

# The Harborview

**In this edition:** Dodgeball, Movie Reviews, Jokes, and more!

Volume 52 Edition 3

Cold Spring Harbor High School

November 2013

### 17th Annual Coffee House Jam

By: Haley McLaughlin

On Friday, November 8th, Mr. Miller hosted the 17th annual Coffee House Jam. As a student who has attended all Coffee House Jams for the past 4 years, I can tell you that the shows get better with each year. With more variety than ever, this Jam included music, comedy, and (for the first time!) slam poetry.

The Jam kicked off with "The Basement" playing "Flake" by Jack Johnson and "Songbird" by Aer. Band member Andrew Lippe played guitar, with Alex D'Agostino on base and Lexie Viklund on drums. Their Reggae/ Rock sound kicked off the night and got the audience clapping. Next up Julia Subudhi, accompanied by Hana Smith on guitar. As always, the pair dazzled the crowd with their lovely harmonies and original mash-ups. Siena Toscano came next, using her powerful voice to deliver a passionate version of Miley Cyrus's hit "Wrecking Ball". Jack Walter, who made his Coffee House Jam debut at last spring's Jam Fest, sang alongside Julia Subudhi, accompanied again by Hana Smith. Brittany McGowan mixed things up by moving the show over to the piano, amazing the audience with her musical talents.

The Jam then took a break from music for a bit, with a performance by our school's Improv Troop. The troop brought back one of their infamous improve games, "Do-Run-Run", where the players have to sing along and rhyme the name that they are given (taken from the crowd). If a player repeats a rhyme or hesitates, they're eliminated. Junior David May came out on top- beating out all of the current seniors (including long-time member Alec Sajewski).

The Jam continued with more wonderful musical performances by Julia Subudhi and Hana Smith. A number of newcomers sang at this Jam as well, oddly enough all of them being seniors. Chris Gabriele, accompanied by Hana Smith, sang "Daughters" by John Mayer, and wowed the crowd with his amazing voice. Seniors Cheryl Daly and Kristen DiMonti debuted at the Jam, both accompanied by Kayleigh Homer on the guitar.

The talented Nina

Riffaud then got on stage and did something that hasn't been done in years at the Coffee House Jam. Taking a break from comedy and music, Nina performed a heartwrenching slam poem from the point of view of a girl living in an abusive household. Mr. Miller explained to the audience that when he start up the Coffee House Jam years ago, he intended for it to include music, comedy, and slam poetry. Nina did not write the poem, but she did a fantastic job of delivering it with a level of emotion that the audience could feel.

Then came two duos-the well-known Leroy and Greenwich (Andrew Lippe and Josh Sondock) and the new Lost and Shoeless (Nina Riffaud and Alex D'agostino). Freshman Alec Israeli got on the piano and wowed the audience with his talents. After a few more performers got up on stage again, Colin Yaccarino and Kayleigh did a wonderful duet. The final act that brought the house down was the band Coup d'etat whose rock sound brought the crowd together in an energetic sing-along of "Semi-Charmed Life" by Third Eye Blind.

# Alec Israewowed the its. After a got up on carino and crful duet. rought the band Coup ind brought

By: Gabby Bailenson

On Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup>, the Arts Booster Club teamed up with The Paramount in Huntington for Fall Nite Out. The purpose was to raise money for the Arts Booster Club and for parents to get a chance to meet the teachers who are involved with the arts at school. Mr. John Borland sang original songs in addition to covers, Ms. Joyce Schmieder recited original poems, and Ms. Jessica Ranerie sang a song from Smokey Joe's Café.

Laura Riffaud and Pat May of the Arts Booster Club organized this event. "It was a nice night in a beautiful setting and it was a great opportunity to meet the parents involved in the arts," said Mr. Borland. "It was interesting for parents to see another side of the teachers."

This event was held in the Founder's Room at the Paramount. The Founder's Room is a private room for hidden members only. It combines its urban feel with the look of the early days of modern music history. Waiters and waitresses cater to guests while they are able to sit back and have an intimate concert experience with their favorite artists. Being able to interact and have this experience with their favorite artists makes them feel as though they are "in" with the band. This private reserved section is one of the many amazing features of the Paramount.

# Dodgeball Tournament

By: Raj Singh

It's that time of the year again when the student council holds the annual dodge ball tournament. The tournament is a charity event, and all proceeds go to Huntington Interface Homeless initiative or HIHI for short, a local organization dedicated to helping the homeless people of the area. Many students see this as the biggest event of the year, and this year was no different. The tournament consisted of a girl and

boy's bracket as well as awards for best costume. The boys bracket was won by the "Bullpen" consisting of Junior Colin O'neil, Senior John Daly, Senior Max Manos, Junior Jesse Mulham and Junior Jack Walter. Congrats Guys. The Girls bracket was won the "Pegging Degs", Consiting of Junior Alicia Roy, Junior Tara Atkinson, Junior Haley Crosson, Junior Brooke Jensen, and Junior Lindsey Wilcocks. The "Doc Andrews" won best costume, for their impersonation of social studies

teacher Dr. Andrews. All in all, the tournament raised over 2,000 dollars for HIHI, and was a great time for all that attended. I mean, who doesn't like ruining some tiny freshman's self-confidence with a foam soccer ball? As one of the kids that did get out in the first round, I do wish that there was some type of losers brackets, because a lot of people do end up spending a lot of time on their costumes, only to lose in the first round.

### Locks of Love Haircut

### By: Dominique Giuffrida

Locks of Love, throughout its extensive 11 years, has focused enormously on fundraising events and haircuts. The club has raised a tremendous amount of almost \$70,000. Locks of Love is all about helping others and recognizing the importance of self-worth. This year it will be holding regular bake sales almost every two weeks. The members sold hair extensions, including a vibrant pink for Breast Cancer Awareness Month, on October 15th and 16th. Cup Cake Day was held on October 22nd with the bake sale having raised around \$450. On Tuesday, November 19 an amazing number of 25 students, from the high school and the elementary schools, donated their hair at the annual haircut at Cactus Salon in Huntington. The club is hoping to raise \$2,300 through the hair donors' sponsors. The club's most profitable event, a fashion show, has been set for March 7.

The goal of Locks of Love is to spread awareness of alopecia areata. Alopecia areata is a disease that causes hair loss and has no known cause or cure. Locks of Love provides children under 18 suffering from hair loss with wigs that are custom-made from ponytails. It takes about six to ten ponytails of the same hair type, texture, and color to make a single hairpiece. The ponytails must be at least ten inches. The retail cost of these hairpieces range from \$3,500 to \$6,000 each. Locks

of Love strives to raise as much money as possible to help contribute to the makings of these expensive hairpieces.

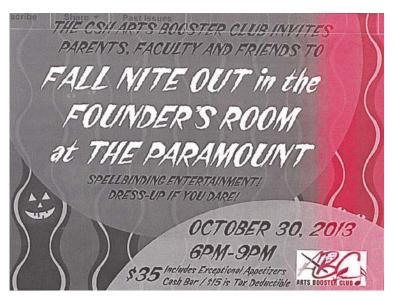
Locks of Love started in 2004 at Cold Spring Harbor High School with over 200 participants having donated their hair since then – the biggest year having 50 haircuts. Both girls and boys have partaken in these haircutting events. Several club members have selflessly cut their hair numerous times. The Locks of Love Club Advisor, Señora Fristensky, generously donated her hair for the fifth time this year. Some members have donated an entire foot of their hair, exceeding the minimum amount of ten inches Many club members continue to be loyal to the club even after high school, several having come back to cut their hair again and four having started Locks of Love clubs at their own colleges.

The club enjoys raising money in many diverse ways. Those who donate their hair raise money through sponsors and merchandise is sold throughout the school year. These items are mostly designed by students. This vear Šarah Sachs designed a new Locks of Love t-shirt, creatively having two ponytails form the shape of a heart. Other items sold include: car magnets, sweatshirts, sweatpants, t-shirts, long sleeve t-shirts, water bottles, pens, jackets, key chains, travel coffee mugs, towels, blankets, and heart book

Local businesses have supported Locks of Love by displaying their flyers and making donations. Stores such as Island Silkscreen, Freedman Jewelers, Cactus Salon, Little Vincent's Pizza, and Kaleidoscope Gift Shop buy advertisements in the fashion show program. Local clothing stores have also provided clothes for the annual fashion show. For Locks of Love's annual haircut, Cactus Salon has for five years offered to cut the participants' hair so the donations can be sent to the Locks of Love Headquarters.

The Cold Spring Harbor Locks of Love Calub has been featured in the magazine "GO", The Long Islander, and Newsday's Future Corps. The club has been on FOX 5 Good Day New York five times, twice in the studio and three times at the high school with Anne Craig. Legislator Jon Cooper and Doctor Spencer have annually given Locks of Love proclamations for their hair donations and their fundraising. The club has also hosted assemblies through health classes featuring Daria Castrogiovani, a child who suffers from alopecia areata and has received three Locks of Love hairpieces.

New members are always welcome to the expanding club. It is not a requirement for members to donate their hair; in fact, most members have not cut their hair.



### CSH President: Award Winner

By: Daniel Hansen

November fifth was a big day in Cold Spring Harbor. Not because of Guy Fawkes Day, but because our very own school president, Michael Dischman, was appointed to office. Michael Dischman is part of the non-partisan Congressional Youth Council. Not only is this institution an official part of the US government, but it is the first of its kind. Out of all the statewide applicants submitted only a handful were accepted. One of these submitted students was from Cold Spring Harbor.

Mrs. Halloran, who is in charge of all volunteering and student leadership, secretly submitted Michael to the Council. She said, "I am very proud of Michael's accomplishments throughout his high school career, and I have no doubt that he will represent Cold Spring Harbor to the best of his ability". It is good to know the best Cold Spring Harbor has to offer is paving the way for future students to involve themselves in the workings of the world and change it for the better.

## New Apartments to be Built on Gerard Street

**By: Emily Krusos** 

Although Gerard Street is only one-fifth of a mile long, extending east from West Neck Road to New York Avenue, it is central to the town of Huntington. This is a street that has seen numerous advancements over the past several years. It features a newly designed traffic circle directly opposite the main post office. There is also a recently constructed commercial and residential building at the corner of 110 built by developer Douglas Patrick, owner of Heatherwood Communities. Patrick is currently constructing another three-story structure immediately adjacent to this mix-use complex. All permits for demolition and construction have already been issued and accepted by the town. In fact, excavation started at the end of August and construction is expected to take approximately twelve to fourteen months to complete. Heatherwood estimates that the project will be completed by J. Petrocelli Contracting, Inc. by Spring 2014.

The new complex will house 7,000 square feet of retail space on the ground floor with an additional 15,384 square feet of apartments above. The building will accommodate six stores on the first floor and twelve rental apartments, six on the second floor

and six on the third. The structure will be comprised of two studio apartments, four one-bedroom apartments, and six two-bedroom apartments. Each studio will be 495 square feet, the one-bedroom apartments will range from 825 to 1,011 square feet, while the two bedroom apartments will cover 1,325 to 1,427 square feet. The developer hopes to rent the apartments starting at about \$1,800 per month.

These luxury units will boast open floor plans with classic detail and finishes. The modern kitchens will be equipped with stainless steel appliances, custom cherry cabinetry, chic overhead lighting and granite countertops. Every apartment will have its own washer and dryer with balconies overlooking the Village. There will also be two secure off-street entrances and a private tenant elevator.

upgrade This Gerard Street complements the already renovated strip of high-end stores stretching from the bespoke tailor shop on the corner of New York Avenue to the upscale women's My Inheritance boutique. With Douglas Patrick's second construction project well underway, Gerard Street promises to be one of the finer roads in Huntington Village in the



**By: Emily Krusos** 

What's in a name? According to Juliet Capulet in Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, not much. In fact, she basically believes that a name is just an artificial and meaningless convention, for she responds, 'That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet.' Various governments across the globe however, strongly disagree.

Some European and Asian government agencies have banned certain baby names that are considered offensive or resemble an official title or rank. As an American citizen who enjoys freedom of expression as guaranteed by the First Amendment in the Bill of Rights, the very idea of infringing on the parents' privilege of naming their child is unthinkable. Nevertheless, it is shockingly a fairly widely accepted censorship practice.

For instance, Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in New Zealand has prohibited the use of nearly 80 names over the past 12 years. The banned list includes the following seemingly innocuous names: Justice, Baron, Bishop, Duke, Major, King, Prince, Princess, Lucifer and Messiah. The name rejected most was Justice, which was turned down a total of 62 times. Interestingly, Justice and Messiah are both increasingly popular names in the United States, reaching rankings of 456 and 650 respectively in the 2010 Top-1000 popular names list.

In Portugal, an 80page government document tells citizens which names can and cannot be used. In fact, there are more than 2,000 names on the reject list. The list is pretty random since Tomás is acceptable while Tom is not. Mercedes, a more unusual name than Tom, is also permitted. In Sweden, tax authorities must give their

blessing to both first and surnames before they can be used. Some banned names include Metallica, Superman, Veranda, IKEA, and Elvis. Google, however, was an accepted first name! The Danes are even tougher than the Swedes with regard to banning certain names. In Denmark, parents are given about 7,000 names to choose from by the government. Each year approximately 250 names are rejected since they deviate from the list.

Italian courts involved when the child's name is likely to limit social interaction and create insecurity. The name Venerdi, which means Friday in Italian, was banned since judges claimed that it would expose the child to mockery. Another couple in Italy was disappointed to have their chosen name of Dalmata, which translates to Dalmatian, denied. Germany has an entire department called the Standesamt decide whether names are suitable. Stompie, Woodstock, and Grammophon were turned down, while Speedy, Lafayette, and Jazz were allowed.

Clearly, foreign governments think differently than Juliet Capulet and believe the choice of a given name is extraordinarily significant. Americans apparently agree with this view since baby naming has become a lucrative industry in the United States with paid consultants, books, and websites on the rise. On the other hand, Americans couldn't disagree more with government interference in the baby naming process. Parents should be allowed to exercise their freedom of expression and have the sole right to name their child whatever they desire.



### Gerard Street .ow (

By: Julianna D'Alleva and Dominique Giuffrida

The hair salon Blow Co. recently opened in Huntington Villlage on Wall Street (16B). Although they do not cut hair, they specialize in styling, blow drying, and washing hair at an affordable price of \$35 and \$27 for all first time customers in just 45 minutes. Their motto is "Don't Waste Your Pretty" because they believe getting your hair styled regularly should be affordable. You might ask, "how great can they really be at such a cheap price?" A female high school student from Cold Spring Harbor said, "despite the hair salon being slightly cramped, it is cozy with a modern feel." She received the Ava blowout, straight with a little bit of body, and says

that her hair looked really good for the price.

Blow Co. is open seven days a week, from 7:30 am to 7:00 pm Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Friday through Saturday, and from 10:00 am to 5:00 pmon Sundays. Their style menu includes a wide variety for you to choose from, which includes: wavy, curly and straight hairstyles, up do's at \$65, buns, ponytails, and braids. Extras include clip in hair extensions at \$10, conditioning treatments at \$10, bang cuts at \$8, and blow out with hair extensions at \$10. The fun does not stop there! Blow Co. also has a makeup and lash bar ranging from \$60 for full face makeup, to \$15 for lash applica-

**Packages** include monthly memberships for \$125, which includes four blow outs per month, \$15 savings, and 10% off retail products. And for those of you planning to get your hair done often, the frequent-dryer program is the one for you! This includes anywhere from \$6 to \$60 off: three stlves for \$99.99, six for \$189, and twelve for \$360. These programs can be shared with friends and family.

Not only does Blow Co. style individuals' hair, but also holds events such as parties, bridal showers, or just regular nights out! To schedule, just simply go on their website and email dena@ blowandco.com. Or, you could call their store at (631) 923 2051.

### Truth About Modern-Day The Slavery

### It Still Exists

By: Dan Hanson

When most people in the US think of slavery, a picture of a cotton plantation in rural Georgia comes to mind; people do not picture a Indian man promised work in Saudi Arabia and forced into a work camp, or a young Pilipino woman terrorized and threatened into prostitution, people don't even think of a child in the Congo who was abducted and now fights for his captors. People have changed with the times and slavery has as well. According to the United Nations' Factsheet Number Fourteen, Contemporary Forms of Slavery, slavery is:

"The word "slavery" today covers a variety of human rights violations. In addition to traditional slavery and the slave trade, these abuses include the sale of children, child prostitution, child pornography, the exploitation of child labor, the sexual mutilation of female children, the use of children in armed conflicts, debt bondage, the traffic in persons and in the sale of human organs, the exploitation of prostitution, and certain practices under apartheid and colonial ré-

In our modern world slavery is illegal everywhere on the planet, but there are more slaves today than any other time in human history. According to the National Labor Organization, 100 million children are exploited in there labor. That is just children that are exploited. There were roughly 11 million slaves transported to the new world by the transatlantic slave trade, which caused international uproar and eventually led to the end of legal slavery by "civilized" nations. Today, where slavery is thought of as some distant historical blunder. that no reasonable person would even consider now, it is flourishing and currently the third most profitable activity of organized crime. The only things that surpasses it are smuggling guns and drugs, and human trafficking is predicted to eclipse both within the next 50 years.

The way people weak-ened the transatlantic slave trade, the slavery we are all familiar with, was awareness. People today do not know that conservatives predict that over 30 million people are enslaved, or that according to the International Labor Organization, 12.3 million people were trafficked for the purposes of forced prostitution. There are very few people today actively taking about modern slavery. The few I could find, abolitionmedia. org and anti-slavery.org, do not seem to have the funding or the attention to effectively fight a rapidly growing and increasingly profitable industry. The only way slavery can end and people can achieved true equality, we will need to be aware and put pressure to end to the sickness that is slav-

**Editors-in-Chief** John Toomey and Sommer Dougherty

> Copy Editor Chandler Reiter

**Contributing Staff:** 

Jane Blumin, Chase Brown, Juliana D'Alleva, Dominique Marie Giuffrida, Daniel Hansen, Haley McLaughlin, Jonathan Paris, Gabrielle Bailenson, George Carmi, Kiki Carmi, Emily Krusos, Camryn Nichols, Daniella Rizos, Victoria Rizos, Nicole Taylor Smith

Volume 52 Edition 3 November 2013

**Opinion** 

# Senior Guide to Off-Campus Dining

By: Haley McLaughlin

With the school year in full swing, the new seniors have been enjoying the freedoms of offcampus privileges. Most people who go off on their free periods end up doing the same thing- getting food. Not to say that our cafeteria's dining options are anything less than superb, but the freedom of eating anything you want is much more exciting. This guide will provide full reviews of CSH senior hot spots- assessing their quality, price, and speed.

Cold Spring Harbor Deli

Everybody remembers their trips down to the CSH deli in junior high after school. Known for their specialty sandwiches (the classic #3), this deli has gained some fame. Upon entering senior year, however, some of these items seem to pale in comparison to sandwiches from other delis/restaurants. Although the food is mediocre, the CSH deli does have one big bonus: proximity. It only takes a couple minutes to get there from the high school, making it perfect for last minute trips.

Quality: \* Speed: \*\*\*\*

Cost: \$\$

Good 2 Go Deli

A favorite of many CSH seniors, the Good 2 Go Deli has wonderful service. Their delicious sandwiches go perfectly with their iced tea- all made very quickly so that you'll get back to the school with time to spare. If you ask them to make you an egg sandwich in the afternoon, they will probably growl at you, but they will make it anyways. The guys who work there are hands down the nicest people you will speak to all day. Sometimes they even give you free samples. Bottom line- this deli rocks.

Quality: \*\*\*\*

Speed: \*\*\*\*

Cost: \$

**Starbucks** 

Perfect for a mid-day pick-meup, Starbucks offers numerous options for coffee drinks. With their new bakery line, there are plenty of sweet delicious snacks to choose from. If you haven't had their chocolate croissant yetyou should. It is almost guaranteed that they will get your name wrong when you give it to them, but the laughter you get from seeing that they wrote your name wrong is just a bonus. . The only down side is the speed- you will be waiting in that line for at least 10

Quality: \*\*\*\*

Speed: \*

Cost: \$\$\$

**Chipotle** 

This off-campus destination is

pretty much impossible to go to unless you have two consecutive free periods, seeing that it is so far away from the school. However, if you are lucky enough to have two frees in a row, this might be your perfect place. Chipotle has the best burritos (or a bowl if you're a wimp) for incredibly hungry seniors. Eating at chipotle is basically like eating 3 meals- but it's so delicious. Warning: burritos are incredibly messy. If you are wearing your favorite shirt- this might not be the best choice.

Quality: \*\*\*\*

Speed: \*

Cost: \$\$

Rosas

This famous pizza place is definitely a hot spot in Huntington. If you plan to sit down and eat your pizza, it will take some time- so this is probably only a good choice for those who have back to back free periods. The best thing to order at Rosas is one of their specialty slices- Caesar, Buffalo, and Chicken/ Bacon are some of their more popular slices. Their regular pizza is fine too- but if you want a really good plain cheese pizza, Little Vincent's is the way to go.

Quality:\*\*\*\*

Speed:\*\*

Cost: \$\$

# Surviving Junior Year

A Column

By: Daniella Rizos

After years of hard work and keeping up your grades, you can start to feel burnt out after just the first quarter. But this is the year that really counts when applying to colleges. It is important to keep your grades up or to get better grades than the years previous. In addition, there is only one quarter left that counts towards the calculated GPA to get into National Honor Society. In this edition I have decided to provide methods to avoid the obstacles that prevent work from being

Problem: Feeling lazy/tired

Solution: Think about all the work and studying you will have to get done if you keep pushing it off. Waiting until the last minute to do your work is never a good idea. It will only create stress and an overwhelm you. Instead of pushing off your work, get it done faster so that you can watch TV, read a book or simply relax before going to bed. Also, try to complete work before the weekend. The more work and studying you are able to get done during the week, the more time you will have to enjoy your weekend.

**Problem: Procrastination** 

Solution: First remove yourself from whatever is distracting you.

If it's your phone, that's mesmerizing turn it off or remove it from the room you are working in. Take small breaks after completing some work. While taking breaks seems counterintuitive, it has actually been proven to increase productivity. Also try challenging yourself by allotting a certain amount of time to an assignment and see if you can finish it in this amount of time. It is surprising how fast time can go by when you are racing against it.

Problem: The "I really just don't care anymore" attitude

Solution: This may be developed after years of keeping your grades up and trying really hard in school but it is not a good attitude to have. When this occurs, think about how hard you have worked throughout high school. Do you really want to throw all that away because you just don't care anymore? Also, think about the consequences to this. If you do not do your homework, you may miss out on things you should have been learning or have to make it up later for a reduced amount of points. Not studying for a test may cause your entire quarter grade to suffer. Try to change this attitude as soon as possible. Sure, nobody wants to do homework or study but we are all required to do it so just focus and get it done.

### Who are the Editors of the Harborview?

### What you didn't learn from the "Letter From the Editors"

**By: Victoria Rizos** 

Strolling into journalism on a brisk fall day, I walked up to the editors ready to ask my questions. Upon my arrival, I was greeted with rolling eyes and

Ok, maybe they greeted me with smiles and were ready for my questions, but since I have your attention you might as well finish reading this.

So I walked to the back corner of the room where the two Editors in chief, Sommer Dougherty and John Toomey, hibernate for most of the period. The corner is their natural habitat for working efficiently and piecing the newspaper together. As I pulled up my chair, I broke their steady concentration to find out the answers to my hard-hitting questions.

What's your favorite color?

Dougherty: Light Blue

Toomey: Journalism chair blue (a.k.a the plastic blue chairs in the writing center)

What's your favorite ice cream flavor?

Dougherty: Vanilla

Toomey: Strawberry

Favorite Animal?

Dougherty: dog

Toomey: crocodile/ alli-

gator

Why did you decide to take journalism?

Dougherty: "In ninth grade, I had a free period that I decided to fill up with journal-

Toomey: "I've always been interested [in journalism]. Journalism is my life and soul."

What are your hopes and aspirations for The Harborview?

Dougherty: "We would like to publish an edition every month...."

And Toomey finished, "while also providing the best in news and opinions."

So now that you know a little about the editors, here is a little about the class. From past experience, most of the journalism classes have always been full to the brim. There used to be a constant chatter of people bouncing ideas off each other and people rushing in and out of the computer lab, interviewing and finding out facts for their articles. This year, the class size is smaller, the computer lab is quieter, and people seem to be enjoying the calm atmosphere. Because of the small class, the Editors are able to check and make sure that everyone is finishing their articles in a timely manner. As a result, The Harborview has been the most productive it has been in many years. When asked about the class and the Editors in Chief, Mr. Borland said, "We are off to a great start. The staff seems dedicated and the Editors in Chief work together well like an old married couple. There is a lot of velling and arguing, but in the end everything turns out for the best."

This year, The Editors in Chief aimed to get an edition of The Harborview out in September, and they succeeded. It really showed how serious The Editors were about getting the newspaper out every month and it encouraged the staff to work up to their high expectations. All this hard work seems to be paying off too. Senior Sam Lauro said, "I thought it was really great. The new editors are doing a fantastic job and I look forward to reading the next

Hopefully the Editors will keep up their enthusiasm and will make a good impression on the younglings in the staff who shall follow in their footsteps.

## The Big Transition

By: Surendra Singh

The move from junior high to high school was very interesting. In junior high you were able to obtain decent grades on testes and quizzes without much effort, the teachers were very easy going in class and lenient with handing in homework late. The daily work load of homework was little. If you missed a day of class, minimal make up work was required and you probably didn't miss much. In junior high any mischief you caused was erased and you got miniscule punish-

In high school the pressure is on everything you do from here on is how your character will be presented to colleges. The teachers become extremely strict with due dates, if any assignments are handed in late, points were automatically deducted. Every single day there is the potential for a tremendous work load of homework.

In junior high most quizzes are announced with a great amount of time to study. Meanwhile in high school, some teachers give quizzes unannounced to judge if students are following up with daily assignments that cannot be graded such as in English class reading the chapters of an assigned book.

The transition from junior high to high school also has so positive aspects. In junior high the use of cell phones was strictly prohibited even when students were in their lunch periods. Another positive change from junior high to high school is that once you enter high school you are able to explore more opportunities when it comes to electives and clubs. In 7<sup>th</sup> grade all of your electives were chosen for you and it 8th grade you had a very limited choice of three electives. Club wise in junior high there are few clubs you are able to join verse the vast amount of clubs available in high school.

Additionally, In high school you are able to attend school events that you were unable to as a junior high school student such as the Homecoming dance and the recent Dodge ball Tournament. Overall the change from junior high to high school has down sides but also has numerous benefits.

### Entertainment

### Legendary Realms: A Brian Heinz Visits the Junior High Haven for Tabletop Gamers

By: Daniel Hansen

It's a rare place where people gather together, hang around and generally socialize. It's an even rarer thing for geeks. This is where Legendary Realms stands out. It's a store built of the illustrious Ravenblood Games, but run by a group of dedicated gamers.

There are nine people running the company, including our very own librarian Mr.Conklin. They started as a terrain manufacturers for tabletop and war games. After a lot of demand for their home made 3D printed terrain from people they met at conventions, they decided to go into the business of selling and painting it.

They grew when the local gaming store, Ravenblood Games decided to close. Deciding it was too good a store to die, they offered to buy it, the owners accepted and Legendary Realms

Today they sell all the old products of Ravenblood Games and more including board games, card games, war-games, and roleplaying games. Video games are not sold. However, according to the workers someone asks nearly

They have a Facebook group and online calendar for the over 50 events hosted and sponsored by them every month. They even offer discounts to students, in attempt to expand the hobby. From the core of people originally going to Ravenblood, a network of role-players has spread. Assisted by the dedication of many people, the variety of their products, and the actions of other gaming stores drive many to the doors of Legendary Realms.

#### By: The Harborview Staff

Many people did not even know that Mr. Brian Heinz himself was in Cold Spring Harbor on Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>. Who is this man of mystery? Mr. Heinz is an individual who has endured encounters with grizzly bears and has been wrecked by precarious sheep. He has travelled the globe: Canada, Scotland, the Rockies, the continental United States, a variety of deserts and many other exotic settings. Why?

Mr. Heinz lives his life on the edge to do nothing other than fabricate picture books for the world's youth. He is an internationally renowned writer who became a professional 24 years ago and he is still going strong.

Why was he here? Mr. Heinz has been coming every year for the last decade for book signing and to encourage the creativity in our junior high school students. For years he has been a successful motivator for kids looking to write

their own ideas.

"Trust me, vou wouldn't want to know how long I've been in the game," said Mr. Heinz after asked about when he first started

Although he wouldn't give away his age, Mr. Heinz was enthusiastic about disclosing what he had written. Mr. Heinz has written over 500 novels, but specializes in books with illustrations for children. His newest book reveals the truth about Moby Dick, highlighting the reality of sperm whales and the destruction they can cause. Although this seems like a horror story, Mr. Heinz has the ability to portray the story in beautiful illustrations and simple language for readers of all ages.

An avid writer myself, I wanted to know some tips, so I asked Mr. Heinz, "Should you try to come up with ideas on your own or should you let the ideas come to you?"

should be a combination of both. I have gathered most of my ideas through my travels and what I

Mr. Heinz claims that after his face to face encounter with a grizzly bear, fear did not enter his mind. Instead, his head was inundated with novel ideas. A critical point to take away from this is everyone has their own experiences and with these individual experiences we have our own ideas. So, if you're having a "writer's block", perhaps you should look through your photos or through old videos. Any action that can trigger memories of experiences will be beneficial.

Mr. Heinz really is man with a lot of wisdom and if you're interested in writing, reading, or living after bear encounters, I would take advantage of the fact the Mr. Heinz visits Cold Spring Harbor every year to give a pre-sentation about his books and opinions. He could change your

# Captain Phillips

By: Haley McLaughlin

At first glance, Captain Phillips may seem like a simply action-packed embellishment of a true story about an American ship that is hijacked by Somali pirates. But once you see the movie, it is clear that there is much more to it than that. The director of this film, Paul Greengrass, included various strategically placed scenes to heighten not only the emotion in the story, but also it's global message.

The entire movie is filmed with a shaky-hand quality, adding chaos to each scene (without giving you a headache) and giving the story a documentary-like quality. Walking in to the movie I could already imagine how the plot would play out in my head: first a few scenes of the innocent captain with his family and then the pirates would swoop in as the bad guys. But, Greengrass doesn't make it quite that simple. Instead he begins the movie by showing both sides of the story: the captain packing up for his trip and the pirate leader, Muse, struggling in his impoverished village in Somalia. There is starvation and violence everywhere, and Muse is told he has to find a ship to steal from today because "the boss wants more." It is never shown who "the boss," is, but it is certainly implied that he is not someone to whom you

don't deliver. This scene evokes sympathy in the audience, helping them understand that this violence is a problem all over the

Tom Hanks proves to be the perfect actor for the role of Richard Phillips. He initially establishes himself as an average-Joe type of character, but as the plot continues we see that he actually has all the characteristics of a hero. He willingly sacrifices himself multiple times to the Somali pirates in order to protect his ship and his crew. The genius acting shows the audience the different sides of the captain's character, from the heroic scenes of a family oriented sea captain to the honest scenes of a scared and degraded man. Hanks undoubtedly holds up his end of the ongoing power struggle that takes place between the captain and pirate leader Muse. The two balance each other out, each with an equal amount of fortitude and

The suspense of the movie continuously builds until the final scene where you finally relax your muscles and start to breathe again. At the end you are emotionally drained- a product of great directing that allows the audience to feel as though all of this is happening to them personally.

# Thor 2: The Dark World

By: George Carmi

Last weekend I went to watch the highly anticipated movie of the year Thor 2: The Dark World. Only being rated at a 66% by Rotten Tomato, Thor 2 is definitely not the best film to come from the Marvel Studios, but it still offers its humor and high stake action that audiences around the world love to see.

When a race of the once

powerful Dark Elves begin to make a move at gaining full control of the universe, Thor's homeland of Asgard is threatened. Back on earth awaits Jane Foster, Thor's special someone from the first film, for Thor's promised return, only to be disappointed and goes out searching for answers. While searching, Jane finds a mysterious Dark Force instead. With her life threatened, Thor must find a way to defeat the Dark

Force and save Asgard at the same time. Between his mischievous and very egotistical brother Loki and a new enemy that may very well be impossible to beat, Thor has his work cut out for him.

Aided by the entire original cast of Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman, and Anthony Hopkins, the Thor sequel is energetic, action-packed, and full of gripping suspense.



### Jokes

### By: Daniella Rizos

We are a quarter through the year! Hooray! But, this quarter can be pretty demanding with all the SATs/ACTs, tests before breaks and homework. Lessen your stress with some of these great jokes!

- A fisherman tried boxing, but he only threw hooks.
- You can tune a guitar, but you can't tuna fish.
- He wears glasses during math because it improves division.
- What would you get if

- you crossed an electric eel with a sponge? A shock absorber.
- Why don't cats player poker in the jungle?
  - Because there are too many cheetahs!
- I was going to look for my missing watch, but I could never find the time.
- I didn't understand the math, so the teacher summed it up for me.
- My wife tried to apply

- for a job at the post office but they wouldn't letter. They said, "only mails work here."
- What kind of bear has no teeth? A gummy bear!
- When does it rain money? When there is change in the weather.
- What did the finger say to the thumb? I'm in glove with you.
- Why was the tomato

- blushing? Because she saw the salad dressing!
- Why didn't the teddy bear finish his supper? Because he was already stuffed.
- What do you call a cow with no legs? Ground beef.
- How do you get a peanut to laugh? You crack it up.
- What are the strongest days of the week?

- Saturday and Sunday; every other day is a weekday.
- What did the man say when he walked into a bar?
  - "Ouch."
- What has 10 letters that starts with gas
  - Automobile
- Why did the fish fail out of school?

Because he was below sea level.