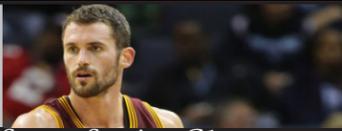


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Do something great today... it will be in the paper tomorrow. Do something great today... it will be in the paper tomorrow.



Sydney Reik  
Journalist

A round up of the homecoming season and increased spirit at Strongsville High School.

“We got spirit, yes we do! We got spirit how ‘bout YOU” rang out the competing classes at SHS during the pep rally. Our own school’s pep rally was held in the school gym October 2nd, in order to celebrate our cheerful cheerleaders, our outstanding marching band, our unique staff, especially Mr. Klein, thank you for that wonderful rendition of The Worm, and most of all, our beautiful homecoming court, which consisted of Ashley Axford, Haley Brengartner, Olivia Abdallah, Marissa D’Amico and Rebecca Wells.

In addition to the worm, many members of the teaching staff participated in a surprising flash mob, possibly suggesting that we have too much pep. Just kidding, there is no such thing as too much pep! Strongsville High pulled out all the strings and pumped up our students and staff

# Watch yo’ Step; We got Pep!

by meanwhile throwing around multiple massive beach balls, otherwise known as every kid’s dream.

Let us go back to the start of this crazy and spirit filled week. Homecoming starting in full swing with its many crazy spirit days for the week which included themes pajamas, Disney, construction workers, extreme weather, and class colors.

Also throughout the week was the 1st Annual Strongman Competition, a series of strength, agility, academic, and philanthropic challenges during lunch periods and between homerooms.

An extension of this competition was added to our pep rally when two teams, featuring the winners, Boron’s 10.81 (a very clever science reference), were pitted against each other in a vicious battle of tug-o-war. In addition to all of this excitement, our pep rally revealed the beautiful homecoming court.

This year’s court was represented by Ashley Axford, Haley Brengartner, Olivia Abdallah, Marissa D’Amico and Rebecca Wells. All of these ladies played an important role in the high status of our school by being involved in many different clubs, extracurricular and school



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Science Teacher, Alex Boron’s team, 10.81 won the Strongman competition at the pep rally October 2.

activities, and more. The top spot was awarded to Our queen... drumroll please...Rebecca Wells! (cue crowd roar).

Rebecca describes her night at the dance itself as “a lot of fun,” and since she is president of student council, she had a large say in picking out the elegant theme “Drops of Jupiter.”

This violet and cerulean mixed theme was selected carefully, and it was based off of the popular hit song “Drops of Jupiter” by Train. The gym was decorated with

twinkling lights along with the DJ station complete with every kind of lighting one could think of. The magnificent and dazzling purple and blue sashes effortlessly draped from the ceiling were the perfect last touches when completing the decor of the night.

When Rebecca was waiting for her name to be called on the chilly evening before the dance, she felt as though, “Waiting for a name to be called was one of the most nerve-racking things, but

I knew whoever won deserved it so I was going to be okay either way!”

Finally, Rebecca described what it felt like to be crowned the queen, as “a dream come true.”

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YEARBOOK STAFF



The homecoming court from left to right: Rebecca Wells, Haley Brengartner, Marissa D’Amico, Ashley Axford, and Olivia Abdallah.



Left: Wells reacts with tears after being crowned queen. Above: the tug of war came to a standstill with equally matched teams and a huge effort Inlay picture: the sophomore class won most spirited.

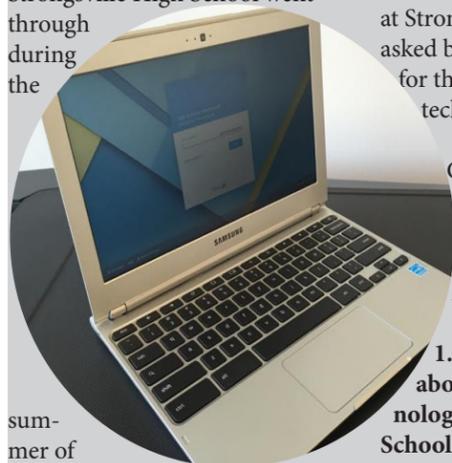
# Opinion

## Class is in Session... Online

Editorial on student and teacher reactions to changing tech at SHS

Since we were children in elementary school, we have adjusted to the “normal elements” that make up a typical classroom: a teacher leading the class, a blackboard or erase board, desks, notebooks, and the students that pull the classroom environment all together. However, as we have developed over time so technology

After the construction that Strongsville High School went through during the



summer of 2015, students returned to school to find Smart Boards in every classroom and Chromebooks suddenly available at their beckon call.

The arrival of new technology soon proved both advantages and disadvantages. Most think the arrival of this technology is long overdue and is a great benefit to the way that students experience the classroom. The introduction of Google classroom, an online platform that allows students to turn in assignments and chat with teachers and other students, students and teachers, alike, are finding an easier and more convenient way to complete a finish product in a timely and organized fashion.

Teachers are able to reserve Chromebook carts whenever they need them from the media center. The school recently provided a Chromebook cart to individual departments to avail them even more for student use.

Although this is a welcomed change with many staff members working their hardest to adapt, it appears that teachers are having a bit of a harder time adjusting to such drastic shift in the way they are able to run their classrooms. The addition of Smart Boards has proved somewhat of a challenge for some of the teachers who are not used to interacting with the technology. Some technical



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Lauren Gregory  
Junior Editor

difficulties include, pens not working, extremely sensitive screens, the inability to transfer notes for Google display without changing formatting, problems changing pages, and many more. For the teachers to gain better knowledge to solving this problems, more training with these new devices is needed and is promised during the next teacher in-service day.

In order to gain a deeper insight to how these changes affected the learning of those at Strongsville High School, we asked both students and teachers for their opinions on the new technological upgrades.

Chrissy Waid, Senior (CW)  
Autumn Vowell, Senior (AV)  
Ann Walz, Teacher (\*AW)

### 1. What are your thoughts about the expansion of technology at Strongsville High School?

AV- *I like the Chromebooks because we do not have to go into random labs and it is easier on the students and teachers.*

### 2. What benefits do you believe are given to students that have classrooms updated with advanced technology?

CW- *Some benefits are that you do not have to leave the class to go to the computers and it is a lot easier to do everything in the classroom.*

AV- *If students do not have a computer at home, they have the option to use one at school.*

### 3. Do you believe there are any disadvantages of increased technology within classrooms?

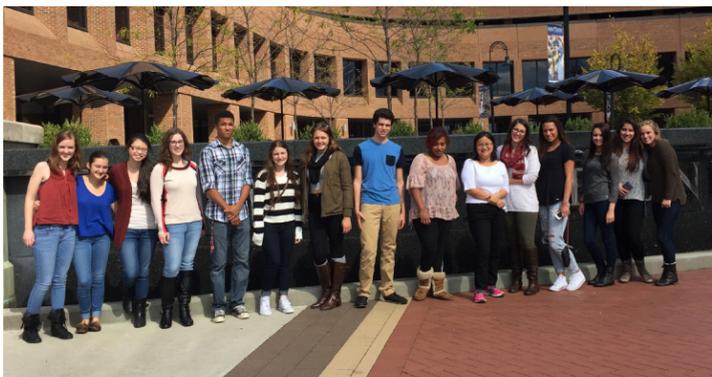
CW- *If you are doing classwork, most people will be on social media or not doing their work, so that is a negative aspect of the increase of technology.*

\*AW- *There is always going to be that person out there that is going to use it inappropriately or use it to hurt somebody or publish something that really should not be published. Those behaviors are always going to be there, so as a teacher you really have to be a little bit more on top of what is going on in the classroom.*

### 4. Do you see SHS pursuing future technological advancements?

\*AW- *Well, if they continue to upgrade and continue to work towards this goal, I think we will stay current with what is going on. If we only go this far and we do not do anymore, again, we are going to end up being behind... because technology is always changing and we have to be able to change right along with it.*

## Combined Visit to OSMA Writing Workshop



Members of the Journalism Class, The Lantern school newspaper and Yearbook.

On Tuesday October 6, members of the Lantern were presented with the opportunity to forget the grade-centered mindset of our students today, break out of the routine of the average school week, and travel to Kent State University for an OSMA workshop to catch a glimpse of real world journalism.

Walking around the campus, studying layout design, and observing “the college student” in its natural habitat was a valuable experience in and of itself. Known not only for its black squirrels, but also for its Journalism and Mass Communications program, Kent State University is an excellent school to visit for a group of high school students immersed in the world of words. The mini tour was only a small portion what made this trip so great.

Ranging from yearbooks to

newspapers, the OSMA conference offered a wide variety of sessions for students to choose from. Students involved in yearbook could attend a session on online tools/apps, graphic design, candid photos and more. Students writing for the newspaper could study writing techniques, editorial writing, and interviewing.

The most enlightening was the “Grammar Slammer” and “Training for Trauma” discussing how and when to approach trauma victims while getting a fresh, touching story. There were even sessions for the advisor such as writing an editorial policy and increasing advertising.

Olivia Gasper attended a new favorite session called “Everyday Ethics” and describes it saying, “Over all I really loved the experience and I did learn a thing or two more to help me become a



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Journalist

better writer.”

The range of options allowed students to find something that caught their interest and hearing tips from professionals was extremely beneficial because there are always ways to improve.

When asked to evaluate the trip, The Lantern’s Junior Editor, Lauren Gregory says “It was an amazing experience and a great way to gain professional input on how to write better stories. It was also nice to see the campus and meet new people who shared the same passion for newspaper as I do.”

Interacting with professional journalists and designers while working with other students with the same interests impacted Strongsville writers tremendously.

The college tour, the sessions, and interactions with professionals and other students combined to make the OSMA conference a huge success.

Sometimes students forget that the numbers and the letters are not quite as important as the education and that although it is important to always try your best in everything you do, it is also important to explore new possibilities and find your interests.



Lauren Gregory  
Columnist

## The Nerd’s Corner

### The College Application Process

Starting the college application process with no guidance can create the impression of walking down a vast and perplexing road with no map; you can get lost quickly and beyond irked within a matter of minutes. The whole college application process is a gargantuan and monstrous feat. However, with the proper guidance you will have your applications faster than you can say, “Scholastic Aptitude Test.”

It all starts with finding your “right fit.” Before you can even begin filling out physical copies of college applications, you must know what colleges you will be applying to. This can start as early as freshman year, by signing up to receive admissions information and newsletters in the mail.

Once you find your top colleges, sign up to receive basic information via traditional mail or email. The final step is to actually visit the college, because you need to know if you truly value the atmosphere.

The next step is to enroll in either, or both, the SAT or the ACT. This you can do either as

a junior or senior, however, it is wise to start these your junior year so that you have ample time to prepare, perfect your strategies, or retake the tests if you want to improve your score. In order to prepare for these exams, it would be a wise choice to buy a couple of practice books or to enroll in an instructional class. Create an ACT account on actstudent.org. Then register for the date, location, and the writing portion of the test all on the website. For the SAT, you can go to sat.collegeboard.org/registration and follow the instructions listed on the website.

At this point, it is time to actually start applying to colleges. You can either print or fill out applications virtually on each college’s admissions page. Also on listed on this page are the requirements for acceptance which can include your coursework and curriculum, cumulative grade point average, ACT and SAT results, and class rank

When writing out your application, make sure emphasize your unique abilities and achievements, because this is a

competitive process do not sell yourself short as that will only benefit the other people that you are trying to beat out for a spot in college.

You will almost always need one or two letters of recommendation. Our school is trying out a new program called Naviance to organize your application process, but do not pass up the opportunity for a face-to-face sit down with the person you are asking for a letter. This is the professional and courteous way to add to your email and make you stand out. Pick a trustworthy teacher whom you know you have made a good impression on.

Finally, you will also need a copy of your transcript which you can obtain by filling out a request a transcript from the mezzanine and turn it in with a \$10 to your guidance counselor. Hopefully, this break down will make the process easier for you and even possibly, demystify it for juniors as they approach this fateful time in a teenager’s life. Good luck and start early!

# Sports

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Matt Weninger  
Sports Writer

## Cavaliers Seek Redemption ...had they been healthy, would the Cavs have won?

As the NBA regular season approaches the Cavs have one goal, win the elusive NBA Championship.

Coming off a more than disappointing Finals loss, the Cavs have more motivation than ever to win it all. The injuries of Kyrie Irving and Kevin Love in the playoffs last year made the entire sports world wonder this...had they been healthy, would the Cavs have won?

But that's in the past, and the road to an NBA title starts now.

With new additions and a healthy roster, the Cavs are favorites to take home Cleveland's first NBA title. The Cavs have added three new players this year which include former Cav Mo Williams, NBA veteran Richard Jefferson, and Russian center Sasha Kaun.

No doubt this Cavs team is

better than last year. Last year's team had very little experience playing with one another, so now a year later the chemistry should be much better.

"The only thing that can stop the Cavs this year is injuries."

To start the season Kyrie Irving and Iman Shumpert will be out until December or January. Kevin Love will be healthy to start the season but is coming off an injury. Anderson Varejao is coming off a torn Achilles tendon.

But, if the Cavs stay healthy a title can remain in sight. So Cleveland should be more than optimistic this year and look forward to another exciting year of basketball.



"The only thing that can stop the Cavs this year is injuries."

## Non-Profit Disputes BGSU's Ruling



Jessica Wilson  
Journalist

*RallyCap Sports, a program for students with disabilities, fights for space.*

RallyCap Sports is a program that creates a positive environment for kids and young adults with special needs through activities and play. Paul Hooker, former BGSU student, is the founder of this organization.

The idea began when Paul was at a Little League Baseball game. A player's sister was watching from the sideline in a wheelchair. Paul proceeded to ask the girl how she was doing; frustrated, she responded with "This stinks."

Her simple answer led to an aim to create a program for all people to be able to enjoy sports. Soon after, Paul and his wife created a Softball League called Challenged Youth Sports in their hometown. As time passed the

small league grew into year-round program that had over a dozen sports added to it.

As the 25th anniversary of the Hooker's organization came around, a new idea had evolved; they wanted to spread Challenge

Youth Sports League across the country. With Paul's history at Bowling Green it felt only right that he began his mission there.

In 2014 Challenge Youth Sports changed their name to RallyCap Sports began its first episode at the university. It is currently still in progress at BGSU, and Paul and his wife hope to expand their program across the country.

There is much controversy to whether this program will succeed or not. Many administrative staff members at Bowling Green do not believe in supporting RallyCap with things such as money and gym time for their weekly sessions. The reason for this is because although the



do not believe in the success in the program simply because they do not know what RallyCap does. Some may ask what is the purpose for this, and how does it work.

Director Melissa Wilson, Strongsville Parent, and

also Special Education major at BGSU, has multiple answers for this question. She explains RallyCap is split up into seasons, and each of them goes on for about 4-6 weeks. The sports included in these seasons are basketball, soccer, flag football, softball, golf, tennis, cheerleading, and dancercise.

During the season, players learn the rules and skills of that particular sport from the staff and volunteers.

By the end of the season a game is held for players to show off what they learned. The sole reason for this organization is purely for players to enjoy themselves. When asked her reason for joining RallyCap,

Melissa responds with "I rally because I believe that everyone should have an opportunity to be a part of a team that they feel fully supported, accepted, and loved by! I rally because RallyCap Sports benefits everyone involved."

A parent of a RallyCap player also inputs her opinion on the matter; Donna Kinner says "The really great effect this program has had on my son—and other kids—is they gain this confidence and you see all of [the RallyCap Sports kids] really blossom. They know they can accomplish something."

Advisor of RallyCap, Mariana Mitova, has her own opinion about the matter. Her son Jerrod is blind and has autism, and is member of RallyCap. Mitova says "Jerrod loves the program and looks forward to it every week. Although he has made some great friends with other players, he mainly enjoys being with the staff from the university. There simply is no other place for the program to be held, and it would be cruel for someone to take away the happiness I see on my son's face every Sunday we are here."

There is still controversy and hopefully soon the issue will be resolved.

# Arts & Entertainment

## \$100 Fall Fashion



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**B**reaking news: You don't need to break the bank to rock your autumn wardrobe! From layering, to booties, to scarves, the possibilities of a fall collection can seem overwhelming and pricy. Don't let the world of social media and lofty high-fashion fool you, there are ways around the prices that will keep you equally a la mode.

You don't need a Michael Kors bag and Jimmy Choo heels to seize the day. Try dressing up finds from a local thrift store or lower-priced retail stores at the mall, such as H&M or Forever 21. You will find great fall pieces for a great price.

Fall screams layers! Essentials your closet must boast this season include oversized cardigans, flannels, blanket scarves, fur vests, booties, and of course, a sweeping neutral color palette to complete your cozy look. \$100 is all it takes to create a dazzling look fit for the runway.

For example, take to H&M's website and start with your basics. First, a simple white blouse- \$9.99. Next, add a fine-knit cardigan- \$12.99 or faux-fur vest- \$39.99. Try opting for a plain, yet gorgeous tube-knit scarf- \$6.99. As for the bottom half, start with a simple skinny high-ankle jean for as low as \$9.99! Then, select a pair of Chelsea boots- \$34.99.

With any money left over, top your repertoire off with some jewelry such as bracelets, rings, and earrings. H&M is just one retailer notorious for great deals on fashion. You can also try Forever 21, TJ Maxx, Marshalls, or even a local thrift store!

Many stores will attempt to recreate looks straight from runways around the world and you never know what hidden and



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cheap gems you will find!

Fall is known for bringing a harvest of deep, rich berry hues! Throughout clothing and beauty stores, it is common to find berry-colored accessories and products that will help to tie all of your outfits with the theme of the fall season. Simply walk into any store and you'll find an array of deep-colored dresses alongside scarves, boots and gloves to layer to your fashionista's content!

If you are looking for a place that sells berry or burgundy pieces both online and in-store, a great example would be Charming Charlie which is currently located in Legacy Village, Lyndhurst OH. Charming Charlie is known to be a local favorite due to their pleasing, color-coordinated ap-

pearance once you enter their store.

Although berry colors are most popular during the season, you will have no problem finding dresses, long tops, leggings and boots that range from a variety of different colors in stores this season.

Another exciting aspect of fall style is beauty! As far as hair-styles go, scarves and collars are the perfect frame for a gorgeous updo or a romantic braid. When deciding on what makeup to apply, the stronger colors within your clothing can be balanced with a deeper look.

Flushed cheeks and cinnamon lips symbolize fall as much as a slice of pumpkin pie, and don't forget those beautifully manicured deep red nails

wrapped around your "pumpkin-spiced latte"!

It is the time to change your silhouette from the "breezy" and "flowy" looks of summer to a more structured style which can be shown off to full advantage, as it's not yet cold enough to cover up with thick coats.

Ohio is infamous for its harsh winters therefore it is crucial to take advantage of the styles and trends during its breezy and crisp fall.



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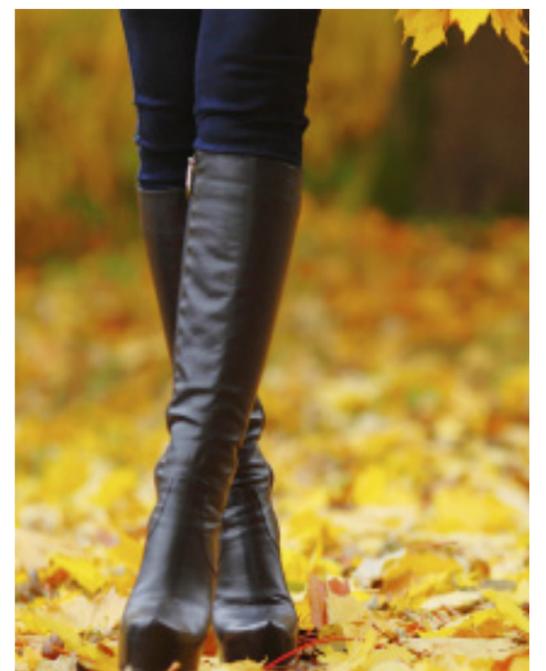
- Layers! You can still use your summer clothes if you layer them correctly.
- Fur vests, big scarves, flannels and booties.
- Neutral Color Palette
- Deep, rich berry hues
- Flushed cheeks and cinnamon lips
- Deep red nails.
- Pumpkin Spiced Latte!



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# Arts & Entertainment



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Journalist

## FALL TO DO: AROUND YOU

*Pumpkins, and fall, and Halloween, oh my! As the days become shorter, you will want to venture out and enjoy the time that we have left before the cold winter months set in. In order for you to gain the best fall experience, here are some activities you can take part in and around town.*



**1.** One classic fall activity is picking and carving pumpkins. You can buy your pumpkins at a store or you can go to a pumpkin patch. Red Wagon Farm's 2015 Pumpkin Festival is open every weekend thru October 31st from 12:00-5:00 pm. It is located in Columbia Station. Once you have your pumpkins carved, you can take your pumpkin seeds and roast them in the oven to enjoy while looking at your pumpkins glow.



**2.** Watch the foliage on nature hikes before the leaves fall. Make sure to get out to the Cleveland Metroparks and check out the cool trails and scenery.



**3.** Afterwards you could head to the Chalet in Mill Stream Run Reservation for their October Hayrides that are every Saturday until October 31st from 6:00-10:00pm. Adult tickets cost \$9 with rides leaving every 30 minutes on a first-come first-served basis.



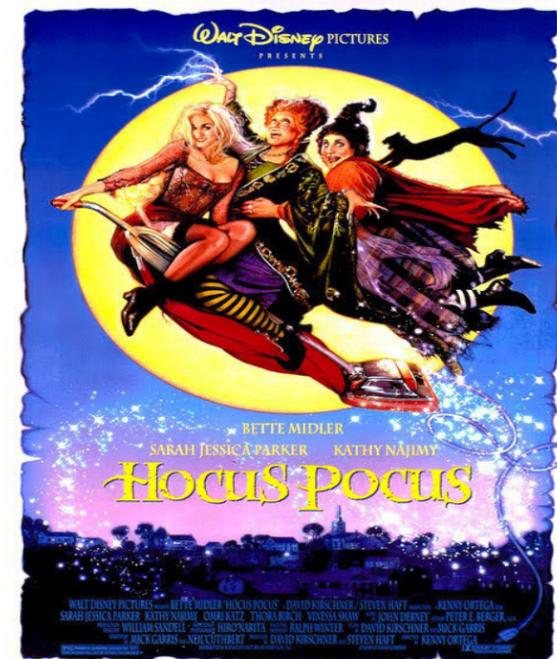
**4.** If you're looking for a more adventurous night out, you should think about going to Zombie Paintball at Mapleside Farms located in Brunswick, Ohio open every Friday and Saturday night from 6:00-11:00.



**5.** In the spirit of Halloween, you could always visit a haunted house for a good scare and a fun time with friends such as the 7 Floors of Hell located in Middleburg Heights, Ohio at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds. Another option is to go to Halloweekends at Cedar Point open until October 31st. Their "haunt" hours are Fridays 6pm-midnight, Saturday 11am-midnight, and Sunday



**6.** Not everyone likes to be scared, but you always have the option to stay at home or go to a friend's house to get in the spirit of Halloween. If you want to spend the night at home with friends have a bonfire and make s'mores. You can even tell ghost stories to put you in the mood for Halloween night.



**7.** If it happens to rain or gets too cold for your liking, stay inside and have a movie marathon. Some classic Halloween movies include Hocus Pocus, Halloween, and A Nightmare on Elm Street, you can check these titles out at the Strongsville branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library.



**8.** Do not forget about trick-or-treating or Halloween parties on the 31st and enjoy your fall time now because before you know it you will be gearing up for the holidays and the cold Cleveland weather.



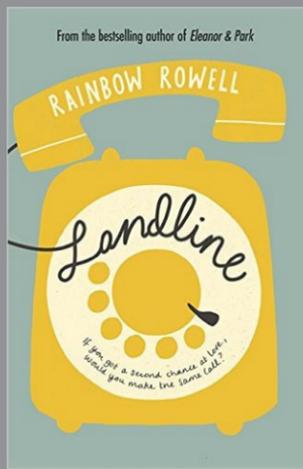
# Arts & Entertainment

## Landline

by: Rainbow Rowell



Julianna Mathiellis  
Journalist



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You are a newlywed, sitting blissfully on the couch with your significant other. You sigh peacefully and fall asleep in each other's embrace.

Then a year passes, and then two. You stop talking to one another and the vacant couch sits in a corner of your living room, yearning for attention.

The children are the only thing bonding you together and your marriage hangs by a thread. What happens next? Destruction occurs. The decision is made to take a break from each other.

Though during the time apart communication is made, it is only through the phone. You are

too wrapped up in work and you fail to notice a crucial point- the phone takes you back to your past spouse two years ago-when life was simple and you were helplessly in love.

Landline by Rainbow Rowell is a coming-of-age novel that asks us all what we would sacrifice in the face of love.

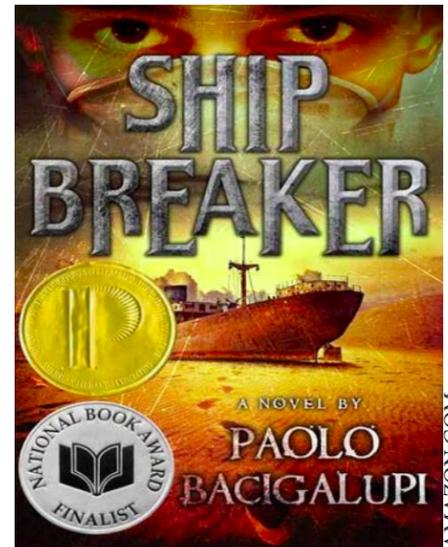
*What happens next?*

## SHIP BREAKER

by: Paolo Bacigalupi



Grace Mutti  
Journalist



Are you tired of reading the same old "star-crossed lovers save society" dystopian trope?

If so, Paolo Bacigalupi's Ship Breaker is the book for you. This novel focuses on the story of Nailer, a teenage boy that spends each day scavenging metal from boats with his crew, hoping to survive until the next day.

In a world where betrayal is second nature and the bond of family is severed by greed, Nailer struggles with the equilibrium of survival and morals. His decisions become especially difficult when a shipwrecked clipper turns up on the shore with the daughter of a wealthy

corporation owner pinned beneath the wreckage.

This story is distinguishable from those of other dystopian novels because the plot never slows down enough for a romance to dominate the individual paths of the characters. Instead, the novel explores themes such as luck or the ability to control fate and loyalty to family and friends.

While Nailer contemplates the effects of his decisions and attempts to prove himself a better man than his father, Nita, the swank rich girl, is forced to evaluate the accuracy of class stereotypes when she dives into the crew life in an attempt to

conceal herself from her father's enemies. Despite their separate agendas and the fact that they come from two completely separate worlds, Nita and Nailer are thrown together for an adventure where failure means death for both of them.

*Will the Scavenge Gods turn luck in their favor?*

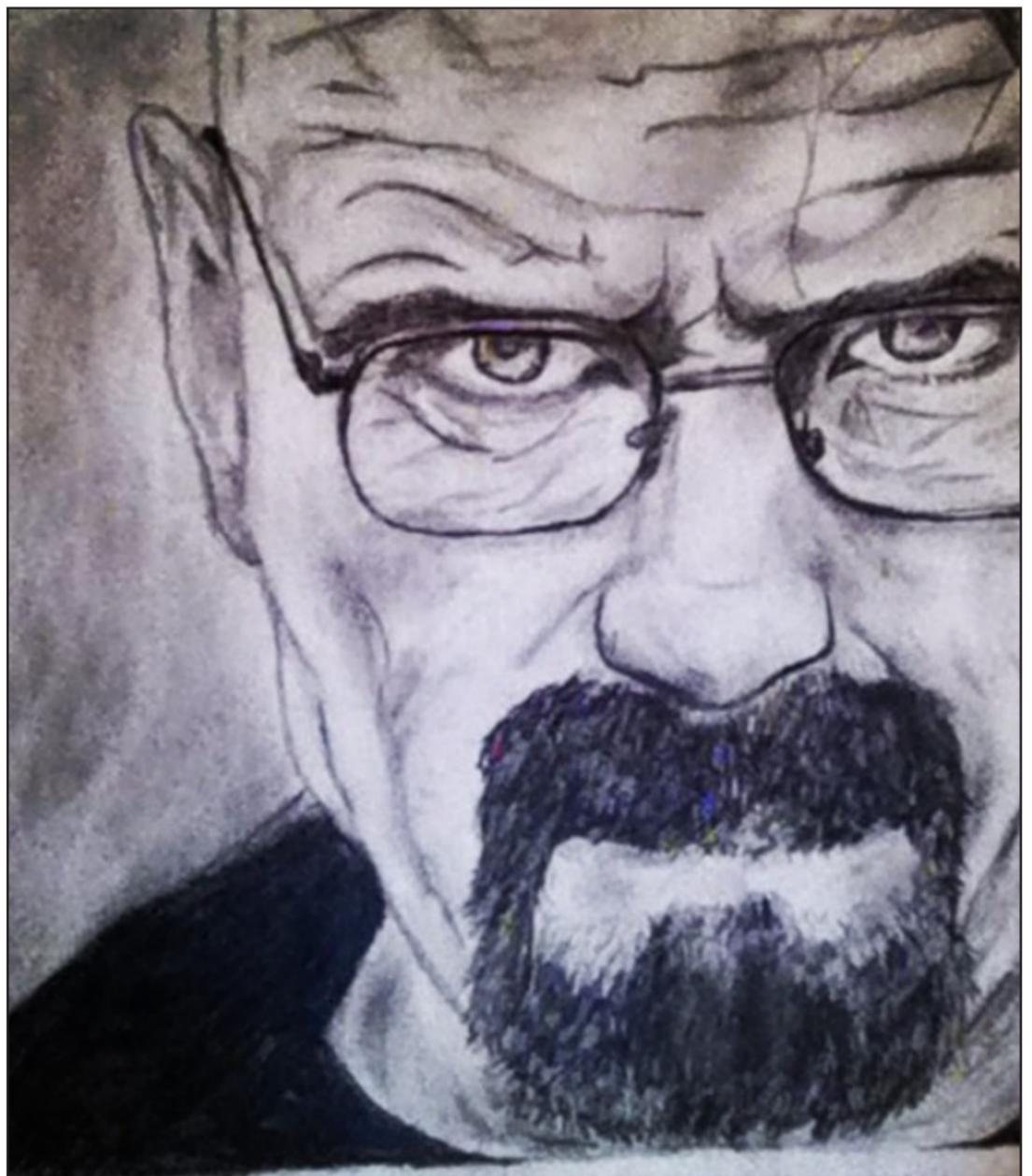
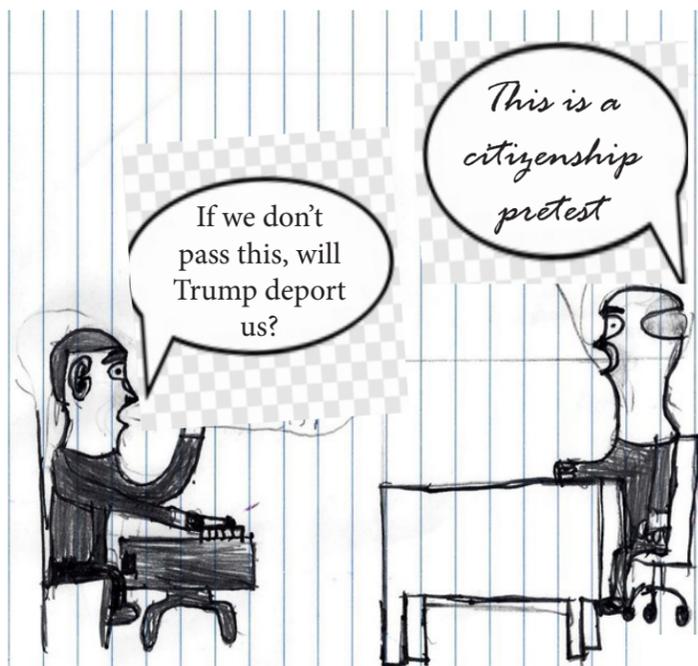
## The Pen & the Pencil

Real-life Renderings and Political Cartoons

### Donald Trump Citizenship Test

by Brett Midea, Freshman

Brett enjoys satirizing everyday issues while practicing his artistic skills both in print and online. Stay tuned for more political, historical, and social issues.



## Breaking Bad

by Autumn Whitefer, Sophomore

Autumn is one of the top artists of her class, and continues to excel with each character of which she ventures to recreate the likeness. Stay tuned for more of her drawings and a description of each. If you are an artist that wishes to submit your work, email merste@scsmustangs.org. with your trial drawing!