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Fleetwood Students Create Armed Forces Strong Club

School

Recently, Fleetwood high schoolers Rachel Wagner, Michaela Ernst, and Sarah Reitnauer created the Armed Forces Strong Club at FAHS.

According to the trio, they created the club for Fleetwood students who have family in the military, so this way no one feels as if they're alone in regards to having to deal with the struggles of their family members being overseas at war.

"To give you a little background on me and why this club was created, this past August, my older brother left to join the Army infantry. Him leaving was one of the hardest things I went through. I felt alone, like I was going to die in high school, and that I had no one to talk to. I confronted Max [Michaela], and I told her about how I was feeling. She told me that there were more people that felt like I did than I thought, so one day we decided that we wanted to bring people together, and show them that they are not alone in this," AFS President Rachel Wagner

said.

All three of them have family overseas. Aside from her active duty brother, Wagner has retired family members in the military. Both her grandfathers (one in the Air Force, the other in Army Intelligence), two of her uncles (one in the Navy, the other Army Special Ops), and her great-grandfather was an Army Ranger.

AFS Treasurer Michaela Ernst's father was in the Army in the field artillery. He drove the MLRS (Multi Launch Rocket System) tank. Ernst's grandfather was in the Army as a communications officer. Ernst also plans on going into the Air Force for engineering.

Vice President Reitnauer's brother is currently stationed out west in the Army; her uncle is deployed (but while she does not know where, she said his brothers in arms call him "techie"). She also has friends who are in the military as well.

"I admire them all so very much. Having family and friends in the military can be a great

blessing. They are incredibly uplifting, and I hope they will inspire others to join the armed forces," Reitnauer said.

On 7 December 2018, Jake Brader came to speak to the club, and according to Reitnauer, Brader discussed the ins and outs of his basic training; he was helpful and informative to everyone in the club.

"He is such an inspiration, and I am very thankful that he spent some time with us on Friday," Reitnauer said.

Every Friday after school, for the entire month of January, AFS will be holding a letter drive in room 205 to write letters to the men and women in the armed forces. Everyone is welcome.

The girls also advise anyone interested in AFS to keep an eye out for flyers, as they are planning and hoping to have an event in spring.

By Isabella Balthaser

FAHS Welcomes Mr. Gaston Back to Teaching following Concussion

School

After almost three months, Fleetwood Area High School is pleased to welcome media teacher Mr. Sean Gaston back to the building. On Thursday, 18 October, Gaston was driving to school when he was rear-ended by a distracted driver.

After the collision, Gaston lost control of the car and, while attempting to fix the direction his car was traveling, he wound up colliding with a telephone pole. Gaston took the day off but decided to return to teaching a day or two after the incident. Students could tell something was wrong. Gaston's usual level of excitement for teaching was off, and so were his reflexes. After one day, he went to visit the doctor, where they told him he couldn't return to teaching until he was fully recovered.

The next two months were filled with little technology use and lots of rest.

"I had a serious

concussion and couldn't function mentally. I wasn't allowed to drive and had to go to physical therapy to relearn some brain functions, and that took a while," Gaston said.

As most of his students know, Gaston loves teaching and would never have voluntarily missed so much class time.

"I honestly missed teaching. I love what I do and thinking about not being able to do that, like before, was something that took me a

little while to realize," Gaston said.

In Gaston's absence, a long-term substitute was necessary. Mrs. Sherry took over the daily classroom operations with the help of Mrs. Candace Hall, who communicated with Gaston at home. Librarian Mr. Kirby Barnett took over grading for all of Gaston's classes.

"The hardest part was jumping in in the middle of the quarter," Barnett said. "I didn't know the expectations of each class, which made

it difficult to grade assignments and projects." Gaston has been cleared by his doctor to return to teaching full time. "It feels great to be back," Gaston said. "I'm looking forward to things returning to normal. I'm not 100% yet, but I'll get there in due time."

By Aydan Tregear



Spix Blue Macaws Extinct in the Wild, Only Alive in Captivity

Environment

Deforestation, logging, and the illegal pet trade are just some of the many factors that have played into the extinction of the Spix's Blue Macaw in the wild. This species of bird is just one of eight confirmed Brazilian birds that have gone extinct in this decade alone.

Though things may look bleak for this species, an estimate of 65 to 85 of these birds still live in captivity. With breeding programs and proper conservation tactics, the Spix's Macaw could very well still have a chance.

However, just because this species might grow in captivity, environmental changes

must happen before they can be successfully reintroduced into the wild. Spix's macaws are killed for their feathers and meat, their habitat destroyed for lumber and housing.

"The last known individual [Spix's macaw] in the wild disappeared in 2001, but searches have been ongoing since then and it is only now that we feel confident enough to classify it as extinct in the wild," report co-author Stuart Butchart said in an *ABC News* article.

"I find it very sad that these birds have gone extinct. Industries value profit over life," senior Melissa Deida said.

The extinction of these birds can mainly be traced back to habitat loss and the black market.

"Spix's macaws were first deemed threatened in the 1980s following destruction of their natural habitat as well as a robust illegal bird trade. Numbers in the wild had dwindled so dramatically that naturalist Dr. Paul Roth was only able to identify two remaining in their natural environment in 1987," *yummypets.com* said.

By Morgan Althouse





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January Kicks Off NFL Playoffs

Sports

Wild Card weekend kicked off on 5 January with the Colts easily defeating the Texans 21-7 and then the Cowboys defeating the Seahawks 24-22; this was the only non-Wild Card team to win on Wild Card weekend. On Sunday, the Chargers and Ravens battled it out first, with the Chargers holding on to win 23-17. The Eagles and Bears was a game of inches, ending with an Eagle's 16-15 win.

The Colts earned a lead on the Texans early and kept it throughout the game with the help of the defense holding the Texans scoreless until the fourth quarter. Dallas and Seattle battled hard throughout the game, but Dak Prescott led the Cowboys down the field and scored with little time left to secure a win for the Cowboys.

On Sunday, the Chargers led for all of the game. The Ravens offense was slow, getting hot just a little too late, falling short of a comeback. The Eagles and Bears were back and forth all game, but the infamous "Double Doink" saved the Eagles 16-15 lead. Cody Parkey missed the game winning 43-yard field goal after the Eagles iced him on the first kick. After being

viewed, the NFL ruled that the ball was tipped by Eagles defensive tackle Treyvon Hester.

The Divisional round was held on January 12-13. On Saturday, the Colts and Chiefs started off first, with the Chiefs blowing the Colts out the whole game. The Chiefs won 31-17, advancing to the AFC Championship. The Cowboys and Rams battled Saturday night. The Cowboys took the lead in the first quarter, but after the second quarter, the Rams were leading 20-7. The Cowboys tried to make a comeback, but came up short, leaving the final score 30-22.

The Patriots jumped out to a twenty-eight point lead in the first half and kept control of the game from there on out, winning 41-28.

The Eagles scored a quick two touchdowns after an interception on the Saints first drive. The Saints took momentum of the game and kept the Eagles scoreless the rest of the game, coming away with a 20-14 win. Marshon Lattimore came up with a clutch interception off a drop from Alshon Jeffrey to seal the game.

By McKenah Rapposelli

New NHS Members Inducted

School

National Honors Society is a group that people with outstanding grades, community service, and leadership qualities can join. This February, Fleetwood's seniors will be inducting the new NHS members.

But, how much school dedication goes into becoming an NHS member?

"You really have to take pride into your school work," Junior Andrew Slusser said. "[My parents] definitely pushed me to be on top of all my assignments in school."

"I do feel like I have more opportunities opened up to me because of NHS; it

looks good on a college and job application," Junior Riley Wentz said. "I feel like my accomplishments have finally been recognized"

"Help out in your community and showing exemplary leadership qualities [are needed to join NHS]," Slusser said.

"Getting good grades and working in the community are two keys of getting into NHS," Wentz added.

By Aaron Popper

U.S. Troops Return Home from Syria

Military

"After historic victories against ISIS, it's time to bring our great people home!" President Donald Trump said in a Tweet on 19 December 2018.

More than 2,000 U.S. troops have returned from Syria, according to *USA Today*, but Senators from both parties were against the President's decision to withdraw the troops for various reasons.

"This will be an internal struggle between the opposition and Assad. Also, many Middle Eastern countries are entering the scene now that the US has decided to leave Syria," science teacher Karen Favata said. "I believe once we pull out of a war, Trump would believe it would show weakness to return."

Critics of President Trump addressed several concerns about U.S. troops leaving Syria to National Public Radio. Firstly, they expressed concern about a revival from ISIS. Secondly, they thought, if US troops withdrew from Syria, then Bashar al-Assad would feel more secure with his

position as Syrian President. They relayed their consternation of Iran and Russia claiming their victory. They also worry about Turkey launching offensives against the Kurds. And lastly, they think the U.S. will be seen as abandoning one of their allies (or violating foreign policy).

"I think it's a grave error. I think our adversaries around the world are going to go to our partners and allies and say, 'You see, America's unreliable,'" Republican Senator Marco Rubio said in an interview with NPR.org.

"Just because President Trump tweets that he has defeated ISIS doesn't make us safer. The president continues to disregard the advice of his military, diplomatic, and intelligence personnel, who have consistently warned against the action the president seems poised to take," Rhode Island Democrat Senator Jack Reed said in an interview with NPR.org.

By Isabella Balthaser

A Few Simple Lifestyle Changes Can Help Save the Environment

Environment

The Earth is in danger. If humans continue using the planet as they do, it could become uninhabitable. With almost 7.7 billion people living on Earth, the population is quickly running out of supplies and space. It is time to make a change.

Making a change is easier than it sounds. Even the smallest things can make a drastic change. Beginning with saving energy, doing simple things such as turning off unnecessary lights can help while also saving money on electricity bills. Other things that can be done include not driving unless a person has to and carpooling when possible. Decreasing the amount of gas one burns will also save money and limit the pollution in the air caused by the burning of fossil fuels.

As evident by increasing levels of waste being found in oceans, pollution is a massive problem. One-use items are the main items found lining roads and filling oceans. These one-use items include plastic bags, plastic straws, Styrofoam, and other similar things as well. The easiest way to decrease the amount of pollution in the world is to not use these things. Instead of getting new bags every time you grocery shop, you can purchase or reuse bags that will last longer and don't have to be thrown out after one single use.

Plastic straws are also important. While

they may appear small and harmless, these objects become lodged inside of the throats and bodies of animals, causing them pain or death. They're also harder to remove when cleaning up the pollution. Styrofoam, unlike plastics, which take hundreds of years to decompose, will never decompose. This is dangerous because, after it's single time of use, it will litter the planet for the rest of time. Instead of styrofoam, reusable containers can be carried with someone at all times so that you have it when you need it.

Another major pollutant is plastic water bottles. While they can be recycled most times, they often are not and will eventually wind up in the ocean or a landfill. A very simple solution is to purchase a reusable water bottle. Insulated bottles will also keep your drink colder or warmer for longer.

A final key way to ensure you are keeping the environment healthy is to watch what you eat. Foods that aren't locally sourced require transportation through long distances to reach your plate. By eating locally, you eat healthier while supporting local businesses.

If humans all follow some of these simple guidelines, their harmful impact on the Earth will be drastically reduced. Just remember to reduce what you use, reuse what you have, and recycle what you can.

By Aydan Tregear

Boston Red Sox Win 2018 World Series

Sports

On 23 October, the 2018 Major League Baseball World Series Championship began. The Los Angeles Dodgers were set to take on the Boston Red Sox.

Coming into the postseason, the Red Sox held the best regular season record in the Majors with 108 wins and 54 losses. They defeated the New York Yankees in four games in the ALDS and later went on to beat the Houston Astros in the ALCS in five games.

The Los Angeles Dodgers went 92-17 in the regular season. They defeated the Colorado Rockies in a tie-breaker game for the National League West Division, winning their division. The Dodgers went on to beat the Atlanta Braves in four games and the Milwaukee Brewers in a seven game series to win the National League Championship Series.

With home field advantage, the Series began in Boston at Fenway Park on 23 October 2018. Star pitcher Chris Sale (Boston) battled Clayton Kershaw (LA) in game one. The Red Sox topped the Dodgers by a score of 8-4, with Sale getting the win.

Game two was also hosted by the Red Sox at Fenway Park, pitting pitchers David Price (Boston) against the Dodgers' Hyun-jin Ryu. The Red Sox came out on top once again by a score of 4-2, with runs scored by J.D. Martinez, Ian Kinsler, and Steve Pierce for the Red Sox, and Manny Machado and Matt Kemp for the Dodgers. The Red Sox closed out the game with closer Craig Kimbrel, taking a two game lead in the series.

The series was then sent to Los Angeles. Game three was a pivotal part of the Series. The Red Sox had a chance to take a commanding three-game lead, while the Dodgers needed a win to keep their hopes alive. A long game ensued, lasting eighteen innings, a total

of seven hours and twenty minutes. Both teams exhausted their bullpens and relief players, but the Dodgers came out with the victory after Max Muncy hit a walk-off home run in the bottom of the eighteenth inning, giving the Dodgers the 3-2 win.

Game four went on the following day, with players still sore from the previous night. The Dodgers took a 4-0 lead in the sixth inning, but they're momentum from the win the day before proved to be short-lived. The Red Sox scored eight runs in the following three innings, giving them an 8-4 win and a 3-1 lead in the World Series.

With all of the momentum shifted back to the Red Sox, and with a chance to win it all in Game five, the Red Sox started out hot with a two-run home run by Steve Pearce. The Dodgers tried to rebound, but only scored a single run on a lead-off home run by David Freese. The Red Sox later tacked on an additional three runs through three separate homeruns by Mookie Betts, J.D. Martinez, and, once again, Steve Pierce. Red Sox pitcher Chris Sale closed out the game by striking out All-Star Manny Machado to win the 2018 World Series.

"They might be the best team ever," senior Reece Fenstermacher said. "They won 110 plus games, and it seems like they pretty much dominated the playoffs. No teams really scared them, and no teams could really compete with them."

Steve Pearce won the 2018 World Series MVP Award after hitting three home runs in the World Series. The Red Sox celebrated with a huge parade in Boston.

By Aydan Tregear

Women Finally Allowed to Enter Holiest Temple in India

Religion

On 2 January 2019, two individuals made history for women in India. In Kerala, India, two women entered one of the holiest temples in all of India just after a ban on women was removed. Although this was a big step towards equality, many people were not happy.

Over the years, women have struggled to achieve equal opportunities and rights. Even with laws supporting women, obtaining equality has been a fight.

The Sabarimala temple, located in Kerala,

had a ban on women of menstruating age placed on it for decades. In September of 2018, the court ruled it unfair to continue this law. After the ruling, many people were divided on the idea.

Ever since the ban was lifted, many women attempted to enter the holy temple but were turned away by protesters standing around. The two women who finally entered were a university professor named Bindu A. and a government worker.

The women's entry prompted riots that

broke out between the opposing sides. The priest of the temple even closed down the sanctuary for a “purification ritual.” This historical event did not just impact those in Kerala; when word got out, riots began in the state capital, Thiruvananthapuram, as well.

The whole ruling also acted as a test for the Indian government. Many riots and protests occurred, and the government was in a place to decide how to handle it. They put themselves in a difficult position, being pinned against women's

rights and century-long traditions.

For the brave women who entered the temple, it was not just about the holy place; it was a fight for their rights.

“We are proud of these women who helped to implement the supreme court verdict. We broke the inequality being carried out in the name of God for all these years.” Prasad Amore, a psychologist who was in the temple with the women, said.

By Jessica Carlin

Fleetwood Grads Inducted into Hall of Fame

School

Chris Unger, Dale Faust, and Barry Koch were inducted into the Fleetwood Sports Hall of Fame on 27 December. The ceremony included opening remarks from Superintendent Dr. Greg Miller followed by a guest speaker, Dale Cullin. The three alumni were then inducted and introduced before the boys' basketball game in the gymnasium.

The selection committee consists of President Charlie Young, secretary/treasurer Jeff Wolfe, other established Fleetwood alumni, as well as athletic director Matt Diehl. They get together each year and vote on new inductees.

Chris Unger went to Fleetwood from 1985-1990. He earned a total of ten varsity letters

in four sports in his career. He played soccer, starting for two years, basketball starting for the same amount of time, track for four years, and baseball for a year. Unger once finished sixth in the 400-meter dash in the County meets, but he excelled in soccer and basketball.

Unger won two Berks County championships, two District titles, and he played in the State Championship in 1989. Individually, he was an All-County selection in 1990. Chris won the District III title in basketball in 1990, the same year he was named All-County as a team captain.

Dale Faust, the next inductee, went to Fleetwood from 1962-1966. He earned nine varsity letters in three sports over the course of his

career. He played soccer, basketball, and baseball.

In soccer, Faust was an All-County honorable mention goalie in 1964 and an All-County forward in '65. In 1966, Faust was the leading scorer in Berks County Eastern Basketball Division, finishing third in the entire county.

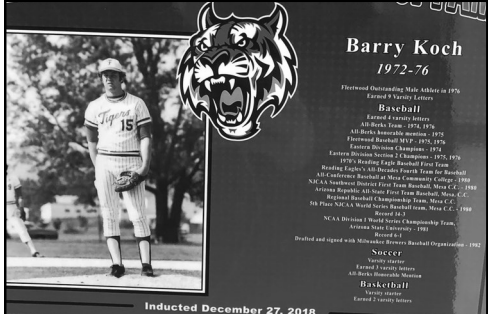
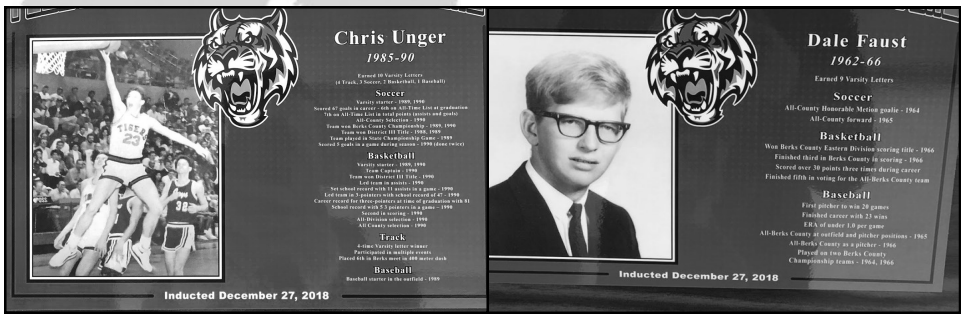
Dale Faust also excelled in baseball. He was the first pitcher in school history to win 20 games, winning 23 in his career. He was an All-County selection in 1965 for pitcher and outfielder and again as a pitcher in 1966. He won two county championships as well in 1964 and 1966.

Barry Koch, the final inductee, attended Fleetwood from 1972-1974. He earned nine varsity letters in three sports in his career, winning Fleetwood Outstanding Male Athlete in 1976.

Koch went on to play college baseball at Mesa Community College, where he earned All-Conference and NJCAA Southwest District first honors in 1980. He won the regional championship at Mesa C.C., placing 5th at the NJCAA World Series. He then transferred to Arizona State University, where he won an NCAA World Series in 1981. Koch went on to be drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers in 1982.

All three inductees had storied careers at Fleetwood, well deserving of their spot in the Fleetwood Sports Hall of Fame.

By Samuel Schappell



Jamie Lynn Closs Escapes Kidnapper after 3 Months

Cops & Courts

On 15 October 2018, the whole world changed for one little girl.

Jayne Lynn Closs, thirteen-years-old, went missing. When police officers arrived on scene, they found Jayme's parents shot to death in their home located in Barron, Wisconsin.

Her father's name was James Closs, and he was fifty-six-years-old. Her mother's name was Denise Closs, and she was forty-six-years-old.

On 10 January 2019, brave Jayme Closs escaped from her kidnapper's house; his name is twenty-one-year-old Jake Thomas Patterson.

As of now, Patterson is facing murder and kidnapping charges. The public does not have any information on Jayme's mental or physical state right now. Her aunt, Kelly Engelhardt, told Fox News they are “not asking” Jayme questions at the moment.

While searching Patterson's house, police found a shotgun that is consistent with the firearm used on 15 October to shoot through Jayme's front door.

After investigation, Patterson provided more information. He said he spotted Jayme for the first time after he stopped behind a school bus on Highway 8. Patterson also stated that there was no rhyme or reason for taking Closs; she was just the girl he wanted.

As of now, he is charged with two counts of first-degree intentional homicide, a count of kidnapping, and one of burglary. He appeared in court, and his bail was set at

five million dollars in cash.

Patterson visited the Closs house twice before the date of the murders and kidnapping but was scared off by people and lights. He even went as far as shaving his head so he would not leave any DNA evidence.

The night of the kidnapping, Jayme said she heard her dogs barking and woke up. She then went to her parents' room and her father went downstairs, where he was shot by Patterson. Meanwhile, Jayme and her mother were in the upstairs bathroom, where they dialed 911. When Patterson found them, her mother hung up the phone and was forced to duct tape her daughter's mouth. Her mother was then shot.

Patterson stuck Jayme in the trunk of his car and drove away. She said she could hear the sirens, but it was too late.

On 10 January, Patterson told Jayme that he was going to be away for at least five hours; this is the day she knew it was time to get out. She crawled out of the bed, pushed the weights off them, put on shoes, and ran out to the middle of the road.

“I do not believe in the death penalty. It is way too expensive and takes forever; he deserves life in prison without parole. He is definitely unstable. This was planned; his purpose was to go into the house and get the girl,” Fleetwood Area High School English teacher Debra Mahnken stated.

By Elyse Essick

Ray Tracing for Video Game Animation Has Arrived for All

Science & Technology

Modern day animations have photo realistic lighting due to a rendering method called Ray Tracing. What Ray Tracing does is it traces a path of light as pixels to generate an image based on the surfaces the light comes into contact with. When the ray of light hits a surface, it reflects, refracts, scatters, creates dispersion, and shadows without the need of an engine to tell it to what to do. This in turn simulates light identical to how light works anywhere in the universe. If you are still having a difficult time understanding, think of it as a reversed eyeball. Light is perceived and emitted from the surface as opposed to a light source. Then lighting calculations go from there. As light bounces off of more surfaces, the greater the detail gets. Ray Tracing has all of the advantages that other rendering methods do not have except for one, speed.

Rendering frames with Ray Tracing takes a lot of computing power and time. On a high end workstation, a single frame can take up to a day to render. This is why Ray Tracing never made it into games until late 2018. In competitive games where every frame, millisecond, and even server tick count, low frame rate is detrimental. Now with Nvidia's new line of GPUs, real time Ray Tracing can be supported in games and animating with Ray Tracing is more practical than ever. Or is it?

Nvidia's new line of GPUs is titled RTX. As of the third quarter of 2018 all the way until January 2019, the time this article was written, not that many games have a Ray Tracing feature. If Ray Tracing was something you didn't care about, RTX has something called DDLS which stands for Deep Learning Super Sampling. DDLS provides Anti-Aliasing up to 64x for the smoothest way to render the edges of objects and plains. It does this by running the game or animation at a higher resolution than your monitor, then outputs it at its native resolution. There is a catch; not many games and programs have DDLS support. Nvidia plans to help developers get Ray Tracing and DDLS support via driver updates.

The cost of the RTX cards is not pleasant. The RTX 2080 comes in at \$799 and the RTX 2080ti comes in at \$1199. When the cards are in use, expect them to pull more than 300 watts of power. Upgrading the average 500 watt power supply in most desktop and gaming stations is crucial.

RTX cards have a tremendous amount of potential, but not that much practicality. If you have the money to spare, get one because support for Ray Tracing and DDLS will phase in over the next few months or years. Other than that, there is nothing wrong with holding off.

By Aaron Popper



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Woman in Vegetative State Gives Birth

News

A woman who had been in a vegetative state for over a decade has given birth to a healthy baby boy. The woman's identity has not yet been reported. She nearly drowned 14 years ago, leaving her in a permanent vegetative state. She now depends on around-the-clock care at Hacienda Healthcare in Arizona.

The staff was reportedly unaware of her pregnancy until she went into labor on 29 December of last year. Staff members allegedly found her moaning in her room and realized she was in active labor. Because of this, the quality of care at Hacienda Healthcare is in question, and the Phoenix Police Department has launched a sexual assault investigation.

Hacienda Healthcare has said they will get to the bottom of this. Until then, state regulators have requested better safety measures. Male employees must now be accompanied by another staff member while treating female patients.

This case has caused outrage online. Women's advocates are questioning why authori-

ties are treating it as a possible sexual assault case rather than an outright rape, seeing as the victim obviously couldn't consent or defend herself, and she couldn't report any inappropriate behavior. They want DNA from the baby to establish who the biological father is.

Local gynecologist Dr. Greg Marchard explained that the woman was not able to push. The facility's lack of awareness also prevented safe intervention.

"It could have been an active labor for hours or even days. This easily could have resulted in fetal death," one representative said.

Hacienda Healthcare has released a statement saying, "while federal and state privacy laws prohibit us from publicly discussing a patient's health or case, Hacienda has and will continue to cooperate fully with law enforcement and all the relevant regulatory agencies regarding this matter."

By Madi McElhwee

Philadelphia Eagles Have a Carson Wentz Dilemma

Sports

The Philadelphia Eagles have an interesting dilemma at the quarterback position, Carson Wentz or Nick Foles?

The team, as of January 15, have elected to continue forward with Carson Wentz at the helm. This has evoked reactions from many Eagles fans. Some like this move, and some wanted to see the team go with Nick Foles.

The Carson-Wentz-versus-Nick-Foles situation is complicated, but when one untangles the situation, it becomes clear Wentz is the future in Philly.

He is a 6'5" athlete who has a tremendously accurate and powerful arm. He has the innate ability to escape sacks and still look downfield for open receivers. It is too early to move on from a quarterback the team traded up to draft number two overall. He will only improve with experience. He's proven his abilities; one just needs to look through the magic of Foles in the postseason.

The Nick Foles argument is intriguing but is shrouded with recency bias. He is a quarterback worthy of a starting spot in the NFL, but take a deep breath and come down from the playoffs high that Foles provides. Carson Wentz

is the future in Philly.

The combination of Pederson at head coach and Wentz at quarterback promises success for years to come. If the two can adapt and adjust their ways, something Pederson has proven he can do well, the Eagles will be a force for a long time in the NFL.

Nick Foles' magic has not quite worn off, and I think that is great news for Philly. Rather than pay him his \$20 Million to extend his contract through 2019, trade him to a team willing to give up good players and picks for him. There are plenty of teams in need of a quarterback, and with a weak quarterback class coming in, they may be willing to go after the thirty-year-old Foles. Perhaps division rivals the New York Giants could be looking for a new quarterback.

Striking while the iron is hot with trading Foles would be a smart, advantageous move for the Eagles. The next move, though it may be clouded by the recent playoff success of Nick Foles, is actually clear when given a good look. Carson Wentz is the future at quarterback for the Philadelphia Eagles.

By Sam Schappell

2019– Year of the Egg

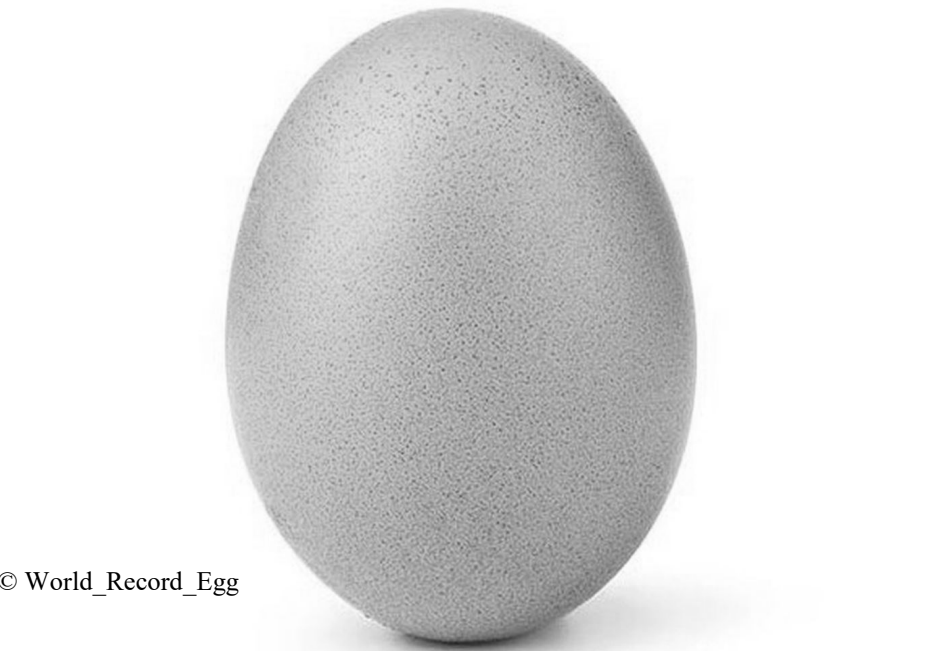
We all know Kylie Jenner- 21 year old self-made billionaire, makeup mogul, internet and television personality. But beaten out by an egg? That's new.

On January 4th, 2019, a seemingly random Instagram account posted a picture of an egg. Just an egg. Less than two weeks later, this egg has over 35 million likes, almost twice as many likes as Kylie's birth announcement of her daughter, Stormi. The egg now holds the record for the most liked Instagram post of all time. Yes, an egg. Welcome to 2019, the year of the egg.

By Madi McElhwee



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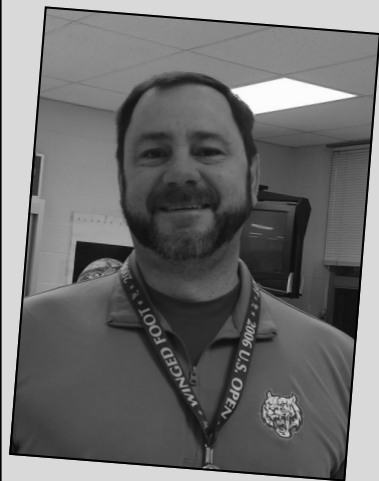


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Random Cheese

What is the Funniest Thing You Have Heard from a Student?

By Isabella Balthaser



"What's your dream job? I love animals, I love working with animals. I want to be a vegetarian." Science teacher Kerry Motze said.



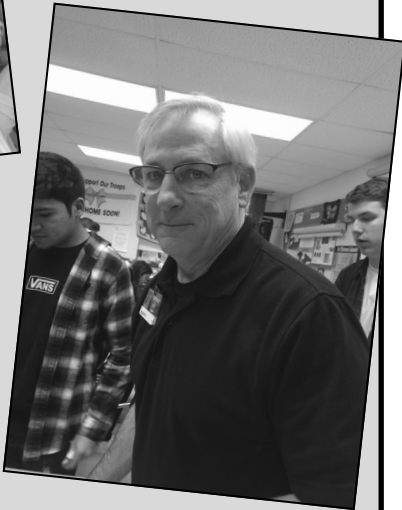
"Mr. Driesbach, do penguins fall off of Antarctica?" Science teacher Todd Driesbach said.



"After teaching physics, someone said they wanted to be a parrot when they die, and someone else said 'I think I peaked last year' while staring off into space," Physics teacher Damian King said.



"Is Africa a country?" History teacher Paul Kochanasz said.



"I thought it was funny when someone said they could hear me laughing while they were in the bathroom because my laugh is so loud and obnoxious," English teacher Sarah Wilkinson said.

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