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# KEEPING UP WITH THE DIAMONDBACKS!

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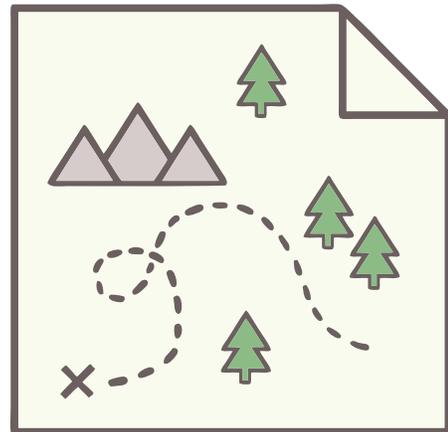
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## LET'S GO ON AN ADVENTURE

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## GEOCACHE

By: Eric Gonzales

Ladies and gentlemen, the Geocache has been found! The lucky winner was Stryder Christensen and the location of the Geocache was at the abandoned school. Good job Stryder for being a smart cookie.

The yearbook class has been hard at work for the next Geocache. All the Geocaches will be within the school boundaries. (That is all the towns that attend here.)

Just in case anyone was wondering what was inside last month's Geocache, it had earbuds, a notebook, pencils, ect.

This month's clue: A peaceful place where you're on your knees. Picture on the left!



# BIRTHDAYS !

BY: DANNY AGUILAR

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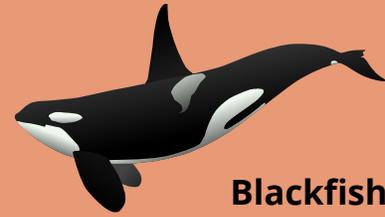
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Raul Ornelas 10/23/2002  
Lorenzo Cortez 10/24/2003  
James McCauley 10/26/2004  
Josue Guerrero 10/26/2002  
Christina Leach 10/27/2004  
Tegan Harper 10/28/2004  
Davian Vicuna 10/29/2007  
Skyler Adrignola 10/29/2007

## November

Jaden Iverson 10/03/2000  
Fatima Vega 10/05/2006  
Anthony Romero 11/08/2004  
Carmen Plancarte 11/08/2006  
Luke Sisson 11/15/2006  
Arabelley Castillo 11/17/2005  
Kole Snyder 11/20/2004  
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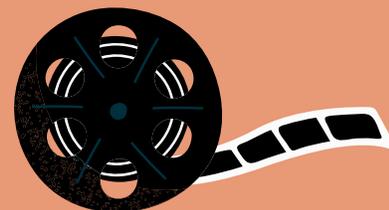
## MOVIE RECOMENDATIONS



**Blackfish**

This movie documentary, which focuses on the orcas' behaviour when captive, explains what theme parks like SeaWorld really do and how they take care of the orcas. It focuses on one case where the Orca named Tilikum kills three people whose work is training the orca. Former trainers tell what they know about these orcas and how intelligent they are and why Tilikum may have killed those people. You can watch this on Netflix

BY: MARLENE AGUIRRE





## Is the World Pandemic Getting Worse or Better?

By: Anthony Cobian

In person school has started but also NFL games are being televised now. During week 5 for the NFL, players from the Chiefs and Patriots were getting tested positive for COVID-19. The Atlanta Falcons have closed their facility after players tested positive. Even college football players are getting tested positive and some of the coaches' pay rates are going down. But they are still getting paid around five million for the 2020-2021 season. In the NBA bubble there were a total of 172 games and there were 0 coronavirus cases. The NBA season is now over with the Los Angeles Lakers winning the finals against the Miami Heat in six games. The most championships won in a franchise is 17 championships, one being the Boston Celtics and now the Los Angeles Lakers. Behind the 17 championships are two teams with 6 championships: Golden State Warriors and Chicago Bulls. The NBA did very well on not having any cases and following rules while other national leagues aren't doing so well. NBA's commissioner, Adam Silver did an amazing job with his board and even some of the top players in the NBA. They had several meetings to keep things going the way they were and their plan succeeded. The World Series for the MLB is set for October 20th. If any positive COVID-19 tests come then they get put on a list separate from an injury list. There is no specific time to go back on the field, players only have to test negative twice for 24 hours. There are plenty of players that have opted out of the season because of their fear of getting COVID.



## Japanese Culture

BY: VANESSA HERMOSILLO

Japan's population is 126.5 million people as of October 2020, which makes it the 11th most populated country in the whole world. Around 97.8% of people in Japan are Japanese although there are other ethnic groups such as East Asian, South Asian, Southeast Asian, Central Asia, North American, South American, Middle Eastern, North African, and Europeans. Many different native languages are spoken in Japan such as Japanese, Ainu, Amani-Oshima northern and southern, Kikai, Kunigami, Miyako, Okinawan, Toku-No-Shima, Yaeyama, etc. The major religions in Japan are Buddhism and Shintoism. However, Japan is open to minority religions such as Christianity and Islam. Popular dishes in Japan are rice, seasonal and local food which are in markets (street food, restaurants, hotels and supermarkets). They offer delicious food such as Kaiseki, sliced raw fish sashimi, noodle dishes, and Kobe beef steak. Some famous Japanese traditions are Bonenkai Parties which are office parties held in December where they party until they drop and the term literally means "forget the year party". Another one is Yamayaki Mountain Burning. It is a festival where they are burning the vegetation from a mountain before spring, they are often combined with a firework show. A traditional dress called a Kimono is worn by women and made of silk. They have large sleeves that reach from the shoulders all the way down to the hips and are tied with a belt around the waist called obi. Hamaka is also another traditional dress worn by men that just has short sleeves and has a belt tied around the waist.

## A PLACE YOU SHOULD VISIT

By Monica Rodriguez

A great place to visit is Yosemite National Park, it is located in California in the mountains. The best months to visit Yosemite are in May and September because you can park anywhere and it's not crowded. The only type of animals that you will see is just bears. There are beautiful waterfalls, inspiring cliffs, and giant sequoias. Yosemite falls is the largest and highest waterfall in North America with beautiful and breathtaking views. You can go camping, hiking, and climbing. You can also bring your horse to ride around.



## MEANINGFUL POEM



By: Evelyn Santos

Milk and Honey  
Rupi Kaur

You must  
want to spend  
the rest of your  
life with yourself  
first



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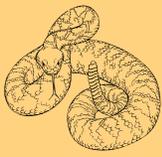
By: Angelica Ruiz

Stop depending on others for  
your happiness! Go out there,  
and live the life you want!

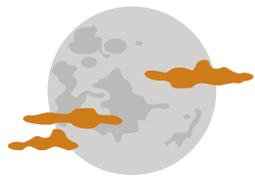
Anything  
you dream of, YOU  
can achieve it! Believe in  
yourself.

-Angelica Ruiz





# Diamondback's Student of the Month!



## Junior High

The female student of the month in middle school is Valery Garcia. She was born on Dec 15, 2006. One of her favorite free time hobbies is to draw. Her favorite color is blue and her favorite food, pizza . She has one pet whose name is Shadow. She has 2 siblings. When asked if she believed she deserved winning student of the month she said "not sure because this year is wack"

Written by: Audrie Okobia



The male middle school student of the month is Neri Avila. Here are some little facts so you can get to know him a bit better. His birthday is September 8. His favorite color is blue. He really likes any kind of Chinese food. He likes to play basketball and soccer in his free time. His hobby is to play soccer. I asked him why he thinks that he won student of the month and he said it is because he works hard on his school work and tries to attend all his google meets, and he is also respectful to his teachers and classmates.

Written by: Mario Hernandez

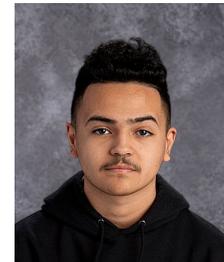


## High School



The female student of the month is Chantal Castillo. Chantal is not quite sure that she liked online school, but says as long as her family and herself are healthy that's all that really matters. She's excited for "in person learning", but at the same time she does not want to go. Chantal has currently gotten into embroidery. She also loves baking, chocolate chip cookies are her favorite! Chantal does not like sports. She is proud of herself for being student of the month, and for this to be her last year at Beaver Dam High School. It's been a roller coaster of emotions.

Written By: Evelyn Hermosillo



The male student of the month for October is Raul Ornales. Here's a little bit about Raul. His birthday is October 23, 2002. His favorite color is red. His favorite food is pizza. In his free time he likes to watch basketball or TV. One of his hobbies is to exercise. I asked him why he thinks he won student of the month and his answer was, "I guess I'm just trying to finish my work and graduate . I've already done so much, I am not worried about winning student of the month. It's cool to get some award for the work and time I put in".

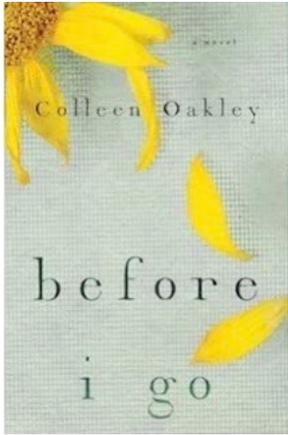
Written by: Irvin Soto





## NEXT BOOK TO READ

BY: JASMINE AGUIRRE



“Before I Go” The story begins with Daisy and her husband celebrating her being breast cancer free for over three years. Then suddenly the doctor tells her she has cancer again and only has less than a year to live. Before she dies she wants to find a new wife for her husband.



## WILD LIFE

BY: NICHOLAS PITTS

The Greater Roadrunner born to run, the bird can outrun a human, kill a rattlesnake, and thrive in the harsh landscapes of the Desert Southwest. The familiar “beep, beep” of Warner Brothers’ cartoon Roadrunner was the background sound during Saturday mornings. And just like in real-life coyotes present a real danger. Coyotes can reach a top speed of 43 miles an hour—more than twice as fast as roadrunners. Roadrunners have evolved adaptations to deal with the extremes living in the desert. The bird can eat poisonous prey, including venomous snakes, lizards and scorpions, with no ill effect. Roadrunners hold a special place in Native American and Mexican legends. The birds were revered for their courage, strength, speed, and endurance. The birds’ distinctive X-shaped footprint has two toes pointing forward and two backward. Which are used as sacred symbols by Pueblo tribes to ward off evil. Because of the X shape it misinterprets the direction the bird is heading. Which is thought to prevent evil spirits from.



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## HOROSCOPES

BY: YARELY GARCIA

If your sign is an air element then you are in luck! This month I will be going over the air signs. This sign is considered to be the “communicators” to the zodiac. Some of the signs struggle with expressing their own emotions which is where the air signs step in and help us sort it all out.

Gemini: You are a loyal friend and will stick on their side through thick and thin. The mind of a Gemini is always racing with thoughts and ideas. You have a diverse way of thinking.

Libra: You are a social butterfly! You love to share conversations with others, to find some kind of connection. But be careful with a libra because they will remember a negative experience with you and they are not the type to forgive and forget.

Aquarius: You are a very independent person who likes to take control of their own destiny. Aquarius also feel strong empathy for those who share their struggles with them. Usually, they are in a good mood so if you feel like approaching an Aquarius you should go for it.





# High School Cliques



By: Donovan Peterson

This month we will go over the top three cliques that shape the high school experience. Our school is smaller than most high schools but we still function like every school across the nation. What's a clique? To put it simply it's whatever group you like to hangout with. This could mean you could be in many different types of cliques depending on your personality. The three listed below all have positive attributes as well as negative ones. If you are in a clique make sure to keep it friendly and supportive.

## The jocks

**This is the group of students who enjoy sport activities. In the 1990's and early 2000's Athletes had a common name placed onto them "the jocks". This group is famous for being rude to those who are weaker than them. However this isn't always the case, Based on my own findings, and other individuals, some would argue that being a jock builds self esteem, motivation, and strength. In other words sports can help someone express themselves among others with the same passion. Lastly it's a great way to learn how to work with others as a team.**



## The nerds

**If you consider yourself in this group, you deserve the highest praise because nerds run the world. If you are good at solving problems, strategizing, or experimenting you are a valuable individual. Some of our greatest leaders were masters at being nerds. Lastly, I would like to add that the smart kids who work together will be successful adults later in life. Although, that being said, this group has been known to bully kids that are considered small minded.**



## The popular kids

**The popular kids are well known individuals who people admire. This can be a person's looks, attitude, financial status, position, etc. In other words this is a group of fame. Now that being said, fame can be good and bad. You could use your popularity to help people or look down upon them. If you depend on your social status too much you may fall apart, but if you can continue your fame past high school you could become someone who others look up to for inspiration.**



## RIDDLES

BY: TEGAN HARPER

What has to be broken before you can use it?

- 1) I'm tall when I'm young, and short when I'm old. What am I?
- 2) What is full of holes but still holds water?
- 3) What question can you never answer yes to?
- 4) A man who was outside in the rain without an umbrella or hat didn't get a single hair on his head wet. Why?
- 5) You walk into a room that contains a match, kerosene lamp, a candle and a fireplace. Which do you light first?
- 6) The more of this there is, the less you see. What is it?
- 7) David's parents have three kids; Snap, Crackle, and what's the third son's name?
- 8) What can you hold in your left hand but not your right?
- 9) What gets bigger when more is taken away?

Answers

- 1) An Egg
- 2) A candle
- 3) A sponge
- 4) Are you sleeping
- 5) He's bald
- 6) The match
- 7) Darkness
- 8) David
- 9) Your right elbow
- 10) A hole

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## JOKE OF THE MONTH

BY: KOLE SNYDER

"HEAR ABOUT THE NEW RESTAURANT CALLED KARMA?"

"THERE'S NO MENU:"

"YOU GET WHAT YOU DESERVE."

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