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## She's graduating after 36 years

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**A**t first I didn't want to talk about it, but now I feel like it's my time," said Ms. Liz Callaham.

After working here for 36 years Ms. Callaham has decided that it is about the right time to retire.

"Ever since I was little, I always wanted to become a teacher but I wanted to teach third grade. But when I was in high school getting ready for college it was hard to get an elementary school teacher job. So my father talked to me and told me I should consider other options. I was really interested in business so I started taking classes for education and business. I was a legal secretary and someone said 'Well why don't you teach business' and that lead me to here," said Mrs. Callaham.

Although teaching was a dream that she had since she was a child, 36 years later she now has decided to retire. But she loves her job so much that saying goodbye is very difficult so she has chosen to not see this as the end, but more like her own graduation.

"I still enjoy teaching so much and yet I know that there is a new adventure, new opportunities out there for me."

Mrs. Callaham has contributed so much to our school over the years. She was co-ASB director for over 20 years and was in charge of prom for the same number, a cheer advisor, DECA advisor (before virtual enterprise), advisor of 9, 10, 11 and 12th grades, business pathway member and business department chair. Now she feels like her time has come to explore the

world and travel to all the places she has only dreamed of all these years.

"I would like to go back to Europe and maybe to the Scandinavian countries. I've never been to Scandinavian countries and it has always seemed like a calling, I've been to Italy and Greece and I want to see more."



## Grad Nite is right on the money

Amaya Ontiveros  
Staff writers

**I**t's that time of year where the seniors are ready to graduate, but the next best thing to graduating is Grad Nite. It's the one last moment to spend with friends, and for the graduating class to spend together. In order to get the tickets you have to pay for them through the business office, this year for the senior class it cost a pretty penny for the ticket.

"I think it's a good event to go to

and to spend time with friends especially at Disneyland, but the price is something that should be changed to a lower cost so more seniors can go. I know people who are not going because of the expense," said Jesus Robles.

The \$150 early bird with ASB price or the \$180 regular price was a bit much for many.

"Generally, to me, it's overpriced. Other than that I think it will be an exciting time just to spend one last time with

your friends, and your other classmates. It's just that it is still overpriced for a time you may never forget. Don't get me wrong, it's a good thing to have Grad Nite but at the same time our graduating class is being overcharged compared to other classes, like last year's class paid \$150 where is the fairness in that," said George Gutierrez.

There is a dress code for all Grad Nite students, and students must regard all rules that are given while attending Grad

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## Boo, please

*The Picture That Was Turned to the Wall required audience to participate*

Cynthia Ramirez  
Staff writer

It takes place in the West and it's a melodramatic play, which means it's really dramatic! The plot of the play is that a daughter wound up marrying without the blessing of her father, so he casts her out. A year later, she returns to amend things; however, it is bad timing because a villain comes to disrupt their lives by threatening to take away the hotel of the parents, which is the only thing the parents live on although business falters," said Kimberly Argueta, who plays Isadora Snap-dragon.

"I felt amazing to wear the cape. The mustache was kind of itchy at times. When you get older, the cape is a thing to get," said Nathan Fernandez.

The play was an interactive theatre, which the audience had the opportunity to "Boo" and "Applaud" the different characters. When Jubilee was unsure if what she is to do is right she asks the audience and responded with "yes" or "no," but she was forced into the wrong answer by blackmail.

Ashley Lloyd said, "The audience was very interactive and I was so surprised to see so many people getting involved."

The play goes through many emotional situations from the main character Jubilee, played by Paola Yanez, being disowned by her father, Father Tubbs played by Edwin Ruiz. Jubilee gets caught in a scheme of the scoundrel Rudolph von Doberman played by Nathan Fernandez and his henchmen Rags, played by Bradley Pinson, and Lauren Rodriguez takes the role of Diamond-tooth Polly.

The play is directed by Ms. Misty Wright. "Melodrama is a fun and challenging type of play. Most people think it's easy to act in this type of genre but it is more difficult than one thinks."

"Ms. Wright helped me a lot with being assistant director. My favorite scene would have to be where two people are arguing, and instead of fighting with each other, they punch a doll," said Vivian Juarez.

**Little Billy Tapshoes, played by James Krejci marries Paola Yanez's Jubilee despite her father's objections in The Picture That Was Turned To The Wall.**



## Choir's big honor

*They perform a new song by a Las Vegas composer*

Karime Ramos  
Staff Writer

The Mixed Chamber Choir received the opportunity to premiere a song by an up-and-coming music composer, Rylan Leo Helmuth, a Las Vegas based music composer on May 2.

Mr. Helmuth composed a piece called **You Are Old Father William** based on Lewis Carroll's **Alice in Wonderland**. Mr. Ryan Duckworth and Helmuth are personal friends. It was an honor for Mr. Duckworth and Mixed Chamber to receive and be the first group to sing an original piece. Bradley Pinson said, "The song **Father William** was challenging because we

were the first people to ever perform this composition so we had no reference to watch and learn from other musicians mistakes."

Mixed Chamber has been working on learning this song all year. "It is a very complex piece that required many hours of preparation," said Mr. Duckworth.

Though it is very common for composers to attend the premiere of their work, Mr. Helmuth unfortunately suffered a loss in his family and was not able to attend the premiere. Thankfully, Mixed Chamber Choir and Mr. Duckworth recorded their performance and posted it on YouTube for Helmuth to watch. Helmuth responded to the video and said, "Ryan (Duckworth), you and your choir have done me a great honor. Thank you for singing my work... Well done indeed. My hat is off to you all." **From left are: Vivian Juarez, Wendy Lopez, Jackey Ramirez, Gabriel Ramirez and Bradley Pinson.**

## Pops Concert

The Pops Concert on May 11 was the last concert of the year and many can agree that it will be very memorable. One thing in particular that is especially memorable would be the fact that Mr. Ryan Duckworth sang in the first song, **The Greatest Show** from the movie **The Greatest Showman** and all students from volunteer choir participated. Twenty-seven songs, including **Footloose**, **Let Me Entertain You** and **Pure Imagination** were sung. Alison Colchado, Ronda Hunt, Edwin Ruiz, Yurie Mkhitarian, Kylee Jacobs, Christopher Carrillo, Claudia Santana, Kimberly Argueta sang solos.



**Edwin Ruiz and Paola Yanez combine dance and song during the Pops concert.**



# NEWS

## Coming up roses

Lizzandra Perez  
Staff Writer

**O**n April 16-18 the virtual enterprise team Highrise Gardens headed out to New York for national competition for the first time. The competition was among 220 teams from 150 schools representing 18 states, 10 countries. Highrise Gardens took sixth place. Highrise Gardens written business plan team got the highest score in the state placing in first.

Highrise Gardens is a business that was started by the virtual enterprise class in

August. The class worked together to come up with a name, logo, business cards, financials, and the company website. Enrique Moreno brought the idea to the class which was unanimously selected as the idea for the company. Abraham Padilla, chief information officer (CIO) then added on to the idea, developing the idea of aeroponics. Highrise Gardens is an agricultural engineering corporation specializing in aeroponic technology. To clarify, aeroponics is a plant cultivation technique in which the roots hang suspended in the air while nutrient solution is delivered to them in the

form of a fine mist.

This is the first time that BHS won at state level and advanced to nationals.

"New York was nothing like I expected. I knew we were going to make it to finals it was just a matter of going against the other groups in the finals," said Abraham.

The team saw this as a win-win situation. Even if they didn't win nationals, they still won by going on an all paid trip to New York. "It was a really good experience especially because everything was already paid for by the district, it was just something surreal. It

wasn't something I expected, I didn't even think we were going to make it to New York for finals because the other teams are from business academy schools and they have two years to plan and we only had one," said Roxanna Canales, co-chief executive officer (CO CEO).

The CEO along with his team were nervous to be presenting and representing BHS virtual enterprise team in New York.

"Coming up to the event I knew we were going to make it but once we were there

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## Staff get ONE over students

Beatrice Padilla, Lizbeth Gudino-Macias, Jacqueline Rodriguez,  
Staff Writers

**L**et's go Mr. Bowley! Get that win!" Students are routing loud and hard for their favorite teachers. This is the second annual game that has been brought back after several years. The game was on May 8 and held in the gym. The score of the game was 69-68 in favor of the teachers, and boy, was it intense.

One of the reasons why it was so intense was because the student players were getting a little too competitive. "Some people took it too seriously. And things got out of hand. It wasn't as fun as it was supposed to be. I just thought that it should've just been fun and not competitive," said Brittany Vasquez. "The game in general should've been fun. I don't know, it just felt a little disappointing."

The game was competitive, it was obvious the staff came to play. "The staff versus student game was very competitive because we were both aggressive and both teams wanted to win... teachers wanted to prove that they're better than students," said Mr. Roger Ochoa.

Mr. Jonathan Snap, the trainer/nurse was the hero of the game. "Shoutout to Jonathan for being such a hooper!" said

Jeorgette Cuellar. Mr. Snap scored at least 20 points in the game including the game winning final shot.

At the beginning of the game, the students were ahead by ten points. But the faculty slowly chipped at the lead to take the win at the buzzer. Staff has beaten the students for the second year in a row.

**Mr. Roger Ochoa and Anthony Roberson play defense against girls varsity basketball player Brittany Vasquez.**



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## AVID awards

### Haydee Gallegos wins \$1000 scholarship

Yesenia Ramirez, Jocelyn Jimenez  
Staff writer

**T**wenty-two years ago Rims AVID held their first senior recognition ceremony. The Class of 2018 AVID seniors attended their ceremony on Sat., April 28. The ceremony was held at CSUSB at 8:30 am.

Every school that attended, 11 total, had a student speaker. Bloomington High School's student speaker was Allison Farfan, who has been in AVID for six



years and will be attending the University of Maine in the fall of 2018.

Allison had mixed emotions about being the speaker for our AVID senior class. She had no clue that her speech would be the one chosen, but it was. She genuinely thought the other speeches were great and that they'd choose somebody else's, but to her surprise the AVID students voted and her speech was the "winner winner chicken dinner." She had practiced her speech many times before to make sure she got it right.

"The ceremony was one to remember and all the AVID students throughout the years were all coming together for one last time before graduation," said Allison. The ceremony was both elegant and special to all of the families who attended.

AVID student of four years, Kate Melchor, attended the ceremony as well. "I thought the ceremony was very special and the speeches were heartwarming. I thought throughout the ceremony of all my struggles and hard work that had to be done to have it all pay off." Her favorite memory about AVID would be the time where they had to pick a college for college week. It was both educational and enjoyable. "It was an emotional roller coaster that is coming to an end and will never be forgotten," said Kate.

Before the ceremony ended several students were acknowledged including Haydee Gallegos. She was the only BHS AVID student to win a Rims' scholarship of \$1,000.

The ceremony was not only for the students but also for the parents and family members. Everyone that attended had a great time. After the ceremony the students and their families walked outside to take pictures.



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night. Females should dress comfortably, no revealing tops or midriffs, and males should dress appropriately with nice attire.

"I don't believe there should be dress code, we already graduated there would be no point in showing up to an amusement park with our school dress code applied to us still," Jakob Argueta said.

"I know it's going to be memorable with all my friends and the excitement of being at Disneyland feeling like a kid, when I know not only me but the class of 2018 have to get ready to grow up, so it's our last chance to live in the moment being a kid," Vicente Hernandez said.

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## Wins just keep on coming *Full ride scholar*

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For many of us, having a university looking for us is a dream, knowing that we are great enough to be recruited. This dream became a reality for Sheyla Iniguez who received a full ride scholarship to Webster University on May 7. Sheyla plays for a softball team outside of school and has had scouts go out and see her perform. She got invited to visit the university and knew it was the one.



"I visited the school and when I got there I knew it was home," said Sheyla. She will be attending the school to become a cardiothoracic surgeon and play softball for the school at the same time.

Sheyla was very emotional when hearing the news. "I was crying and I was excited for my future."

## ROTC beats Colton

Oralia Rodriguez, Christy Anyiam  
Staff writer

May 12 was the Bloomington vs. Colton ROTC drill meet. "Colton is our rival school when it comes to ROTC. It was a very interesting experience they were very competitive, they wanted the title. We prepared for two months, we have a 7th period and we basically practiced there," said Adam Nery.

To prepare for the meet, cadets did not wear their uniforms that week. Instead, they focus on getting their uniforms pressed and ready to go. ROTC cadets not only practice during class, they also sacrifice time after school to stay for seventh period.

Christopher Coiner is in the Physical Training (PT) team and he runs during competitions.

"To mentally and physically prepare myself for drills, I stretch and give myself positive inspiration. My personal opinion is that it's not about winning, it's about having fun and knowing that I put my all into this."

Leslie Rendon is on the unarmed and armed basic drill team. Armed is when they spin rifles and unarmed is when they make beats with their hands and feet.

"What I do to prepare for competitions, is I try my best to make every movement sharp. I practice over and over, I keep trying, and never give up. I also help the other cadets get better by making their movements sharper so that we as a team look in sync. The other cadets and I make sure that no matter what, we look nice, sharp, in sync, and we prove to everyone that we actually practice and we know what we're doing."

## Winterline isn't cold

Sheila Ponce  
Staff writer

The winterline hit their first season hard taking 5th place at the ADLA Championships. The team is composed of 12 students, mostly freshmen. As the season came to an end they made sure to practice everyday including eight hours on Saturdays. The band director, Victor Torres, created the drill for the group and made sure that the team learned their parts with the help of their three instructors (Sophy, Jairo and Allyson).

Coming from clarinetist in the marching band to "third base" in the winterline, Peter Guzman said, "I joined winterline because it seemed like an exciting experience that I can enjoy with my friends. Throughout the entire season, I had such a thrilling experience we traveled to other schools and overall it was a fun time. Our winterline did an outstanding job for their first year. We made it to finals the first year and are ready to learn more. My favorite memory was definitely going to finals and seeing all the other amazing lines."

Pit captain and sophomore Juliana Salguero made sure to keep the pit together. She said, "I joined so I could keep myself busy. My experience was amazing. I'm proud of the Winterline for our achievements and of how hard we worked to get to where we are. I think it was any time we were getting off the performance areas and everyone looked tired but accomplished."

As a drummer on the sideline Said Leon said, "I joined winterline to develop more skills, to get a feel of what it's like being in the front ensemble, and pretty much to play and have fun. I had an amazing experience in winter drumline, I would definitely do it again and again and also would recommend it to everyone. I didn't

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Winterline in their competition best: Top row: Luis Blanco, Asael Rivera, Luis Sanabria. Middle row: Juliana Salguero, Herbert Vega, Said Leon, Peter Guzman, Rosa Salgado. Bottom row: Anissa Torres, Naomi Corrales, Soledad Munoz, David Tapia, Elizabeth Rodriguez.



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## Car-ry away

*Tomorrow's Leaders Celebration and Prize Giveaway event*

Madison Barrera and Vlad Barrera  
Staff writer

The doors opened at 4:30 pm. 99.1 KGGL was there to entertain. Parents and students were entering the auditorium only to find a packed house; it was standing room only.

"I was excited to be there. I was hoping to get a TV, or anything cool," hopefully stated Christopher Mota.

Students and parents from Colton, Grand Terrace, and Bloomington High attended the Tomorrow's Leaders Celebration hoping to have their names pulled for a variety of prizes. In order to qualify for the drawing, students must have no more than three days of absences, no more than ten tardies, no outside suspensions for the



year, and a G P A minimum requirement of 2.8. Only 11th

and 12th graders are eligible for the grand prize...which is a car.

Students that signed in were given a red/blue ticket to potentially win prizes like gift cards or tickets to the Sal-

sa Festival or a Family Pack of Disneyland tickets.

"I wasn't particularly excited to be there, I'm not that fond of raffles. However I wanted a Playstation 4 or the Xbox, because I like video games," said James Krejci.

As the clock hit 6:00 pm, the big giveaways began to happen. They brought in three barrels with all the students' names from the three schools. They'd spin the barrel, open the lid, pull out the name, and then called the student up the stage to get their reward. All eyes were on that barrel.

"I felt like I could have won something... but I didn't," sighed Christopher as he slunk his shoulders.

"I was praying and hoping that it would be me. My mom kept laughing at me when my name didn't get picked out, but there's always next time," said Michelle Barajas.

Some people may not have been satisfied with what they received or they may not have received anything at all, but at least the students who attended the event have some comfort that they were qualified for the requirements to attend the event.

"I'm going to sell my salsa tickets for \$20. If you want salsa tickets, come find me... somewhere," said James Krejci.

## And the winner is

Have you ever dreamed of winning a free car? Priscilla Vargas got to live that dream. On May 1, the district held a raffle for those with good grades and perfect attendance. The Tomorrow's Leaders Celebration was 5pm to 7pm and there were a variety of prizes such as tablets, tickets and gift certificates, but the most sought after was a 2018 Chevrolet Spark donated by Rotolo Chevrolet.

Vargas was more than shocked when she won because she was not even intending to go. "I went because my mom wanted to go, and at first I didn't want to because I had to study for my AP exams. My dad even sarcastically told me, 'go win that car.'"

Priscilla was one out of hundreds of possible winners from all throughout the district. Students from Colton, Grand Terrace, and Bloomington were a part of the Tomorrow's Leaders Celebration Event. She has big plans for her new car.

"Once I get my driver's license senior year I will be driving it everywhere." This 'spark' will light the flames of her future since she'll be taking it with her to college.



## Field trip adds real life to project

Cynthia Ramirez  
Staff writer

The bus takes a right and they have arrived. Forty Spanish students rode a school bus for two hours to visit the San Diego Zoo, but everyone agreed the ride was worth it.

Once the students entered the zoo, everyone got into their groups and went to view the animals in the exhibits from Panda Canyon to Elephant Odyssey and the northern frontier where the polar bears and penguins are kept.

"The most interesting thing I saw was the panda because I didn't think they were going to be there. I thought they were cute. It was also cool since I didn't think I was actually going to see one in person," said Erika Holguin.

"The trip was educational. Students did a project, which they built a mini-zoo naming every animal in Spanish. We went to learn about the animals studied in class. Teach teens on topics like animal diets, animal enrichment, wildlife conservation, and endangered species," said Mrs. Leticia Herrera. The students saw animals who are in danger of extinction like the przewalski (pronounced sheh-VAL-skee) horse and the one-horned rhino.

"I was happy. I want to become a veterinarian in the future, and I was able to see exotic animals," said Priscilla Vargas.

The Conservation Institute at the zoo brings in animals from their natural habitat that have been injured to nurture them until they get better and to protect certain species that are in danger of extinction.



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## Work hard, lift heavy

**T**heir motto is "Work Hard, Lift Heavy, Get Gains." The Barbell Club and weightlifting classes each year sponsor a Lift-A-Thon to raise money for the weight room. To some, this challenge might mean lifting more than others. But to others, it's about challenging themselves to do better, to be stronger.

"I think the most challenging part of this competition would be the mentality you have looking at the weights and thinking it's heavy and you keep telling yourself that it's too heavy, but if you have that strong mentality and you put your mind to it then you can accomplish it," said Melody Carrillo.

It is a series of three lifts which include squat, deadlift, and bench press which are the three major powerlifting lifts. You have to do your max weight in each

lift, which is the highest amount you can lift then you combine the total amount of weight you did and get your tri-lift amount.

"I think students are going to have more trouble finding sponsors for this competition than lifting," said weightlifting teacher Luke Brenner.

In order to raise money, students are required to have sponsors. Sponsors can either donate with a flat rate amount or by any amount they want per pound.

"It is kind of hard to ask teachers to donate because you don't know what their situations are; it's also a weird feeling you get because you might get rejected by them," said Destiny Cruz-Guzman.

The group did manage to raise \$50 for equipment for next year. But more importantly, they challenged themselves and each other to do better.

*"I did the lift-a-thon because I wanted to push myself to the limit. The lift-a-thon is to help the Barbell Club; I wanted to help the club that has helped me so much. At the event I lifted 345 pounds on deadlift. That is the most I have ever lifted."*

**Levi Heron**



## The Aerials raise the roof

Beatrice Padilla, Lizbeth Gudino, Jacqueline Rodriguez  
Staff Writers

**T**he Aerials, performed their debut concert in the Vivian "Bish" Edwards Auditorium On Fri., April 6 at 7:00 pm. The group is composed of five students: Andrew Zataray on guitar and vocals, John Moran on guitar, Daniel Salazar on bass and vocals, Juancarlos Cruz on vocals and guitar, and Said Leon on drums. All of



**Juancarlos Cruz of The Aerials.**

the money raised with the \$5 a ticket fund raiser is going to next year's marching band music and drill. "Mr. Victor Torres

came up with the idea of the fund raiser. He saw that there was a lot of talent and chemistry in between us so he wanted to showcase it. We wanted to perform and he gave us the idea of a concert fund raiser. We all were very happy with the outcome," said Said Leon.

It seems as though the Aerials have a few fans already. The group raised over \$1400.

"It was a great experience! I got to hang out with my friends and listen to the most amazing music. It was truly a night to remember," said Adrian Perez, a supporter for the band.

Band members were excited to help raise money for band and drill.

"I was friends with Andrew and we were already playing music together. Then we met Said and that's when it encouraged us to actually start a band. We met in August at the beginning of the school year and from there we just started learning songs here and there. Like check out this riff from the Beatles or whatever. Then

Said would go home and learn it that day. We'd play it together and it would be really nice. So that added up. More people got interested in us like John and Daniel. They wanted to join too. We've been practicing some of this music intensely," said Juancarlos Cruz.

"I'm feeling energetic. I'm still feeling that adrenaline rushing through me you know. I'm still hype; I could probably do another set list if I really wanted to. This is amazing. It's really quite a euphoric experience one might say," said John Moran.

They all agreed that this experience was thrilling and they're very willing to do another one.

"It was basically my dream just to play in front of other people and just get better at what I do. For sure we're just gonna keep on practicing and improving because it's not easy. Next time I wanna play in front of more people and just get used to being natural to the audience and not being nervous and all that," said Andrew Zataray.

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## Fifty-fifth honor guard selected

Nereida Chavez  
Staff writer

**A**s the graduating Class of 2018 walks down the aisle to receive their diploma at the San Manuel Stadium on May 30, the honor guard will be leading the way.

Honor Guard is composed of the top 20 juniors with the highest GPAs.

The 20 juniors are:

America Ramirez, Mauricio Munoz Valtierra, Joel Velasco, Ahmad Awad, Idaly Gomez, Margarita Esparza, Kayleena Palacios, Angelica Hernandez, Liliana Garcia, Genesis Chavez-Jimenez, Janice Do, Ulysses Leon, Andrew Martinez, Gloria Tovar, Andrew Lopez, Lesley Nunez, Sheyla Castaneda, Priscilla Vargas-Pena, Khadeeja Shalabi, Kimberly Moreno

Lopez. However, to these students, being in the top 20 is no surprise, just check Zangle.

It takes dedication to keep their GPAs at a perfect 4.0....or higher.

Kayleena Palacios said, "I'm proud of myself, I was able to make it, I'm also proud of everyone else, who tried their best, to be the top 20 of our class."

The top 20 will wear gold gowns and lead the procession at graduation on May 30. They were honored with a special breakfast on April 18.

Mauricio Munoz Valtierra said, "Honor Guard is someone who exemplifies what it means to be a Bruin."

Margarita Esparza

said, "Honor Guard is a group of people who have worked hard, and set priorities, and are on top of their stuff. They set goals and accomplish them. Setting goals is the best thing you can do, and accomplishing them is even better!" Each honor guard set their goals and stayed with them.

Ahmad Awad shared, "It feels very good, an accomplishment knowing you're on top. I feel your result is the amount of effort you put in. If you don't put in effort, you'll be average. You should always put 100% of effort, if you don't try you'll never get the things you want in life."

The group received their official invitation on April 12 from their counselors.



## Pizza and a proposal

Alequis Chavira and Antonio Castillo  
Staff writer

**O**n April 18, people gathered at Shakey's Pizza parlor to enjoy performances by the Bruin choir. This fourth annual event was held to fund raise money for choir, but there was a surprise ending. A perfect prom proposal came about.

After an astounding performance by Edwin Ruiz, he romantically asked, Paolo Yanez, to prom. "I wanted to go big and make her feel special. I was trying to make her the center of attention that night," said Edwin.

"I didn't really know if I was gonna ask Paola to prom but then she gave me a little sign. Over the weekend, I asked my friends to help me. One friend got me flowers and one other friend helped me with the poster. Then on the day of the Shakey's event I decided to ask her," said Edwin. "I knew that she was going to say yes, but I was still very nervous. After she said yes, I was on cloud nine."

It may not have been a sure thing.

"I was surprised when Edwin asked me to prom, it was very unexpected. I was surprised," said Paola Yanez.

Other memorable moment included a great performance by Alison Colchado. She sang the Spanish song **Corre** by Jesse y Joy.

"My mom really enjoys that song so I decided to dedicate the performance to her," said Alison.

"Singing at Shakey's is a tradition for me, I like to sing outside of school because its different than singing at school. I get to sing in front of people I've never seen before, where I might be judged. But I enjoy it I plan to sing at the collegiate level and be a singer," said Kylee Jacobs.

Spanish music was a hot item for choir night. From the film **Coco** the song **Un Poco Loco** was passionately sung by Yurie Mkhitarian.

"I had fun singing the song; it is upbeat so I wanted others to enjoy the fun as well. Choir night at Shakey's was about getting to do what I love to do while having fun. I love that I wasn't so stressed out and under a spotlight but in the comfortable setting," said Yurie.



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## It was Hawaii without the lava

It was on fire. If you did not go to this year's annual luau, you were probably the only one. The luau took place in front of the cafeteria on May 17 and it was packed; well over 500 students showed up. The Luau is sponsored by the Poly Club and is filled with food and Poly performances.

"I've been waiting for the luau since the day I joined Poly. We all put in a lot of effort to make sure luau would be great. It was such an incredible experience, I can't wait to continue my journey in the Polynesian Club and keep performing every year," said Cindy Melgarejo.

Fourteen clubs were out with energy trying to sell their food at the last fund raise of the year and it went well.

"I was selling pizza and drinks for Poly and the food was gone so fast, it seemed like they have never tried pizza," said Jasmin Barajas.

By the end of the afternoon, almost \$3100 was made. Robotics alone sold over 700 hot dogs. Joseph Barrera said, "It went pretty well, we sold most of our stuff and we had a huge line most of

the time. We felt a little bit overwhelmed at first because we weren't expecting that big of a crowd, but we handled it. We had enough people helping out."

As for the entertainment, Poly performed a total of nine songs and invited Vibe to perform as well. For a majority of the Poly girls, it was their first luau and they were very excited. They had been working hard since the beginning of the year, staying after school until 3:30 pm sometimes until 4 pm. The girls were ready to finally show off what they have been practicing so hard for.

"Performing was pretty exciting and exhausting and although I messed up here and there I enjoyed every moment of it," said Daniela Lozano.

As for the seniors, it was their last luau and emotional.

"The luau came by so fast this year and I'm sad it's over. I have

grown to have a special place in my heart for all of the girls and as their Poly mom I am proud to call them my Poly babies. I'm sad to let them go but I know they will all continue to do great things. Ohana," said Silvia Serrano, 2018 Poly President.

**Ohana: The 2018 Poly Club and dance team from back: Daniela Brito, Dessire Garcia, Emily Millan, Aerica Agda, Brenda Galan, Celene Vazquez, Vanessa Angulo, Gisselle Rendon, Paola Durazo, Daniela Lozano, Cindy Melgarejo, Lizbeth Solano, Cindy Rodriguez, Silvia Serrano.**



## A different kind of graduation

### 96 English language development students test English proficient

Luis Correa, Briana Batshoun  
Staff Writers

Reclassification does not mean that your counselor switches your math class, it means that you are officially bilingual.

"There are 96 students being reclassified. Students whose home language is something other than English are classified as an ELD (English Language Development) student so that when they start school, they place those students in a class to help them learn English. A test will be given to those kids every year to determine if they need ELD support. They stay in that program until they are able to be reclassified which means they meet the criteria and they no longer need the English support," said Ms. Ruby Navarro.

May 15 was the day for bilingual students to have the satisfaction of not taking the test anymore or having a support class. There were so many students feeling proud of themselves that they finally passed the test.

"I feel pretty honored because I struggle a lot with English and trying to get better at it. Once I got the invitation that I passed, I was really proud of myself. Every year going to school I had to take a test for it and it was kinda tiring 'cause I thought I couldn't pass it until this year," said Ilanny Macias.

The whole process for some students was difficult, but they finally achieved their goal.

"It feels good and I feel proud of myself. The process was really difficult but

then again I didn't know much so I was just going with the flow and I had confidence," said Ruby Ortiz.

Students that were reclassified were invited to a ceremony held after school in the MPR building with their parents so they could receive their certificates of reclassification. The event was planned by Ms. Navarro and was filled with hot dogs, chips, cake for the celebration. Overall the evening was brimming with happiness of students being reclassified and their proud friends and family.

"It feels good to finally be reclassified; it is just a sigh of relief. Although it was an small ceremony it still meant a lot knowing that I don't have to take the test next year. It wasn't hard for me," said Rosa Tamara.

# FEATURES

## Lunch ladies little helpers

Dayana Ochoa  
Staff Writers

Being a cafeteria worker is really a very demanding job. You have to be fast and smart. It's physically demanding because you're doing a lot of lifting and moving around. You have to be able to complete all the tasks that are given to you without having to go back and be told

over and over what your task was. The cafeteria is looking for a few good students.

"What I would like to see most is a good work ethic and by that I mean people who work hard, smart, and efficiently. People who seek out more work to do. Who, no matter what you ask them to say, it's yes and they get right on it. Overall, people who complete the tasks," said Kellyanna Miller, the school's head lunch lady.

This year's requirements if you are looking for a job is: You

need to have a 2.5 grade point average, no F's in your classes (and that's required throughout the year), and good attendance.

"You need to keep up your grades or else you can lose your job because your number one job in high school is the learning," said Mrs. Miller.

There is also a requirement that you have to go to the Work Experience class with Mrs. Marion Terry once a week either on a Wednesday morning 0 period or in the afternoon 7th period. There are other requirements, such as homework tasks. Students have to keep up their resumes and letters of recommendations.

"The first year I was hired was this year, my junior year. I applied because I needed to support myself so my parents wouldn't have to wor-

ry about buying me things and when I want to go out I have my own money to spend," said Denise Vidrio.

Being able to offer a job at school for students to work gives them a huge opportunity for job experience so when they go out into the big wide world they will have something under their belt to help them be prepared for what's ahead.

"I applied to this job to gain experience for outside jobs and to look good for college applications. Even though I worked this year, I want to work again next year to learn more. So far I have learned to work as a team, be quick and patient and to be more organized for my coworkers," said Brenda Pena, pictured at right.



## Job Fair in town

Grecia Ballesteros  
Staff Writers

Are you a high school student in need of a job but struggling to find one? You're in luck. On April 25, many students rushed their way to room 520 to the job fair in the hopes of getting hired.

Students came in their professional attire and looked their best to impress. The job fair had a good amount of options of jobs for students to choose from. Some of the business representatives that showed were: Best Buy, Center of Employment Training, San Bernardino County Behavioral Health Volunteer Services

Program, Marine Corps, BBSI, Think Together, Inland Empire Career & Technical Training Offerings, and Welding.

The staff members were very helpful towards the students and answering all their questions about the jobs/career they were interested in. They were even nice enough to give out tips and guides to the future employees. The BBSI stand caught students' attention with their very useful advice on ways to get the job and what to expect. The BBSI offer jobs such as General Labor, Forklift Operators, Clerical, and Customer service.

Another stand that caught students attention was

the Marine Corps, who explained all the positions they had to offer in their program. They also discussed the educational opportunities such as the Tuition Assistance Program, Post 9/11 GI Bill, Marine Corps Institute, and the Officer Commissioning Programs.

If you are unsure of what you want to do, the Inland Empire Career & Technical Training Offerings has many careers to choose from such as construction, finance and business, health care, hospitality, and renewable resources. If you are interested, see Mrs. Celine Hernandez in the Career Center.

## Winter...

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really think nothing of what the winterline did I just wanted to play and have fun and develop skills like I said. My favorite memory in winterline is always gonna be every moment we finished a run through of the music. It was just so exciting and so energizing."

Their total results at each competition were: West Covina High School March 3, placed 7 out of 9 with a score of 60.45; Cajon High School March 24 placed 3 out of 6 with a score of 63.45; Ramona High School April 8 placed first with a score of 70; Semi Finals Day 1 April 14, first place with a score of 77.15; Championship Finals April 28, placed 5 out of 7 with their best score of 77.20.

# FEATURES

## Advance art students send their portfolio

Miyori Bennett  
Staff Writers

After dominating the CJUSD Pencil, Pen & Brush contest in April, the Bruin's art program is now preparing to send out their AP students artwork for AP Exams on May 10. The class of 15 students are now gathering up their various works in all sorts of mediums; painting, sculpting, ceramics, photography and more. Out of the 15 students, seven are seniors. The remaining juniors continue to get a head start on their 24 artworks for next year's portfolio.

"I feel pretty good about the exam. I'm turning in about 20 art works. I do sculptures; my concentration is surrealism. I'll be sending out bowls, a shipwreck, masks and various other sculptures from my junior year. This year is my first time taking the exam, but I'm hopeful. I know it's easier than the other AP exams being given," said Cristina Banuelos.

Many students in the program have constantly been bringing in work to room 103; it's very easy to see something that will catch your eye. As students begin to photograph their work, the only senior whose concentration is photography, assists them with taking and developing artistic and beautiful pictures using the dark rooms and elaborate lighting setups within Mr. Sam Gallo's classroom.

"I feel like the AP art exam is extremely stressful although some people might think it's not as difficult as the other AP tests. My concentration is photography; I focus on the emotions a teenage girl goes through. I've never taken this exam before but I'm confident I'll pass with a 5," said Bryan Guzman.

The art students have to turn in an art portfolio that con-

sists of 24 artworks, 12 of a concentration, 12 of breath which show skills and different concepts and a written statement that describes their art process.

For many of the seniors in the program, the arrival of the exam is a sign the year is almost to a close. Meanwhile, for the juniors it means it's time to really begin accumulating artworks and getting ready for next year. Many of these talented students have been in the program for two years and will be attending art schools in the fall.

After meeting various art schools at this year's National Portfolio Day at Cal Arts, several students were admitted on the spot to various art colleges. Bryan Guzman and Cristina Banuelos were two that were accepted.

As things come to a close, artworks are scanned and sent out for the exam, the class prepares to set up for the final art show of the year and take their works home.

"I have been in the art program for three years and this is the first year I will be taking the AP exam. My main medium is acrylic and I will be submitting mostly canvases and drawings. I'm submitting 24 artworks; my favorite aspect of the class was the artistic freedom they gave us because it led to me accumulate over 50 artworks over the course of three years," said Valerie Rodriguez.

As the school year comes to a close, the AP class returns all tools, paints, drawing boards and other art supplies they have checked out during the school year and seniors begin drawing up their plans for their final, which is creating and painting a square outside of Mr. Gallo's room.



Valerie Rodriguez  
*Ghost*  
Ink on paper



Estrella Hernandez  
*Untitled*  
acrylic on canvas



Dariana Garita  
*Calligraphy*  
Mixed media

## VE goes roses...

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and we went through two rounds I thought whoa, everyone here is pretty much equal to us so we all have the same amount of odds so I got a little worried about it. Once we got through it I thought we did a pretty good job," said Alejandro Contreras, chief executive officer (CEO).

Besides the competing, the team and Mrs. Robin Buckles were able to explore New York City. "New York was cool and a whole different vibe, it was something you never really get to experience here. When you are in California everything is a slow pace

and in New York you can't even cross the street without almost getting hit by a car. It wasn't what I expected it was a big culture shock and just the lifestyle," said Enrique Moreno, chief operating officer (COO). This was a once in a lifetime opportunity to be able to travel with classmates and without knowing what to expect they had a motivating teacher with them pushing them to never give up.

"In a way, it was what I expected but you never know what to expect exactly. It was all new but it wasn't nothing out of the ordinary said," Daniela Lopez, chief financial officer (CFO).



# SPORTS

## Ken Hubbs held here

David Black  
Staff Writers

Out of all the senior athletes in the San Bernardino county, one boy and one girl are chosen to be the recipient of the Ken Hubbs award. The award, given every year for the last 58 years, is held at Colton High's Ken Hubbs gym. But due to construction, the elegant banquet was held here on May 14.



Edwin Munoz and Nayeli Sandoval-Gallo were

selected as BHS' nominees for this prestigious award. Ken Hubbs was a triple threat athlete and scholar that graduated from our sister school, Colton High School. He was the 1962 NL Rookie of the Year but was killed in a plane crash a year later. His family set up a scholarship to reward athletes that balance sports, academics, extracurricular activities, and also showcase great morals and values.

"What made me stand out from my fellow athletes is my leadership skills. I also have a strong character. I was a good influence to everyone on the field, the classroom, and in general. I asked my family, my friend Jose from track and soccer, my two track coaches, and Coach Howard and his son

to accompany me. I wanted to share this great honor with them as well. Without them, I wouldn't be the person I am. They've helped me shape my character. They pushed me to my limits. It just felt right to invite them," said Edwin Munoz, who participated in both track and soccer.

Both of our sister schools were there along with twenty-two others from San Bernardino county were there.

Two overall winners are picked from the 25 schools in attendance. Sadly, our two representatives were not chosen for the overall award. Cajon's football and basketball star Jeremiah Martin, and Redlands East Valley swimmer Au-

turn D'Arcy were named the 2018 Ken Hubbs Award winners.

Although Edwin and Nayeli may not have won the overall award, they didn't leave empty handed.

"We got an expensive watch that has 'Ken Hubbs 2018' engraved on it. We also got a certificate. It was such an honor to be able to share this experience with my family. I know they're proud of me," said Nayeli Sandoval-Gallo, who partici-



**Nayeli Sandoval (right) and Edwin Munoz receive their Ken Hubbs watch.**

## Oxygen is Overrated

No more bleached hair. No more strange tan lines. Swim season is officially over. The competition had been pretty tough for team, with no swimming going on from league finals.

Carolina Medina said, "This is already my third year swimming in BHS. When I went to League Finals I was terrified I thought I did terrible. The stroke I most definitely enjoy is 100 Butterfly, and my best time is 3:11. My parents told me that I had to be in a sport so I chose swim, it's honestly a passion now,"

Only 22 students were entered in League Finals for May 2.

**Boys**  
Miguel Carrillo  
Arturo Franco  
Otoniel Garcia  
Juan Lozano  
Rudy Mendoza  
Kevin Nass  
Luis Ramirez  
Travis Reading  
Jose Torres  
Patrick Phillips

**Girls**  
Mariah Chavez  
Allison Enriquez  
Priscilla Esqueda  
Alejandra Lopez  
Carolina Medina  
Marianna Morales  
Millie Moreno  
Lesley Nunez  
Sofia Pastrano  
Clarissa Quinones  
Lysandra Torres  
Emily Zavala

Priscilla Esqueda, one of our League finalist, said, "I have

been swimming for three years now and my favorite stroke would have to be butterfly. My league time for 500 freestyle is 6:43. Honestly, swimming has been so exciting, it makes me so happy to meet new friends every year."

League finals took place at Grand Terrace High School on Wed., May 2. "I wasn't nervous this year, but when I attended League finals last year I was most definitely scared. The stroke I most highly enjoy is butterfly. My best time is 6:53 for the 500 freestyle," said Kevin Nass.

First year coach, Ms. Brandi Ritzi was philosophical about her first year. "I don't care if you get 1st, 2nd, or 3rd. All I care about is you improving your time in your events and giving it your all," said Coach Ritzi.



# Senior Wills

**The Bruin Press brought back this old tradition last year and we are happy to be able to continue. Of course, we reserve the right to edit all wills.**

I, Joe Castillo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Christopher Felix my seat in the publications class.

I, Alexander Jara, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Eduardo Reyes my publications press pass.

I, Issac Zuniga, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jacob Zuniga an A++++ in French.

I, Juan Ramirez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jose Ramirez my varsity spot in soccer.

I, Agustin Barajas, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jose Martinez my intelligence and soccer skills.

We, Divian Falcon, Brian Pice-no and Joel Cisneros, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Ronaldo Flores the spot as varsity soccer captain.

I, Jonathan Corona, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Juan Garza-Garza the spot as varsity soccer captain.

I, Esperanza Zamora, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Stephanie Rodriguez my lucky backpack pin.

I, Ashley Martinez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Angel Cuevas my spot in Mrs. Marcy's class.

I, Jorge Gonzalez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Hamdan Awad tips on keeping coach Eric happy.

I, Lizbeth Gudino-Macias, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Drumline the right to go and have their tea time during practice.

I, Ivan Carrillo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Yahir Garcia my two binder clips.

I, Jordan Estrada, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Josiah Estrada my wisdom.

I, Dianna Anita, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Eileen Hernandez my smartness and humor.

I, Eddie Almazan-Chavez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Imanol Almazan all of my senioritis.

I, Tyler Hullett, being of sound mind and body, do hereby

leave/give David Black my basketball talent.

I, Alma Pulido, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Mark Madrid my uke skills.

I, George Gutierrez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Veronica Renteria my joy, happiness, and smarts.

I, Julian Ochoa, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Eleazar Madrigal a dog from our vet class in remembrance of me.

I, Alex Jara, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Chris Felix my boot.

I, Angela Aguilar, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Nereida Chavez my seat in virtual enterprise in Ms. Buckles class.

I, Beatrice Padilla, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give David Black chapstick.

I, George Ruiz Jr., being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Mauricio Munoz first base for the 2018-2019 season.

I, Bryce Stovall, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Hung Tran my funniest joke.

I, Jake Bertoldo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Emily Bertoldo my last brain cell.

I, George Gutierrez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Monte Spratley some pointers on defense.

I, Sergio Zaldivar, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Zachary Valdiva a pencil to always do his work.

I, Rudy Mendoza, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Angel Baca my football captain spot. Use it well.

I, Kenneth Castillo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Marlyn Castillo my self awareness.

I, Andy Fregoso, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Edward Rengifo my dirty, lucky gym socks.

I, Grayson Hogue, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jacob Barajas my secret to scoring and winning.

I, Mohammad Awad, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Angel Andrade my old basketball shoes.

I, Dylan Bayless, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Adam Marti-

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Senior wills continued from page 13

nez my catcher's mitt.

I, Cristina Banuelos, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jasmine Banuelos my paint brushes.

I, Carlos Sandoval, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Kevin Rocha my height and screwdriver.

I, Luis Sanchez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Guadalupe Godinez my unconditional love and all my seafood.

I, Jahaira Martinez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jackie Avalos my respect.

I, Delilah Lugo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Mark Hernandez my integrity.

I, Jocelyn Gutierrez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Navaeh Gutierrez my spot on the cheer team.

I, Kate Melchor, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Aaron DeCasas my spot at the lunch table.

I, Julieanne Bautista, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Daisy Rios my spot in cross country.

I, Beatrice Padilla, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give drumline to Ricky Bobby.

I, Alexander Jara, being of sound mind and body, do

hereby leave/give Eduardo Reyes my cast.

I, Natali Carmona, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Andy Cao my tips and tricks for senior year.

I, Ethan Manning, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Saleen Tazon my ASB vest to use for the rest of high school.

I, Fatema Shalabi, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Khadeeja Shalabi my notes so she could study and get good grades.

I, Alex Ruiz, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Mark Madrid my vocal cords, do as you wish.

I, Bronson Sneva, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Brianna Thomas my football team number to proudly show off at my games.

I, Brittany Vasquez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Shenamaria Taboada my lucky basketball.

I, Lysandra Torres, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Caroline Medina the title of swim captain.

I, Briana Hernandez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Cynthia Hernandez my advice for the rest of her high school career.

I, Nathan Fernande, being of sound mind and body, do

hereby leave/give Lauren Rodriguez my spare talent and humor.

I, Etchi Ako, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Shelia Ponce the divine right to do whatever it takes to keep Mango and Peter in line.

I, Gabriel Ramirez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Angelique Culbertson the inspiration and drive to continue on and end her time in choir with a very strong and fun senior year.

I, Juan Salazar, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Daniel Loher the motivation and dedication to push forward and never give up on what you want to pursue.

I, Denise Ocampo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Belen Moya my seat in fashion class.

I, Allison Enriquez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Ashley Gonzalez my lunch seat because I love you.

I, Maritza Garcia, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Christopher Blancarte in English class.

I, Brenda Alvarez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Diana Ochoa my friendship.

I, Brenda Velasco, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give the class of 2019 a clean cafeteria for them and the following classes to

enjoy. I hope they do the same so that we can preserve the cafeteria's original state.

I, Wendy Torres, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Dayana Ochoa my seat in my sixth period class.

I, Robert Luna, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Eddie Salinas the chair in McAdam's six period.

I, Janet Chavez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jisselle Jimenez my seat for lunch.

I, Nayeli Sandoval, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jaidyn Jacobs the responsibility to carry the soccer team on her back and lead them to success.

I, Allison Farfan Paredes, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give the future class of AP calculus BC Mr. Brown's humor.

I, Monica Hernandez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Kevin Nass to take care of my beloved friend Johnathan.

I, Armando Ortiz, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Destiny Rivas my lunch table.

I, Lysandra Torres, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jimena Hermosilo the ability to take every opportunity presented to her.

I, Lauren Magallanez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Mackenzie Buell my binder that has never been used.



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## Senior wills continued from page 14

I, Bryan Guzman, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Taylor Ramirez the privilege of being team captain on the volleyball team.

I, Jonathan Khamphilath, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Daisy Rios the bench where we used to sit.

I, Leslie Martinez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Peaceval Amajoyi my position as a leader in Link Crew.

I, Nathon Ovando, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Giovanni Gomez my notebooks.

I, Samantha Fuentes, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Elleana Gonzalez my pack of Double Bubble gum.

I, Pablo Shul, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Adrian Zamurripa a salad from lunch.

I, Omar Gonzalez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Adriana Gonzalez my seat in vet class.

I, Lorena Leyva, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Peter Guzman the ability to take as many AP classes as he wishes.

I, Brian Acosta, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Helen Fekade my support.

I, Anissa Torres, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Soledad Muniz my drum sticks.

I, Amy Gathings, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Lizbeth Ruiz my will power.

I, Ana Herrera, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Eduardo Garcia my support.

I, McKenzie Jones, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Alex Lopez my broken mirror.

I, Valerie Rodriguez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Marlyn Castillo my stacks of old work.

I, Kayla Cunningham, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Sakay Dado my support.

I, Stephanie Gonzalez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Ofelia Quezada my amazing dance skills and confidence.

I, Estrella Hernandez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Israel Hernandez the ability to be late to class whenever he please.

I, Dariana Ganta, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Adrian Ganta the knowledge and support to be a mindful smart stupid.

I, Elizabeth Delgado, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jamal Hen-

derson AP art color pencils.

I, Joseph Chavez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Adrienne Chavez one dollar.

I, Cristina Banuelos, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Lauren Rodriguez the position of the ASB president.

I, Kevin Sanchez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Cindy Tene my books for her book reports.

I, Grecia Ballesteros, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Francisco Angel the ability to be late to class.

I, Ariana Gamez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Martin Camino permission to take my spot on the golf cart.

I, Esperanza Zamora, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Francisco Ramirez permission to take my table at lunch.

I, Cristian Ramos, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Gabriel Rodriguez my spot as varsity captain.

I, Samuel Sosa, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Kylee Dorenllyn permission to take my seat on the bus.

I, Bronson Sheva, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Brooke Ellis my favorite teacher.

I, Stephanie Gonzalez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Jeanette Galvez my position in BAM.

I, Antonio Castillo, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Emilio Arriaga my starting running back spot.

I, Patrick Rios, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Anderson Monzon my position as DB.

I, Issac Zuniga, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Auner Castillo my position on defense.

I, Edwin Ruiz & MC Men, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Mark Madrid the title of the next year's Mixed Chambers Section leader for me...may the voice be with you.

I, Annette Herrera, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Gabriela Herrera the ability to turn in all the late work needed to pass the class. May your intellectualness strive you forward <33.

I, Valeria Sanchez, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Karla Sanchez the unlimited pass to never be late to class.

I, Jennifer Ahumada, being of sound mind and body, do hereby leave/give Natalia Ahumada the BHS soccer field to let out her soccer dreams, keep scoring Issy <3 !

# FEATURES

## An American tribute

Vlad Barrera, Madison Barrera  
Staff Writers

Students walked alongside teachers to the quad area to see the flag being raised in honor of Memorial Day, during AAP on May 23. It was the first time this American holiday was honored on campus. And thanks to Mr. Alan O'Neil and Mr. Michael Bédard, Memorial Day is more than just the unofficial start of summer.

"I think it's very nice

how we came out here to show our respect to the people who risked their lives to protect us," said Stephanie Camacho.

It was Mr. O'Neil who arranged for the band, ROTC, local firefighters, police and Army to attend. He also paid for the doves that were released at the end of the ceremony. "The past few years I have felt connected to band and NJROTC. Why not put them together so kids can see them? Add Memorial Day...I feel that patriotism is a value that should be part of BHS life," said Mr. O'Neil.

Memorial Day is an officially recognized federal holiday. Memorial Day is on the last Monday in May and it's a holiday for recognizing soldiers who have died in service to the United States.

Most Americans celebrate Memorial Day by

holding picnics and barbecues, visiting memorials and graves of loved ones, and going to sporting events.

"I felt very good at, and about the event. I thought the event went well and that the students got the chance to experience a very important American holiday, yet, get a feel for what the holiday is all about," stated Mr. Bédard, who gave a brief speech about the holiday.

All flags are lowered to half-mast on Memorial Day, which is what ROTC did as they presented the Colors.

The band, including Hannah Garcia, who played an outstanding piccolo part, played several American songs.

"The songs that we played were *Stars and Stripes* and *Star Spangled Banner*. I felt honored to play for everyone who attended, and I was about to start crying because I felt patriotic. I just wanted to give something back to the people who fought to protect

our freedom and rights; considering that the officers, fire department, and army had arrived to the ceremony," said Hannah.

This event would not have taken place without Mr. Alan O'Neil, a former teacher and counselor and currently subbing for Ms. Butterworth.

"Mr. O'Neil wanted to have some observations to acknowledge Memorial Day so that students could experience and see what the holiday is all about, my hope is that we can observe and do more events like this," said Mr. Bédard.



Mr. Michael Bédard



Members of the Color Guard are from right: Jacob Pallares, Andrew Line and Nylan Gordan.

## Daytime curriculum awards

Dawin Manansala, Eli Sebastian, Jego Legaspi  
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The school's annual Curriculum Awards took place during the day at a second period assembly on May 24. There were 161 students chosen to receive awards, and each teacher can vote for select three students in their classes to honor. The event is usually held in the evening, but was changed this semester. Ms. Beth Dickinson, the assistant principal in charge of the ceremony, was unavailable for comment.

Mrs. Knowelle Oliveira said, "I look for someone who stands out, goes above and beyond, is polite, respectful, and just overall a joy to have in the classroom. These students shine and deserve everything great that's coming to them."

The Curriculum Awards are more than just a regular academic award. The award is an honor given to students who have shown their very best this year. From overall performance, to the most improved, one thing they all have in common is they are giv-

en to the students who are the best they can be.

Ms. Megan Pincott said, "For the most improved award, I chose somebody that has improved since first semester in their grades and in their efforts. For the citizenship award I chose someone who was always really helpful in class and willing to help me and other students. For the overall award I chose a student who stands out academically."

Students were met with cheers, hollers, and rounds of applause when their names were called to get their medal. The award ceremony took place inside the auditorium.

"I'm so happy I got the P.E. medal for overall performance, next year I'll aim for the English one to add to my new collection," said Freshman Vlad Barrera.

Several students walked to their second periods happy and proud. Their work and hardships were finally rewarded with a nice medal.

"I love the beautiful medal I got, but more importantly I love the teacher that gave the medal to me. It's been a good year," said Freshman Dayana Orozco.