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STRIKE AVERTED

CTU accepts last minute agreement

NEWS Nation watches as 3rd largest school district in US narrowly avoids second teacher strike in 4 years

By Patrick Burke
Editor-in-Chief

As the minutes before the midnight deadline for the strike counted down, students, parents, and teachers in Chicago waited with bated breath for the announcement. For my fellow students who followed the proceedings until its midnight deadline, I'm sure there was a mixture of feelings at the announcement. I would wager most of us prepared for a long break, then faced the prospect of a six hours of rest night. But let's look to the future and at what this last minute deal has brought us.

Mr. Benjamin Coyle is a special education teacher at Hubbard and a Chicago Teachers Union (CTU) Representative. He serves as the chairman for the legislative union, a union delegate, and most recently a representative in the 40 member bargaining team at the negotiation between Chicago Public Schools (CPS) and the CTU. Regarding the contract, he stated that the teachers got everything they asked for and was quite happy with the results. But what exactly does this mean for the teachers? What did they win?

Mr. Coyle was a member of the team that negotiated, line by line, the new contract. The last minute contract essentially does three things:

1. Protect educators from further cuts. This translates into the following:

- Smaller classes
- Protects special education classes
- Allows for wrap-around services from Paraprofessionals and School-related Personnel (PSRP). These include social services, librarians, nurses, and psychologists
- 2. Protect experience and diversity
 - Puts an end to excessive layoffs
 - Reforms the REACH test evaluations
 - Does away with student-based budgeting
 - Stops expansion of charter schools
- 3. Prioritize school economics
 - Transparency on the Tax Increment Financing (TIF)

The deal is still until it is approved by the CTU House of Delegates. After this, the contract goes to teachers who will vote on October 31, and requires a majority vote to go into effect.

Regarding the chances of it passing, Mr. Coyle remained optimistic and gave the parting proclamation, "Injustice to the most vulnerable was averted, not a strike."

Food for thought as we steer into what looks to be quite the promising future for teachers and students.

**"Injustice to the most vulnerable was averted, not a strike."
Mr. Benjamin Coyle**



Uncertainty was in the air as students and teachers enter Hubbard a week before the strike deadline. Teachers were passing out fliers to parents in the rain during their "Walk-In" before school started.

Memorial Garden Atrium Dedication Ceremony for Fallen Officer

By Patrick Burke
Editor-in-Chief

In the early morning of June 30th, 2001, Chicago police Officer Brian T. Strouse was gunned down during surveillance of gang activity near West 18th Place and South Loomis. While working in plainclothes, Officer Strouse approached an alley around 2 a.m. when shots were heard. After ordering the culprit to drop their gun, five more shots were fired, one of which fatally struck the officer. His death was a tragic loss to his family and the community.

But thanks to efforts of fellow Officer John Catazara, his memory will live on at Hubbard High School. Officer Catazara, at much cost to himself, built a memorial pond in the atrium of the school. The pond was formally dedicated to the fallen officer on June 30th to commemorate the 15th anniversary of his death. The dedication drew a large audience ranging from friends and family, to current officers and staff.

Officer Catazara spoke about his fallen comrade. Officer Strouse was his class commander. He was described as outgoing and approachable. "The kind of guy to get out of his car to speak

with people when that was still a novel idea."

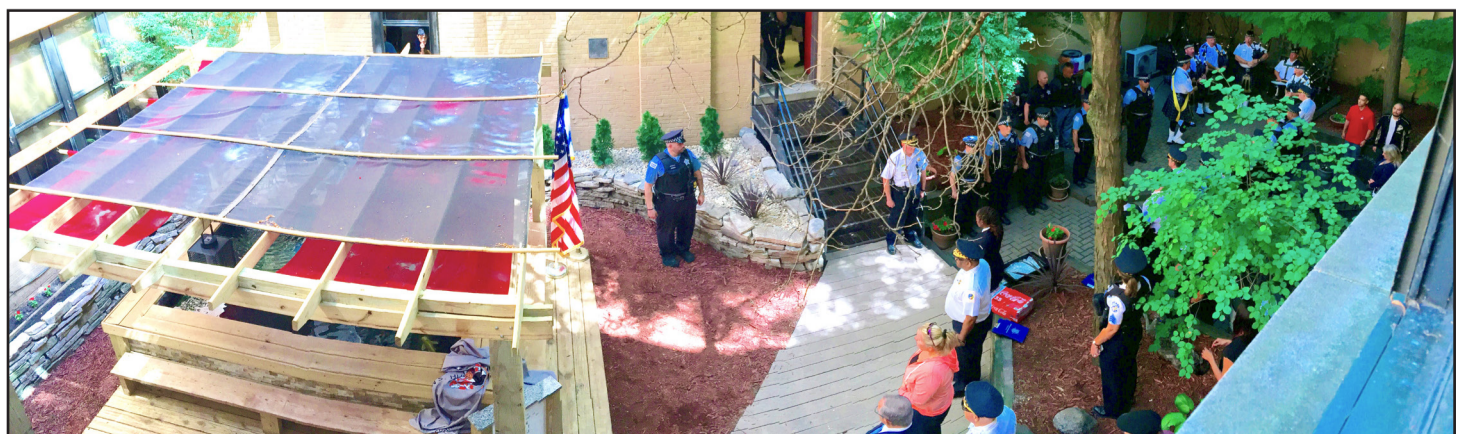
He wanted to make a difference in the community and did whatever he could to be the example. Given the frayed relationships police have had in any neighborhood with high crime rates, he was the one who built bridges in the community.

As for the pond itself and the meaning behind it, Officer Catazara views it as a place of reflection. "Kids around here probably never saw something like the pond. It gives them a chance to experience something new," Officer Catazara shared. The reason for the koi fish is that they represent peace, something he hopes will inspire students.

He also hopes to allow underclassmen with perfect attendance access as well. He feels it's a way to give back to the community.



Students and teachers at school for the summer witness a moving ceremony. Officer Strouse's sister, Kathy, gives Officer Catazara a hug at the end of the dedication.



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HUBBARD LEVELS UP

A Letter to the Hubbard Community

First of all, I am proud of the hard work and dedication of the staff and students in raising the performance level of Hubbard to a Level 1. There are many factors that contribute to the rating, including student academic growth, graduation, post-secondary success, progress to graduation, My Voice, My School Survey, and data quality.

Hubbard is a wonderful school. Although funding is an issue, I feel that we direct the money that we are allocated to provide for the needs of the teachers and students. We offer many diverse programs at Hubbard so that all students will be engaged no matter their background.

I consider the Hubbard community a “family”; we work together to be successful. Because of this positive culture and climate, students want to come to school and learn and teachers and staff are happy to work here. Our attendance rate has consistently been over 92% for students and 98% for teachers which has factored into our Level 1 rating.

Our mission at Hubbard is to prepare students to be college and career ready. College acceptance is a key factor in our rating. Starting freshmen year, our seminar classes are designed to encourage and excite students about the post-secondary opportunities that can be achieved.

Being a Level 1 school has its advantages. First of all, it is an indication of excellence. I have found that many students and their parents are excited to be part of the Hubbard Community.

I want to thank all the students of Hubbard for their contribution to making Hubbard a Level 1 school. With the continuing hard work of all stakeholders, Hubbard will be a Level 1+ school in the near future.

Ms. Nancy Wiley, Hubbard principal



Socktober Changes Lives

Mr. K and Tomorrow's Legacy Club raise money to change lives around the world

By Ricardo Silva and Malik Palmer

According to LIMBS International, Gabrilla was 19 years old when Revolutionary United Front rebels invaded Gabrilla's village to seize diamonds. A rebel named 'Killer' forced him to choose between two slips labeled “short sleeves” and “long sleeves”, which would determine how much of a limb the rebel would hack off. Gabrilla chose the “short” slip and Killer used his machete to hack off “only” a foot instead of the entire leg. Gabrilla survived but was crippled. LIMBS International gave Gabrilla a prosthetic leg which changed his life.

There are thousands of stories like Gabrilla's around the world. Some people lose limbs through infections or stepping on a landmine changing their lives forever. The lack of money and medical care means these victims will be unable to perform basic

functions and dramatically decrease their quality of life.

While Mr. Krzysztofiak was in training in Florida for the IB program, he saw a LIMBS presentation and believed Hubbard's students could help.

Mr. Krzysztofiak sponsors Tomorrow's Legacy, a service club that helps out locally and globally. LIMBS works on a grand scale which is what attracted Mr. Krzysztofiak to the program. The program was introduced to the club as a project and Tomorrow's Legacy organized the SOCTOBER Drive. For every 75 sets of socks sold, LIMBS donates a prosthetic to someone in need. For every pair of socks sold, LIMBS sends a pair of warm socks for the club to donate to a local homeless shelter.

Socktober is a month long fundraiser. You can help by purchasing socks online to raise money for Limbs International to help amputees receive prosthetic legs. For every 75 sets of socks sold, Limbs International can provide a prosthetic limb to an amputee. Many schools are involved in spreading the word about the needs of amputees. You can help by visiting their website (www.limbsinternational.org), or see Mr. Krzysztofiak in room 203.

The Tomorrow's Legacy Club has raised about \$2,000, which was enough to change two lives by donating two prosthetic limbs and about 150 socks to a local shelter.

Hacked Hubbard Files Held for Ransom



with bitcoins.

The recent attack on Hubbard affected teachers and students who saved work to the S: drive.

Mr. Michael Shunt, Yearbook and Graphic Design teacher, had years worth of files disappear. Shunt noticed his files were missing during his Yearbook class.

“It was 5 years of lesson planning, quizzes, and photographs,” he said. “When I put together what had happened, I sat down and stared blankly at my computer.”

Regarding what he will do about the lost material, Mr. Shunt only replied, “You can only move forward...”

Hubbard's Technical Coordinator Manny Derat explained that groups of hackers attack rich and profitable corporations in attempts to collect thousands and even millions of dollars. While the preference of their attacks are towards the wealthy, small business are in danger as well.

According to Derat, there are many ways this dangerous trojan can infect your computer. Be aware of suspicious emails, unknown and untrusted websites, and fake url links.

“It is difficult to pinpoint the entrance of the ransomware,” Derat stated. “CPS says it might have been an external laptop brought in and joined in the schools network.”

He explained, “What it does is that it scans all the files and locks documents starting with .doc and .exe”.

The question remains, if you pay the ransom, do you always get your files back?

“No you don't,” Derat said. “The FBI recommends you not pay because the hackers will not return your data.”

Your best bet to keep from losing important files is to make multiple back-ups on separate hard drives and on the cloud such as Google Drive.

By Mark Garcia
September 25, 2016

Hubbard teachers, staff, and students returned from summer break to discover that files saved on the school network's S: drive were locked as a result of a malicious ransomware attack.

Ransomware is a computer virus that prevents users from accessing files unless they pay the attacker

Are You a Dreamer?

By Itzel Chavez

We all dream of going to college, but for undocumented students, it's harder to get the same support as U.S. citizens. Thanks to DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals), if you fulfill the requirements to complete the application, you are eligible to obtain a driver's license and a renewable 2 year work permit.

While DACA does not provide lawful status, it provides a temporary option until a comprehensive immigration reform (such as the Dream Act, which would have provided steps to permanent residency) can be passed.

Stephanie Montanez, a 2016 Hubbard graduate, overcame her fear of saying, "Yes, I am undocumented" once she saw the help and opportunities for undocumented people in Chicago. She says, "It did take a couple of months to get everything after all my paperwork was in." It then took five more months to receive her documents.

Stephanie was president of the Dreamer Club while at Hubbard High School, and she came back again this year to help students achieve their dreams and not be stopped due to their fear of "La Migra" (a slang for U.S. immigration law enforcement agencies).

According to the Official Website of the Department of Homeland Security, you must have arrived before the age of 16, lived in the US continuously since 2007, currently in school, and no serious convictions. The application costs \$465. You should be aware that there are many immigration scams. Be informed before accepting help or paying any lawyer who may not be accredited to give you advice.

The Dreamers Club is sponsored by Mrs. Daniela Serrano and Mrs. Fabiola Serrano who will help students find resources to apply for DACA as well as immigration reform advocacy.

The next meeting will be November 16 after your 8th period in room 308. Hope to see you there!

Haunted Basement

Is Hubbard's basement really haunted? Our reporters got to see for themselves.

By Daniela Medina & Kelsey Herrera
10/18/2016

the Hubbard building, but more on that some other time.

As we walked down the first dark hall, I noticed the number six written in the dust three times including a pentagram underneath it. On another window, there were baby-sized foot prints, but we clearly saw that they weren't real due to the fact how far apart the toes seemed to be rather than just being on top of the footprint. There was also no dust covering it which meant someone recently made it.

On the other hand, there were two more above that false print which actually seem to be real because the last toe was attached to the bottom of the foot and plenty of dust almost covering the very first baby footprint. These bits and pieces looked to be something I'd like to discuss with my classmates or just analyze later on, so I took a picture. As I was standing in front of the windows focusing my camera, the light to my left flickered and after the second flicker, I felt a presence behind me.

We wanted to know more so we thought about the best source of information. Who knows more about Hubbard's history than someone who's been here the longest: Law teacher,

Mr. Fitzgerald. We asked Mr. Fitz about the infamous history of Hubbard's basement. We mentioned the rumor that's been told around school about a young girl who drowned in the pool and whose body was never found.

"We've had a couple of drownings in the pool," Mr. Fitz said. "Every year at Halloween, somebody says, 'Oh, Hubbard's haunted!'"

"They've been making that story up for so long," Mr. Fitz added, "and it only comes up on Halloween. No, we're not haunted. I've been down in the basement before and nothing goes on."

After seeing the basement for ourselves, whether the basement is haunted or not is really up to you to decide.



Editor's Note: Please do not go into the basement without permission and supervision of faculty or staff. There will be serious consequences for entering the basement from something scarier than a ghost: Ms. Wiley, Mr. Crotty, and your parent/guardian in an office together.

Everyone is familiar with what goes on in the top three floors of Hubbard. Once that bell rings, it's complete chaos as students try to rush to class in a stampede. One thing no one is familiar with is what happens in the basement. There are rumors that it is haunted.

Is there really a ghost or is it just an urban myth? We got the inside scoop when Mr. Elton Harris, head football coach (also known as Coach E), gave us access and a tour to the basement and see the "creepiness" for ourselves. Coach E also took the time to give us a full tour, which then turned into a history lesson about

We challenged Mr. Kleckner's students to submit scary stories in under 2 sentences. Which one is your favorite?

Mr. Kleckner's



Creative Writing Class

As I went to sleep, my dad came to kiss me goodnight. I live with my mom and my dad died before I was born.
~Luis Lopez-Olguin

I saw a shadow around the corner. I turned the corner to see no person, just a shadow running away.
~VITO COSTANZA

You always hear the saying we all have skeletons in our closets. For him they were under his basement.
Jasmine Pantoja

You're told that when you open your eyes, you'll see your worst fear. You open your eyes and you see yourself.
~Maria Gamez

R.I.P.

I walk past the bathroom to see my only sister fixing her hair, I keep walking to get to the kitchen. When I get there, I see my sister making a sandwich.
~Natalie Acocer

R.I.P.

I stand before the fiery gate of hell, when I enter there are demons in every corner stopping the sinners from leaving and sending 30 people into a room to be tortured with blood and knives, but eventually realize that I'm in school.
~Esmeralda Gutierrez

R.I.P.

"I want to play with the little boy downstairs," the two year old said as he toddled down the dark staircase. Without thinking much of it I put him in his crib to sleep, until I heard little footsteps in the kitchen accompanied by the shadow of a small child with a sinister laugh..
~Abigail Kremer

R.I.P.

My best friend and I decided to play hide and seek in the woods. While searching for her, she yells out "look a body"! I took a look and saw that it was my best friend lying there
~Jocelyn Meza

HUBBARD WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS AND STAFF

(and Familiar Faces in

New Roles)

By Darlene Bello and Majedi Judeh

Ms. Angelica Altamirano

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois

Hobbies: Spending time with families, movies, museum, and festivals
Position: Assistant Principal

How did your experience as an IB Coordinator, help you in your role as an assistant principal?

"My experience as an IB Coordinator helped me in many aspects. IB is like a school within a school. I had to manage students, teachers, and a budget. Now, I do the same except that it is ALL teachers and ALL students, not just IB. Being the IB Coordinator at Hubbard High School was an honor for me. It helped create the foundation for the Assistant Principal that I am today."



What do you expect to bring to the school as the assistant principal?

"What I expect to bring to Hubbard High School as the assistant principal is more parental and community involvement. My ultimate goal is to see parents fully involved: volunteering at the school and attending workshops and meetings. I want parents to feel comfortable coming through our doors and really understanding what is happening with their child's education. When I began as IB Coordinator, Ms. Wiley was a new administrator and her mission was to get parents involved at Hubbard. Ms. Phillips and I shared the same mission. I have worked for the past 4 years as the parent meeting coordinator and have seen the increase in parent participation at meetings and workshops. However,

Jean Biba Brown

Hometown: Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Hobbies: Rollerblading, gardening, and volleyball
Subject: New IB Coordinator

What is the most difficult part about teaching?

"The hardest part about teaching is probably grading all the essays because you want to give



good feedback, and it can take a lot of time."

When you were in high school or college, did you want to become a teacher?

"I always had teaching in the back of my mind; I use to play school in elementary school. I thought about being a journalist or a social worker, so being an English teacher is kind of a combination of those things."

Angela Derat

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois
Hobbies: Reading & building lego princess castles with her daughters
Position: Counselor

What is the hardest part about being a counselor?

"I think the hardest part about being a counselor is trying to get students to turn in their docu-



ments in a timely fashion!!"

When you were in high school or college did you want to be a counselor?

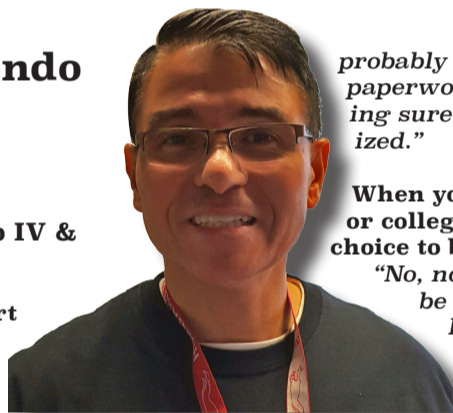
"I actually realized in high school that I wanted to be a counselor. But once in college, I decided to go into teaching first, get some experience in the education field and then continue into counseling after some time."

David Arredondo

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois
Hobbies: Hiking and biking
Subject: College Prep IV & Psychology

What is the hardest part about teaching?

"I think the hardest part about teaching is



probably keeping up with all the paperwork like grading, making sure that you stay organized."

When you were in high school or college, was your career choice to be a teacher?

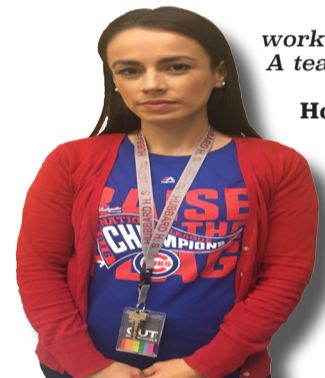
"No, no. I was actually gonna be a lawyer. I worked at a law firm for 14 years, so teaching is actually a second career for me."

Lucia Estrada

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois
Hobbies: Spending Quality time with family
Subjects: U.S. History and World Studies

What is the hardest part about teaching?

"The hardest part about teaching is that I feel like I'm always



working or thinking about work. A teacher's work is never done."

How do you like working at Hubbard?

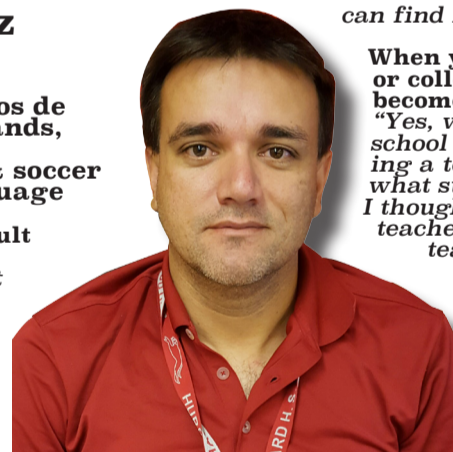
"Love everything about Hubbard."

Diogenes Diaz Camacho

Hometown: Los Llanos de Aridane, Canary Islands, Spain
Hobbies: Traveling & soccer
Subject: World Language

What is the most difficult part about teaching?

"The hardest part about teaching is sometimes to find the right motivation tool for keeping the students engaged as well as there are sometimes different levels of knowledge that you



can find in one class."

When you were in high school or college, did you want to become a teacher?

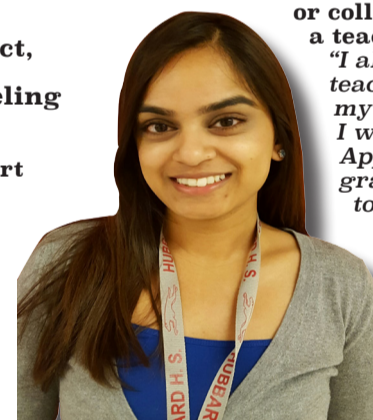
"Yes, when I was in high school I thought about being a teacher, I didn't know what subject but yes a teacher. I thought about being a P.E teacher or maybe an English teacher. I know I could help others understand and learn since I considered myself a person who was able to explain things properly and easily."

Husna Kidwai

Hometown: Mount Prospect, Illinois
Hobbies: Cooking & Traveling
Subject: Science

What is the most difficult part about teaching?

"I would say the hardest part about teaching is creating lesson plans that ensure the students will be engaged and learning at the same time. Getting papers graded and entered in a timely manner isn't the easiest thing either."



When you were in high school or college, did you want to become a teacher?

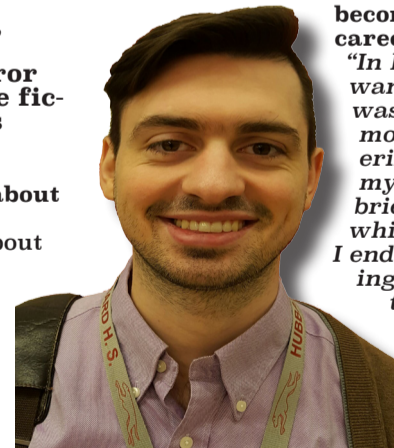
"I always knew I wanted to be a teacher since I loved school. In my senior year of high school, I was accepted into the Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois program and had the opportunity to spend many hours observing teachers and interacting with students at inner city schools. I continued to follow this path throughout my four years at DePaul. I'm happy to be a part of a great team at Hubbard!"

William Savoie

Hometown: Tampa Bay, Florida
Hobbies: Watching horror movies, reading science fiction and fantasy novels
Subject: English

What is the hardest part about teaching?

"I think the hardest part about teaching is finding activities that are more interesting to you kids than snapping chats or facing books. Back in my day, the coolest thing that cell phones could do run Tetris for 11 minutes before the battery died."



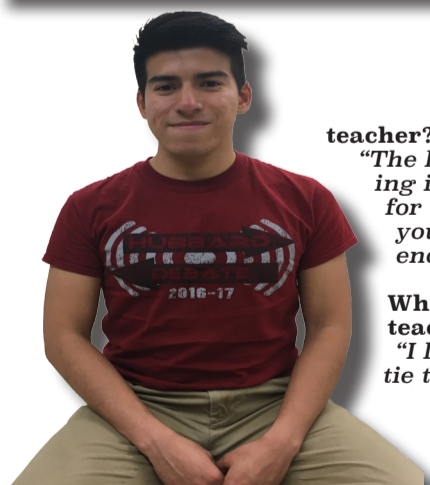
When you were in high school or college, did you want to become a teacher? If not, what career were you pursuing?

"In high school, I definitely didn't want to be a teacher. I thought it was so lame! I even got through most of college without considering it seriously. After I got my Bachelor's degree, I worked briefly as a substitute teacher while I figured my life out and I ended up having a lot of fun doing that. I think finding a job that doesn't seem like a job is the key to happiness and teaching can often feel like that." "If I wasn't teaching, I would probably be in law school, or I'd be making terrible horror movies."

Scott Centeno

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois
Hobbies: Video Games, Working out, Singing in a social group, Writing & Drawing
Subject: Algebra & Geometry

What is the most difficult part about being a



teacher?

"The hardest part of teaching is reflection. You hope for the best, and at times you feel your best is not enough."

What do you like about teaching?

"I love getting to wear a tie to work and getting to work with students after school like in

Consuelo Miranda

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois
Hobbies: Gym, Shopping, and family time
Subject: English and Pre-IB Writing

What is the most difficult part about being a teacher?

"The most difficult thing about being a teacher is staying organized. I always considered myself very organized, but that's what I've been struggling with the most. There are so many handouts, papers to collect, and papers to pass back. That's some-



thing I'm still trying to figure out"

When you were in high school or college, did you want to become a teacher?

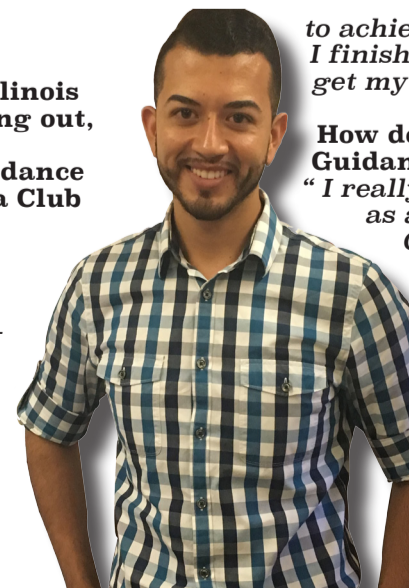
"I always knew I wanted to be a teacher, but it was in high school where I decided I wanted to be a high school English teacher. I had really great English teachers and some not so great ones, but because of all of them, I knew that this was the career I wanted to pursue."

Oscar Urbina

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois
Hobbies: Dance, working out, and listening to music
Position: Assistant Guidance Counselor and Bachata Club Director

How do you like working at Hubbard?

"I love working at Hubbard! I really never left since I graduated. I worked as a volunteer for a few years coaching Bachata Club, then I was officially hired for it, and a few years later I was able to get a job as a Hubbard employee which was always a goal



to achieve. I hope that as soon as I finish my master's degree, I can get my teaching job here also."

How do you like your job as a Guidance Counselor?

"I really enjoy my new position as an Assistant Guidance Counselor. I like the fact that I am much more involved with student's academics and keeping them on track to graduate. There is much more interaction with parents on a personal level and finding a way to better help their children be successful here at Hubbard."



Spirit Week 2016

By Jazmine Martinez and Jaqueline Ramirez-Nava

Hubbard's annual Spirit Week began Monday, October 3 with Pajama Day; Tuesday, Twin Day; Wednesday, Myths and Legends; Thursday, Throwback Thursday; and finally ending with Class T-Shirt day and the Pep Rally.

Some students felt it was pretty lackluster and that they should have had more interesting themes. For Myth and Legends day, only a few students dressed up. It may have been due to confusion about the theme. It would have been better if everyone participated in the events.

"Some of the days were pretty lame. Last year's Spirit Week was better. Things kinda changed," said Stephanie Barrios (Div. 903).

"I wish they would've kept Super-

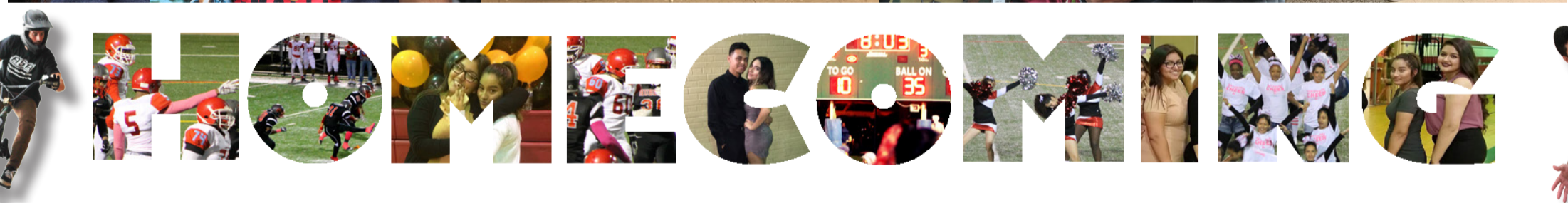
hero Day. Everything else was fine. I liked it, but I heard others saying that this year was dead," added Alma Hernandez (Div. 903).

The Pep Rally, on the other hand, was the best part of Spirit Week.

"It was better than last year's. Since I was a freshman and I didn't know a lot of people, it wasn't as exciting or fun as this year's. Seeing everyone happy and pumped up was really cool," said Emma Trujillo (Div. 907).

"It was a fun experience. It was my first time actually going to the pep rally. For sure, I am going next year," said Cristian Tejada (Div. 807).

With the rousing success of the Pep Rally bringing Spirit Week to a close, we'll call it a pretty good Spirit Week.



By Yaritza Saldivar, Jasmine Martinez, and Jaqueline Ramirez-Nava 10/24/2016

This year's Homecoming Dance was a haunted theme. The gym was decorated with black and orange balloons, and the backdrop was a haunted house with ghosts painted on them. The gym was packed with students and faculty who brought energy.

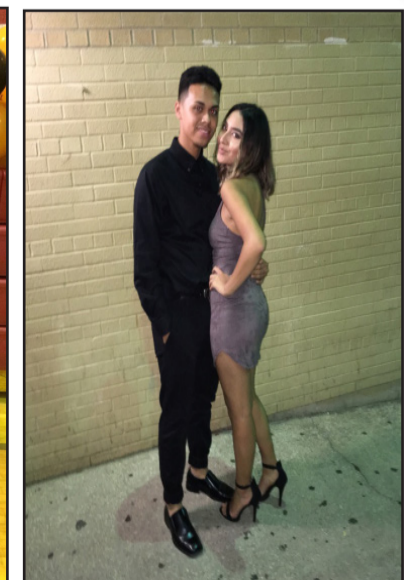
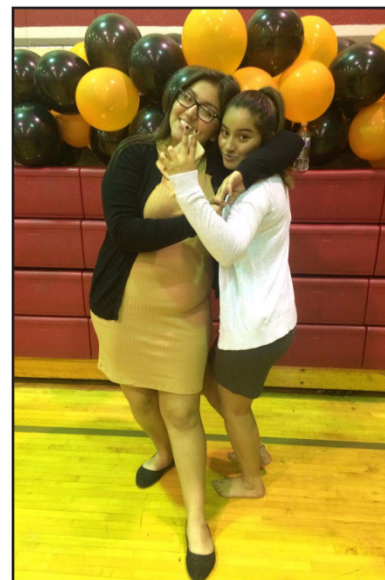
Once again, the Senior Student Council brought back the photo booth. Hubbard provided the students with hamburgers and drinks.

"I enjoyed it even if it was in the gym. I thought that the photo booth was great," said Natalie Luevano (Div. 712).

The DJ played a fantastic set with a wide variety of music. "Having to spend time with my friends at our last homecoming and dancing to almost every song was unforgettable," said Kenya Campos (Div. 707).

Daniela Sanchez (Div. 811) reflected on the dance. "It was an unforgettable night," she said, "especially spending it with my friends knowing this was their last homecoming."

Seeing students dance and having fun made this homecoming a night to remember.



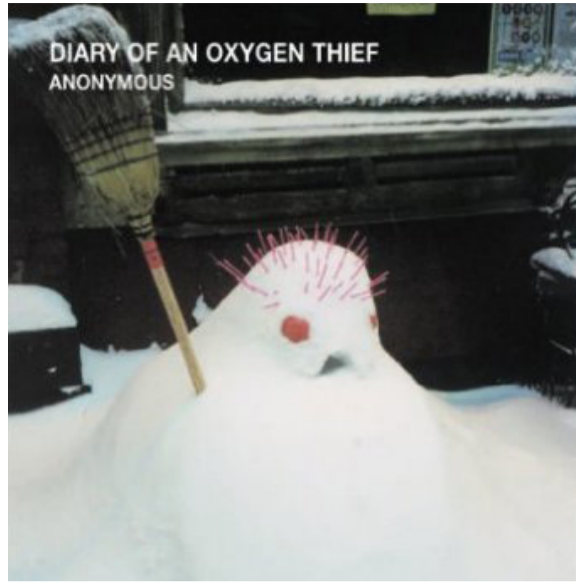
Diary of an Oxygen Thief

Book Review

By Veronica Ramirez

The book, "Diary of an Oxygen Thief", written by Anonymous, is notorious for its brutally honest and sadistic narrator. He targets young audiences in hopes of telling his life events from his point of view. Vengeance, as the author explains, is his motive for all the actions he commits in the book which in turn bites him right back. Karma does not show him mercy, and he is confronted with the possibility of paying the price for all the pain he had caused.

"Anonymous" is derived from "Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)." The author takes on this identity because he is member of the organization that helps recovering alcoholics. Being a part of the organization earns him an amazing



job opportunity in the States, or so he thought. It only took one girl for the stability of his life to come crashing down. He had fallen in love in with Aisling McCarthy.

But before Aisling McCarthy, there was Penelope Arlington. "And the one who started it all," the author states. She was the first girl that Anonymous had ever fallen in love with. They were in a long term relationship, but he threw it all away with his drinking problem and self-destruction. When he broke up with her, he didn't

expect her to be so kind to him. He wanted her to hate him, but she was not giving him that reaction. This causes the narrator to feel rejected in the sense that she didn't care enough to get angry. All she gave him was silence and that was what sends him on a rampage.

In hopes that he may be able to deal with his frustration, he inflicts the same pain he felt on other women. His strategy is to make his victims fall in love with him, and then when he thought the time was right, cut them loose in the most sadistic way possible. Anonymous had the upper hand because he knew all of their weaknesses. It became a game of who was able to fall for him the fastest.

When he met Aisling, it was an inconvenience to him because he was being confronted with the same issue he had avoided for so long. He states, "Romance has killed more people than cancer," to show the magnitude of the situation. Is she here to stay or is she a female reflection of himself? Will Anonymous decide to end his games or add her to his list of victims?

I disagreed a lot with the decisions that the author made throughout the book, such as revenge being the answer to the narrator's problems, but that is what brought the character to life. I found myself immersed in the novel due to the vast amounts of detail. The author made me feel as if I were there in the moment. I have never read a book as frank as this one. Overall, I enjoyed the suspenseful element. I give it a **B**.

Black Series Stormtrooper Helmet

Star Wars Collectible Review

By Mark Garcia

Fans of all ages are eagerly waiting for the December 16 release of Star Wars Rogue One: A Star Wars Story. Meanwhile, Hasbro is cashing in with their line of Black Series collectibles which includes action figures and prop replicas such as lightsabers and helmets.

The highlight of the Black Series is the Stormtrooper Helmet (\$79.95). Fortunately, I received the opportunity to unbox and wear it.

The smooth matte black box displays different angles of the helmet. This edition of the Imperial Stormtrooper comes in 3 pieces. Each piece is made of Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS) plastic that is individually wrapped in plastic. There were scratches and small dents on the dome of the helmet (from the mold injection points) and due to poor quality control by Hasbro.

However, to make up for the bad first impressions, the built quality and sturdiness is impressive. The quality of the paint details were well done with no overspray. But I was disappointed after putting it together. There was a noticeable gap at the rear of the helmet.

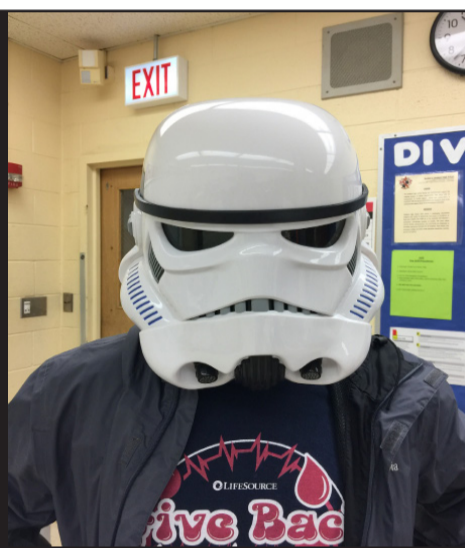
On the inside, there are 2 harnesses that adjust to fit any head size. I learned this the hard way because I thought it was too big for my head, and it wobbled like a bobble head. Surprisingly, the weight of the helmet was fairly light.

I checked how well I could move my head by looking side to side and up and down. Looking up wasn't a problem, but looking down was problematic due to the helmet hitting my chest.

The visibility is poor because the lens color is green and wavy. I took off the helmet to check to see if I missed taking a film off the lense, but I didn't.

There are vents in the nose area of the helmet, but it still gets hot. The helmet features a microphone for a voice changer. The mic pivots back and forth so the wearer can adjust it. For the best sound, you will have to move it so it touches your mouth. The overall quality of the sound, which comes from a speaker and battery pack in the rear, is terrible. All you will hear is a muffled sound.

Overall, I highly recommend the Black Series Stormtrooper helmet for the price and quality as a collector's display piece or as a Halloween costume. Comparable helmets made by other companies can start at over \$300 making this a pretty good deal for the novice collector.



BURGER BROTHERS

By Kelsey Herrera & Daniela Medina

10/17/16

Burger Brothers is a new restaurant located on 5926 S. Pulaski mostly famous for their 1/3 lb hamburgers. But that's not all they have in the menu. Burger Brothers also offers hot dogs, fries, and shakes.

When we arrived, we noticed it was empty which made us think that not many people actually know about them. Burger Brothers is actually a famous chain from New Jersey. My friend ordered the Cheesy Burger Combo with a strawberry shake. I order the Original Chicken Combo.

The only downside to this place would be the space. They only have three small tables. The service overall was excellent. It has such a friendly atmosphere and is a great place to visit with friends.

THE TASTE TEST:

We were impressed by the look of the burgers. The serving time was only 6-8 minutes, which is totally worth the wait. We noticed the fries they serve are natural and freshly cut. The patties are cooked on the grill, which brings out the flavors of the meat and chicken without drying them. All the flavors combine together nicely making it really worth trying out.

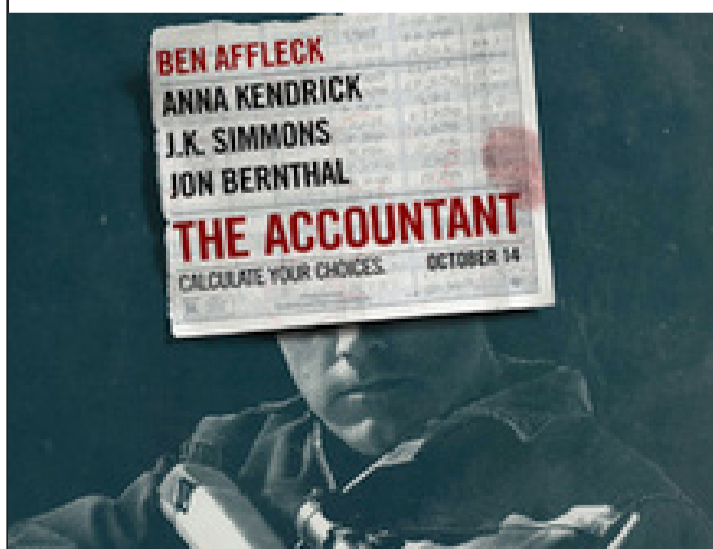
PRICES/MENU

Burger Brothers is affordable for the excellent quality of the food. The Cheesy Burger which includes cheddar, lettuce, tomato, onion, mayo, and pickles costs \$4.75 while the combo is \$6.50 (all combos includes half fries and a 16 oz beverage). Burger Brothers are not only dine in, but they also have free delivery which is convenient since they only have three tables in the restaurant.

If you are looking for a place with high quality food and an affordable price, Burger Brothers is the place. We highly recommend it!



The Accountant



Movie Review

By Majedi Judeh

Released: 10/14/2016

Cast: Ben Affleck, Anna Kendrick, J.K. Simmons, Jon Bernthal, Daeg Faerch, Gregory Alan Williams, John Lithgow and Jeffrey

Tambor

Director: Gavin O'Connor

Synopsis: Ben Affleck stars as an accountant with autism (Christian Wolff), a genius with numbers and money, he does accounting for some very dangerous criminals. He and Dana Cummings come across an inconsistent loss of millions for a robotics company, and as they start to figure out who is behind it, they become threatened and Ben has to take action and finish the job.

Review:

Ben Affleck, popularly known as this generation's Batman, performs well as a socially awkward, military trained accountant. Familiar faces we have seen in other great movies consist of Anna Kendrick (Dana Cummings), J.K. Simmons (Raymond King) and Jeffrey Tambor (Francis Silverberg).

Tired of working with dangerous criminals, he is told by a friend to work with a legit client, a robotics company. Dana Cummings needed help to prove her findings and with the help of Christian they found 60 million dollars disappearing into thin air. The criminals try to kill both Dana and Christian to cover their tracks, but quickly realized he wasn't an average accountant picking them off one by one.

The Accountant was drama filled and highly suspenseful. You might also find yourself laughing with the amount of sarcasm and just pure awkwardness Christian Wolf presents.

Ben Affleck was the perfect actor to play this part, seen most recently as Batman, effortlessly taking out enemies, making this the perfect role for him. J.K. Simmons also did an exceptional job as the head of the financial crime unit. In his movie *Whiplash*, he was both loved and hated for how he treated his students, and this movie is no different as you find yourself liking and hating him. The film keeps you guessing until they finally reveal who is behind the entire operation.

The film also brings a message that most crime/drama movies don't really try to touch on. This movie puts a lot of attention on autistic behavior. It show us how people treat Affleck's character differently since he lacks natural mannerisms that we take for granted.

Crime movies like this use a lot of parallel editing between the two stories, then eventually they both collide and it brings everything together. In this movie, the two stories never meet and it makes you wonder why they even brought the financial aspect of the story. I find that as the only flaw to this 2 hour movie. I give it a **B+**.

“HOLY COW!” CHICAGO CUBS WIN WORLD SERIES!

By Omar Carranza & Hector Infante
11/3/2016

The Chicago Cubs ended the 2016 regular season with a 103-58 record. This was their first 100+ win season since 1935. Pitcher Kyle Hendricks delivered an outstanding performance in the last game of the National League Championship Series (NLCS) by shutting out the Los Angeles Dodgers in Game 6 with a final score of 5-0, propelling the Cubs into the World Series against the Cleveland Indians and finally burying the “Billy Goat Curse.”

It's been 71 years since the Chicago Cubs last made it into a World Series losing to the Detroit Tigers in 1945. They played Games 1-2 at Progressive Field, home of the Cleveland Indians. The Cubs fell to the Indians pitcher Corey Kluber and lost Game 1. But in the first inning of Game 2, Left Fielder Ben Zobrist, made the first run, assuring victory for the team. The Chicago Cubs won the game 5-1.

Game 3 was played at Wrigley Field where both teams competed to take the lead. Cleveland took the advantage with a final score of 1-0. Corey Kluber was once again pitching for the Indians in Game 4. Dexter Fowler, centerfielder, gave an impressive performance as the only player to deliver two runs for the Chicago, but it wasn't enough. Cubs lost 7-2.

It was do or die for the Cubs with the Indians leading the series 3-1 going into Game 5. It was the first time since October 08, 1945, that the Cubs won a World Series game at Wrigley Field. The Cubs extended the series as both teams returned to Cleveland for Game 6.

Game 6 was an exciting one for the Cubbies. They blew past the Indians with ease. Right from the start, Kris Bryant sent a solo shot to left center field to give them the 1-0 lead. By the end of the 3rd inning, they had a commanding 7-0 lead. Anthony Rizzo hit a two-run shot ending the game 9-3 and Cub fans started screaming, “It is happening!”

The final game was nerve racking, exciting, and hopeful. The Cubs blew a commanding 5-1 lead in the fifth inning when the Indians rallied and Rajai Davis hit a home run that tied the game 6-6. After a scoreless 9th and a 17 minute rain delay, Zobrist and Montero drove in 2 runs in the 10th innings winning the World Series! Die-hard Cubs fans have been waiting for this day for a century, and this team really deserved it.

The road to the World Series has been filled with heartbreaks, disappointments, and excitement. However, this doesn't stop all die-hard fans from showing their love for the Cubbies, especially in White Sox territory.

iPhone iOS 10 Update

By Veronica Ramirez

Apple recently released their new operating system, the iOS10, that has changed the iPhone user's experience significantly. Many new features have been added to the iPhone that make it easier to carry out everyday tasks. The following are a few of the many distinct features that have been added to the iPhone.

NOTIFICATIONS Users no longer have to press the lock screen button on the side of the device to check the time or notifications. The update now allows the phone to awaken by picking it up. Messages can be replied on the lock screen without unlocking your Device. A “Clear” option is also now available that deletes multiple notifications at once.

MESSAGES Self expression has been taken to a whole new level through an innovative design. You are able to send handwritten messages, bubble effects, screen effects, and stickers. Tapback lets you react to an individual message in a conversation without actually sending a message. You can share content from other apps through Messages such as games or GIFs.

MAPS Alternate routes are suggested more often through updated traffic. You can also use third party apps such as Uber or make reservations for a restaurant through the Maps app.

PHOTOS Under the Memories tab, you can gather pictures from a specific timeline to construct a mini slideshow. There are several layouts and songs to choose from.

Virtual Reality in the Classroom

By Cesar Uribe

So what's Virtual Reality (VR)? Virtual reality is a device that uses your phone or computer to display a simulated environment. Unlike traditional user interfaces, this new technology places you into a virtualized world and gives you an in-depth experience of what you are doing. For example, while in use, the device gives users the ability to interact with 3-D objects. Thus giving the user a new way to learn or play games.

Virtual reality technology opens doors for many educators,

game developers, scientists, and the military. When virtual reality was announced to the public, it was initially made for just video games, but people soon realized that it could be used for more than just video games.

This new technology can be used in educational and training purposes. For educators, this device can be used in courses such as biology, geology, astronomy, and other courses that will improve the learning experience in the classroom. A way educators could use this new technology is by allowing students to take virtual field trips to college campuses or almost any part of the world.

Aside from teaching, the device can also be used to play video games. This will en-

hance the gameplay experience to a whole other level because you'll be able to interact with a simulated world. Therefore giving the user an in-depth experience of the game. Many companies such as Microsoft, Sony, and Google are developing or already developed their own device that's compatible to their game consoles. Sony's VR has already been released and games are being made to give the user its full experience.

So why isn't virtual reality being used in schools now? You might think that virtual reality is a good invention because of its abilities and uses, but this technology is still new. Virtual reality is still a work in progress and there isn't any educational software yet for schools.

Would Human Civilization Survive a Zombie Apocalypse?

By Maria Gamez

With the mass production of the popular zombie story arc in books, films, and television shows, audiences have seriously considered the possibility of a zombie apocalypse. While some merely speculate what they would do if zombies took over, others go as far as to preparing emergency survival kits and planning possible escape routes. But, assuming that a zombie apocalypse really were to occur for whatever reason, would the general human population be prepared for it?

The short answer is no.

We must first take into consideration how government officials would respond to such a threat. New, anti-zombie legislation would surely be passed in efforts to calm the hectic population. However, resources such as food and water would eventually run out. This would cause corrupt politicians with an underlying agenda to attempt to reduce the population to a more manageable size.

The media would further evoke fear and mass hysteria as they broadcast the visage of previous loved ones as cannibalistic zombies. This would ultimately cause a division amongst the people in the case of ethics: are zombies still human? The human population would have to explore that question and more, all while fighting to survive not only the threat of zombies, but the threat of each other.

The human population, currently, cannot survive a legitimate zombie apocalypse because of corrupt government officials, fear mongering tactics used by the media, and general human division. Fortunately enough, there is no need to worry as zombies remain in the field science fiction... for now.

Seniors Have Earned the Right to Use Any Entrance

By Mohammad Wahsheh

Hubbard has three different entrances that are exclusive for each grade. The front entrance is for sophomores, the side entrance is for freshmen, and back entrance is for seniors and juniors. In previous years, seniors have always gone through the front entrance. I believe that seniors should have the privilege of entering through any entrance they desire.

A major problem with the back entrance is overcrowding. Having two grade levels going through the same door causes longer lines than the other entrances. If the doors are crowded, seniors should be allowed to enter through any doors that have little traffic. It would also help seniors be on time.

The overcrowded back entrance is causing animosity between seniors and juniors as the upperclassmen cut people in line and pushing each other to get into the building. It also causes some students to walk all the way around the building to get to their designated entrance when other doors are empty.

Seniors should be rewarded for their four years of hard work in high school and allowed to enter through any door. If the Class of 2014 got to use the front entrance, present seniors should, at the very least, be awarded their own senior entrance.

Are You Having the Time of Your Life?

By Denise Martinez

Do you think your high school years are the best years of your life? Many believe that it is time of their lives, but others believe the complete opposite. Not everyone has a good time in high school.

Take a moment to think about it. You're going through some really great changes during these four years. You walk in as a child unsure of where your classes are or where to sit at lunch. It's pretty frightening. High school is a place to make memories. You'll meet new people and learn many things. It's also a place of opportunities; you can get scholarships for your bright future!

On the other hand, high school is a very judgemental place. There are many different types of people you'll come across. Drama is everywhere in high school. People talk and spread rumors about bizarre things.

And one thing that happens to every single teen is a heartbreak. Everyone has been through this, and it feels like your life is ending, and you'll never ever find someone. It's the worst. In the future, you'll look back and laugh and ask yourself why? Say what you want about your time in high school, but you'll learn many things about life and, most importantly, yourself.

GREYHOUND HOMECOMING

By Carlos Soto

The night was young with the football stadium overflowing with spectators striving to get to their seats. The deafening sound coming from the marching band elevated the football players' blood with energy.

Julian Barbosa (#57) is on the defensive line and offensive line. His goal for the homecoming game was to make good blocks and more tackles. What he did differently in the second half was he made more tackles than blocking, basically more defense. When he saw the scoreboard and saw that had the lead by 7 touchdowns, they kept pushing themselves to block. Barbosa said the person who motivated the team was Joshua Land and Craig Bowman.

Joshua Land's (#28), running back, goal for the homecoming game was to make history because it was his last homecoming game.



Photos by Reyna Zuno

What he did differently in the second half was coming out with more intensity and kept applying pressure.

Asked if the pressure from the opposing team affected his game, Land said, "No, not at all." Even knowing they were winning, he kept going causing the other team to stall and lose hope.

Land said, "We all motivated each other." The greatest thing that happened that night was the intense moment when the football players barked at their victory like Greyhounds.



One Team, One Mission

By Oswaldo Valdes

Hot long summer days was how the football season was kicked off. After last year's season, the football team had something to prove to themselves and to those who doubted the team that had once been a powerhouse. Since the beginning of the summer, and for many since spring workouts, players have dedicated almost all of their time to football. All the hard work has truly paid off in a great regular season. The season record is 6-2 and one of those losses was the final game in which the team lost conference by two points. It was a tough game.

Senior Linemen Manuel Carrera said, "I was excited to see how the season would play out and how far the team would make it considering all the talent we have."

Regarding the regular season, he added, "I'm proud of the team. We started off with a loss that should have been a win, but this game set the tone for the rest of the season since we realized the true potential of the team. Everyone wanted to get better and prove that Hubbard is still a force to be reckoned with." As seniors, he realized that their time in high school is coming to an end. What we do know is going to set the future standings of Hubbard Football. What happens after we leave?

"As a senior, other players looked up to me and the other upperclassmen, so I had to take a leadership role, it's only right I give them the right path to follow."

The team now continues onto playoffs and looks to show their skills and ability against teams that doubted us.

Although graduation may seem far for many, our time in high school is coming to an end. Hubbard now has to look to its underclassmen to lead the way.

There's No Off-Season for these Seniors

By Hector Infante and Oswaldo Valdes

How does one spend an off-season? Well, there is no off-season for the softball team because the group consists of baseball players. They joined to have fun and to prepare for the upcoming baseball season. But while doing all this, they managed to pull off a great softball season with a winning record (7-3) led by Coach Edilberto Amigon.

They had a great undefeated start until Chicago Vocational Career Academy finally broke their streak. But there're no regrets here because this season gave nothing but experience for the players joining baseball as well.

Many of the players said it was fun. Just going out to nice weather and getting ready for baseball

season. The team played their rivals AG Science first round of the playoffs. Sadly, they couldn't come out with the win. But the experience given throughout the entire season is positive for the players no matter the outcome.

Co-captain Justin Barbosa said, "I thought the season went great. Definitely an improvement." Justin is a baseball player as well so he uses this season to perfect the craft required for both sports.

"I needed to improve my skills for baseball season," Barbosa explained, "but this team grew on me and we became closer, which explains why we performed well on the field."

The senior softball and baseball player is a football player as well, and had to juggle both softball and football season, since they both are at the same time.

"As a senior, I had a leadership role on the team, so I had to give a positive examples to all the players."



Boys Softball 2016 Season

Tuesday, October 06
12-6 loss to Kelly HS

Monday, October 05
8-0 victory over Bowen

Tuesday, September 29
7-0 victory over South Shore HS

Tuesday, September 29, 4:30PM
7-0 victory over South Shore HS

Thursday, September 24, 6:00PM
7-6 loss to Bowen

Thursday, September 24, 4:30PM
8-0 victory over Bowen

Tuesday, September 22, 6:00PM
12-11 loss to CVCA

Tuesday, September 22, 4:30PM
12-11 loss to CVCA

Thursday, September 17, 6:00PM
7-0 victory over Morgan Park HS

Thursday, September 17, 4:30PM
7-0 victory over Morgan Park HS

Tuesday, September 15, 6:00PM
24-0 victory over Richards HS

Tuesday, September 15, 4:30PM
14-4 victory over Richards HS

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