

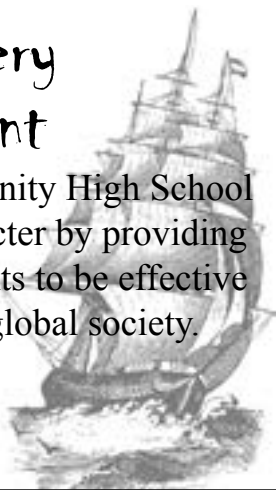
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The mission of Argo Community High School is to build intelligence and character by providing an education that prepares students to be effective citizens, able to succeed in a global society.



Spooky Locker DIY

by: *Estrella Salgado '17*

With Halloween just around the corner, homes and stores are getting ready for the creepy holiday by decorating with ghosts, broomsticks, and candy corn. Extend the frightening fun to your locker by using some of these DIY tips!

- Get a mini chalkboard to count down the days to Halloween. Use washi tape to trim the chalkboard, or just use orange chalk to make a border.
- You can also use that washi tape to make a spider web.
- Buy plastic spiders and attach magnets to them with hot glue to decorate the washi tape web on your locker door.
- Use black or orange wrapping paper to cover the inside of your locker, then use silver or gold markers to draw a ghost or monster.
- Print out a bat outline, then cut out bats with black construction paper and tape to your locker door.
- What's Halloween without a jack-o-lantern? Carve a mini foam pumpkin, available at craft stores, that will last you for many seasons. You can put an electric tea light candle inside to make it glow.
- Bad at carving pumpkins? Paint your pumpkin a bright solid color, then draw a simple design like "BOO" with a Sharpie.
- Find clear jars or bottles and fill them with candy corn, fake eyeballs, plastic spiders, or other Halloween goodies.
- Get a cheap magnetic mirror and tape paper bats or ghosts to it. Or, you could attach some of that sticky web that people usually use for trees and bushes.
- Most of all, get into the spirit - and have some fun!

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Top Ten New & Old Halloween Movies

by: *Kassi Worth '18*

In the month of October, people love to get into the spirit of Halloween with decorations, treats, and a ton of candy. The best part about Halloween, however, isn't any of that. It's the movies! In the following lists, we have the top ten movies from before 2000, and the top ten movies from 2000 until now.

- 70s, 80s & 90s**
1. *Young Frankenstein*
 2. *Nightmare on Elm Street*
 3. *Carrie*
 4. *The Addams Family*
 5. *Beetlejuice*
 6. *The Exorcist*
 7. *Poltergeist*
 8. *The Shining*
 9. *Hocus Pocus*
 10. *Halloween*



- 2000s to Now**
1. *The Grudge*
 2. *The Babadook*
 3. *Shawn of the Dead*
 4. *Trick r Treat*
 5. *V/H/S/2*
 6. *Insidious*
 7. *Corpse Bride*
 8. *Evil Dead*
 9. *The Ring*
 10. *The Conjuring*



Argo Mourns the loss of former teacher & coach, Sue Weidenhoefer

The Argo family extends thoughts and prayers to all family and friends of Sue Weidenhoefer. Sadly, Sue lost her battle with cancer on October 18, 2015. Mrs. Weidenhoefer taught Physical Education at Argo for 30 years, retiring in 1012; she was a volleyball and softball coach and was instrumental in the annual Slimnastics tournament. Retired P.E. teacher and dear friend Mrs. Darlene King said, "A few years in [to teaching Slimnastics], Sue was teaching it with me and was literally my right hand. She was the best, simply put." She was also a former Girl Scout leader of Troop 291 and an avid golfer, volleyball and softball player. Mrs. Weidenhoefer was known for her infectious positivity and for the "everlasting impact" she had on students and their health, as one Facebook post described.

In the words of a friend, "She was a one of a kind person who always had time to listen to all. A great friend to all, a loving, caring teacher and a perfect mom who would give anything for her family." She is survived by her husband Tom and her daughter Kristy.

Visitation Friday 3-9 p.m. at Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL. Funeral Saturday at 9:30 a.m. from the to St. Julie Billiard Church, Mass 10:15 a.m. Interment private.



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Variety Show Review

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2015 Variety Show

by: *Rachel Burke '17*

There were many talented acts at the Variety Show this year, and I had the privilege of watching them perform. There were dancers, singers, instrument players, twirlers, and movie makers. It was a wild ride, and an overall wonderful experience. My top 5 favorite acts were:

1. David Hernandez and Larry Henderson: They performed an original song and had the dance moves to back it up. It was an incredible performance that really knocked my socks off. The original song was called "Feel Good" and definitely had me feeling good.

2. Arrianna Nowden Scott and Mikayla Sanford: Their cover of "What is Love" by V. Bozeman was phenomenal and even caught me all up in my feelings. It was amazing, they are truly talented.

3. Sylvia Kozielic and Izabella Gieron: They played the accordion and the violin together in perfect sync. It was unbelievably impressive the way they played in harmony without sounding off key (based on my limited knowledge of music).

4. D'Nayzja Hopkins and Alyssa Noel: Their cover of "Single Ladies" was a fun way to kick off the live performances. It was energetic, spunky, and completely entertaining to experience. I felt the livelihood of their spirits reaching into the crowd; it was great.

5. Treasure Young and Fatimah Mitchell: They danced a fantastic number. It was upbeat and synchronized and amazing to watch. They were very talented with their adept moves and fun song. I could feel their energy radiating from the stage, and it gave me a warm, fuzzy feeling inside.

Other performers that were in a close follow up to these top five are Amari Luckett, Brandon Pease and Kaitlyn Block, Naval Sammak, Andrew Ochwat, Jazmin Randazzo, Julissa Garcia and Jennifer Rivera, Sammi Malone, and Tamera Boston. These are some wonderful performers that represent the school's talent and make us all look better as a group.

Argo Vibe: Student Music Production

by: *David Hernandez '17*

Did you hear the Argo Homecoming Song? If you did, you witnessed a historic moment for Argo Community High School. But what exactly is "Argo Vibe"? Well, for the last four years I've been a music producer and song composer, and this year I decided to create a huge collaborative project with Argo. Over the summer, I produced and composed seven songs that will be released monthly this school year. These songs will feature students from the Choir, Band, Orchestra, and

Giving Blood to Save a Life

by: *Geraldine Dagher '16*

The Argo Blood Drive is an event held every year by the school to teach students the responsibility of getting involved by giving back to the community. A pint of blood can save up to 3 lives, and the blood donated goes to the Heartland Blood Center in Tinley Park. This year, students were enthusiastic and interested in getting involved. 190 students showed up and 68 units of blood were collected, surpassing the goal of 50 units. A handful of staff also showed up to donate as well. Extra credit was awarded in certain classes to try and get more students to participate in the Blood Drive. T-shirts were distributed by the Heartland Blood Center to students who showed up and donated. Special thanks to the Senior Class Board for helping out throughout the day, and the Argo Maintenance and Custodial Department for making the day go as smoothly as possible.



Art programs. All the Argo Vibe songs will be displayed and downloadable on Argo's new SoundCloud page as well as the Argo homepage. If you have an idea and would like to create your own song, feel free to contact any Band or Choir teacher, and we'll make things happen for you! Join the artistic movement with Argo Vibe!



Dudzik Achieves High Honor

Congratulations to Claudia Dudzik who has been named a Commended Student in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation



(NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this scholastically talented senior. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2016 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2016 competition by taking the 2014 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). "The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMCS. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success." Keep up the good work Claudia!

Homecoming Dance Recap

by: *Estefani Morales '18*

Many things come to mind when thinking about The Homecoming Dance: "Oh my God, who's going to be my date?" "What am I going to wear?" "Are my friends going?" "Should I go or not?" Regardless of relationship status or attire, everyone had a great time at the dance. There was a variety of songs played at the dance such as, "Shake it Off," "Uma Thurman," "Uptown Funk," and many others. People danced with a partner or with a group. There were also the much loved line dances: the classic "Cha Cha Slide" and "Cupid Shuffle." After dancing, why not take a break? Food and refreshments such as cake, muffins, cinnamon rolls, pastries, and punch were served to the hungry crowd. Heading into the last five to ten minutes of the dance, there was a conga line to the song "Don't Stop the Party" by Pitbull. Of course if you were having fun, then you would agree with the song, but sadly the dance had to end. In the end, Argo students gained unique memories from Homecoming 2015.

LOCAL HAUNTINGS: THE CREEPIEST PLACES TO VISIT THIS HALLOWEEN

by: *Rachel Burke '17*

If you're too cool to trick-or-treat this year, feel like doing something different, or just really enjoy the aura of dead people, maybe check out one of these local haunted places. Most are cemeteries, but there is one bar that you're too young to check out. Keep in mind, however, that these are cemeteries and some people might actually be visiting lost loved ones. Be respectful, and don't be one of those disrespectful, horrible, wretched kids that desecrates the graves.

***Bachelor's Grove Cemetery –Midlothian** Multiple ghost sightings and hauntings have been reported here. Midlothian, Illinois is not too far from us. It is known as one of the most haunted places in America. Nobody knows exactly what makes it so haunted. It

could just be a mixture of grave desecration, satanic worship, and random bodies dumped there without proper ceremony or burial. The first stories about it were reports of glowing blue balls of light that seemed like forms of extraterrestrial intelligence. They haven't been seen since the end of the 1970's. Another famous story, and arguably the most interesting, is of the phantom house. It is rumored to be seen in different places by different people throughout the cemetery. People all describe the same house: a white farm house with white wooden columns, a porch swing, and a lantern in the window. There has never been a house on that property, nor is there at the moment. The reports say the house is faded in the distance, and gets smaller until it disappears the closer you walk to it. ***Resurrection Cemetery-Justice** One legend many local people are aware of is the legend of Resurrection Mary. The rumor is that a young girl about 17 years old was walking home from a dance, similar to prom. She got hit and killed by a car. Her ghost is said to be seen walking along Archer in a white dress. Sometimes, she asks people for a ride and gets out at the cemetery. I went looking for her specific headstone one time, but her family took it out because there were

people defacing her tombstone, treating it as a tourist attraction, and disrespecting her memory. I then looked for the rest of her family that was also buried there. Her mom, dad, aunt, and uncle are buried very close to each other. ***Archer Woods Cemetery- Willow Springs** Rumor is that the people leaving the cemetery can see a ghost of a sobbing woman. ***Cigars and Stripes- Berwyn** This bar and lounge is believed to be haunted by a number of spirits. Screams and footsteps are heard in the building when there's no one around. Objects move around by themselves, and at least five people have seen a shadowy apparition moving around the building. ***St. Mary's Cemetery- Chicago** The cemetery and surrounding areas have seen a lot of violent deaths; despite that, not a lot of ghostly phenomena have been reported or known here. However, drivers past the cemetery late at night have seen a man leaning against the fence and looking at them as they passed.

Deliciously Unhealthy Halloween Snacks

- Creepy Oreo Eye-Balls**
1. Twist apart several Oreos making sure all the filling is on one side.
 2. Use decorative gel icing to color draw eyeballs onto the Oreos with the filling and top it with a red M&M.
 3. Make creepy eyeball veins with some red decorative gel icing. Enjoy!
- Chocolate Covered Pumpkin Pretzels**
1. Melt orange chocolate pieces in the microwave for about 40 seconds.
 2. Dip and coat a pretzel on both sides in the orange melted chocolate
 3. To make the green stem of the pumpkin: before the chocolate dries, put a mini M&M on the top of the pretzel. Yum!
- Halloween Kabab**
1. Peel 3 to 4 kiwis and slice in half.
 2. Using a skewer put on a marshmallow, then a Kiwi, and then another marshmallow.
 3. Melt down some dark chocolate in the microwave for about 40 seconds and put into a zip lock bag and cut off a small part of the tip.
 4. Use the zip lock bag to draw a ghost on the marshmallow and a Frankenstein head on the Kiwi. Bon appétit!



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ACHS Alumni Feature: Mayor Sergio Rodriguez '95

by: Yareli Cortez '17

For Argo's first Alumni Feature, I was lucky enough to meet and interview the Mayor of Summit, Mr. Sergio Rodriguez. He was recently sworn into office on July of 2015. Mr. Rodriguez has lived in Summit his whole life. He went to elementary and middle school at St. Joseph, and he attended Argo Community High School. **Maroon:** What years did you attend at Argo? **Sergio Rodriguez:** I attended Argo Community High School from 1991 to 1995. **M:** What was your favorite subject in school? **SR:** History has always fascinated me, to this day. I love learning how things were done, and learn about all the political events that are occurring in the world.

M: Were you involved in any sports or activities at Argo?

SR: Freshman year, I was on the football team. Sophomore year I played Soccer, and Junior and Senior year I ran Cross Country. I was on Track all four years.

M: What events did you run on the track team?

SR: I ran the 800m and 400m races.

M: What other job do you have, besides being the mayor of Summit?

SR: I am the Assistant Director of Special Education at Cicero School District 99.

M: What college(s) did you go to and what was your major?

SR: I majored in Liberal Arts at Colombia College in Chicago. I got my masters from Lewis University in Education, & received my Administrative Certification 475 in School Leadership from Concordia University. Director for Special Education from St. Francis University.

M: What is your favorite place to eat in town?

SR: Portillo's because they have a huge selection of food.

M: How did you get into politics?

SR: I look at it as being provided the opportunity. I think what lead me to the opportunity to get into politics was my education and the career path I have. The previous mayor was looking for an educated Hispanic to take the ticket because he wanted a diverse, educated group of people to work with. When I was given the opportunity- I asked myself why not? I was then elected as Trustee. 10 years later, I'm the mayor.

M: What do you like to do in your spare time?

SR: I'm big into running, for me, it's a way to relieve stress. I run everything from 5K's to marathons. I work out and do cross fit when I get the chance. I enjoy having an active life style. I also have a big family and like hanging out with them, especially my nieces and nephews; I like watching them grow up. I also

love sports, I try to watch or attend a game whenever I can.

M: What's the best thing about this town?

SR: The best thing about Summit is the rich history that the town has from various individuals. Also, the evolution of what the town has transformed into.

M: What would you like to tell your high school self?

SR: I would've told myself to challenge myself to be more academically and take more academically challenging courses. I was okay with just being okay, and I wish I would've pushed sports over and focus on my academics more.

M: What advice would you give to someone in High School?

SR: The biggest piece of advice I can give someone in high school is to be involved and try different things because you never know if that is something that you might like. Take time to experience different things, be silly, learn, and grow. Don't just do something for the social aspect - be there for your own development and growth.

M: It was a pleasure to interview Mr. Rodriguez. Thank you for your time and good advice.

Hispanic Heritage Month by: Rachel Burke '17

Since Mr. Leonard has taken the role as English Department head there have been multiple presentations in the library. This month there were speakers of Hispanic origin talking about their professional careers and how they got to be where they are today. It was very educational in terms of the challenges Hispanic people face as a minority and how people overcame these challenges, made history, and took pride in their ethnicities. The speakers were Samantha Loo (Adolescent Health Specialist), Luis Guzman and Alan Camacho (Argo Alumni), Emeline Ramos (Pediatrician), Jesus "Chuy" Garcia (Ex-Mayoral Candidate), Carina Sanchez (Deputy City Clerk), Rafael Yañez (Chicago Police Officer), and Adolfo Hernandez (Deputy Director for Mayor).

The speakers talked about their experiences growing up whether it was with immigrant parents, living in challenging neighborhoods, being approached by gangs, or simply not knowing what they wanted to do with their lives- something many students can

below: Ex-mayoral candidate Jesus "Chuy" Garcia and other prominent professionals spoke at Argo's Hispanic Heritage Month career panel



Visiting Poets Inspire Argonauts

Last month two very accomplished poets worked with students, helping them create their own poetry, specifically odes to their favorite foods. Mrs. Brown's and Dr. Hickman's English classes, Mrs. Allison and Mrs. Guldin's American Studies class, and Mrs. Hernandez's Spanish class all participated. After writing poetry with poet and professor, Mr. Guillermo DelGado, a poetry reading ws held in the LRC. Guest poet Jacob Saenz joined the group and shared some of his published work. This was a wonderful and creative experience. Two of the students' odes are on page 7.



relate to. Despite the obstacles, these speakers all achieved admirable heights.

Nearly all of them were the first in their families to attend college. Many of the speakers became the first female or the first Hispanic person to hold office in their position, which not only makes history for all of us to look back on, but gives hope and inspiration to other Hispanic people who dream big despite being clouded by racism in America. Some memorable quotes really stuck with me after the presentations. Luis Guzman gave this advice, "Don't be afraid to discover exactly what you're good at." No matter the cost financially, really focus on finding what speaks to you and then run with that. Emeline Ramos said, "Take advantage of education. As Latinos, we have opportunities and we need to take advantage of them no matter what." Coming from a really successful Hispanic woman in a highly respected job, this could mean something to students who feel the challenges of being a minority in this society. Where there's a will there is a way.

Experiencing this forum and hearing these speakers was a magnificently insightful experience. I'm glad I got to see it, and I hope it inspired other students of Argo to really shoot for the stars.

Student Poetry

Ode to Chocolate Covered Marshmallows
by: Stephanie E. Delgado

Grandma sent us
a box
of marshmallow
overed chocolates
Made by her
gentle hands
Not knowing
who'll be
the first
to devour them
How I'd like to take
Just a simple
sweet soft
taste of it
It won't be
much time
that mother will
catch me
chocolate-handed
Melting chocolate
runs down my throat
Like a gentle stream
of warm milk
Felt it smoothly falling
down my fingers
-melting angel
A thousand taste buds
Feel them blooming
Slowly moving
An exquisitely soft,
lightly powder,
coated sugary treat
Soft as a
newborn's skin
Inside is gooey
Experiencing the
most exquisite
delicacy
Discovered by a
little me
at age three.

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Ode to Choco-flan
by: Jaylene Hernandez Chapa

Just as Mami
sifts the flower
and the first
eggs cracked
fall inside of batter
into the bowl
The choco-flan
is being made and the
smells
wind your stomach
The Hernandez family
has been waiting
all year
They have survived
without the treat
from Mami
that can't
make time
in her busy schedule
The wait ends now
On this joyous holiday
When they fight
for who has most
and cut off
giant pieces
It's a dreadful race
everyone against each
other
But they can't just help
themselves. They
treasure the gift
of sweetness
Sitting on the couch
The Hernandez chew
Into the cake
and their mouths
fill with the coffee-like
sweetness. The juice
of the flan dribbles
down their chins
They eat in a panic
When they finish
Their giant slices of
choco-flan
their tongues are sweet
Mami has been
watching
them from the kitchen
She can see that they
are people who live
by the sweet cake on
their tongues
The family run down
the hall
with no shame
smeared on their
faces and
joy in their
bellies

Must Watch: New on DVD

by: Andrew Ochwat

The Avengers: Age of Ultron – October 20th
It's not that Age of Ultron was a bad movie, not by any stretch of the imagination. It's that the movie was held up to extremely high expectations that followed the extensive promotion and unbelievably good predecessor. In truth, the movie had many great and smart elements of it, an impressive villain, the near-perfection of The Vision, but Joss Whedon's claustrophobic set pieces and mismatched scope all pointed toward one disappointing truth: It's not as good as the first. 4.5/5
Tomorrowland – October 13th
With an only serviceable story, Tomorrowland should have been a bland mess. Fortunately, the film is filled with crew and actors that clearly cared about it and made it a passionate, fun, beautiful, and at times even interesting ride. The message is original and poignant, and at its best, it hearkens back to the classic fun of 80s family films. 3.5/5
Jurassic World – October 20th
In some ways, one could argue that Jurassic World was doomed from the start as a stand-alone movie. It could never match the original in creativity or inventiveness, but what it goes, it does very well. Though you don't care about the characters and the plot is basically a series of excuses for different places to have different fights, it can be breathtaking and purely exhilarating at its best. Not to mention it made an unbelievable amount of money. 3.5/5

Paper Towns – October 20th
Based off the much loved John Green book, I'm afraid I can't say exact how good it is as an adaption, I can say it's a decent enough film. While the mystery is intriguing, and the actors are (mostly) likable, Paper Towns is much too full of misguided drama and dime-store philosophy to elicit any emotion -- and the miscast lead actress doesn't help. 3/5

Must Read: The Stars Never Rise by Rachel Vincent

By Estrella Salgado '17

With a title borrowed from Edgar Allan Poe's haunting poem *Annabel Lee*, you can expect plenty of creepy, creative imagery and unexpected twists from Rachel Vincent's *The Stars Never Rise*. Dystopia? Horror? It's a mix of both, with romance and action peppered in for good measure.

In sixteen-year-old Nina Kane's world, the Church is not a place of worship, but rather a dictatorial government. Its influential leaders rant about the dangers of demons, and it's only an elite group of exorcists that stop hordes of the evil creatures from feeding on the entire population's souls.

Nina's never seen a demon; the absence of a competent mother means that she's more worried about keeping food on the table. But when her younger sister, Mellie, reveals that she's pregnant, Nina finds herself with a much graver problem. Teen motherhood is a grievous sin under Church laws, and Mellie's baby would die without a soul donor. Nina is desperate for a solution, and when she meets a young man who promises her a way out of the mess, she takes it. But when Finn and his gang of outlaws tell her what they really are, she wonders if she's just traded one problem for another. What will Nina have to sacrifice to save her sister?

A trademark of dystopian fiction is a twisted government that controls much of its citizens' lives. Here, said cruel organization is the Church. However, the novel is not anti-religion; it is anti-power. The highest levels of the fictional Church are chillingly corrupt, while the lower, naive levels remain innocent. Nina's world is based on a familiar creature -- demons. Thankfully, the fantasy and myth surrounding the creature come from so many fountains that it's hard to find two stories that treat the vile beings the same way. Vincent went into detail with the exorcists, everything from what they wore to how they spoke. There is room for more information later in the series, but there were enough details for the reader to become engrossed in the dark tale. Finn, the love interest, is definitely a curiosity. I don't want to spoil it, but if you're anything like me, you'll have to read the pages that explain his little situation a few times to really understand what was going on. Sparkling boyfriends have nothing on this guy, that's for sure.

Like all gripping characters, Nina is a mixed bag. She's no goody-two-shoes, but she's responsible and has a strong sense of family. Her family life seems like something plucked out of a contemporary novel until a creepy revelation about her family really gets the story running. Mellie is sweet, but she isn't present for enough of the novel for me to really get to know her. Hopefully, she'll have a bigger role in future books. The dystopian sisters reminded me of *The Hunger Games*' Katniss and Prim, but the setting is very different from Panem, so it didn't feel like a knockoff.

The Stars Never Rise is a solid match for teens who are looking for a unconventional tale of suspense, romance, and paranormal activity.



Tennis

by: Rechal Patel '17

The Argo Girls' Tennis team honored its 3 seniors- Michelle Ambriz, Martha Madera, and Paula Heldak on Sept. 30 before the last home match of the year versus Mother McAuley. Michelle has been in the program for three years and has been on varsity for two seasons. Last year she took fourth place at conference at first doubles. This is Martha's first year in the lineup and she is currently playing at second doubles. Paula has played some exhibition and third doubles this season. Both Martha and Paula joined the tennis program as juniors. We wish all three ladies the best of luck in the future.

In addition, the Varsity squad competed at the Leyden Quad on October 3rd. Sophomore Betty Guerrero took home the top prize at third singles. What is even more impressive is this quad was Betty's first time playing in the Varsity lineup. Meanwhile Martha Madera and Nicole Stoch, after being down 2-5 in the second set, won 5 games in a row against Willowbrook to take the 2nd place medal at second doubles.

Varsity Soccer

by: Kassidy Worth '18

This season for boys' varsity soccer has been great so far. The team is currently first in their conference, with only two conference games left in the season. Varsity won against TF North October 6th, which earned them their first conference title since 2011. Varsity will play against Oak Forest where they will earn their conference title. Throughout the season, Argo Varsity has been the strongest in conference. The reason for this? Defense. Senior Marco Soto is goalkeeper for varsity, and has saved them in many penalty shootouts. Soto came in last year volunteering to be goalkeeper and now is outstanding.

On the field, the defense has been has been amazing. The four starting defenders are all sophomores, and they have been doing their best to protect the goal. Julio Rodriguez, Chris Jagielo, Armando Gallegos and Victor Martinez have been amazing the whole season. Senior Geraldo Flores says a weakness the team has is themselves. "If we don't show up to practice we miss out on getting better as a team." Argo will be hosting Regionals this year with the first game on October 21st against Reavis. Come out and support your Argonaut Soccer team.



Swimming

by: Geraldine Dagher '16

The Argo Girls' Swim Team sailed through the season placing second at the Reavis Dive Invite. The girls have big plans for the season and are working toward dropping times at conference. They had a good game against Reavis on senior night, and congratulations go to Senior and Captain Angel Vega for breaking the Argo diving record. The girls came out undefeated in the last meet of the season against Eisenhower, winning 85-80. Congratulations to captain Gaby Mojica for dropping time in the 500 yard freestyle with a new time of 07:11.

With conference less than a month away, the girls on all levels work hard and work together as a team. The Junior Varsity girls have shown great improvement throughout the season with many girls - new to swimming - already swimming at a competitive level. The Argo Swim team also incorporates dry land exercises, which consist of running and calisthenics to build up endurance and improve their times for conference. Good luck to the girls on October 30th at Conference!

Golf

by: Estrella Salgado '17

The Argo Golf team worked very hard this year, playing over 250 holes! The team had an overall record of eight wins, five losses and one tie, but finished 5th in the conference tournament. Congratulations to Jacob Garcia who worked hard throughout the season. Garcia shot an 80 at Cog Hill during the conference tournament, placing 2nd in the South Suburban Conference. Nick Ormins also placed 10th in the fresh/soph conference tournament.

This year's team was led by a group of three seniors: Jacob Garcia, Brendan Krob and Sean Conway will be missed in the future. Yet, the team is excited to continue working in the off season to improve their individual games for the start of next year. Junior Bryan Samars says, "It was a great season and while it's sad to see our seniors go, the rest of the team and I are already looking forward to next year." Any student interested in learning to play golf, please contact Coach Smith at ksmith@argohs.net.



Touching Down with Freshman Football

by: Rachel Burke '17

The Argo freshman football team has 3 wins and 5 losses, with one more game left to play this season. Their goals for the end of the season are to just finish off strong and inspire their players to move forward with the football program. Scott Henderson, Manny Estrada, Nick Lupo, Marcel Bradford, and Greg Juarez are some key players that have really shaped the season; however, there are many talented players on the team. According to coach McMurray, the team's biggest strength is their size on offense and defense. Their biggest weakness is their lack of speed and mental toughness. Overall the students of Argo should just know that the players have worked hard all year starting back in the summer camp and are very ready and somewhat anxious to make a difference in the program.

Running through Argo Cross Country

Jennifer Gutierrez '17

Boys' and girls' cross country had a successful season, and it is coming to an end on October 31st. Though the school season may be coming to an end, many opportunities for summer cross country are available. Aside from the Argo summer camps, cross country also offers other summer training. This is important because commitment to cross country, outside of the regular season, is strongly suggested. The teams started with the same goal: to improve from last year. As they near the end of the season, that goal has been met. The teams have received many awards in past invites. The team's conference took place on Saturday, October 17. In boys' cross country, some of the most outstanding athletes include, but are not limited to, Matt Garza, Eddie McGee, Francisco Soto, and Hernan Cruz. Over in girls cross country we can see outstanding performances from Lauren Gardner, Angela Richards, Karla Urzua, and many others. Good Job guys and gals. Best wishes!

Mr. Linton Honored

Argo congratulates Darren Linton on being elected into the Augustana College Tribe of Vikings Hall of Fame Class of 2015. This is a great honor for Darren and the Argo Community. Linton finished his wrestling career with a 132-27 record. His win total was fourth-highest in school history when he graduated. His .830 winning percentage is sixth-best among Vikings with at least 100 wins and he is one of just 10 four-time CCIW champions in Augustana wrestling history. We are extremely proud of him.