly speaking, humanity's purpose is to pursue a higher quality of life.

With every technological advancement, luddites have always challenged these developments.

Despite some reservations, these innovations overall improve the quality of life and continuously work toward further growth.

Again, though there is no denial that technology is at the forefront of the modern world, we need not dwell on the past; we must embrace changes as they come and implement newer technologies into our everyday lives.

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### CANDID WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT DIY SLIME?



"I've had my fair share of messing around with slime, but it does get old after a little bit."

Christopher Jay Sy, 9



"Slime is amazing. It's so fun to watch the Instagram vidoes. I can watch it all day, every day."

Esther Min, 10



"I can't relate to the slime lovers. I think it's kind of dumb."

Cameron Choi, 11



"It feels kind of addicting, but it's a waste of money."

Melissa Jung, 12

### Slime stretches through the Internet

Close your eyes and tap the screen to play the video.

Crunch. Squish. Crunch.



Copy Editor Squish. "What's that sound?" you

It's the sound of the slime revolution that has been taking over the Instagram world

since 2016. Can social media trends get any weirder? From unicorn (sparkly and colorful) slime to "floam" (slime with polystyrene beads), slime accounts have been breaking the internet amid the tempting food

trends, adorable pet pictures and captivating vacation Each poke, pop, stretch and fold of the goo never fails to amuse me, and I admit that within the past three months, I have made three prior online purchases

from all over the world. Although they may look like a child's bizarre obsession, slime can relieve your anxiety or stress (just like fidget spinners). Much to my delight, the colorful globs of happiness bring pleasure to my ears.

of slime ranging \$5-10 each

from Etsy, one of the main

websites with distributors

The videos of Instagram users poking slime usually stimulate the Autonomous Sensory Meridian Response, a colloquial term for the positive sensation from audiovisual stimuli (usually mistaken as a term to describe the videos of people whispering on their microphones).

With some online retailers being as young as 8, I feel quite incompetent whenever I hear of those young "kidtrepreneurs" bringing in more success and money than I ever have.

The process of making

slime only takes a few materials—borax powder, water, Elmer's glue, food coloring and any other ingredients of your choice—so even the clumsiest would have an easy time playing with different recipes.

But the real question is: Is slime really worth the hype?

My answer is: Yes. If you felt a tug at your heart telling you to go buy a small tub of the spectacular ooze of sparkle, shine and all things fine, then what are you waiting for? The Instagram world is always open to new slime lovers.



ROSIE JANG | theaccolade THERAPEUTIC SLIME: A student catches onto the Internet slime trend.

### Letters to the editor

I read the article "Gaming takes a dark tion of *The Accolade!* Thank you. turn towards under age gambling" and found it interesting.

I enjoyed how effectively the writer included current events and applied them to our school. Not being involved in the gaming community, I was unaware of its connection with gambling.

I found it intriguing that something so innocent, only meant for enjoyment, could so easily transform into a potential vice.

However, I must admit that my initial thought centered on how does a student have access to that kind of money to gam-

It seems like other stories could come from this story addressing issues such as how much parents are actually involved with their teens and how students spend their money.

Overall, the article was wonderfully written and contained anecdotes that brought the article to life.

In the future, I would like to see more articles like this, from this reporter specifically, because I enjoy his writing style.

-Kourtney Barbour, sophomore

After thoroughly reading The Accolade, a few points have risen about the article, "New pool strengthens water polo."

I truly enjoyed how The Accolade recognized sports and their hardships and about how they had to endure it.

But I also believe that The Accolade should interview more younger athletes and their first opinions on the pool. Perhaps include other sports and their opinions on the subject; inquire if they think they are treated equally.

-Jonathyn Yip, sophomore

I recently read the article, "rate my teachers.com" on page 7 of your [Aug. 18] publication. It was well-written, and I especially appreciate how all sides of the issue were covered. It was truly an unbiased article.

Not only was it interesting, but I had actually never heard of that particular website before, so I was pleasantly surprised to

learn about it. I look forward to reading your next edi-

—Chamonix Bas, freshman An article that stuck out to me while

African Adventure" by Annie Choi. Traveling to another country in itself is a daunting experience, but going to a Third World country is personally something that

reading through the newspaper was "An

I would never be able to do. Stepping out of her comfort zone is something that I am sure many of us can

Also, I am a believer in helping African children, and Annie devoting her time to

those children warms my heart. Reading this article turned out to be an enjoyable few minutes and will most likely

cause me to read a few more in the future. —Colby Lee, sophomore

I really liked the idea of how the school newspaper reflected an actual newspaper

from the big companies. It looked really professional and had a nice layout. I also liked how there was a

comic section that related to the students. The strip made me realize that I shouldn't

sleep before I finish my homework.

-Kaitlyn Yoon, freshman

On page 9 of The Accolade, I saw that there were four student comments on the Lancer Palooza.

I did like the idea of having some time walking around the school and having fun, while being able to get a free shirt, but there weren't as many stands as I thought there would be. The lines were too long, and we spent more time in the lines than having fun.

I agree that the free food was good, but I'm just commenting on the fact that there were no negative comments on the Lancer Palooza.

—Austin Jung, freshman

The Accolade welcomes signed letters to the editor with full name and ID number sent to Room 138 or theaccoladeshhs@gmail.com. The staff reserves the right to edit.

### FEATURE



Reprinted with permission from Sarah Jeon **ALL SMILES: Sar**ah Jeon (left) poses with Azul (middle) and Kenya (right) on the last day of school after playing games.

## MY TRIP TO ///(a)X//(c)

Senior class president Sarah Jeon shares her summer experience teaching kids in an elementary school

ANNIE CHOI

Managing Editor

Summer: dancing lessons, fidget spinners, summer school.

Summer: showering out of buckets, homes of plastic and wood, absent parents.

Both of these de-

scriptions applied to senior Sarah Jeon's summer, as she devoted an entire month of her summer from July 6- Aug. 2 to serve the community of San Telmo, Mexico, at an elementary school as part of a short-term missions trip sponsored by 4 Christ Missions.

"I think going to this mission trip really helped me understand and believe that the youth actually have a large impact on the community," Jeon said. "Seeing how broken they were really reminded me of myself."

This is not Jeon's first foray into missions work. At age 15, she said she joined a team from Thanksgiving Church to travel in a week-long trip to San Telmo.

In the following years, she continued to take week-long trip with 4 Christ Missions until last summer when she went on a two-week trip to Panema.

"It's really different [in Mexico]," Jeon said. "You really become invested: emotionally and physically."

Jeon worked hard to raise the funds for her trip, raising a total of \$1,500 through bake sales, shirt sales and donations.

Jeon's strong interest inpartaking in a longterm mission, besides her faith in God, comes from her older sister, who had gone to the elementary school for eight months in 2016.

"She was telling me how she learned how to love people and how to put yourself out there," Jeon said. "I wanted to learn what it meant to dedicate that much time to God."

Jeon would wakeup at 6 a.m. in the mornings and would work, either by planning for the school day or teaching at the school, until 3 p.m. when the school day ended.

"[Afterschool] we would go out into the community and pass out food or go out to the houses of the children and play soccer with them," Jeon said.

Located in Baja California, San Telmo has a population of 200-300, most of whom live in impoverish conditions, Jeon said.

Despite the poverty, she found the children were eager to attend the summer program.

"It's pretty different from America, [since] the kids actually look forward to coming to school," Jeon said. "The kids don't have much else to do; if you look in the community, it's just dirt."

Jeon originally had not enjoyed working with children, fellow missionary Sarah Park, 20. said.

"Through this mission trip, [Jeon] learned to be a giver of love and to invest into the younger generation," Park said. "I feel like she really learned how to sacrifice, to serve and benefit other people."

She noticed how the Mexico trip has affected her younger sibling when she returned.

"I saw her heart grow not just for the kids in San Telmo but for missions in general," said Yunah Jeon, who joined her sister on the trip during the last week. "Her perspective has grown immensely."

Sarah Jeon credits her change to witnessing her student's difficult lives.

"Behind all the trouble they cause and behnd the front they put up, there's really this desire of wanting to be loved on and to be seen," she said. "I saw that in them because I have that in myself."

from Sarah Jeon SAVED BY THE **BELL:** Sarah Jeon (left) shows her joy of working with kids during lunch time.

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**CLASS PHOTO:** Students in the Tiburounes class varying from the ages of 8 to 10 hold crafted pinwheels and smile for a class picture in front of their school.



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sion from Sarah Jeon EAGER BEA-VER: Student Oscar puts up a peace sign to pose for a picture. He was a hard working student who would eagerly run to be the first person in lines. "Every day, he would act like he didn't like seeing me, but he would always give me a smile," Sarah Jeon said.

If you want to support Sarah on her next mission trip, check out her dessert Instagram page @delightinmedesserts.



### SENIOR TRAVELS MILES FOR SMILES



JESSICA KWON | theaccolade

CHEESING: Young toddler with unilateral cleft lip entertains herself with crayons as she waits for her number to be called on Screening Day.

"It's not about you."

The mantra ingrained into all participants during Operation Smile's 2017 Summer Mission Training Workshop rang through my head



*jessica*Kwon Business Manager

as I embarked on the 2017 medical mission to Isabela, Philippines, willing to miss eight days of the first two weeks of the fall

For the past three years, I have become deeply involved with Operation Smile.

What started out as a harmless invitation to a lunch meeting turned into becoming the vice president of my school club, a member of Region Leadership Council and National Leadership Council and ultimately a student volunteer for a medical mission.

I devoted endless hours to planning and participating in various meetings, events and fundraisers—in my community and internationally. Yet, underneath all this activity, I honestly felt a disconnect between myself and the end goal of this organiza-

I could never personally speak from my heart regarding missions.

This was until this past month.

As a student educator, my main job and purpose during the mission was to educate others, both in the hospital and in local schools, on basic oral hygiene, hand-washing, nutrition, burn care and prevention and oral rehydration therapy.

We were lucky to have the opportunity to teach our modules to hundreds of Filipino school children in multiple schools all over

It was incredibly fun getting to know the kids, making them laugh and taking an infinite number of pictures with them.

However, for me, the real connection lay within the child patients in the hospital, with whom I had the most interactions.

Many patients have preoperative jitters or fits from hunger, as they couldn't eat for a number of hours.

So, our secondary job was to transform into bubble-blowing, sticker-sticking, balltossing machines.

Through a mix of broken English and Tagalog, I developed a deep connection with the children. I came to learn of many incredible stories, but the strongest one I heard was with 6-year old patient Princess.

Princess, after receiving a cleft palate surgery the year prior, worked with the amazing speech pathologists for five days, learning and practicing various sounds, starting with the sharp P-sound.

Because of Operation Smile, her father heard his daughter call him "Papa" for the

On this mission, I had the special privilege of observing the plastic surgeons in action. They fed into my curiosity and patiently explained to me the purpose behind each cut

Alongside unilateral and bilateral cleft lips, I was able to witness a lateral canthoplasty and rhinoplasty resolving a number eight and zero Tessier cleft, as well as a lip scar revision and fistula.

It was a truly incredible experience to witness years of hardship and social discrimination that these facial deformities would cause in as little as 45 minutes.

While my job, the children, and time in the operation room made up my mission experience, it was ultimately my mission team that made it memorable.

There's something so magical seeing such a diverse group of individuals come together and give up their personal time and resources to achieve one goal. They reinstated my belief that this organization is made up of inherently selfless, good people.

It's been just over a week since I've returned and my heart already yearns to be back in Isabela on a mission with my kuyas and ates (kinship terminology for an older brother and sister).

In retrospect, I can't say that I identify with the cliche that comes with Americans volunteering in developing countries, which is something along the lines of realizing how blessed one is in comparison to the rest of the

Rather, I feel that I've become exponentially more self-aware and confident in who I am, what I am capable of, and what I strive to be as I grow older.

To the 2017 Isabela, Philippines, Medical Mission team, "Salamat po."



Reprinted with permission from Egbert "Eggy" Buluran ALL SCRUBBED UP: Jessica Kwon (right) observes surgeon Carlos Dorado (left) as he operates on a young boy's unilateral cleft lip.



JESSICA KWON | theaccolade June Rose (left), Kwon and Princess smile for thewhile waitcamera ing for their turn on the animal-themed screening day.

### **NEW CAMPUS CLUBS**

**SPOOLS OF HOPE** 

Room 104; Thursdays during lunch

**DEVIATION** 

Room 130; every other Wednesday during lunch

**WORLD WILDLIFE FUNDING** 

Room 93; Mondays during lunch **GIVING CHILDREN HOPE** 

Room 12; Every other Monday during break

**SCIENCE OLYMPIAD** 

Room 75; Fridays during lunch

**HEARTS FOR HOMELESS** 

Room 11; Every other Thursday during break **ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS CLUB** 

Room 186; Tuesdays during break

**PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE** 

Room 35; Every other Friday (no info. available as to whether it's at break or lunch)

**WE CHOOSE ST. JUDE** 

Room 76; Once a month on Wednesday during lunch

MUSICIANS UNITED FOR SERVICE AND ENTERTAINMENT Room 74; Every other Thursday during lunch

**FEEL BETTER LETTERS** 

Room 188; Mondays and Tuesdays during lunch



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HOUSTON STRONG: Feel Better Letters founder freshman Hannah Kim shows cards club members made to be sent to kids who survived Hurricane Harvey.

### English teacher's Oncore app gets an encore of funding

#### **NOAH SOMPHONE**

News Editor

English and theory of knowledge teacher Scott Rosenkranz is getting an encore for



his four-year-old teaching app On-

"This year we got an investor who's fully funding our company to try to get to a web-based platform that also has a student interface and integrates goal setting," he said.

Developed in 2013, Rosenkranz created the iPad-based app, with his partner, Jacob Bullock, to maximize teacher-student participatory impact by combining educational research and technology.

"I met [Bullock] at church," he said. "He wanted to do something really good for education so he was crazy enough to jump into this with me."

Rosenkranz and Bullock hope to fully implement the web-based platform in the fall of 2018.

"We want to have a beginning program running for at least the

teachers side in January," he said. "We additionally want to start other testing in schools and districts for the whole school platform at the end of this year."

Moreover, Rosenkranz's future goal setting feature looks to create stronger student-teacher relation-

"The feature will create a goalsetting portfolio, including what they've been working towards, how they accomplished it and how they've grown," he said. "The student and teacher can then really see how they're performing with regard to the classroom goals.'

Collectively, Oncore uses a collection of data to assess learning as its taking place, which helps give teachers feedback on their own instruction, Rosenkranz said.

"I call the information one touch data, impressionistic formative assessment data," he said. "It lets teachers create heterogenous or homogenous student groups and helps engage students equitably."

Students who have been in Rosenkranz's class such as senior Hamza Mirza, understand the importance Oncore brings to classroom management.

"It contributes to the participation grade pretty fairly and I think it's probably better at making more student contributes than the usual 'raising your hand'," Mirza said.

The biggest benefit of Oncore is the collaborative nature the app carries, which brings people together to solve problems as a group, Mirza said.

"I think it's cool how I'm able to be in a group with people I don't really talk to," he said.

The original idea for easing student-teacher interactions originated from the frustrations with the direction of educational technology, Rosenkranz said.

"I had a bit of an epiphany, and it took around three to four months to find a partner who could help develop it," he said. "Now, four years later, we have a very strong group of consistent users nationwide.'

Over the last year, usage rates skyrocketed 1000% and there are currently around 1400 registered users, Rosenkranz said. "We've really done no marketing

to speak of so it's kind of organically growing," he said.

Ultimately, Rosenkranz believes that Oncore pushed him to do things in a different, yet beneficial way.

"There are things I've never done efficiently that I now do consistently and effectively with the app."





### Flutists take CENTER STAG



### Finding her forte through playing music

**MINJI KIM** 

Staff Reporter

Eight, 12 and 16 seconds. Time passed as sophomore Chloe Lee practiced holding her breath, beginning her first flute experience at 5 years of age. "My mom originally made me [take flute

lessons] as an addition to piano," Lee said. Since age 7, Lee has been performing in competitions and orchestras as well as making as

ing to formal parties associated with her father. "I don't really like getting paid because I'm not a professional and I don't feel worthy [of the money]," Lee said.

much as \$50, performing at meetings and go-

"But it's nice to have the extra money." Competing as a young child and participating in yearly auditions for' an orchestra group, Lee impressed her flute teacher with her passion and determination.

"[Lee] loves playing and creating music with her flute," said flute teacher Sujin Hong, who first started instructing Lee with the flute since the age of 11. "I would like for her to be a flute major since she has a lot of potential."

By age 11, Lee took the step in auditioning for and being accepted into the Orange County Youth Orchestra [OC-CYO], an Irvine-based Christian organization established in 1989 to provide an enriching musical experience to children through the instrument they want to play.

She became second chair the OCCYO and volunteers young performers once a week.

"OCCYO is not only an orchestra, but it's also an organization where they teach kids to play instruments," she said. "People in orchestra get to participate in teaching kids who cannot afford lessons."

Although Lee has begun her flute experience at an early age, she advised those who are arriving late into the flute-playing

business that it is never too late to start. "If I had to give advice, it would be to practice every day because if you stop for a couple of days, then the quality of your sound can get worse," she said.

Besides her contributions to the orchestra group, Lee has earned \$20-50 performing at venues, such as parties, depending on the amount of time she stays.

"I usually go with a friend [who] plays the violin or the piano," Lee said. "It takes responsibility and professionalism to perform for a large group of people."

Regardless of the medical path Lee hopes to pursue in the future, OCCYO has proven to enlighten her musical abilities and experiences.

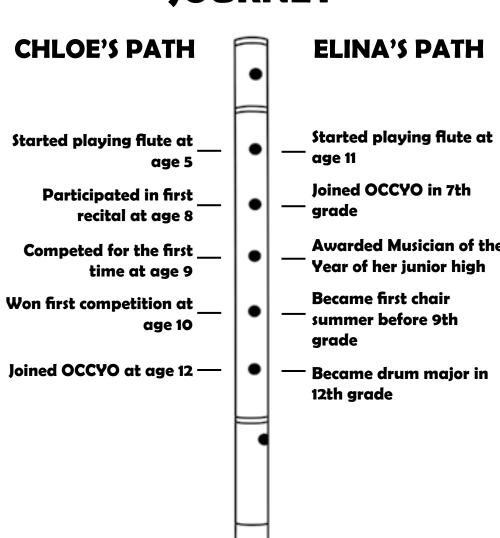
"As a flutist and a member of the orchestra, I learned so much, and [I] really value the beauty of music," Lee said. "Although I want to take a different path in my career, this musical experience is something I will never forget."



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READY TO PERFORM: Sophomore Chloe Lee (second row, left) and senior Elina Wang (top row, right) pose for a group picture with OCCYO members.

### THEIR INSTRUMENTAL **JOURNEY**



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### Performer hits all of the correct notes

**CAMRYN PAK** 

Asst. Feature Editor

Sitting in front of hundreds of people, senior Elina Wang takes a deep breath and anxiously lifts up a silver, cylindrical instrument, pressing it to her lips as she begins to play.

Wang, who has been playing the flute for six years, first desired to learn because of her mother's dream. "[My mom] showed me a video of what a flute was and how it sounded like, and when

I listened to the video, I thought it sounded really pretty," she said. "[That is why] I agreed to learning how to play the flute." Wang has held the first chair position in the Orange County Community Youth Orchestra [OCCYO] since the

before ninth "Being first chair is basically being the best in the [flute] section," she said. "I felt proud once I found out that I became first chair because it felt as if all my hard work finally paid off."

Through the volunteer opportunities that the OCCYO presented her with, Wang was able to teach many underprivileged kids throughout Orange County about music.

"After practice, a group of people stay to teach little kids from a Mexican church next to our building in Anaheim," she said. "We teach them [about] music theory and about how to play different instruments like violin, piano, drums and the flute."

After teaching these children how to play, the OCCYO holds biannual concerts to showcase the young instrumentalists' newly learned skills.

"The past two concerts were both successes because the parents were able to see what their kids have been working on every Saturday, and the kids were able to enjoy playing," Wang said. "It also made me feel proud of these kids because they worked really hard, and I'm glad to be part of this experience for them."

In addition to being first chair of the orchestra, Wang is also the drum major of Sunny Hills High School's Lancer Regiment marching band.

"Both [marching band and the OCCYO] require a lot of commitment, but if you really enjoy what you're doing, then it's a lot of fun," she said. "I enjoy playing for both groups."

Wang dreamed of becoming drum major since her sophomore year in high school.

"I wanted to try being drum major because [as a drum major], I get to lead and work with everyone in the whole marching band," she said. "I had to conduct in front of the class, play a solo and have an interview for the audition."

Being part of both the OCCYO and the Lancer Regiment helped Wang discover her love for music, and she hopes to continue playing for the rest of her life.

"Music gave me the confidence to believe in myself and always try my best," she said. "I would like to play flute in the future whenever I have the chance to."

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### JARMAN LEAVES LEGACY

HANNAH YI

Staff Reporter

After 15 years of coaching softball—the longest tenure among current walk-on coaches at Sunny Hills-Art Jarman has decided to retire from the team for the 2017-2018 season.



"There were a number of factors

contributing to [my decision of retirement]," Jarman wrote in an email statement to The Accolade. "I wanted to make sure that when I left, the incoming coach had a very good team, and I also felt that it was more difficult for me to help the players become their very best."

Returning players said they were notified of Jarman's decision at the beginning of the school year.

"I'm sad to see him go, but this just opens up an opportunity for the future Lancers to thrive under new leadership," catcher senior Kathleen Valenzuela said.

Softball parent booster Mike Ramirez said he was saddened by news of the coach's retirement since Jarman and the girls had a special bond.

"Jarman seemed to know what he was doing all the time, and he sion that exists with took the game for what it was," Ramirez said. "He didn't make it a job for the girls; instead, he made [the games and practices] really fun."

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District officially started the search for Jarman's replacement Aug. 24, and

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anyone interested can apply through edjoin.

"I will miss the ten-

every pitch in a close-

ly contested game..."

retired softball coach

-Art Jarman

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org until Sept. 14, according to a district email. "We will miss coach Jarman but are thank-

ful for the leadership and dedication he brought to Lancer softball," athletics director Jon Caffrey said. "My only hope is that we can find a coach with the same passion and commitment moving forward."

While the process of replacing Jarman is taking place, principal Allen Whitten expressed his sympathy for the loss of -a valuable staff member.

and we'll miss him because he was a great coach," Whitten said.

LAST TEAM PHOTO: Coach Art Jarman (center) poses with his softball team to celebrate the Lady Lancers' victory over La

Habra last season. Jarman guided Sunny Hills softball for 15 years before retiring at the end of the 2016-17 campaign.

Jarman's greatness during his coaching years include 225 wins and 105 losses, 105 wins in the Freeway League, 35 losses from 11 trips to CIF playoffs, seven league championships and one CIF runner-up.

"The most significant win was at La Habra's field twice, and the most stinging loss was to Troy at home in 2017, knocking us out of league championship," Jarman said.

Another reason for Jarman's decision to leave the diamond is to watch his grandchildren play softball and baseball from the stands rather than from the dugout, where he had been coaching for nearly two decades.

"I had missed many of [my grandchildren's] "We were kind of shocked that he resigned, games because of my commitment," he said.

Shortstop senior Taylor Okada said she will not only remember Jarman's coaching abilities, but also his kind-hearted personality.

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"I am kind of sad that he is leaving, but I am also happy for him because now he will get to spend more time with his grandchildren," Okada said. "He really cared for us no matter how much we put him through."

Although Jarman has left Sunny Hills, he said he will cherish the memories he had with his teams for a lifetime.

"I will miss taco nights, visits to In-N-Out and Sizzler, the association with the wonderful and talented young women who play the sport of softball," he said. "I will miss the tension that exists with every pitch in a closely contested game, and I will miss the thrill of victory. "



Sophomore Luke Duxbury kicks off his first varsity season as the team's quarterback and trains hard to perform on game day. Duxbury's work ethics have also caught the eye of head football coach Peter Karavedas.

**HANNAH YI** 

Ready, set, hike! Lancer footsophomore quarterback, Luke Duxbury, launches into the field, dash-

Staff Reporter



sophomore *luke*Duxbury football quarterback

with rigor into his first game.

"Being the only sophomore player on the team makes me feel really honored and special," Duxbury said.

During football tryouts, his impressive execution of plays caught head football coach Peter Karavedas' attention.

"It's always interesting when you have a young guy in that type of position, but he played really well in our first game," Karavedas said. "The combination of his experience and the players he has around him [allows him to score lots of touchdowns]."

Though he finds many differences in the gameplay, his exceptional performance assures his place on the team.

"Because I'm in varsity now, the competition is higher, and it's just a faster play," said Duxbury, who played for the freshman team last season.

"Since I've been playing for a long time, I felt confident that I would do well."

As Karavedas holds confidence for him, Duxbury also has faith in himself and keeps a positive attitude to push himself to be the best by working hard during school practices.

"I have a very high energy, and there's a lot of moving around," Duxbury said. "You have to stay focused during practices and get ready to run a lot."

Adding to Duxbury's productive practices, Karavedas conditions his players through intense and strict training.

"[The team practices for] four hours for most of the days between meetings, weightlifting and field practice, and all summer long they were putting in three hours a day between weightlifting and practice," Karavedas said. "There's a lot that goes into this sport."

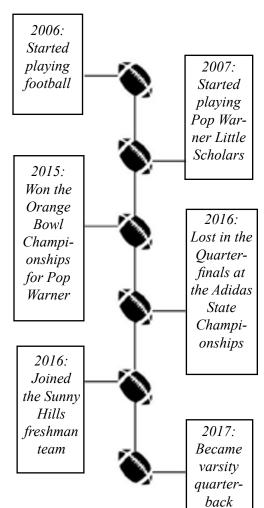
Though the team physically and mentally trained for each game, Karavedas shows the team multiple areas of improvement and new strategies through other means.

"They watched a lot of films," he said. With the hard work to win his games, he is excited to see what is next for him during his football career.

"With the team this season, I am very optimistic that we will go far into playoffs," Dux-

Along with his high anticipation for future games, Duxbury holds his values—hard work

and dedication—deeply. "I've learned that whatever I do, I should try to be the best at it, and when I set my mind on something, I work hard until I achieve that goal," he said.



### JYI: Staff leave lasting memory

JANA YI

Sports Editor

Throughout my life, I have worked with many different teachers in and out of school, and I have constantly seen many of



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them move on to bigger things. In previous years, I did not think much of the changing staff, but I saw the impact these adults left on me and o ther students. They positively impacted us by revealing various perspectives on learning. As The Accolade constantly writes stories about the adults who leave and enter Sunny Hills, we can clearly see their memorable qualities.

The staff may not always connect with all of their students, but they continue to encourage them. Even with teachers who have retired, we can see that they have dedicated much effort during their time in Sunny Hills.

Like math teacher Dawn Bova, softball coach Art Jarman sadly retired at the end of the 2016-17 school year, leaving a 15-year legacy as the longest tenured walk-on coach on campus. Among his major successes include SH alumna Shay Knighten, whom ESPN nominated for an ESPY award for her outstanding performance in helping her Oklahoma team repeat as NCAA softball Women's College World Series champions earlier this summer. Though he has not specifically affected me, Jarman has helped many softball players through coaching, including catcher senior Kathleen Valenzuela.

"He showed me how to be a team player," Valenzuela said. "And ensured that we always had our annual taco night in the beginning of season."

The mark Jarman left on his team as well as Sunny Hills will remain for years to come. He is no longer a staff member here, but I would suggest the first pitch of the 2017-18 season should be thrown by Jarman, dedicating the season in his honor to say farewell.

### LANCERS UNDEFEATED

#### JONATHAN KIM

Staff Reporter

With a 40-3 blowout victory, the Lancers defeated the Dana Hills High School Dolphins in an away conference game at Dana Hills

Friday night's game, a rematch from last year when the Lancers defeated the Dolphins in a 34-17 victory, showed not only that the Lancers improved their individual skills, but also their ability to work as a team.

The Dolphins took advantage of the Lancers' slow start, scoring the first points of the game on a field goal, but the team improved its defensive and offensive plays, marking key turning points.

"I feel great about [our team's victory] because [initially], we started off slow," running back, wide receiver and free safety senior Alex Jung said. "But once [the Dolphins] made the first field goal, it amped us up and we just took off from there."

The team's win against the Dolphins left head football coach Peter Karavedas impressed, as Jung broke three school records and rushed for a total of 407 yards, scoring six touchdowns on 27 car-

"The boys played very well and hard, and [our staff] emphasizes being physical, [which] they did," Karavedas said.

Despite the football team's success, the coach understands that the team must not let any past losses from the previous season weigh them down and rather feels there is much to improve on individually, as well as a whole, before the Lancers play their next game.

"There were some things that



**SPRINTING TO THE END FIELD:** Running back senior Alex Jung races across the field during the Sept. 1 football game at Dana Hills High School. The Lancers won in a blowout, 40-3.

we needed to clean up and improve on defensively, [especially] our pass coverage," Karavedas said. "We're not looking at anybody other than Dana Hills, and we're not looking back [or] looking forward; we're just looking at the current schedule."

The Lancers' discipline and confidence coming into each game has improved through the numerous summer workouts; they are less distracted by their opponents and more focused on what needs to be done,

"It's more about our job and whether we executed our assignments, as opposed to worrying about the other team so much," the coach

said. "If we do that, then we're going to be in a good spot."

Prior to the start of the season, Karavedas prepared the Lancers for their upcoming games through eight weeks of weight training, including five weeks of summer workouts and three weeks of lifting and speed

"Since January, they put in a ton of time for eight months to prepare for their season," Karavedas said.

Even with the team's two-game winning streak, offensive and defensive tackle senior Marquis Knighten believes the team has room for improvement.

"Overall, I feel we have a very

good and well-experienced team that can execute every play [with] very little mistakes," Knighten said. "But we still have a lot of work to do to get where we want to be."

#### **GAME MVPS**

- Running back, wide receiver and free safety senior Alex Jung
- Tight and defensive end senior Tushar Soni
- Quarterback and strong safety sophomore Billy Bowman

### Cross country places

**CHRISTINE CHOI** 

Staff Reporter

The Sunny Hills boys cross country team placed second out of 22 teams, while the girls placed fifth out of 17 teams at the Riverside Poly Showcase on Sept. 2.

Last year, the boys team won every race in league, along with placing first on all five levels at Freeway League Finals.

"We're looking to repeat our championships in league in all of the levels," head coach Daniel Scott said. "Girls are looking to make CIF Finals for three years in a row, and the boys are looking to make CIF for two years in a row and possible state."

At the showcase, the runners synergized well as a team, which caused them to work together and finish the race strong, runner junior Nisha Desai said.

"As a whole, everyone on our team did really well, especially for the first race of the school year," Desai said. "It's definitely an encouraging start to our season."

In hopes to continue their fifth consecutive league title and improve mentally and physically, the runners practiced every day during the summer and spent one week at Mammoth in July, runner senior Gideon Pichardo said.

"Along with the speed workouts, we weightlifted in the mornings ... to build more muscle," Pichardo said. "[Training at Mammoth] helped us build endurance, but it also helped us grow closer as a team."

### FEATURE ATHLETE

### Runner senior Gideon Pichardo runs long distances to reach his goals

#### **ANDREW HONG**

Staff Reporter

junior

As the fastest runner and captain for the Sunny Hills boys cross country team, senior Gideon Pichardo hopes for the team to place in competition during his last year of high school.

"As a team, I would gideon Pichardo like for us to be champions on all levels and for the varsity boys to make it to state cham-

cross country captain pionship," Pichardo said.

Using his strong determination and motivation for the sport, he encourages his teammates daily as a leader.

"I try to come out every day and be a good role model for the rest of the team so that we can play at our highest level," Pichardo said.

Runner senior Erick Sanchez, one of his closest friends, noticed how much of a dedicated leader Pichardo is during practices and

"Every time we do workouts, he makes sure to do demonstrations beforehand so that we understand the concept," Sanchez said. "Even when we get lost while running during games, he always knows where to go to get back on track."

The team's respect and admiration for Pichardo comes from his consistent principles, on and off the track, runner senior Hamza Mirza said.

"[He is] a hard worker and a leader who inspires and encourages everyone to push to their limits," Mirza said. "Next generation runners will miss out on having a great athlete who is a great friend, kind person, hard worker, and [competitive] but modest person."

Ever since freshman year, Pichardo was always determined to improve physically and mentally, Sanchez said.

"[He came] to every morning weight session and weekend practice, giving his 100 percent in our speed workouts and taking care of himself at home by means of stretching [and icing]," Sanchez said. "He's been the most consistent and has always been improving throughout the years."

On top of possessing strong, leadership characteristics, Pichardo also has multiple accomplishments under his shoes such as recently placing fifth in the 2017 Riverside Showcase Cross Country meet and placing third in the Woodbridge Cross Country invitational.

Noticing his talent and dedication for the sport, cross country head coach Daniel Scott knew from the start that he was a skilled athlete who had notential to become a star on the team. "I realized Gideon approached [the sport]

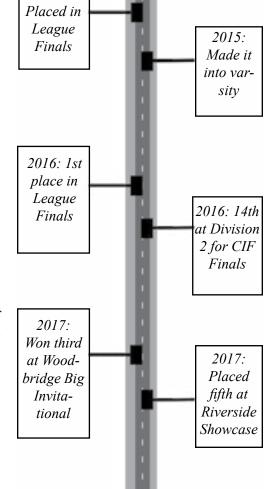
differently his freshman year," Scott said. "He conducts himself like he has been running for years [and] has a sense of professionalism to him." Pichardo achieved a 4:46 mile time as

a freshman, as well as placing fifth place in Freeway League Finals in his first year, and he has been improving steadily in his last year of high school, proving his capabilities to Scott in every practice.

Though Pichardo has been steadily improving since his first day on the cross country team, Scott said he has always thought of Pichardo as one of the top runners on the team because of his hard work and dedication to cross country.

"I feel like I have coached a professional runner for the [past three] years," he said. "[We] will miss his sense of pride and [remember] what he has done for the team."

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#### WARNING! GAMES ARE

### COMING

#### **GIRLS TENNIS**

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When: Sept. 8-9 at 6 p.m. Against: Dave Mohs Tournament Where: Fountain Valley

#### **BOYS WATER POLO**

When: Sept. 14-16 at 1 p.m. Against: Servite Varsity Tournament Where: Servite

#### CROSS COUNTRY

When: Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. Against: Woodbridge Invitational Where: Woodward Park