

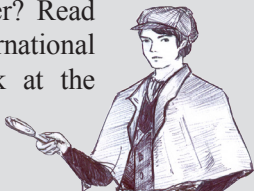
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## FJUHSD introduces student Wi-Fi

Wi-Fi links Warriors to the Troy network and to the world.

By Hannah Ro  
STAFF WRITER

Providing the student body with a new technological resource, the Warrior administration installed a student-accessible Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi) network during the second week of August.

After years of district-wide discussion, all Fullerton Joint Union High School District (FJUHSD) educational facilities received the school board’s permission to provide student Wi-Fi. Warrior Wi-Fi, accessible through a sign-in with the student’s school email (longID@fjuhsd.org) and password, is currently limited to areas near the quad because of impermeable concrete and metal walls inside school buildings.

Promoting the use of technology in classrooms is the most important element of the student Wi-Fi, Assistant Principal Sonje Berg said.

“As Wi-Fi gets more pervasive over time, it opens up more doors,” Berg said. “Students can



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**NO DIAL-UP NEEDED:** Warrior seniors access the Internet on their smartphones via Troy’s Wi-Fi.

work through Google Docs, in a Google Classroom environment or on a shared document at the same time.”

However, Wi-Fi will not permit students to access websites inappropriate for school, such as certain social media sites, Berg said.

“We have our firewalls,” Berg said. “Students should be aware that because they are signing in with their usernames and passwords, everything they do on [the network] will be monitored. The Wi-Fi is for education; if people are abusing it, they will be shut

out.”

In addition, a limited number of hotspots prevents the Wi-Fi from being used school-wide, school technician Jonathan Hill said.

“Currently, we have 10 hotspots positioned around the school,” Hill said. “Because we

only have a few number of devices, only a few students can be on [at a time].”

The Warrior administration expects to receive more higher-end technology in order to accommodate for the insufficient amount of hotspots, Hill said.

“Eventually, we will have enough hotspots for every single classroom [on campus],” Hill said. “We are getting some newer hotspot devices with much wider throughputs. If we have newer devices, we could have the same number of hotspots but allow more students to [receive] faster speed.”

Despite the weak wireless network connectivity and concerns surrounding appropriate use of the Internet, student Wi-Fi holds a multitude of educational benefits, Berg said.

“There are a lot of different usages for having [Wi-Fi],” Berg said. “You can be working on a paper, and [teachers] can be at their desks, watching you write and giving feedback. You could even have your textbooks on a tablet instead of lugging around five books. I think the possibilities are really endless.”

## Warrior TSO fundraises to buy additional computers

After requests from the administration, TSO organized a fundraiser to build and outfit much-needed computer labs.

By Brendan Bryzcki  
STAFF WRITER

Promoting student enrichment on campus, Warrior Troy Support Organization (TSO) launched its “All You Need is Troy” fundraiser July 28.

Founded in 2004, the non-profit foundation originally supported fundraisers for the new Troy Tech program. Since then, it has expanded its mission to support all Troy student and staff. With this goal in mind, TSO holds fundraisers that support other campus programs, including athletics, art and

computer science. The current fundraiser has a goal of collecting \$40,000 to repair and upgrade Warrior computers for the 2015-2016 school year. Unlike previous fundraisers, the organization offers a free “All You Need is Troy” T-shirt for each family that donates \$100 or more to the campaign. All donations to TSO are tax exempt.

“We are open to any teachers who come to us with a specific academic or athletic need. We are open to anything that will benefit our school and students.”

Anne Sinek  
TSO Vice President

TSO is dedicated to welcoming all requests from faculty regarding the funding of programs and

necessities of the Warrior campus, TSO Vice President Anne Sinek said.

“Every dollar that is given to our foundation goes directly to the students,” Sinek said. “The administration wants us to put our money [toward an upgraded computer lab], but TSO is also committed to funding teacher requests for equipment in the Science Department. We are open to any teachers who come to us with a specific academic or athletic need. We are open to anything that will benefit our school and students.”

In the past, tools for facilitating Warrior safety and learning have been purchased as a result of the organization’s financial assistance, TSO President Ann



COURTESY OF TROY SUPPORT ORGANIZATION

**AND ALL TROY NEEDS IS YOU:** TSO’s slogan channels the famous 1968 pop song, “All You Need is Love,” by the iconic band The Beatles.

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Stoddard said.

“We bought [digital radios] last year, for security purposes,” Stoddard said. “Usually, the district buys items like that, since those are necessary to have in schools, but the funding wasn’t available, so we stepped in. We bought document cameras for every single classroom, provided supplies to the Fine Arts Department, helped buy the John Deere Gator for the Athletics Department, paid speakers to talk to classes and paid for field trips [for students].”

Through the fundraiser, TSO aspires to raise Warrior families’ awareness of the organization and its purpose, Stoddard said.

“I hope that by [our] reaching out, families learn what TSO is early in their years at Troy,” Stoddard said. “The organization funds the website, too. So, when students use troyhigh.com, they are directly benefitting from the foundation and its donations.”

This appreciation and encouragement from Warriors have been crucial components in motivating the organization’s members, Stoddard said.

“We want to say thank you for all the support we have gotten in the last couple years from the Troy staff, students and their families,” Stoddard said. “Without them, we could not have provided [materials that] this school needs. We are here to help Troy stay its best. Troy is the best school, so let’s keep it that way.”E

# University of California school system adds four gender designations to fall application

Applications reflect diversity of prospective students.

By Tiffany Hall  
STAFF WRITER

Giving students additional opportunities to express their gender identity, the University of California (UC) school system is providing applicants with six gender definitions on the admissions application this fall.

The change in the widely-used UC application is mainly a result of recommendations made by the UC President’s advisory board and the passing of California AB 620. The bill declares that all students and staff in the University of California system have the right to express their gender identity. Prospective students are also offered the opportunity to choose from four sexual orientations and two choices pertaining to their sex at birth. All answers are voluntary and will not affect the eligibility of any student for admission.

Using the increase in available applicant data, the UC system aims to upgrade its current accommodations for prospective students, said

Kate Moser, spokesperson for UC President Janet Napolitano.

“[These new questions] enable the universities to gather better information about lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ+) students, so that we can take that data and [better] serve all the students at the University of California and its campuses,” Moser said. “This part of the application enables us to get comprehensive information about the LGBTQ+ student population [and] gives applicants an understanding that University of California campuses are welcoming and inclusive places.”

Added to expand freedom of LGBTQ+ expression, the anticipated actions are indicative of the UC community’s open mindedness toward different genders, Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) Co-President Darlene Buensuceso said.

“[More diverse gender expression is] good because California is blooming with variations [of] individuals,” Buensuceso said. “With that happening, [the additions] show that the campuses are very friendly and that they are opening their minds. They are actually doing something [for the LGBTQ+ population] and I think that’s great.”

Amendments made to the stu-

dent admissions paperwork elicit a sense of acceptance in the collegiate atmosphere, GSA Co-President Elizabeth Patton said.

“It is incredibly important, especially for a public university in such a liberal state, to have a culture of inclusivity,” Patton said. “This is a great way for students going into the UC system to know that they are seen as valid by it. It is important to have options for people so that they know they are being included into what should be a safe and public space for anybody looking for higher education in California.”

Although achieved reward-

ingly through further educating students and faculty, both the complete corroboration of opinions and the improvement of amenities to meet the needs of such diversity will be difficult to implement, GSA advisor Jerry Benner said.

“It’s time to make accommodations for those who are different from the two [gender] stereotypes,” Benner said. “That’s going to take some time and some education of all of us. Hopefully, we go through this with an open mind and we don’t become harsh [because the LGBTQ+ community is not] going away.”

How do you describe yourself?  
Select one answer.

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Male

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Trans Female/Trans Woman

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Trans Male/Trans Man

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Genderqueer/Gender Non-Conforming

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Different Identity

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ACCEPTING ALL, EXCEPTING NONE: The updated application recognizes all students on UC campuses.



## Goodwill for Good Music!

Got junk? Everyone has some items that they want to get rid of. Please save them for the Troy Goodwill for Good Music drive! Let us help you declutter! Clear out your “junk”, receive a tax write off, and simultaneously benefit two non-profit groups. Who could ask for anything more?

Goodwill has partnered with Troy High Music program to hold the fourth annual Goodwill for Good Music Community Youth Donation Drive. Items donated will fill metal cages on Goodwill trucks, and every cage filled is worth \$75 to Troy music programs. **100% of the costs raised go back into the music programs**, including the Troy marching band, jazz band, color guard , orchestras, and the guitar program. Items donated also allow Goodwill to generate revenue and create jobs for people facing employment barriers. Goodwill is environmentally conscious, recycling or reselling 91% of all donated goods.

**Don’t wait- donate!** The drive is **Saturday, September 19, from 9 AM to 2 PM**. Early drop offs accepted outside the band room on Friday September 11 before zero and first period, and Saturday, September 12 from 9 AM- 12 noon.

Acceptable items to donate include clothing, small household items, electronics (working or not), books, sporting equipment, games, and kitchen items. No furniture at the drive, please.

Questions about the recycling drive? Please contact Beta Meyer at [emeyer@mtsac.edu](mailto:emeyer@mtsac.edu) or text (714) 366-0046.

## Good bye to Michael Wahl



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Troy warrior music salutes Michael Wahl, a recent Troy graduate and talented musician. Michael Wahl passed away last May, after a battle with cancer due to neurofibromatosis. Although his life ended early, his impact was great. Michael was active for years in Troy’s national championship Science Olympiad team, an Eagle Scout, an avid birder and musician. He graduated with a Geology B.S. from CSU, Fullerton and was the 2015 Outstanding Geology major at CSUF. His positive spirit and grace was amazing. We will miss you, Michael.



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STAFF EDITORIAL

# Overcrowded classes reveal a need for policy improvement at the district level

Riddle me this: How many Warriors does it take to fill a classroom? Answer: No one knows, but the district is trying to find out, despite conditions of overcrowding in most of our classes.

Overcrowded classes have been causing frustration among Warriors and staff alike for the past few weeks. Some students have been packed into rooms with over 40 students, forcing the school to open more sections of U.S. History and Advanced Placement U.S. Government and Politics, among other subjects. Although the problem seems limited to the Warrior campus, it is actually not. State-wide numbers are soaring, and with no legislation to restrict class sizes, it appears as though the problem will persist. Until this issue is resolved, overcrowding and disproportionately sized sections will continue to hurt students' futures and teachers' work environments.

Though the state has attempted to limit class sizes before, no successful initiatives have yet been passed. For instance, a 1996 bill required districts to either enforce smaller class sizes or face penalties. This promising piece of legislation was withdrawn in the wake of the

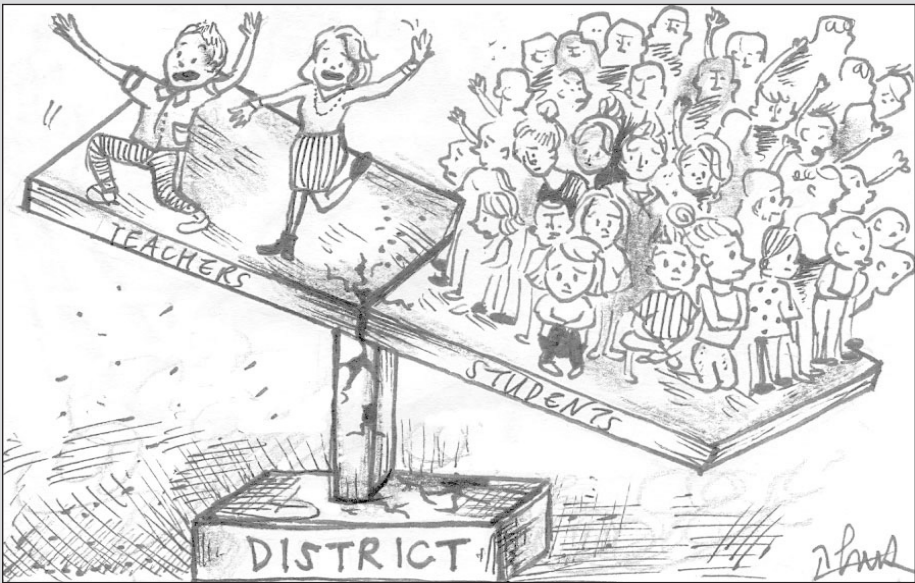
2009 economic blight. Consequently, the National Center for Education cites that California schools have the highest nation-

the state seems oblivious. Reform measures are typically inconsistent or come in the form of spending that addresses

ing formula as every other school in the district, despite the fact that it has more students enrolled in a seven-period day. By forcing Warriors to use the same formula to staff classes as schools with a majority of six-period schedules, the district is blatantly ignoring teachers' contracts as Warriors are forced into overcrowded classes. This injustice not only impedes student learning, but it also causes teacher stress as teachers must do more work for no more pay. Little to no relief has come from the district, which should, ideally, be working with the campus to address these needs but is instead ignoring Warriors and teachers, who are performing in nothing short of a pressure cooker.

In spite of these dire circumstances, no change is on the horizon. But it should be. In lieu of a state mandate dictating class size, we call upon district administrators and board members to make ethical decisions regarding class capacity. With fewer students, stress is reduced and learning soars.

Riddle me this: Will the district heed our request for smaller class sizes? Answer: . . .



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al ratio of pupils to instructors. This classroom congestion is correlated to student and teacher stress, according to the Department of Education, as well as to lower test scores. But instead of combatting the issue,

only short-term needs, if any needs at all. Even worse, a lack of legislation allows the district to elude consequences in situations of overcrowding. The Warrior campus, for example, uses the same schedul-

# Netflix blazes trail with fair family leave policy

By Brandon Ann  
STAFF WRITER

Blood might be thicker than water, but for many, gold is thicker than blood.

Netflix recently publicized a new policy guaranteeing that all employees, except those of the DVD division, will receive up to a year of paid leave following the birth or adoption of a child. In the wake of this announcement, it would appear that our nation is finally making headway in resolving the controversy over paid leave. However, with the topic thrust back into the national spotlight, it is apparent that most workers in the United States are still subjugated to the federal government's archaic leave code.

To the dismay of employed individuals across the United States, Netflix's view on paid leave remains a minority among those of major corporations. Most companies adhere to the Family Medical and Leave Act (FMLA), the exceedingly bare bones federal policy regarding employee leave. This doctrine mandates that companies only have to provide twelve weeks of un-

paid leave a year. The harsh reality is that corporations in our country are exceedingly stingy, and our labor force is severely overworked.

Penny-pinching business owners must realize that paid leave is a universally beneficial practice. Naturally, compensated leave boosts the morale of personnel. Paid leave also provides tangible economic advantages for business owners, as was demonstrated in a study by the White House's Council of Economic Advisors from June 2014. The report concluded that companies profit greatly from paid leave because it reduces worker turnover (the measurement of employee tenure and replacement). Moreover, financially secure women are less likely to quit after the birth of a child, saving companies the resources that would have been used to find and train new employees. Consequently, a stable and profitable work environment is created where employees are motivated and retained long term.

“To the dismay of employed individuals across the United States, Netflix’s view on paid leave remains a minority among those of major corporations.”

Furthermore, new parents have moral and medical obligations to their child that make paid leave a necessity. According to the United Nation Children's Fund (UNICEF), the first three years of a child's life are the most integral part of his or her development. During this formative period, parents provide their children with a social, emotional, intellectual and ethical foundation, a task requiring the ample time and financial security provided by paid leave.

In addition, Christopher Ruhm, a professor at the University of Virginia, conducted a study showing that a 50-week extension of paid leave led to a staggering 20 percent drop in infant mortality from the previous 6.1 percent mark. That is to say, an excessive number of children were and still are dying simply

because their parents do not have enough time to properly attend to their needs. Thus, we must question the integrity of our businesses and the human cost that comes with the services that they provide.

Family is the central building block upon which our lives are constructed, an industry in which we are extremely underdeveloped. An essential step in revitalizing this integral part of our society is paid leave, from which both businesses and employees can benefit. Gold may have its value, but we must never forget that family is priceless.



KATRINA CHEN

Teacher Feature: Great Spy, Good Man by Katrina Chen





# UNLOCKING SHERLOCK

Be a sleuth for a day at the Discovery Cube’s The International Exhibition of Sherlock, open until Sept. 6.

By Ryan Fawwaz, STAFF WRITER and cartoon by Katrina Chen, CARTOONIST

At the Discovery Cube, kids can live their dreams; the impossible becomes possible. They can become astronauts at the Mission Control Center, archeologists at Dino Quest and professional hockey players at the Science of Hockey center. With all these perks, what more could the Discovery Cube have to offer? Thanks to the new Sherlock Holmes exhibit, kids can now become the detectives they have always longed to be.

When visitors first step into the exhibit, they are welcomed by the seemingly endless array of memorabilia from the life of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, author of “The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.” Detailed biographies and criminal investigations explain why Sherlock Holmes, Doyle’s fictional sleuth, became so popular in the 19th century, suggested by artifacts of the time period. A London Times article about Jack the Ripper introduce people to the world of deduction and underscore the public’s growing need for sharp-eyed, highly intelligent detectives like Sherlock.

Visitors are fully immersed in the private eye business when their skills of reasoning and observations are put to the test. The mystery in question involves a perplexing murder case, and the detectives must piece together the evidence. A series of activities including blood splatter analysis and poison testing lead the amateur sleuths to the answer. After finishing their investigations, they are given the solution and declared true Scotland Yard detectives. Exiting, they make their way past a labyrinth of rare Sherlock relics from both books and television.

Although the Discovery Cube is mainly for kids, the Sherlock ex-

hibit is not so elementary. The exhibit also requires advanced reading skills for vital clues that are not as simple to decode as the other child-friendly exhibitions. The passages that guide the detectives through their investigation can be puzzling, and you will never get past the first investigation alone if you do not have Sherlock’s acute intuition and attention to detail. The demanding reading expectations result in

some very confused kids and very frustrated parents. (I can confirm. I was one of those confused kids.) But if you aren’t so talented in the world of deduction, don’t worry. There will always be a volunteer to help if you have any questions.

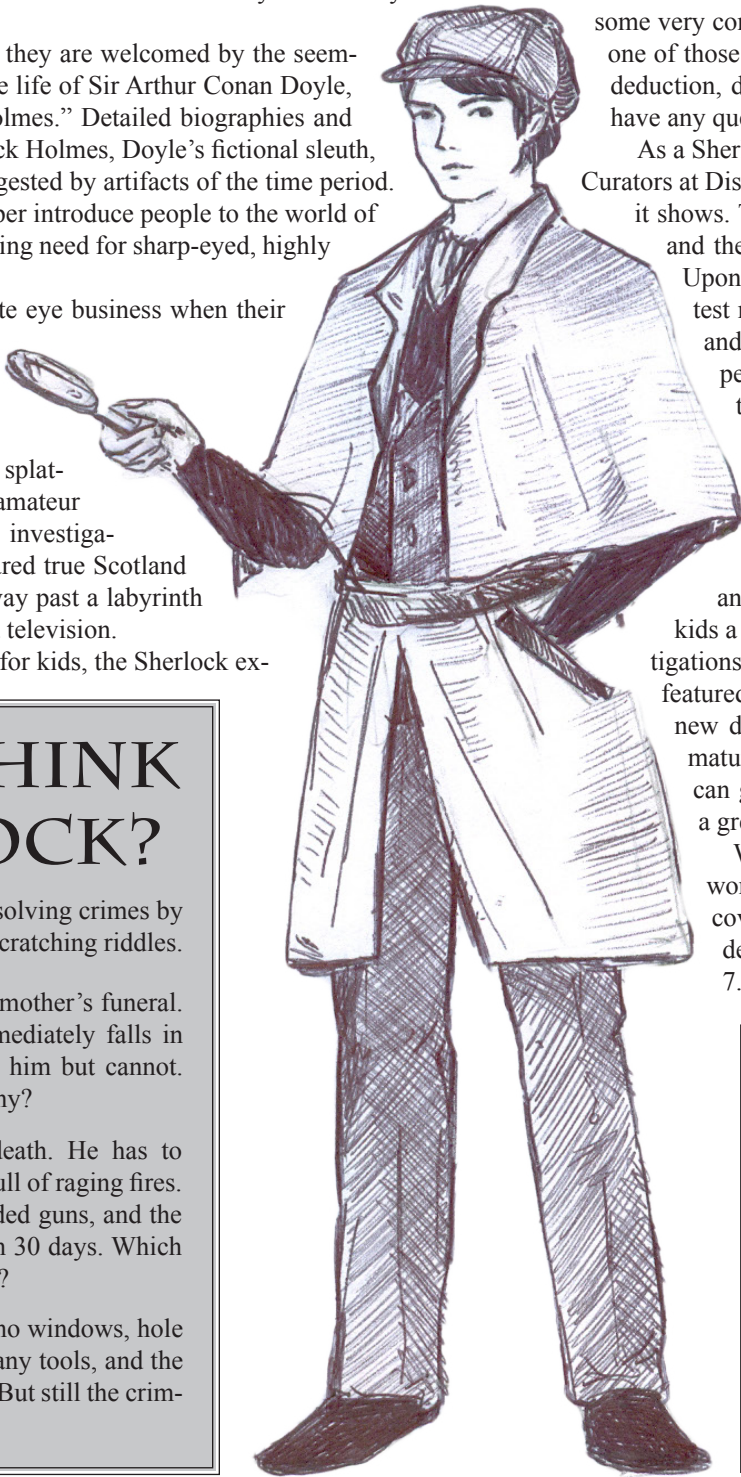
As a Sherlock fan, I can assure you that the exhibit will not disappoint. Curators at Discovery Cube put in a great deal of effort into this exhibit, and it shows. The crime sounds as if it came out of one of Doyle’s books, and the stations that follow certainly create a realistic atmosphere.

Upon entering the elaborate crime scene, I had the opportunity to test my own skills as a private eye by observing the blood stains and destroyed furniture ravaged by gunshots. The ensuing experiments also constitute the routine investigations of the detective, whose perspective is, no doubt, unique. For those of you

who are wanting more than just a game, there is a plethora of Sherlock history to satisfy your curiosity at your fingertips.

Aside from the large variety of memorabilia, the aspect I love is the wide appeal of the exhibit. In contrast to the preschool-appropriate games, Sherlock attracts both kids and adults. For example, the interactive stamp activities give kids a hands-on experience, while the gruesome crime scene investigations enhance the realistic simulation for their parents. As the first featured exhibition of Discovery’s expansion, Sherlock is opening new doors for teenagers and adults by allowing larger and more mature displays to be shown at the Cube. From my experience, I can guarantee that everyone, both adults and children, will have a great time.

Whether you are an experienced fan or a newcomer to the world of Sherlock, put your thinking cap on and head to the Discovery Cube to see for yourself if you have what it takes to be a detective. But you better hurry, because the exhibit closes Sept. 7. It’s elementary, my dear Warrior. You won’t want to miss it.



## CAN YOU THINK LIKE SHERLOCK?

See if you are up to the challenge of solving crimes by testing your ability to crack these head-scratching riddles.

**Q:** A young woman is attending her mother’s funeral. While there, she meets a man and immediately falls in love. After the funeral she tries to find him but cannot. Several days later she kills her sister. Why?

**Q:** A murderer is condemned to death. He has to choose among three rooms. The first is full of raging fires. The second is full of assassins with loaded guns, and the third is full of lions that haven’t eaten in 30 days. Which room should he choose to survive? Why?

**Q:** There is a thief in a jail cell with no windows, hole or cracks in the walls. He doesn’t have any tools, and the door to the jail cell is three inches thick. But still the criminal manages to get out. How?

**A:** She killed her sister because she hoped the man with whom she fell in love would come to her sister’s funeral, so that they could meet again.

**A:** The criminal should choose the third door. The lions would have already died of starvation, so he could simply walk free.

**A:** The thief can just walk out of the door. The riddle did not indicate that the door was locked.

## ANSWERS



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**DOOM BUGGY:** Guests are first introduced to the time period of Sherlock Holmes with a classic London carriage.



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**FOUL PLAY TIME:** Amateur sleuths test their observation skills to collect clues at a murder scene from Victorian England.



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**TOXIC LEARNING:** Young guests learn basic chemistry concepts by observing titration processes.






### Bernie Sanders

By Yannie Hoang, OPINION EDITOR

Bold and revolutionary, Bernard “Bernie” Sanders’ progressive perspective on social issues has had his supporters “feeling the Bern.”

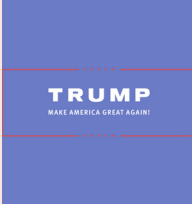
Among the many qualities that Sanders’ voters admire is his defense of minority groups, including women, the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ+) community and African Americans. Perhaps the sincerity of his advocacy stems from his relatives’ deaths during the Holocaust, his father’s immigrant background and his childhood in an immigrant-populated neighborhood. Knowing his heritage, it is not surprising, then, that Sanders has publicly advocated for racial equality since his college years at the University of Chicago. During his service as a Congress of Racial Equality officer, for instance, Sanders led a sit-in protest against segregated college housing. Equally impressive is his former role as an organizer in the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and his participation in the March on Washington in 1963, where he heard Martin Luther King Jr. deliver his famous “I Have a Dream” speech. Since then, Sanders’ dedication to eradicating racism has persevered. On the campaign trail, Sanders spoke out against the Charleston shootings and voiced solidarity with the countless victims of discriminatory attacks by the police. Considering the rising media trend to expose racial discrimination, Sanders’ well-timed support and overwhelming defense of minorities, in general, compel many voters in his direction. Though Sanders’ interests also extend to economic and environmental issues, his fight for social equality seems to resonate the most with his supporters. The question is, will that be enough for the rest of the nation to “feel the Bern” in November?



### Hillary Clinton

By Adrija Chakrabarty  
ENTERTAINMENT & LIFESTYLE EDITOR


The list of presidential contenders keeps expanding as more candidates jump on the campaign bandwagon, but among these names, Hillary Clinton’s stands out. A Wellesley and Yale alumna and former First Lady and Secretary of State, Clinton is a household name and her well-known background in politics is both her biggest bane and most powerful asset. Although scandals such as Whitewater and Lewinskygate are inextricably attached to her name, Clinton’s familiarity with the country’s executive decisions—gained from her extensive work in healthcare during Bill Clinton’s presidency and heavy involvement in foreign affairs during Barack Obama’s first term—classify her as an experienced leader, especially in the tumultuous international arena. In her pursuit of the presidency, Clinton appeals mainly to the left-wing middle class voters. As the current Democratic frontrunner, she is a strong proponent of liberal measures such as same-sex equality and women’s rights. For instance, her support of the Women in Public Service Project, which aims to employ women in 50 percent of government jobs, showcases her willingness to push a progressive social agenda. Although not as leftist as self-proclaimed socialist Bernie Sanders, Clinton is focused on issues such as addressing Black Lives Matter and tackling the gender wage gap. In addition, many Americans have rallied behind Clinton to express their desire to see the country’s first female president take office.



### Donald Trump

By Sarah Kremer, NEWS EDITOR


Outspoken and controversial, Donald Trump will be remembered for decades to come—mainly for his unbridled criticism of fellow GOP candidates, Democratic opponents and other prominent social figures. First and foremost a businessman, Trump began his career at the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business, where he majored in real estate studies. A few years after graduating, Trump moved to Manhattan and established the Trump Organization, a real estate development company which owns such buildings as Taj Mahal Casino and Trump World Tower. Currently, Forbes magazine estimates his net worth to be \$4 billion. However, many say his extraordinary wealth does not compensate for his lack of political experience. In fact, Trump has never demonstrated loyalty to any party, having registered as a member of the Reform party, the Democratic party, the Republican party and the Independent party at various points in his life. In addition to vacillating political persuasion, Trump has also changed his views on abortion. In 1999, Trump declared himself pro-choice; however, he has recently shown support for pro-life ideology. These political inconsistencies have instilled distrust in voters, but Trump holds more than a few controversial viewpoints as well. For example, not only does he want to build a wall at the Mexican border to prevent illegal immigration, but he also wants Mexico to pay for it. In addition, Trump believes the 14th Amendment should be revised to keep the children of undocumented immigrants from becoming citizens. Yet, despite his political inconsistencies, radical opinions and often belligerent persona, Trump somehow appeals to a segment of the voting populace. Nowhere is this more evident than in the polls, where he leads by a whopping 16 percent.



### Ben Carson

By Yuri Ceriale, FEATURE EDITOR

As the son of a single mother in inner-city Detroit, Ben Carson had limited educational opportunities. However, in spite of his circumstances, Carson was accepted into Yale University, where he studied to become a doctor. Carson went on to become the Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins. In 1987, he successfully separated conjoined twins and became one of the most iconic surgeons of the 20th century. In fact, Carson’s rags-to-riches story is one of the reasons this now-retired surgeon inspires confidence in American voters. Like Donald Trump, Carson flaunts an apolitical background, by which he has gained the support of those would-be Trump supporters were it not for his abrasive personality. On the issues, Carson is a through-and-through conservative, most notably on his opinions about the Obama administration. In fact, during Obama’s National Prayer Breakfast in 2013, Carson unashamedly decried Obamacare and advocated a system allowing families to manage their own health care. Carson is also a firm supporter of the flat tax, a uniform tax imposed on all financial classes. Some of his more controversial standpoints include his staunch pro-life platform, his support of the Balanced Budget Amendment and his belief that homosexuality is a choice. Although Carson’s presidency would bring a second African American president to the Oval Office, his firm anti-Obama, anti-liberal viewpoints have turned away a segment of Democratic supporters. Nevertheless, Carson continues to find voter support with his vision of a renewed “American Dream” that attacks the very poverty that Carson experienced in his childhood.



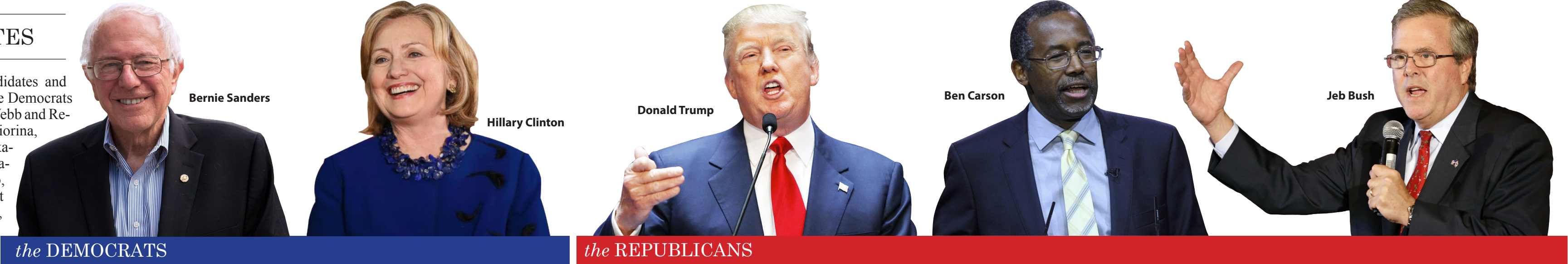
### Jeb Bush

By Kyle Patel, NEWS EDITOR

Offering an alternative to the liberal platforms of Bernie Sanders and Hillary Clinton, Republican John Ellis (Jeb) Bush proposes a mellow conservative agenda, which criticizes a large majority of activists on social issues without committing to a radical stance like those of other GOP candidates. Those who are “#AllInForJeb” agree with his definition of feminism, black empowerment and LGBTQ+ rights as “modern victim movements.” While he has been an outspoken advocate for Common Core educational standards and immigration reform, his opposition to medical marijuana and his support of troops that combat ISIS in the Middle East have left many doubtful of his label as a moderate Republican. A firm proponent of immunizations and the Cuban embargo, Bush adopts an unconventional stance on federal involvement in education and prison sentences. Although admitting to smoking and drinking during his youth at the University of Texas at Austin, he discourages drug use among teens; no doubt, this position appeals to many families with traditional values. His support of renewable energy sources has garnered him the following of environmentalists nationwide, yet this stance appears inconsistent with his skepticism of global warming, given that the need to shift to renewable energy comes from rising global temperatures. Nevertheless, no matter what Bush says or shows, the stigma behind the family name will surround him, for better or for worse, in the upcoming presidential race. As election season draws near, only time can tell if this moderate Republican’s political platforms will elevate him in the running or if his family name will taint his presidential bid.

the LEADING CANDIDATES

Meet five of the leading presidential candidates and learn about their platforms. Not included are Democrats Lincoln Chafee, Martin O’Malley and Jim Webb and Republicans Chris Christie, Ted Cruz, Carly Fiorina, Jim Gilmore, Lindsey Graham, Mike Huckabee, Bobby Jindal, John Kasich, George Pataki, Rand Paul, Rick Perry, Marco Rubio, Rick Santorum and Scott Walker. Democrat Joe Biden has yet to make an announcement, and Democrat Elizabeth Warren and Republican Mitt Romney are not running.



# PRESIDENTIAL CREDENTIALS

## What you need to know about the ELECTION of 2016

the HOT-BUTTON ISSUES

With the 2016 elections drawing closer, the division between political parties is as clearly defined as ever. Democrats and Republicans are increasingly split on economic, political and social issues. While left-wing candidates are pushing for an increase in public welfare programs and rights for minorities, the right-wing candidates are rallying for a laissez-faire economy, smaller government and a plethora of conservative social measures. To be informed about the controversial issues at stake in the upcoming race, take a minute to peruse these pages.



### Planned Parenthood

Thanks to a viral anti-Planned Parenthood video, Republicans have rushed to decry the non-profit organization, which provides reproductive health services (of which only three percent are abortions) to four million Americans. Democrats have defended Planned Parenthood’s services in the name of women’s rights.



### Higher Education

Mounting college cost is a growing concern of many American families, as tuition continues to rise, and loans become more difficult to pay back. In response to this financial obstacle, Democrats urge lower student loan interest rates while Republicans suggest vocational training as an alternative to higher education.



### Federal Budget Deficit

According to The Wall Street Journal, the deficit is at the lowest it has been in seven years. Nevertheless, economic recovery and reform is at the forefront of each candidate’s mind, with Republicans pushing for fewer corporate bailouts, and Democrats pushing for a more progressive income tax.



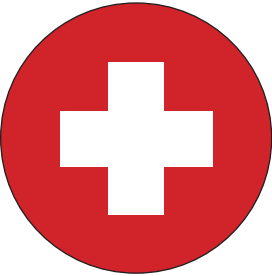
### Racial Justice

Cases such as those of Michael Brown, Eric Garner and Sandra Bland have shed a spotlight on the prevalence of race-driven violence and hate crimes. The Democratic Party has made racial justice a dominant aspect of its platform, but Republican candidates have yet to take a clear stance on the issue.



### ISIS

More than a year after the first beheading incident of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria, both Democrat and Republican candidates have expressed their clear intentions to defeat the extremist group. However, candidates differ in tactics, which range from deploying American combat troops to training the Iraqi resistance.



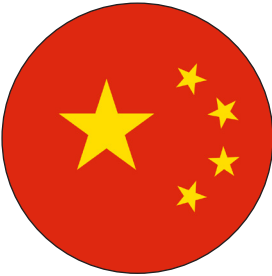
### Health Care

Since its debut, Obama’s Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act has faced opposition. Republicans take issue with the clause requiring businesses to provide employees with health insurance, but Democrats argue that government interference is a small price to pay for the health of 44 million previously uninsured Americans.



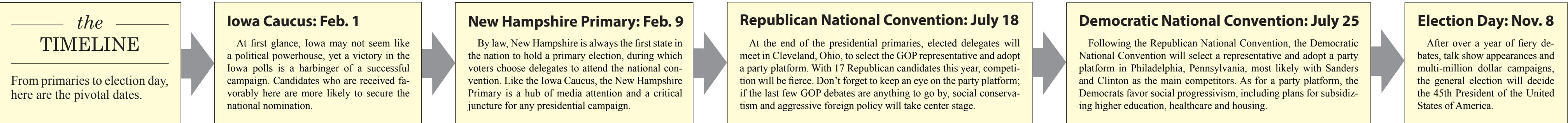
### Immigration Reform

As the number of undocumented immigrants residing in the U.S. skyrockets to about 11 million people, the country is considering steps to reform immigration. Republicans call for tighter border control and stricter citizenship requirements, while Democrats want to make citizenship more accessible.



### Relations with China

A major commercial producer and creditor of American debt, China is inextricably linked to the U.S. However, recent hacking conspiracies and the Chinese stock market crash indicate that foreign policy may shift to favor the Republican strategy of confrontation rather than the Democratic tactic of cooperation.





# Stephen Colbert to join cast of “The Late Show”

Inheriting the spot of legendary comedian David Letterman, political satirist Stephen Colbert will host CBS’s iconic night television program “The Late Show.”

By Christopher Lee  
STAFF WRITER

For fans of late night television talk shows, the past two years have been full of surprising transitions. Jimmy Fallon replaced Jay Leno on “The Tonight Show”; Seth Meyers took Fallon’s place on “Late Night”; and most recently, Jon Stewart retired Aug. 6 after 16 years of hosting the beloved left-wing political comedy show, “The Daily Show.” But this list of major talk show host changes is incomplete without Stephen Colbert’s (coal-BEAR) transition from the Comedy Central staple “The Colbert Report” to “The Late Show,” where he will succeed the long-time host David Letterman.

Stephen Colbert has a long history with political shows, having worked as a correspondent on “The Daily Show” from 1997 to 2005, even before Jon Stewart became the host. After eight years of working for Comedy Central, Colbert finally earned himself the spin-off show, “The Colbert Report.”

Satirizing extremely conservative pundit shows such as “The O’Reilly Factor” and “The Sean Hannity Show,” “The Colbert

Report” showcased a progressive agenda. Although quite liberal himself, Colbert played a right-wing character in the show named Dr. Stephen T. Colbert, D.F.A., who he described on a CBS interview as a “well-intentioned, poorly-informed, high status idiot.” While playing this character, Colbert took current events to the far right end of the political spectrum by portraying himself as a highly egotistic and ridiculously patriotic spokesperson for conservatives.

Colbert was revealed as the new host of the renamed “The Late Show” after Letterman announced his retirement from the original “Late Show.” Colbert’s shift to hosting Letterman’s program was accompanied by the major worry that the two shows have entirely different points of focus and Colbert would have to adjust to a different audience. Colbert’s new show is not limited to politically liberal listeners, but now must encompass a more inclusive demographic. In addition, now that Colbert can remove his mask as a right-wing blowhard, the public will finally meet the real Stephen Colbert on the brand new “The Late Show.”

Still, passionate viewers can make some educated guesses about Colbert’s current direction with his redesigned program. For example, one might expect Colbert to bring more political opinions into the opening monologue of “The Late Show.” Perhaps Colbert will take a jab at CNN and FOX or



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**COL-BEARING A NEW NAME:** *Colbert interacts with audiences while on his former show, “The Colbert Report.”*

poke fun at a few of the presidential candidates, hopefully arousing more interest in politics among the late night television viewing crowd. One might also predict that Colbert will continue some of Letterman’s classic bits such as the top ten list between the monologue and the guest interview.

Although many television enthusiasts of “Late Show” may be crestfallen at Letterman’s departure, Colbert’s track record as an intelligent comedic writer and brilliant humorist makes it quite clear that fans of late night television will have much to look forward to in Colbert’s version of “The Late Show.”

You be the judge. Can Stephen Colbert can be a good late night show host? Check out his show this fall.

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# Remembering Michael

Discover the story of Michael Wahl: a curious scientist, a kind soul and a true Warrior.

By Yuri Ceriale, **FEATURE EDITOR** and cartoon by Hanmin Ko, **CARTOON EDITOR**

On the day of Michael Wahl's memorial, a huge stuffed cat sat upon the grand piano in the lecture hall. The Dixie Delics, led by Michael's father and Warrior teacher Kurt Wahl, sang and played melodious jazz pieces. Friends, family members and colleagues spoke about everything that made Michael who he was, from his service as an Eagle Scout to his adoration of cats. Aptly named, the "Celebration of Life" recounted Michael's story of strength, happiness and love.

Michael was a Warrior alumnus and the son of Kurt Wahl and Mari Migliore. At a young age, Michael was diagnosed with Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1), a disease characterized by changes in skin pigmentation and the growth of tumors along the nervous system. In Oct. 2014, the disease developed into an aggressive form of cancer, and Michael's arm was amputated to isolate the disease. However, the cancer eventually returned. On May 12, after saying goodbyes to his loved ones, Michael peacefully passed away in his sleep.

Despite the control NF1 had on his life—hindering him from walking and performing two-armed activities comfortably—Michael lived with a resolve to

outsmart his disease. He learned how to drive, attended college and ruled the streets by cruising on his recumbent bicycle. The most admirable aspect of Michael's reaction to his diagnosis was his resilience, International Baccalaureate Coordinator and long-time friend Charlotte Kirkpatrick said.

"The day after Michael's amputation, he was cracking jokes: 'This guy said a T-shirt would cost me an arm and a leg, and I asked him if he would take half-price,'" Kirkpatrick said. "He was still jovial and determined. He was going to button his shirts and pants [by himself], and he was going to play his video games. It was overwhelming to watch him and see him move forward."

Strong-willed as Michael was in his fight against NF1, he was always caring and gentle as well. As evidenced by the sheer amount of people who volunteered to speak at his memorial, Michael touched the lives of many individuals, both young and old, teacher Nga Ngo said.

"Michael was such a positive role model for my kids," Ngo said. "We would go to this event called Rockstock every year, where we shoot off rockets on the middle of a dry lake bed.

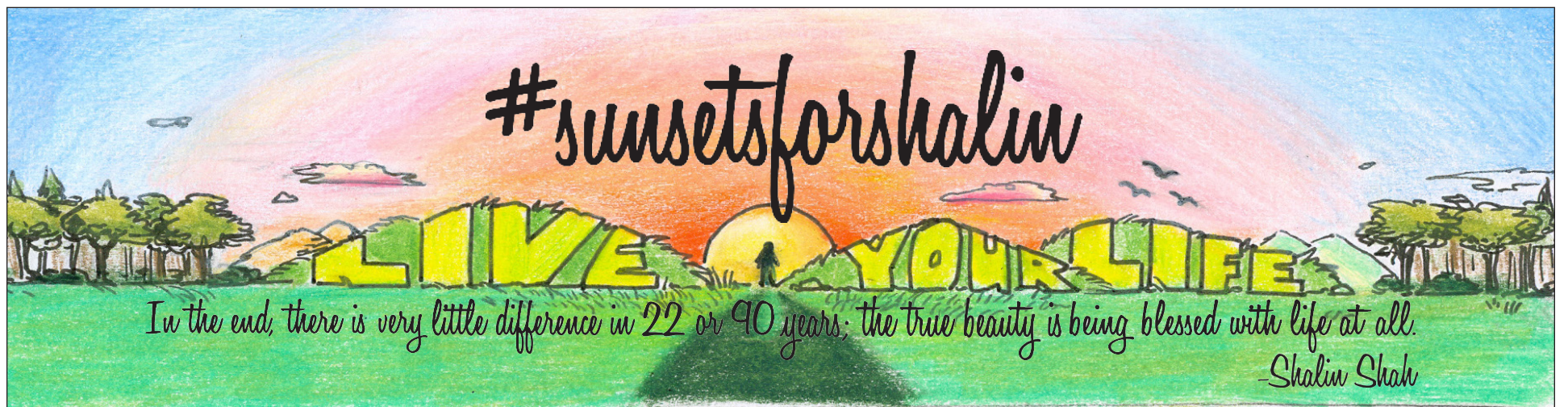
I'd take my kids, and Michael would take them under his wing and go bike riding with them. It's sad that kids can [no longer] experience his honesty, his kindness and his perseverance."

Michael's love of life was one of the most enduring aspects of his personality. Fascinated by science, he became a star member of the Warrior Science Olympiad team, developed a passion for birding and pursued a degree in geology at Cal State Fullerton, Kirkpatrick said.

"I remember him as a child sitting in the back of the Science Department with this giant bird book," Kirkpatrick said. "He had identified over 300 birds on his bird list, and he knew some birds by their calls. He also had a very nice collection of fossils, gems and rocks. He loved sharing those things with people and exploring those things."

Cherished always by his family—mother Mari, father Kurt and brother Sean—as well as other family members and countless friends, Michael will never be forgotten, Kirkpatrick said.

"Michael was always smiling, and it was just priceless," Kirkpatrick said. "He was loved by a lot of people and we will all miss him desperately."



Though the sun has set on Shalin Shah's young life, his message of forging a purposeful existence—even in the face of death—will endure forever.

By Yaen Chen, **STAFF WRITER** and cartoon by Katrina Chen, **CARTOON**

Every evening when the sun began to set, Warrior alumnus Shalin Shah would stop for a second in the midst of his busy day to appreciate what he had. When he was diagnosed with terminal cancer, the daily ritual became his life philosophy. Although Shalin was heartbroken at first, he decided to view his diagnosis as a chance to live the rest of his life with no regrets.

That life ended at sunset on May 16, 2015, when Shalin was only 22. After being diagnosed with synovial sarcoma, a rare and aggressive form of cancer that affects the brain, lungs and spinal cord, he was told he only had a few months to live. Within those months, he married his high school sweetheart, and with his new outlook on life, inspired others by bravely facing death.

As a Warrior, Shalin radiated positivity towards his teachers and peers through his kind-

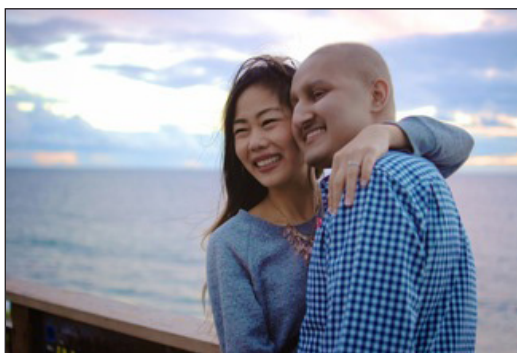
ness and his fun, often self-deprecating sense of humor. Students and staff loved him for his caring personality, teacher Greg Platt said.

"He had this way about him that made you happy," Platt said. "You wanted to be around him. I was struck by how soulful he was and how he turned his diagnosis into an opportunity to be an example for being positive and appreciating life."

Shalin shared his optimism with communities even beyond the Warrior campus. After graduating from the University of Southern California, he joined the Peace Corps to help an impoverished family in Peru develop their business, wife Frances Shah said.

"Shalin was always looking for ways to serve others," Fran-

ces said. "He was never interested in working for companies or other people. He was always



COURTESY OF FRANCES SHAH

**SUNNY DAYS:** The newly engaged couple Frances Chen and Shalin Shah enjoy each other's company under the setting sun.

looking for a way to give back."

Frances, who knew Shalin since they were both Warriors, supported Shalin in all of his endeavors. They met in Spanish class in their sophomore year, and

began talking in their senior year on AOL Instant Messenger. After some casual flirting, Shalin finally asked Frances on a date. Their relationship quickly became something magnificent, Platt said.

"You would think that it was a typical high school relationship that wouldn't last, but it turns out, it was one of the great loves," Platt said. "They were a couple that were perfectly, almost spiritually, suited for each other."

Memories of Shalin and Frances's relationship are filled with special moments, Frances said.

"For Homecoming, Shalin asked me out with paper flowers instead of real ones because he wanted them to last forever," Frances said. "We ended up using those flowers for our wedding."

After Shah's passing, people inspired by his story tagged pictures of sunsets with #sunsetsforshalin on social media to commemorate him. From the deserts of Africa to the monuments of Washington, vivid sunsets from all around the globe spread Shah's story, father Sanjiv Shah said.

"Sunsets were very dear to Shalin," Shah said. "He wanted people to see them and think about all the world has given them. [He hoped others would] look at the sunsets to be happy and grateful for their lives."

Shalin's uplifting story and unforgettable smile will always be remembered by the people he touched, teacher Glenn Madrid said.

"When life was good, you always knew it was good because of that smile," said Madrid. "It was a great smile, and that will be the one thing I truly will always remember about him."



# Warrior cheer prepares for the upcoming season

Cheer team trains for new competitions with rigorous workout regimens.

By Angie Won  
SPORTS EDITOR

Adding competitions to its agenda for the first time, the Warrior varsity cheer squad is working to boost its reputation as an accomplished team.

The team established new stunt ensembles and groups over the course of a rigorous summer camp. For experienced varsity members, learning band dances and routines is a staple for the approaching football games. As a unique addition, competitions in this year’s regimen mark a change in Warrior cheer history.

Rather than increasing the number of practices, the team will dedicate specific portions of practice to choreographing competition routines and honing basic skills, captain Sammy Marinkovich said.

“We’re not adding any additional practices, but we have to devote more time to working on competition routines,” Marinkov-

ich said. “Lately, we [have spent] almost half of practice just stunting.”

Competitions allow Warrior cheer to evaluate their performance as well as bring in a change to their usual schedule, captain Emily Cowan said.

“I think [competitions] are exciting,” Cowan said. “We can see how we do compared to other teams. They’re something different and interesting that we’re adding this year.”

“We’ve been trying to improve upon that [reputation] and get people to really see the difficult aspects of cheer.”

Samantha Marinkovich  
senior

In addition, cheer members are also working to improve the team’s standing from previous years on the Warrior campus, Marinkovich said.

“A few years ago, the reputation for the cheer team was really low,” Marinkovich said. “We’ve been trying to improve upon that [reputation] and get people to really see the difficult aspects of

cheer.” Using competitions as a springboard to elevate its reputation, the Warrior cheer athletes stress presenting the team as a respectable sport, Cowan said.

“[Competitions] give us an opportunity to show [the student body] what we can do,” Cowan said. “We really just want to improve our image and totally support our student body [as a cheer team].”

The Warrior cheer team aims to eliminate negative stereotypes through an improved attitude and dedication to better performances, captain Samantha Bogard said. “When I first came into cheer, it wasn’t as respected as much as [other groups in] school,” Bogard said.

“Every year, we try to build on how we act toward other people, so people don’t think of us as stereotypical [mean-girl] cheerleaders. We’re trying to give better performances, so that people say ‘Oh that stunt was super cool!’ Hopefully, by being nice and courteous, people will respect us more.”

Propelling past the stereotypes



LAUREN KIM

**PREPPING FOR PEP:** *Hoisting senior Vivian Chang up, senior Emily Cowan and juniors Daisy Cho and Delaney Scheiern practice their routines.*

and training strenuously, Warrior cheer exhibits its athleticism and positive attitude, especially through its addition of competitive routines, Bogard said.

“We may not seem to practice as much as other sports,” Bogard said. “But we do spend a lot of time in supporting Troy, so definitely don’t count us out!”

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# MEET TROY’S IRONMAN: DOYEON KIM

Straying from his usual marathons, senior Doyeon Kim snagged first in the Vineman triathlon July 25.

By Dominique Pillos, STAFF WRITER, graphics by Alex Vazquez, GRAPHICS and photo by Lauren Kim, PHOTO EDITOR

Run, Doyeon, Run!  
Powering through a 140.6 mile Ironman challenge, senior Doyeon Kim gained athletic and academic confidence while placing first in the Vineman Triathlon in Sonoma County July 25.

Although Kim completed this taxing combination of 2.4 miles of swimming, 112 miles of biking and 26.2 miles of running, his early participation in a marathon club could never have foretold his current passion for endurance demanding events. At the age of 13, Kim reluctantly joined a marathon club at his parents’ request and started his running career. Kim had never previously participated in a sport, and dreaded the athletic activity. Initially, he struggled to keep up with runners who were more than triple his age. Eventually, through dedication and hard work, he honed his skills and participated in marathons more frequently. At the same time, he fell in love with the sport that challenged him both physically and mentally. After competing in several marathons this past summer, Kim participated in the ultimate test of his abilities, the Vineman Triathlon July 25.

Following months of integrating running into his weekly routine, Kim settled on racing 13.1 miles at the Long Beach Half Marathon. In this race, he finally found passion in the pain of running after experiencing a sense of unity and motivation in the presence of other runners, Kim said.

“Because you did this, now you can do anything, no matter how hard it is.”

**Doyeon Kim**  
Senior

“I did ten full marathons up to this year’s San Diego Rock n’ Roll,” Kim said. “After that, I decided to run a full triathlon. When I first ran [marathons] no one was doing them, so I felt special. After a while though, many of my friends started to run marathons as well, and I no longer felt special. I wanted to step up my game and do something that no one else had done.”

After setting his sights on competing at the Vineman Triathlon, Kim immediately devoted every Sunday in the months prior to one leg of the triathlon. Kim’s weekends became increasingly arduous as he transitioned into practicing all three events in one training session once race day drew closer, Kim said.

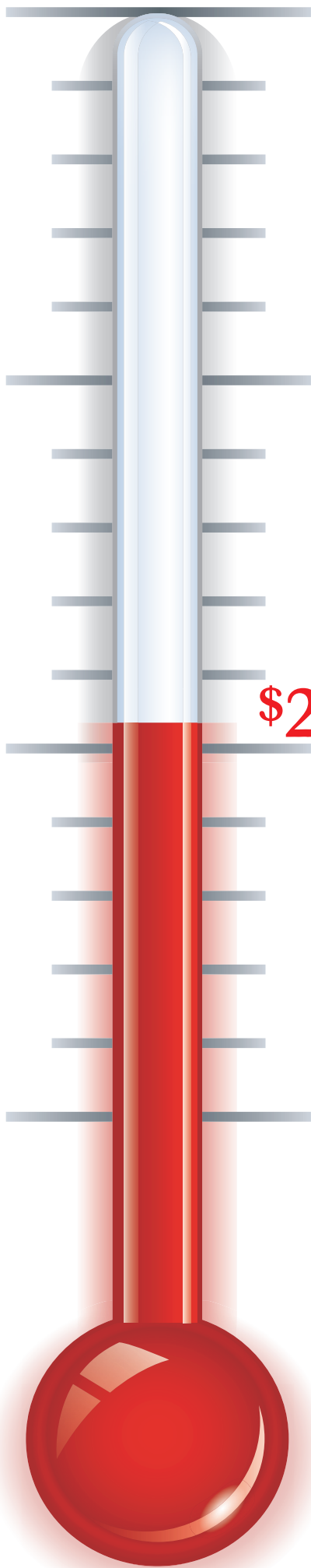
“Usually I [trained] on Sundays and I [practiced] running the most,” Kim said. “I ran about 20 miles but no more than that because I didn’t want to injure myself before the race. Also, bike-wise, the most I’ve practiced [biking] was 100 miles. When an event gets near, I make sure to increase the number of days [I train] because doing everything on the same day is very hard.”

At the finale of 16 hours and 28 minutes of complete physical exertion, Kim emerged from his first triathlon more assured than ever of his love for the sport and his ability to reach higher goals. Participating in a full triathlon gave Kim the opportunity to increase his confidence and become stronger both as an athlete and a student, Kim said.

“It’s 140.6 miles total and mentally throughout the entire thing, you just want to give up,” Kim said. “But I think [completing a triathlon is] worth it for sure. You get a lot of things out of it. I feel like, mentally, you’re more mature after going through an ordeal like this. In the future, I feel like it will help me accomplish what I want to accomplish. My goal right now is to become a surgeon. I have this feeling that I can just do it. Some people have this feeling that it’s so hard to make it to medical school, but I feel like I know I’m going to be one. Now that I’ve done this, I have the mentality that ‘Because you did this, now you can do anything, no matter how hard it is.’”



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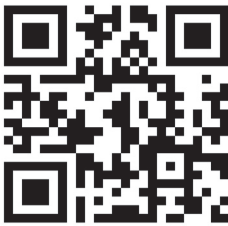
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