

### The Harbor View

Cold Spring Harbor High School

In this edition: Pep Rally Homecoming **Democratic Debate Fall Sports** 

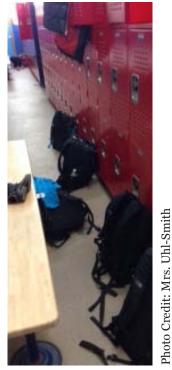
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#### Spike in school locker room theft

BY MATTI GELLMAN

Are your belongings safe? This past October, Cold Spring Harbor has experienced a spike in locker room thefts, specifically in the girls' locker room. incidents These happened both after school and during the school day.

One eighth grader recounted her experience coming back from soccer practice at 4:30: "I had a pair of earrings stolen, my whole entire wallet was dumped on the floor, all



Even though all students are assigned gym lockers, some students still leave their belongings unlocked in the locker room.

my money was gone, and all my gift certificates and credit cards were all gone." An eyewitness confirmed seeing a police car on the scene not long after the items were reported stolen.

Mr. Monastero commented: "This past October there has definitely been a spike. We usually don't have many, but we've come up with a plan to prevent this from happening again."

Touching on this plan, Mr. Bongino explained: "We have a security guard on foot that is part of our regular staff, but now has more global responsibilities to monitor both the field house and the new gym areas. We are continuing to tell students to lock up their belongings. Since I have been here there has not been a theft in a locked locker...not that that makes anything right, and we never want to make somebody who has had their property violated feel more of a victim then they already are, because they didn't do anything wrong...If the bag does not fit in the locker we are encouraging them to take out their valuables and put them in the locker. In all my years of education I have not seen someone steal a backpack filled with books."

Even Kenny Leydon, school security guard, remarked that the previously noted event was isolated and has been taken care of.

#### Chock full of music

BY MADISON UGAN

Though there were many excellent performances throughout the Coffee House Jam, one person made history with more than just his singing. The first junior high student to ever participate in Coffee House Jam, seventh grader Jack Corbin, made his debut on November 6 with Blind Melon's "No Rain" with piano accompaniment by Alec Israeli. After the show he stated, "It was great. I really enjoyed it because I knew no one judged me and I had a lot of fun."

With Ben Basil on the drum set and English teacher Mr. Miller on the mic, the two hyped the crowd up for this year's fall edition of the Coffee House Jam. Some students made their musical debuts, such as Helena Miller singing "Blank Space" by Taylor Swift. Others were veterans and returning performers, happy to be on the stage once again. Colleen Curry, singer and guitar player shared, "I'm so excited! This year I feel more experienced and less nervous." She sang "Clean" by Taylor Swift, along with a guitar accompaniment, and sang a finale duet cover-"Time of Your Life" by Green Day- with Brittany McGowan on guitar.

Alec Israeli, returning performer and a large contributor to the Coffee House Jam added before



Junior Colleen Curry sings "Clean" by Taylor Swift.

the show, "I look forward to the Coffee House Jam because it gives students a chance to showcase their talents and to show what CSH has to offer." The performers in this year's show have definitely made a mark on Coffee House Jam history, with Tim Sherlock covering "Feelin' Good" and Shannon Gallagher covering "If the World Should End" from the Broadway musical "Spiderman: Turn Off the Dark".

Alec Israeli and Sarah Kopp both performed songs in the main entrance lobby to the school previewing a wonderful representation of the musical talents that were shown that night. "I'm always excited for Coffee House Jam. Last year was great and I think it'll be even better this year," Kopp explains excitedly. She performed twice that evening, "Can't Help Falling in Love" by Ingrid Michelson, with Johanna Zenn, and a solo cover of "Flapper Girl" by the Lumineers.

Many seniors also performed that night such

as Tom Mojo, Chris Caldas, Brittany McGowan, Johanna Zenn, and others. "Last year was a lot of fun. The Coffee House Jam always has a lot of energy even if you're not performing. If you haven't gone before, then you should experience it at least once," says Chris Caldas who sang "Riptide" by Vance Joy along with accompaniment. guitar Spring's edition will be the last time for these wonderfully talented musicians.

The show was a big hit with the audience and provided for a wonderful night for everyone. Mr. Miller, host of the Coffee House Jam says, "It went great and the jam spirit was in full effect. I'm very proud of the performers and the improvement they've made. The audience was very supportive."

Readers, if you missed this fall's Coffee House Jam, don't worry, because in the spring Coffee House Jam is coming back to share an amazing music filled night with everyone once again.

#### Honoring a real team player

BY SHELBY HERLING

one to remember. The decsiastic athletes, faculty and students made it obvious that the school enjoyed this event. What made this pep rally different from years past was the speech Coach Zuk, head coach of the Varsity Football team, delivered to the entire school.

The speech publicized the achivements of captain of the football team, Alex Kaley. The speech came as a surprise to everyone, even Alex. Alex said, "I didn't realize he was going to give a speech about me so I was caught off guard when I first realized that I was the one in his speech. I was emotional because I respect him as a coach and for him to say what he said about me really means a lot, although

I feel I did not deserve it. I feel like I didn't deserve The fall pep rally was it because, although I did work hard, I felt like I could orations, activities, enthu- always do more. I feel like sult, he needed surgery to the school at 5am and flip- him as a friend I would not there is always someone out there working harder than me so I needed to work even harder to outwork them."

> Alex has experienced a stellar high school football career. He has been on the varsity team since freshman year and a captain both his junior and current senior year. Alex was the first junior in over 25 years to be voted captain. He was also voted by Newsday as one of the top 100 players to watch on Long Island, won all conference which was voted by Nassau County, and came in second place in total number of bench press reps on Long Island against 200 other athletes.

> Unfortunately, after one game and one play

this season, he was hit from the side on a kick off. This led to a torn ACL, MCL and damaged meniscus. As a rerepair these injuries. When asked if his injuries were more physically or mentally challenging, he responded, "It has actually been more mentally challenging than physically, because it felt as if the goals I've been working hard to achieve all summer for were crushed."

Regarding Alex's attitude following his injuries, Coach Zuk said, "The way he's acted since then is more important than how he acted to get there." He added, "Whether he plays another down...he's already a winner." Coach Zuk clearly respects not only Alex's athletic ability but also his strength of character.

Alex has, in Zuk's words, "Done things on

his own that no one knows about." His training regimen included running up and down the hill in front of ping tires. Alex has been to practically every practice and every game since his injuries, with the exception of the days he had physical therapy. Alex said, "I want to motivate the team to work hard at every practice and every game and if I can't do it with them, I'll do it from the sidelines." Alex Kaley is an overachiever and the dedication he shows for football is rare and incredible.

The impact Alex has made on his team is so immense; it's no wonder the head coach felt the need to write a speech about it. Devin Burdo, another captain, said, "He's helped reinforce the idea that people can accomplish anything

they want to. Alex has motivated me to not only be a better athlete but a better person as well. Without have accomplished close to what I have accomplished on both the football field and in the classroom. I will be forever grateful to have him as not just a friend but a brother."

With regard to Alex's future, Coach Zuk said, "I can't say specifically but I think he will surprise a lot of people. I don't think he will be where he could've been before the injury but I think he will be where he wants to be as far as which college he wants to go to and have the opportunity to play if he wants to." His teammates and classmates wish Alex a quick recovery and successful return to the field.

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# School News

#### Education saves the children

BY SARAH JONES

Save the Children is a community based club at our school that has a major impact on the local community and the world. It was introduced to our school four years ago by Mr. Homer, his wife Lori, and Ms. Viklund. The club meets the first Thursday of the month in room J-21 and new members are always welcome.

As a group, Save the Children raises money for numerous charities that aid children from all corners of the globe. The main purpose of the club is to improve the world by giving time, smiles, and hope!

On October 15th, a very special guest, Saba Al-Mubasalat, a distinguished member of Save the Children Jordan, came to speak to the club. She shared her experiences in working in Syrian refugee camps, and asked our club members how they (as a community) can make the world a better place.

There were numerous answers to Saba's question. Students suggested to create awareness about domestic violence and poverty, but the most imperative topic that was focused on was education. While discussing the lack of and



Saba Al-Mubasalat talks with seventh graders Katherine Vermylen and Anna Spehr.

importance of education, Saba said that, "Education saves children. Without it, they are not able to grow up and achieve certain goals such as going to college."

Saba also mentioned that knowledge prevents poverty and violence. If children have an education, they are much more likely to go to college, get a well-paying job, and provide for their future family. Children that are not fortunate enough to receive a good education usually grow up with contempt and anger.

Many students were captivated by Ms. Al-

Mubasalat's insight. Dana Krauss, an involved member of Save the Children, stated, "It was sort of like a reality check, with all the statistics she threw at us. Each was sort of impossible to fathom, and I think that might've been the most moving part about it. You resent what the world has let itself come to, and you realize that as a person living on this planet, it's your job to help make a change." Saba says if we can give children the gift of knowledge, we can end poverty and violence.

#### Putting students first

BY OWEN TOOMEY

Probably not many students in this high school actually know any of the members of the Board of Education that help to run this great school. The Board is constantly striving to make the school a better place for everyone. So although you might not even know who they are, our school is great because of their hard work.

Mr. Robert Hughes has been a member of the Board of Ed. for nine years. He is the president of the Board itself, head of the seven total members. Mr. Hughes has greatly enjoyed the many years of great service he has had for the community.

Mr. Hughes initially decided to run for a position on the school Board a few years ago when a few spots were open. He became president of the Board back in 2010. He says that there was no particular issue that prompted him to run; instead, there was an opening and he wanted to help make his community even better.

The Board of Ed, while an important body, is not a constant job. Almost all the day to day work is done by the educational professionals. The members of the Board of Ed generally "set policy and oversee overall operations." The Board's job is not to necessarily focus on all the minutia but instead to manage the whole District and ensure it is running smoothly. Mr. Hughes believes that he and the Board have put together a great team of educational professionals to run the school as well as it does.

Mr. Hughes believes that everyone in our schools should have the opportunity to study anything he or she wants, because like he says, you don't know what you like or are good at until you try it. However, as much as he and the Board try, it is obviously not possible for every student to study anything, mostly because of the monetary constraints. The Board does its best to make many diverse options for students to try out many different things in high school.

In our community we have very good parent participation through groups like the Parent Teacher Groups. However, there isn't a huge amount of parent interaction with the Board of Ed. Mr. Hughes believes that this is an expression of satisfaction with the Board of Ed; parents have generally few complaints about the school district and thus don't need to have much interaction with the Board itself. It is easy to contact the Board, however, and all the members do welcome it. Feel free to email them at boe@csh.k12.ny.us.

Although Mr. Hughes has enjoyed his time on the school board, he says he will probably not run for re-election when his term is up in 2016. If he does decide to leave the Board of Education, he will be both missed and thanked enormously for his great help in making our school district great.

#### Republicans trump Democrats

BY COLLEEN CURRY

Political tension is at an all-time high across America due to the immense coverage of the 2016 Presidential Election. In order to properly determine how students at Cold Spring Harbor feel about the election, a survey was distributed to all homeroom classes.

The survey consisted of four questions that would help gain a sense of how CSH feels about politics, and the results were very clear to see. 41% of all students at this school felt that they agreed most with the Republican party, while 17% sided most with the Democrats, 11% said they were independent, 4% agreed with other parties, and 28% of students admitting to having no idea or to not following politics.

Eleventh grade had the highest percentage of Republicans with 51%, with seventh grade trailing close behind with 47%. The eighth graders and tenth graders also came in close with 38% and 43% respectively. The ninth graders had the second lowest

percentage of 32% as compared to the senior class, which had 29% of its class agree to being Republicans.

The freshman and senior class nearly tied for the highest percentage of Democrats, each with 23%. The tenth grade had 20% of all students side with the Democrats, while the eleventh and eighth graders tied for fourth highest results at 15%. The seventh graders had the lowest amount of democrats at 9%.

graders Twelfth had the highest number of independent candidates, while the rest of the classes equally agreed with the independent party. The seniors had 21% of their grade agree with being independent, while the remaining classes had results that were around the same point. The eleventh, tenth, and eighth graders all had 10% of their students side with the Independent party, as compared to the ninth graders - 11%- and the seventh graders--8%.

There was an alarmingly high percentage of students admitting to having no knowledge on any

of the political parties. The seventh, eighth, and ninth graders had the highest percentage of those who did not know anything about politics, with 35%, 37%, and 29%. The tenth graders had 24% of their classmates agree to not having any knowledge on politics. Twelfth grade had 21%, while the eleventh grade had the lowest number of those who were not too keen on politics, at 19%.

Twelfth grade had the highest percentage of people identified most with a different political party, at 6%. Juniors and freshmen tied for second highest at 5%. Those in tenth and seventh grade had the lowest percentage of students who sided most with another party at 3% and 1% respectively. The eighth graders had 0% of their entire class side most with a separate party.

Although the results of this survey differed between each grade, the majority of Cold Spring Harbor students identify most with the Republican Party.

#### CSH Asks...

# What's the funniest thing you've ever heard a teacher say?

BY SARAH KOPP

"Once when I was a kid, I lit a park bench on fire." Owen Toomey

"There's nothing more stressful than having to go to prom with a friend of a cousin, who could be an ex-convict for all you know." Felipe Jimenez

"I believe in stickers, man." Peter Markotsis

"My wife finds it strange when I slather mayo on my face." Alec Israeli

"Que Pasa Mufasa?" John McNicholas "Shoes are feet cages, so that's why I don't usually wear them." Brianna Weinstein

"The lesson to learn here is to never shoot guns into the air in Alabama, or it will haunt you in a very bad way." Shannon Gallagher

"What the heck are you trying to accomplish here? Hello?! Don't be an idiot." Katie Northacker

"Your opinion is false." Shannon Gallagher Volume 54 Edition 2 November 2015

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#### Historic haunts of Long Island

BY KATE ZIMMON

Kerriann Flanagan Brosky, author of "Historic Haunts of Long Island", and many other supernatural and historical books, came to the Cold Spring Harbor Library on October 21st. There, Brosky gave an interesting presentation about the work she does with

haunted historical places. **Brosky** went through many spooky topics: from the various types of ghosts, to haunted Cold Spring Harbor and Huntington buildings stores. Stories ranged from mysterious figures or flashes of light in restaurants, to that of a kind spirit named Irving who served as a

playmate to a lonely child. She concluded by accepting questions from the audience about their own curiosities or supernatural encounters, then ended the night with a book signing and pictures. Kerriann Brosky's visit to CSH certainly set the stage for this year's spookiest season.



Author Kerriann Flanagan Brosky poses with students at the Cold Spring Harbor Library.

#### Debate season under way

BY OWEN TOOMEY

The Debate team is by far one of the underappreciated teams in the school. The team is coached by Dr. Andrews of the Social Studies Department and is always very successful. It is a large team that takes up two periods each year, even though some members of the club can't fit the class into their schedules.

There are three types of debate that students can participate in. The first is a one on one debate called Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Many students may be intimidated by the idea of being alone in a room without a friend, and for or Model Congress, an imitation of actual Congress.

There is a new type of casual debate called Worlds Debate. This is still in a trial mode this year, so there is no heavy competition. It is a good type of debate for someone who might want to just dip their toe in the water.

The team is off to a roaring start this year. At the very first tournament of the year, three Novice Lincoln-Douglas Debaters placed and received half qualifications to States. Congratulations are in order to Sophia Stein, Matt Fleming, and Matt Beroza! A special congratulations goes out to Matt Fleming and Matt

In order to show off the team and gain a little more recognition for their hard work, the students got Debate team shirts. The shirts are very nice: red and collared. The team is planning to wear the shirts on various days throughout the year to show their Debate team pride.

This year the team has many strong seniors and juniors that are eager to help out anyone new to debate. The captains of the team are seniors Matt Bastis, Sabrina Bergstein, Zach Wang, Matti Gellman, Timothy Sherlock, Gus Kasper, and junior Owen Toomey. Be sure to contact them or Dr. Andrews these people there is Public Beroza for already getting if you have any questions Forum Debate, two on two, fully qualified for States. about Debate or the team.

#### Lower your risk

BY MATTI GELLMAN

October breast cancer awareness month, something Eileen Pilliterri of the Maurer foundation knows well. On October 21st, 2015 Pilliterri came to address the CSH High School senior girls with the message that information about healthy lifestyle choices is empowering. Breast cancer affects 1 out of every 8 women and is expected to afflict 2,350 men this upcoming year, according to the American Cancer Society.

Ms. Pilliterri spoke about how people can lower their risks of breast cancer through proper self exams and staying informed about new research. She performs these talks before a wide range of audiences but enjoys speaking with high school students to promote

"taking your health into your own hands at an early age."

"Self-advocacy" is her most important message. She warned that the biggest misconception among high school students is that they believe they are immune, especially if there is no history of breast cancer in their family. However, the statistics do not support this belief. That is why it is so important spread awareness.

When asked what it was about breast cancer that provoked her to perform these lectures, Pilliterri stated: "I have a young daughter, and I want to be able to teach her about what she can do to lower her risk." Eileen Pilliterri hopes to encourage others to make healthy lifestyle decisions and decrease the risks of breast cancer through early detection.

#### Student government

BY PETER MARKOTSIS

Have you ever wondered what our student government actually does for our school? Why do we vote each year for our fellow students to participate in it? How exactly do these students represent us?

According to Senior Treasurer Tamanna Bhatia, the purpose of the student government is to, "plan events for the school and discuss how to make things better". It also plays an important role in spreading school spirit.

Some of the major events the student government organizes are the Jr. High dances, junior prom, graduation, pasta night, dodge-ball, and minute-towin it. Much time goes into the planning these events. They also manage the booths selling candy canes before the winter holidays

ers on Valentine's Day. Money is raised through various fundraising events, including bake sales.

The President of the student government takes charge and leads its meetings. The Vice President is second in command, the Treasurer handles money and expenses, and the Secretary records minutes and takes notes during each meeting.

About her reasoning for joining the student government, Tamanna explained, "I really enjoy volunteering my time. I also love planning events and organizing things. Mostly, I wanted to make a positive impact on our school."

The next time you attend an event such as pasta night, or send candy canes to your friend, remember that it is our student government who makes all these fun and and the ones selling flow- enjoyable events possible.

#### **Revised Testing Day Schedule**

**Monday**: Open to all subjects except Science

Tuesday: World Languages/Health

Wednesday: Social Studies

Thursday: Math Friday: English

Science may test on any day but Monday

#### Officer Pitch

BY LUISA DUMAURIER

The Cold Spring Harbor resource officer, Officer Pitch, visits 50 schools a year and enjoys having an open, honest dialogue with students. Her talk about internet and phone safety was given to both 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders on October 15th and 16th during Social Studies classes.

The lecture was informational and interesting, and students asked questions about what to do if something bad happened to them, a friend or family member. Some of the information discussed was what social media sites to go on and to avoid, how to stay safe and resist peer pressure, and how to stay away from drugs.

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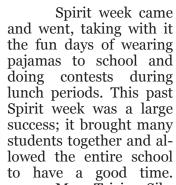






#### We have the spirit

BY SARAH KOPP



Ms. Tricia Sihknsel, a well-known and well-loved Spanish teacher at Cold Spring Harbor, and also the co-advisor of the Pep club and the Cheer team, says that Spirit week accomplished all of its goals: to bring students closer and have a fun week, while also showing school spirit. According to Ms. Sihksnel, this year's school spirit has been "off the charts" and it can be contributed to the excitement growing amongst the student body in anticipation of spirit week. "Students have become more and more intrigued" about what the Pep Rally has in store and what new things are going to occur. Additionally, the whole point, according to Ms. Sihksnel, of having a prep day or a jersey day or any spirit week theme, is "to bring together students who normally wouldn't have had much in common." Another important aspect of spirit week that doesn't receive much attention is the attitude of faculty and students. During spirit week, the entire student body is

noticeably more excited

and lively, which is a huge goal of spirit week. However, the

work isn't even close to being over for members of the Pep Club and any students or faculty involved in school spirit. There are a few things Ms. Sihksnel would like to see more of, including more "genuine excitement", more involvement, and more students getting out of their comfort zones. "Although this Spirit week has been ultimately successful, there's always room for more spirit," says Ms. Sihksnel. As for future goals of the Pep Club, there will definitely be more contests. "Those have helped a lot with getting students involved," Ms. Sihksnel said, "especially the pieeating contest last year." Additionally, it would be "cool to incorporate" staff in some of the school spirit activities.

So although many students see Spirit week as only benefitting the sports teams, on the contrary it is a fundamental part to bringing students together and making the school a more comfortable and relaxing environment. "At the end of the day, that's really the biggest accomplishment of Spirit week," says Ms. Sihksnel. Ms. Sihksnel would like to thank everyone who supported Spirit week, including staff and administrators. "Also the amazing student body;" she says, "it wouldn't be possible without all the incredible students at Cold Spring Harbor."



















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#### Seahawk nation

BY SHANNON GALLAGHER

Pep week started out with a bang on Friday with America Day, followed on Tuesday by Pajama Day, then Jersey Day, then Prep Day, and ended with the students dressed by grade level in red, white and blue at pep rally. As all of the high schoolers know, it is tradition for the fall sports teams to dress up for the pep rally, but the 7th graders were shocked to enter the school and find boxers and mermaids roaming the halls.

The pep rally, as always, was an amazing event featuring dances by the soccer team (as kickboxers) and the field hockey team (as the little mermaids). 7<sup>th</sup> grader, Katie Belfi, said, "It's really cool how the teams do dances that correspond with their costumes." Though these teams and football seem to be the main focus of the pep rally, crew was represented as

pirates, swim was lifeguards and little swimmers, boys' soccer, following tradition, wore cut off jean shorts, volleyball was dressed as construction workers, and tennis in ponchos. Cross Country, hockey, and golf were also represented at the pep rally with their high spirits and beautiful banners.

Football prepared for their homecoming game by preforming their super-secret play for the entire student body to see, and some feel that they most definitely should have used it in the game. But, of course, the highlight of the pep rally was the cheerleader victory cheer. It is a tradition to Cold Spring Harbor and one everyone holds near and dear to their hearts. When the cheerleaders take the stage and begin to chant, we all know what it is. Everyone loves the victory cheer; it is "super fun" according to 7<sup>th</sup> grader, Sarah Lynch, and she cannot wait to attend another pep rally.







#### And the winners were...

BY MCLEAN CARLIN

During the eventful homecoming week there were several spirited competitions and a senior filled homecoming court. Throughout the week, students were able to compete during their lunch periods for a spot in the pep rally events.

The competitions held at pep rally were the Football Toss, Hula Hoop, and a Potato Sack Race. Out spinning her competition was seventh-grader Greta Ko- manna Bhatia, and Senior Hotbus, who was the winner of the Hula Hoop contest. Ninth grader Danny Striano came out victorious in the phy and Tamanna Bhatia were Football Toss, and in a controversial finish of brother to brother action, Hamilton Carlin came out on top over his older brother, McLean Carlin, in the Potato Sack Race.

The school's first ever bul-

letin board competition, where each grade designed a bulletin board depicting competition between Cold Spring Harbor and homecoming football rival Roslyn, was won by the senior class. Racking up the most points for spirit week were the Sophomores.

The homecoming court consisted of cousins, Sara Murphy and Michael Murphy, last year's Prom King and Queen, John Henry Hanson and Taties, Eddie Fox and Kiki Carmi.

In the end Michael Murcrowned this year's Homecoming King and Queen. Although the Varsity football team fell short in an exciting overtime game against Roslyn, this will still be a spirit week to remember.











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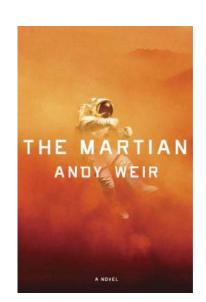
### Arts and Entertainment

#### "The Martian" makes for a thrilling read

BY TROY DOUGLAS

The book "The Martian," by Andy Weir, is about a crew of courageous astronauts who embark on a mission to Mars. However many things can, and do, go wrong on this extensive research mission. The protagonist, Mark Watney, ends up separated from his crew, and will continue to remain separated for years in a small spaceship named the Hab. For the remainder of time it takes for him to get rescued, he must apply his knowledge to have enough food, water, and oxygen to bear through these long, long few years in this small, claustrophobic ship.

I enjoyed this book very much. The first person point-of-view keeps the reader close and makes it easy to connect with the strong and intelligent Mark



Watney. The life threatening conflicts Mark must face throughout the book keeps the reader intrigued, and on the edge of his seat constantly. I would highly recommend this book to people who seek books that are thrilling and eventful.

#### Time flies at Terminal 5

BY BRIDGET GANZ

Imagine yourself in a rectangular room, three levels high. You're surrounded by people—3,000 at most, to be exact. Some are located on the ground floor, while others have seats on the balcony wings. This is Terminal 5. Located at 610 West 56th Street, west of 11th Avenue in New York City, it has seen many artists such as Tove Lo, Nick Jonas, and Miley Cyrus.

On October 10<sup>th</sup>, however, it served as the stage for the rising pop duo Timeflies. With Rob Resnick as DJ and Cal Shapiro as vocalist, the two released their debut album, "The Scotch Tape," in September of 2011, gaining popular-

entering Upon Terminal 5 for any concert, proper security measures are taken. Tickets are scanned and X's are

marked in Sharpie on the hands of anyone under the legal drinking age. There is a bar for minors that serves bottles of water for \$3 each. If you have tickets in general admission, it is better to arrive at the venue early in order to have a standing place as close to the stage as possible.

Over the course of the night, Timeflies performed from around 9:30 to 11:30 pm, after the opening acts of Kalin and Myles and Lost Kings. Timeflies performed some of their most popular songs, such as "I Choose U," "All the Way," and "Monsters." Their performance was energetic and emotional, which always kept the crowd's attention.

The venue ity in the public ever since. show were fun and entertaining, and the band is a great group to see. Terminal 5 is a great place to go with friends at any time.

#### "The Martian" - a great sci-fi epic

BY TOM VAVASSIS

Ridley Scott's Space epic "The Martian" came out on October 2nd 2015. During its first weekend in theaters it grossed over \$55 Million. The Martian is a playful adaption to the novel "The Martian" by Andy Weir.

The crew of a manned mission to Mars (Ares III) is planning to take off right before they're hit by a storm. As the storm hits them, Astronaut Mark Watney (Matt Damon) is hit by debris and is unable to board the rocketship. The crew flies back home, leaving Watney on Mars with limited supplies. Watney spends his time on Mars trying to communicate with NASA and get back to Earth. Watney is confronted with many issue on Mars; these issues make NASA concerned that Watney may very well be dead by the time they can save him. NASA tells the crew



of Ares III that Watney is still alive, and after a unanimous vote, Ares III returns to save Watney. With limited gas and supplies Ares III can return to save Watney, but may not be able to save themselves on the way back.

'The Martian" was overall a great sci-fi epic. Ridley Scott put together an amazing ensemble cast, starring the one and only Matt Damon. The movie has a very good soundtrack

which coincides well with the movie. Scott did a brilliant job with the special effects; the scenes on Mars were just jaw-dropping. The movie did have some flaws to it. First, the movie has a 2 hour and 22 minutes run time, which is great for some viewers, but for some viewers it may seem to drag. The second issue with the movie is its rating. The movie is rated PG-13 but seemed like an R-rated movie. The movie is forced to cut down on cursing so they can get a PG-13 audience. The PG-13 rating changes how Watney would have reacted in the book and makes it more family friendly. "The Martian" was a very well written book, and swell movie. Fans of "The Martian" are hoping for Ridley Scott and Andy Weir to team up and make a new movie.

On the Seahawk Scale I would give "The Martian" a score of: 93/100. It's a must see movie.

#### Snapchat update

BY ALETHEA FREIDBERG

Students have been buzzing about Snapchat's new filter update. This isn't an ordinary update: Snapchat made interactive filters that can make you look like an old person, have a rainbow flow from your mouth, and even make you look like a monster.

Snapchat is a big thing in students' lives, and a lot of kids use it daily. Besides Instagram, Snapchat is one of the most used social networks at

Cold Spring Harbor. Students have reacted many ways to this update. Junior Colleen Curry said, "I think it's fun and a positive way to encourage interaction between friends." Another positive response towards Snapchat's filters was from Gillian Drexler. She said, "I think they (the filters) are really cool and brighten people's days because they make funny faces." Mia Richards agrees and said, "I think that the filters are very cool and they make people laugh."

However, not everyone has said positive feedback about these updates. Freshman Kayla Haas said, "It's all right." She thinks that the filters are mediocre. Rachel Friedlander thinks, "The filters are getting worse and worse." Snapchat adds a new filter every day. By adding a new one every day, Snapchat takes away the oldest one. This was a problem when the famous "rainbow filter" was removed, so they added it back (only for it to be removed again).

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# Harbor Views

# Bernie Sanders' "socialism:" a new American left?

BY ALEC ISRAELI

"We need a political revolution in this country." With this phrase, Senator Bernie Sanders of Vermont summarizes his presidential campaign. Surprisingly successful from the start, this campaign has noticeably populist undertones, with Sanders being greeted by crowds of thousands as he speaks about income inequality, free higher education, singlepayer healthcare, and the corruption of the "billionaire class". With such progressive rhetoric, it seems that the "democratic socialist" label that Sanders gives himself is quite adequate. I stress: it only seems adequate. It really is not. Don't get me wrong here- I love the guy, and his campaign seems promising. He may be the political savior that the American Left has been waiting for since Eugene V. Debs' Socialist Party campaigns of the early 1900s. In fact, Debs is one of Sanders's role-models. But, as a socialist, I find Sanders'

quite troubling at worst.

To explain my objection, I'll start with a very basic definition of socialism. From dictionary.com: a theory or system of social organization that advocates the vesting of the ownership and control of the means of production and distribution, of capital, land, etc., in the community as a whole.

self-labeling of "socialist"

misleading at best, and

Contrary to popular belief, most socialist theory favors democracy and individual freedom. The variant of socialism I endorse involves cooperative employee ownership and control of private production and capital; a democratic government; high-quality, tax-funded social services for all; and a regulated socialist market economy whose structure supports democratic worker power over the capitalist pursuit of profit.

This is actual democratic socialism. To achieve it we would need a militant (yet peaceful) worker movement, highly progressive taxation, an end to corporate involvement in government, a gradual overhaul of financial markets to transfer the majority of each company's shares to its workers, and the nationalization of key economic sectors. The end goal would be greater economic equality, and the assurance that each worker is receiving adequate compensation for their contributions. This is no easy goal. A serious shift in cultural values would first be necessary. We would need to end our idolization of profit and instead admire solidarity. Rather than pursuing individualism in the name of general good, we would need to pursue general good in the name of individualism. We would need to abandon capitalism and embrace socialism. We would need a revolution. This is not the revolution Sanders promotes.
Sanders's ideas are good, but they are just a baby step towards social-

baby step towards socialism. They reflect the very progressivism successful of Scandinavian countries, which he often references with deep respect. But these nations are still capitalist countries. Their progressive programs meant to soften capitalism are equivalent to putting a band aid on a bullet wound- a step in the right direction, but completely missing the root of the problem. To achieve their goal they would first have to remove the bullet; they would have to overthrow capitalism. Point being, the "socialist" Sanders preaches a form of capitalism. He is not much different from a very liberal run-of-the-mill Democrat in that regard.

What I find troubling about his misleading "socialist" label is that it builds a false movement. His supporters like to call themselves socialists, but just like him, they don't really fit the title. Also, his main supporter demographic is white middleclass liberals, while he fails to garner support from much of the working class, which is integral to a successful socialist movement. It seems his progressive rhetoric is only as socialist as possible as to not upset the capitalist status quo.

Still, there is still hope for a genuinely socialist movement in the US. Sanders could be its founder. What he preaches is just a step away from true democratic socialism. It is just one piece of the socialist puzzle. His disdain for elitism and tireless advocacy for reform have tapped into a deep anger of the public that has been brewing since the 2008 financial crisis. With proper momentum, this populist surge can develop into a proper socialist movement. Most of the structure is already in place: a powerful grassroots movement, widespread frustration with inequality, and a vision of a better future. The first step towards socialism for this movement is admitting that their vision of a better future is socialism. They also need a leader to bring them there, and that leader is Bernie Sanders.

We are observing a possibly transformative moment for the American Left. Bernie Sanders cannot let it slip away.

# Tousi's take on the Democratic debate: a primary focus

BY ARYA TOUSI

Note: The views expressed in this editorial are those of a progressive Democrat with the corresponding biases, intentional or unintentional. They do not necessarily reflect the views of the Harbor View staff.

As always, the first debate of the Democratic primary is a major turning point in the race for the White House. The debate on October 13th, moderated by CNN anchor Anderson Cooper in Las Vegas, was the first chance for prospective voters to see the Democratic Party's candidates duke it out on stage. While candidates Lincoln Chafee, Hillary Clinton, Martin O'Malley, Bernie Sanders, and Jim Webb all performed tremendously during the debate, I will mainly be focusing on Senator Sanders and Secretary Clinton because it would be impossible to discuss everyone with limited space, and because Sanders and Clinton are the only two (official) candidates with over 1% of the vote at the time of writing.

Before I start on the candidates, I would like to address Anderson Cooper's superb moderation of the debate. Cooper hardly let any candidate speak out of line and promptly interrupted anyone who overstepped the time limit. He asked questions in a rapid-fire manner to keep them on their toes throughout the whole three hours of debate.

Former Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, opened intensely, pulling no punches and showing off her long experience and cool head in the political arena. She was quick on her feet and aggressive when necessary. Clinton was wellprepared for questions regarding her email scandal, gun control, and her history of flip-flopping, with articulate and concise responses. She promised to build upon President Barack Obama's presidency. However, this preparedness could make her seem fabricated to some.

Vermont Senator, Bernie Sanders, currently the runner-up in the polls, also put on a powerful performance. After a shaky start trying to deflect questions about electability and his voting record on gun

control issues, Sanders found his footing by doing what he does best: staying close to his core message. Whereas Clinton's strengths lie in statesmanship, articulation, and deflecting questions, Sanders' are in staying close to his main narrative and controlling the conversation towards what he wants to talk about. There was one exchange in particular that I think was a genius tactical from Sanders: when he defused the conversation on Clinton's email scandal, claiming, "The American people are sick and tired of hearing about your damn emails." This was a smart move for three reasons. First, it promotes his image as "not a politician," someone who wants to get down to the real issues instead of focusing on soundbites. Second, it stripped Clinton of her chance to respond to the criticism, leaving her in a disadvantageous position. Third, Sanders improved his image again by appearing as the "nice" guy in the situation, swooping in to save Clinton from her detractors. The memorability of Sen. Sanders' comment does tell us one thing: despite Clinton's ability to parry questions regarding the issue, the voters may not be so easily swayed.

Due to her experience, Clinton excels the most in her mass appeal. She knows how to appeal and how to pander, and no matter how bad of a connotation that word may have, that is how to win an election. Although Sanders passionately defends his views, I am concerned about his general election appeal. While Sanders speaks primarily to his base, some of his language regarding family leave, income inequality, and corruption in politics may not resonate with independents and moderate Republicans, whose support he would need to win in the general election. On paper, it would seem like Clinton won the debate. However, when watching the event I could not help but be moved by the fervent rhetoric and authenticity responsible for a Sanders win in many polls. Who won the debate? That is up to the individual to decide.



# Sports

#### Class 2A tennis champions

BY CAROLINE REILLY

Girls' Varsity Tennis had an amazing season this year with their best record in the past five years. The girls finished the regular season 16-1, winning them the title of Conference 2A champs. This put them straight through to their first playoff match in three years against Lynbrook. With home court advantage, the team pulled out a 5-2 win with all doubles teams victorious and Cold Spring Harbor's Merri Kelly Hannity winning at first singles.

The team then moved on to the quarterfinals the very next day against Friends Academy. This was a very intense and competitive match with many games going to the third set, but the Cold Spring Harbor girls were extremely motivated and ended up winning 6-1. This was a huge victory for the team since Friends is Division 1 and is seeded higher than Cold Spring Harbor, so a CSH victory was not expected. The Victory



The Girls' Varsity Tennis team become Class 2A Champions!

came off the racquets of Brooke Martin and Caroline Reilly at 4<sup>th</sup> doubles.

The girls competed in the semifinals against Syosset. The winner of this match would likely compete against the undefeated team, Manhasset, for the Nassau County Championship title. In their toughest match yet, Cold Spring Harbor beat Syosset 4-3 with the deciding match won by freshman Maddy Richmond at 2<sup>nd</sup> singles.

As expected, Manhasset beat Locus Valley to verse Cold Spring Harbor in the final match of the season. Whoever won this match would be crowned the Nassau County champions. Ultimately Manhasset came out the winner with a score of 5-2. Despite the score, the match was extremely close. First doubles, second doubles, third doubles, and first singles all went into third sets which could have gone either way.

At the end of their season, the team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> place in all of Nassau County and were Class 2A Champs!

#### Our crew

BY DANIELLE MOHR

This fall season has had a lot in store for both Novice and Varsity Crew. Coaches Mr. Natale and Ms. Forte had to teach new members to use ERG machines before they could begin practicing techniques on the water. The Rowing team finished ahead of all other Long Island scholastic crew teams in their most recent regatta, Head of the Housatonic, in Shelton, Connecticut.

The varsity rowers entered six boats to represent Cold Spring Harbor in a race in Saratoga Springs, New York. This race, also known as the Head of the Fish, was the first race that included the Junior High members of Novice Crew. Frequently referred to as the Mod Squad, the team's youngest members entered the competition with much enthusiasm.

The crew team is sad to see the fall season come to an end, but it is gear-

Cheerleading: not just for girls

ing up for its winter training, which prepares for the spring rowing season. The coaches are looking forward to the upcoming seasons and encourage anyone who is interested to join, including Junior High students.

The coaches hope the team "will continue to grow during the winter training and the spring season, especially in light of the fact that eight seniors will be graduating at the end of this school year." The current seniors on the team, Cailey Brogan, Martine Brechter, Kathleen Tuveson, Rosa Schuchert, Annique Goldschmits, Devin Wenger, Spencer Woods, and JT Sepanski, will surely be missed next year.

In addition to all the miles and long hours the team members put in, entrance and success in the team's regattas would not be possible without the dedicated coaches and parents who are the lifeline of the program.

# Islanders/Rangers preview

BY WILL SHEPHARD

The puck dropped in October. It's a new season, new beginning, and new home. The long awaited move has finally taken place; the Islanders laced up the skates for the first time in Brooklyn.

The Islanders have made the controversial move to the Barclays Center in Brooklyn, leaving behind their home of 43 years in Nassau County, the Nassau Coliseum. There are high hopes in Brooklyn for the Islanders this year, such as Sports Illustrated projecting the young Islanders team, led by 25 year old Captain John Tavares, to finish first in the Metropolitan division. The Islanders will lean heavily on young faces such as Anders Lee, Ryan Strome, and Brock Nelson.

Across town the Rangers will be lacing up their skates once again in the ole Madison Square Garden. The Rangers began their run for the cup, dropping their season opener against the defending champion Black-However, even that would not slow down the blue shirts. The Rangers are led this season by Captain Rvan McDonagh, and by Alternate Captains Daniel Girardi, Derek Stepan, and Marc Staal.

Both teams stuck with the same goalies for this season, the Islanders sticking with Jaroslav Halak and the Rangers are making no move at the position as long as King Henrik Lundqvist is on suiting up.

The two clubs will meet four teams this season with two games being played at the Barclays Center and two being played at Madison Square Garden. Fans will have to wait until December 2 for the puck drop of the first battle between the longtime rivals.

The Islanders will look to finally break through and get past the first round of the playoffs and solidify themselves as true Stanley Cup contenders. The Rangers, on the other hand, do not need to prove to anybody that they are true Cup contenders after their trip to the Stanley Cup Finals in 2014 and their deep run in the 2015 playoffs, losing to the Conference Finals.

The Islanders will look for an improved season from winger Josh Bailey as the Rangers will also look for someone to step up to the fill the hole left from when winger Martin St. Louis announced his retirement from hockey. It should be a good year for hockey in the Big Apple.

BY GIGI NAPPI

As the leaves change colors and fall sports come to an end, the winter season of sports is about to begin. Cheerleading is the newest varsity sport and is searching for new members for its winter team. All students are welcome to try out, especially those with backgrounds in dance or gymnastics.

The current coaches, Ms. Whitney and Señorita Sihksnel, will host tryouts throughout the week of November 16th. Depending on how many students attend tryouts, there may be enough students to fill a Junior Varsity team in addition to a Varsity team.

Cheerleading requires a lot of pep and school spirit. The coaches are ideally looking for students of all ages and genders with positive and upbeat personalities. They are also in search of students who are willing to work hard and dedicate themselves to the team.

The Varsity Cheer team will perform new dances at all home basketball games during each half-time. These dances will be choreographed and taught by the senior captains, Nicole Marchese and Sabrina Bergsten, along with Ms. Whitney. High-energy prac-

High-energy practices will be held five days a week; they will start right



Lifted from left to right: Kristin Jaspers, Carlie Shammah, Francesca Polsinelli

after school at 2:30pm and end around 5 or 6pm. Previously during the fall season, Coach Sihksnel led the team through different workout activities, including push- up pyramids and tire flipping.

All members of the quad are expected to lift other team members for stunting. They also need to be able to perform high-energy dance routines that include difficult jumps.

Coach Señorita Sihksnel explains, "The girls have been pushing themselves to improve as individuals and as a squad. They have proven that hard work and dedication are key to achieving goals."

The young ladies of the fall team have bonded to become a loving and supportive family. As they strive for excellence, the team members are strong and brave. Their goal is to keep Seahawk fans entertained, encourage people to attend games, and support the basketball players during their season.

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