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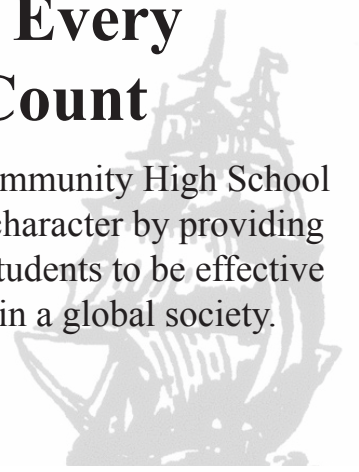


Senior
Edition

Argo Community High School 7329 W. 63rd St., Summit, IL 60501

Making Every Issue Count

The mission of Argo Community High School is to build intelligence and character by providing an education that prepares students to be effective citizens, able to succeed in a global society.



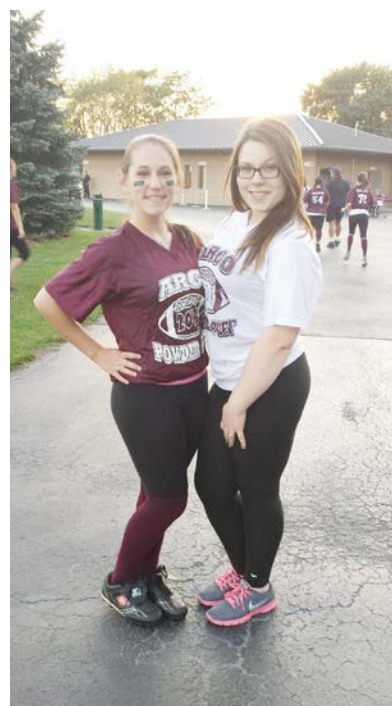
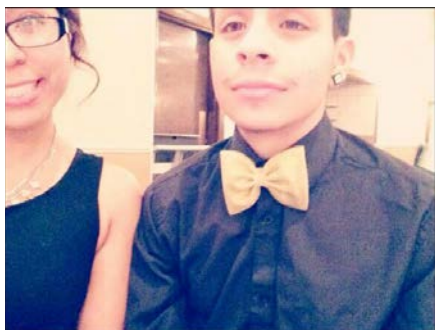
The Maroon Wishes the Best of Luck to the Class of 2015!

This issue of the paper is dedicated to the members of this year's graduating class. It's filled with your pictures and your memories. Have fun looking back on a great year!



Hey my fellow Argonauts. Here's a final farewell. Maybe not. Maybe we'll see each other again. This is to everyone I ever talked to in Argo thank you for making my high school experience so wonderful. You guys are now a very long lasting memory. To a very great four years to 2015... #NOREGRET

"Javy I wish you the best of luck and I hope we keep in touch!"
-literature buddies forever



"Thank you to all teachers for making this school year the best!" -Anonymous



I'm going to miss bowling for Argo. - Michael Orlos

2015

Well, high school was the greatest experience I had. it taught me so much, good and bad, and I'm grateful for everything. especially to all my teachers that pushed me into being successful. id like to thank you all for helping me graduate because if it weren't for you I'm pretty sure I wouldn't have graduated. High school was the experience I hope every student has the same great experience in here. as in for Argo, I wish it the best of luck to get better and better students as well as for it to get known around the world and thanks for giving me my education. Andy Centeno

Farewell to Mr. Kowalski, a funny and smart guy, he was a great teacher. He always knew what he was doing, but his explanations were sometimes confusing. Kowalski still made Autos interesting for 2 years for me.

Goodbye to Mr. Corbin, awesome and chill teacher. You can never be scared to ask him anything because he'd always listen and just be cool about it. Corbin gives the most freedom in class from any of the teachers I knew.

Can't forget Mrs. Brown. She made literature bearable senior year because I hate literature with a burning passion. Thanks for making lit actually interesting with your jokes and stories!

A farewell to the Scum Squad, my friends that are a part of that group. We had our good times and our bad but it still was a blast. I won't be giving out names because they already know who they are.

Kamil Filipczyk



ARGO SLIMNASTICS OLYMPICS

Inside this Issue

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When I think about finally saying bye to Argo I can't. It's not that I don't want to leave or I'm not graduating, I never thought time would fly by so fast. I thought this year would be the longest because it was the last year. The hardest thing will be saying bye to those teachers that actually pushed to exceed my educational limits that my previous elementary case manager had set for me. The case managers that would actually try to help in my school work: Dr. little and Mrs. Wyroba. They would keep me back from going to lunch and sit down next to me to try to help. If it wasn't for Mrs. Wyroba I don't think it would be possible for me to graduate. Even though she isn't here anymore she always makes sure I'm on top of my grades. Saying good bye to her will be hard because I know she will break into tears because she saw me as a son and she made it her main priority to make sure I graduated. I wasn't just another kid on her case load I was Javier, her son. So with this I say good bye Mrs. Wyroba and all the teachers that helped me graduate. Sincerely: Javier Sosa



“Farewell to the one car that makes everyone happy as Dominika Turski flies by in it through the parking lot. We’ll miss you. R.I.P. #Classof2015 Mat May



Marcus Jimerson, we made it bro, now it's time to get in the real world and make real money. Amir Valentine



Just want to say thanks to all the teachers and friends and family and coaches who pushed me throughout my years in high school. Now I am a senior that's about to be in the real world. It's been a great high school experience and I can't wait for what's waiting for me after high school. - Rashonda Woods



Farewell Sarah Sobczak,
This year is our last year together. Next year we
begin our separate lives with you at ISU and me at
Lewis. Since preschool you've been my best friend
and I couldn't imagine my life without you. Thanks
for being my rock and my half-blood sister. I love
you girl, let's make this summer one to remember!
Love, your sister

To Mr. Taute,
Thank you for being such an amazing teacher. I know that I will be able
to succeed in math college courses thanks to your class. Also, thank you
for including a lot of humor. Calculus was by far my favorite class. Oh,
and Happy early Birthday!

Mr. Hills,
Thank you for all the great inspirational speeches that will stick with
me in the future and guide me through college, motivating me to never
give up, no matter what.

Mr. Thompson & Mrs. Bergman,
Thank you for the two seasons of cross country! They were the best
parts of my high school career! You helped me become the best runner
I could ever be and made me feel like part of the cross country family.

-Patrycja Zajac



During my time at Argo Community High School, there has been one teacher who has influenced me the most. Ever since I met her she's been kind hearted and open minded. Even when she has a bad day she makes the people around her laugh and smile with her wonderful humor. She has done everything she could to make everyone feel comfortable and loved. Everything she does for her students comes from deep down in her heart. Going into Mrs. Molloy's class, I had no idea what I was getting myself into. My first impression of her was she was extremely wacky but very friendly. She would share many stories about herself that would just be absolutely hilarious. Everyday going into her class I enjoyed it more and more. She made everyone come together as one. There was no such thing as "favorites" in her class. She treats every student with respect. She has honestly made a huge impact during my time at Argo. Farewell Mrs. Molloy, not only will I be going off and experiencing new things but you will as well. Elizabeth Tabor



I want to say thanks to all the seniors who made my years at Argo Community High School bearable. If it wasn't for them I wouldn't have made it this far. High school was a big influence. It opened me to a diverse group of people, some which I thought I'd never be friends with. I'll miss this place and my friends who will take their own paths in life. I'll do the same and maybe, just maybe, someday ours paths will cross and we'll share the memories we have created over the years. Good luck on OUR journey into the real world and good luck to the class of 2015. (Best class so far) Liam Pradzinski

Farewell to Ms. Picha, my favorite yoga teacher. I have had you for the past two years and you have definitely had a great impact on my years here at Argo. You have always been there for me in my tough times and have encouraged me to try my hardest and do my best. You made gym class the best part of my day. It's so sad to be leaving here and you but I know we will keep in touch. I wish you the best in the years to come. Love your favorite student! Morgan Vogrig



Always wear
your thinking cap
with your party shoes.
—DENISE KELLEY, WAUNAKEE, WISCONSIN

THE MAROON - SENIOR EDITION

SENIOR SURVEYS:

We asked the seniors three questions: 1. What's your favorite Argo memory? 2. What will you miss the most and the least? 3. Do you have any words of advice for the freshmen, sophomores, and juniors? Here's what they had to say:



Taylor Krzos

1. The Senior Banquet was so much fun, so I would have to say that.
2. I'll miss art class the most! I loved getting all my ideas out on paper. I'll miss the slow walkers in the hallways the least. When I'm behind them I'm all like, "BEEP BEEP!"
3. Do your math homework and ask for help if you need it. PEACE OUT!



Dominika Szczerblak

1. Going to the football games in the fall with all of my friends!
2. I'll miss a lot of the teachers who were so supportive throughout my time here, and all of the people I've met that are going away. The food is definitely something I will not miss.
3. Take advantage of everything that Argo offers and make the best out of your time here.



Candace Grossman

1. My favorite memory of Argo was when I went to Disney with orchestra and the poms team.
2. I'll miss being able to see my friends to create those fun memories of being in high school. What I'll miss the least would be the homework.
3. To the underclassmen, remember this is not the end of the line, your life has just started.



Lu Lika

1. My favorite Argo memory would have to be my sophomore softball season with Coach Strelow! The girls all bonded so well, we were like a family.
2. I'll miss the speech team and the speech coaches the most. Mr. Lettiere and Mr. Malloy taught me how to believe in myself and have confidence when I speak; not just for competitions, but really whenever I open my mouth. For that I will be forever grateful. I WILL NOT miss the disgustingly crowded hallways. It takes 10 minutes to cross the hall and they really make everyone claustrophobic!
3. My parting words for the underclassmen are as generic as ever, but they're true and need reiteration. High school will fly by. You will blink and be a senior and swear that "you were literally just a freshman." Enjoy every second with everyone, don't worry about meaningless drama because really, it won't matter in a year, and study. Seriously. Open your book, read the chapter, and absorb the material. You'll thank yourself when everyone is cramming a year of information into a week before the AP test.

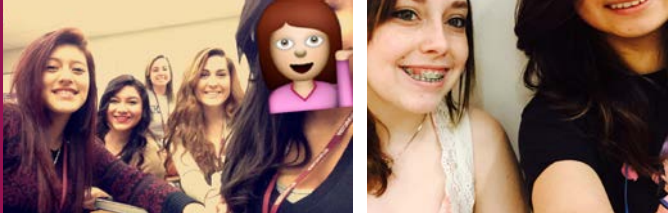


Rachel Bolek

1. One of my favorite memories is when the Argo Speech Team hosted our own tournament. I got the chance to see the team I was a part of when we had only 3 people at a competition grow into a team that was able to work together and help host a tournament that numerous schools attended. It was an amazing feeling.
2. I'll miss being a part of speech team, theater, and band. Primarily, I'll miss all of the amazing people I've met while a member of these activities. I won't miss having to walk through the halls when everyone's in a hurry and some people think it's okay to walk as slow as possible.
3. There are endless opportunities at Argo. If you think you might be interested in joining a club or a sport then go for it, because you might find something you end up falling in love with.

In Tune!: A Year in Review
by: **Madison Krzos**

In Tune! With the Maroon is having an end of the year spectacular show, appropriately named, *In Tune: A Year in Review*. In the episode we count down the best Maroon articles of the year, play a game that will put the year into perspective, and pay tribute to the retirees. You don't want to miss it!



Miguel Servin

1. I don't know, so many non-favorites.
2. I will miss being a part of the school as a student and the staff that makes Argo great. The one thing that I will miss the least is the lunch and the price portioned French fries.
3. Focus now by making every-day count, but do not forget to have fun!



Alex Rivera

1. This marching season was the first season in a good number of years that the Argonaut Drum Majors won the "Best Drum Major" award at three different competitions. During the award ceremony, I felt proud to be an Argonaut.
2. I'm definitely going to miss the amazing staff and all of the friends I've made. I'll also miss the band program and all of my band geek friends! I won't miss the Argo lunches!!!
3. Take high school seriously! The worst thing you can do is dig yourself in a hole that you can't get out of. Trust me from experience!! & also, HAVE FUN! Go to the sports events whether they are home or away, and get involved.



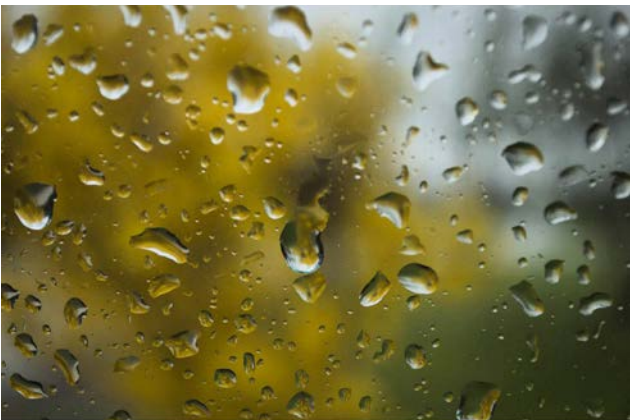
Selena Gomez

1. My favorite Argo memory would be Senior banquet.
2. I would miss my soccer games the most. The least, having to wake up early.
3. Don't give up and push yourself to the best!
Kassandra Junco
1. My favorite memory was when I was in cross country with all my friends.
2. I will miss being with all my friends and seeing them everyday. The least thing I would miss is having to wake up at 6:30 in the morning for school.
3. I would just advise that they study and do their homework.

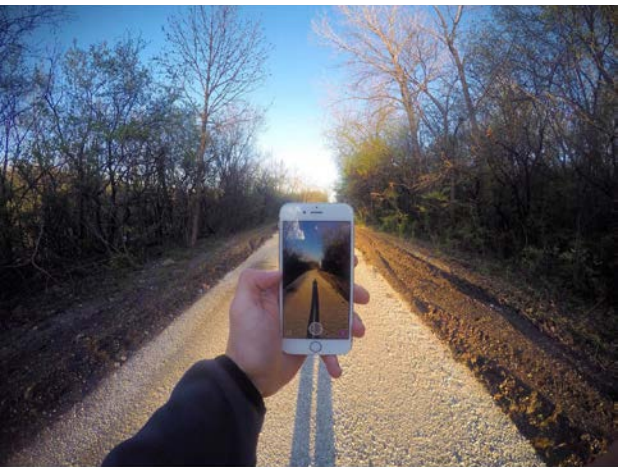


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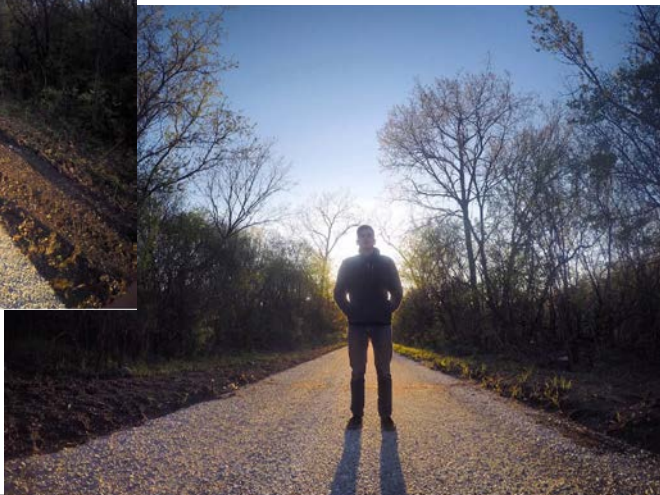
The Maroon would like to thank all the artists who submitted to the Creative Corner this year, particularly senior Taylor Krzos, our most prolific contributor. Thanks for all you did this year!



Taylor Krzos



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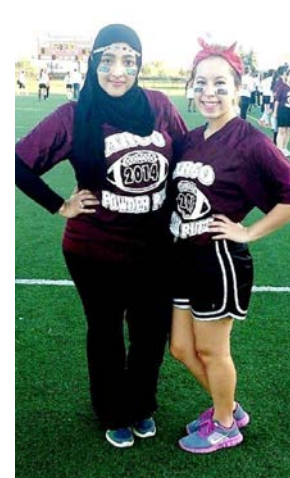
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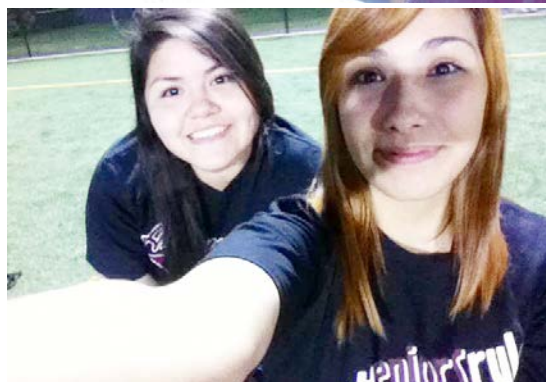


Dear Mrs. Hernandez,
I'm happy you were my teacher. I enjoyed each lesson you taught. As my role model, you inspire me to dream and to work and to reach without stopping. You help me fulfill my potential; I'm thankful for all that you've done. I will cherish all the moments we shared together and will always be grateful for having you guide me through my four years of high school. I admire you each day, and I want to say, as a teacher, friend, sister, mother, you're number one!

Love, Maritza



You have **BRAINS** in your **HEAD**.
You have **FEET** in your **SHOES**.
You can **STEER** yourself any **DIRECTION** you **CHOOSE**.
~ Dr. Seuss



Mrs. Fitzgerald,

For the past four years I have had the pleasure of being part of the Argo band and the Orchestra music program under the direction of Mrs. Fitzgerald. I know what I am going to say might sound weird to some people because as members of the Band and Orchestra we see Mrs. Fitzgerald more as our friend and not as our teacher. I say she is more of a friend because whenever we are having a bad day or just need someone to talk to her door would always be open to talk to her about anything personal or anything related to music.

The one thing that I am going to miss the most about Mrs. Fitzgerald is her most famous line that every student who has had her would know, "One more time." This is her most famous line because during marching band season or during concert band



she would always say, "Let's do this section one more time." What she really meant is that we will be playing this section 6 more times. Mrs Fitzgerald has done a lot for me and has taught me a lot about music and has helped me become a better musician and I am thankful for everything thing she has done for me and I am going to miss her for knowledge in music and life skills. Good bye, Mrs. Fitzgerald

-Miguel Juarez

Carol McGowan,
These past years that I have been on radio have been amazing. You have been nothing but nice and helpful to me and my friends that are on my radio show. You always encouraged me, and you got me over my fear of public speaking. I loved the experience I had on WARG radio and I will never forget it. I never thought I'd speak on a radio station and I am definitely going to miss it a lot. It's not too often a student gets to be in something like this and I strongly encourage people to join. Thanks for everything.

Sincerely, Madeline Olvera



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SENIOR EXAM SCHEDULE

Tuesday, May 12th

PERIOD	TIME
1st Period	8:00 – 8:55
3rd Period	10:00 – 10:55

Wednesday, May 13th

PERIOD	TIME
2nd Period	9:00 - 9:55
5th Period	12:00 - 12:55
7th Period	2:00 - 2:55

Thursday May 14th

PERIOD	TIME
4th Period	11:00 – 11:55
6th Period	1:00 – 1:55

SENIOR BREAKFAST is
Tuesday, May 19th at 8:00 a.m.
followed by **MANDATORY
GRADUATION PRACTICE**
immediately following breakfast.

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Wednesday May 27th

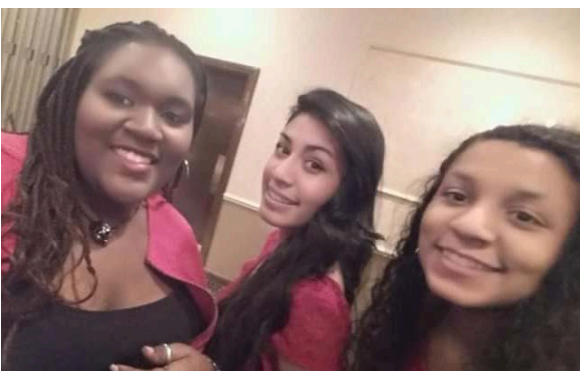
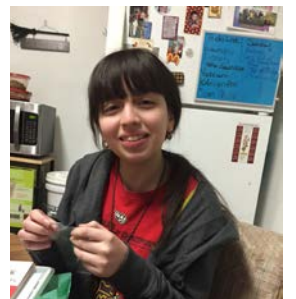
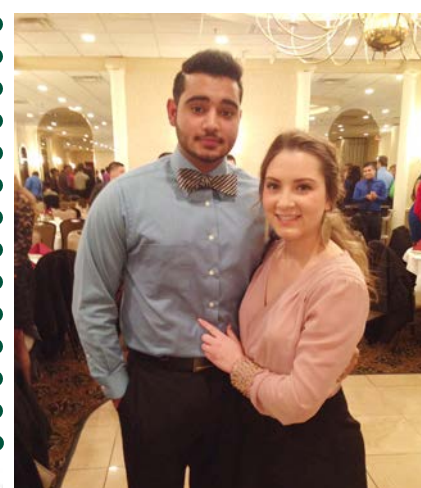
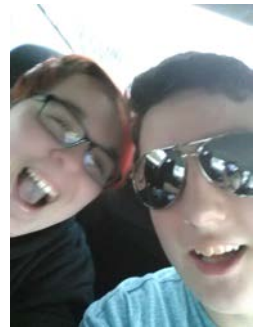
PERIOD	TIME
1st Period	8:00 AM – 9:40 AM
7th Period	9:45 AM – 11:25 AM
5th Period	11:30 AM – 1:10 PM

Thursday May 28th

PERIOD	TIME
2nd Period	8:00 AM – 9:40 AM
3rd Period	9:45 AM – 11:25 AM
MAKE UP EXAM	11:30 AM – 1:10 PM

Friday May 29th

6th Period	8:00 AM – 9:40 AM
4th Period	9:45 AM – 11:25 AM
MAKE UP EXAM	11:30 AM – 1:10 PM



I WILL Save Lives

Kathryn of Tinley Park

Completed her EMT training at Moraine Valley
and plans to become a firefighter.

How will YOU fill in the blank?

**Summer sessions begin
May 18, June 8 and July 6.**

#fillintheblank @morainevalley



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Girls' Badminton Let The Racket Do the Talking:

by: *Geraldine Dagher*

The Girls' Badminton team started the season strong with plans to have fun and enjoy the game. The team is working to make sure that a lot of the girls on varsity level will be able to go down to state since the varsity team consists of all juniors this year. The biggest highlight of the season was the win against Golder College Prep (6-9). The team is looking forward to Conference and Sectionals, which give the girls the opportunity to play against schools they haven't competed against. "The team will have to work on communication," the varsity coach said. "Lots of the girls are new this year, so when they play with their new partners, they are not used to talking to each other." Good job to the girls' badminton team and we wish them the very best of luck for the rest of the season!

Girls' Water Polo

by: *Kim De La Torre*

The girls' varsity team has won their last two games against Solario and Taft High Schools. The top shooters for varsity are Desirey Gonzalez and Sophie Roth. Top shooters for the junior varsity team are Taylor Dusik, Maranda Priorello, and Natalie Starczowski. This year the girls were able to have a full junior varsity team that did extremely well, winning almost all their games. Highlights of the season were when the varsity girls beat Solario High School and, according to coach Lukovic, "Watching the JV girls who knew nothing about the game get so much better as time passed." Senior night was on Monday April 27, 2015 against Taft High School. The girls played amazing defense, ultimately winning with a score of 15-4. "Senior night was successful because of all the support in the stands," and in reference to being thrown in the pool, "Also, my clothes did not take that long to dry."

Boys' Waterpolo

by: *Kim De La Torre*

The boys had a great season this year, winning 6 out of the last 7 games played. Top senior shooters for varsity are Kevin Walsh and Chris Delgado. Great saves were made by Andrew Perkovich in both the deep and shallow end goals. Coach Garcia is very happy with how this season turned out, the boys played really well and ended the season on a strong note. A highlight of the season was at the Varsity Shepard Tournament where the boys played a strong defense winning 3 of 4 games. Another highlight was that the boys won against teams they have lost against in previous years. On Senior Night the boys faced Taft High School, winning 12-8. Some parting words from Coach Garcia were, "The seniors have done a great job beating the teams and did a great job playing hard. They made this a great season. Take care and come back to visit."

Boys' Tennis

by: *Geraldine Dagher*

The boys tennis team is on a winning streak this season, with varsity being undefeated at their conference matches so far. The team has set a big goal for the season: to make a six peat in conference. The Varsity team is close to this goal with five victories and one more to go. The Fresh/Soph team has had two victories in Conference, and prove to be a promising team. These victories by no means come easily, and lots of effort is put into practice and competitions from both the boys and the coaches.

With a new Tennis Sectional this year, the boys tennis team is looking to make a statement. The team has a great opportunity to send some players to state from sectionals, playing against schools that have proven to be no match for them. "Any tennis team needs to work on consistency, and making sure that you have your head in the game is important. Being a high school sport, there is a lot going on during the day, so making sure that you get to the courts and take time to clear your head and focus on the sport is very important," said the coach in an interview with *The Maroon*. We have no doubt that team will come out victorious at the end of the season, and wish them to the very best at conference!

(Not Really) Required Summer Reads

By *Estrella Salgado '17*

You're probably one of two kinds of high schoolers: the kind who loves to spend a summer with their nose in a novel, or the kind who would rather swim with bloodthirsty sharks than have to crack open another book. Well, this list of books definitely won't put you to sleep. Forget *A Tale of Two Cities* and try out one of these teen-friendly reads this summer.

For the Thrill-Seeker:

Alex Rider: An action-packed series featuring a British teenage spy.

Legend: A dystopia with strong male and female leads. This provides drama, death and heart-pounding adventures.

Daniel X: A fast-paced series about an alien hunter with the secret power to shape-shift and manipulate objects with his mind.

For the Romantic:

The Statistical Probability of Love at First Sight: British accents, meet-cute, and insta-love add up to a refreshing, insightful novel.

Paper Towns: From the author of *The Fault in Our Stars* comes another heart tugging tale of star-crossed lovers. Hurrah.

Perfect Chemistry: Brittany is horrified when she ends up as the lab partner of gangster bad-boy Alex, but their initial dislike morphs into something a lot sweeter.

For the Athlete:

Foul Trouble: The top high school team in the United States is faced with tough choices and temptations as they enter their senior year.

Wild Cards: A bad-boy football player meets a girl who appears to hate him. What could possibly happen?

The Comeback Season: Wrigley Field is the setting of this high school tale of a girl finding herself after her father's death.

For the Detective:

The Naturals: Teenagers with realistic superpowers—lie detection, profiling, and unshakeable memory—work for the CIA and deal with some nasty cases.

Shelter: Mickey's mom is in rehab, his dad recently passed, and he's living with his estranged (and strange) uncle. Oh, and his new girlfriend just went missing. Sounds like a complex case . . .

Trust Me, I'm Lying: Rich girl Julep has to use her sharp intelligence for something other than running petty school scams when her father suddenly goes missing.

For the Drama Queen:

Pretty Little Liars: Figure out who A is by reading the novels, not just binging on Netflix. A cliquey treat!

The Luxe: Though the setting is 1899 Manhattan, you'll love the scandal, romance, and intricate friendships that the society girls dream up.

Gossip Girl: If preppy, way-out-of-control backstabbing is your thing, go for the books that inspired the hit TV series.

For the Dystopia Geek:

Uglies: Everyone wants to be pretty, but the price that the citizens of this dystopian society pays for beauty will keep you turning pages.

The Maze Runner: In the Glade, a group of boys are stuck in a giant labyrinth full of monsters and fear. Everything changes when a girl arrives.

Delirium: In this book, love is a sickness that everybody is "cured" of when they turn eighteen. Lena can't wait to get the cure . . . until she meets Sam.

Argo Mourns the loss of Teacher, Coach, Friend



Mr. Mike Wojciechowicz passed away on April 11, 2015. Mr. Wojciechowicz, for whom the pool is named, taught at Argo from 1975 - 2007 and was Head Boys' Swim Coach for 32 years and coached tennis also.

He ran six marathons, climbed Mt. Rainier, Kilimanjaro, and Whitney. He traveled to all seven continents. He was an excellent example to the students at Argo. He will be missed.