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By Alden Parker-Timms



Faculty member Mrs. Schrader prepares a lesson for her biology class. This is her first year teaching biology at Seabury. She was a 6th grade science teacher at Seabury before.

Just in Time

Seabury benefits from new campus during the pandemic

By Evan McHenry and Sage McHenry

Some might consider it inauspicious to have Seabury's new expansion inaugurated during a pandemic, but actually, the new space could not come at a better time. The expansion adds significant square footage to the campus, making required social distancing protocols much easier to follow. Even before the pandemic limited the number of people permitted in a given area, the school was approaching maximum enrollment capacity and stretching the limits of the old campus, so the expansion provides much needed breathing room (with masks, of course) for in-person school to take place. This is certainly the most unique school year in recent

memory, defined by a newly minted campus and the COVID-19 pandemic; "new normal" has been a phrase in common use.

"The first two weeks were harder," says freshman Cole Shumaker, when asked about how he is adjusting to the new COVID safety protocols. "It has definitely gotten easier; I've gotten used to it." Students have to take an online symptom screening before school, have their temperature taken upon arrival, disinfect any desks they use, wear masks and remain six feet apart from each other at all times. These stringent precautions aim to dramatically reduce the risk of person-to-person transmission.

"It's better for every-

body to be in person," says faculty member Bill Gollier. "It's better for everybody to be here. This is much better than Connected Learning for sure." While Connected Learning a lighter schedule and the only system that was nearly entirely COVID-risk free, in-person classes seem to be preferred by most.

"I definitely like in person better, but the way they handled online school this year was better than last year," says eighth grader Hazel Powers. "If I had the choice between either, I would choose in person school because it's a lot easier to understand what's going on in classes."

Of course, one major benefit of being in

Humble Heroes

Seahawks lend a hand during chaotic times

By Marie Brockhoff and Campbell Helling

The ancient Greeks believed that the god Atlas held up the weight of the world. Since the world descended into chaos this March, the world's problems have felt similarly crushing. In spite of all this, many students and faculty members have decided to do what they can to make the world a better place, one small action at a time.

Eighth grader Merrit Hale has been a part of the National Charity League (NCL) since before quarantine and has since done several projects. "I've done a park cleanup, and we've made a couple lunches with gloves and masks on to deliver to the Ballard center and LINK," she says. The NCL is a nationwide organization that creates community service opportunities for mothers and their daughters.

Other students chose a less structured approach to community service, instead doing their part to brighten the days of family and friends. Seventh grader Jace Hoffman says that he worked around his neighborhood by "Lawn mowing and babysitting . . . for neighbors and my own house."

Similarly, sixth grader Ka'Neisha Price read books to a family friend's young daughter over Zoom. "Her dad had mentioned that she had a hard time falling asleep, and so I decided that I could read to her," she says. "They were children's books that we had from a while ago, from when

we were kids."

Junior Jude Black also worked to serve the broader Lawrence community. "I've been working on a mural made out of plastic bottle caps that you can't recycle, and it's a mural with a phoenix rising above some hills into the sky," he says. Black began working on the piece in 2019, as a part of the project Art Place America, which he got involved with through the Lawrence Arts Center. Black's mural, called "Apotheosis," will be unveiled in East Lawrence in October.

Black's mural "Symbolize[s] the troubles that East Lawrence has gone through and how they're going towards a brighter future," he says. Although critical of his own art, Black is working to beautify an often overlooked sector of the Lawrence community. "I'm trying to put a small piece of artwork down there so I can draw attention to all the good art that's going on down there," he says.

While Black wants to inspire Lawrencians through art, faculty member Cris Bryan started from the ground up. This year, Bryan volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, building a house from scratch. "I've always been interested in building, so I decided to find out what it would take to volunteer . . . You just have to be willing to learn," she says.

As one would expect, construction takes a lot of work. "I've put up siding on the outside, sheet rock on the in-

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side, trimmed out the windows on the outside, we've done painting, we built a shed, we've done roofing, one day I just shoveled gravel for four hours," she says. "Whatever they need me to do."

Volunteering has countless up-sides for the helpers as well as the helped. For Bryan, helping others has made her feel she had a "little bit of control in helping our society" in all this chaos. Bryan's favorite part was "getting to know the other volunteers and the homeowners, [and] getting to work alongside them as they build their own house. It's pretty cool!"

Price also benefited by volunteering. Reading to a family friend's daughter has made her feel happy. "She liked it; she was really happy and smiling, and it made me feel good that she was having a good time," she says. This Zoom interaction made it easy for Price to see other people without breaking quarantine rules. "It's something that we can do and stay home for," she says.

Similarly, being able to volunteer with friends has made Hale's experience during quarantine better. "It's really nice to be outside, with some of my friends in my grade," she says. The mother-daughter aspect of the NCL also helped, Hale says: "I like going out with my mom, because it's a mother daughter thing."

For Black, volunteering by working on his mural has helped him pass the time during the long days and weeks of quarantine. "It's just mindless work that I can do for a couple of hours while listening to a podcast," he says. "It's given me something to do with my time."

The Covid-19 pandemic has thrown a wrench into some typical volunteer practices, not in the least because many community service opportunities have been cancelled. These Seahawks, however, were able to adapt to new protocols. Masks and social distancing became mandatory but nearly normal aspects of any volunteer job. Some, like Price, found innovative ways to help others, through digital programs like Zoom.

The world's problems are never-ending and seemingly Herculean in scale. But this spring and summer, many resilient members of the Seabury community did not accept defeat, instead finding small ways to help out, from reading over Zoom to building houses, always striving to make the world a better place.

Resolution 1 (2020)

Adopted by the Bishop Seabury Academy Guild of Journalists at its 2,465th meeting on 28 September 2020

The Bishop Seabury Chronicle Copy Staff,

Having observed that the spacious field in West Campus remains a barren plain, treeless and flat,

Recognizing that this space has enormous potential to serve various purposes and enrich the lives of Seabury students and

Reaffirming the importance of student input in campus modifications,

HEREBY:

1. Proposes that a flock of sheep be grazed upon the sprouting grass of the West Field, or
2. That a paddy of rice be planted, or
3. That we glue many dead moles together into a huge tower-of-dead-moles, which middle school students will worship as an idol, or
4. That we construct a village for the muppets, who have recently become climate refugees, and
5. That we install a flock of killer emus to resolve the muppet conflicts that may arise, or
6. That we sow a field of discord

BSA POV: Sports During Covid

By Katie Eckert

One of the bigger casualties for the school when the covid-19 pandemic hit was sports. The question of how to modify sports practices and events to be covid-friendly is still an ongoing issue, and some are still unsure whether sports should be happening at all.

Most local schools started practices for fall sports before they even opened in-person schooling, and as long as players stay healthy, that will continue as planned. Whether this is a good idea or not, most Seabury students are on board.

Seventh grader Kavon Price thinks sports are particularly beneficial: "They're fun, and I'd have nothing to do if they weren't [allowed]."

Sophomore Elizabeth Allen also thinks starting sports was the right decision. "You're not harming the people who don't do sports," she says, "So it's kind of like crowd control."

Senior Harrison Hartzler agrees, saying, "Continuing athletic programs is even less of a risk during online school, because each sport is contained and not interacting with each other."

However, sixth grader Gillian Asher feels that the state of the pan-

demic should be taken into account. If things get any worse, she "would probably stay home and not do the sport."

People seem to feel the same way about sports as they do plays. "It is crucial for people to have the opportunity to express themselves," says Hartzler. Fortunately, auditions for the upper school zoom play are coming up, so it seems actors will also have their chance to shine.

Allen also thinks that plays should run if sports are: "I feel like plays would be okay, since you know you can avoid close contact with people."

One of the main reasons students have been allowed to play sports this season is because of the modifications that have been made to increase safety, such as symptom screening, wearing masks and social distancing during practices. Still, not everybody agrees that coaches and players are doing enough. "I think wearing a mask is good, but I feel like they should probably do a bit more," says Allen. Asher also agreed with her on this point.

On the other hand, Price and Hartzler feel that the precautions are good enough. "Seabury has been

doing a fantastic job," says Hartzler. "Sports teams know that these modifications are what's keeping their season alive."

"We're safer than we would have been if we didn't do anything," says Price.

With all of the stress arising from threat of cancellation, catching COVID-19 and the normal stress that comes with balancing school and extracurriculars, the bottom line is this: is it really worth it?

For Price, the answer is easy. "I think having to quit eventually is better than not doing [sports] at all," he says.

Hartzler agrees, and, as a senior, is particularly hopeful for this final season: "The possibility that I could never step on the field again wearing a Seabury uniform terrifies me."

Allen is still cautious of what the future may hold: "I'm not too sure if it's safe or not, but so far it's been okay." In her view, everything depends on the individual player's situation: "If you're trying to look for a scholarship, like if you're a senior and stuff, I'd think that it's probably worth the risk to get into college," she says.

Asher agrees, saying, "If you're really dedicated . . . you should go ahead and do it."

The state of things seems to change daily, and none can predict whether Seabury sports will continue to run as planned. No matter how you feel about the matter, do your best to keep yourself and others safe, whether by wearing a mask while you workout or supporting your friends from a distance.

Staff Editorial

Ginsburg's Legacy

The Chronicle's view on replacing late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

On September 18th, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg died after a long, intermittent battle with pancreatic cancer, shocking the country and setting the stage for a bitter fight over control of the Supreme Court. The 87-year-old Justice, known affectionately as "RBG," was a brilliant legal mind, a pop-culture icon and a feminist giant of American jurisprudence. She leaves a lasting legacy in her wake, but she also leaves a court vacancy.

Despite initial speculation to the contrary, President Donald Trump and the Republican-controlled Senate will attempt to fill that vacancy. Just hours after Ginsburg's death, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell released a statement in which he pledged to promptly hold a vote on a new Supreme Court nominee. Disrespectful timing aside, that pledge all but guarantees a political bloodbath in the month before a pivotal general election. Without the recent-

ly-abolished judicial filibuster, the Republican Senate majority will almost certainly win that fight, but they certainly won't fly under the media radar--they may dominate even these most chaotic of news cycles. Meanwhile, the most important election in our lifetime ticks closer.

Constitutionally speaking, President Trump has every right to appoint a new justice to the court, as nearly every president has when given the opportunity. But just four years ago, Mitch McConnell and the Senate majority refused even to hold hearings on Obama appointee Merrick Garland. The obstructors argued that holding hearings so close to an election would politicize the court, and that the American people should determine the next justice by electing a new president. In that case, a vacancy opened eight months before the election. This time, November is just over a month away, yet Republican leadership has opted to reverse their own precedent.

The hypocrisy of this reversal is obvious. Since the night of Ginsburg's death, footage has surfaced of senator after senator explaining how irresponsible it would be to fill a Supreme Court vacancy so close to a presidential election. In one old video of Lindsey Graham, for example, the senator tells Democrats to "use [his] words against [him]" if another vacancy occurs in an election year. And yet, Senator Graham is poised to do exactly what he spoke against four years ago.

Unfortunately, simply pointing out hypocrisy accomplishes little -- senators are accustomed to cognitive dissonance. Nonetheless, we should call hypocrisy as we see it. Republicans have again made abundantly clear that power is their chief party value.

With this in mind, we at The Chronicle believe that the Senate should follow the precedent set in 2016 and wait to confirm a new Supreme Court justice until after inaugura-

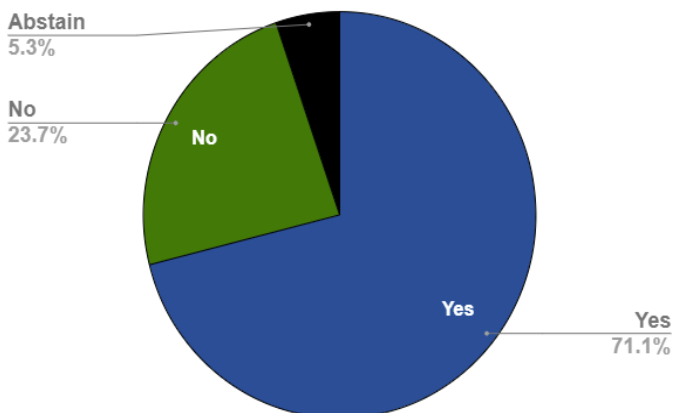
tion in 2021. As McConnell himself said, we should "let the American people decide." Precedents so clearly set should not be so casually discarded. Further, the Republican's original argument is stronger in this instance -- these hearings are slated to occur on the eve of an election, not eight months prior, and Americans are even more polarized now. It would be impossible to begin an apolitical or even remotely neutral confirmation process at this point, and we should not. The court is political enough already.

Senate precedent and the neutrality of the court, however, are not the only things on the line. 48-year-old Amy Coney Barrett, President Trump's recently-announced nominee, could shape conservative court decisions for decades. Barrett has only two years of judicial experience, so her stance on certain issues is unclear. She has, however, hinted strongly at views that disturb us, including staunchly con-

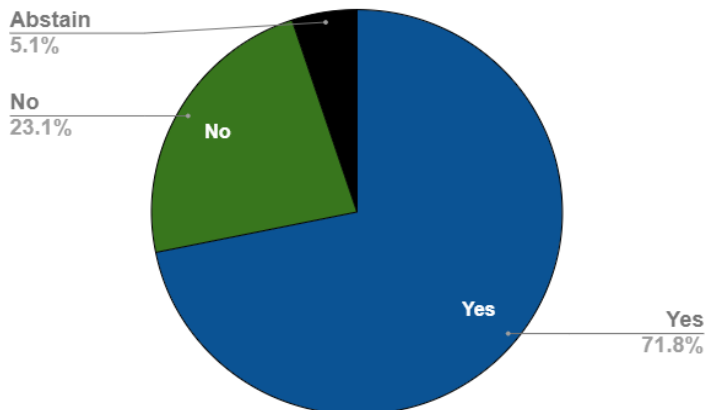
servative positions on abortion, the environment, LGBTQ+ rights and the Affordable Care Act. Her personal opposition to gay marriage, for example, is cause for serious concern. While her judicial stance on that issue is unclear, her views on it are contemptible. Her regressive conservative stances mean that we would oppose her nomination even under normal circumstances.

On a broader note, it concerns us that the rights of millions of Americans and the future of the highest court in the land relied on the survival of one 87-year-old with cancer. One death should not throw a durable democracy into turmoil, and one death should not determine whether millions of Americans retain their right to equal treatment under the law. We condemn hypocrisy and Barrett's backwards beliefs, but the impending bitter fight over her nomination prompts a broader conclusion: it may be time to reevaluate the Supreme Court.

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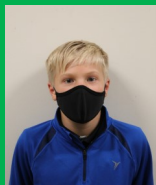
Seabury Statistics



Should confirmation hearings for a replacement for Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg be postponed till after the election?

In the Halls

What would you put on the new field?



6th Grade
Wrenner Anderson

"Frisbee golf."



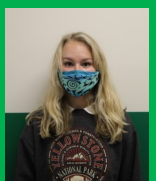
7th Grade
Zeb Brinson

"Pet Rhino."



8th Grade
Delaney Bayliss

"A bouncy house."



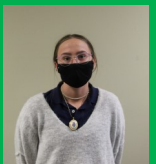
9th Grade
Phoebe Ulbrick

"Miscellaneous building where people can hang out."



10th Grade
Oona Nelson

"A Dino park."



11th Grade
Maisy Rader

"Senor Rowe clone factory."



12th Grade
Braden Shumaker

"A brick house."



Faculty
Eric Nelson

"Full size synthetic soccer field."

Faculty Spotlight:

Rupert Randall

By Catharine Richards

"The world has a lot of problems, and the best way of solving those problems is to educate people while they're young and while they're still willing and wanting to learn" says new science faculty member Rupert Randall.

Being a new teacher comes with its own challenges, but this school year presents particularly unusual circumstances. Despite that, Randall is enjoying becoming a part of the Seabury community. "Everybody is very friendly, very helpful to me being a new teacher." He says, "I'm just enjoying the enthusiasm of the children wanting to learn science -- just being nice people." Randall is teaching sixth and seventh grade science this year and comes to Seabury with a plethora of experiences.

"This is my fifth school that I've taught at," says Randall. "I've taught in different countries; I've taught in inner city schools; I've taught in Orthodox Jewish schools. I've taught in a range of different schools and this is a very pleasant experience."

Originally from Gloucester, England, Randall has had many experiences as a teacher and a student: "I went to university in Leicester, in England. I spent five years in Leicester before becoming a teacher." Says Randall, "my degrees were physics with space science and technology." After university, Randall spent a year doing research before eventually going back to school to receive his degree in education.



By Tony Jung

New faculty member Mr. Randall records a science lesson for Seabury Live. Mr. Randall taught at four other schools before joining the Seabury community.

After receiving his degree, Randall spent several years teaching in England before coming to the United States. In addition to living in California and Nevada, Randall has also spent time traveling around the world, having spent some time in South Korea before finally settling in Kansas.

After receiving several science degrees, why did Randall decide to become a teacher? "For me, teaching is a way for me to help solve a lot of the world's problems," says Randall. "I also care a lot about people in general, and as a teacher you can really positively impact the lives of young people in a very profound way." Randall adds that he also simply enjoys working with children: "I think the honesty of children as well, you know when people get older they often build up walls and masks,

metaphorical masks, and you can never quite tell who somebody is, but with children there is a real honesty to communicating with them."

When he is not teaching, Randall enjoys hiking and spending time outdoors with animals. One might not have guessed, but Randall is also involved in karate. "I'm a karate instructor. I no longer instruct, but I like to train just by myself and keep fit and healthy that way." In addition to his other hobbies, Randall also enjoys music, movies, television and history.

Randall's love of educating extends beyond the classroom: "Anybody who's interested, like friends and people on social media, I also like to try and educate them on important issues."

It is a pleasure to welcome Mr. Randall to the Seabury community!

What people are saying about Rupert Randall

"He gets things done and makes class fun."

Sixth Grader Lucien Brockhoff

"Mr. Randall seems like a really nice person and is a great addition to the Seabury community."

Sophomore Enzo Karam

"Mr. Randall is a great addition to Seabury, he is eager to learn and passionate about science! I have heard he has a boneyard out back.....?"

Faculty member Leslie McCaffrey

iCheckmate

Chess team discusses online competitions

By Jonah Kim

While students everywhere are experiencing online classes, and some are not even able to go into physical school, many sports teams have continued practicing and playing in competition. However, for the Seabury chess team, this is not the case; this year their competitions will be held online. Not being face to face with an opponent is certainly different and brings a whole new aspect to the game.

One main issue that comes up with online competitions is cheating. Freshman Xiangxiang Zhang explains, "There are a lot of worries I have with online chess. Mostly because in chess it's so easy to cheat because computers at this point can play better than any human Grandmaster, and because they're so strong, and it's so easy to find a computer, I'm really worried about how easily people can cheat." A Chess Grandmaster is the highest attainable level of chess, and only 1500 out of the 800 million chess players in the world have achieved this title.

Eighth grader Truman Sizemore also adds onto the issue of cheating: "I think that having digital competitions will impact the matches a lot, because if people really wanted to win, they could just run a computer program on a different computer or device and totally take the fun out of it." Sizemore also predicts that some will try to use this crutch. "I think that some people will gain advantages by cheating, and this kind of takes the spirit of the game away," he says.

Freshman Hayden Slough also explains that it might be hard to spot a cheater: "With the current format they're going with, it would definitely be very possible to cheat rather easily, and no real way to tell whether someone else is cheating."

Along with the issue of cheating, the dynamic of a match completely changes when it is not in person. Zhang explains, "It feels a lot different when playing in person. Especially with an in-person board compared to pictures on a screen, calculating and looking forward is very different."

Sizemore talks more about the social aspect, saying, "The best thing about in person tournaments is that you could hang out with your friends, play football between games, and with online, you just can't really do that."

While the team has not had any online competitions yet, they have had practices in the new format. Slough adds, "The transition to practicing online as opposed to in person was a bit rough at first, but it has definitely leveled out some."

Despite the concerns regarding online competitions, the team still feels as though they can compete, even with people new to the team having to jump into such an unorthodox way of competitions. Zhang sums it up, saying, "This is all very new territory, but I think at the end of the day, it's still the same game and the new beginners can enjoy chess just as much as we have."

Fishop Pondbury

Developments about the new pond on property

By Andrew Lang

Most of the students at Seabury view the new building as the best extension to the school this year, but some select students and faculty would argue that the greatest addition to the school is the Seabury pond. Although bleak and dreary at first glance, the new Seabury pond is very lively and is slowly becoming a beacon of happiness and excitement for the people of Seabury.

According to Science Department Chair Kara Schrader, construction of the small pond was funded by a grant, for which former faculty member Chris Bryan applied. On the purpose of the Seabury pond,

Schrader says, "I think that part of it is to have some outdoor aesthetic value, and a lot of it has to do with being able to do some science outdoors."

As for the benefits of the pond, Schrader says, "I think it's great to have some water on campus, especially right now since we can't very easily take field trips; it's really nice to just be able to have some water and some wildlife; of course, there will be more later."

The Seabury pond will be completed in the latter half of October, so students and faculty should be prepared to have lots of fun and good times at the Seabury pond.

"Just in Time"

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person is the new campus. In a larger space, the aforementioned safety protocols are easier to follow. On top of that, the sparkling new building has plenty of useful new features, namely the new science classrooms.

"I love the access to the outside through a door and the sunlight and the massive lab area," says science teacher Eric Nelson, one of the chief beneficiaries of the new expansion. "It's a great environment to teach science in."

Nelson's classroom, in a tie with Mrs. Schrader's adjoining room, is the largest in the entire school, excluding the commons when it is being used for classes (which is often the case, at least while social distancing regulations remain in place). The new campus is not just popular among the science teachers: "I like the roominess of it, the openness of it," says Gollier. "I like that we can be better organized. I think it just is a better fit for the whole academic part."

There are some things, though, that will be missed about the old parts of campus: "I will admit I miss the trailers," says Gollier. "I miss the trailers; I liked them a lot. That was a unique situation, but like all things it was time to move on."

Despite the fact that navigating the school is much easier because Reese Hall and the main building are connected, some students say they still miss the old outdoor space: "I liked working outside," says Powers.

While the new building is

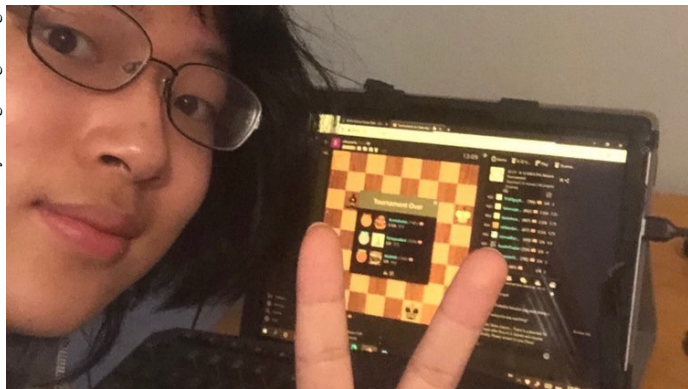
indeed helpful during the pandemic, it is not perfect: "being a lab teacher, the hybrid system is difficult," says Nelson. "I'm getting better at it, but I think the students that have been in my classes know that the lab is fairly unique and fast moving. You just lose something watching it being done on the computer."

While teachers are missing the academic advantages of school before the pandemic, students are missing the social aspect. Powers says she misses "seeing [her] friends and being able to talk to [her] friends during school." Although the new mask protocol makes some communication difficult, Powers says she is adjusting well: "It was pretty easy to pick up, because you kind of forget about the mask after a while and then it feels normal, besides randomly getting chastised like 'stay far apart!'"

Although some aspects of the old way of school are missed, the Seabury community is definitely thankful for the new building and the adventures to come: "I think that eventually this space is just going to be superior in every way," says Nelson.

It would have been nice to inaugurate the expanded campus in a normal year, but it is fortunate that this campus expansion is ready just in time to help with the pandemic protocols. With an uncertain future ahead, it is good to know that Seabury has new and improved resources at its disposal, ready for whatever is to come.

By Xiangxiang Zhang



Freshman Xiangxiang Zhang snaps a selfie after winning a round at the first ever KSCA online chess tournament. Zhang took 2nd place overall.

Reviews

Wed-Sat BBQ

By Mathew Petillo

Restaurant



Wed-Sat BBQ is a (obviously) BBQ joint that opened in early September. The owner, according to an article in the Lawrence Journal-World, used to be on a successful competition team in Kansas City. I don't know what exactly he brought over from that team, but it must not be a whole lot, as this restaurant was very disappointing. To start, I'll get to the goods. This restaurant, for all its faults, had some good things. The ribs were reasonably good, although you could get ribs of the same quality at Bigg's for cheaper. The sauce was quite good, although I will note that it was on the sweeter side, so if you do not like sweet meat, I would avoid going for this sauce. The sausage that they served was actually quite good, and I would eat it again there.

The brisket and pulled pork, however, were just plain bad. When I

received the brisket, it was stone cold. Additionally, when I ate it, there was no taste at all. When I tried the pulled pork, I had the same thing happen: no taste. Brisket and pulled pork are two of the main staples at any BBQ joint, so their poor taste is a sign that this BBQ joint is simply not worth going to. For the price that I paid for all of this, I expected so much better. Something else I noticed was that they did not have pickles at all, which is actually really surprising, seeing as you are able to get pickles at just about any BBQ place. You can usually tell the quality of a BBQ restaurant by its pickles, and for them not to have any speaks volumes.

Ultimately, if you want good BBQ, don't come here. Go to Bigg's instead and get better BBQ for less. At least you'll get some decent brisket.

"The Dragon Prince"

By Catharine Richards

Show



Lately I think everyone can agree life is pretty stressful, but I have found that a great way to relax is to watch animated children's shows. It might sound a little silly, but seriously, give it a try. After watching several series over the past few months, I recently started watching the Netflix series "The Dragon Prince," and honestly, I love it.

The show follows Callum and his half brother Ezran, the two princes of the kingdom of Katolis, and the moonshadow-elf Rayla on their mission to return the egg of the Dragon Prince that was stolen by humans from Xadia. Personally, I love the animation style and character design in this show. Callum may sound familiar to some, as he is voiced by Jack de Sena, the voice actor of Sokka from "Avatar: The Last Airbender."

One thing that really stood out to me about this show was the spectrum of characters. Callum and Ezran

are a part of a mixed family and one character, a female military general, is deaf and communicates through sign language. Rayla is depicted as a strong, smart female character, one of many in the show. Callum expresses his love for magic and drawing, which conflicts with learning how to battle and sword fight. He embraces what he enjoys rather than what others have thrust upon him. There is a wide range of characters with varying appearances, abilities and sexualities, and I feel that this is something crucial to embrace in a show made for a younger audience.

While the first season aired in 2018, the show is ongoing and is confirmed to have a fourth season in the works. The series combines action and wholesome humor perfectly, I can't recommend "The Dragon Prince" enough.

The Sunflower Cafe

By Edie Patterson

Restaurant



Sunflower Outdoor and Bike Shop has been a thriving business in downtown Lawrence for almost 50 years. Recently, the bike shop decided to expand and open its own cafe in the back half of the Sunflower space: The Sunflower Cafe, which offers various sandwiches, baked goods and coffee. I ordered a grilled cheese (on focaccia bread with tomato soup), a chocolate chip cookie and a chai latte, which the Sunflower Cafe now sells from Decade, a temporarily closed coffee shop in East Lawrence. The food was all not only good but seemed to have some unique flavors, like the cherry tomato focaccia and some sort of sauce on the grilled cheese that tasted like tomato jam, and I thought that it was all great. It was all relatively inexpensive, about the same as the prices of similar businesses.

The location of the cafe was a smart decision: many Sunflower Bike

Shop customers most likely will wander into the back half of the business and end up buying coffee or a pastry. The cafe seems to be able to operate as its own business, although it is located inside of Sunflower, with a door on 8th Street leading straight inside and no unavoidable interaction with customers of the bike shop. The inside is spacious and pleasant with baked goods and sandwiches on display and the back half of both the upper and lower floor of part of Sunflower for seating, complete with lots of light and plenty of places to sit.

My only complaint would be that the menu seemed a little bit lacking, but since the cafe just opened, I assume that there will be more available food and drinks before too long. Overall, I thought the cafe has lots of potential to become another well-known downtown Lawrence coffee shop: while it is still fairly new, I thought the food was really good and the Sunflower Cafe seems like a success!

Wrecking Ball: Golf

By Lyle Griggs



Six centuries ago, the Scots, wondering what to do with their surplus of grass, time and space invented golf, which goes well with sheep and constant rain. Unfortunately, the sport somehow caught the attention of other island-dwelling white people (the English), who brought it to the mainstream. Not surprisingly, we Brit-worshipping Americans hopped on the bandwagon, and now we're stuck with thousands of golf courses and millions of golfers. This sucks.

First, golf is mind-numbing, so why do we devote so much space to it? Watching televised golf is a bit like watching someone wash dishes or buy groceries. Presumably, people do watch the sport, but I'm not sure why.

Playing golf also sounds boring: it takes mere seconds to actually take a shot, after which you spend most of your time lugging your clubs (or whatever they're called) to a dif-

ferent part of the course, playing actual golf only occasionally. This strikes me as a tad silly.

More importantly, golf is one of the most unsustainable sports imaginable. For one, the sport is equipment-heavy; it reminds me of centrifugal bumble-puppy, the fictional game from Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World* designed to maximize consumption. The sport is equipment-heavy, and the courses can occupy more than 150 acres of heavily-irrigated and pesticide-treated lawn. In wet regions, golf courses cause problems with nutrient and chemical pollution. In dry regions, courses consume huge quantities of precious water to irrigate lawns and fill water features.

Finally, golf is usually prohibitively expensive and often used to reinforce rigid suburban racial and class structures. I would argue, in fact, that much of the sport's appeal is rooted in a desire to flaunt material wealth. To me, golf courses are boring, vast playgrounds for the resource-guzzling few, and I wish that they had never been constructed.

Photos of the Issue

By Audrey Nguyen-Hoang



(Left to Right) Juniors Darby Harris, Shea Hanna, Maisy Rader, and Mia Ramirez-Spates hang out on the new plaza during orientation. Orientation was most students' first chance to explore the remodeled campus and walk through the revised schedule.

By Evan Ho



Seabury students soak up the sun outside while they do homework. The tent was put up to allow students an outdoor space to work.

By Luke Velte



Freshmen Campbell Helling and Isabel Klish persevere through their race. Due to safety protocols, cross-country meets have been split into smaller races, similar to track meets.

By Audrey Nguyen-Hoang



Sophomore Truman Hill prepares to steal the ball from an opponent. The close game against KC East Christian Academy went into two overtimes.

Horoscopes



Aquarius (January 20-February 18):
You're Are *epic backflip*

Aquarius



Pisces (February 19-March 20):
And the Emmy goes to... The monkey from Kung Fu Panda!!!
Wooooooo!!!

Pisces



Aries (March 21-April 19):
New game idea: 21 questions but it's Jackie Chan every time

Aries



Taurus (April 20-May 20):
No matter how much chicken and rice is served to you, there will always be more chicken and rice tomorrow. You can't escape it, the chicken and rice will always consume you

Taurus



Gemini (May 21-June 20):
Picture this: golf except that it's not golf and you're riding a stampede of rats through the New York sewer system

Gemini



Cancer (June 21-July 22):
Don't look now, you might spot Pulsinelli heading down the chimney shouting Jackie Chan quotes from "Karate Kid"

Cancer



Leo (July 23-August 22):
Eyyy Monterey Jack you've shot the cheese for the last time
~MAFIA VOICE~

Leo



Virgo (August 23-September 22):
we should turn Mr Knudsons room into a Lyle Griggs clone factory that would be funny i think .

Virgo



Libra (September 23-October 22):
New book idea: *Harry Potter but every character is Jackie Chan. Write it. NOW.*

Libra



Scorpio (October 23-November 21):
If you take a closer look into the blue lunch bags you'll find they are actually portals to the 1998 NBA Finals.

Scorpio



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21):
Tyger, Tyger, burning bright/in the oatmeal of the night/what immortal hand or Cran(berry)/could frame thy fearful Jackie Chan

Sagittarius



Capricorn (Dec. 22-January 19):
"What is an Ichthyologist please help me" That is exactly what you DON'T want to say unless you want to take a swan dive into the seabury pond. This is a promise.

Capricorn



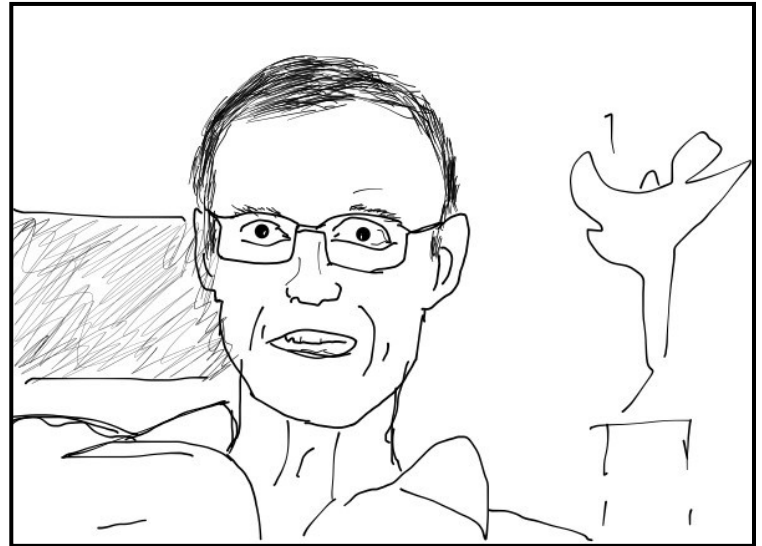
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Virgo kinda sus ngl

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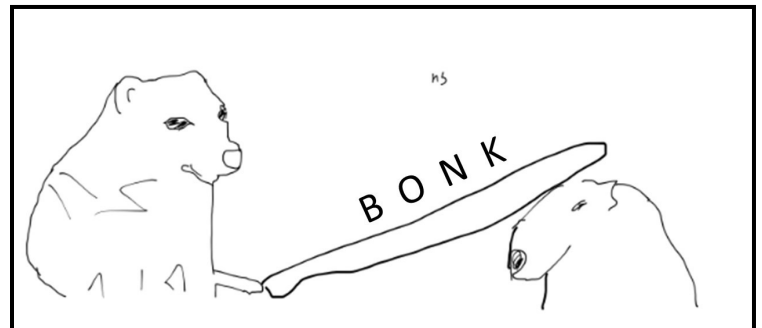
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"I am going to create an environment that is so bloody British..."

By Lyle Griggs



"Mr. Pulsinelli transitions to socially-distanced discipline."

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