



The Cavalier

NEWS

Get Ready for Four Years of P.E!

By Jessica Martinez

Since 1997, CPS allowed juniors and seniors to take only two years of P.E. or JROTC in order to graduate. According to the Board of Education, CPS high school students must once again take P.E. or JROTC for four years starting next year. Now this may or may not apply to all. There may be waivers available for those who wish to have electives instead, but this won't apply to all students.

There are some people who think having four years of P.E or JROTC is a bad idea. "I think that by having four years of P.E. or JROTC will take away some of our elective classes to choose from," stated Esmeralda Vargas, Div. 611. However, our assistant principal, Mr. Newman thinks otherwise. "Personally, I think having P.E. is a good thing. Having P.E. for four years can also be considered a science class if we teach health, but it can reduce the amount of electives a student would like to take, like Journalism, Theatre Arts, etc. Mr. Nealon, our Theater Arts teacher, also agreed. "I find that having P.E. for four years can be a positive thing; students will be exposed to a healthier lifestyle." There are still many unanswered questions about budgets and types of P.E. classes that will be available. Let's see if next year will produce healthier students.



P.E. students participating in class.

National Signing Day

By La'India Cooper

Hubbard held its annual National Signing Day on February 5th, honoring four outstanding players: Darion Henderson (Div. 408), Charles Allen (Div. 405), Tyrell Dowdy (Div. 403), and Willie Clay (Div. 406). National Signing Day is an important day for Hubbard's senior football players. Not many players get the chance to go to college on a scholarship that allow them to play a game they love and get a higher education. Darion Henderson is going to Northern Illinois University, Charles Allen and Tyrell Dowdy are going to Culver Stocking College, and Willie Clay is going to Mississippi Valley State. These are great colleges and some are NCAA Division I institutions. Division I schools are top colleges for sports and academics among others.

"To be picked, you have to get your high school coach to send in your highlight tape to the college of your choice; the process is very long and overwhelming," stated Charles Allen. The process is very serious, but it is all in good pay off. These 4 Hubbard players received either a full ride or a partial scholarship. All the hard work they put in really paid off, and they will continue to do what they love at the college of their choice.



Principal Wiley with the proud players.

Dinosaurs R' Us

By Jose Cardenas

As a regular member of the Field Museum community, Mr. Callum has brought into his class a wide variety of taxidermied animals. This time he was able to bring Norm, a cast replica of a Tyrannosaurus Rex's skull. Its size was presented a problem because it was too wide to fit in the doors at Hubbard. With the help of the engineer, who had to remove the door, Mr. Callum was finally able to bring the skull here for display.

Norm, named after the founder of the Norman W. Harris Learning Center, is a replica of Chicago's own Sue. Sue is the world's most complete dinosaur, thus making Norm a pricey item. With an estimated value of \$5,000, Norm should be cared for and treated with respect. Norm will be on display for the next two weeks where it'll make its home in the front entrance. Mr. Callum hopes Norm will excite students to sign up for a field trip to The Field Museum on April 5th. The trip will allow students to see dinosaur exhibits and watch a movie about the T-Rex. So, if you enjoy vicious beasts or just want to catch a flick, make sure to sign up for this trip with Mr. Callum.



Mr. Callum posing with Norm, the temporary Hubbard security guard.



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The ACT

By Marlene Maya

Junior year is an important year since you take the ACT, a national college admissions exam that tests you in English, Math, Reading, Science, and Writing. From the first day of junior year, teachers start preparing students for the ACT. Hubbard students are offered an elective junior seminar class that prepare students for the ACT and college. The class is split into two classes of three subjects – one semester of math and the other of English and reading. Some students take these classes very seriously if they want to do well on the ACT while others choose not worry about the test for their own reasons. Students that take this test seriously concentrate on their studies which may cause stress and the pressure may become overwhelming. Teachers and students all had things to say about the test.

Senior: Kevin Valenzuela, Div. 401

What was the hardest part about preparing for the ACT?

-There was not a lot of time because of the extended essays and historical investigation.

What advice would you share with the juniors?

- Don't procrastinate! At all! And stay on top of your work!

How prepared were you for the ACT?

- I was extremely prepared for it once I walked into the classroom because I had great teachers that helped out.

What was the first thing you did after the ACT?

- I took a long nap! But then I had to do four hours' worth of homework.

Was the ACT what you expected?

- Not really. I was aiming for a twenty at the least, but it was higher than I expected, and ultimately I was satisfied.

Mr. Chae – ACT English teacher

Any words of advice for juniors taking the ACT?

- Don't rush through the test! Take a deep breath and prioritize. Work on the easy questions first and don't waste too much time on difficult ones. Use the process of elimination to get rid of answers you know are wrong. Don't be afraid to write on the test booklet. Do your best and you'll be fine.

Have you seen that the juniors improved since the beginning of the year?

- I'm confident that the juniors will rise to the level of our expectations. "Ganas. That's all we need is ganas."

Junior: Ahmad Mukada, Div. 506

What have you been doing all year long to prepare for the ACT?

- To prepare for the ACT I have been putting teacher's advice to use. They have a variety of tips we can use to our advantage

What are some things you might do last minute to prepare for the ACT?

-A last minute preparation for the ACT I would go for is breathing!

How confident are you about doing well on the test?

-I feel pretty confident about doing well on the ACT.

How has preparing for the ACT affected your social life?

- Preparing for the ACT hasn't affected my social life. I have been trying to keep them both on their own schedule

What will you do once the test is over? How will you feel?

- Once the test is over, I will high-five myself on a job well done!

Mr. Yoshiba – ACT Math teacher

Words of advice for juniors taking the ACT?

-There is one month left, so do your best. I recommend to do practice test as much as possible. One month can make a big difference, you can improve. Do all your best! Don't give up, it's not time to relax until after ACT, and make sure you know how to use a calculator.

Have you seen that the juniors improved since the beginning of the year?

- They pay attention, have good motivation, and I've seen improvement.

Hubbard Election Judges

By Alejandro Alberto

On March 18, 2014, Hubbard students took time off from school to help out in the preliminary election as election judges. They were presented with this opportunity by Hubbard's Law teacher, Mr. Fitz, who prepared the documentation for those who wanted to help out. The students were required to attend mandatory training and were compensated \$50 dollars for their time. They were shown how to set up and take down the equipment as well as how to work the ballot machines. These students were tasked with setting up and running a polling place in their assigned precincts. They distributed ballots and made sure that the voting taking place was functioning properly. The student judges were certainly in for a long day. "The day went by very slowly," said election judge, Liliana Martinez, Div. 409. "Some people tend to be really rude, but overall it's an easy job." While other students might have had different experiences as an election judge, there is no doubt that patience was a key factor in being one. The students were paid \$120 for their service as well as additional pay for any additional help the kids could offer, such as allowing people to use their cellphones or for being a translator. One can be an election judge in November when voting begins once again and be compensated while learning about the electoral process.



Fellow Hubbard students smiling while on duty.

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We're In D.C!

By Jennifer Sanchez

On February 1st, 8 students from the Academic Decathlon team went to the Chicago Vocational Career Academy to compete against other schools for a chance at advancing to the city finals. Unfortunately, Hubbard did not get to advance, but everyone on the team won a handful of medals. One student in particular enjoyed his medals to no end. "My favorite part was winning all my medals, it made me feel like I was in the Olympics," says Sergio DelCid, Div. 502.

The Academic Decathlon team is not just for anyone. You have to be dedicated to the team and be willing to study. The decathletes must study nine different subjects from a specific era and compete with other schools on their knowledge about that era. This year's theme was World War I. "It might seem like a boring thing to join, but it really is not! The coaches are extremely fun, playful, and entertain you while teaching you," says Vanessa Valle, Div. 406. Ms. Orlando had a few things to say about this year's team, "Best team ever! But seriously, we ask so much of the Academic kids, and their dedication and motivation to take tests all day is awesome!" Although their meets were for studying, they still had time to relax and get to know each other. Gabriel Cordova, Div. 503 said "Well, what I loved about decathlon was having the chance to interact with people I normally wouldn't."

On March 23rd -28th, six students from Hubbard High School's Decathlon team will go on an all expense trip to Washington, D.C. They will interact with other teenagers as well as politicians from all over the country to discuss current and relevant issues pertaining to the young people in the US. They also are going to explore Washington and see how different parts of the government work.

If you're looking for a club to join where you can get a chance to go to Washington, have the best coaches in the world, and interact with new people, then Hubbard's Academic Decathlon team might be for you.



The Hubbard decathletes pose in front of The White House.

Serving It Hot

By Jennifer Ortega & Fany Ortiz

The Cooking Club is one of Hubbard's new clubs this year and it has become very popular. The two people who put the club together is Ms.Maria and Ms.Castro. It was hard for Ms. Castro in the beginning, having to use on the go cooking supplies to cook. Once they talked to the kitchen manager, the struggle to create better dishes was lifted and more and more students joined everyday. Their noses lead them to the east lunchroom kitchen where the club is hosted every Wednesday.

The cooking process starts with students researching a favorite dish they love. Next they decide who will do what, such as cutting the vegetables, cooking the pasta or bread, making the sauce, etc. After that is done they can finally start cooking. "It exposes students to something new," said Ms.Castro when asked what was the purpose of the club. "It's something different from just academics."

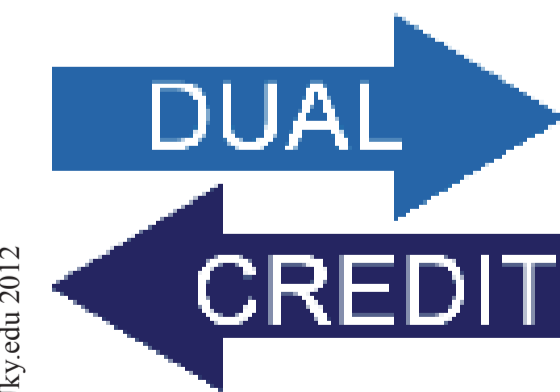
The club does its best in getting all the necessary supplies before they start cooking. It's no surprise that the club gets visitors very often that happen to roam the halls and catch a whiff of the days dish.



Cooking Club members preparing delicious garlic bread!

Dual Credit Classes

By Maricarmen Avila



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Hubbard has gained dual credit classes for those looking to receive college credit before graduating high school. These new after school classes began Monday, February 3rd and Tuesday, February 4th and are held two days a week. Classes include social studies taught by Dr. Nash and mathematics taught by Mr. Skaczylo. Although this year's classes are

very limited, Mr. Newman is working hard in bringing new courses to expand the subject areas, as well as have the classes held during school so that students will have more options.

"But what can we gain from these classes?" asks Sara Ocampo, Div.409, who is among many students curious as to how it can benefit our students. Once earned, the credit will be transferred to a degree

program at one of the City Colleges of Chicago or a four-year college of your choice. You will also have a better opportunity to be successful on the course because everything is not weighted on one final exam at the end of the term. Supporting the student's strengths and helping their weaknesses is important so that they can succeed in the course. The level of difficulty of the dual-credit class will also help to prepare and ease the student's transition into college. "One of the big goals for these classes is to boost more and more students who don't feel so confident about college to be successful" said Mr. Newman.

To take part in these classes, students must qualify and meet certain standards. First of all, you must have a GPA equivalent to 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Students should also have an attendance rate of 90% in school. Lastly, it is required that all students planning to partake in these classes have an ACT score of at least 19 in reading, and a 21 in math. If you meet all the requirements, enrolling in the dual-credit course is a great opportunity one should take, so it is highly encouraged.

Fine Arts Night

By Maria Esquivel

On February 27, Hubbard's fine arts classes, such as chorus, band, theatre, and art came together on one stage to show people what their department offers students and the wonderful talent of Hubbard students. This event was created by chorus teacher Mrs. Quattrin, art teacher Mrs. Breslin, band teacher Mr. Benson, and Mr. Nealon, the theater arts teacher. The performance began with the art gallery opening for viewing, followed by The Jazz band who performed "Mercy Mercy Mercy", The Hubbard Percussion Ensemble who played "Latted on the House for Percussion Quintet" and Intermediate band who brought us "Chant and Tribal Dance". Theater Arts went on after band, performing three sketches " Tamatha, The Outsiders, and What? Watt? Where? Ware?" Following these acts were five of the Chorus soloists Daniel Blanco (Div505), Sarah Ocampo (Div 409), Sergio Valdez (Div 404), Quavelle Anderson (Div 540) , and Esmeralda Prado (Div 510). After the Intermediate & Honors, The Advanced Chorus performed "Gloria in excelsis Deo from Gloria". The Advanced band performed "Brazilian Folk Dance Suit." The closing performance was played by the After School Band, who performed "Get Lucky" by Daft Punk.

Fine arts night was a great way to show parents what the school's visual and performing arts are all about. The audiences seemed intrigued in every performance, and were delighted to see their kids on stage performing, or their works of art being displayed in the halls. This was a great event to bring parents and kids together to show what they are capable of doing and to show what they are made of. Hubbard's first annual Fine arts night was the most anticipated event of the year.



Students discuss their ideas with fellow artists.

Gallery 37

By Amber Ortiz

Monday through Friday, students from forty different schools all over Chicago come together for classes at Gallery 37. These students are in the Advanced Arts program and study a wide variety of arts to study such as sculpture, theater, and culinary arts. Advanced Arts at Gallery 37 gives teens a chance to study their passion.

Joining this program doesn't just give you a chance to study art; you also receive 2 honors or AP credits, depending on the class. Taking Advanced Arts at Gallery 37 is an amazing opportunity for any junior or senior in high school. Jaclyn Steffens, Div. 407, and Jocelyn Romero, Div. 404, both take different courses at Gallery and had many positive things to say about the program.

Jaclyn takes Graphic Design. She heard about the program through her sister, who attended Gallery 37 when she was senior. Jaclyn likes the fact that Gallery 37 provides her with hands-on experience in Graphic Design, and added that "Being at Gallery 37 helps me expand on my artistic views." To be accepted into Advanced Arts program at Gallery 37, you must apply and go in for auditions. For Jaclyn, she had to turn in a portfolio, which consisted of three drawings of characters, shoes, and digitally edited butterflies. For some, going to Gallery would seem like a hassle, considering its location, but for Jaclyn, it's very enjoyable, especially since she gets to leave school early.

Jocelyn Romero is an artist and is currently taking painting and drawing classes at Gallery 37. She heard about the program, through Hubbard's very own, Ms. Breslin. She has learned many things at Gallery 37; she learned how to set up galleries for her own artwork, how to critique, and even how to correct artistic mistakes. She loves the fact that she can express herself in her artwork every day, "I love Gallery; I get to express myself freely and meet new people. Over all, it's fun!" She also added that Hubbard is a great school, but Gallery puts her closer to her art career.

These young ladies both manage to keep their grades up at school and at Gallery 37, and do what they are passionate about. They recommended this program to anyone who has a deep passion for art, and whoever wants to experience it hands on training.



Gallery 37 students take a break from the program.



The Story Behind The Cranes

By Charles Allen



Students have been wondering what are these paper cranes that have been hanging up in the hallway on the main floor. Origami is the Japanese art of paper folding. The legend is that if you make 1,000 cranes you can make a wish and the wish will come true. The art department started this project because it ties into U.S. History as well as making students aware of other cultures. Mr. Ocampo said his grandmother was Japanese and her family was relocated to an internment camp during WWII. While the students made the cranes, they learned about Japanese-American internment camps and what life inside was like.

It took 200 students two weeks to make the cranes. They ended up making 1,500 instead of 1,000 cranes. During Fine Arts Night, the cranes were sold to raise money for leukemia and lymphoma society. Mr. Ocampo said the students raised over \$1,000 with Mrs. Breslin leading the way. Mr. Ocampo also said, “doing something like this feels nice to see artwork throughout the school, and I love that it forces students to look up as they pass under the cranes. Too often students walk around the school looking no higher than their lockers. The administration has been very supportive of putting up new artwork and showcasing what Hubbard students can do.” The cranes in the hallway will be sold in about a month online through Kickstarter. The students are also working on making a video to help sell the cranes. The video is currently in production.



The cranes made by the art departments added beauty and culture to our hallway.

The Wonder Years Concert

By Jose Cardenas

On March 11, the highly anticipated tour from The Wonder Years came to Chicago at the House of Blues. Originally Chicago was supposed to have just one day but due to demand Chicago was given a second day on the 10th. The hype this tour has received comes as no surprise while looking at the lineup. The lineups consist of Modern Baseball, Chicago's very own Real Friends, Citizen, Fireworks, and of course The Wonder Years.

The night kicked off with a bang when Modern Baseball, a 4 piece band hailing from Philadelphia, hit the stage. While I thought they would have the least amount of fans I was surprisingly wrong. The fans sang along to every song played and the atmosphere was perfect. They played Re-do, Tears Over Beers, Charlie Black, The Weekend, and Your Graduation. Although they tuned a lot throughout their set, and I do mean a lot, they took it as a chance to interact with the crowd, who enjoyed these moments of conversation and jokes.

Following them were Citizen, a 5 piece from Toledo, Ohio, and my personally reason for going. As always Citizen put on a show with so much emotion that was projected into the crowd. They began their set with their powerful song The Night I Drove Alone and the crowd released a vibe that could shake a person to the bone. Continuing with this intense crowd, they played Roam the Room, The Summer, Drown and I Still Shut My Eyes. Overall their set was intense and a crowd pleaser.

Next up was Real Friends, a 5 piece band based right out of Chicago in Tinley Park, Illinois. As predicted the wild crowd went insane as they saw their hometown heroes on stage. Their set consisted of Anchored Down, Floorboards, Skin Deep, Lost Boy and a few more songs. The crowd didn't seem to run out of energy as they sang, jumped, and crowd surfed throughout the entire set. One thing that stood out from these guys was the fact that they didn't act if they were better than anyone in the venue. This was a constant theme throughout their talks with the crowd as they reminded us where their roots were, which was exactly where each and every fan stood.



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It was then time for Fireworks to hit the stage. Fireworks are a 5 piece band from Detroit, Michigan who had the opportunity to be on this tour when Defeater had to drop off due to medical reasons. As they began their set I felt like the crowd sort of died out but I was wrong as their loyal fans raised the tempo with their voices and movement. Fireworks played Summer, Teeth, and Arrows just to name a few. The band kept reminding the crowd to have fun and I believe that sums up their set, to just enjoy the music and have fun. A comical moment in their set was when they covered a verse from Drake's song "Hold On, We're Going Home", you could tell the crowd loved it as they sang along.

The time came for The Wonder Years, a 6 piece band from Lansdale, Pennsylvania, to finally play. As soon as the curtains went up the crowd bursted into a synchronized roar as the band began to play There, There. Continuing with such enthusiasm, they played songs of all three of their albums and the crowd couldn't be more grateful. With a whopping set list consisting of 16 songs which included Dismantling Summer, Local Man Ruins Everything, and crowd favorites like Don't Let Me Cave In, and Washington Square Park, it was surprising the crowd had the energy to keep singing and moving to every song. Crowd surfers made their presence felt throughout the night as they tried to reach the front just to get a bit closer to the band. The band closed their set with Came Out Swinging and the crowd sang along to the every word. It was a moment of pure perfection for everyone. As the band left the stage the crowd began to chant "one more song" and after a few minutes the band came out to perform I Just Want to Sell Out My Funeral and it was the highlight of the whole night. For those who had the opportunity to go, it will be a night to remember.

St. Patrick's Day Decorations!

By Pablo Alarcon

Holiday decorations are hardly used anymore. However, a couple named John and Mary Zawacki that live on 63rd and Lawndale, not too far from Hubbard, have not forgotten about the true meaning and tradition of celebrating a holiday. I chose to interview them because they never fail to liven up the neighborhood each holiday. For St. Patrick's Day, they decorated their house with four leaf clovers and leprechauns holding pots of gold in their windows. They also had green lights that went all around their home.

"We thought it would be nice to bring in spirit and some color to the neighborhood since not a lot of people decorate for the holidays," explained Mary about why they decorate every holiday. Especially on a holiday that reminds us to have fun and embrace the Irish culture with friends and family.

John and Mary spent over a whopping \$400 on St. Patrick's Day decorations. Yes, \$400! In fact, the total amount of lights used on their home this holiday was over 200, including both the inside and outside the house. They admitted of wanting to buy more, but didn't want to overspend on decorations, since they wouldn't have enough money for the next holiday decorations.

The Zawackis decorate their home for every holiday. Since they are very festive people, they just want to put color and spirit into the neighborhood. They even have me interested in buying holiday decorations for my house just so I could make my neighborhood feel more alive.

Flappy Bird

By Qixin Liang

Vietnamese game developer

Dong Nguyen spent three days developing Flappy Bird. On January 2014, this game became the most popular free app at Apple's App store and Google Play with over 50 million downloads. Despite the success, Nguyen announced on Twitter that the game would



be removed on both the App Store and Google Play. Nguyen announced, "I couldn't take it anymore, it has nothing to do with legal issues." The app was criticized by the Huffington Post, which described it as "insanely irritating, difficult game which combines a super-steep difficulty with bad, boring graphics and jerky movement." Feedback online was the complete opposite, and it revealed the game was extremely addicting.

Although the Flappy Bird game design is simple, the control is difficult. It makes people want to challenge their score. On Flappy Bird, the score is very important. We polled Hubbard students on what they felt about Flappy Bird: 66% like the game, 63% thought it was hard to play, and the average score on Flappy bird is 31-40. The game play for Hubbard students was less than ten minutes a day.

So, while it seems Flappy Bird isn't as time consuming for most, the mysterious nature of its removal has caused heated debate and left many who didn't download the game before it was pulled wondering what the fuss was about. Wonder no more. Nguyen recently announced that Flappy Bird is coming back.

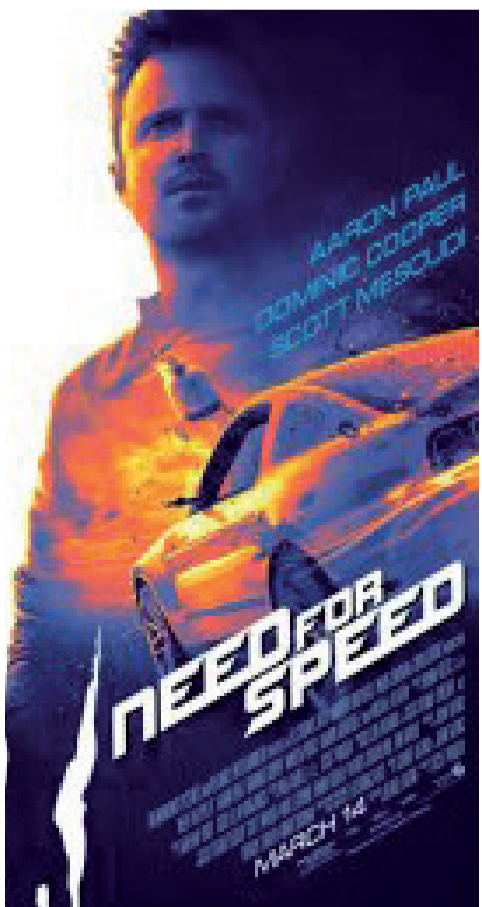
Do You Have a Need for Speed?

By Fernando Mora

Who's ready to fill their Need for Speed? If you are, then head to the theaters and strap yourself in for this fast paced, adrenaline filled, car racing movie, and no, it's not a "Fast and Furious" clone. "Need for Speed" was released worldwide on March 14, and it has audiences catching their breath after every intense car race/chase scene. This film is an adaptation of the popular video game series of the same name. "Need for Speed" opened up to \$17.8 million on its first weekend, falling third behind "Mr. Peabody and Sherman" at number one and "300: Rise of an Empire" at number two. Overseas, the film received a bigger opening grossing \$45.6 million; the total of both openings barely met the film's \$66 million production budget. Although the movie has fallen behind in the box office, the film does deliver on super cars and great racing scenes.

Need for Speed follows the story of a blue collar mechanic Tobey Marshall (Aaron Paul). Tobey owns a struggling auto shop and needs to find a way to save it. Tobey and his crew must work together with an ex-NASCAR driver Dino Brewster (Dominic Cooper) to make a major sale to a car broker which could save the shop. During the sale, an unsanctioned, dangerous race unleashes and results in Dino framing Tobey for manslaughter. Two years later, after being released from prison, Tobey sets out on a journey in search for revenge. He decides that the best way to take Dino down will be at De Leon, a high stakes race on the other side of the country. You'll be amazed at the many scenes with super cars including a Bugatti Veyron, Lamborghini Sesto Elemento, and a McLaren P1. The film also includes a special edition 2015 Ford Mustang GT made specifically for Tobey Marshall.

Scott Waugh did a very unique job directing the film; Scott used various camera angles to showcase the cars and their race scenes. One of the best parts of the film was the point of view (POV) shots that were used to show what the actors are seeing while driving the cars. The POV shots make the audience feel as if they were in the driver seat with heads up display of the cars, rear view mirror, and everything in front of the car. Waugh's aim for realism and these shots capture the excitement of racing at top speed.



Senior Deadlines!

By Erik Rodriguez

Seniors! Have you kept up to date with what you're supposed to do? If not, you better get back on track! There are many things that can't keep you from graduating and the time to fix them is running.

Make sure you are on track with credits, which you need a total of 24 to graduate. Since we are in second semester, it's important to make sure you are passing all your required classes to get credit. If you are missing any, make sure you are taking night school or virtual school courses. If you're not sure that you have all your credits, schedule an appointment with Ms. Sullivan, the senior counselor.

Many seniors are held back from graduation each year for not meeting the 40 service hour requirement. If you are missing hours, go to the counseling office and ask for any available community service projects to accumulate your required hours. You can also keep your eyes open for any event coming up that can provide you with hours.

Money is always a problem. Seniors, make sure you have cleared all of your debts. This includes temporary IDs, rentals, lost books, activity fees, lab fees, and graduation fees. You will not be able to graduate school if you owe money.

Going to college is a must, so make sure you send out all your applications. Also, be sure to apply for FAFSA and scholarships to obtain free money to pay for your classes and books. Student loan are inevitable, but try to avoid borrowing more than you need. Too much debt will get you in a whole lot of trouble.

Don't be shy and talk to Ms. Sullivan; she is here to help. If you have any questions or concerns, you have to have a voice and approach someone that can help you. It is your responsibility to do what needs to be done. No one wants to stay behind, so meet your deadlines and get ready to leave high school!



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The Oscars 2014

By Erik Ayala

The Academy Awards took place on March 2, 2014 at the Dolby Theater in Hollywood, California. The red carpet was just as exciting as the show itself. Nominees and guests filled the carpet with their best looks. Pharrell stirred things up with wearing tuxedo shorts. Sandra Bullock stole the crowd with her midnight blue gown; she was voted best-dressed woman. Bradley Cooper was voted best dress man.

Ellen DeGeneres hosted the event. Ellen kept the night alive, and made the audience feel comfortable. She ordered pizza and passed it around to the crowd. The pizza delivery man had a good night by not only passing out pizza to Hollywood royalty, but also receiving a \$1,000 tip from the host herself. Ellen also broke a record while hosting the show. Her selfie received over 1 million retweets on Twitter in one hour beating President Barack Obama's previous record with 77,000.

The night had many surprises. Matthew McConaughey won "Best Actor" for his role in the movie Dallas Buyers Club. Cate Blanchett won best actress for her role in the movie Blue Jasmine. Frozen took home the award for "Best-Animated Feature" and "Best Original Song". 12 Years Of Slave took home "Best Picture," beating Gravity, American Hustle, Captain Phillips, Dallas Buyers Club and Her. Gravity took a big win itself for "Best Director" by Alfonso Cuarón. Many thought the night was a success and it will be remembered for years to come.



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What Will Your Choice Be?

By Fernando Mora

Would you be able to survive in a futuristic Chicago, where the whole city is divided into five different factions, each standing for its own principles? What would you do when you found out that you are divergent, meaning you do not belong to just one faction in the city? It also meant that if any one found out, a target is put on the back of your head. Beatrice Prior lives with the fear of someone finding out she is divergent, and she brings this fear to a whole new world, where she must learn to blend in and adopt the skills from the most ruthless faction in the city; this is the plot for Veronica Roth's book, "Divergent."

On October 2012, it was announced that Shailene Woodley would be the lead, Beatrice Prior. In the later months, more of the cast was announced, including Theo James as Four, Jai Courtney as Eric, and Ray Stevenson as Marcus. After the casting was over, filming began in April 2013, right here in Chicago. Much of the movie was filmed downtown including the Seventeenth Church of Christ on East Wacker, and the Navy Pier Ferris wheel, where the area was treated with rust and dirt to make it look more abandoned. Along Federal Street and Michigan Avenue, fake EL tracks were constructed for the Dauntless. Filming wrapped in Chicago on July, 2013. "Divergent" was released on March 21st and opened up to over \$56 million on its opening weekend.

The film itself was just like other films in the same genre, using the beginning of the film to introduce the characters and getting to the conflict towards the end. The novel introduced its characters and developed them over the chapters, but the film did not. In the movie, the characters introduced themselves, the audience only knew their names and the factions from which they came. The characters were underdeveloped, so they didn't affect the audience because they knew so little about them. Also, a few characters that appeared in the novel were left out from the movie. The special effects from the film were amazing. They turned all of Lake Michigan into a deserted grassland and opened up the film with a long shot of a foreboding, post-apocalyptic Chicago skyline. "Divergent" is a good movie; just don't expect it to do the novel justice.



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Find The Perfect Prom Dress

By Maria De La Rosa

Attention, ladies, prom is almost here! It's time to look for the perfect prom dress. A great place to search for the perfect gown is Peaches located on 5915 S. Archer Ave. Kenia Baltazar, Div. 407, says, "I recommend Peaches Boutique, it's a little expensive but their dresses are really nice!" Another location to shop at is David's Bridal. Don't let the name fool you. They have plenty of dresses to offer. "I've been looking forward to prom so I've been looking for dresses for quite some time, I finally found my dress at David's bridal. They have so many dresses to choose from and they made me feel very welcoming," comments Adriana Gomez, Div. 406. Be sure to also check out Windsor, nearest location at Chicago Ridge Mall, if you want to have your options open to any type of dress. I went there myself and they had many different dresses to offer; from short and simple to long and very sparkly the dresses will make you stand out and feel beautiful. The trends this year are all about strapless gowns and flashy claw-like nails.

Every girl deserves to go to prom since it's a once in a life time experience. However, prom can be very expensive for girls because of the hair, dress, and makeup. A great place to go to is the Glass Slipper Project. It is a charitable prom organization that provides prom dresses and accessories to girls who can't attend prom due to financial problems. The organization is available to girls once every year during the spring. You get hundreds of dresses and accessories to choose from. Keep in mind of your options, ladies. Start looking for the dress that will catch everyone's eyes before it's gone.



Different styles at Peaches and Davids Bridal ensure you'll find your dream dress.

Spring Training in the Windy City

By Luis Aguayo

While the Chicago Cubs have spring training under the hot Arizona weather, the Greyhounds have no problem training under the never-ending, winter season in Chicago. On March 3rd the Hubbard Greyhounds Baseball team began their spring training. All pitchers and catchers were required to attend the spring training. "The team returns a strong core from last year and has added some new pieces that should make key contributions," Coach O'Hara comments. As the good turnout of twenty-three new potential baseball players, as well as former players from the previous season, one only has high hopes for the team.

As our Greyhounds continue their spring training, we can only anticipate a good outcome for their season. "It's like a family. It's a fun experience, even better when we get to the playoffs this year," said Jr. Jorge Cifuentes, Div. 512, of the Hubbard Baseball Team. Even with their enthusiasm and confidence, it's always good to go out and support the baseball team. Let's get it, Greyhounds!!



Baseball team members have a cold spring training.

Freshman Pom Pon Members Cheers On

By Beatriz Benitez & Esbeydi Rodriguez

The Hubbard Pom Pon team has been working hard for our to lift our school spirit. With the help of their coach, Ms. Terrell-Cox, the girls have their routines down and have been cheering on the Greyhounds at athletic events. A freshman at Hubbard has already made her mark. Victoria Smith, Div. 710, is a part of Hubbard's Pom Pon team. "I joined the team because I like to dance, and I thought I would make a good addition to this team." Every time the team practices or performs, she makes sure to give it her all. Victoria makes all the practices fun, and is always bringing new ideas to the team. Although she has no experience with gymnastics, she has a lot of experience in dancing. Victoria used to compete in dance at her old school. She plans on joining the team next year and having even more fun. "My signature move is a split and a hand twist back bend," says Victoria, "I get shy when it's time to perform in front of the whole school, but I get over it by not looking at people when I dance." Victoria is the one out of all the girls who fools around and keeps everyone laughing. Good qualities the girls have learned have been to be responsible, attentive, and hard working. All the girls on the team are very close and will continue working hard to boost our spirits at games and events.



Pom Pon girls promise to raise school cheer.

Serve It!

By Alexandra Romo

The boys' volleyball team training has just begun, and they have plenty of spirit for their upcoming season. "We're communicating better and working harder this year," says varsity player Michael Ocampo, Div. 404, about the team's improvement. Such optimism is a great way to start off the season.



The boys volleyball team practicing for their season.

However, this is a very unique season for them since the lineup is different from previous years and the schedule is shortened. "No season is really ever the same," says Angel Alicia, Div. 404. As result of the shortened season, our Greyhounds will only be playing each school once, instead of usually competing twice. "It's good for us because we had issues defeating some teams the second time around," Angel comments on the upside to having a shortened season.

All in all, there is a lot that can happen throughout this season for our Greyhounds. As the season approaches, we can only hope for the best of the boys' volleyball season.

Just Keep Swimming

By Willie Clay

With water polo season coming fast, the boys' water polo team practices every day in order to become better. Because of all the returning players, there are big expectations for this upcoming season. In 2012-2013, the team had an even-key year with a 12-12 record. Second year player and defenseman, David Ponce, Div.406, said, "It was kind of challenging; we really didn't know anything about water polo. I've watched it on T.V., but the rules are kind of confusing". Coach Robyn stated, "My players right now are the same players from last year. We are progressing very well and learning the game even better." A lot of work is being put in by the team, and they expect to have a great turnout this year.



The boys water polo team will give it their all.

Mock Trial Team

By Frida Morales

Can you imagine acting as an attorney in front of a real judge and having the spotlight on you? Most of us don't think of becoming lawyers or going to court. It takes guts to get up and argue a case in court. Hubbard's Mock Trial team has won city trial 23 times and county 3 times. This year, our team was ready to go into competition. Mr. Fitz said, "We have been city champions for twelve years in a row except for last year, but this year we will work harder and do better."

On March 17, Hubbard's Mock Trial went to the Daley Center to participate in the city trial. The plaintiff side (the party that is suing) went against Jones College Prep High School and the defendant (the party who is being sued) competed against Lake View High School. There is no talking once court begins; it's up to the attorneys and witnesses to prove their case. After four long hours, the trial was over and all the teammates could do was wait for the results. Finally, the news had arrived that Hubbard's Mock Trial team lost, but this isn't the end. The fact that students from a CPS school went to performed a trial at a court and were able to speak up and look up to a real judge takes courage and Hubbard won at heart.

The mock trial takes a lot of preparation. New attorneys have to learn how to present evidence and persuasively argue their case. The judge and fellow evaluators grade each team. Attorneys are being judged on how well you present the case, the way you are dressed, objections and answers, the clarity of voice, and the opening and closing statement. Each person is graded from the scale 1-10, and the team with strongest attorneys and best witnesses win. Since the team lost and the season is over, Mr. Fitz will teach economics instead of law. All of us will have a fake wedding and will have to take care of a rotten egg. If the egg breaks, we will have to go on trial for manslaughter. Despite the stress of the trial, Mr. Fitz tries to make his class feel more confident and closer to each other. Mr. Fitz always says, "The only dumb question is the one you don't ask."



Pictures are not allowed in the courtroom!