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What's Cookin' at the Dorado Grill?

By Allegra Aguirre, Editor-in-Chief

Want to go out to dinner with the family? Don't know where to go for date night without emptying your wallet? The Dorado Grill solves all these problems. Many students may not know, but here at CDO we have our very own restaurant, run by the culinary students themselves. For only \$10 you are able to enjoy a three course meal created by your fellow classmates.

On Thursday, October 27th, I decided to attend one of their weekly dinners, not knowing what to expect. The culinary room had been transformed; tables were placed around the room, set up with tablecloths, folded napkins, utensils, and a candle in the center to top it off. In the kitchen the students were focused on preparing the food, with every student assigned their own station, everything was running smoothly. As I returned to the dining room, the restaurant had been filled and customers were happily eating their food. "The food was very tasty and had a good variety, something you don't always get at a normal restaurant," said Mary Lee, one of the customers that dined at the Dorado Grill. The customers varied from parents of the cooks to people who dine there regularly, who all had one thing in common, they loved the food.

Variety is definitely right; at the Dorado Grill you get served a three course meal: an appetizer, entree, and dessert, with three choices to choose from for each of the sections. When I went, the choices were all different, varying from a garden salad for your appetizer, a center cut pork chop with roast root vegetables and apple slaw for your entrée, to a honey panna cotta cinnamon cream and lemon syrup for dessert (which happens to be their most popular dessert), and many more. You also get the drink choices of lemonade, iced tea, or Bradley Hall's (Dorado Grill waiter) famous "Dorado Palmer," which is a mixture of the two.

I couldn't just attend this dinner without trying some of this delicious food for myself. Once I ordered, the food only took a short time to arrive. My appetizer, the tortilla soup, was delicious: a warm broth with vegetables in it, and to top it off, tortilla chips. The entree I ordered, the center cut pork chop with roast root vegetables and apple slaw, was my favorite. The meat was cooked perfectly had a nice crisp to it, the roast root vegetables were sweet, and to balance out the sweetness was the apple slaw, which was the tiniest bit sour. My dessert, the churros with a side of chocolate ganache. The ganache complimented the sugar coated churros just right and was a great way to end my meal. Everything was amazing and with fantastic service, I had a very good dinner.

Bradley Hall serving dinner



Bryn Timmis putting his masterpiece on the tray

Running a restaurant is not an easy job, having to set up, prep the kitchen, make the food just right, and make it quickly. "It's a little bit hectic sometimes, especially on service day we do use laboratory class period to prep sometimes; and since we do have three options for appetizers, entrees, and desserts, it gives us a lot of stuff to work with and it does give us an opportunity to work with stuff we wouldn't normally otherwise work with during a normal lab," said Mr. Glor, the manager and teacher of the culinary class. All the students that run the restaurant volunteer on their own time, and really get the opportunity to do things that wouldn't normally be done in the culinary class. "I think it's really fun that we can create our own menu and be creative with it, and I like being able to do things the way that we want to," said senior chef Bryn Timmis.

The Dorado Grill opens every Thursday (except for early outs), from 5-8 p.m. Come and enjoy a delicious three course meal for only \$10.

Art Gallery is Truly "Grotesque"

By Trevor Lipphardt, Staff Writer

Thursday, October 24 at around 6 PM, students gathered around the entrance of the N building to enter so they could view the carefully selected artwork done by Ms. Mendoza's Intermediate and Advanced classes. The pieces presented in the gallery were proof enough that CDO without a doubt has artistic talent. Some of these artists include; Cindy Allison, Sarah Brooks, Dakota Worden, Katy Alexander, Vicky Miller, Jonah Yetman and many more.

The show displayed many pieces ranging from scenery, personal experience, everyday items, or just perfectly weird scenarios. The theme of the gallery was "Grotesque" which was fully accomplished as many pieces were slightly on the gross side which made them even more interesting to look at.

Angus Hendrick, a junior, commented on Sarah Brooks's project saying, "The water looked believable and the ships lines were nicely executed," of her piece "Plain Sailing Weather," which depicts a ship at sea. The gallery's showing was extremely successful as many students showed up to view the work of fellow students. Parents as well showed up to support their child and to appreciate the work their child put into their art. Overall, the art show was an amazing display of the beautiful, the gross and the realistic.

Thursday December 5, at 6 PM is the opening of the 2D art showing at the Noble street gallery. At this showing there will be pieces done by 2D art students that are hand selected by Ms. Mendoza and her advanced art students to be presented in the gallery.



"Plain Sailing Weather" by Sarah Brooks

College Tips

By Elliot Benson, Staff Writer

One of the most important decisions that high school students have to make is what to do after high school. Most students decide to go to college but a lot of these students wonder, where do I start?

There are copious amounts of schools to look at, each one different from the next. Each school offers different options and opportunities. If you are overwhelmed by the amount of information that there is about college, you are not alone. Here at CDO we have counselors who are here to help guide you through this decision. I sat down with counselor Paula Evans to see what advice she had about what to do when looking at colleges.

The most important detail when looking at college is yourself. What do you want to get out of college? Is there a specific region where you want to go? Is there a specific program that you want to be a part of? And, What can you afford? When I was looking at colleges, I knew what I wanted to do more than anything else, get out of town. I found schools that offered programs that were related to interests that I have that were located out of Tucson. To get an idea of what life away from all of my friends and family would be like, I visited the schools I was interested in. Any school that you are looking at will offer school visits for you to see what the campus and surrounding environment is like. For me, the moment that I stepped on to the campus of the University of Nevada-Reno I could see myself going to school there.

Some students decide to go the Community College route. There are some important positives to spending two years in Community College before moving to a university. It is very difficult to transition from living with family to being at a big, four year university. Community College provides a more gradual and less intimidating transition. Community College is considerably cheaper than four year schools. If you do not know exactly what you want to study, going to a Community College and getting your general education classes could provide you with insight into what you really want to do. Once again, it is ultimately up to you. What do you think would be the best for yourself.

College is a very intimidating thought but you have so much information and help that it should not be that much trouble. If I could only give one tip, it would be to get as much information as you can and try and take care of everything as early as you can so you have as much time to make a decision as you need because, it's your future that you are deciding on.



Art goes admiring two paintings by Sophia Bonar (left) and Katy Alexander (right)

The Band Bug

By Andie Addison, Staff Writer



CDO Marching Band

The band bug, a term that has been heard a lot around CDO the last few weeks, but what exactly is it? The term first started after a band competition, where on the way up a few kids got sick and vomited." A few kids even got sick during the performance" said band member Courtney Crawford. They actually had to march themselves off the field to vomit. The band didn't let this stop them though, even through all the sickness they still managed to get an "Excellent" on their performance. The kids that didn't get sick during the performance did manage to slowly catch the "Band Bug" a few days after their competition. The band bug is simply the virus that the entire band managed to catch. Good luck CDO band on your next performance; this time try not to catch the band bug!

SAT: Are You Signed Up?

By Jacob Hampton, Staff Writer

If you have not yet taken the S.A.T. you have all year but you shouldn't wait last minute to take advantage of the monthly testing sessions. The S.A.T. is required for four year universities. They use your test score to decide not only are you college ready but also if you're prepared for their specific school. The test consists of subjects like math, reading and writing.

Students looking to prepare for the test can go to website called Collegeboard.org and work on practice tests, register for the S.A.T., and even have your score sent to you. A more expensive way would be to sign up for S.A.T. prep classes at the University of Arizona in which would cost you about \$300.00. So if you're a senior and planning on going to college time is running out for you to do everything you can to do well on the exam. Sign up now!

December 7th is the last testing date for 2013 and the latest day to register was November 22nd.

The next testing dates are:

- January 25th
- March 8th
- May 3rd
- June 7th

Fee: \$51.00 (free and reduced lunch students can have their fee waived)

For more information, see the counselors.

Dante's *Inferno*, An Epic Poem

By Morgan Clarity, Staff Writer

When hearing of Dante's *Inferno* you probably think about the video game that many gamers play. Yet you probably don't realize that *Inferno* was actually an epic poem which dates back to the 1300's. This was when the *Divine Comedy* was written about Dante Alighieri's interpretation of Hell itself.

The epic poem was written by a poet named Durante Degli Alighieri, Who was born in the year 1265 in Florence Italy. His divine comedy is considered the greatest work of literature composed in Italian. In this epic poem contains what the poet thought Hell would be like. He informs you of his experience as he walks through Hell, going through each of the nine circles of it all. It all starts with him going through Limbo, to Lust, to Gluttony, to Greed, to Anger, to Heresy, to Violence, to Fraud, and finally to Treachery.



The "Gates of Hell" created by French sculptor Auguste Rodin. It is found in Starlight Tower St. Pete Beach Florida.

In the epic poem Alighieri describes his experience. He meets with many other philosophers and poets and mathematicians. Encountering Aristotle and Ulysses and Homer. He crosses the river Acheron and the spirit of his lover Beatrice he follows the path from Inferno (Hell), to Purgatory, to Paradiso (Heaven or Paradise). These are all separate epic poems to the Great trilogy of Dante Alighieri. Yet the poet describes them from great detail in the first book of the trilogy *Inferno*.

Although the *Divine Comedy* is a very strong piece of literature, it is very complex and will require much interest to truly enjoy it. When I was reading the epic poem had to read cliff notes... a lot of cliff notes. But try to give it a little bit of time because that's what it is. Time consuming. Although once I finished it I felt a great sense of accomplishment. This epic poem is definitely one of the greats.

Video Game Review: NBA 2K14

By Jacob Hampton, Staff Writer



NBA 2K14 is finally here for the taking. This game presents very real like simulation of an actual basketball game. Even if without any meaningful graphical improvements, NBA 2K14 manages to deliver some important gameplay improvements on an already almost perfect formula, like the very welcome Euroleague addition. The Euroleague addition is long overdue because ever since the actual NBA has really taken notice and acknowledge Europeans as a resource, it seemed only fit to add it to video games. The Path to Greatness might not be the revolution we hoped for, but the rest of a game is. The quality of its gameplay is unmatched and constantly challenges you. There's also enough to do with plenty of modes which will keep you hooked for quite a while.

Like the superstar who graces its cover, NBA 2K14 features an undeniable sense of greatness. Its presentation is the best the sports genre has to offer, and the gameplay refinements improve an already stellar game. You can face off against opposing crews online using your MyPLAYER. Create your logo and face off in 5v5 battles with other crews featuring leaderboards and stats. Play with 14 of the top European teams, featuring authentic uniforms and players. Player attributes and tendencies automatically update daily to reflect true life hot and cold streaks. Now, each game played in the NBA can have an effect on your game. There is so much to see and do in NBA 2K14 it can feel overwhelming even for someone like me ,who is a huge fan of the sport. The sheer attention to detail and ease of use though really drew me into the experience. The LeBron James story mode is a novel idea, and the presentation is simply inspiring.

Like all annualized sports franchises, NBA 2K14 is coming at the end of a cycle and of an era. Even though the next gen version is nearing completion at Visual Concepts, the developers didn't forget about fine tuning the PS3 and Xbox 360 versions, adding exclusive content and a sleeker gameplay. Overall, NBA 2K14 gained in rhythm, the dribbles are easier to manage and the defense system rocks. Add to the mix new crazy animations and you'll have a good picture of what NBA 2K is today. So if you're looking for the next big basketball game, it's here and only cost about \$59.99.

Photo Gallery: "Three"

By Allegra Aguirre, Editor-in-Chief

On November 7th the gallery club had one of their annual shows, "Three." "This show we do annually it's triptych and each of the three images tells a narrative or story or discusses a certain concept," explained Mr. Street, the photo imaging teacher. The gallery had a wide variety of pictures, ranging from people, to food, to hobbies. Many people attended, from students, to teachers, to parents, to the photographers themselves.

"These pictures take on the student's personalities a little bit more than people pictures because they're taking pictures of things they love or things they do," said Mr. Street. Personality was clear in every one of the pictures, one not being even close to the same as the other. "The story is basically things that make up a person's life and I usually think of it as music, a hobby and a companion," senior Dominique Whitney said about her pieces, "Some Music," "A Hobby," and "A companion." Ivana Sandobal, a senior model for Dominique Whitney's piece "My Friends Never Die" said, "I like it because it's really artistic and it's not boring, it seriously shows how we are and how our friendship is."

At the photo gallery, the images are not only for admiration, but they can also be purchased as well. The picture price depends on the size you wish to buy, a 5x7 being \$8, an 8x10 being \$15, and an 11x14 being \$25. Some photos that were sold at the gallery were Dominique Whitney's "My Friends Never Die," and "A Companion." Donations are also kindly accepted and go towards the gallery club funds. The next gallery, "Let Them Eat Cake" will be on December 12. It will raise money for the Photo Gallery.

A man and his daughter admire "Burger" by Jamie Rice



The Scary Side of Beauty

By Abby Charles, CDO Senior

Bacteria and germs are just the tip of the ice berg we must consider when dealing with the scary side of beauty. Often times it's the little habits we have that can be the most detrimental. Making small changes in your routine can literally be a life saver!

Fact: Makeup and other beauty products do expire.

-Try labeling your products with their expiration date after you purchase them.

Fact: Leaving your razor in the restroom can cause it to grow bacteria & fungus.

-Store your razor in a dry open area. Also change the razor head as frequently as possible.

Fact: Sharing makeup can cause breakouts and other serious health problems.

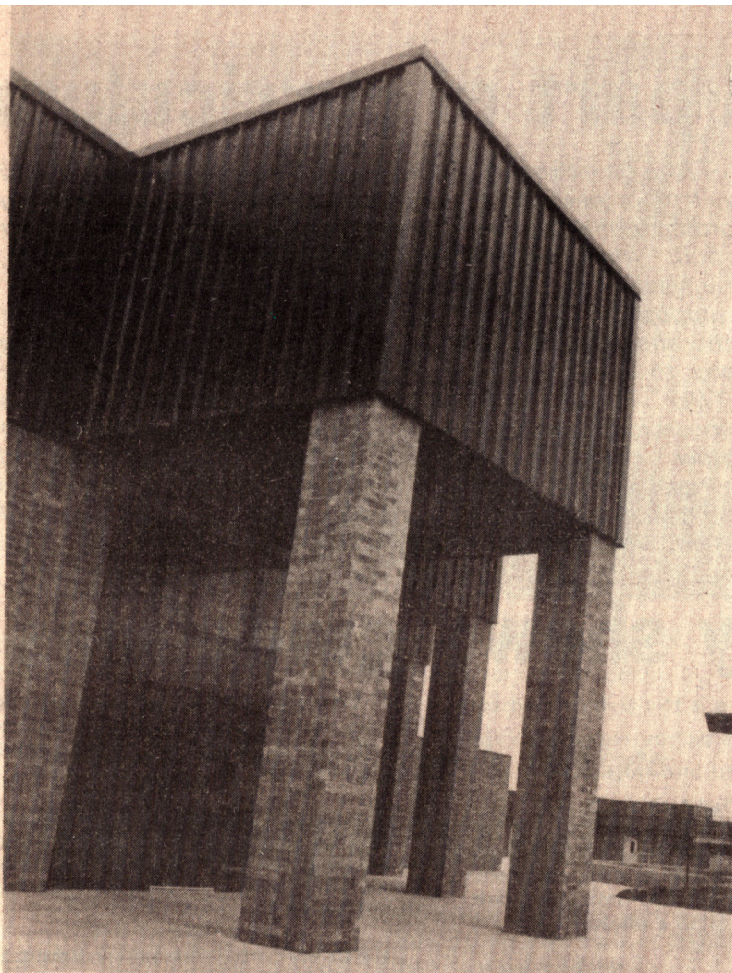
-Always sanitize makeup products in between users. It is very easy it literally takes seconds.

Fact: Makeup brushes can harbor germs and dirt that can cause acne.

-Clean and sterilize your brushes at least two times a month to prevent growth of bacteria.

Fact: Makeup sponges must be thrown out it.

-There is no way to completely kill the germs on these. My advice is avoid them or constantly replace them.



FINE ARTS COMPLEX COMES TO LIFE. While finishing touches, including carpeting and paint are applied, student art, drama, and music flourish within the new complex.

Only two others like it

Building provides artistic setting

Finally, after a year and a half of construction and at a cost of 2½ million dollars, the Fine Arts Building is complete.

“This is a rather unique building for a high school setting,” said Cliff Haugh assistant principal.

If this building is a success it’s probably because the teachers had

input when the architect was drawing up the plans. This is an unusual practice and is expected to work well because the teachers who are using the rooms everyday know what they need.

The auditorium is in the middle of the complex with classrooms around the periphery. The auditorium is the third of its kind in Arizona, rivaling the University and Community Center facilities with its advanced sound system and computerized lights. There is also a little theatre in the round for the Drama department.

Carolyn Allred, drama teacher is particularly proud of the drama facilities. There is a shop with extra tall doors to allow the stage props and scenery to be built and easily taken from the shop to the auditorium. And there is excellent storage in this new facility.

The chorus room is an improvement over the previous one, which was originally designed to be a planetarium. It was built

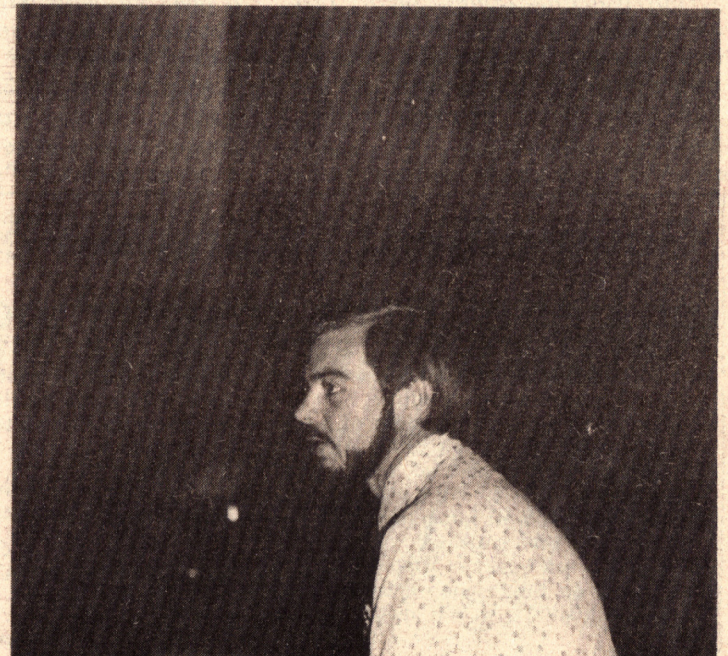
in a dome shape and the sound traveled up and was lost. But this new chorus room is acoustically designed.

The bandroom is designed with acoustical practice rooms which Mr. Hoopes believes is an asset.

The art rooms, are designed to be art rooms. There are four art rooms, two studio art rooms: one commercial art and the other a studio art room. There is a ceramics room and jewelry

making room. For the studio art rooms there is an outside patio with faucets and hoses so when the weather gets cooler the art students will be able to take their art work outside.

“One of the nicest things about the new building is that people want to use it,” said Julie Cray, sophomore. “It’s a nice building to be around.”



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The First Semester So Far

By Andie Addison, Staff Writer



So far the 2013/2014 school year has been pretty amazing and a lot of fantastic things have happened. Our football team has been having a great year; they finished the season with a record of 9-1 only losing one game against rival Ironwood Ridge. The boys even won their first playoff game against Higley but they lost to William’s Field. Girl’s volleyball also had a great season finishing with a record of 17-18 but sadly the girls didn’t qualify for state. Boys and girls golf both had a great season, having people from both teams qualify for state and place. Cross country also had a winning season having people qualify for state. So far all of our fall sports have done a wonderful job!

Drama did a beautiful job on their first play of the year, *Who’s Tommy*. The art class put on a great gallery and will hopefully have more amazing galleries next semester! Stugo has done a great job in planning spirit week, dances and fundraisers, next semester will be a blast with all their fun activities! All of our clubs and sports have been great this semester; hopefully more great things will come!

Fall Signings:

Dominique Gonzales- Softball at Mount Saint Mary’s

Samantha Nettling- Softball at Northwestern

Mackenzie Sullivan-Softball at Boise State

Rebecca Ziegler- Softball at Penn State



From left to right, Rebecca, Samantha, Dominique, and Mackenzie

Public or Private?

By Angelica Tapia, Staff Writer

Everyone knows that public schools and private schools are different, but what makes them different? What really separates them from each other? First I will tell you what public schools and private schools are and how they differ. A public school gets its financing from local, state, and federal government funds. In most cases, they must admit all students who live within the borders of their district. Public schools can be very different types of educational institutions, depending on the country being discussed. In most of the world, a public school is an educational institution run and funded by the government, usually through taxes. In the United Kingdom and related commonwealths, public schools are actually independent or private institutions that are run by organizations other than the government. Public schools are almost always local and they only require payments for lunch, electives, or extracurricular activities you may choose or not choose to do.

Private schools differ in their own ways from your local private school. A private school is a school supported by a private organization or private individuals rather than by the government. It is a school under the financial and managerial control of a private body or charitable trust, accepting mostly fee-paying pupils. They always require you to pay money to get into it because they lack the government paying them for it. Private schools commonly require uniforms if not always. The rules are very set in stone as well. They aren't as lenient as public schools typically tend to be.

Private and Public are different in many ways. Even the education is different. Private schools have a lot more AP classes and advanced educational purposes than public schools may offer. Parents tend to send their children to private schools because of religious reasons or because their child might have had a bad rap earlier in their childhood and need a stricter environment to be placed in. I got to personally interview a private school student and a public school student, one from Pusch Ridge and the other from Mountain View. I asked both of them if they think private/ public schools are too strict or relaxed about their rules. Andy Wilcox, a junior who currently attends Pusch Ridge, Christian Academy says "Depends on the person, I don't really think they're too strict or too relaxed." Eric Temple a student who attends school online but previously attended Mountain View says, "Relaxed" I asked them what their daily amount of homework time they spend and Andy answered, "Regular day, two hours" while Eric answered, "I never really did homework or had it."

When I asked them about what they think is the difference between public and private, Andy answered, "Academic difficulty, number of electives, number of students and lunch quality" and Eric said, "Private is more academically advanced." The last question I asked was if they preferred to go to a public school or a private school and Andy told me, "Private school because I can get challenged and the teachers and students have closer relationships like they can actually see each other outside of school and be friends." Eric told me, "Public because private school is too much work." So I concluded that it really depends on whether you want to be challenged more and/or closer to your belief, or have an easier education with less of a challenge than private schools offer.

Album Review: Mother Mother The Sticks

By Trevor Lipphardt, Staff Writer



This is the 4th and most recent album by Canadian rock band, Mother Mother. This album is probably their most successful album to date. The album opens up with the soft and eerie piano of "Omen", which expresses views of how the world is changing either for the better or for the worse. After "Omen", "The Sticks" opens with some heavy drums and a fair amount of distortion. "The Sticks" focuses on the main theme of the album (which is isolation from the world the way it is today). "Let's fall in love" talks about love being the pitfall of humanity and how everybody does it. Track 4, a personal favorite of mine, brings up the common topic of political corruption and how high and mighty most politicians consider themselves. "Dread in my heart" is a country sounding song that talks about finding one's personal correctness with society and figuring out where one fits in with the crowd. "Infinitesimal" is basically what sounds like a back and forth conversation between a religious individual and someone who is not. "Happy" talks about how drugs, sex, nor alcohol is enough to make someone happy and that "happy is a diamond in the rough". Referencing that happiness is hard to find for some people. "Bit by Bit" is basically the same as "The Sticks" as it constantly references getting out into the wilderness to escape society. "Latter days" is a song talking about the better days of someone's life and how it was much easier "in the latter days". "Little pistol" is another song that describes the fear of living in a world where you are constantly afraid of disaster, religion and human evil and how fear gets in the way of people's lives but the song changes near the end and shows the message of conquering fear. "Love it dissipates" talks about a relationship where the couple are perfect for each other yet both put limitations on each other and how that love for one another has worn down and eroded. "Cry Forum" is yet another political-bashing anthem that talks about politicians not listening nor caring for citizens concerns and are too busy helping only themselves and saying that they "cry for em". "Waiting for the world to end" is a fairly obvious title that basically explains the songs motif. Throughout the song it keeps an extremely morbid theme with a "why bother?" attitude. The song just gives off a feeling of hopelessness and giving up. "To the wild" is the last song on the album that definitely leaves you off with a sense of "what the hell just happened?" as the song uses the same piano line from the first song off the album and talks about committing outlandish acts and going to the wild to get away with it. The song finishes off with a young boy reciting a poem about digging his own grave. Overall, this album was fantastic especially since the music and vocals have definitely improved since their last album "Eureka". If I had to rate this album out of 5 stars I would give it a 4.5 because I'll admit that it's not perfect but it's pretty close. If you enjoy alternative with a light mixture of a punk rock tone with thoughtful yet interesting lyrics, then Mother Mother is your band.

Ironwood Drama

By Emily Akowski, Co-Editor

Ironwood has received major attention from the media due to complaints and accusations of racism in their school. According to local news, over 100 students were suspended for what they have posted on their social media pages and claims of other students. They went through the Vines, Twitters, and Facebooks of the students who have had any racist photos or racist commentary.

When asked if he believed there was racism at Ironwood, Jacob Qualls, a sophomore at Ironwood Ridge stated, "Not really, because after the racism meetings there has been more racism than usual. If we didn't bring it up, there probably wouldn't have been any accounts of racism. The news made it seem as if everyone at Ironwood is a racist, which we're not."

Many wonder if social media influenced racism throughout schools. I believe social media has affected kids in a very negative way. The negative things that go along are that the "jokes" spread faster and to more people. When you post anything on Twitter or Facebook everyone can see it and you may not know who you offend. Even though your intention may not be to offend anyone and it's a harmless joke but to someone else it may not be.

The actions that were taken upon the students are still underway. Students are being interviewed and any of them that have been involved in any racist activity will be immediately disciplined. The Black Society Union is also coming up with ideas for Black History month.

Marana and CDO

By Morgan Clarity, Staff Writer

During my first few weeks at Marana High School, I quickly noticed that I just didn't like it. Was it the amount of experience the teachers seemed to have? Or was it the lack of support staff had on making the freshman feel welcome? All I know is I sure am glad I am out of there!

There are many changes that I have noticed since transferring from Marana to CDO. One of them is the size difference between the two schools. CDO is much larger in size, while Marana is fairly small and has like 2500 kids crammed like sardines together!

Although there are many things that Marana lacks in when it comes to deciding on weather you like it a lot, there are something's that I liked a little bit more when going there. One of them was their football turf. It was very expensive looking and had a good look to it. Another difference I realized when attending Marana High School was the plaza. To say it was big would be an understatement. It was massive it was like half of the school was parked right there!

If I had to choose which school I favored more I would choose Canyon Del Oro without a doubt. Maybe it's just me and I'm stretching the truth to the most extent. Marana is not all that bad although it did not exactly appear all that great to me either.

Canyon Del Oro is very different school from Marana because of the opportunities it has to offer. The academic curriculum the school has in place is very different from MHS. For instance, at Marana High school students are not required to take Physical Education as an elective credit. Yet here at CDO you are required to take a year and a half of P.E to graduate. At Marana High School you have to take freshman foundations every day without receiving a credit for it or getting a grade for it. Freshman Foundations is a class that freshmen must take in order to become a sophomore the next year. It prepares you for life once you graduate. Which I don't seem to understand why you take that in the first place unless you were a senior about to graduate.

My experiences so far at CDO have been pretty good if I may say so without jinxing myself. But I'm hopeful for a good four years to come.

Book Review: Vampire Kisses Series

By Michelle Veevers, Staff Writer

The Vampire Kisses Series is more than 8 books, written by Ellen Schreiber. In these books you will find romance, horror, and typical teenage drama. It is very easy to relate to through the authors use of a normal teenage situation, turned dark by romance with a vampire.

When a strange boy, Alexander, and his parents and butler move into a big and dark mansion on the top hill of Dullsville, Raven, a "normal" teenage girl, becomes very curious about who this family is, and what they may be. Their behavior is unusual in many ways; they never come out in the daytime, Alexander doesn't attend school, and their whole family dresses in all black, all the time. Due to these characteristics and Ravens love for unusual and creepy things, she soon finds herself inside the mansion sneaking around in order to find something, anything, that might help Raven understand who and what, their new neighbors may be. But once she reaches the stairs, she feels a presence in the room watching her and she turns around to find a strange boy, Alexander, watching her from the tops of the grand staircase. Raven bolts out the front door without looking back. Could this new family actually be a family of vampires? Raven hopes so.

Although Raven was scared out of her mind, she felt hypnotized by Alexander's soft, melting, brown eyes. She felt something she didn't understand, an eerie love for the person behind those dreamy eyes; Alexander. Soon after their "meeting", Alexander and Raven become closer and closer, going from neighbor to friend to lover.

All they want is to be together and happy. But many dangerous visitors start showing up throughout the book, distracting both Alexander and Raven from their alone time. Alexander's "friends" from Romania, who he came to Dullsville to hide from, are showing up and creating havoc for the peaceful residents of Dullsville. New dangerous things and secrets start to surface as you go through this series. It's never a quiet day for Raven or Alexander. When will they get a chance to be together for an eternity? Will Alexander change Raven into a vampire like himself so they can both share the dark world together?

Find out all the dangerous secrets, and discover the love of two outcasts who find comfort in each others arms, no matter what the rumors in Dullsville are spreading. Look for this eerie and romantically touching series in our own CDO library.

Across

3. Name of Roger Rabbit's wife

6. It means no worries

9. I became a prisoner in an enchanted castle where I met a clock, a candlestick and a teapot. What color is my ballgown?

15. I'm not the nicest person, but I love good furs. I often use soft puppy fur. Who am I?

16. Mickey Mouse's original planned name

18. The rat's name in Ratatouille, brother of Emile

20. Aladdin's monkey

21. I met John Smith when he came to my home and my people were not happy with this. But together, we painted the colors of the wind. Who am I?

Down

1. Wall E's favorite robot friend

2. Name of the movie where two dogs share spaghetti

4. What type of animal is Rafiki?

5. Boy who flies to South America in UP

7. What makes the red man ____?

8. Ariel's fish companion

10. This is a wish your heart makes

11. Faith, trust, and ____

12. ____ Bell, star of her own 2008 Disney movie

13. I suffer from short-term memory loss

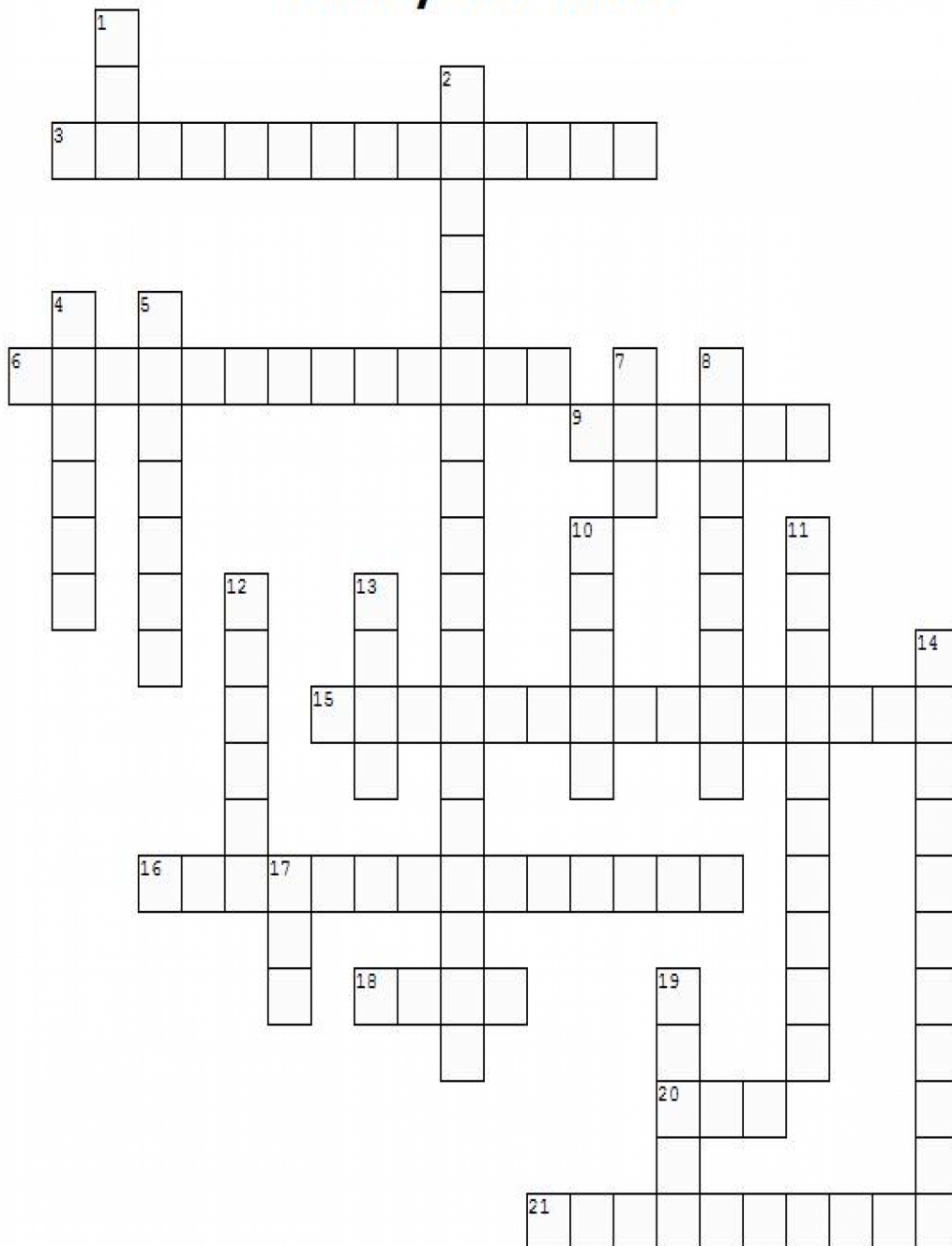
14. Look for the bear ____ of life

17. Woody: 'YOU ARE A ____!'

19. The princess who kisses the frog



Disney Crossword



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