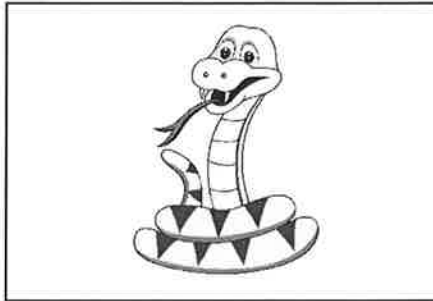


The Editor's Desk

by Annabelle Lu

I can't believe it's already 4th quarter! The year is almost over which means that teachers are starting to give students their final classwork assignments of the year. Some teachers have assigned partners or groups for students to work on a project or just an assignment. However, not everyone can get along as well as a pair of best friends, so some students need a little bit of advice on how to work together. It's really not as difficult as it seems. Cooperation is key in a group of people. Every member must work together in order to complete the group's goal. Not only is it unfair to someone if they feel like they're doing all of the work, but someone else's lack of effort can really show in the overall result. In addition to final classwork, teachers tend to give us final tests. This can be a bit intimidating to students because it's the last quarter of the year, and they want to end the year on a high note. Test anxiety can negatively affect a student's test score. For example, if someone is too nervous about failing the test, it can distract them from actually passing it. There are several ways to prevent or at least calm test anxiety. Studying is honestly the best way. Knowing that one is prepared can really boost their confidence about passing the test. In addition to studying, students getting enough rest can really help their minds relax a bit more and focus. Good luck!

Spring is finally here!!



Support the Cobras...come to a game!!

Around Town

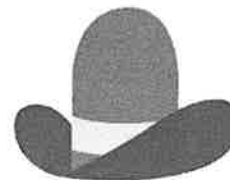
by Nina Ramirez and Veronica Carpinelli

Spring has sprung and it brings many fun activities this month. Come on down to the Easter Egg Hunt at Rosemont Elementary School in the gym on March 24th from noon to 2:00 p.m. to collect eggs and candy. Also, check out the Teen Easter Egg Hunt at Margaret J. Lange Park for kids in 5th-8th grade on March 23rd at 7:45 p.m. Also, since it's finally spring, another great activity is the Spring Gardening & Butterflies at the Park District on April 30th from 3:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for children ages 5 and up. The kids will plant flowers in their own flower pots and make awesome art projects. Also, make sure to check out the beautiful flowers blooming around the village. With the warm weather coming, there will be several great opportunities to walk around the village and enjoy the weather. While on the topic of gardening, the 8th grade class is selling flowers. The prices range between \$19-\$24. There are many varieties of flowers such as petunias, marigolds etc. to brighten up the yard. Have a great spring!

From the President...

by Isabella Fiorentino

It is March and spring break is right around the corner. Spring break starts on March 23rd and school resumes on April 3rd. We had the Pancake Breakfast at the school on February 25th and raised over \$1,700 for our Washington D.C. trip in April. Jump Rope for Heart was also a huge success. All of the students who participated raised \$5,386, which is amazing! Family Fun Night is coming up on Friday, April 6th. We are hoping that everybody will attend from 6pm to 10pm. It will be held at the Dome in Rosemont. We will have a dunk tank, mechanical bull, and many other fun activities. Also, March is Music In Our Schools' month. There was a fantastic concert on March 8th that featured all of the bands in our school, along with the 5th grade Boomwhackers and the 8th grade guitars. The Boomwhackers performed a song that they wrote themselves while the 8th grade guitars played "Perfect" by Ed Sheeran. There is also a "boot" in every class for the students to fill with money. The class that raises the most money has an opportunity for a student to win a fantastic bowling party at KINGS Bowling. The student who wins could use this opportunity as a fun way to end the school year with their classmates.



See you Friday, April 6th at Family Fun Night!

Apps for Everyone by Kevin Mariano and Jonnie Watts

Tired of playing the same games and want to try playing something new? GamePigeon is the app to try out! This app is a multi-player game that features many mini games. It's a friendly competitive game that the user can score points against their friends and family. Some games in GamePigeon are 8-Ball, Chess, Checkers, Poker, and many more! Even though GamePigeon is the app to play these games, there's an easier and faster way to play. The same type of games are also on iMessage for the iPhone if the user wants to quickly duel a friend on a certain game. Almost all of these games are playable by iMessage. The app is a fun and addictive game for the most part since there are about 20 games to try out. The user just taps on the app store icon within iMessage. Then, the user downloads the app in iMessage and now GamePigeon is ready to go.



GamePigeon is recommended for those who enjoy playing classic strategy games. To anyone who doesn't play these games, why not give it a shot?

Did You Know?

by Nicholas Victoria and Jaime Quezada

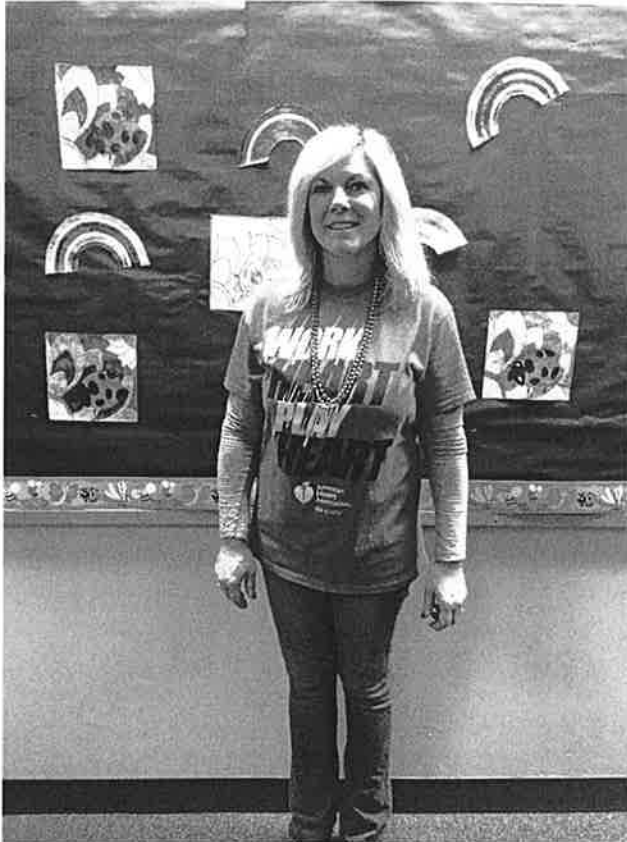
Welcome to Did You Know facts. We are going to learn about some facts that will hopefully bring good luck. Did You Know?

- ...St. Patrick's Day is the national holiday of Ireland?
- ...every year, the Chicago River is dyed green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day?
- ...Saint Patrick wasn't actually born in Ireland but in Britain?
- ...March 17, the day we celebrate St. Patrick's Day, was when Saint Patrick died?
- ...the odds of finding a four leaf clover is about 1 in 10,000?
- ...there are 34 million Irish people living in the U.S while Ireland has 4.5 million people?
- ...the Shamrock is the national symbol in Ireland?
- ...the original color of St. Patrick's Day was blue but changed to green in the 17th century?
- ...St. Patrick's Day wasn't created Ireland but was created in America?
- ...Ireland is known as the "Emerald Isle" because of all of its greenery?

Subjects Matter

by Aliyah Gobenciong

For this issue on Subjects matter, I'll be interviewing Mrs. Guzaldo. She is an extraordinary 4th grade teacher. Read on to find out more about her!!



What college did you go to? What did you major in?

I attended Loyola University of Chicago and majored in Elementary Education as well as Special Education.

Have you always wanted to be a teacher?

I've wanted to be a teacher since I was a child. I use to play "School" in my basement with my younger siblings.

What is one of your best memories teaching 4th grade?

One of my best memories of teaching 4th grade is seeing how grown up the kids think they are, yet only 9 years old! They have the silliness and innocence of being young, but gain maturity and independence by the end of the school year.

What are your plans for spring break?

I will be going to Minnesota for a few days over spring break to visit my sister and her family. I don't get to see them often, so whenever I have the time, I try to go for a short visit.

Have you ever been out of the country? If so, where did you go?

Yes, I have been out of the states, but I've only been to Canada and Mexico.

What is the hardest part about your job?

I think the hardest part about teaching is finding the time to get everything done. Students have different styles of learning and also work at different paces. Working to accommodate all of our students' needs takes a fair amount of time.

What is your favorite subject to teach since 4th grade doesn't have passing periods?

One of my favorite subjects to teach is probably Reading. I love all the different genres we get to explore.

Did you play any sports when you were younger? If so, what did you play?

When I was younger, I played basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, and cheerleading.

Do you like teaching here at Rosemont Elementary School?

What was your previous job before this?

I love teaching at Rosemont School. I used to teach in a much larger school district and it wasn't as personal. Our school is much more of a family environment which is important when establishing relationships with colleagues, students, and families.

I had a ball interviewing Mrs. Guzaldo! She is such a wonderful teacher. Make sure you check back in next time to see who I'll be interviewing for the last "Subjects Matter" of this school year!!!

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Girls' Sports

by Brianna Molini and Victoria Torres

Girls' basketball just wrapped up. The Varsity team had a record of 1-8. They didn't have a very successful season, but they never gave up. Almost every day, the team worked extremely hard to improve their offensive and defensive skills. Unfortunately, they didn't make it into the tournament this year. JV had a better year with a record of 4-5. They made it into the tournament! Unfortunately, they lost in the first round to Union Ridge. All of the girls worked as hard as they could all season. Coach Stephens and Coach Rhodes are very proud of the girls and their hard work during some tough games.



Girls' soccer is just around the corner. Tryouts are on March 19th, after school from 3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Any 5th-8th grade girls can tryout. Coach Williams is eager to see how many girls will be at the tryouts this year. She is very excited to work with all of the girls on different skills. One thing Coach Williams likes to have the team do before the season starts is sit in a circle and set personal goals for the year. This year, instead of playing 6 games, there are 9. The home games are played at the Barry Rec Center by the Allstate Arena. The game schedule is listed on the Rosemont School website under Girls' Soccer. Come out and support our girls' soccer team at their games!

This Month in History...March

by 2nd Period Reading

We hope you enjoy these interesting facts about the month of March.

- ❖ On March 7, 1933, the board game Monopoly was created
- ❖ March 2nd is Dr. Seuss's birthday.
- ❖ For basketball fans, March Madness begins! The annual NCAA Tournament ends on April 2nd.
- ❖ On March 20, the sun shines on the equator for the Vernal Equinox, giving us a near 50-50 split of day and night.
- ❖ March's flower is the daffodil, which means "hope."
- ❖ The birthstone of March is the aquamarine, which stands for courage and bravery.
- ❖ On March 19, 1918, time zones were established in the United States.
- ❖ March 1st is Peanut Butter Lover' Day.
- ❖ The first Friday in March is known as Employee Appreciation Day.

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Art is Everywhere **By: Devon Joos**

Art comes from many different platforms. Instead of drawing on sheet of paper with a pencil, most people use apps or websites on their phones or computers to draw or paint something out of their minds. I like using apps to draw because there are more color shades and more pencil sizes. Drawing online also makes it possible to upload my drawings to the internet for other peoples use. I like hearing people's feedback on some of my drawings. Though drawing online is difficult, the finishing product is amazing. Drawing in real life is difficult because if I mess up it is difficult to erase. I would most likely have to start all over because of the dark-ish line that will make the whole drawing look bad. Shading online is very difficult because I can't control the mouse as well as a pencil. So, overall I like drawing on paper much better because I have better control over what I'm doing. I also like drawing on paper better because it looks much better. When drawing online, there is a lot of trial and error. People could steal other people's artwork and cover up a water mark and put their own on it. Drawing on paper makes that a bit more difficult to do because the drawings or paintings are in a safer spot and not floating around the internet for people to steal. Every artist want to protect their property in the best way possible to keep their work from being hijacked.



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Need Something to Read? **By: Yasmin Reyes**

Class novels are an important part of our reading experience in school. In 7th and 8th grade, we read many novels together in class. Everyone in these grades is able to connect in some way to the books we read together. 7th graders all read *My Brother Sam is Dead* and *Tangerine*. The book *My Brother Sam is Dead* is a historical non-fiction book about brothers and the Revolutionary War. It is a very educational book that will give lots of details of how bad it was during the Revolutionary War. Another book that 7th grade reads is *Tangerine*. This book is filled with family drama between two brothers, who are both very different plus the topic of bullying. It is very important for people reading this book to understand how important the lessons are. Additionally, 8th grade reads many amazing novels together as a class such as *The Outsiders* which talks about 2 rival gangs in the 60's, family, and trust. This book is great for people to read because it shows the importance of strength of family and friends. 8th grade also reads *No Promises in the Wind*. It is a historical fiction and takes place during the Depression. The book tells of families who had to give up their children due to lack of money and food. To summarize, kids can relate to many problems in these books such as: family, friendship, drama, trust, bullying, and forgiveness. It was amazing to read books that relate to our lives. It's hard to not want to read ahead and find out what happens in the next chapter.

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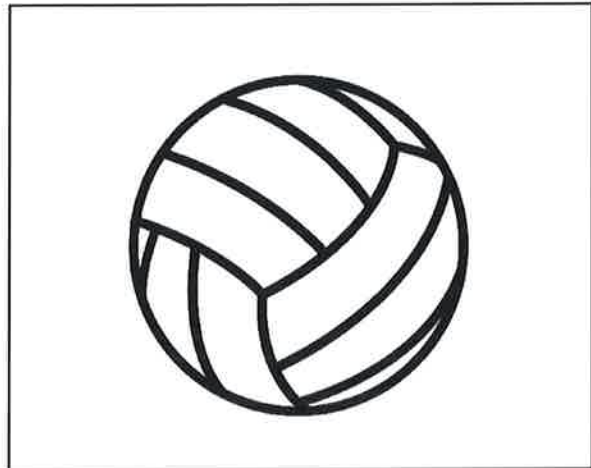
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Boys' Sports

by Patrick Golz and Guise Salas

Once again, both of the Scholastic Bowl teams had a very successful season. Coach Paloian led the way for her very last time. For Varsity, they finished the season with a 5-4 record, and JV finished 7-2! Both teams did an amazing job throughout the season. The two teams faced many tough teams throughout the season as well, and still managed to pull away with a win. Unfortunately, Varsity lost a few really close matches, some even by 1 question. During some of the matches, it was literally down to the last question, and at times, it was in favor of Rosemont and other times it wasn't. JV had an overall consistent year, winning several matches in a row but losing to very tough competition like Elm. When the tournament came around, both teams were well prepared to hopefully win. The Scholastic Bowl team finds the tournament the best part of the season, but also the most nerve-racking. Although, we did not win the tournament, both teams were very competitive and played well. Varsity went 3-2 and also managed to beat Elm, which they weren't able to do during the season, which was exciting for the Varsity team. JV also finished 3-2, facing really tough teams like Mannheim. Although Rosemont did not get to hang up a banner this season, this season was very exciting and fun for the players and the spectators.



After a great season for Scholastic Bowl, there is only one more sport for the boys to play this school year, and it is volleyball. The volleyball season will start on April 12th at Elm and will end at Mannheim on May 7th, and if they make the playoffs, the first game will take place on May 9th. The Varsity team will be coached by Mrs. Rhodes and the JV coach, Mr. Stephens are both hoping to make the playoffs and even take it all the way to the championship game and hopefully win it all. Both Varsity and JV tend to have a dominant team and hope to keep the pattern going. Rosemont is known for having a great boys' volleyball seasons and we're all hoping for both teams to bring a championship to Rosemont School.

Good Luck to our spring athletes !

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Fashion Forward

by Alexis Hernandez and Madison Rivera

Spring is finally here and so are new fashion trends! However, it still can be very chilly out. Windbreakers can keep us warm while we're outside but not as warm as a coat would. These can be found at Nike, Under Armour, Adidas etc. Another stylish idea is a zip-up or quarter-zip sweater. A good place to buy these is at PINK, Nike, or at pretty much any store that sells clothing. For the guys, they can wear a casual button-down shirt or just a regular graphic tee. These can also be found at most clothing stores such as Vineyard Vines, Target, Hollister etc. Off the topic of sweaters and shirts, there are many trendy options on what type of pants to wear during the springtime. For the girls, a pair of leggings or jeans would work with anything. Another option is a pencil skirt. However, they look better when they're dressed up, so I'd only wear them on a special occasion. On the other hand, guys could wear khakis or jeans. On a warmer day, however, they could switch to khaki or jean shorts, but both look good either way. Since shoes can make or break any outfit, it's important to choose the right pair to make clothing stand out. Loafers are a great option for men and women if they're feeling casual or just want to be comfy while still looking presentable. Vans are also extremely trendy, and there are many different options for both girls and guys! There are several different trends coming out this season, so remember to stay fashion forward!



Tech Update

By Mazen Malas

The iPad Pro, designed by Apple, is an excellent device that has the same processing capabilities as most laptops. The iPad Pro come in two sizes, the 10.5-inch screen, or the 12.9-inch screen. It also has three different capacities of gigabytes. The smallest size would be 64GB, the medium size is 256GB, and they also have a new 512GB size. The iPad Pro has a great display that has 264 pixels per inch of the iPad, allowing us to see images clearer than ever before. The iPad Pro also has a great camera that can shoot videos at 4K and can take amazing pictures with up to a 5X zoom. The iPad Pro is great for drawing, reading books, watching videos, taking photos, basically everything. The iPad Pro starts at \$649 for the 10.5-inch display and for the 12.9-inch display it would cost \$799. There is also rumoured to be a new iPad released in 2018. There is no official specs or release date yet but it is rumored that preorder will start around June. The new iPad will likely come with the new Face ID and a more advanced screen. It is also believed that the new iPad will have an even better camera and a lot of new features.



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