



## A Timberlane Legend

By Amanda Savina and Emilee Nathan

If you are currently a student at Timberlane or a Timberlane alumni, the name, Mr. Donnellan, is sure to ring a bell.

Mr. Daniel Donnellan, who has been teaching here at Timberlane for 30 years, has decided that this year will be his last. As an incredible history and sociology teacher, as well as a wise mentor, his strong presence will be truly missed.

Many students are quick to recall their first day in Mr. Donnellan’s class, specifically his bold personality. Not a timid man, Mr. Donnellan is known to always speak his mind. Many teachers even view him as a role model and look to him for teaching advice, especially when it comes to teaching students about the Holocaust.

Mr. Donnellan, being an extremely well-traveled man, having visited Auschwitz, Germany as well as other European locations, has shared many of his experiences with his students. This has proven to be one of the most powerful elements of his teaching style. His unique and captivating ability to recreate his experiences captures the attention of his students and encourages them to open their minds to other cultures.

Mr. Donnellan has been at Timberlane longer than any other staff member. When asked what he has enjoyed most about teaching at Timberlane, he said, “The number and varied amount of people I’ve met over the years, both students and staff.”

When asked what his favorite memory from teaching at Timberlane was, it was difficult for Mr. Donnellan to recall a specific instance, **“After 30 years, it’s hard to say, but one of the things I’ve enjoyed most is the number of former students who have remained in touch all these years and especially those who have visited, written, emailed or called to either thank me or to apologize.”**

Mr. Donnellan’s classroom is decorated with memories from his past students. It is evident how much Mr. Donnellan has appreciated his time at Timberlane, and it is truly honorable how he continues to remember all of his students.

**“I really feel that Mr. Donnellan cares for each and every one of his students, and always has their best interest at heart,”** stated Olivia Doulames, a former student of Mr. Donnellan’s.

Following his retirement, Donnellan has no firm plans yet. However, he intends to continue working in the field of education in some capacity.

There is no denying the incredible impact that Daniel Donnellan has made on the Timberlane community and Timberlane would like to thank him for his 30 years of dedication to education.



## 2016 NH Scholars Day At The Fisher Cats Game

By Ally Collins and Brooke Delahunty



On Thursday, May 5th, 158 seniors from Timberlane were recognized for achieving the award of a New Hampshire Scholar at the Fisher Cats game. Along with over 70 surrounding high schools in NH, Timberlane students boarded 3 buses and headed to Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester for a day filled with celebration and baseball.

The ceremony opened up with guest speakers, including a moving speech given by Muji Karim, former UNH football captain and current Paralympic runner. After the speakers, there was a short musical performance by MB Padfield, a local singer-songwriter. After the

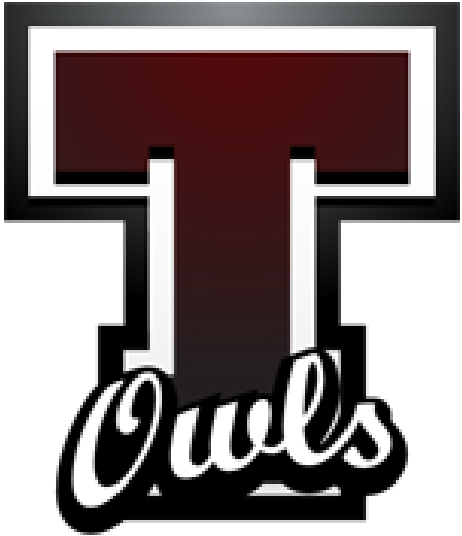
ceremony concluded, schools were invited to stay and have lunch while the New Hampshire Fisher Cats took on the Reading Fightin’ Phils.

Amanda White, a senior and one of the recipients of the NH Scholar Award commented, “It was a great experience. It was fun being able to celebrate with friends and family at the Fisher Cats game.”

To qualify for the NH Scholar Award, students had to have taken and excelled in 4 years of English, 4 years of Math, 3 years of Science, 3.5 years of Social Studies, and 2 years of Language.

The TRHS guidance office commented, “Being a New Hampshire Scholar means you have gone above and beyond and that you are a dedicated student. Its shows they are work ready, career ready, and ready.”

Even though the weather wasn’t ideal, the event was a success. Congratulations to all of the Class of 2016 NH Scholars!



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## The Glue of the Special Education Department

With her friendly smile and positive attitude, Mrs. Kathy Elliot has made an imprint upon Timberlane that can never be forgotten as she leaves Timberlane Regional High School at the end of this year to enjoy her well-deserved retirement.

As an Ohio girl, Mrs. Elliot possesses a love for the Cleveland Indians that she proudly boasts. Mrs. Sue Lavrich, Special Education Department Chair, recalls attending a Red Sox vs. Indians game with Mrs. Elliot and the town of Atkinson a few years back, “She came decked out in Indians regalia.”

It is with this spirit and zest for life that has made Mrs. Elliot what many have called, “the glue” of the Special Education department.

Mrs. Elliot’s first year working in the Timberlane School District was as a member of the SAU administrative assistants team from 1999-2000. However, her true home would be at the high school, where she would work for the next 16 years “training” many Special Education Department Chairs. Elliot first worked with the Special Education Chair Maureen Szymczak. During this time, she took care of all of the needs of the Special Education Department- without a computer! From filing paperwork to serving as the friendly face to greet parents and answer phone calls, Elliot’s meticulous organization and positivity created a wonderful enviornment for colleagues, students, and parents.



When Edwina Lovett moved into the Department Chair position, Mrs. Elliot’s duties changed drastically. Now armed with a computer, Mrs. Elliot learned to use the online IEP program. In addition, the New Hampshire Special Education Information System (NHSEIS) was developed and Mrs. Elliot “became the all-knowing guru of NHSEIS,” according to Lavrich.

Over the years, Mrs. Elliot would work with three other Special Education Department chairs, Beth Rincon, Rosalyn Moriarty and currently, Mrs. Susan Lavrich. With each new addition, Mrs. Elliot formed strong bonds both in and outside of the work place. Elliot and Rincon would frequent the golf course, where Elliot has become well-known as good golfer, despite her humble nature. Most recently, Lavrich and Elliot have bonded over their love of their homestate of Ohio.

“It’s been a real pleasure working here these past 15 years. I will miss the teachers, students, and school activities here at Timberlane,” said Elliot. “I loved and will miss going to the events at the PAC and football games in the fall, but I can still do that.”

Prior to coming to Timberlane, Mrs. Elliot worked at the old Clevand Arena with Nick Miletti and the Cleveland Cavaliers, as well as the new Cleveland Coliseum. In addition, she has also worked at Coca Cola and has traveled the world as a flight attendant for Eastern Airlines.

There is no way to replace someone as special as Elliot, “She has made every day so pleasant and always has some upbeat chipper news. It is so wonderful to work with her and she will be missed immensely,” shared Lavrich.

Mrs. Elliot plans to make the most of her retirement by traveling and helping to take care of her grandchildren.

Best of luck in your retirement, Mrs. Elliot- you will be sorely missed!

## TRHS History Book Club

By Bethany Sargent

An interest in education is desired among any teacher who is passionate about what he or she teaches. Mr Joshua Silveira, a history teacher, and Mrs. JoAnn Blanchette, the school librarian, are no exception. They advise a history book club that is open to all students who are interested in joining. As an after school activity, students and teachers converse about books that tie in with events that have happened in history.

This group was started up at the beginning of this school year to provide students an opportunity to have a casual atmosphere to learn about and discuss history. The book club is completely student driven; the kids choose what books to read and lead discussions based on the topics they’ve read about.



This student organization is a great way to come together to interlace different ideas with literatures that portray the same events in different spotlights. “My favorite part about this book club is the coming together of students to share their thoughts and ideas, we’ve provided a place for kids to come and openly discuss what they think on various topics and have been very pleased with the outcome,” explained Silveira.

A book that was discussed earlier this year was The Cellist of Sarajevo written by Steven Galloway. It describes a man who witnesses 22 of his friends and neighbors waiting in a breadline, when they were killed by a mortar attack. In an act of defiance, the man picks up his cello and plays at the site of murder for 22 days in honor of their memory. While the students were discussing the book in the library with Blanchette and Silveira, music teacher Mrs. Louise Pajak played the Adagio in G minor; just like it was played in the book. “It’s experiences like that that really makes the difference” said Blanchette. “I love to develop relationships with the students, it’s the best part to me. Interlacing literature with modern ideas with students who want to be there is so inspiring”.

If you weren’t a part of the book club this year, there’s no need to worry because it’s continuing onto the next school year! There are already books on backorder for the coming year, so even if you were a part of the club this year, new material will be offered. If you aren’t too into reading, but would still love to participate in discussions, there are many movie tie-ins to the books discussed in the group! If you’re interested be sure to reach out to Silveira or Blanchette, you will be welcomed with open arms.

# Big Buddy, Little Buddy Day at TRHS





## Timberlane’s Parking Perils

By Eli Sorensen

As the amount of new drivers increases, so does the demand for parking at the school. This increased demand comes with a very hectic parking situation. As of late, the school resource officer, Sonya Robicheau, has been going around frequently, ticketing cars that are parked illegally. The ticketing of many students has created a rather unpleasant stir around the halls of Timberlane. There are students who are angry, but there are also some are pleased that something is being done about the parking problems here.

In recent years, students have had access to cars more so than in the past. In the past, only about 50% of students had access to a car to drive to school. Now that percentage is growing larger and putting even more of a strain on the already limited parking spots. This strain has brought tension to the school and has required the use of the SRO to mandate tickets to parking violators.

With any new change, there are going to be people who are opposed to it. Senior, Bailey Schott, was recently ticketed a parking fine for a controversial parking spot near the fire lane. Schott was fined 25 dollars for his offence and he was not happy about it.

“I’ve been parking there after school for almost three years now,” Schott says. “I drive my car from my own parking spot to that one to be closer to the locker room for baseball practice.” Schott’s parking space was on a dirt patch behind a telephone pole which was before the start of the firelane, however he was still fined. “What, is the fire truck gonna drive through the telephone pole or something if it needs to get over here?” Schott mentions.

The problem with ticketing people who park in spots not assigned to them is that there is a market for parking spaces. Students commonly buy and sell their parking spots if they aren’t in use. With the demand of parking for underclassmen drivers, it makes it very easy to sell a spot away. The problem with this is now people are getting fined for a spot they had to pay for.

Mixed in with the negative responses, there are many happy pupils because repeat offenders are finally brought to justice.

“It’s about time they started to do something. There’s nothing worse than coming to school, especially if you’re late, to find out someone has parked in your spot,” says a student who didn’t want to be named. Coming into school to find out that your spot is taken creates a lot of chaos. It’s like a domino effect, if someone parks in your spot, then you park in someone else’s and then that person does the same and so on.

A short meeting with Mr. William Mealey, the Dean of Attendance and Head of Parking at Timberlane gives some advice to students as well as a possible solution.

“What students need to understand is that it’s not a perfect system,” says Mealey. “They (students) just need to be patient and respectful of the rules because they’re there for a reason.”

Mealey says a lot of the issues with the parking this year was stemmed from not having a School Resource Officer enforcing the rules. He also provides a potential solution to this ongoing problem. A three to four story parking garage where the SAU lot is now would bring an end to the problem. Students would be charged a fee like any other spot at the school to park there. Mealey was confident that the garage would easily pay itself off in as little as a year. Unfortunately, Mealey won’t be able to see this played out because he is no longer going to be working at Timberlane Regional High School as of next year.

There are going to be people on both sides of this problem no matter what. What is important to remember is that the School Resource Officer is only doing what she is told to do. If you have a problem, go have a respectful conversation with her.

Many people have gotten their tickets levied because of a discrepancy on the ticket. At the end of the day, just park in your own spot and there won’t be a problem in the first place.



## The Possibility of a Blocked Schedule

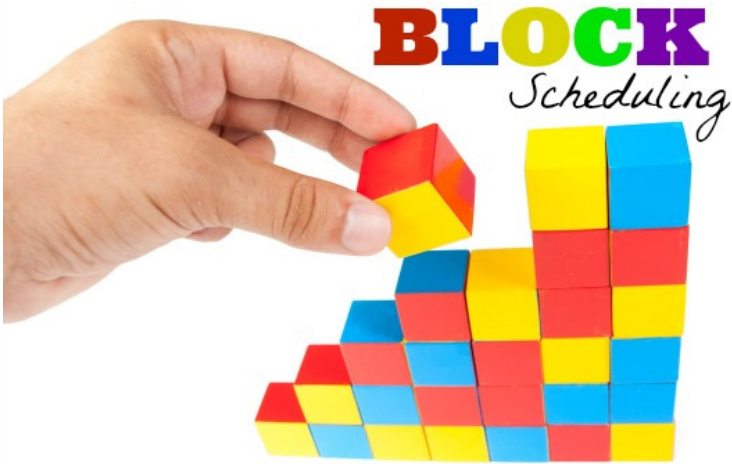
By Brooke Delahunty

Timberlane Regional High School recently polled students in advisories to discuss a topic that could possibly affect upcoming school years, block scheduling. There is a possibility that the school with be transitioning to a block schedule within the next few years. Many staff and students of TRHS have different opinions about the possible transition.

Mr. Brian O’Connell, Assistant Principal of Operations, shared his rationale behind block scheduling, “This will help the school day go a lot smoother with less transition time in the hallways.”

The Timberlane staff wants their students to receive the best education possible, “Learning is much better with longer class periods,” he explained.

Many students who are used to the regular 45 minute classes have negative thoughts towards this possible idea. All of their concerns vary from one another.



Hannah Brennan, a soon-to-be senior at Timberlane Regional High School is one of those students with concerns. Seniors have the privilege of getting out of school after five classes, “Some students have studies that they need and if there are classes every other day, it can affect their schedules.” Some students fear that the implementation of block scheduling could impact students after school plans.”

Jessie Ward, another upcoming senior shared her worries regarding block scheduling, “With 90 minute classes every other day, students who are absent from school one day are going to become very behind.” A 90 minute class period could fit an entire lab experiment or a project, and if a student misses that day, they are already very behind.

Noah David, a senior at Timberlane Regional High School is one of the many few students who agrees with block scheduling, “In my last two years, I have had a block class due to CTE.”

CTE, Career and Technology Education, is offered to all students who wish to get a head start for college or careers. Many students travel to high schools such as Salem High School or Pinkerton High School where they have block classes.

“In that class, I have been able to learn and get more work done efficiently with a 90 minute block,” David explained. “Although I agree with a block schedule, I still believe electives should not be blocked classes because it will be a waste of time.”

The idea that only mandatory classes should be 90 minutes, while regular electives such as cooking and gym class should continue to be 45 minutes long has been a possible question.

On April 22, 2016, school administration utilized advisories to discuss the topic of block scheduling so they can consider and workout the many concerns that students and staff have about this idea, “We appreciate the concerns that many people in the building brought to us. We understand we have to work with these problems to create a positive outcome,” stated O’Connell.

The decision whether or not to change the schedule to block scheduling has not been determined yet, but the district will be informed once the decision is made.

## Best Buddies Dance

By Kelsie Collins

Not too long ago on April 1st, Timberlane’s Best Buddies held a dance in Atkinson. The dance was fun for everyone, no matter what age you were. From 8th grade to 12th grade, all of the students had an enjoyable time, as well as teachers and even parents.

The dance was just enough time to get together, dance, eat, and hangout. It was held from 6-9 pm; Best Buddies provided dinner and desserts, as well as snacks supplied all through donations from members in Best Buddies.

Before the dance began, members of Best Buddies went to the Atkinson Community Center where the dance was held and decorated it. The hall was decorated with balloons all over the place, decked out tables and the best buddies program also made a homemade photo booth. The community center didn’t look boring or plain.

Brooke Delahunty, member of Best Buddies shared her enthusiasm about the preparation work, “ I’m actually really thrilled with how much decoration we added to make it so exciting.”



The dance started off with a fun game of musical chairs, and it was a blast. The DJ made it very enjoyable. After a few games to break the ice and to get everyone pumped up, we started showing off all of our groovy dance moves.

Eighth grader Patrick Thibeault said with a smile, “ I had fun!”

It was good to hear that he as well as everyone else had an enjoyable time at the dance.

## How To Survive AP Testing

By Jessica Buckley and Bethany Sargent

After a long year of taking an Advanced Placement course in high school, it becomes time to take the AP exam. A lot of preparation goes into this by studying, practicing problems and becoming familiarized with the free response and multiple choice questions that will appear on the exam.

Timberlane offers many AP courses to choose from including Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Physics A, Physics B, Computer Science, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, French Language and Culture, Spanish Language and Culture, Statistics, United States Government and Politics, United States History, World History and Art. There’s a little bit of something for everyone!

Mr. Cerniglia a teacher at Timberlane teaches two AP classes, AP Physics 1 and 2. His wise words of advice can be useful for nearly every AP exam. Cerniglia first advises students to have a passion for the subject in order to be successful come AP exam day. He also provided his very own recipe for success.

- A) Crank out homework assignments, quizzes and exams.
- B) Buy an AP subject study guide book and use it throughout the year.
- C) For AP Physics students, use “AP Physics Problem of the Day.”
- D) Work on AP practice exams, be able to answer and understand all material on it.
- E) Read the textbook everyday. It is your best friend.
- F) Make a list of all formulas used that aren’t given to you on the exam and memorize them.
- G) Units are your friend, use unit analysis to check your answers and reasoning.
- H) Make use of online videos about subject matter, youtube, and khan academy, etc.
- I) Ask your teacher for help.
- J) Two weeks before the exam, focus on three main chapters or concepts that you know the least.
- K) Remember Newton’s Fourth Law, “Whatever you don’t study will be on the exam.”
- L) Remember that your cellphone is evil, spend time studying rather than on your phone.

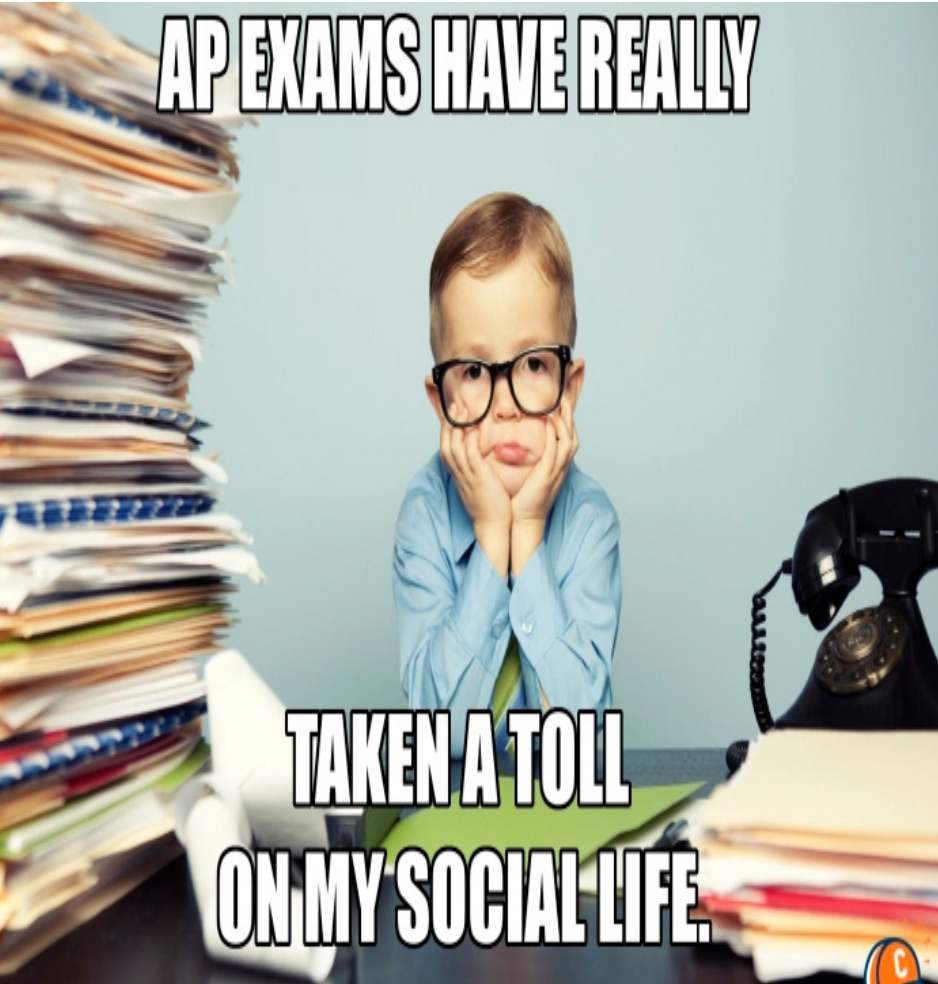
While some of these tips pertain to AP Physics many of them can apply to any AP course.

One of the more popular AP courses is calculus. It is one of the two AP mathematical courses offered at Timberlane. Ryann Bailey, a senior, took the AP Calculus exam this year, “It was super hard, the free response questions were definitely the most challenging.”

Another student who also took not only the AP Calculus exam but the AP Physics 2 exam is senior Emilee Nathan. Nathan reported that, “Taking two exams was hard work and at times, I did not want to have to take these exams.” Nathan took the AP Physics 1 exam her junior year as well.

Meaghan Pelletier also took two exams this year in AP Calculus and AP Physics 1. Pelletier believed that the Physics exam was easier for her, “They were both a lot of work and I had definitely been prepared to take them both. For me, though, the Physics was easier because it was my second year taking physics. “

Remember if you are taking an AP class next year that your AP teachers will train you for this moment. Study hard throughout the course and use all of the resources you’re provided with because everything helps in the long run!





## Seniors Prepare for Prom Night with Fatal Reality

By Amanda Berry

The big night is coming up and we all know that means prom weekend is just around the corner. Teachers and parents warn the students each year to be safe and smart after prom. Sometimes, teens don’t always think and they end up making bad decisions. Their decisions can often result in fatal car accidents.

Car accidents among teens are not rare, especially when alcohol is involved. Unfortunately, too many teens make the decision to drink and drive. To prevent drinking and driving after prom, the high school chose five students to make a short film on the consequences of drunk driving. The film is called Fatal Reality and its purpose is to show teens that drinking and driving can end in fatality.

Fatal Reality was filmed at the P.A.R.C. in Plaistow, NH and it only took about three hours to make. Ryann Bailey, Sarah Heckman, Chad Ripley, Tyler Furey, and Meghan Tarr were the students selected to act in the short movie. It portrays an intense real life car crash that changes teenagers’ lives forever. It is meant to show teens that their lives can change in an instant and to make sure they know to not take that risk.



Ryann Bailey’s role was the senior who ended up dying in the car crash. Her character was at no fault for the crash and she still ended up getting killed because of the bad decisions made by the other intoxicated driver. When asked what the most important thing to take from the film is, she responded with, “Drinking and driving can instantly change your life for the worse.”

Derek Short is a senior at TRHS and was in the audience the day the short film was shown. “Hello. I’m Derek Short and Fatal Reality really influenced my decision making because it was not only a demonstration of doing the wrong thing, but it also was my friends in the video that made it surreal. Fatal Reality reconstructed my soul and opened my eyes” is what Short responded when asked how the film impacted the student.

Fatal Reality was shown to the class of 2016 the week of prom to make sure they knew to be cautious during prom and to teach them how your decisions not only affect you but the people around you.

## Big Buddy, Little Buddy

By Allie Rogers

As the end of the year approaches, we’re about to say goodbye to our Timberlane family. Before that can happen, the seniors have the opportunity to become a Big Buddy.

Being a Big Buddy means becoming a pen-pal with the elementary school kids. The Little Buddies this year are the kids from Danville Elementary School. There are about 50 seniors and juniors to pair up with the Little Buddies. The seniors and juniors write letters to their buddies in early April and we receive our letters back in May. In the letters, we tell the kids about ourselves and ask them questions about themselves. When they write their letters back, the kids will tell us all about themselves like the sports they play, their favorite color, their pets, what they do for fun, and more! It’s a great opportunity for the kids to spend the day in the high school with their Big Buddy!

On May 26th, the little buddies will take a bus over from Danville to the high school. When they arrive, we’re introduced to our Little Buddies. The Big Buddies get small gifts for their Little Buddies and the kids are able to play with their gifts that day. The day starts with an introduction game to get to know everyone’s names and then everyone gets split up for team games. There’s a lunch time and games in the gym and outside all day. The kids also get to accompany their Big Buddy to their 4th period class to see what high school is like.

Student Council’s community agent, Jill Grew, has planned the Big Buddy Little Buddy day this year with the help from Student Council advisor, Ms. Jenn Libby. Everyone who participates in this day will get a Big Buddy, Little Buddy t-shirt.



Big Buddy, Little Buddy is a lot of fun and I think all high school students should experience it!

## Hawaiian Exchange Program

By Julianne Bertwell and Amanda Berry

Every year, Timberlane plans a trip for students to go to Hawaii during April vacation. The purpose of this exchange program is to give students a cultural experience. The vacation is for one week and each day the students and faculty members go on a different adventure.



Mr. Mealey, a trip organizer, expresses the importance of the trip, “It is an amazing extended learning experience where our students learn more deeply about native cultures, the world, and themselves than they do in any other single activity connected to school.”

From laying on the beach to snorkeling the Hanauma Bay, the days were nothing short of fun for the people in Hawaii. The students visited the surf capital of the world, worked in a Lo’i field, and went to the Pearl Harbor and USS Arizona Memorial. In fact, they got the opportunity to spend an entire day at school with Kamehameha students as well.

The students were sophomores and Timberlane students got the chance to go through their classes with them and work in the Lo’i field together.

Senior Bethany Sargent excitedly shared her experience, “My favorite part was the cultural differences. They have such a strong, unique culture that they’ve held onto throughout everything.”

Senior Ryann Bailey said her favorite part was snorkeling at the Hanauma Bay.

Both girls said that their least favorite part of the trip was the 12 hour plane ride. They described it as “a bit of a drag!”

All in all, the students and teachers had an amazing experience in Hawaii. “I would 100 percent recommend this trip to anyone who loves adventrue and cultrual experience. It was the best time of my whole life,” said Sargent.



## U.S. Navy Seal Killed by ISIS

By Emilee Nathan

ISIS strikes again. Governor Doug Ducey ordered all state flags be lowered to half-staff on Wednesday, May 4 due to the death of a United States serviceman.

U.S. Navy Seal, Charles Keating IV, was killed by the Islamic State on Tuesday, May 3 in northern Iraq.

Keating was killed in a very intense firefight between U.S. forces and Kurdish Peshmerga troops. The 31-year-old Seal gave up his life helping to save others. Videos of the battle show Keating and his team running into direct danger to support the other Americans in the gunfight. Although most of the team made it out safely, Keating did not make it out alive.

Keating is the third member of the United States military to be killed by the Islamic State in combat since the war against ISIS began.

He decided to enlist in the military after the events of 9/11. Keating attended Arcadia High School in Phoenix, and later joined the Naval Academy in Coronado, California before becoming a Seal in 2008.

Keating was a beloved husband, son and brother. “He was our golden boy, and he had a million-dollar smile,” his mother later told a reporter of The Daily Beast.

Keating is yet another hero who died serving his country in combat. Ash Carter, Defense Secretary of the United States, told CNN, “Keating’s death was tragic and his actions were heroic. His death shows us this is a risky campaign. We will defeat ISIL but there is risk associated with it.”

There are currently 5,000 U.S. troops in Iraq and many more in other Middle Eastern countries. Everyone is in the hope that an incident like this never happens again.



## A Blaze of Destruction

By Meaghan Pelletier

A state of emergency has been officially declared in the province of Alberta, Canada after a wildfire has been burning for days in Fort McMurray.



The fire broke out on Sunday, May 1st and has been burning continuously since then. Unfortunately, officials are unsure of what sparked the destructive wildfire. In just 24 hours, the fire’s span grew from 25,000 acres to 210,000 acres, making it larger than New York City.

More than 88,000 residents in the area have been forced to evacuate and seek refuge in the south. With every day that passes, more and more people are being forced to flee, making it the largest fire evacuation in Alberta history.

“Homes have been destroyed. Neighborhoods have gone up in flames. The footage we’ve seen of cars racing down highways while fire races on all sides is nothing short of terrifying,” said Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

Firefighters and emergency personnel have been working around the clock trying to suppress the violent flames. However, all efforts have failed since the raging fire has shown no signs of diminishing.

Despite the numerous losses throughout the province of Alberta due to the fire, the Albertan community is not letting this tragedy get in the way of helping their neighbors in need.

“We will get through this and we will come out stronger on the other side,” said Alberta Premier Rachel Notley.

## The Zika Scare

By Amanda Savina

The fear of contracting the dreaded Zika virus has been concerning Americans across the nation. Many people have heard of this virus; however, they remain unaware of what it actually is.

Zika disease is caused by the Zika virus, which is primarily spread through the bite of infected Aedes species mosquitoes. Although rare, this virus can also be sexually transmitted. Following the initial bite, patients will only experience a few days to a week of minor symptoms including fever, rash, joint pain, as well as conjunctivitis. Due to the mild symptoms, patients may not recognize that they have an infection. The good news is once a person has contracted this virus during their lifetime, they are mostly likely immune to future Zika infections.

However, a Zika infection during pregnancy can result in major birth defects. The most serious defect is microcephaly, which is a condition where the infant’s head is much smaller than expected. Zika virus prevents the infant’s brain from developing properly in the womb and can even prevent it from continuing to grow after birth. Babies who suffer from microcephaly can run into an abundance of developmental issues such as seizures, delays in speech and other milestones (sitting, walking, standing, etc.), intellectual disability, and hearing or vision loss.

BBC News has stated that US experts from the National Institutes of Health are working on conducting trials of a Zika vaccine starting in September of this year. Depending on the results, larger trials could begin at the start of 2017.

There have been no instances of local mosquito-born cases of Zika in the United States, only travel-associated cases. For this reason, the best way to prevent Zika virus is by being aware of where you travel, especially if you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant within a year. Also, avoid being bit by mosquitoes to the best of your ability by applying insect repellent and dressing in pants and long-sleeved shirts. Overall, the Zika virus is not a major threat to us as of right now.





## Transgender Bathroom Debate

By Ashley Cioto

If you’ve been listening to the news these past few weeks, I’m sure you’ve heard about America’s transgender bathroom debate which has been an interesting controversy for the public. Transgender activists, along with their allies, have recently started a new movement. They want to make it legal for transgender people to access the bathroom of the gender they identify with. Other sex-segregated facilities such as locker rooms would be included in the law as well. Some believe this transgender bathroom debate is useless, while others believe it’s important to pass.

Conservatives are all over this debate wishing to restrict transgender bathroom use. Others think these laws are unnecessary and serve only as a symbolic gesture, with the laws serving no functional service whatsoever. Their argument is that post-transition transgender people look like the gender they identify themselves as. It is not like there is a bathroom police, so nobody is going to stop someone that looks like a man from going into the men’s room or vice versa, therefore proving that post-transgender Americans already likely have access to their choice of bathroom, without these new laws even being enforced. That is why some of the public think the laws are useless and unnecessary to enforce.

On the other hand, many people think the new transgender laws are necessary to enforce to the public. They consider this a victory for transgender students as they will be able to identify themselves how they think they should. Also, it is thought that transgender people will feel more accepted by society because of this law and will no longer feel discriminated against. For high school students, during a time when self-image and peer acceptance is longed for, this law could positively impact transgender students. Lastly, the new proposed laws focus upon the importance of equality. People will then realize the importance of people being treated equally despite their differences. Many people are convinced these new laws will be a good change, not a bad one.

Deciding whether to pass these transgender laws is a huge controversy and their current status is yet to be determined. Supporters strongly believe that the law will reduce discrimination and bullying against transgender students. On the other hand, others think the law is a huge violation of the privacy of other students. There is still a long road ahead of this controversial issue and time will tell.



## Video Games and Fighting Dementia

By Nicholas Latter

There’s a new video game out and it does more than just entertain. It is currently helping scientists and doctors fight dementia.

Dementia is a collection of symptoms, such as memory loss, difficulties in thinking and problem-solving; it also reduces one’s ability to navigate. It is caused by diseases such as Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s. The name of the game is Sea Hero Quest and by playing the game, scientists hope to be able to create a way to diagnose dementia in people before it is too late, as there’s currently no definitive way to diagnose it.

The way in which players navigate the game will help researchers to understand the mental process of 3D navigation, which is one of the first skills lost in dementia. There are three sections available: navigation, shooting flares to test orientation, and chasing creatures. Each has been “carefully crafted to be as fun and exciting as it is scientifically valid.” (<http://www.seaheroquest.com/>)



According to Hugo Speir, a neuroscientist at University College London, “Fundamentally people with dementia -- Alzheimer’s dementia -- struggle to navigate and on a scientific level we don’t know enough of how people navigate to help really pin down what’s going wrong,” he said.

Dementia, despite being preventable in 1 in 3 cases, affects 1 person every 3 seconds and currently affects 48 million people worldwide. By the end of 2016, the team hopes around 100,000 people will be playing Sea Hero Quest to provide the missing data information; just playing for 2 minutes will provide over 5 hours of lab data.

Sea Hero Quest is available on Apple and Android, so download it and help fight dementia today.

To find out more visit these websites:

- <http://www.seaheroquest.com/en/>
- <http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/our-research/what-we-do/sea-hero-quest/>

## Warm Oceans Threaten Great Barrier Reef

By Nicholas Latter

In the Great Barrier Reef, massive coral bleaching is underway due to rising ocean temperatures. At James Cook University in Queensland, 100 members from the ARC Centre of Excellence for Coral Reef Studies have been mapping the area for months using underwater and aerial surveys. Findings from these expeditions revealed global warming as one of the main reasons for the mass bleachings.

"This year is the third time in 18 years that the Great Barrier Reef has experienced mass bleaching due to global warming, and the current event is much more extreme than we've measured before," center director Terry Hughes said in an interview with CNN.

According to the survey, there has been a 35% average death toll for the coral reef creatures at the world heritage site that is 2,300 km (1,429 miles) long.

Coral bleaching occurs when ocean temperatures get too high, even by one degree, and the tiny algae living in the corals, called zooxanthellae, leave. With their primary supply of energy gone, the coral turns white.

84 reefs alongside the north and central sections of the Great Barrier Reef were examined by the team. The northern part of the reef is more damaged with death tolls between 50%-60% and the bleaching rate close to 90% in some areas. In the central reefs, death is around 5% and bleaching rates around 25%.

If the ocean temperature goes back down, it is possible for the algae to return and recolonize the reef before it dies, but if the temperature does not go down, the reef will die. If the reef dies, the area can be taken over by seaweed, preventing the coral from growing back.

Damage to the coral reefs is an extremely important issue.

“Coral reefs provide an enormous amount of services -- food, economical security, natural harbors; over 100 countries rely on coral reefs for subsistence fishing or tourism," said John Pandolfi, one of the project coordinators at the center for reef studies.

"Even though coral reefs only make up 0.25% of the area of the world's oceans, they comprise 25% of its biodiversity. They are the rainforests of the sea."





## Timberlane’s Full of Athletic Talent

By Jason Hughes

Timberlane, a place where people think you can’t get recruited by college sports. You all hear about kids leaving the Timberlane district to go to private schools for sports. Well, let me be the first to tell you this year’s senior class has a plethora of students going on to play sports at the collegiate level.

Over ten students here at Timberlane Regional High school are going on to play at the Division 1, 2, or 3 level next year. Here are a few of these talented students.

Franklin Pierce University, a Division 2 school, which is a place where four of our seniors have chosen to to continue their athletic careers. First, we have lacrosse Captain Derek Short, who has chosen to play for the men’s lacrosse team. Short has been a four year starter for the Owls lacrosse team and has proven to be a huge asset to the team.

Next, we have Sarah Heckman who will also be continuing her lacrosse career. Heckman has been a part of the varsity soccer and lacrosse teams for the Owls during her high school career.

Another superb athlete Ally Collins will be playing softball as a third baseman or catcher for Franklin Pierce. Lastly, we have Megan Tarr who will be running track in her next four years. Meghan has had a lot of success for the owls on the track, and has allowed her to be seen by many college coaches but Pierce will be her home. These four athletes all did this while attending Timberlane for four years.

The next bunch of athletes have all decided to go in different directions. First, we will start with the football athletes. Captain Tyler Furey has committed to Curry College to play running back. Furey has been a four year starter for the program and has proven that he can play and compete at the next level.

Next, we have Zach Makepeace who will be attending Western New England University to play offensive and defensive line. Makepeace has been a three year starter for the Owls and has proven to be a strong, powerful linemen.

Lastly, we have Liam Kimball who will be attending UMass Lowell to run track. Over the past four years at Timberlane, Kimball has broken several records and has proven to be one of Timberlane’s greatest runners ever.

All of these athletes have been given the opportunity to play at the next level, while all being a part of Timberlane for four years. These athletes have proven, it doesn’t matter where you go, it matters what you make out of where you go. They have all proven that they deserve this opportunity and have proven Timberlane is a place full of talent.

## The 2016 NFL Draft Recap

By Ryan Reynolds

“With the first pick in the 2016 NFL Draft, the Los Angeles Rams select Jared Goff, quarter-back, California.” With that announcement by Commissioner Roger Goodell, the 81st annual NFL selection process had begun. Many fans had been anticipating the draft for weeks, hoping their team would make the picks necessary to earn a place in Super Bowl LI.

Although much of the excitement occurs the night of the draft, Rams and Eagles fans were without a doubt eagerly awaiting the start of the first round weeks in advance. Each of these teams had traded up to the first and second overall selections respectively. The Rams received their first overall pick in a trade with the Tennessee Titans. The Eagles obtained theirs from the Cleveland Browns. Would these trades and picks be enough to make the draft productive and successful for these teams?

It turned out that the trades up to these picks didn’t help either team very much. According to the analysis of NFL.com draft analyst Chad Reuter, the Eagles’ C+ grade fared better than the Rams’ C, but both teams clearly struggled in the three day selection process. Each of these teams gave up a great deal of picks to receive their first round selections. The Rams gave up all of their second and third round picks to draft Goff and the Eagles, without any second round selections and just one in the third round found it difficult to address all of their needs.

Although the Eagles and Rams were among the teams with the worst grades this year, there were some big winners that came out of both the AFC and the NFC. The Seattle Seahawks and the Minnesota Vikings were the big winners from the NFC, both receiving A’s at the end of the draft. The Indianapolis Colts, Kansas City Chiefs, Tennessee Titans, and Jacksonville Jaguars all matched the Seahawks and Vikings, also earning A’s for their draft performance.



Big losers from the 2016 draft include the Miami Dolphins from the AFC, and the Carolina Panthers from the NFC. Although addressing their need at defensive tackle early in the draft, the Panthers did not fill gaps in their offensive line or the running back position. The Dolphins made a decent pick in the first round, selecting Laramy Tunsil to bolster their offensive line and help protect quarter-back Ryan Tannehill. However, Day 2 did not go as well as Day 1. Miami addressed their need at corner-back with their 38th overall pick by drafting a player projected to go well outside the top 50. According Reuter, the Dolphins also made questionable picks later in the draft, selecting players with potential off-the-field problems, as well as unproven ability.

After the draft, the team with the most-improved odds to win Super Bowl LI was the Cleveland Browns. Although they are still tied for the worst odds to win, they improved from 150-to-1, to 100-to-1. Among the teams whose odds improved were the New York Jets, the Baltimore Ravens, the Cincinnati Bengals, and the Seattle Seahawks. The New England Patriots also improved their odds from 15-to-2 to 7-to-1 despite Tom Brady’s reinstated four-game suspension. Heading into the 2016-17 NFL season, the Patriots are the favorite to win the Super Bowl.

## Celtics Offseason Preview

By Chad Ripley

As the Boston Celtics 2015-2016 season came to an end against the Atlanta Hawks in the first round of the playoffs, the Celtics moved past the loss and looked forward to the highly anticipated offseason.



In 2013, after the Celtics lost to the Miami Heat in the Eastern Conference High School, Danny Ainge, the Celtics’ President, dished out the Celtics “Big 3.” In return, he received three players that are no longer with the Celtics and three draft picks, those being in 2014, 2016, and 2018. At that moment in time, Celtics fans were shocked that Ainge would trade away the three players that had transformed the Celtics back into a championship contender. Although it broke the hearts of many, and angered many more, we look back on it 3 years later, and it was one of the most brilliant trades many have ever seen.

It couldn’t have worked out any better since the Brooklyn Nets absolutely abysmal performance this year. After losing their point guard, Jarrett Jack, early in the season due to a season ending injury, the Nets were a mediocre team at best going 21-61 this season. With that record, it left the 2016 draft pick, which now belongs to the Celtics, in contention for a top 3 spot in the draft, leaving the Celtics front office with a plethora of ideas and potential moves with that pick.

The most ideal situation would be the number one draft pick. Although the chances are low that this pick is somehow chosen as the number one selection, it would leave the Celtics no other choice but to draft undoubtedly the best player in the draft class, Ben Simmons. Now this is highly unlikely, but could potentially happen so Celtics fans, cross your fingers. The other option is if the pick slides to either the second or third pick to draft someone like Brandon Ingram or go foreign and take the risk with Dragan Bender. There are risks that come with all draft prospects, leaving many to believe that the Celtics should look to dish out the draft pick in hopes to land a big name this offseason. Danny Ainge and Co. have quite a few things to decide upon this upcoming offseason.

Not to mention rumors of a big trade, or a big blockbuster free agent deal, who wouldn’t love to see somebody like Kevin Durant of the OKC Thunder in Celtics green? I know I would. Sources say that the OKC Thunder superstar has interest in coming to the Celtics. That being said, the Celtics would have to convince the star to come to Boston over home city Washington, Oklahoma City or other major city teams. That is no easy task for Ainge, but if anyone can pull it off, it’s going to be him.

Whatever the Celtics do decide to do, I am sure that Ainge will not fail to create some sort of blockbuster trade or create some buzz around the league this offseason.



## Another Year, Another Title

By Bailey Schott and Jason Hughes

After a disappointing, second round playoff loss to end Timberlane’s title destined team, the Owls look to avoid last year’s fate and bring home another trophy.

Several of the Owls are committed to play at the next level once their time here is over. All-star pitcher Kate Hoadley is committed to play at Bowdoin College where she hopes to continue her career as a pitcher. Third baseman Ally Collins is committed to play at Franklin Pierce University where she will play catcher or third base. Lastly, junior catcher Makayla Livingston has already committed to the University of Maine to play catcher. With the help of several players going on to play at the next level, the Owls have a good shot at the ship.

After four weeks of play, the Owls still lead the pack at 17-1 behind senior ace Kate Hoadley. The team has lofty goals, “Obviously we want to win a state title, but we got to get to the final four first” says Captain Hoadley.

The senior loaded softball team has beaten nearly every opponent by five or more runs. Thus far, they have outscored opponents 104-12. In 11 games, these lady Owls have put up 10+ runs six times, giving them run rule wins in more than half of their games.

Their only loss this season came to Winnacunnet in a 6-2 loss at home where the team didn’t “hit well” according to MK Livingston. On the other end of the field, Livingston shared that the team had trouble defensively, committing several errors including multiple dropped fly balls.

The Owls have a short lived memory, though, as they quickly put the loss behind them and continued to plow through the competition in the five straight games following their loss. The Owls had some tough competition with a big game against their rival, Salem, who was undefeated. With a tough battle the Owls pulled out the victory and handed Salem their first loss.

The girls are looking for a season to remember and with the talent in the lineup, they have a real shot at bringing another state championship to Timberlane.



## Girls Lacrosse Making a Run at Playoffs

By Ally Ruth

Spring sports are wrapping up and teams are making a run at the playoffs. For the girls varsity lacrosse team, this would be the second consecutive year where they have earned a spot in the Division II playoff tournament. The odds are looking good right now, but the Owls have a few key games left in the regular season which could be crucial as to how their season plays out.

From the very start of the season, the team set a goal to make it into the tournament. Captain Sarah Heckman, who will continue her lacrosse career next year at Franklin Pierce University, commented on the team’s goal.



“Our goal this year was make to the playoffs and keep working together as a team,” said Heckman.

The Owls suffered a few tough losses against three of the best teams in the league, Winnacunnet, Windham, and Portsmouth, but that didn’t stop them from continuing to work hard. On the flip side, they’ve had a few big wins against Merrimack Valley, Dover and Pembroke, all who they beat by at least eight goals.

With the regular season coming to an end, the lady Owls have three big games left, which will most certainly help their push for playoffs if they are able to come out on top in at least two out of three of the games. One of those games is against Keene who they’ve always been head to head with. Keene sits just below them in the standings, but has played one less game than Timberlane has played. Senior captain Amanda Berry is hopeful that they can beat them this year, after losing a close one to them last season.

“We’ve always been competitive with Keene and ended up losing to them last season. It would be a pretty big win for us to win our last game of the season against them,” said Berry.

Whether the team goes on to make the playoffs or not, the program’s past two years have been better than years past and they’ve continued to come out on top, even when people doubted them. Congratulations to the team for everything they’ve accomplished so far, and good luck with the rest of the season!

## Captain Spotlight: Ally Ruth

By Ryann Bailey

The spring sports season is in full swing and this month, we’re putting the spotlight on one of the five softball captains, senior Ally Ruth. This being her fourth and final year on the varsity squad here at Timberlane, Ruth has had a great run on the softball field, but it’s not quite over yet.

Ruth was part of the state championship team back in 2013 and believes that the team this year has a really good chance of repeating history if they continue to play together. So far, they have an outstanding record of 14-1. The girls also just recently beat undefeated Salem to climb up to first place in the standings. Things are looking good so far, according to Ruth.

Ruth has also had an outstanding season personally. She is the lead off batter and is batting over .400. One of her highlights this year was hitting a grand slam in the Manchester Memorial game, clinching yet another win for the Owls.

Softball is very important to Ruth and her time throughout high school. She also plays basketball but says she loves softball because of how competitive the sport is and how even more competitive her team is, “I like that we never give up and can trust each other. We’re always rallying together to get hits and score runs so we can win games, even if we are losing,” Ruth says of her teammates. They seem to be a pretty tight bunch!

Sophomore Jess Mezquita has been teammates with Ruth for two years now. Mezquita speaks very highly of Ruth as a captain, “Ally overall is a great leader mostly because if you get down on yourself, she picks you right back up.”

All in all, Ruth has been a strong leader and athlete throughout her time as a Timberlane Owl. Next year, Ruth will continue her athletic career and leadership at Southern Maine Community College playing basketball.





## The 2016 Summer Olympics

By Galen Morrill

Once again, it is time for the Summer Olympic Games. This year, Brazil will be hosting its first ever Summer Olympics in the lovely city of Rio de Janeiro.

The Summer Olympics only come around every four years, meaning it’s a very popular event for athletes and viewers to watch and participate in. Next to the World Cup, the Olympic Games is the most popular sporting event in the world. Starting August 5th, the 2016 Summer Olympic Games will feature its program of 28 sports and a total of 41 disciplines and 306 events.



As of May 5, 2016, 185 out of the current 206 National Olympic Committees have qualified at least one athlete, including one independent athlete. Many big name countries like the US, Great Britain, Germany, Brazil, China, Italy, Russia, Japan, France, and Canada have all qualified over 200 athletes.

Events will take place at eighteen existing venues with eight of them requiring some work and renovations. Nine new venues and seven temporary venues have been constructed for the Olympics. The two sports that have been added into the program for this year’s Olympic Games are golf and rugby sevens. These sports were added because the International Olympic Committee (IOC) voted to drop baseball and softball from the program, leaving two spots open for other sports to take place.

With the Olympics closing in each day, a few very popular United States athletes will not be participating in this summer’s games. Legendary NBA Hall of Famer Kobe Bryant will not be playing for the US basketball team, “The reason is because I have decided to stick with my decision and retire at the end of the regular season,”

the Black Mamba answers in a recent press conference. Big time American golfer, Tiger Woods, won’t be going to the Olympics. Not only because of an injury he is currently dealing with, but because Woods ranked so low in his performance this year, he wasn’t even eligible to qualify for the games. Sydney Leroux, one of the FIFA Women’s 2015 World Cup Champions, will not be going the games this summer because she stated that she and her husband are having a baby.

However, there will be some big names still in attendance such as Kerri Walsh Jennings and April Ross. These two will be representing the USA for the Women’s Beach Volleyball event, fighting for their fourth straight gold medal. Gabby Douglas will also be returning to the USA Gymnastics team, fighting for her second straight gold medal.

Speculation about the current health issues in South America will be a risk for people who are attending the games. The Zika virus is still a factor in Brazil. Due to the dangers, women who are pregnant or planning on getting pregnant are not recommended to attend the games this summer. This serious outbreak alone isn’t the only problem. Brazil is currently dealing with high amounts of water pollution. Tests done by scientists and researchers, paid by the IOC, have found many viruses and bacteria from human sewage in the venue’s waters. Brazilian officials have assured that the water in the venues will be clean before the Olympics start, but there is no telling if this is actually true. After the Olympic Games have ended, the Paralympic Games will take September 7th and will conclude on September 18th.

There are still many problems that have not been fixed for this summer’s games in Brazil. “It’s possible that the games could get postponed to a later date,” says a local reporter for the Olympic Committee. Will the Olympics even happen this year?

## Boston Red Sox

By Chad Ripley

The Boston Red Sox season has been nothing short of great thus far. They sit atop the American League East tied with the Baltimore Orioles with a 25-16 record. So far in the month of May, the Red Sox have been on fire with an 11 and 6 record.

As the All Star break approaches, we’ll take a deeper look into how the Red Sox have been able to be successful so far in the early going of the season.



Although the pitching staff has been mediocre at best in the past years, the Sox’s rotation is holding its own in the long 182 game season. Off season pickup David Price, has not lived up to his expectations, but aside from his 5.53 earned run average, he still has a 5-1 record with 9 games pitched. Other than Price, the Red Sox’s other offseason pickup Steven Wright has been the Red Sox’s best pitcher. The knuckle ball thrower has a 3-4 record with a 2.52 era in 8 appearances. If the Sox’s rotation can continue their success this season, you can be certain to see them in the postseason.

Along with the improved rotation, the Sox’s bats have also come alive early in this season. Jackie Bradley Jr., the Sox center fielder, has been on a tear behind the plate. His 24 game hit streak continues to grow, and on top of that hit streak, he has a .338 batting average. This offensive contribution from JBJ has been great for the Sox this season.



Also, in Big Papi’s last season, he has been tearing the skin off the ball. With a .312 average and 10 homers, Papi is certainly making his presence felt this season. A bit-tersweet season, watching fan favorite Ortiz, play his final games in a Sox uniform.

With the All Star breaking coming up in July, the Sox and their fans are hoping for continued success, and a deep playoff push. Nothing could write history better than a World Series championship for Big Papi’s last season.

## 2016 NFL Rookies of the AFC North

By Vince Pigott

The 2016 draft wasn’t necessarily one for the ages, however, it was crucial to many teams in the league. It is believed that a lot of players to build around came from this draft. Here, all of the players believed to have a bright future in the AFC North will be discussed..

AFC NORTH:

Ravens: Ronnie Stanley- OT. The Ravens have been needing help on the offensive line for some time now. With the 26th best rushing game in the league, some help on the o-line was essential. He has almost the perfect offensive lineman build. Standing at 6’5 and weighing in at 315lbs along with his versatility on the line, it should be hard to get through him.

Bengals: Tyler Boyd-WR. With the departures of Marvin Jones and Mohamed Sanu, it was very crucial for the Bengals to pick up someone for Andy Dalton to throw to. Boyd was a second round steal and is anticipated to help the franchise for years to come. Not to mention his impressive speed with completing the 40 yard dash in 4.58 seconds he should be recognized for his speed along with his useful 6’2 frame.

Steelers: Sean Davis-CB. The Steelers bulked up on defense like they do most years. Davis offers a big threat to larger receivers. The biggest problem here was the defense and being 5th against the run, yet 30th against the pass certainly shows where the problem is. The possibility of a rookie starting for the team in 2016 is very large. One thing about Davis that stands out the most is his rough character and his determination to attack the ball. He is predicted to be a future hall of famer along with the future of the steel curtain.

Browns: Corey Coleman-WR. As always the Browns are under a new reconstruction plan under Hue Jackson’s plan. They already got Robert Griffin III, now it’s time to rejuvenate his career with a sharp, clean wideout from the draft. He could be one of the best picks from the draft. He is not very tall which isn’t always a negative when you have the speed of Coleman. Coming in with a 4.37 in the 40 yard dash, Coleman was definitely one of the best receivers in the draft.

The AFC North is the toughest division in football hands down. It will be interesting to see who wins the AFC North crown this year. These rookies should add some impact to the division in one way or another.





## Top Three New Hampshire Hikes

By Corey Mills

As we move from spring to summer, hiking in New Hampshire becomes much more popular. The Northeast is a very popular area to go hiking because of all the history and scenic views. There are plenty of spots to go hiking, but there’s a select few that can’t be missed.

1. Mount Monadnock - This is one of the most famous hiking mountains in the world and definitely can’t be missed when you’re in the New Hampshire area. The hike consists of various routes to be taken, but the most common is the Lollipop Loop which is about 4.4 miles long. Since the mountain isn’t very big, Monadnock attracts not only experienced hikers, but also beginner hikers.
2. Mount Major - This mountain is a very popular hiking spot with a great view of Lake Winnepesaukee. The hike is around 4 miles and about 1150ft in elevation. There is known to be some traffic on the main trail but that shouldn’t stop you from hiking this mountain. This is a great hike for all ages and experience levels because it is considered a moderately easy hike.



3. Mount Washington - A very famous place for hiking in New Hampshire is Mount Washington, mainly because of it’s size. The peak of the mountain is 6289 ft which makes it the highest peak in the Northeast. There are multiple trails to hike, ranging from 8.4 miles to 15.8 miles in length. It’s better to leave this hike to the more experienced due to its length and the dramatic change of weather anytime in the year.

Overall, there are plenty of mountains to choose from in New Hampshire that would be a great hike but these are some of the most popular and common.



## Why is Prom So Expensive?

By Ryann Bailey

As the school year starts to come to a close and prom approaches, the question on everybody’s mind is, “Why is prom so expensive?” Today, high school students drop ridiculous amounts of money just on this one special night, but where does all the money go?

To start, tickets are where you begin spending money. This year at Timberlane, tickets are \$65 for one or \$120 for two. This seems like a lot, but it’s about the average price for a prom ticket across the board. Ticket prices usually depends on how well your class fundraises, so if you want cheap tickets, get involved and help raise some cash!

Boys have a bit of an easier job than girls just because they have less to buy. On average, boys spend about \$150 to rent their tux for the night. Unless, of course, you’re senior, Tafadzwa Zhou, who will be wearing a decorative array of Versace, Louis Vuitton, Gucci and Hermes. Typically, boys also buy the boutonniere and corsage which is about \$30 to \$35 for both. Also in all fairness, often times boys will buy both tickets if they are going with a girlfriend or underclassman but not always.

Now for the girls... To start off, girls shop until they find the perfect dress which can cost anywhere from \$200 to \$1,000 including alterations. Most girls then have to find shoes to match their dress which is usually about another \$30 according to several girls in the senior class. But it doesn’t end here, girls make nail, hair, and makeup appointments which can be up to \$200 in total to get ready for the big night. Many girls go tanning as well in preparation and memberships can be very pricy at tanning salons. There’s a lot that goes into a girl’s prom night and it adds up quick!



Prom is a fun time that everyone looks forward to their senior year, but it does leave quite a dent in your wallet. But in all reality, prom is something that’s important to our graduates-to-be here at Timberlane, so spend all the money you want and enjoy the night- after all you only get your senior prom once!

## Prince’s Death Pierces the Hearts of Many

By Justin Prak

Prince Rogers Nelson (June 7th, 1958 - April 21st, 2016) was an American singer, songwriter, and actor. He was known for his flamboyant style and his overall talent as a musician.

His style as a musician ranged from funk, rock, R&B, new wave and pop, making Prince a uniquely versatile artist. He has sold over 100 million records worldwide, making him one of the best selling artist of all time. All of his albums were phenomenal, but his most renowned albums were Purple Rain and Prince, which gave him widespread acclaim and accumulated up to 100 million dollars in sales.

With all of the accolades and awards he’s won, there’s no wonder that his death strikes the hearts of many. His career as a musician spoke to almost everyone during his time and continues to rattle through the years.

Prince was found dead in his Paisley Park estate in Minnesota; since then, many stories emerged about his death. Many claim that Prince was abusing prescription drugs due to him making an appointment with a doctor for more types of prescription drugs and dying at an early age of 57, whereas others claim that Prince has always led a strict healthy lifestyle. Arguments against his abuse of drugs state that he was a Jehovah witness and had a “swear” jar. There is no evidence sufficient enough to claim his cause of death, since it can takes weeks for autopsy to report the findings. Prince died with no will, meaning that each of his family members will have a fraction of his estate.



Prince will always be remembered as one of the greatest musicians of all time and will continue to impact people who listen to him for many years.



# Class of 2016





# Senior Cruise





## Senior Memories

By Tafadzwa Zhou and Ally Ruth

The last day of school is approaching, and the 2015-2016 school year is coming to an end. As seniors start to get ready for prom, graduation and plan for college, they reminisce on their moments here at Timberlane.



There are an abundance of unforgettable memories that the seniors of class 2016 share together but here are a few of the most common:

Toga day. Toga day is the final day of spirit week where the seniors dress in togas while the juniors, sophomores, and freshmen all wear their class color. For many people, this day is a day that will never be forgotten. Senior, Amanda Berry, found this day to be one of her favorite memories, especially the pep rally. “It was the last spirit week pep rally the seniors will ever get to participate in and it was a fun time” said Amanda.

Winning a state championship. Throughout the past four years, there have been many state championships that athletes have brought back to Timberlane. Whether it be in wrestling, softball, track, swimming, etc. championships are something that most remember for the rest of their lives. President of the class of 2016, Kate Hoadley, won the Division 1 Softball State Championship as a freshmen. “You find out what you’re made of when you’re put into a position like a championship. Ultimately, the team that wins is the team that plays together. That day we played together, and it’s the intangibles like that, that make the best memories” said Hoadley.

Spirit week dance. At the end of every spirit week, the school holds a dance that all classes are able to attend. It’s usually held on a Saturday night, and is a time for everyone to come together and wrap up the awesome and fun week that they had. “The music was great, dancing is always fun and it’s even better when you get together with a lot of people in the school and just have a good time” said senior Chad Ripley.

With just a month left, the seniors still have many events to look forward to including; senior cruise, prom, distribution of yearbooks, award ceremonies, and many more. Graduation is set for June 11th, where the class of 2016 will all be together for the final time. Time may be dwindling down, but from now until then, the senior class will continue to make memories together that will most certainly last a lifetime.

## Where Do We See Our Classmates Next Year?

By Ashley Cioto and Olivia Heffernan

Looking ahead at your future can be such a scary thing to do. Your future years are unwritten and it is unknown where you will go, what your career will be, who you will marry and more unanswered questions because you have yet to experience these events. Currently, seniors know where they will be attending college and have an idea of what they would like to do in the future. Some seniors know exactly what they would like to be in the future and others and unsure. It is okay to not know what you want to do in the future, however some students are on the track toward a career they will love.

Senior classmate Bethany Sargent will be attending Boston University in the fall to study cellular biology on the pre-med track. Bethany works so hard in and out of the classroom and it has paid off. She will also be competing on the Boston University cheerleading team. If you could pick one person to be the most excited for college, it would be Bethany.

Another classmate, Kiley Broadhurst, is super excited to be attending Eckerd College in beautiful St. Petersburg, Florida. Kiley is in her element where there is warm weather. This location suits Kiley perfectly and you know she will be so successful when she is in this environment.

Jon Breed will be attending Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina. He will be a part of their soccer team. Jon is more than happy to continue playing his favorite sport throughout college. He has put many hours of practice into soccer and all of his time and dedication sure will pay off. At Clemson University, Jon will have great success in both his academics and soccer career!

Another senior classmate, Meghan Tarr, is more than excited to be attending Franklin Pierce University next year. Meghan will be staying in the beautiful New Hampshire at Franklin Pierce with Rindge being her future home. She plans on majoring in communications and is striving to be a news reporter in the future. Meghan is also planning to run track for the school as well. She is excited to continue what she loves to do and run for the team. With hard work and dedication, Meghan is sure to have success at Franklin Pierce!



Those graduating who are choosing to attend post high school education have come so far to get to this point. The class has worked since elementary school to be at the age to graduate and now it is here. Whether it be for a major, a location, or a sport you love, the future is so exciting and holds so much for the graduating class of 2016 at Timberlane Regional High School.

## The Places You’ll Go

By Jessica Buckley

As graduation comes around, seniors tend to have their plans after high school set in place. There is a variety of things students can do after they graduate. They can continue on to a university or community college, take a gap year, serve in the military or even just start working. At Timberlane this year, many students are excited for their highly anticipated future to kick off.



Allie Rogers has made her commitment to play volleyball at Colby Sawyer College. She is going into school undecided but plans on majoring in psychology. Rogers is very excited saying, “I can’t wait to see what the school has to offer for me.” For Rogers, playing volleyball in college was a dream and now it is coming true!

Ryan Reynolds chose the University of New Hampshire to spend the next four years. He is going to major in Computer Engineering. When Reynolds was asked if he was excited about attending UNH next year his response was, “yeah, wicked.” University of New Hampshire is a popular choice for students graduating because of location and in-state tuition.

Bethany Sargent has decided to attend Boston University. Sargent knew that BU was her top choice since very early on in the application process, applying early decision to the school. On top of studying cellular biology on the pre-med track, Sargent will be competing on the BU cheer team, “I am so excited to be competing with such a talented group of girls. It’s always been kind of a distant dream to cheer in college and it’s surreal that I actually reached it.”

Liam Kimball is committed to the University of Massachusetts Lowell to run track and cross country. He is very excited to be able to continue his running career at a school that is a perfect match for him academically. Kimball is very ambitious stating, “I look forward to running faster and getting smarter, booyah.”

Emilee Nathan is also going to attend the University of New Hampshire. She will be majoring in mechanical engineering and hopes to minor in Spanish as well. Nathan states, “I am looking forward to meeting new people and having a great college experience.”

Kara Torrey is going to the University of Rhode Island. Torrey is planning to major in pharmaceutical sciences. Alongside many others, Torrey is thrilled to go to college saying, “I’m really excited to attend URI in the fall and start the next steps towards my future.”

I am sure that all these students will go on to do great things. Although their chapter at Timberlane is over, another one is just beginning. Good luck to all of the students in the Class of 2016 as they continue on their paths in life.



## Best Songs Throughout The Years

By Eli Sorensen and Alex Passafiume

Music is an essential piece to our everyday lives. Throughout the years, songs and music artists have come and gone. However, there are still those certain songs that we will never forget from our childhood, those songs that bring you back to a certain time in a certain place, and those songs that you haven’t heard in years, but still remember all the words. When you hear them, they put a smile on your face and make you jam out. These are just a few of the hits from fourth grade to high school that you will never forget.

Fourth grade was the year that you first had your own music independence. You finally downloaded some music off of iTunes to your brand new iPod touch or iPod Nano, if you didn’t get one for your birthday. You were sick and tired of Mommy’s 80’s pop music and Daddy’s classic rock. This is when your new favorite radio station was KISS 108. There are many songs that defined this age, but in 2009, the three songs that every kid knew were “Fire Burning” by Sean Kingston, “Party In The USA” by Miley Cyrus, and the infamous “Tik Tok” by Ke\$ha. These songs were staples in the life of a young elementary aged kid. If you didn’t listen to these songs you’re lying to yourself.

By the time middle school rolled around, you were an experienced music listener, regularly downloading from iTunes, and for the technologically advanced, Limewire. By this time, Bieber fever had infected just about every girl on the planet after Justin’s song “Baby” was released. Though there was a lot of popular music, people’s tastes started to become more independent. Some liked more alternative music, some still liked popular, some liked some harder rock. The three songs that everyone knew in middle school though were “Call Me Maybe” by Carly Rae Jepsen, “Sexy And I Know It” by LMFAO, and “Just The Way You Are” by Bruno Mars. These songs were played 24/7. You couldn’t go more than a day without hearing one of them, especially, “Just The Way You Are.” That song was just about every young couple’s “romance song.” These songs were what defined the music of middle school.

Once high school hit, the cliques that people hang with are as strong as they will ever be. But considering that people’s interest vary, there is a general appreciation for today’s hits, some far more catchy than others, and it is nearly impossible to escape from hearing the same songs over and over. Whether you play sports or play an instrument, pop songs will ultimately stay stuck in your head.

Freshman year comes around and there are now monthly Holy Angels dances left to attend, so you are forced to listen to the pop songs in the car or potentially at some of the school events. Some despise pop music, but it is nearly impossible to escape the wrath of pop tunes in a school environment. The hottest tracks of 9th grade where “Radioactive” by Imagine Dragons, “Blurred lines” by Robin Thicke and what seemed to be the most overplayed song known to man “THRIFT SHOP” by Macklemore.

Sophomore year, students started getting their license, so the increase of gatherings and no longer relying on your parents for rides allowed the increase for diversity of music. “Summer” by Calvin Harris, “Habits” by Tove lo and “happy” by Pharrell Williams.

Nearly every student has their license junior year and student’s cars typically had similar music playing in them. Some of the songs you probably heard on hundreds of occasions are “Take me to Church” by Hozier, “Trap Queen” by Fetty Wap or “Hello” by the Adele.

Senior year, the most fun you will have in high school, comes with the best music from your childhood, pre-teen and early adult age. With so much music exposure, many have acquired a specific taste, but the pop songs that play at every dance, every prom and every single time you turn on the radio where “Pillowtalk” by Zayn, “679” by Fetty Wap and the party jam of the year, “Hit the Quan” by iloveMemphis.

All of the songs named in this article come with specific memories, and when they come on, many can’t help to reminisce on the not so distant past. As time passes, the music will change and eventually the music that plays on throwback stations will be “Tik Tok” by Kesha. Who knows, “Party in the USA” may be considered an oldie or maybe “Thinking Out Loud” by Ed Sheeran will be the next “Stairway to Heaven.”

So the next time you listen to that old song on your iTunes, take time to think about how much you have grown and how much has changed in so little time.



## Self reflecting on the memories from the past

By Nicole Marquis

“Take care of all your memories. For you cannot relive them.” Bob Dylan

Every person in the senior class is going to leave with good and bad memories to carry with them through life. Right now, you are probably wanting to leave Timberlane as quick as you possibly can, but remember to enjoy the moments. You are going to have these memories to reflect on for the rest of your life.

As graduation is creeping upon us, we have to remember to enjoy every minute of it. As seniors, we need to remember to live each moment to its fullest potential.

Each memory means something to you. From stumping the upper classmen by chanting “We can't hear you” at the pep rally our freshman year or losing a fellow classmate, we have to keep these memories close to us. Each memory has shaped us for who we are today and will continue to change us through the years.

The memories that we have formed individually and together as a whole, as Bob Dylan said, cannot be relived. Just remember to enjoy your last days of high school and take the memories with you because they last for a lifetime. Congratulations Seniors... WE DID IT!

# Congratulations Class of 2016!!!





## Endless Summer Fun

By Jourden Sandner and Megan Bourque

Summer is almost here, which means it’s time to start making a summer bucket list. Summer goes by in the blink of an eye, so it’s important to make the most of it by planning ahead of time. Whether it’s getting some fresh air or catching a movie, there is always something to do in New England.

If you’re looking for things to do outdoors, there are many fun places to go to get some fresh air. One of the best places to catch some sun and be closer to nature is the beach. Popular beaches in the New Hampshire/ Maine area include Hampton, Salisbury, Rye, and Ogunquit. Another fun outdoor activity is camping. Camp along the Saco River either in Conway, NH or up in Saco, Maine and enjoy a peaceful time camping or kayaking. You can also go to Monkey Trunks in either, Chocorua, NH, Weirs Beach, NH or Saco, ME and have fun on the rope climbing obstacle course.

Looking for an adventure? Go on a road trip and experience other parts of New England. If you like horseback riding, you can go horseback riding at Verrill Stables in Danville. Other fun places to visit include amusement parks and waterparks. Some popular parks are Canobie in Salem, New Hampshire and Water Country in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. These are just a few of the many ways to enjoy the summer weather and get some fresh air.

A lot of summer activities occur outdoors but when the weather is not so nice or too hot, there are lots of options for indoor activities. If you love to shop, there are so many places you can go. A few options include the Kittery Outlets, Merrimack Outlets, and the Loop in the Methuen. The outlets always have good prices and sales that you just can’t miss out on. The Loop in Methuen is both a shopping place and an AMC Theatre. It also has a variety of restaurants to choose from such as Olive Garden, Not Your Average Joe’s, and Margaritas Mexican Restaurant.

If shopping isn’t for you, there are still many other summer activities to do indoors. The New England Aquarium and Museum of Science in Boston offer fun and excitement for the whole family. Visit Launch Trampoline Park in Methuen and have fun while getting exercise. You can also go bowling at Park Place Lanes in Windham. Like to game? Visit Jay Gee’s in Methuen, MA and play games in the arcade. With so many things to do indoors, there is almost no excuse to stay home.

Although it can be hard to make plans during the summer, whether it’s rainy or sunny there is an endless list of things to do. From amusement parks to museums to just going to the beach, you can always be sure to find something to do. Whatever you do with your summer, make sure you make it count. There are only so many days in summer, and you don’t want to waste it.



## The Reality of Tanning Beds

By Francesca Iacozzi and Bridget Kelly

Prom is approaching quickly and everyone wants to have that nice, bronze, sunkissed look. But there’s one problem: it’s still cool out and the sun is still hiding behind the clouds. No one wants to throw on their bathing suits only to go outside and freeze and not get the results that they want. But is tanning in a tanning bed the best way to get that perfect tan?

While indoor tanning appears to be a very convenient solution, as one session only takes about 5-15 minutes compared to hours in the sun and you can control how tan you want to become, there are truly more consequences than positives.

Although prom is coming quickly and you have to have that perfect tan to look amazing in your dress, a tanning bed is not the way to go. A tanning bed gives off special types of UV light; they are designed to give off more levels of UVA and less levels of UVB, which helps your skin release melanin which is a pigment that makes you appear tan even if you don’t go out in the sun.

Tanning booths are a very controversial subject; they are banned in certain parts of the world. Brazil was actually one of the first country to ban them completely. Tanning beds increase your chance of getting cancer by 75% and can cause the deadliest type of cancer, Melanoma. Tanning beds also dry out your skin and can cause sunburns. Getting a sunburn just twice a year can triple your chances of getting Melanoma- you don’t even have to be peeling or blistering, just being pink or red caused by too much exposure of UV can triple your risk. Even if the redness only lasts a day or two, you still have taken in too many UV rays and have damaged your skin. It ages your skin and causes the elasticity in your skin to diminish faster, so is being tan worth all the wrinkles and an ageing face later in life? If you’re tanning in a tanning bed in order to increase your Vitamin D, there are plenty of other ways to receive Vitamin D, like taking a pill or going for a walk in the sun. There are also lights that give off Vitamin D so you don’t hurt your body.



Tanning lotions are another way to get that natural tan look. If you’re scared of looking orange, try a different brand or get a spray tan; they are healthier for you and will get you that bronzing look you want without all the risks. Although tanning beds are very quick to get the results you want; isn’t it slightly concerning it only takes five minutes to get that same golden tan as it would take you to get hours out in the sun. Your body absorbs in five minutes more UV rays than you would get from being in the sun for hours. Tanning beds can also increase the rate at which you get brown spots or ageing spots. Do you really want to be 40 with wrinkles, ageing spots, sagging skin, and cancer?

## Hacky Sack Trending

By Derek Short and Tyler Furey

Hacky sack is a game that is non-competitive and it has taken hold over TRHS this year.

All you have to do is vibe with the sack. The rules are simple, just keep the ball in the air using anything but your hands. The trend took an uphill climb after more and more groups began “sacking” around school. Anyone can try and play; you don’t need to be good, but if you’re playing in a group that is serious, I’d watch them for a little bit before stepping in. Teachers don’t condone playing in the halls, so students that have a free period usually play in the courtyard.

This game has actually gotten much bigger than just something to pass time in between classes. Worldwide, It has become a sport is actually quite exciting to watch. Instead of just a game where you and your peers are in a circle volleying the sack back and forth, there is now a net that the sack must volley over. There is a team on each side of the net and the objective is to not let the sack touch the ground without using your feet.

The hacky sack has transformed into a much bigger game than just kicking the sack back and forth. There are competitive teams and leagues. Just like many other popular sports; it started from a very small group of people with an idea when they were bored.





## Best Beaches in New England

By Meaghan Pelletier and Ryan Reynolds

Whether you’re looking for breathtaking sunsets, delicious seafood, or snorkeling and diving, New England definitely has the beach for you! With 473 miles of shoreline, there are many options when it comes to what you’re looking for.

Take a trip to Martha’s Vineyard if you want a family friendly environment. Joseph Sylvia State Beach, a popular family spot during the summer, has small waves that are child friendly. The beach is about 2 miles long, so there is plenty of room to find a spot to camp out for the day. However, being early is key because it tends to get very busy.

If you’re looking for an adventure, head over to Ocean Avenue near Walker’s Point in Kennebunkport, Maine. It is an amazing place to explore the wonders of the water. Home to various crabs, starfish, and other sea life, it is a popular place to snorkel and dive. You might also catch a glimpse of the wreck of the British steamer, Wandby, that sank in 1921. Make sure you set a dive flag to tell others where you are before going down to check it out.

Hampton Beach in Hampton, New Hampshire is known for its outstanding sandcastle competitions. The Master Sand Sculpting Competition attracts people from all over the country to showcase their talents. The competition begins on June 21st, and the sculptures can be viewed up until July 8th.

“The kids love it,” said John Kane of Hampton Beach Village District, “We’ve got ducks, it’s one of the little themes we have. In the past, we’ve had Avengers, and the kids really identify with all the different sculptures.”

If you want to be blown away by what some people can sculpt out of sand, make sure to check it out because it will be nothing like you’ve ever seen before.

Surfing seems to have become very popular among New Englanders. Marconi Beach at the Cape Cod National Seashore has arguably some of the best waves around. It draws many people to its offshore waters on a warm summer day. A calm day has swells of about 3 feet, but waves up to 16 feet aren’t unusual, making it a great place for people of all skill levels.

With so many different options, it is hard to pick just one beach to visit. In New England, the opportunities are endless. Get out there and explore what these hundreds of miles of coastline have to offer!



## How To Achieve A Worthwhile Summer

By Olivia Heffernan

Summer. The season that everyone looks forward to because of beautiful weather, no school, and less responsibilities. Many people enjoy the outdoors during this season because the weather is so nice. Common places to enjoy summer include lake houses, beach houses, or just day trips to local adventurous locations.

Going to Lake Winnepesaukee is a common trip where people enjoy days on the boat, swimming, and the lake life. Going to the beach is another fun trip with beaches just thirty minutes away. Hampton, Salisbury, Plum Island, and Seabrook are a hit for those hot beach days. Day trips in the outdoors of New England can be some of the most enjoyable days of the year.

There are also many ordinary summer activities. Kayaking can be another great day trip that is a hard workout but loads of fun. Just two hours up north, there are many kayaking routes along the Saco River. The routes can vary in length and can take a minimum of a couple hours to an entire day.

Another fun activity to do up north is renting a pontoon boat. Sebago Lake in Maine and Lake Ossipee in New Hampshire have rentals that don’t require a boater’s license, only a driver’s license and an age requirement. This makes for the best and most worthwhile summer day.

There is so much to do by the beach other than simply tanning, playing in the sand, and going in the water. Many people like to wake up at the crack of dawn in order to see the sunrise over the water or stay at the beach later to see the sunset. This is a hot spot for photoshoots for friends.

Families and friends love to indulge in beach pizza or seafood by the beach. Eating meals in the sand can be very common when the weather is up to par.

Another hit activity for nice summer days is hiking. There are hiking trails as close as the Pawtuckaway fire tower in Nottingham, NH to Mount Major in Alton, NH to Mount Chocorua in Albany, NH. Ranging from lowest elevation to highest elevation, the views just keep getting better. These are all worth it because the views are breathtaking and at the same time, you are enduring a great workout. Some hiking trails, like Diana’s Bath in Bartlett, NH, have water holes that you can swim in after a long hike. Hiking is definitely worth it, whether it be for the workout, the view, or just an adventurous summer day.

Be sure to make the most of your summer by doing outdoor activities. They can be as simple as hanging out by the pool to the numerous activities listed above. Make your summer worthwhile and relaxing before the next school year begins!





## How to manage your money

By Zach Thibeault

Managing your money is tough for anyone, let alone for high schoolers who don't have a lot of money to spend anyways. Spending all of your money right away is hard not to do when you get a paycheck. Things you desire start popping through your head and the next thing you know, you've spent it all. Here are a few pointers on how to manage your money so that you don't blow through it and end up broke again.

To save up money in your bank account, deposit your checks directly into your savings account so that you don't see the money you've made right away. To do this, you can have the option of direct deposit, so you only get a check slip instead of your actual check, but not everywhere offers this. This does not let your compulsive shopping disorder get the best of you.

Another method to manage your money is to create a budget for yourself. A budget is how much you plan to spend in an amount of time. This allows you to still spend some of your money but not all of it. Budget all of the things you think you will need to spend your money on, and then separate these items into your wants and needs. A want could be a new car, even though you already have one; a need would be food or gas for your car.

Now you have narrowed down what you can spend your money on to be able to save up your account for your future.



## How to Study for Finals

By Kelsie Collins and Zach Thibeault

As we all know, when it comes to studying, no one wants to do it. For some, it comes a lot easier than it does for others, but studying can be very time consuming. You get what you give; if you want an A, you need to put in the time and effort to earn it.

There are many methods to studying to make it a little easier. Note cards are used when it comes to remembering information such as vocabulary; it's even used for memorizing sentences. Senior Jacob Donovan says, "Every test I study for, I try to always incorporate flashcards. They help me to be able to study anywhere and everywhere because they're easy to carry around." At some points, if you don't have enough knowledge of a topic, grab a textbook or your notes and read over the chapters until you know what you're studying. Finals are an overview of everything you've done so far, so previous tests and quizzes may help for studying. Practicing old homework assignments can also help.



Most importantly, when it comes to studying, you need time management. Being able to manage your time is important when studying, plan in advance so you know when you have free time to study. Staying organized is an important tool to learning information; if you aren't organized, you will be scrambling around looking for your notes and it will be hard to memorize the information. Lastly, having the motivation and the will to study will help you achieve a pleaseable grade. Studying isn't a hard task as long as you put even the slightest bit of effort in. If you want something, you go get it. If you care about getting a good grade, you need to earn it.

## Stopped Caring About A Week Ago

By Bailey Schott

Sweeping through high schools all across the nation is the most vicious disease known to seniors. It's that time of year where graduation is almost in the grasp of the students and the deadly SENIORITIS sets in. Senioritis stricken schools know exactly what this is, but for those of you who don't, I will delve into it a little bit.

Defined by Merriam Webster, "senioritis is a decline in motivation by students in their final year of high school or college." Put in simpler terms, it is not wanting to do any work and the desire to be done with school. The symptoms include inflammation of the whining gland, excessive tardiness, classroom fatigue, etc. It is the itch for summer that is felt every year of school; however, it is amplified ten times as a senior because you get to look forward to a new chapter.

Senioritis is completely inevitable, no matter how many A's you get on your report card or your class rank, you are bound to get it, so there is no way to avoid it. However, there are some actions you can take to minimize your symptoms, starting with taking it day by day. Time has a way of going by slowly if you are constantly looking to the future; taking it day by day will allow yourself to forget how many days of school are left.

The next action you can take is to talk to your teacher. Something you can ask about might be a senior project. It is easier to stay interested and put effort into a big project rather than just busy work. It also helps pass the time faster if you are working on a deadline. Another thing you could ask about are privileges. For example, some teachers may encourage students to do their best, and as a reward if they earn an A in the final quarter they can be exempt from the final exam. This is very appealing to most students and forces them to put their best forth until the final day of school.

If all else fails, the final question you can ask your teacher is for an outside class. The sun is out, the weather is beautiful, getting outside will get rid of your anxiousness to get outside, and it will be easier to focus if you aren't fidgety.

Senioritis is utterly unavoidable. With just over three weeks left, I am quickly figuring this out for myself. But by taking a few of these actions, the symptoms of senioritis can be nullified or reduced. If none of these steps work, then you are too far gone and are a lost soul.





Future roommates?

By Corey Mills and Cassie Lee

Choosing a college roommate is a big deal for many as they go into the next chapter of their life. This is the person you are probably going to be living with for a whole year. There are 3 ways of finding a roommate- you can room with a friend, find someone online or by using the college questionnaire for a randomly selected roommate that has similar answers. There are many questions you should ask when trying to find a roommate.

The easiest way to find a roommate is just rooming with a friend from high school. Rooming with a friend you already know can remove stress from rooming with someone you do not know. Also, it will be much easier to communicate with them and go shopping for dorm supplies.

While rooming with friends can be fun there are some positives to rooming with a random student because you can expand your social circle and maybe be a new best friend. When trying to find a roommate online, you can use social media. Many people will join their college class Facebook page and post a paragraph about themselves. There are many people online, therefore, you can send them a message if you are interested in dorming with them.

A few questions you should ask before determining your roommate:

- What time do you go to bed/wake up at?
- Do you mind people coming over?
- What is your biggest pet peeve?
- What are your study habits?

Overall, finding a roommate can be difficult but also fun, you can meet many new people that are going to the same school as you. Finding a roommate with things in common will make your stay at college much easier.



Senior Checklist

By Allie Rogers

Senior year is by far the most stressful time of your high school career. It’s the year you choose where you want to further your education. To stay on top of your senior year, it’s crucial to know all of the deadlines for the upcoming year. For the juniors who are about to enter their final year here at Timberlane, here’s a must-have checklist for seniors who plan to attend college:

- Retake the SAT (if you wish to improve your score)
  - Finalize your college essay
  - Visit the colleges you want to apply to
  - Lookup early action/decision deadlines for your schools if you want to apply early (Usually in October or November)
  - Ask two of your teachers for letters of recommendation (usually by the end of
  - Finish your college applications and have your parents look over them
  - Send in all of your applications on time
  - Complete your FAFSA so you can get the most financial help possible
  - Apply for any and all scholarships you qualify for
  - Pay your senior dues
  - Order your yearbook as soon as possible
  - Plan for prom ahead of time by looking for dresses and tuxes
  - Find a date for prom as soon as possible so you can start planning
  - Make sure you have a nice cruise outfit (dresses for girls and collared shirt/khakis for boys)
  - Attend all of your accepted students days
  - If you’re interested in playing a sport in college, make sure you reach out to coaches
  - Pick the school that’s best for you
  - Pick your roommate
- if you meet someone you get along with well at your accepted students day or go random
- Enjoy your last summer before college

I hope this senior checklist has helped ease your stress about senior year. Senior year can be very overwhelming at times, but enjoy it before high school is over!



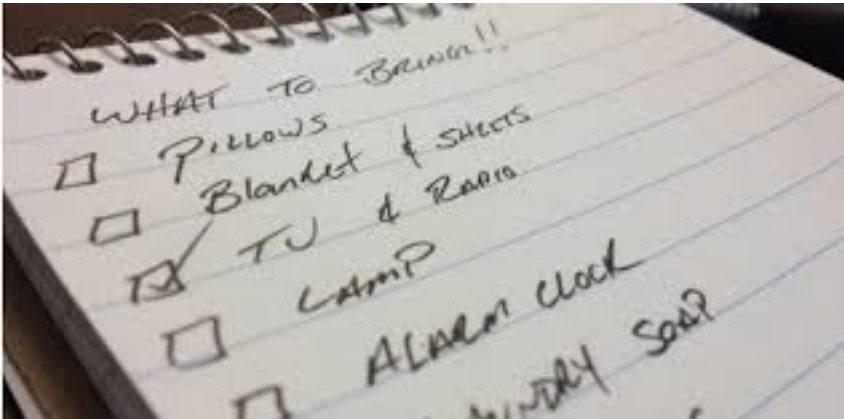
Top 10 Items to Bring to College

By Cassie Lee

College is a second home and you do not want to forget the things you may need. Moving to college is a time filled with anxiety and excitement. With all of these emotions, many people forget important items to bring to college. In order to avoid missing those key items, here is a list of 10 items that are important to bring.

1. Medicine- Students tend to get sick their first year of college. Be sure to bring a first aid kit containing bandages, allergy prescriptions, cold medicines and other necessary items.
2. Bed raisers- Storage is limited in college dorms. Some colleges do not allow students to loft beds; therefore, students can create more room for storage under the bed by adding bed raisers.
3. Professional attire- Even though a lot of college students like to live in sweats, they will sometimes need to do a presentation in front of the class or go to an interview.
4. Warm blankets or fans- In the dorm, air conditioners and heaters can be rare, and in some cases, even prohibited. This leads to room temperatures that can be either very cold or very warm. Make sure to bring extra blankets in the winter and fans in the summer.
5. Water bottle or pitcher- Staying hydrated is a must. It is always nice to have water in your room. Filtered bottles or pitchers can remove the bacteria thus you can drink clean water.
6. Powerstrips and extension cords- Outlet space is very limited in dorms. It is import to bring powerstrips and extension cords so you can charge all of your electronics. Powerstrips with surge protectors is a must to safeguard therefore it limits your voltage so no fires can start.
7. Tide-to-go stick- Every college student is prone to stains. Having a Tide-to-go stick or any other portable stain remover provides an easy way to remove stains- especially if you can’t get down to the laundry right away it can be a lifesaver.  
Shower flip flops- If your college has community bathrooms, the warm, moist environments like a communal shower often encourage the growth of germs such as Fungi. Avoid picking up an unwanted foot fungus and bring a pair of flip flops for the shower.
8. Mattress pad/mattress protector- The mattresses provided to you are usually very hard and unforgiving, so adding a mattress pad can give you more comfort. Also, adding a mattress protector can help prevent bed bugs.
9. Command hooks- Command hooks can save space by hanging items and clear up floor space. You can hang towels, jackets and other everyday items. Also you can hang keys so you do not lose them.

Bringing some of these items can improve your stay at your home away from home. Have fun in college!





### Views Album Review

By Noah Arteaga

As one of the most hyped albums of 2016, fans all over the world are reacting to Drake’s newest album, Views. It’s been over a week since the album was released and the album is number one on the Billboard 200s album chart. Drake sold a million copies of his album in the first couple of days of the album’s release. Now that it’s been over a week since the album came out, there are mixed opinions about the album.

Even though Drake sold over 1 million copies of his album, it does not mean that it is the best album ever, the reason is simply because of social media over hyping the album so much. After listening to the album countless number of times, the album consists of 8 good songs in the album, out of 20. And not all of these songs are fresh: people have already heard some of the album’s songs like Pop Style” or “One Dance,” so those songs are off the list. “Faithful” was also accidentally leaked so that would be out of the picture too.



Most people would agree that the album was below average for the standards Drake set for himself. As i listen to the album it is simply disappointing to what everyone was waiting for. I feel as if the beats in most of the songs aren’t really good at all plus some of the lyrics don’t make sense and don’t go good with the actual song. Comparing this album to albums such as Take Care or So Far Gone, Views is simply a downgrade from both of those albums.

People who are fans of Drake deserved a much better album than what he put out. Not only is the album below average, he had made people think that the album would be the best ever after pushing the release date of the album 2 months back, deceiving people to actually think his album would be good. Don’t get me wrong, there is still some quality songs on the album such as “Too Good” “Controlla,”and “Still Here,” but the fact is that people were expecting something much more than 7 or 8 good songs. The album is a 5 out of 10.

### Always Strive And Prosper Review

By Stone Cashin

Due to Drake releasing Views just 9 days after Ferg released the absolute banger of an album called Always Strive And Prosper, the album has stayed under the radar. Here is my reflection on A\$AP Ferg’s brand new album.

Ferg’s sophomore album was nothing like his first. Ferg expresses his feelings a lot more but he also leaves room to put in those bangers you can listen to in the car with all your friends and you can really jam to. Ferg released his album on April 20th with 18 tracks, three of which are conversations, one with his uncle, another with his grandmother, and the last was a phone call with Chris Brown. The fifteen songs are all really good; all the songs have meaning or are songs you would enjoy listening to if you are an A\$AP fan. If you are not a fan of the A\$AP Mob, you should really take a listen to this album.

Ferg got a lot of other rappers to be in his album with him which are known as features. Some of his features were Schoolboy Q, Rick Ross, A\$AP Rocky, Chris Brown, Future, Big Sean, and Ty Dolla Sign. I have only heard one song from the album on the radio, which is “New Level, the 7th track on Always Strive And Prosper. The song features Future and was released prior to the actual album drop. The song was also heard in the background to a Steph Curry highlight tape on Sports Center. A\$AP Ferg is finally being released to the public instead of the usual rap fans that do research and finding it.

Overall, I would seriously recommend this album. Although some of the songs aren’t catchy and in your face like his previous songs, every song has meaning to it and the lyrics actually make sense which is hard to come by now. Ferg did an incredible job finalizing his second album and I recommend anyone to listen to it.



### Call of Duty 4 Remastered

By Galen Morrill and Justin Prak

In addition to the new Call of Duty Game (Infinite Warfare), a remake of Infinity Ward’s Call of Duty Modern Warfare will be added into the game as a DLC (Downloadable Content).

Since the game’s first release in November 2007, Modern Warfare has been favorited the most out of any other Call of Duty. Gamers today still play the original COD 4, especially because the multiplayer servers are still open.



The remake of Modern Warfare has gamers more excited for the DLC than the new Infinite Warfare game itself. The release date set for the new COD, along with the DLC, is November 4th this year. Both games will be accessible at the same time when the game is purchased. Call of Duty Infinity Warfare will come out for the PC, Xbox One, and PS4.

common question has gone around the forums that are leaving gamers a little bit dissatisfied. Will you be able to transfer all of your saved data from the original to the new game? The answer is no. According to, producers of the remastered game, “It’s just not possible, especially because we would need to make the game reverse compatible, which is not going to happen.”

The New COD has many players on the edge of their seats counting down the days until it is released. By getting rid of the exo suits, the game features the same movement style as previous games, but with different weapons, combat, and many other factors that gamers have not yet seen before. Could this game be up for the “Game of the Year” title?



## Captain America Civil War Review

By Stephen Morin and Josh Battistelli

There are a few spoilers for the new movie, Captain America: Civil War. There are two extra scenes in the credits; one in the middle of the credits and one at the end of the credits. Who knew Captain America would ever have to battle against Iron Man? The two characters have had trouble with each other in other Avengers movies, but still they’re supposed to be a team not fighting each other. In this new Avengers flick, there is a new law limiting a hero’s actions. Iron Man thinks it is a good idea to have the new law, but Captain America thinks differently. Team Iron Man (Iron Man, Black Panther, Vision, Black Widow, War Machine, And Spider-Man) and Team captain America (Captain America, Bucky Barnes, Falcon, Sharon Carter, Scarlett Witch, Hawkeye, and Ant Man) have an all out battle over the enforcement of the new law. A new evil villain emerges, as Zemo, who is a new type of evil who has traveled across the universe to find a new world to conquer. In order to be able to fight Zemo the two teams must set aside their differences and work with each other to be able to defeat the evil Zemo. Now we have to see if team Iron Man and team Captain America can work together to fight Zemo.

This is the first marvel movie that has Spider-Man and Ant Man join the Avengers. If you want to see this epic and intense battle for yourself go to the movies and watch it for yourself and experience the amazing action between these two powerful sides.



## Forget About Your Worries

By Jacob Donovan

Almost everyone knows the story of The Jungle Book. The first film was created back in 1967 but most people have seen the version from the early 90’s and the animated remake of the movie too.

Well now, they brought the story to life once more. This newly reimagined version of The Jungle Book was directed by Jon Favreau. He did an amazing job on this visually stunning take on the movie. The Jungle Book is about a community of animals surrounding a human boy named Mowgli. Mowgli was raised by wolves and grew up in the jungle but is being forced out by an evil tiger named Shere Khan. Guided by his guardian, Bagheera, and his new friend, Baloo, Mowgli has to overcome great odds and survive on his journey to find man.

This movie has some amazing voice actors including Ben Kingsley, Scarlett Johansson, Bill Murray and more. Out of all the versions of The Jungle Book that I have seen, this one blows them out of the water. The story is as good as ever and the visuals are stunning. It is action packed and at the same time a great movie for the whole family. With Rotten Tomatoes giving it a 95% enjoyment rating, I would definitely recommend this movie. I would personally rate this movie at a 9/10 and the best Jungle Book i’ve ever seen. You will be glad you saw it.



## Review: The Sound of Music

By Nicole Marquis

The Hills are alive for the Timberlane Players!

Thursday, May 5th- Saturday, May 7th, the Timberlane Players performed the well known musical The Sound of Music for the community at the Performing Art Center. The players performed in four shows over the three day span and each one proved that the players, pit and crew worked long and hard on making the show the best it can be.

Though what I saw in play was not quite the same as the movie version, it still kept the audience drawn in. When the song, “My Favorite Things” was performed in the play version, Maria, the main character, sang it with the head nun. In the movie version, Maria sang it to the Von Trapp kids to calm them down during a thunder and lightning storm.

My favorite part from the play was when Maria taught the Von Trapp kids to sing. This part showed us how the kids were kind of being robbed of their childhood, and this scene provided an uplifting, fun part for the audience to indulge in.

One thing I did notice through the show was that there were some mic difficulties, but it did not stop the show. As they say, the show must go on!





## Rumors spread over 50 Cent

By Brandon Dziedzic

Rumors of rapper Curtis Jackson, better known as his street name or rap persona, 50 Cent, allegedly filed for bankruptcy last June due to the release of a celeb tape scandal, which resulted in \$7,000,000 to Rick Ross’ baby mama, Lastonia Laviston. These testimonies have come out to be true, but his riches go beyond what the public eye sees.

Although 50 has lost a large sum of \$7 million, this still barely amounts to all the claims of him being broke and falling off the map. Altogether, 50 cent still possesses \$64,000,000 cash, \$10,000,000 in stocks and another \$184,000 a month, far from what the public claims he has.

A recent picture had been posted on his social media accounts, after all the rumors were thrown around, of 50 cent counting nearly 50 stacks of \$100 bills, all spelled out to say “Broke”.

In recent news, the rapper’s testimonials show that an ongoing rap beef with Compton rapper, “The Game” has been resolved. It all began with the song, “Hate It or Love It”. The Game had left a tweet to Young Buck, which was a publicity stunt, to regroup with the members of G-Unit. 50 is leaving the ordeal as just a trick to gain some attention right before G-Unit releases their new albums, “The Beauty of Independence EP”, followed by, “The Beast Is G-Unit last year.”

The only catch is the missing part to the deadly combination of these rappers, that being The Game. This gesture seems almost sincere, but the odds are unlikely to end up back together, as 50 cent still seems not too keen on the duo of The game and G-Unit to be a whole again. He states that after a decade, the magic that was all the rappers together was nothing but the past.

As 50 cent claims, that’s all these testimonies are, is just rumors, and that the public shouldn’t anticipate 50 cent releasing new work with The Game.



## Weekend Nachos offer no apology for final record

By Nick Valenzi

Chicago powerviolence veterans, Weekend Nachos, are suiting up to release their final record, Apology, which is being released on Relapse Records.

The band’s first release was a demo in 2004, and from there, they blew up into a staple in today’s powerviolence scene. To this date, they have released about 17 pieces of material. From full length records to splits, compilations and EPs. This upcoming record will be their first release since their Weezer cover 7” that came out in 2015 on Run For Cover Records (a label not known for releasing hardcore records). It will also be their first full length record since 2013’s Still.

The band’s sound consists of an extremely fast playing style, but unlike bands that play fast, Weekend Nachos do a good job keeping the headache-inducing sounds out of the production, which makes for a very smooth and crisp sound on record. Weekend Nachos is not like most powerviolence bands in the way that they have a groove to them. Most powerviolence bands are ridiculously fast and that’s it.

At times, Weekend Nachos includes more melodic parts in their music to mix in with the insanely fast playing that most songs are fully constructed of. The song has a heavy intro that is followed by one of the fastest, as well as heaviest drum patterns I’ve ever heard. The song then goes into a fast, yet melodic piece that is basically the rhythm of the song. The song’s ending has a very groove part that sums up the premier track and gets you ready for the other 12 songs to be released.

Weekend Nachos have gained high respect in the hardcore music scene. This will be their last release and they are currently on their final tour - which I’m excited to go to! If you’re thinking to yourself, “This band seems dumb, who would like them?” look no further than your own iPod. In 2011, the friendship between Fall Out Boy frontman Patrick Stump and Weekend Nachos grew when the celebrity and Chicago native recorded vocals on “Jock Powerviolence” from the record Worthless. It’s not the Patrick Stump you’re used to, so listen with risk. Then after, check out the new Weekend Nachos record!



## Pre and Post Prom Tips

By Austin Witley

Prom is right around the corner and that has a lot of people stressed out about many things; making your hair appointments and haircuts, whose house to take pictures at, where you are going after prom, and many other responsibilities. Follow these few simple tips and you are sure to have an enjoyable stress-free night.

The day before and the day of prom are going to be very stressful and rushed regardless of how well you plan. Because of this, it is a good idea to schedule all of your appointments and reservations sooner rather than later. If you do, it will give you more time in between, allowing you more time to relax and enjoy the day. Also, if there are any last minute things that you forgot, you can use that extra time accomplish them.

Probably the easiest responsibility you will have with this whole entire process is picking out your tux. While girls spend months searching for their dress, guys just wait for the color, and pick out a tux that matches that.

Corey Mills went for the always bold white tux. “I was just trying to be unique,” said Mills.

After prom, you will definitely have to make some plans with your friends! A few things you could possibly do after prom are go out to eat, go camping, go hiking, or just have some of your friends over your house. If you have a vacation home that is not too far away, you could try and have people up there for the weekend.

No matter what, if you are with some good friends, you’re sure to have a good time with whatever you choose to do.



## Can’t Stump the Trump

By Noah David

When late last summer Donald Trump released a video stating he was running for the Republican nomination, Cher jokingly tweeted, “IF HE WERE TO BE ELECTED, I’M MOVING TO JUPITER,” implying that he wouldn’t have a chance to be elected.

At that time last summer, that was the opinion of most political insiders. In August of 2015, The Guardian released an article named, “Here’s why Donald Trump won’t win the Republican nomination.” Then later they stated, “How meaningful is Donald Trump’s impressive lead in the polls, really? Not very meaningful, think most people in the know.” That was the general opinion held by many, that his poll numbers wouldn’t mean anything before the Iowa Caucus and the New Hampshire Primary. Then he won New Hampshire and stalemated Cruz in Iowa, showing he was a true political contender and he should be taken seriously.

With Trump going into the GOP National Convention with 1,350 delegates to Cruz’s 564 and Kasich’s 135, it’s obvious that the GOP voters have chosen their candidate but not the GOP political establishment.

Most of the GOP doesn’t back Trump and will do anything to stop him at the convention. “Here is the message. It doesn’t belong to you,” said conservative writer and analyst Doug Wead. “As in the case of the Democratic Party, it belongs to the insiders, the rich and powerful who make money from a rigged economy that favors a few at the expense of the many. Donald Trump is too independent and too unpredictable for them.”

In August of 2015 “However, we’re fairly agnostic about what will happen to Trump’s polling in the near term. It’s possible that he’s already peaked,” stated Nate Silver of fivethirtyeight.com. when Trump had not gained the legitimacy he fought so hard for.

With the media against him, GOP Political establishment, and the celebrities saying they will leave the country, who knows where we’ll be come next November.



## End Of School Year Survival Guide

By Jourden Sandner

Summer is almost here and you know what that means! Teachers are giving their last lectures and students are pretending to listen as they count down the minutes until they are free. Although it can be hard to focus at the end of the school year, there are a few ways to survive and keep your grades from dropping drastically. A few ways to do this include keeping an agenda book, forming study groups for finals, and keeping in touch with your friends.

One of the best ways to survive the end of the school year and stay motivated is to use an agenda book. The end of the school year can get hectic. Teachers assign a bunch of projects and there are always a lot of tests in the last few weeks of school. There are also many important events such as field trips or prom. In order to avoid forgetting important dates and lower stress levels, it is important to keep an agenda book to stay organized.

One downside of the end of the year is that finals are almost here. It might be the last thing students want to think about, but finals are important and can make or break your final grades. One way to make finals easier is to form a study group. Gather friends from each class and help each other prepare for finals. Make sure you take study breaks so that it doesn’t get too boring. You can also have everyone bring snacks so you have something to look forward to while studying. Although finals can be stressful, as long as you prepare, you will do great and have a great start to your summer. Lastly, one of the most important ways to survive the end of the school year is to stay in touch with friends. With all of the school related things to worry about, sometimes people forget to check up on their friends. Friends can be a major help and offer moral support when things get stressful. It is important to know when to take a break from studying and relax with friends. Studying can improve your grades greatly, but high levels of stress can have a negative impact on your grades. Sometimes the best thing to do is to take a break and think about how your hard work will pay off.

Although it is sometimes hard to wait for summer and get through the last days of school, make sure you make the most of it. Keep your grades up by using an agenda, forming study groups, and keeping in touch with friends. Before you know it the school year will be over and you’ll wonder where the time went. Summer is going to be great, so finish up the year strong so that you can enjoy your vacation. Goodluck and enjoy the rest of the school year!

## News on Deflategate

By Max Schlichte

As of May 2nd, the NFL’s suspension of Tom Brady has been reinstated. This ruling was made by Judge Richard M. Berman and seems to be the last laugh in this ongoing feud. The suspension was given to Tom Brady after a private investigator hired by the NFL found that it was “more probable than not that Brady knew about the tampering with footballs.” The only actual evidence against Brady is a text conversation between a locker room attendant and an equipment assistant about the conditions of the game balls.

During the conversation between locker room attendant, John Jastremski, and equipment assistant, Jim McNally, Brady’s name is brought up when discussing the air pressure levels of the game day footballs. In a later conversation, McNally refers to himself as the “deflator.”

Although it is not stated in the conversation, Brady seems to have strong ties to the change in equipment.

After the original suspension, Brady and the NFL Player’s Association took the NFL to court to debate the harsh punishment. After the suspension was overturned by Judge Richard M. Berman, the NFL appealed this decision continuing the ongoing lawsuit. Last week, the court of appeals came to a decision and upheld the NFL’s original punishment of a four game suspension. Brady and his team of legal advisors plan to continue their fight against the NFL.

Brady’s chances of winning this case now seem slimmer than ever as he filed an appeal with the US Court of Appeals after a panel of the court reinstated Brady’s four game suspension. Not satisfied with the 2 to 1 voting against him, Brady now wants the full court of up to 14 judges to hear his case.





# Please, don't leave us!!!

## Some parting words for our retirees...

### Mr. Dan Donnellan

“Dan has been a great mentor and neighbor to me over the past years. I am going to miss his advice, his guidance, and most of all his stories! I wish him nothing but the happiest retirement. His presence will be missed at Timberlane and in the Social Studies Department for a very long time.” ~ Kristin LeFebvre

“Dan was “The Answer Man.” Every time I had a question or concern he was ALWAYS there with the best suggestion possible. He was able to draw upon his 6,000 plus days of experience being a teacher. He transitioned from plan books and grade books to Power School!!! He taught through the 80’s, 90’s, 00’s, and into the 2016 year. I was lucky enough to EVENTUALLY get to know his amazing sense of humor and his limitless amount of compassion. Dan retiring is the equivalent of the New England Patriots retiring Tom Brady. The team will never be the same and nobody will ever be able to accomplish what he was able to accomplish during his extraordinary career. May all your days be filled with joy and happiness.” ~ Daniel Joyce

“Anyone who has ever had Mr. Donnellan as a teacher, and anyone who has worked here in the past three decades, recognizes his tremendous passion for history, his consistent effort, and his extreme talent. He is one of the most engaging and confident instructors I have ever had the pleasure of observing. I will miss his laugh, his humor and his sincerity.” ~ Don Woodworth

“The hallways will feel empty without Dan’s big personality. He was one of the first people I met at TRHS and has never shied away from giving me advice or his two cents. His work ethic is not something that he would boast about, but every day since I’ve known Dan he has shown up and done his best. I’ve valued having him as a colleague and next year’s students will be missing out on a fantastic teacher.” ~ Matt Hunter

“I will miss reminiscing with Dan about Berlin and the good old days, I will also miss his big smooches that he gives when I see him!” ~ Heather Roy

“Is an awesome history teacher because he tells the story makes connection/ personal for his students. Constantly amazed when i look at Facebook and see compliments and comments from hundreds of former students from generations.” ~Mr. Mealey

“Awesome sense of humor. Mr. Delcambre will miss him the most.” ~Mr. Delcambre

“He’s a legend to Timberlane. He’s impacted thousands of students and teachers. I can’t picture the building without him.” ~Senora Allen

“His influence goes far beyond the school walls.” ~Mrs. Blanchette

“Thank you so much for your guidance and support and the tissue box that I still have. I’ll always remember your grandfatherly ways.” ~Lauren Donahue

“Best wishes, Mr. D, we’ll miss you.” ~Mrs. Fitzpatrick

“Mr. D is the last of his generation, his kind. The teacher who can share his plethora of knowledge of the world which has come through personal experience or from years and years of practice. Mr. D dedicated his life to learning, experiencing, and teaching. All whom have had him as a teacher have come to remember him and his class and can only reflect with a smile. All of whom have come to know him as a friend and colleague have tremendous respect, trust, and love for him. If there was ever a time you needed sound advice, and not the wishy-washy kind, but real honesty or guidance...Dan is your go-to man. This building will feel quite empty without him not just next year but in many years to come. Thank you for your lifetime of service to teaching, Dan. Your students will never forget you. Thank you for always being the rock of Timberlane for all of us staff who will never forget you. With the utmost, love and respect.” ~ Tricia Moore



### Mrs. Kathy Elliot

“What I will miss most is her smiles! Kathy is always pleasant, helpful and approachable!” ~ Danielle Finnigan

“Warm wishes to Mrs. Elliot, who has long been a most welcoming, positive presence in our school. Her good cheer and uplifting spirit has made us all better for knowing her. She has EARNED her retirement through her tireless efforts at keeping the entire Special Education department running in tip top shape – no matter who the “boss” was or who the case coordinators were, Kathy has been the steady and she will be sorely missed!” ~ Bill Mealey

“Kathy is the cement that bonds us as a team and the vitality that keeps our department up and running. She has managed the mandated paperwork and patrolled deadlines and the dreaded stop signs popping up on the NHSEIS website. Her ability to coordinate a calendar for team meetings for 14 case coordinators with caseloads of 20 or more, and a half dozen other professionals with precision was nothing short of miraculous.” ~

“She is always kind, helpful. Always has a smile on her face, so pleasant, so sweet. We wish you the best in retirement!” ~ Senora Allen & Mrs. Blanchette



It will not be easy to fill such a role; for a little bit of a lady she wielded such an incredible presence. We will miss her smiling face, words of encouragement and the occasional and necessary “Oh, poor baby”. For her the best is yet to come, I wish her the best on her “Graduation!” Congratulations!” ~ Dr. Terri Demaine

“I’m going to miss Kathy’s “wicked cool” car that personifies her so well.” ~ Joan Barnard

“Please, Don’t Go!” ~ Toni Mealey

“Kathy has been the glue that has held the department together. If anything was ever needed, Kathy would be the one to go to. She will be greatly missed.” ~ Joyce Ferreira

“Kathy, you have been the glue that holds the department together. You have been the one constant in the special education office since I joined the department over 10 years ago. It will be difficult to replace you, but I wish you all the happiness pursuing the next chapter of your life. You will be missed.” ~ Tracy Matterson

“Kathy is the glue (and staples) that holds together the Special Ed department! Thank you for all you’ve done, Kathy, and I wish you a peaceful retirement!” ~ Justine Caron

“Kathy is always very helpful and thankful would help out when needed anything” ~Steve Delcambre

“I will miss Kathy’s smile, she has been a pleasure to work with and always puts who ever she is speaking with first. Will miss her giving me my Monday morning golf tips. I have enjoyed the last 20 years of memories looking forward to the next stage in our lives.” ~ Patti Mangini