Reasons to Relay
Celebrating, Remembering, and Always Fighting Back

By Chaz Ruggieri

Relay has been in the school for three years now. There’s not a soul in the school who doesn’t know what it is, or the amount of good it does for its cause. In past years, Huntington High School has been one of the biggest contributors to the nationwide fundraiser, and we’ve all pitched in, raising immense amounts of life-saving research and aid money to donate to the American Cancer Society. Relay’s purple colors accent our hallways and classrooms—its fliers pepper the walls in a jubilant war-cry— the event has certainly been assimilated into our school culture. But what if you’re new to the school? What if you’ve stalled so long that it’s too late to recruit your

Collecting Cans for the Community
A Look Back on the Stuff the Bus Fundraiser’s Record-Setting Haul

By Charles Beers

On Saturday March 29th, the student government continued one of its greatest legacies. Stuff the Bus has become one of Huntington’s most recognizable charities, as well as a symbol of the high school’s contributions to the community at large.

For several months, the school had been collecting canned goods and non-perishable food items for the local food pantries in the Huntington area. Boxes full of food became a common sight in nearly every classroom. For weeks, the collection was stored in Mr. Bisognino’s room. What started as a few boxes full of cans and macaroni and cheese slowly transformed into a colossal mountain of delicious foods. “Everyone rallied to this cause; Students, teachers and all of the high school staff. We are truly humbled by the response,” said Mr. Bisognino with pride.

The collection was not limited to just the high school, however. Stuff the Bus has always been a massive community effort and all of Huntington contributed to this year’s record-breaking donation. Every week-end leading up to the event, local grocery stores such as Waldbaums and King Kullen were occupied by one or two of the dedicated student government officers. For hours on end, ordinary townpeople added to the growing mountain of goods, ranging from pasta to baby food.

On the Saturday of the big event, student government officers, who had worked tirelessly to promote the charity, gathered at the high school in the early hours of the morning to complete their mission. The bus pulled up and the packing began. Nearly thirty people were needed to stuff the bus altogether, forming long conveyor belts in order to efficiently transport the boxes.

After a few minutes the entire bus was stuffed from the floor to the ceiling, and there was still a long row of food waiting for a second delivery. The team was able to completely fill two food pantries: one at St Hugh’s and the other at Manor Field. Everyone at the pantries was in awe as a seemingly endless line of students stuffed the buildings to the point where it was difficult to move around.

Once again, Stuff the Bus had been hailed as an incredible success.
The European Expedition

By Luci Moses

This spring break I had the luck of being able to join Ms. Tedeschi, Ms. Pittard, Ms. Crumate, Mr. Bruckbauer, and 40 other Huntington students on an adventure around Europe, making stops at the incredible cities of London and Paris. Run by the Education First program, we saw sights such as the Eiffel Tower, Windsor Castle, and the Palace of Versailles. This thirty day vacation was jammed packed with activity, and everyone on the trip left with memories that will last a lifetime. Helped by our wonderful tour guides, Anya, and a few other local guides, we had a very fulfilling educational experience in England and France.

Upon arrival at Heathrow airport in London, we were on a tour of the city during which many people slept the entire six-hour flight. Due to the tiredness, many people (including myself) were not in the best frame of mind during which many people had to be woken up to go on a tour of the city, and many other people were too tired to see much of anything. This was an educational experience in itself where we saw sights such as the Tower of London, Westminster Abbey, and Buckingham Palace. Despite being tired, the entire trip was packed with activity, and the vacation was jammed packed with activity, and everyone on the trip left with memories that will last a lifetime. Helped by our wonderful tour guides, Anya, and a few other local guides, we had a very fulfilling educational experience in England and France.

Huntington students experienced New Places and New Cultures

By Liyu Bizz

This year’s spring break was a fantastic success. Run by Ms. Medina and Ms. Crumate, the event was a huge success and everyone had fun at this special event!

International Night Draws Massive Crowds

By Lyndsey Zacharias

On May 9th, 2014, Huntington High School, Silvia Gilbert, Carmela Mastragostino, Mercedes Peña, Virginia Kromer, and !, host an International Night. The event was held in the gymnasium, and featured food and music from around the world. People of all ages attended, and the event was a huge success.

The European Expedition

Preparation for the End of the School Year

By Luci Moses

After the final exam day the emphasis shifts to studying for the next exam and preparing for the end of the school year. Typically, students are under a lot of stress because the end of the school year is a stressful time. Many students are preparing for their final exams, and many are thinking about what they will do in the future. This can be a challenging time for students, as they try to balance their academic and social lives. As a result, it is important for students to take care of themselves during this time.

Preparación para el Fino del Año Escolar

Algunos Consejos para Estudiar Mejor

By Ana Leiva

El fin del año escolar es una época muy estresante para los estudiantes. Los regresos, exámenes, y la presión de prepararse para el próximo año son fuentes comunes de estrés. Sin embargo, hay algunos consejos para manejar mejor el estrés y prepararse para el próximo año.

1. PRIORITIZE DEPARTMENTS. Use a checklist to prioritize the departments in your syllabus. Focus on the most important material.

2. TIMELINE FOR THE PROFESSION. Set a timeline for when you need to complete your assignments.

3. GET THE PROPER MATERIALS. Buy all the necessary materials, such as textbooks and study guides.

4. GO TO EXTRA HELP. Attend any extra help sessions that are offered by your teachers.

5. REVIEW STUDY MATERIALS. Review all your study materials before the exam.

6. PRACTICE MENTAL AID. Practice mental aids, such as breathing exercises and meditation.

7. REST. Get enough rest before the exam.

8. EAT A HEALTHY DIET. Eat a healthy diet to support your brain function.

9. SLEEP WELL. Get enough sleep before the exam.

10. DISCRIMINATE. Discriminate between what is important and what is not.

Los Estudiantes Hispanos en los Estados Unidos

By Lizzy Jones

Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos enfrentan desafíos únicos debido a su etnia y su origen cultural. Aunque muchos de ellos tienen éxito académico, también enfrentan desafíos culturales y económicos que pueden afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

1. PREPARACIÓN EMOCIONAL. Prepararse emocionalmente es igual de importante que prepararse intelectualmente. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden enfrentar desafíos culturales y económicos que pueden afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

2. COMUNICACIÓN. La comunicación es un aspecto crucial para el éxito académico. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden tener dificultades para comunicarse en inglés, lo que puede afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

3. Soporte social. Tener un soporte social adecuado es crucial para el éxito académico. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden enfrentar desafíos culturales y económicos que pueden afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

4. ALMACENAR INFORMACIÓN. Almacenar información es igual de importante que prepararse intelectualmente. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden enfrentar desafíos culturales y económicos que pueden afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

5. ESTRUCTURA ALFABÉTICA. La estructura alfabetica es igual de importante que prepararse intelectualmente. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden enfrentar desafíos culturales y económicos que pueden afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

6. RECURSOS. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden tener acceso a recursos limitados, lo que puede afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

7. SOCIALIZACIÓN. La socialización es igual de importante que prepararse intelectualmente. Los estudiantes hispanos en los Estados Unidos pueden enfrentar desafíos culturales y económicos que pueden afectar su rendimiento en el aula.

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Printers Reinvented: The Third Dimension

By Jhe SACRAMO

Many of the use print

ers each day, and col-

lecting assignments, photos, and even books, sending them

from their trays. But did you ever think about the actual 3-Dimensional items?

Imagine making a custom flower vase for your next birthday or your own personal print-yourself-a-phone card to use for the next day. This has all been made possible with the advent of 3D printing, an old but newly refined technology that has changed the way people make a replacement part, a life saving device, or a simple every-day item.

There are many different types of 3D printing, which are used in different applications. The first type of 3D printing was invented by Charles Hull, known as Stereolithography, and involves using liquid materials called polymers. These polymers are spewed onto a platform and when exposed to ultraviolet (UV) light, and the objects are made by shining UV light onto a vat filled with photopolymer, and very thin layers are solidified one at a time. This method, known as Selective Laser Sintering (SLS), is similar to Stereolithography. This specific method involves creating thin layers out of metal, glass, ceramic, and anything that is heated and put together by a laser. Many of the methods mentioned above are used today in applications requiring large, very accurate, and fast prints. The printers that use this method are exponentially more expensive than printers that use FDM as a way to print objects. FDM stands for Fused Deposition Modeling, which builds objects out of plastic as a medium for creating objects. This process uses a heated print head to melt plastic and deposit it into the object and acts as a centrifuge for 3D printing. In just 3 days, the project has raised over $2 million, from over 7,000 different backers. They offered reward levels at $199 and $250 for a fully functional 3D printer that could be used by hobbyists and professionals alike. Still, the most cutting edge company that utilizes FDM in their printers, has a market share in the 3D printing industry, and they continue to develop newer, cheaper printers. Their most famous line of models is known as the Replicator series, which can be used by hobbyists, in colleges, and even by the US military. Researchers are using cultured human cells that are able to literally print organs, and although it has not yet been perfected, the future will undoubtedly involve 3D printing methods that are able to produce replacement parts, everyday items, and even organs with relative efficiency. The future will undoubtedly be made up of 3D printers as a part of everyday life, and the only question is, what will you make?

PENDING IN YOUR STEP

By Lea Thomas

Spring is here! Buckets of rain will fall, snow will melt, the ground will thaw, and fresh fruits will show themselves in stores soon. Lucia and I will set aside all of our free time to use those free fruits that are usually found in your cupboards. Two recipes that are absolutely delicious and easy to make are Orange Banana Smoothies and Puff Pastry! By using these ingredients, we can make something that is not only delicious, but also healthy.

Orange Banana Smoothies

Total Time: 5 hours 50 minutes
Prep Time: 10 minutes

Ingredients:
- 1 container (7-ounce) Greek yogurt
- 1 orange juice concentrate, unsweetened
- 1 banana
- 1 cup of fresh vanilla ice milk

Instructions:
1. Pour one container of yogurt, thawed orange juice concentrate, banana, cup of fresh vanilla ice milk into a blender and blend for about 2-3 minutes. Serve immediately.

Puff Pastry

Total Time: 5 hours 50 minutes
Prep Time: 10 minutes

Ingredients:
- 1 puff pastry box (a 10-ounce box of puff pastry)

Instructions:
1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
2. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
3. Open puff pastry and place it on a wire rack to come to room temperature.
4. Place the puff pastry on the wire rack and bake for 20 minutes or until golden brown.
5. Let cool completely.
6. Spread the cooled puff pastry with jam or preserve.
7. Cut the puff pastry into desired shapes and serve immediately.

By Lea Thomas

Puff Pastry

Since my freshman year, cell phones evolved from basic models to smartphones, which means they have the capacity to do almost anything. They are so handy that we have to have them, whether it be for communication, social media, or even work. Then again, the question is, what will you make?

The School Cell Phone Policy

An Argument For The Ban

By Kath Tetsko-Lauri

The cell phone ban is a topic that is often debated in schools. Many people feel that cell phones should be banned in schools because they distract from learning and can be a security risk. However, I believe that cell phones should not be banned in schools because they provide many benefits to students.

Cell phones can be used as educational tools. For example, students can use their cell phones to look up information on assignments, listen to music while studying, or even communicate with their friends or family. Cell phones can also be used to enhance the learning experience. For instance, students can use educational apps on their cell phones to practice math problems or learn new languages.

Another benefit of cell phones is their readability. In today’s world, many students have trouble reading textbooks or other educational materials. Cell phones can be used to listen to audiobooks or read text aloud, making it easier for students to learn.

Lastly, cell phones can be used as a communication tool. Students can use their cell phones to contact their teachers or parents in case of an emergency or to stay in touch with friends.

In conclusion, cell phones have many benefits that can be used to enhance the learning experience. Therefore, I believe that cell phones should not be banned in schools.
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TATIANA KHOKHAR

Tatiana Khokhar is a junior currently enrolled in Drawing and Painting one, and AP art students. Tatiana created a piece based on a sculpture by Esphyr Slobodkina called River East. “I was intrigued with the concept of taking random objects and combining them into something new,” I appreciate how she was able to see the lines and shapes of a sailboat in objects that have no direct relationship with one another. For my artwork I decided to go in the opposite direction and create a decomposed abstract 2D version of her work. This decision was also made in part by my interest in the exploded skulls created by Ryan Matthew Cohn from the show Oddities. With the aid of Photoshop, I separated and rearranged the parts to form a new composition. Paying homage to Slobodkina’s work I converted my 2D shapes into 3D.”

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Cellphones, Nowadays, you can’t live without them, albeit some may want to. It is obvious that technological advancement through technological breakthroughs is made in the commercial market, that more and more people will notice the convenience and necessity to, but to own a used cellphone is it an unfulfilling fact that cellphones have become etched into modern society, whether it be a person simply using it to google a random fact, to a business reason, en masse sealing a contract, to government agencies relying on information across the world, technology is so much a part of the modern lifestyle that the world could not simultaneously drop all of their phones and still function. Why then, is it the case that so many adult educators, use theirs themselves of this technology, press so hard to ban from the generation that grew up knowing it the most? It doesn’t matter if you personally like Apple products, or Android phones, if you were to go to any random student in the hall and ask them if they had a phone, they would answer yes. Why wouldn’t they have a phone, it’s a part of their lifestyle! In schools, there is a very real argument that cellphones can distract. Worries of the belief that use of cellphones will impede learning have prevented even more productive work from being done on a daily basis. In our school, this worry is over the throats of students in the form of the cellphone ban. Students caught using their cellphones, even for the most mundane reasons, time and the most harmless of reasons, find themselves being seized of personal property. What would you do if you had to go to work but now you couldn’t contact your family? What if you were to go out to lunch, as a senior, to only wind up in an accident, unable to dial 911 due to having your phone taken away? How would you continue your education if you are unable to use your private property to assist in your learning? Think…what model can be mimicked in a way that would benefit not only other students, but also your school as well? There is a simple answer. The moment you stop making something taboo, it will cease to be enchanting. Students that are no longer banned from cellphone use, but are instead encouraged to use them as a learning tool will have the potential to be twice as productive. Every student with a cellphone has access to the internet, allowing the use of cellphones during class time as a class aide would bring the computer lab to the classroom, allowing for more diverse and personalized teaching methods. Banning of cellphone use in general is bad enough, but what’s worse is that it is banned during free time. Students with access to a lunch period will know that they are in fact allowed to use their cellphone during that time, but what if you want to go to the library? What is the harm in using your cellphone with headphones (which have been subsequently banned from the library) in order to do what you want to do in the library? The ban of headphones in the library is counterproductive. Students use their phones in the library, however the ban of headphones and the constant monitoring of intentions. It is by no means an option that the cellphone ban is made as a punishment of any form, however I believe that the banning of technology is a great mistake. The ban is why it is only used in such silly ways, because you are unable to use your non-distracting tools to aid in their class time, it will become less the case that they would be hurt by using it for their detriment. I am not a freshman, I am a student one down for a few more months and I graduate, but it is my belief that leaving the school with the policy unchanged would be detrimental to all students in the school and as a free thinking person to allow this hindrance to continue after I leave.

The Art Honor Society’s Annual Art Show was held on May 20th and May 21st. Once again, countless impressive works of art were on display, ranging from collages, to sketches, to digital masterpieces. Everyone who went was amazed by the community’s artistry capabilities. Every grade level in the Huntington school district participated in the festivities. From kindergarten to 12th grade, students wandered the gymnasium to be inspired by the vibrant pieces.

Ms. Mohan, leader of the Art Honor Society and one of the key contributors to the annual artistic festivities, was impressed by the turnout and hopeful for the future. This event has been growing rapidly with each passing year and it is always heart-warming to see children across the district to look with pride at their framed artwork. In addition to the art gallery, there was also a fashion show from 4 PM to 7 PM on May 20th. In this event, fashion students took the stage to flaunt their hand-made dresses. Once the show had ended, the crowd was amazed by the talent of each dress and the unique style of each and every participant.

Overall, thanks to the tireless efforts of the Huntington art community, the 2014 Art Show was a tremendous success. Not only were students able to marvel at their own work, they were also able to get inspired by others.

Contact Ms. Mohan for more information about the event and about future Art Honor Society endeavors.

The upcoming year.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

Ms. Aimee Antorino and Mr. Edward Florea

HUNTINGTON ART SHOW DAZZLES

Hanna Murphy

Hanna Murphy is a junior and currently enrolled in Mrs. Mohan’s Computer Graphics class. She is looking forward to being one of the digital classes. She truly enjoys working digitally, but is also skilled at creating art that goes beyond the borders of graphic design. She is currently experimenting with photography and incorporating technical skills in Photoshop to edit her images. For this image Hanna was inspired by many photographers on Instagram and she decided to put her own spin on those images. “Since I love using Photoshop, as a result of taking Media Arts and Computer Graphics, I decided to try my hand at some color changes and implement some blending modes. My favorite part about my art class is being surrounded by other artists and being able to compare works while getting inspired by everyone else.”

If you would like to submit a piece, contact Ms. Mohan and email the PDF file to hshdphotojhpmail.com, along with a brief artist statement that features your name, grade, and inspiration for the piece.
Seniors Talk College
How To Prepare to Become Freshmen Again

By Donovan Richardson

As the school year nears its end and many of our seniors prepare to become freshmen, it might be wise to take a look at what they have to say about their time in high school and their roads to higher education. Seniors have the greatest amount of choice between courses in each subject area, but often these courses are the most difficult. Ryan Newell, a senior who applied to several schools in New York as well as in other areas of the northeast, sums it up well: “people say [senior year] is laid back. It’s not laid back.”

But this certainly does not mean that senior year is not doable; the students at HHS are living testimonials to that. Although each student forges his or her own path to success, there are many strategies that are generally followed by all high schoolers in order to reach their goals.

High schoolers start to take steps towards college, whether they realize it or not, before beginning to apply. Ryan Newell listed more than a half dozen honor societies, sports and clubs that he is involved in, some since freshman year. And of course, it’s not the parts of high school. This is without a doubt true for many other seniors entering college next year. Solid writing skills are with few exceptions essential in college and beyond.

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Huntington Students Show Their Generosity

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By Kaitlin Proctor

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The Grand Budapest Hotel is a hilariously moving work of art. The film is set in a fictional Eastern European country on the verge of World War II, Gustave is a lifelong bachelor and has been the best Swiss hotelier at the Grand Budapest Hotel, a hotel in the heart of the Sotheby’s vintage town of Whitmore. Gustave has a daughter named Margot and is very close to her. Gustave has a sense of justice and always followed by all high schoolers in order to reach their goals.

High schoolers start to take steps towards college, whether they realize it or not, before beginning to apply. Ryan Newell listed more than a half dozen honor societies, sports and clubs that he is involved in, some since freshman year. And of course, it’s not the parts of high school. This is without a doubt true for many other seniors entering college next year. Solid writing skills are with few exceptions essential in college and beyond.

AP courses, while not for everyone, are also very helpful for those seeking college credit for courses taken in high school or prepare for more realistic college-level work. These courses are most often offered to juniors and seniors, who also have the most flexibility in course choice. “Take classes you excel in,” Ryan advises, “instead of taking it to take it.”

This is an important time management skill. Having the most freedom of courses in school, the students at HHS should take worthwhile courses, local schools, out of state, and sometimes out of the country! Some apply to a large amount of schools, although the Common App, which many colleges across the nation use to accept applications, allow each student to apply to a maximum of twenty schools. A few students rush against this number, but senior Alexandria Mandriota applied to four. Being accepted into all four of them, she decided to attend SUNY Fredonia for its molecular genetics program (Honors Program). She also applied to University of Vermont, Ohio State, and Washington State Paying little regard to location, Alex applied to these schools mostly based on the science program that she wanted to pursue. She adheres to this application process as “annoying at first, but rewarding.”

Such is the application process for many of our seniors, especially for those who completed difficult supplemental applications and interviews to get into their top colleges, sometimes to apply for early action or early decision.
**Divergent Review**

Abnegation, Candor, Dauntless, Erudite, Amity, Divergent

By Michelle D’Alessandro

Ever since the announcement that the next big, best-selling novel was to become a movie, people all over the world have been anxiously awaiting its release. The movie was shot on location throughout the US on March 18th and will be released throughout the rest of the world following that date. The world was alive with talk of the movie, and the excitement was renewed when the cast list was revealed. Divergent starred Shailene Woodley from The Secret of the American Teenager as Tris, and Theo James from Underworld Awakening and The Inbetweeners as Four. Leading actors include Kate Winslet as Jeanine (the antagonist), Zoe Kravitz as Christina, Miles Teller as Peter and Jai Courtney as Eric.

The basis of the movie is a lit- tle complex, but this new plot is refreshing and gripping. It is set in a futuristic Chicago, where a war has formed a new system of government. Society is now divided into 5 factions, Abnegation, Candor, Dauntless, Erudite and Amity. Each faction revolves around the expression of a single trait. The Abnegation are the selfless, they surround themselves with charity and running the government (they are the leaders because they do not act to benefit themselves). Candor are the honest, they are the leaders in law since the value the complete honest truth (no matter how harsh it might sound). The Dauntless are brave, they are the guards with a passion for their faction. The Erudite are the intellectual, filled with knowledge; they are the scientists, the teachers and the doctors. Amity are the peacekeepers, they farm the lands and they are the leaders of the fractions. One of these factions, a child must join by their fifteenth birthday. The member of the faction is chosen for the child who has the best mindset in that faction.

Inside the Dauntless complex, the training begins. Four and Eric, the instructor, are teaching the sophomores in advance of their faction. During this initiation, Tris and Four have ‘training’ for each other which just proves to be yet another secret for Tris to keep. Even though Four seems to be guarded and very serious, he opens up to her by bringing in his real landscape with a serum. By going through this, she also figures out his real name - Tobias. Also during Initiation, it is also shown that not all things are fine and dandy in the Chicago. Apparently, the Erudite are talking smack about the Abnegation, which spurred on a fight between Tris and other initiates, but a rivalry between the factions. Just look out for this later. Finally, initiation day comes around and Tris makes the cut.

Along with Caleb, her dad Marcus, Tobias’ abusive brother and the president of the Erudite faction, Tris finds out that being Diver- gent is dangerous, because over her advantage in the simulations is so great that the government wants to destroy her secret. The Erudite leader who calls the shots and has a thing for Tris is the Dauntless leader who worked with the Abnegation and human nature, and plans to use the Dauntless to destroy the government of Abnegation through a computer game mind control. Meanwhile, all the gun-trained Dauntless are sneak- ing havoc on the Abnegation streets, killing council members and over taking the Abnegation faction. Since she is Divergent, the serum does not affect her and she finds Tobias, who turns out to be Divergent too. Tobias was captured and thrown in jail with a new serum injected with him against Tris. However, he is able to get through to him and they revolt against the bad guys. Tris, who is Jeanine and really shut down the sys- tem. Now, all the Dauntless are confused and surrounded by cagey in Abnegation.

Finally, Tris, Caleb, Tobias and Marcus are left to ride on a train into the future that awaits them.

This was a fun movie featuring the bestselling novel, and overall was very entertaining. Many parts of the book were left out (as is the norm in book to movie adaptations), however they do not take away from the movie. It is a fitting end to the book and the series. It helps give people who read the book and those who didn’t.

This movie also features many background messages. Because of the intensity of Tris’ initiation process, there’s always the underlying subject of facing fears and the traits that one has. Tobias is a perfect example of the strength of a single person. Tobias has an impressive back tattoo of all 5 symbols of the factions. He doesn’t want to choose one trait, but wants to be brave and selfless and honest and smart and peaceful and understanding. This story follows Tris through her journey in the futuristic world. This movie was a fun inter- esting adaptation of Veronica Roth’ novel. It is able to tie into the book’s tagline “One choice can transform your world”.

Divergent is a very engaging and entertaining adaptation of Veronica Roth novel. It is able to stay close to the storyline and the book. It was made so that it would be a good watch for both people who read the book and those who didn’t.

A New Era on the Diamond

New Rules but the Same Game

By Will Harris

The movie was released in the 9/10

The New York Mets have a tough year after losing pitcher Matt Harvey for the year due to Tommy John surgery. The defending champions, the Boston Red sox look repeat to champion by relying on their playing staff led by Jon Lester and their off- fashioned by David Ortiz. It is going to be an exciting year in the National League Baseball.

Many teams have improved their rosters and have become threats to the World Series. The Arizona Diamondbacks division enjoyable is very like always as well as the AL West.

The MLB this year is refreshing and gripping. It is about to be an exciting year with some great storylines. Some teams have changed drastically, and some have not. The National League East won’t change that much.

The Nationals are not that different this year, while the Dodgers and Nationals are not that far behind.

Bill Baer, a sports analyst for ESPN, made the following predictions for the 2014 season.

**American League**

East champ: Red Sox
Central champ: Royals
West champ: Rangers
Wild cards: Rays, Athletics

**National League**

Champion: Red Sox
East champ: Nationals
Central champ: Cardinals
West champ: Dodgers
Wild cards: Reds, Braves

Last season a total of 11 teams built 22 race cars at mind blowing cost of over $1.9 billion. It’s hard to imagine that such money doesn’t even buy two dozen cars when with some amount of cash you could get a few of your own. Many teams have improved their rosters and have become threats to the World Series, putting the majors in a very competitive position.

**Formula One Should Not Be Missed**

By Mark Fielder of the Detroit Free Press

The 97 points overall.

Several teams are the favorites to go to the World Series while the Dodgers and Nationals are not that far behind.

As of May 17th, Lewis Hamilton leads the pack with 100 points, while Nico Rosberg trails closely behind with 97 points overall.

To see the complete standings for the 2014 Formula One Racing season, scan the QR tag.
SPORTS

A New Era on the Diamond
New Rules but the Same Game

By Will Harris

It has been a long and grueling six months of no baseball. This past winter finally came to an end after three months continuous snow fall and extremely cold climates throughout the nation. Now, spring is here and America’s National Pastime is back. An interesting offseason featuring instant replay, a rejuvenated Yankee team, and star first baseman Prince Fielder moving from Detroit to the Texas Rangers has made this upcoming season very intriguing.

A new and improved instant replay has created a new era in baseball. Managers on each team during a game has one challenge to make the umpires review a play of whether a player is safe or out, a ball is fair or foul and if it is a homerun or not. The only play the umpires will receive another. This new advanced instant replay will help correct calls that may not be seen to the human eye. After an injury filled season last year as well as missing the playoffs for the first time since free agency. In response to losing their star second baseman, Robinson Cano to the Seattle Mariners, the Yankees signed three prized free agents including Jacoby Ellsbury, Brian McCann, and Masahiro Tanaka. Ellsbury came from the World Champion Boston Red sox. He had the most steals in the league last season while making solid plays in center field as well as a great year at the plate. Brian McCann arrived from the Atlanta Braves. He gives the Yankees a solid catcher who can hit and play defense. The Yankees haven’t had a promising catcher since Jorge Posada. Masahiro Tanaka was signed to a 155 million dollar contract after being 24-0 in Japan. Tanaka brings a nasty splitter as well.

Masahiro Tanaka has become the New York Yankees’ top ace this season.

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Formula One: The World’s Premiere Car Race

By Gabe Smith

After another offseason of obscenely grotesque spending and countless hours utilized to reduce a car’s weight by a fraction of a gram, the world’s premiere car racing division - Formula 1 - is back. The transition from the 2013 season to the current one saw an influx of rookie drivers, a flurry of veteran drivers swapping teams and an unprecedented plethora of rule changes. When you put this all together, it adds up to a season that will almost certainly be this year’s calendar (the Australian Grand Prix, won by Mercedes’ Nico Rosberg) already in the rear view mirror 2014 will be hard to predict. From 2010 to 2013 Sebastian Vettel claimed every Drivers’ Championship, while the team he races for - Red Bull-Renault - has also swept the Constructors’ Championship with relative ease. Vettel’s long time teammate (but not friend) Mark Webber has left the sport altogether, Webber was replaced by Daniel Ricciardo from Red Bull’s junior team Toro Rosso. Especially following both drivers’ disastrous finish at Albert Park in Melbourne last weekend a changing of the guard seems to be in order. The sport’s three most winning and glamourous teams of Ferrari and McLaren are very much in the running in 2014, along with well-established Williams and the relative new comers of Force India and Mercedes it will be a year that will likely come down to the season finale in Abu Dhabi in late November. Undoubtedly, the cause of all this discourse is the groundbreaking rule changes that were implemented prior to the current season by F1’s governing body, the FIA. Almost everything is different on this year’s