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2022-2023

Spangdahlem High School Unit 3822, APO AE 09126

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School population: 155 Principal: Dr. Anneliese Hyde



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Student vs Teacher Basketball game



















Faces

Coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic, the masks are off! Sentinels are proudly showing of their smiles, hidden for so long.











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STAFF & FACULTY

Tim Bachmann Jillian Besemer Daniel Cassel Thea Chavez Derek Cicchitto









Matthew Cirillo John Clinton Michael Cook Danielle Cozzolino Cinnamon Cripe











Denber Cruz Rowena Cruz Stacey DeRose Katherine Garcia Nathaniel Goolsby







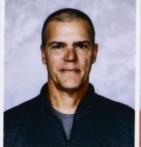




Javier Graham Fay Head Terrence Hoffman Beth Howard Chris Howard











Anneliese Hyde Mark Jackson Ernest Jennings Hilary Loftus Sarah Moran











The Neighborhoods

Ms. Bessemer (German)

Dr. Head (Spanish)

Ms. Loftus (English)

Ms. Moran (Virtual School)

Ms. Yucel (English)

Eagle

Mr. Graham (C.T.E)

Mr. Hoffman (Social Studies)

Ms. Howard (Social Studies)

Mr. Jackson (Physical Education)

Ms. Walters (English)

Falcon

Mr. Cirillo (Math & Science)

Ms. DeRose (Science)

Ms. Garcia

Mr. Howard (Math)

Mr. Williams (Science)

Phantom

Ms. Cozzolino
(Art)

Ms. Cripe (Librarian)

Chef Sierra (C.T.E)

> Dr. Hyde (Principal)

Mr. Cassel (Vice Principal)

Saber



















Saskia Siler Keela Stoneking Elizabeth Walters Daniel Williams



Jessica Yucel

TEACHER & STAFF



Most Likely to Win Jeopardy Mrs. DeRose & Mr. DeRose



Best Advice Giver
Mr. Cirillo & Mrs. Yucel



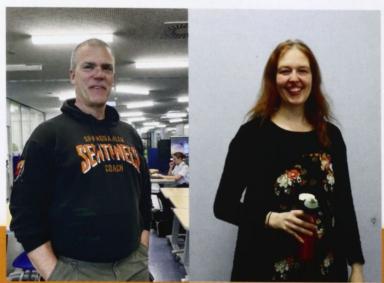
Most Sarcastic
Mr. Walters & Mrs. Siler



Most Likely to Start a
Band
Dr. Jennings & Mrs. Cozzolino

"We are so grateful for our amazing teachers and staff who have worked hard to make this year special for everyone!"
(Spang Students)

SUPERLATIVES



Most Intimidating
Vocabulary
Mr. Hoffman & Mrs. Walters





FunniestMr. Howard & Mrs. Chavez



Meme
Mr. Cruz & Dr. Head



NicestMr. Williams & Mrs. Loftus



















Freshmen Class of 2026





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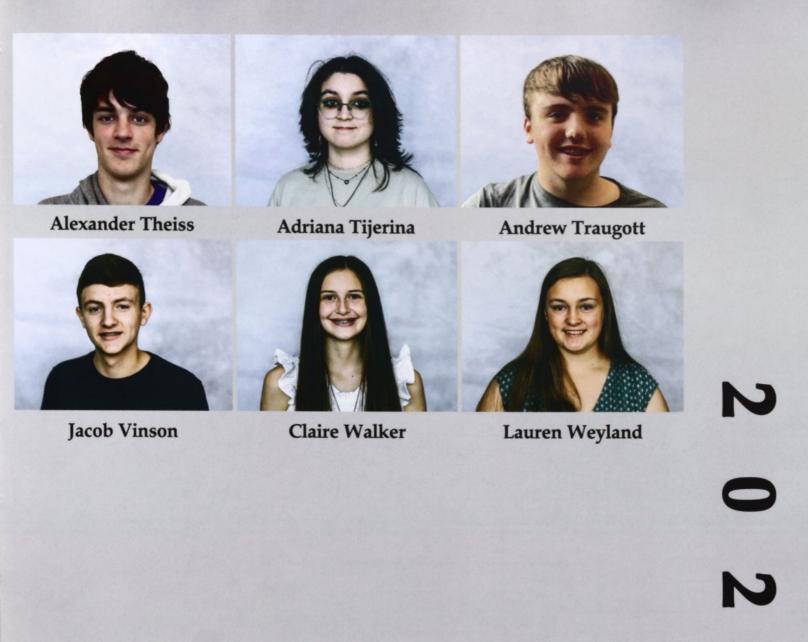
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Freshman



Most School Spirit
Cameron Chavez & Olivia Glover



Class Clown
Isabelle Taylor & Cameron Lewis



Most Athletic
Cordrick Sago & Natalia Davies

Superlatives



Biggest Flirt
Alexis Lauer & Julian Leonard



Life of the Party
Vincent Franco & Sara Paulk



Most likely to have a honeymoon in Vegas
Greyson Doiron & Adriana Tijerina









































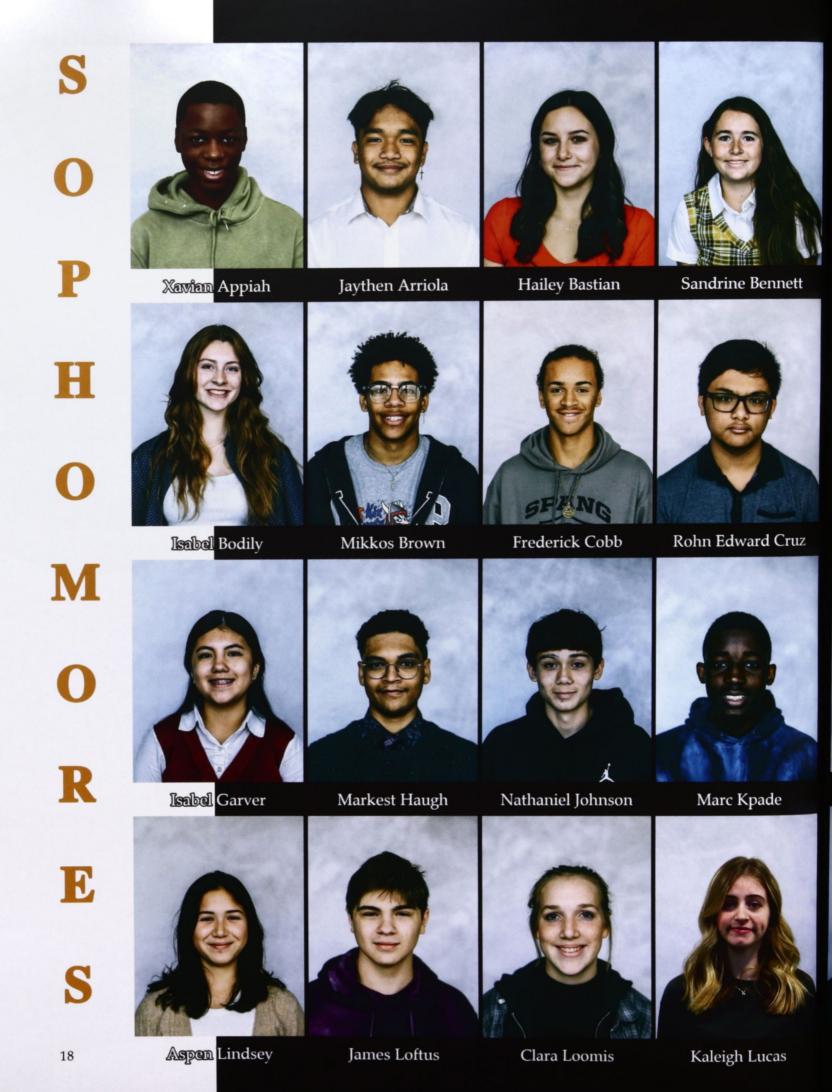








Sophomores Class of 2025







Jayla Malave



Joel McCrae



Cohen Mendiola



Natalie Moran



Caleya Morton



Connor Mucke



Maximilian Norman



Makenzie Proctor



Isaiah Riley



Gabriel Saldano



2 5

Gabriella Sanchez



Zayah Santos



Logan Simmers



Messiah Smith



Caleb Truscott





Abigail Wardova



Jeremy White



Sophie Winders



<u>Bream</u>na Wolff



Kaan Yucel



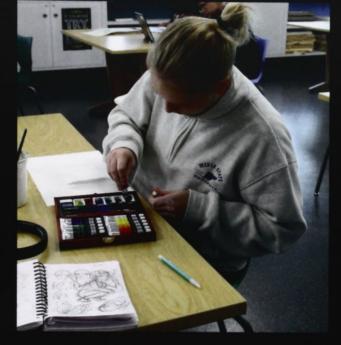
Cassidy Zugelder

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Sophomore



Most sarcastic Kaan Yucel & Clara Loomis



Best school spiritMarkest Haugh & Sandrine Bennett



Most likely to be scammed Miranda Valles & Jeremy White



Best dressed Isaiah Riley & Aspen Lindsey

Superlatives



Most Likely to be caught sleeping in class

Mikkos Brown & Gabriella Sanchez



Best laughMakenzie Proctor & Gabriel
Saldano



Most likely to be ID'd at 30

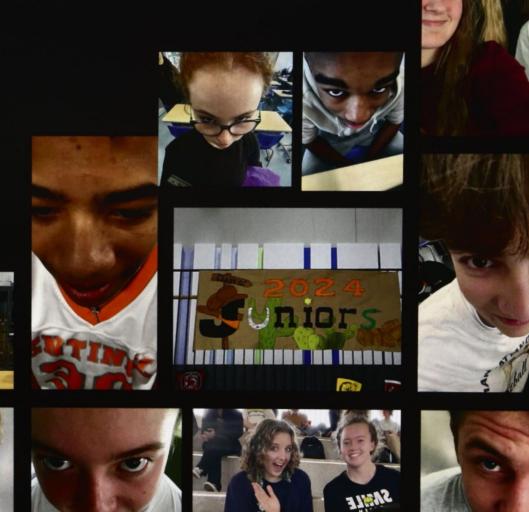
Xavian Appiah & Isabel Garver



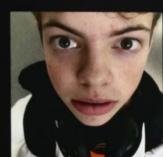
Best hair
Isabel Bodily & James Loftus

Juniors

Class of 2024











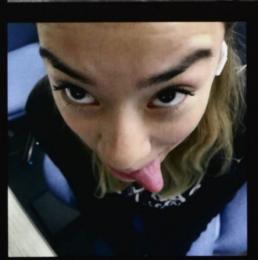


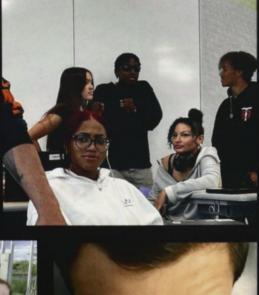


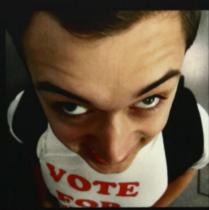






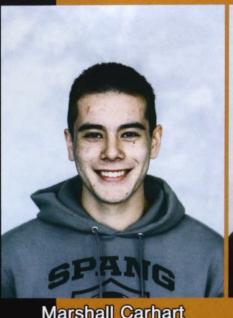








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Marshall Carhart



Sebastian Collins



Isabella Davies



Ryan Davis



Aiden Dearing



Makario Drummond



James Francisco



Maddisyn Glover



Emily Gove



Bailee Haffner



Jacquelyne Herring



Jeffery House



Amaya Jalomo



Alajah Jiggetts



Elizabeth Koenig



Michael Landers



Kaylee Lauer



Robert Leggett

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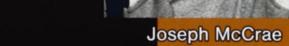


Jasmine Lynch

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Isabella Munday



Nicholas Murphy



Jamilah Pamintuan



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Javian Rivera



Gabrielle Schmidt



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Mason Tieyah



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Best Dressed
Caiden Taherimorovat
Isabella Davies



Best HairRiley Lombardo
Sebastian Collins



Best Girlationship
Jamilah Pamintuan
Jaden Watson



Best Bromance
Ryan Davis
Nicholas Murphy

Superlatives



Most Athletic
Robert Leggett
Maddisyn Glover



Most Creative
Aaron Weyland
Jacquelyne Herring



Funniest People
Alajah Jiggetts
Makario Drummond



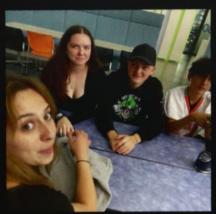
Best people to be on a Deserted Island with

Javian Rivera Elizabeth Koenig































Seniors

Class of 2023





















Ethan Bodily

"Couldn't have made it through without Mental Math"

- Ethan Bodily



Kaelan Cardwell

"From there to here, and here to there, funny things are everywhere."

- Dr. Seuss



Sophia Buckner

"Whenever I'm about to do something, I think, "Would an idiot do that?" And if they would, I do not do that thing"

--Dwight Schrute



Alyssa Esmailka

"Don't think too much. You'll create a problem that wasn't even there in the first place." - Frank Ocean



Raven Candela<u>ria</u>

"bye..." - Raven



Audrey Hauck

"If no one from the future comes to stop you from doing it, then how bad of a decision can it possibly be?"
- Audrey Hauck

Seniors



Marra Haugh

"I don't wanna gain the whole world, and lose my soul" - TobyMac



Conner Koenig

"Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all, you decide."

- Helen Keller



Alyxandria Herring

"The greatest mistake a man can make is to search for flowers amongst the weeds overlooking that often times, the very weeds are flowers."

- Rigby



Emmanuel Kpade

"Anyone who is in there comfort zone should work hard and get out of it because at the end of the day you not doing it for your parents or your friends you doing it for yourself I guarantee it will pay off" - Emmanuel Kpade



Alliana Hogeland

"Always follow your heart- unless your heart is bad with directions."

SpongeBobSquarepants



Josephine Kurt

"peace <3" - Jo





Skylar Lamb

"A Red Bull a day keeps the doctor away." - Myself



Jonathan Lopez

"If you're not improving, you're falling behind."
-Chris Bumstead



Naomi Leggett

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." - Jeremiah 29:11



Reign Lucero

"If there's a will there's a way. If there's Quizlet, there's an A." - Unknown



Addison Lombardo

"I'm gonna go cry in the bathroom, peace out homies" - Jake Peralta



Elijah Martin

"God Bless America" -Mr. Howard





Andrew Molina

"Would you believe in what you believe in if you were the only one who believed it?" - Kanye West



Valentino Munoz

"Man, those were some good tacos." -Martin Luther King



Miya Mood-Hoffman

"I will do it tomorrow," said Toad. "Today, I will take life easy." - Arnold Lobel



Blaize Pacheco

"I am the class of 2023..."
- Blaize Pacheco



Samantha Moran

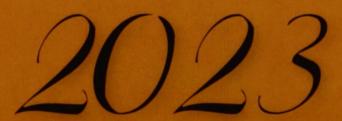
"When life shuts a door, open it back up. That's how doors work." - Unknown



Savannah Proctor

"The more I think about it, the more I realize there is nothing more artistic than to love others."

-Vincent Van Gogh





Mackenzie Roach

"Behind every successful person is a caffeine addiction " - Unknown



Jaisa Whaley

"Two steps forward and one step back is still one step forward" - Rosa Diaz



Connery Rosenthal

"The real fun is the Journey of achieving things you wanted.

- Unknown



Keegan Whaley

"We're not pawns of some scripted fate. I believe we're more. Much more... There's something between us all. Something that keeps us together."

- Robin, Fire Emblem: **Awakening**



Kimberlyn Saylor

"i am > i was" - 21 Savage



Kimberly Zanders

"When they go low, we go high"

- Michelle Obama





Senior



Most Likely to Trip at Graduation

Andrew Molina & Raven Candelaria



Class Clown
Blaize Pacheco & Kimberlyn
Savlor



Best RideJo Kurt & Conner Koenig



Most Likely to be a CEO Ethan Bodily & Marra Haugh

Superlatives



Most Likely to be
Flimflammed
Connery Rosenthal & Mackenzie
Roach



Most Likely to Take Over the World Jonathan Lopez & Samantha Moran



Worst Case of Senioritis
Keegan Whaley & Addison
Lombardo



Worst Spy
Emmanuel Kpade & Sophia
Buckner



























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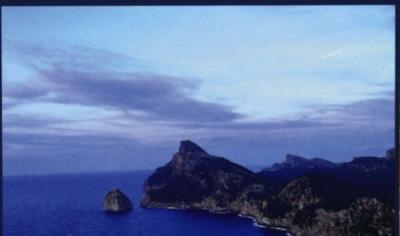
TRAVELS & INTERESTS







Living in Germany, Sentinels have the ability to experience new adventures and travel all around Europe. Here are the photos our sentinels sent in!





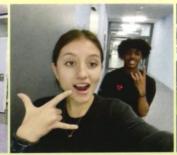
















HANGOUT WITH FRIENDS









































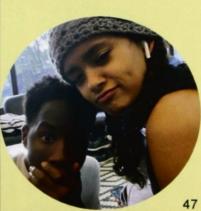
This year, our Spangdahlem High School friends had a great time with each other. Our sentinels always make time to hang out with their friends, whether in school or outside of school.









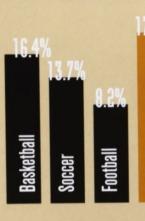


2+2=4



What is your favorite sport?

The majority of Spangdahlem students voted softball as their favorite sport.





What is your favorite subject

math as their favorite subject.



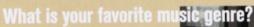




Which hobby do you enjoy doing the mos

The majority of Spangdahlem studesports as their favorite hobby.





The majority of Spangdahlem students voted popular their favorite music genre













Student's Favorite Things





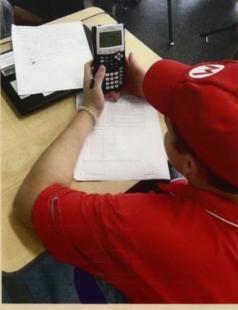




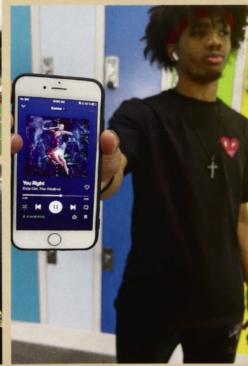




























JROTC

Culinary























Video

Physical Education

















Math and Science

Neighbor

Social Studies, Heath, English, Drama, and Yearbook









English, Foreign Language, AVID, AP Seminar/Research

hoods

Information Center, Art, Photography and Humanities









Students On The Job









Throughout the school year, our Sentinels were provided with many job options across the base. While still remaining academic and playing sports, our students worked in the local commissary, BX, Shoppette, and many more.

















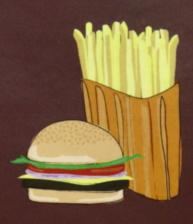














BeReal.



Spangdahlem Sentinels!

Memories: Year 2022 - 2023





































































Uearbook





















Organizations

Student Council



Audrey Hauck Alyx Herring Sam Moran

Class Sponsors

12- Mr. Cruz 11- Mrs. DeRose

10- Mrs. Besemer

9- Ms. Loftus



Alliana Hogeland Alyssa Esmailka

Emily Gove
Jasmine Lynch
Jamilah
Pamintuan
Jaden Watson





Gabe Saldano Clara Loomis Cassidy Zugelder Sandrine Bennett

> Natalia Davies Natalie Rocha



National Honor Society



Officers

President:
Kimberlyn Saylor
Vice President:
Audrey Hauck
Treasurer:
Alliana Hogeland
Secretary:

Annual Service Project:

Sophia Buckner

Tutoring

Student 2 Student



Members

Javian Rivera
Kimberlyn Saylor
Maddisyn Glover
Mrs. Walters
Sophia Buckner
Bailee Haffner
Alliana Hogeland
Elijah Martin

Broadcasting

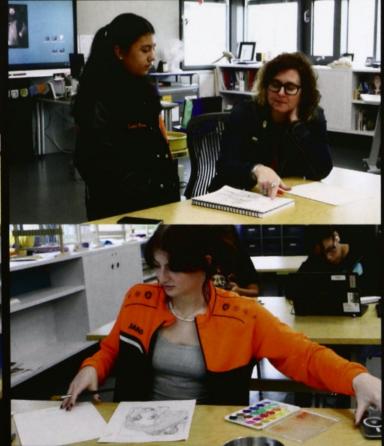






Art









Conditioning Club











The Conditioning Club strives for self-betterment and a good time!

They meet in the Weight Room every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.

The Granny Club







We like to take things slow with a cup of tea, crochet, and baking cookies!



Mrs. Walters
Marra Haugh
Alliana Hogeland
Savannah Proctor
Reign Lucero
Corrie Mann













Book Club

Under the leadership of Ms. Cripe, our information specialists, the book club met on Monday's during lunch in the library or Ms. Cozzolino's room.









The Gardening Club has been established to both promote the knowledge and importance of gardening and to provide products for the Culinary Arts classes. Spring is just around the corner and we are ready to put the new plants into our roof top garden beds.

Dungeons & Dragons Club





Che Last Resorts
D.M.- Corrie Mann
Goblin Warlock- Kona Mucke
Drow Elf Rogue- Cre Gipson
Dragonborn Fighter- Rohn Cruz
Gnome Artificer- Zachary Siegwart
Fiuman Paladin- Mason Knight

Reroes of Rappenstance D.M.- Chanatos Surber Dragonborn Monk- Savannah Proctor Ruman Cleric- Alliana Rogeland Rarpy Bard- Keegan Whaley







Deadly Oddballs
D.M.- Conner Koenig
Dragonborn Paladin- Isaac
Espinoza
Wood Elf Bard- Mrs. Cozzolino
Fruman Paladin- Markest Fraugh
Drvarf Ranger- Samantha Moran

ROBOTICS CLUB

This year the Robotics club created a robot to complete in DoDEA Europe FTC First Power Play Invitational. Thirty-three schools from three different countries competed at Kaiserslautern High School. Though our team did not advance to the final round they learn valuable skills that will help them create a bigger and better robot for next yearl

Students: Kaan Yucel, Rohn Cruz, Adriana Tijerina, Coach: Denber Cruz



















FOOTBALL

Who's house? Our house!



Scoreboard

Spang v. Alconbury 39-32 Spang v. AFNorth 54-6

Spang v. Brussels 36-39 (PLAYOFF)

Spang v. Sigonella 52-12

Sapng v. Ansbach 30-0 Spang v. Brussels 48-68 Spang v. AFNorth 64-32

Our team placed second in Division III, way to go boys!







Senior Spotlight



Andrew Molina Linebacker



Munoz Wide Receiver

Valentino



























Fall Cheer

Our Sentinel Cheerleaders started from scratch with their fall season. After a surprising first place win for the previous competition season, this team is working their way back to the top to take home first place in the upcoming season!!



























Capt. Amaya Jalomo



Jasmine Lynch



Maddi Glover



Jaden Watson



Aniya Robinson



Raven Candelaria



Valerie Biascan



Jamilah Pamintuan



Zayah Santos



Joel McCrae



Riley House



A R S

Volleyball



























A R S I T Y



Seniors

Addison L. Audrey H. Naomi L. Skylar L.

















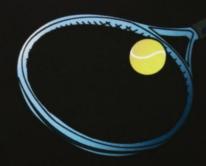






The tennis team this year was bigger than it's ever been before! This year was awesome for everyone and we're so glad for this season so that we could all get closer and be better teammates and friends.

Tennis





Senior Samantha Moran

Senior Connery Rosenthal Alliana Hogeland

Senior

Senior Jaisa Whaley

Senior Conner Koenig









SPIRIT WEEK



COUNTRY VS.
COUNTRY CLUB



FLANNEL DAY



COLOR WAR & PEP RALLY



PEP RALLY



COUNTRY VS COUNTRY



COWBOYS VS ALIENS













TAKES OF 2024 TAKES BACK THE SPIRIT STICK





Our kick—off to our homecoming weekend starts with a school wide pep rally! We acknowledged our sports teams as well as competitive games. After much back and forth of who was the winning class, the Junior class won!







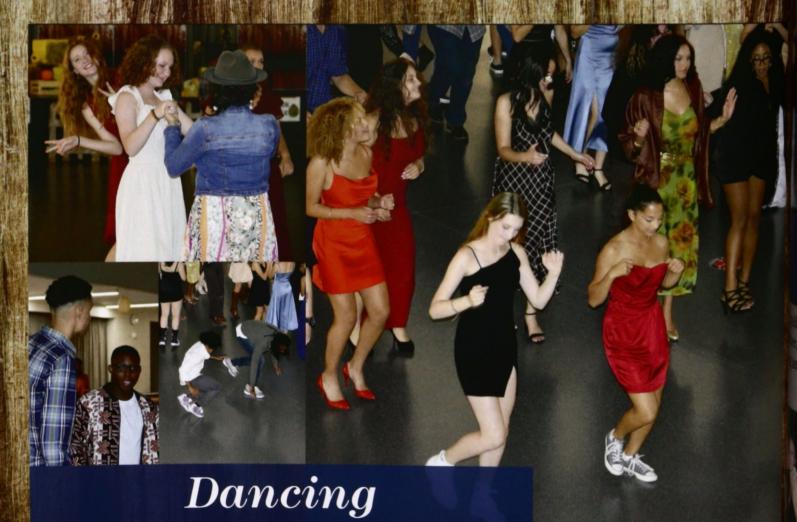








Student Council brought us back to the country with our Sweet Home Spangdahlem Homecoming! They did a great job of bringing our Southern students back to their roots.







Games!

To pull the country theme together, students played cup pong and corn-hole. What a night!









Special Appearance

Wing Commander, Colonel Hauck, came out



to support our Sentinels by participating in the coin toss for the Homecoming game against Sigonella! Shortly after, our Sentinels won 66-33 with a mercy rule.































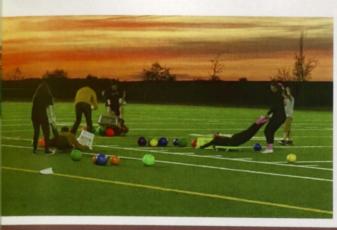














Fall Etcetera



To wrap up fall, Student Council sponsored a fall spirit week, evening pep rally, and students vs. teachers basketball game!













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BOYS BASKETBALL

Senior



Ethan Bodily

Senior



Elijah Martin































Shout out to our assistant manager Vincent Franco!





Adies Basketball



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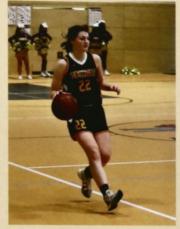
"The girls basketball season was full of growth, creating a team that deserved to be on the court with any team in DIII. Coach Tieyah, Coach Clinton, Coach Bodily, Coach Koenig and myself could not be anymore proud of what the team accomplished and how they stayed together through the highs and lows. Cheers to these young ladies and all of their efforts."

- Head Coach Chris Howard



























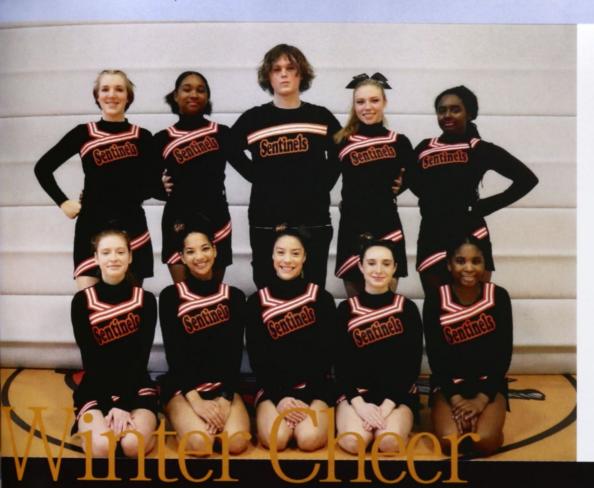












Seniors



Naomi Leggett



Audrey Hauck



Clara Loomis



Jaden Watson



Nicholas Murphy



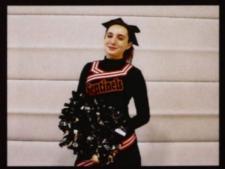
Jasmine Lynch



Laila Leggett



Amaya Jalomo



Emily Gove



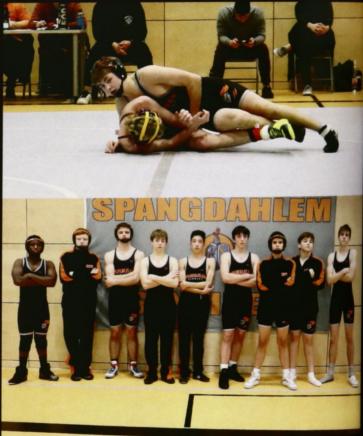
Kristina Hall

Wrestling













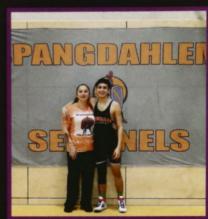






















MARKSMANSHIP



Thank you Col. Cook for an amazing season!



Spangdahlem's Underdogs!



Creative Connections

This year our Sentinels got to participate in Creative Connections, a six-day visual and performing arts symposium. Our talented students, selected by an application and audition, got to experience a week of intensive instruction, challenging them to explore new creative avenues and refine their skills to the highest levels. The activity culminated with an exhibition of artwork and an evening performance!



















Military Ball of Ball





























King- Blaize Pacheco Queen- Audrey Hauck

Prince-Marc Kpade Princess-Aspen Lindsey

Duke-Sebastian Flores Duchess-Dahlia Malave

Deck The Halls

















Our Sentinels collaborated with the Middle School to decorate the Commons for the holiday season!



Spirit Week









Goodbye 2022! Hello 2023!

















































ROSTER

Miva Mood-Hoffman #2() #13 Isabel Bodily Natalie Moran #7 Alvssa Esmailka #16 Samantha Moran Maddisyn Glover #5 #1() #19 Riley House #4 Aniva Robinson Gabriella Sanchez #1 Alexis Lauer #2 #8 Kaylee Lauer Kimberlyn Saylor #12 Claire Walker #11 Naomi Leggett #15 Lauren Weyland Lena Maassen #18 #3 MGR Jaden Watson MGR Jasmine Lynch



Head Coach:

Nurse Onyango

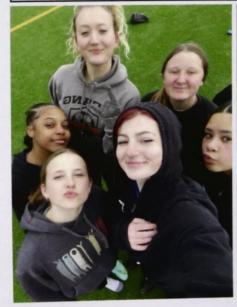
Assistant Coaches:

Janessa Wiley and Mr. Maassen



Seniors

Alyssa, Kimberlyn, Naomi, Miya, Samantha













GAME SPOTLIGHT















The Team

Coach Graham Xavian Appiah Jaythen Arriola Marshall Carhart **Russel Checketts** Frederick Cobb Darrian Kelly Marc Kpade Jonathan Lopez Isaiah Lozano Nicholas Murphy Isaiah Riley Logan Simmers Malachi Taherimorovat Mason Tieyah Caleb Truscott **Aaron Weyland** Jeremy White

Manager Emily Gove Manager Skylar Lamb



















Spangdahlem Baseball





In The Action

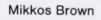






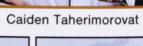






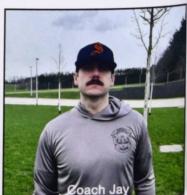


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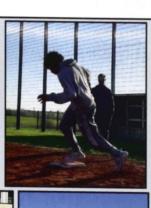














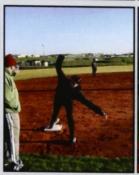












































Audrey Hauck

Coaches

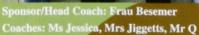














Coach Nicole

Our Competition This Year...

Hohenfels, Vicenza, Sigonella. Wiesbaden, Lakenheath, Shape, Alconbury, Rota, Naples









Meet HTeam

- 1, Clara L, Pitcher/1st
- 6, Sandrine B, Right Field/SS
- 7, Audrey H, 1st/Pitcher
- 8, Alajah J, 2nd/Center Field
- 9, Aspen L, 2nd/SS
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TRACK & FIELD





In an abundance of water, only the fool is thirsty" -Bob Marley













Team Roster

Ryan Davis
Lucas Degrasse
Greyson Doiron
Makario Drummond
saac Espinoza
Jeffery House
Robert Leggett
Jayden Leonard
Julian Leonard
Edward Peterson
Javian Rivera
Gabriel Saldano
Cordrick Sago
Messiah Smith
Casey Supinger

Trinity Burse
Isabella Davies
Natalia Davies
Maxine Diaz
Amaya Jalomo
Isabella Munday
Makenzie Proctor
Gabriella Schmidt
Olivia Glover



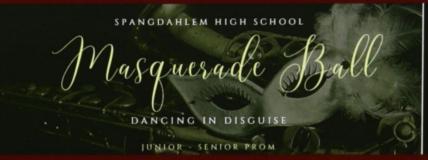












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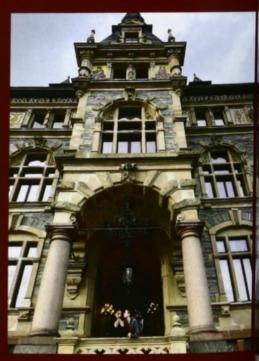
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S CCHLOSS LIESER

Our upperclassmen made all efforts to make this the most magical prom at Spangdahlem.

Our students chose to have a Masquerade Ball at Schloss Lieser. We appreciate all students and adults who made the time to put this elegant night possible.





Prepping for Prom



Our Prom Committee

Juniors
Emily Gove
Jasmine Lynch
Alex McCrae
Nicholas Murphy

Seniors
Audrey Hauck
Alyx Herring
Skylar Lamb
Samantha Moran

We would also like to thank our sponsor, Mrs. DeRose, for sticking with us and making this night possible!



Class Of 2023



Journey to Graduation

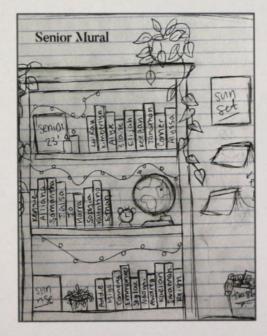














New Students







Trinity Burse

Maxine Diaz

Edward Peterson

SPECIAL ED STAFF



Christine Cobb



Keri Hofland



Milivoj Sneler



Linh Vu



Seniors,

We've experienced a lot! Freshmen year, wow! We marched in the homecoming parade, had fun at the pep rally and ended the evening warmed by the bonfire. Great start! We moved from our temporary school and entered our new 21st century school building in January only to go into lockdown in March. We thought it would be for two weeks instead we spent the rest of the year completing our classes online. Sophomore year, we were happy to be back even with new restrictions. It was the year of social distancing, masks, and a second lockdown. On the positive side, we had a homecoming dance on the football field. The weather was perfect, and sports started to return.

Junior year, more sports, more dances, pep rallies, and PROM! By the end of 3rd quarter we no longer had to wear masks inside the building. It was strange seeing everyone's face.

Senior year, things are back to normal, no mask, all the sports are back. We had homecoming events and the dance was fun. Unfortunately, a scandal rocks the foundation of our school and we are still processing what it means. Due to early moves our Senior class shrinks, and we have to say goodbye to Valentino and Blaize. Overall, we've weathered many storms and learned to adjust and adapt. Graduation is a quarter away. The challenges we faced during these four years have brought us together, kept us strong and we know we can face whatever may come.

Mackenzie.

We are so proud of all that you have accomplished, but even prouder of the young woman you have become. Your strong character, determination and hard work will take you far in life. Enjoy your success! We love you so much!

Mom & Dad









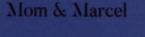




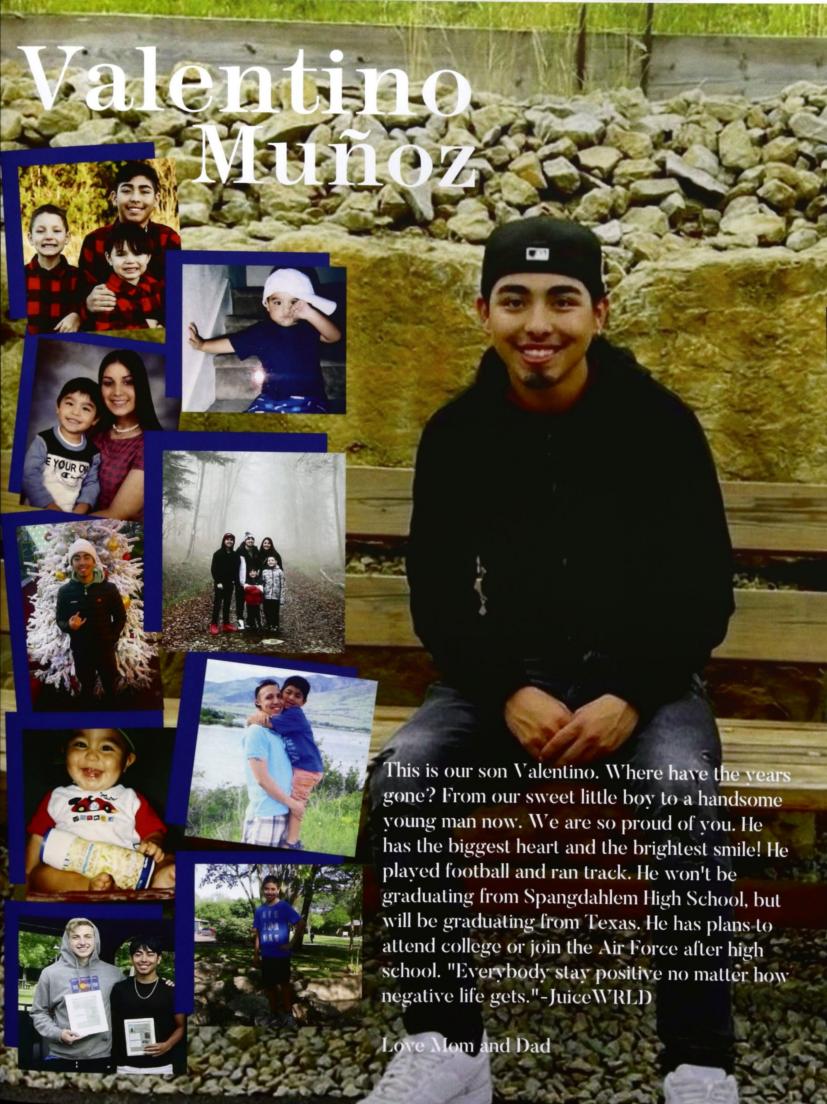


Luray Zanders

Wow!! Success looks good on you!! We are so proud of not only your academic accomplishments, but proud of your strength, your power, your confidence, and the amazing way you have faced adversity. Like the phoenix you have risen from the ashes to become this phenomenal young woman. Now hold your head up high, be proud of who you are, achieve your goals, and embrace your uniqueness. And remember the words of the poet, Mava Angelou... Still, I Rise We Love You,







ELIJAH MARTIN

My Dearest Elijah,

As I sit here and type this message, I can't help but ask myself...where has the time gone?!?! It seems like only yesterday you were 3 years old with long curly hair, asking for "ships and a Pepsi". Now you are close to reaching one of many amazing milestones in your life. Over the last 18 years I've watched you grow from a sweet little boy to an independent, caring, and mature young man. The happiness and joy that I have experienced watching you grow are beyond words. I remember your first day of kindergarten and how our emotions were complete opposite; you were happy and excited and I was sad and in disbelief that you were starting school. It's hard to believe this day is already here...you are a Senior!! I can hardly wait to see the successes that will come your way and all that you will accomplish. Your voyage so far has been unique from starting elementary school in Idaho, middle school in Texas, and graduating high school in Germany. You handled these many changes with grace, optimism, confidence, and dedication...a true Military Child! I am so blessed and proud to have you as a son, bud, and brother. As you move onto the next chapter, my wish for you is that life becomes all you want it to be, your dreams are grand, and your worries are small. As you continue your journey, know that we will always be here for you. So, if at any point you need help or can't find something...I'm just a phone call away...remember "Mom will find it".

All My Heart & Love, Mom





















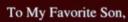












I don't know where the time went. As we come closer to your graduation and I sit here looking over your picture, I am still in disbelief that you are done with high school and will be able to explore the world on your own. I knew this day would come, but there's really nothing that could have prepare me for it. I wish you could stay with us forever and stay my little BAN. I hope I have prepared you enough for this crazy world we live in. All I can do is ask that you continue to make good decisions and follow your heart. No matter where your future takes you, mom and I are extremely proud of you. I love you so much!





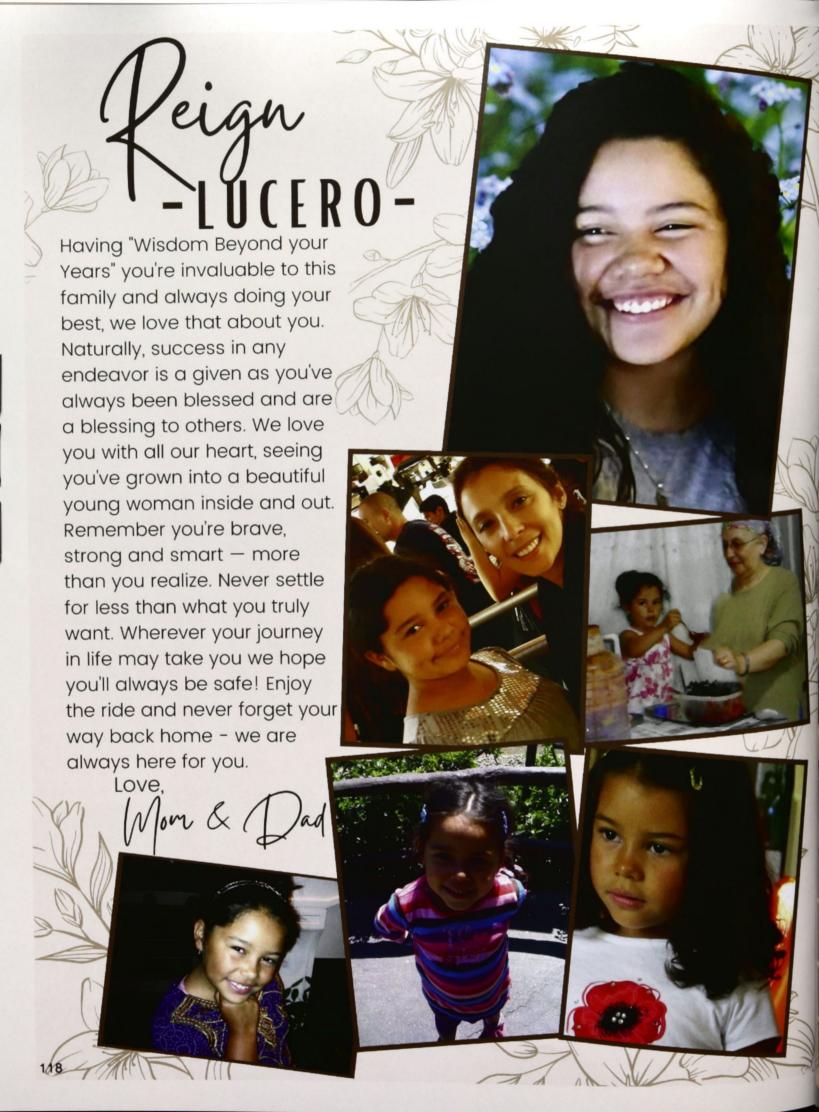


Jonathan,

I can't believe that you are graduating and going off to college this year. Mostly I can't even believe that I have an 18-year-old and that you actually decided to go to college! You were so sure for so long that it wasn't for you. You have come a long way from your pizza maker dream. From the time you were born you have been a calm, understanding, and patient kid. Nothing really affects you, and if it does it's not for long. I love this about you, and it will serve you well as you continue to grow. You move to the beat of your own drum, which is somehow always tuned into island time... even though you were born in AK.I know that we aren't the "typical" family with sit down dinners and game nights, but that's ok. We have seen some amazing places, done some amazing things, and had the best Mom and Son chats. I will miss standing in the hallway chatting for much longer than either one of us initially intended and the random questions that would come my way... no, fabric softener isn't needed but it makes your clothes soft. I hope that those questions never stop, just because you move away doesn't mean that I'm not still here for you. Going radio silent isn't an option, I will call your school and leave ridiculous messages... you know I will. If you ever decide that the states aren't for you, there will always be a place for you to land with family in whatever country we are in. Our time together has both flown by and almost come to a stand still at times. You have truly grown up to be an amazing young man and I know that you will go on and conquer anything that stands in your way. As you leap from the nest, you might flutter a bit, but I know you will land on your feet. So, fly my baby bird fly!

Live, Laugh and Love my son. I love you – Mom

















Miya Mood-Hoffman

Miya, I can't believe my baby is graduating. These last 18 years have flown by in a blink of an eye. Watching you grow from a precious baby to a young adult has been my greatest blessing and joy. You have become such a beautiful, smart, progressive, and strong minded young woman. I am so very proud of you for being my daughter and who you have become. Thank you for growing with me as a mom. I'm your biggest fan and can not wait to see what your future holds. Just know that we love you so very much and no matter what we will be here to love/support you.

Love you forever and always, Momma

"Mother and daughter never truly part, maybe in distance but never in heart." – Unknown

Congratulations baby girl, you finally made it through one of life's huge milestones. I'm very blessed to watch you grow into the amazing person you've became.

Love, momma "K"







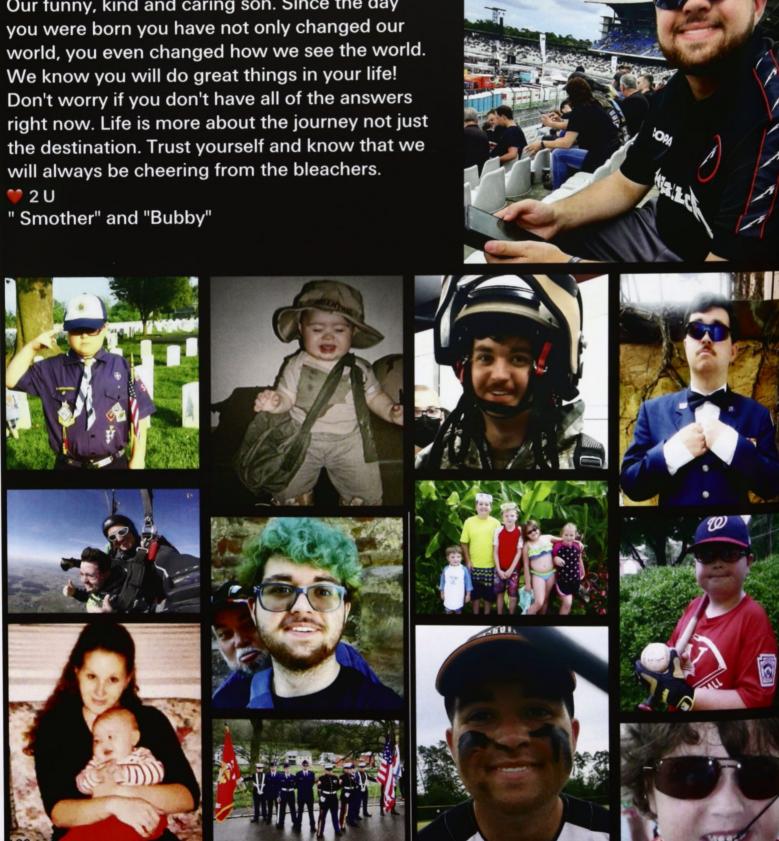




CONNERY ROSENTHAL

Connery,

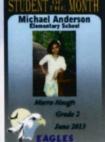
Our funny, kind and caring son. Since the day



MARRA HAUGH















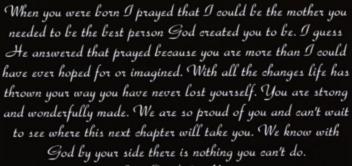












Love Dad & Mom This crazy world needs your light to show and change the old ways to a bright future. Love Markest Tries before guys Love Marcell







Words can't adequately express how proud we are of you. You have literally been the highlight of our lives. It's a parents dream to teach their kids everything they need to know and to provide them everything that they need to have. The truth is that YOU have taught us and provided us with everything that we needed. I feel like you and I have grown up together in a way. I remember looking at you with your mom on that first day and life just changed full of joy and purpose. And by the way you will always be my baby girl. I don't care how old you get. Your mom and I are so grateful for who you have become. We are looking forward to watching you blossom and fulfill your dreams while doing amazing things. The world is yours so reach out and grab it!

Love Always,

Mom and Dad

Dear Alliana,

Congrats on finishing High School. If you see this after you graduated then come and see me and I will give you a reward for graduating. this is all because you are a great sister and I love you very much. Just look at one of your pictures of me or one of my gifts so you can remember me each time! :D Thank you for everything you have gave me and for all the love/happiness you have granted me with, you are the best sister I could have and if anyone says you aren't amazing to be mean, just don't believe them because they are just jealous of you. They are jealous because you are so smart, so helpful and a very, VERY good friend. Also you have to come home for my 10 th birthday no excuses.

From Alex THE END

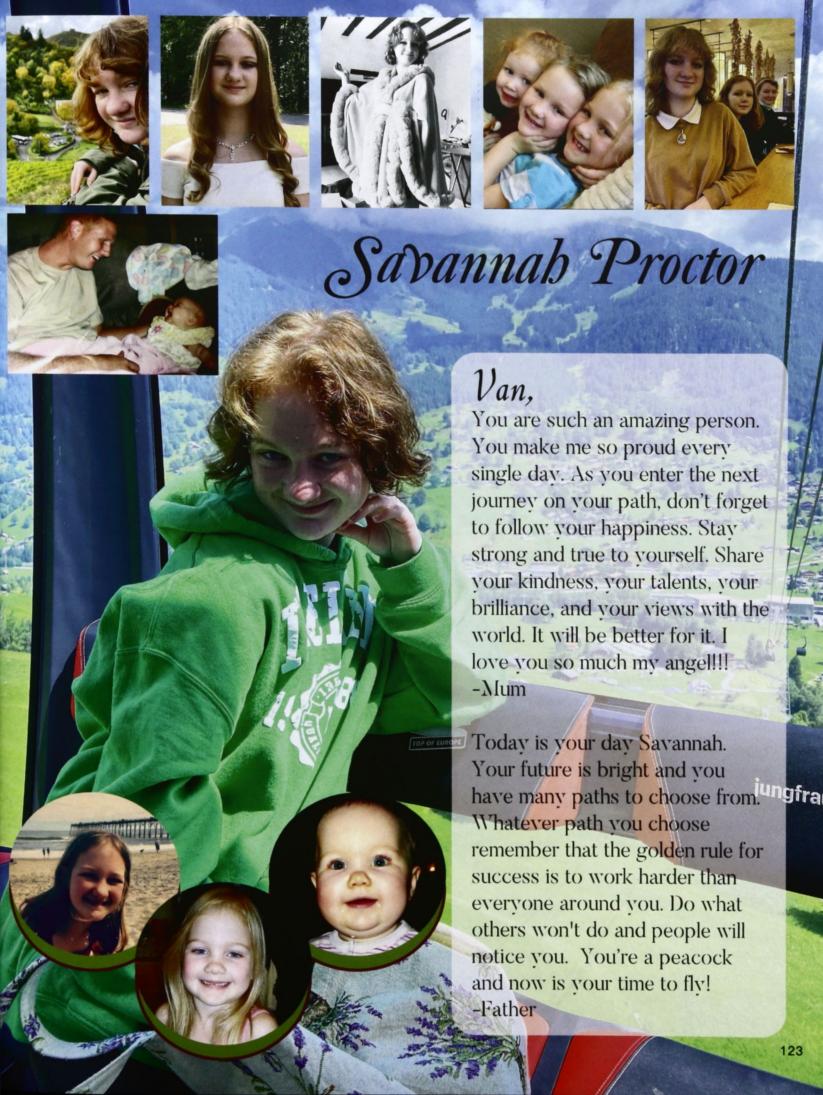










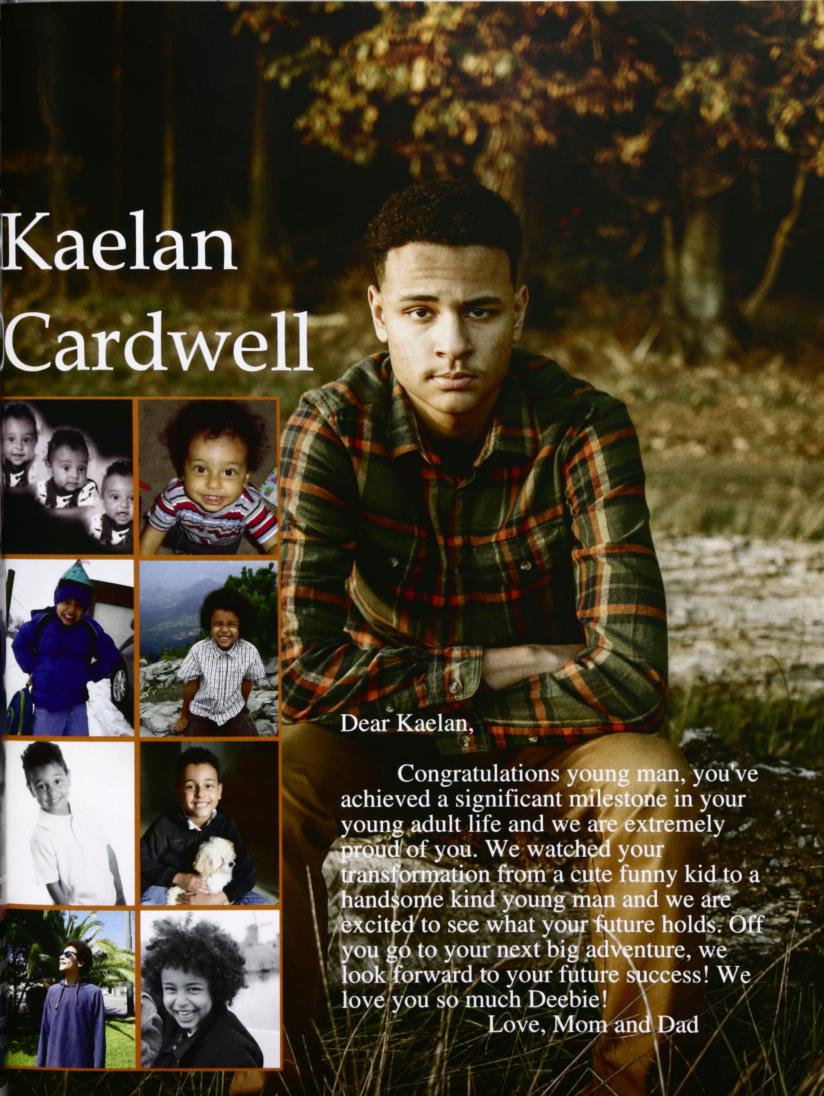




You have always lived your life full speed ahead and covered in bandaids. It's time for you to go out into this world and fill your life with grand adventures and rockets. Just be sure to call your mom before you go out so she can find the closest hospital. And remember to call after you get home so she knows you lived through it. I'm so proud of you!

Love, MomDitto to what your mom said.
~ Dad

Don't do anything stupid until I get there! ~Lizzy



















Josephine Kurt

Josephine,
We are so proud of you. Watching your excitement about everything this world has to offer has been one of the best experiences for us. You have been a cheerleader, a basketball player, and a gymnast.
You've been a Girl Scout, and in cooking club, crochet club, and art club. You have selflessly helped your community. Whether you were on a stage receiving an award for your art, on the podium after a gymnastics or out helping the houseless, your modesty has been inspiring.

You are ready. As you begin your adult life, we are confident that you have the tools you need to be successful. We will always be only a phone call away. Whether you need us for reassurance, to vent, for advice, to learn how to do something, or just want to say hello—we are there for you. We wish you a future filled with love and happiness.

Love, Dad & Mom























Samantha Moran







Dear Samantha,

We are incredibly proud of you and all you have already accomplished in life. Your talent, determination, creativity, and kindness are amazing. We love your sense of humor, your desire to do the right thing, your love of all things cozy, and your killer dance moves. Keep pressing forward working to make your dreams come true. We love you Fennie Foo!

Love, Dad, Mom, Madison, Carson, Emily, Ben, Abigail, and Natalie













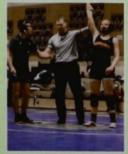
Audrey Hauck

Audrey,

Wow! This is really happening! Graduation! We couldn't be prouder and more excited for you! It has been a true joy watching you grow up and become the young lady you are today. You are a fierce leader in sports, an over achiever in academics, and a caring heart in friendship. The Air Force life resulted in you going to eight different schools, in three different continents, and four different countries, which is not the easiest to say the least. You persevered throughout all the change, uncertainty, and constant resets in life. We are looking forward to seeing what "civilian' life brings you as you transition into college. We will deeply miss having you at home all the time, but it is time to release you out into the wild. The world is your oyster—you can and (no doubt) will do many meaningful and wonderful things in life. Cheers to you!! Love,

Mom and Dad











Skylar Lamb







Skylar,

You are everything we never knew we needed to understand how to embrace life, find humor, and grow to better support our fellow humans. We love your laugh, sense of adventure, and confidence. As this chapter closes, and new opportunities and challenges peak on the horizon, we will always be here to love and support you. Put your smile on.

You've got this.

Love, Mom, Dad and Jake

















Keegan Whaley







Keegan,

Watching you grow up over the last 19 years has been one of the greatest gifts I could have ever had. Being able to see you develop into the creative, kind-hearted, and loving man you are today has been such an incredible honor. I may not get to watch you ride your imagery Yoshi around the store anymore, but I do get to see all of the wonderful things that you create, edit, and develop, so I have no doubt you will achieve great things. You have such an inventive and innovative imagination, utilize it to help you meet and exceed your goals in life. Your creativity and imagination have no bounds, allow them to take you into a future with no limits!

We are so excited to see what your next chapter holds for you, and we know that you can accomplish anything that you put your mind to. No matter which road you choose in life, always know that you are truly loved. Also remember, it doesn't matter how tall you get, you'll always be my baby boy.

We Love You Relentlessly, Mom & Marc















Whaley

Jaisa,

It is so hard to believe that the time has come for you to graduate and go off to college. From the day you made a very quick entrance into the world, you never stopped moving forward. You quickly learned to walk, talk, and tie your brother around your little finger. Even from the time you were small you were wildly inquisitive and had an extraordinary hunger for knowledge. Your strong will and determination have kept you from shying away from trying new things, accomplishing things that may be difficult or challenging, or things that may be outside of your comfort zone. Although some days may have been harder than others, you have never given up. Keep that fire strong and your hunger for knowledge and your goals will never been out of reach.

It has been such an indescribable joy and honor to get to watch you grow up over the last 17 years. We are so excited to see where your path takes you. Always know that no matter what your future holds or what amazing things you accomplish, you are completely loved! Also, no matter how old you get, you'll always be my baby girl.

We Love You Fiercely,

Mom & Marc















"To my beautiful daughter. If I could only give you one thing in this life, I would give you the ability to see yourself how I see you every single day. Your beauty, your kindness, how happy you make me and how proud I am of you. Perhaps then you would be able to understand just how special you are to me."

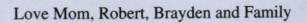
Alyssa Noel, we are so proud of your academic journey but most importantly of the young woman that you are becoming. We are excited for your next chapter and everything that you will achieve! You have worked endlessly for this! We love you so much.

Love Taylor, Dad, and Family.

Alyssa Esmailka

To my dearest daughter... It seems like yesterday I was holding your hand as you walked into Kindergarten and now you are about to embark on a new adventure as an adult. Your hard work and dedication has not gone unnoticed. Always remember that you are

braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, smarter than you think, and loved more than you will ever know. Above all else I wish you all the success, happiness and opportunities that the world has to offer. Be bold, take chances, ask questions, make mistakes and don't forget where you came from. I love you more than words and I am so proud to call



you....daughter!









































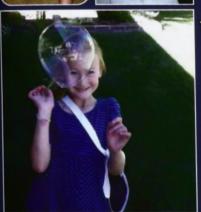












more. Who knows why we got so lucky,
but we did! Your hard work,
determination, and perseverance proves to
us that you will know no limits
and that you will overcome any
obstacles in your future. But please
remember that we will always be here for
you. Wo matter what trial or tribulation
crosses your path, you will never be









Kimberlyn Renee (2)





Our dearest Kimberlyn.

You came into this world a head strong and independent little fighter, and you have rarely stopped to take a break since. It shows. We hope you know just how proud we are of you each and every single day. You are everything we could have ever hoped for and so much





alone. You might stumble from time to time, but we will help you back up. We cannot wait to bare witness to all of your future accomplishments! It has been, and will continue to be our honor and prurlege to be a part of your life.

We Love you Little Mana!

Momma. Freddy. Virny. Thor. and Loki





















ANDREW MOUNA

Congratulations Juju! Very proud of you! Follow your dreams, keep going through that open journey of success! Momo and Popo are also very proud of you! Love, Erma & Cirio

My Handsome Nephew, I am so proud of you. Finally you have made it through your senior year. May life take you where you need to be. You're smart and very talented, I know you will make your parents and everyone very proud. Many Blessings to you juju! I love and miss you very much! Love

Auntie Amy, Joey & Family



Juju
Congratulations on your achievements over the last four years. You did it, you graduated. I've watched you grow into a kind, intelligent young man.
Words cannot express how proud I am of you. I'm always here to support you in everything that you do. I'm excited for you as you enter the next phase of your journey. I can't wait to see what the future holds for you.
May God continue to bless you.
Wishing you the best of luck and sending all my love.
Lila

I'm So proud you did it juju!
Congratulations!
This is only the beginning to new opportunities and your new life journey.
Anything is possible as long as you just believe in yourself.

I'm wishing you all the best in what god has planned ahead for you and I hope you always find yourself as happy as you are today.

Love, Ruby, Amari, Ariyon, & Dru

Congratulations Jujubee, We are so so proud of you and wish you the best in your future journey of being a young adult, and May god guide your steps and continue to bless

We love you!! - Ravae, Adalynn, and Ashton

Andrew,

from the second you were placed in my arms I fell in love with you. I knew from that moment I would always defend and protect you, no matter how old you get I will do so till my dying day. Watching you grow up into the young man you have become makes me beyond proud to be your mom. I know god has big plans for your future, I can't wait to see where life takes you. I know momo & popo are looking down on you from heaven and are so proud of you. You were their everything, they will be smiling as you walk across that stage on graduation day. Oh my juju always remember mommy loves you! Don't ever let anyone tell you that you can't accomplish something, always give it your all! Love, Mom

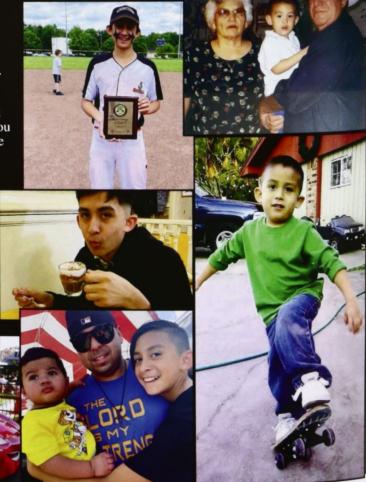
Andrew,

I am so proud of the man you have become. There are a few things I want you to know...First, I will always be here for you whenever you need me. Second DREAM BIG; everything is possible if you want it bad enough. And lastly, never be afraid to make mistakes, sometimes it's the only way we learn. I love you son! Love, Dad

Andrew,

From the day you were born, you took center stage in our hearts. My baby had his own baby boy and we couldn't be prouder. You were my precious baby boy, my timid little Juju, then my Precious Prince. I remember trying to keep my composure while dropping you off at school because I wanted so bad to just turn around and take you back home with me. Now you're all grown up and we couldn't be prouder of the young man you've become. May Jesus be the center of your life and continue to guide you through your journey. The best is yet to come.

We love you, Grandma and Grandpa.





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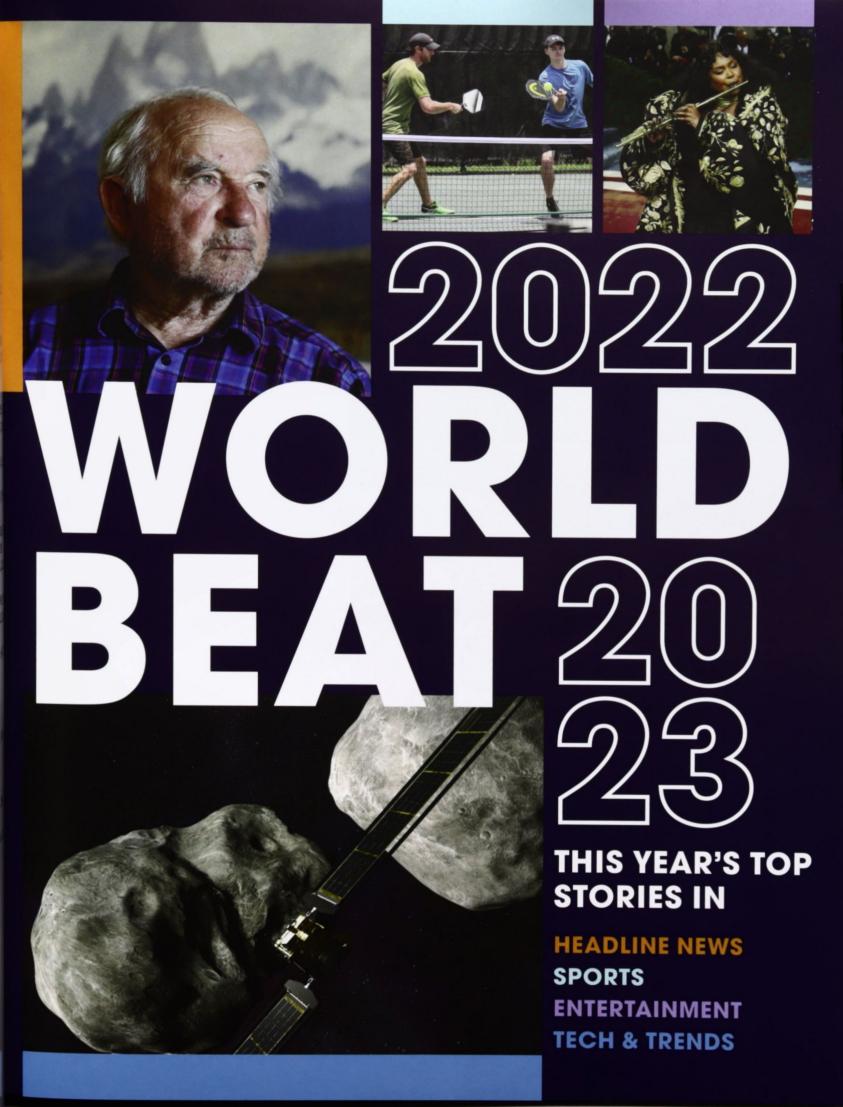
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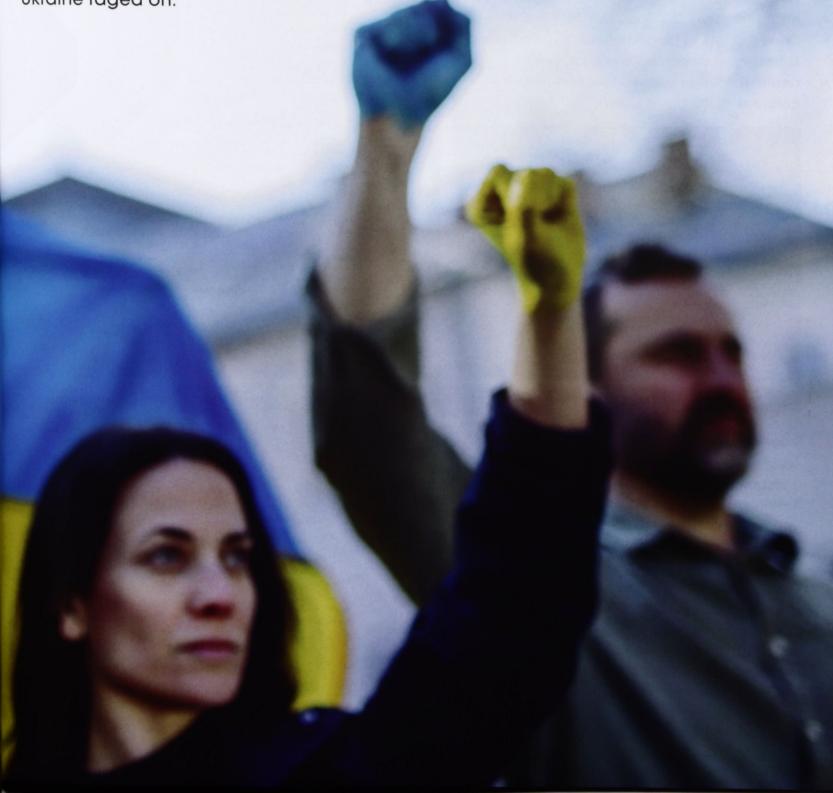




WAR IN UKRAINE

More than seven months after Russia invaded Ukraine, just days after Russia annexed parts of eastern and southern Ukraine, a blast attributed to Ukraine destroyed sections of a bridge connecting Russia to Crimea. In retaliation, Moscow missiles assaulted civilians in the heart of Kyiv and almost a dozen other cities, as the war in Ukraine raged on.

The war created shock waves that impacted the U.S. economy with fuel and grain shortages, increasing inflation and decreasing economic growth. U.S. tensions with Russia mounted as the U.S. imposed sanctions on Russia and the Chinese-Russian alliance solidified.



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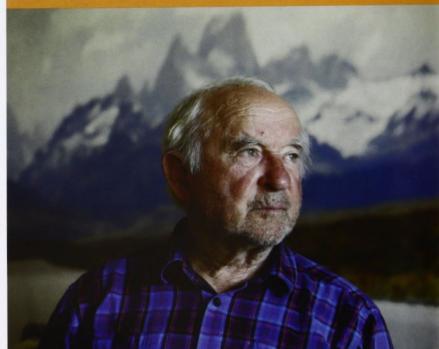
POLICING POLIO

After polio paralyzed an unvaccinated New York man and the polio virus was discovered in wastewater in three counties, Kathy Hochul, New York governor, declared a state of emergency on September 9, 2022, to urge vaccinations. Once thought to be eliminated from the United States, the virus can cause paralysis and even death. The threat of polio followed a recent outbreak of the mpox virus.



FRIEND OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Patagonia, the outdoor gear company, captured attention in September 2022 when the company's founder and owner, Yvon Chouinard, transferred ownership of his family business to a trust and nonprofit dedicated to saving the planet. Chouinard's move will likely bring \$100 million a year to combating climate change and preserving the planet.



QUEEN ELIZABETH II

After reigning 70 years as England's longest-serving monarch, Queen Elizabeth II died, leaving her son Prince Charles, age 73, to be king. Elizabeth became queen at age 25 and was crowned at age 27 in 1952. Her reign encompassed the leadership of 15 British prime ministers and decades of change, including England's transition from empire to commonwealth, the Cold War, and Britain joining – then exiting – the European Union.



SERVING THE COURT

On June 29, 2022, Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, age 51, was sworn in as the first African American woman appointed to the Supreme Court in the 232 years since it was established. Serving as the 116th justice on the court, the Harvard College and Harvard Law School graduate was recognized for her knowledge of criminal law.



RELAXED REGULATIONS

In August 2022, after more than one million COVID-19 related deaths and two years of COVID-19 guidelines set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, many schools and businesses ended contact tracing and stopped requiring unvaccinated people exposed to the virus to quarantine.





TAKEN BY STORM

Hurricane Ian buffeted Fort Myers, Florida on September 28, 2022, with torrential 150-mph winds and rain that destroyed homes and businesses across the state. The rare Category 4 hurricane and its storm surge took more than 100 lives, resulting in an estimated \$57 billion in losses.



GEN Z VOTES

Gen Z showed up in the second-highest youth turnout rate for a midterm election in the last 30 years. Exit polls revealed that 27% of Americans ages 18–29 cast a ballot. Two-thirds of young voters voted for Democrats for the House of Representatives, compared to the majority of 45- to 65-year-olds, who voted Republican. 2022 was the first time Gen Z could run for Congress and Maxwell Frost, 25, was the first Gen Zer elected as House Representative.

HEADLINES

QUIET QUITTING

More than two years after COVID-19 brought the world workforce to a halt, a growing number of Americans bristled at spending time at unsatisfying jobs. Dubbed "The Great Resignation," workers quit jobs in unprecedented numbers, with 4.2 million quitting in July 2022 alone. Even professions like teaching saw increased departures. By September, a poll showed that 33% of workers were contemplating leaving their jobs, while 60% were rethinking their careers. Others, especially Gen Zers, joined the TikTok trend, #quietquitting, by refusing to go above and beyond or subscribe to a hustle culture.





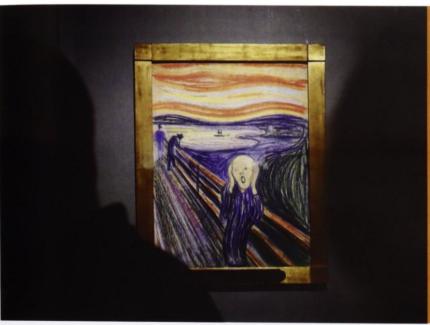
WALK IT OUT

Through a study of more than 6,000 adults, Vanderbilt University discovered that walking at least 8,200 steps a day lowered obesity, depression and sleep apnea. Walking also lowered the risk of developing type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, dementia and death from cancer and heart disease. A speed of just under three miles per hour increased these benefits, and 11,000 steps a day was linked to reducing obesity.



THE SHOE DROPS

Adidas dissolved its partnership with Kanye West and his sneaker brand, Yeezys, after the superstar, who changed his name to Ye, made repeated anti-Semitic and anti-Black statements publicly in October 2022. Yeezys, which cost between \$160 and \$300, were renowned for breaking into the Nike Air Jordan–dominated footwear sector, driving it to become a multi-billion dollar industry.



A NEW KIND OF PROTEST

Edvard Munch's famous painting The Scream found a new reason to scream in November 2022, when a group of Norwegian climate protesters attempted to glue themselves to the iconic work. The attack became the fifth in a series of filmed staged assaults on museum masterpieces, including throwing soup and mashed potatoes at works by Van Gogh and Picasso in museums in London, Germany, Italy and Australia.



FLY ME TO THE MOON

NASA's Artemis 1 Orion spacecraft returned to Earth on December 11, 2022, having traveled more than 1.4 million miles on a path around the moon. During the record-breaking flight test on December 28, 2022, Orion set a new record of 270,000 miles for the farthest distance from Earth a spacecraft designed to carry humans has ever traveled.



A FIRST FOR FEMALES

The United States Mint released its first five quarters to honor women as part of a four-year American Women Quarters series. The Secretary of the Treasury selected five trailblazers from recommendations submitted by the public through the National Women's History Museum. The first five selected were Maya Angelou, Dr. Sally Ride, Wilma Mankiller, Nina Otero-Warren and Anna Mae Wong. The program aimed to honor notable women from diverse backgrounds on the flip side of quarters and feature a likeness of George Washington different from his image used in previous quarter programs.

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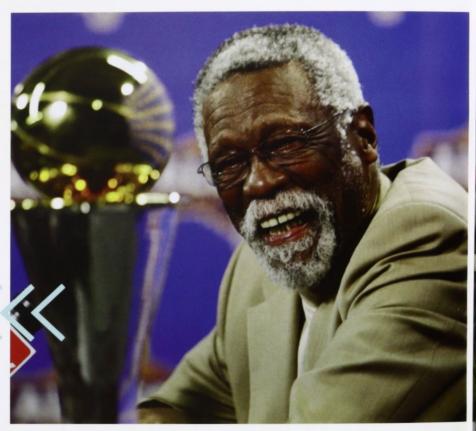
SO LONG, NO. 6

On August 11, 2022, just ten days after Bill Russell's death, the National Basketball Association (NBA) announced the retirement of the No. 6 jersey across the league – just the third player behind Jackie Robinson (baseball) and Wayne Gretzky (hockey) to be honored league wide. Standing 6'10" tall, Bill Russell sported the No. 6 as he drove the Boston Celtics to NBA history starting in 1959, with an unprecedented nine NBA championships as a player and two as the first African American head coach in any major American sports league.



ACES ON THE COURT

The Women's National Basketball
Association (WNBA) season wrapped up
its championship finals with the Las Vegas
Aces winning their first-ever title against the
Connecticut Sun. Chelsea Gray was named
MVP of the finals, with an average 18.3
points, shooting 58% from the field.





GO SPEED RACER

38-year-old Joey Logano won his second National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR) Cup Series title in a 312-mile race in which he bested the other three championship drivers on every green-flag lap except one. Team owner Roger Penske celebrated a lifetime goal of sponsoring a team that finally won the IndyCar and NASCAR Cup Series titles in the same year.



LIV GOES LIVE

The Professional Golfers' Association (PGA), established in 1929, found competition in the form of a controversial new golf league, LIV*, headed up by CEO and two-time PGA champ Greg Norman. With a record-breaking \$25 million purse at the first event in June, several top names, including Dustin Johnson, Phil Mickelson and Sergio Garcia, teed up in London

*LIV is Roman numerals for 54, the score if every hole on a par-72 course were birdied.



EGENDS LEAVE

2022 saw the retirement of two legendary women's basketball players. Sylvia Fowles, 36, played for 15 seasons, won four Olympic gold medals and earned two Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) titles with the Minnesota Lynx. Sue Bird, 41, played for 20 seasons in 500 career games with the Seattle Storm, won four championships in three different decades, appeared in a record 12 All-Star games and earned five Olympic gold medals.



JUDGE MAKES RECORD

New York Yankees outfielder Aaron Judge made history on October 4 with his 62nd home run of the season against the Texas Rangers. The new American League record, previously held by Roger Maris for 61 years, was only exceeded by Barry Bonds, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa.

SPORTS

GOOD TO HAVE GOALS

Fandom for World Cup soccer spread like wildfire in 2022, as the United States Men's National Soccer Team qualified for its first World Cup appearance in more than eight years. In the stunning finals, France's 23-year-old phenom Kylian Mbappé scored three goals to come back and tie Argentina, forcing the match into overtime and ultimately penalty kicks. Argentina won 4–2. Lionel Messi scored twice to tie Raul Gonzalez's career record of 71 Champions League goals.





SERENA MOVES ON

Serena Williams announced her retirement from tennis in a *Vogue* magazine cover story. Williams won 23 Grand Slam singles titles and was ranked the No. 1 player in the world for 319 weeks during her 23-year career. At 40, Williams turned her full attention to her family and other career ventures.



DAMAR HAMLIN

Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin suffered a cardiac arrest following a routine tackle in a game against the Cincinnati Bengals. Hamlin's heartbeat was restored on the field before he was transferred to a hospital and discharged nine days later. This was the first game in NFL history to be suspended due to an injury.

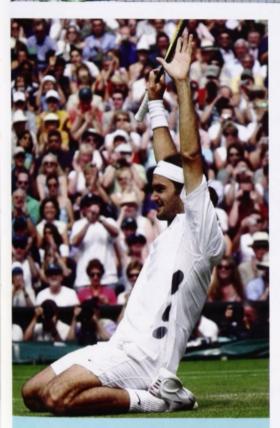
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PICKLEBALL, Y'ALL

The fastest-growing leisure sport in America, pickleball proudly boasted 4.8 million players, called "picklers," who took to the courts in 2022 with plastic Wiffle-style balls and paddles to play singles or doubles. The sport found favor first among older Americans but recently skyrocketed in popularity among the under-24 crowd. Played standing or in a wheelchair, pickleball is highly accessible, with more than 38,000 venues and an app (Pickleball+) to locate indoor and outdoor courts.



MATCH POINT

At age 41, Swiss tennis legend
Roger Federer announced his
retirement after 24 years. In his
final game – a doubles match –
he partnered with long-time rival
Rafael Nadal. Federer played more
than 1,500 matches, was ranked
number one for 310 weeks, scored
103 singles titles, and earned the
one-time record title of 20 Grand.
Slam singles titles.



SWING KINGS

The Houston Astros celebrated wildly when they beat the Philadelphia Phillies and clinched their second World Series title since 2017. The Phillies were up two games to one in the series, but the Astros surged ahead with three straight wins and took game six – and the title – with a four-to-one victory on their home field.



GOOOOAAAALLLS!

The two top-seeded Major League Soccer (MLS) clubs went toe to toe in the MLS championship game on November 5, and two late goals scored in the final minutes of extra time resulted in a penalty-kick showdown. The Los Angeles Football club (LAFC) beat the Philadelphia Union after a 3–3 draw. Adding to the drama, goalkeeper John McCarthy, playing against his former team, shut out the Union in a 3–0 penalty kick shootout.

ENTERTAINMENT

FLUTE AND FLOURISH

In October 2022, hip hop artist and classically trained flutist Lizzo accepted a Library of Congress invitation to perform at her Washington, D.C. concert with a 200-year-old crystal flute. The rare instrument belonged to James Madison, the fourth President of the United States, had survived a devastating fire and had never been played.





FAN FLURRY

A September 2022 sneak peek of Disney's live-action adaptation of *The Little Mermaid*, originally a 1989 animated movie, brought a flurry of reactions about Halle Bailey starring as Ariel, the lead character. The trailer was viewed more than 100 million times in the first week, as Bailey, an African American actress and R&B singer, inspired the social media hashtag #representationmatters.



FIND YOUR VOICE

After 12 years and 22 seasons of *The Voice*, original judge Blake Shelton announced that season 23 would be his last. John Legend announced that he would be taking the season off to focus on family, his new album and touring. With Gwen Stefani and Camila Cabello stepping aside, Kelly Clarkson would be returning with new judges Niall Horan and Chance the Rapper, alongside Shelton for his final season in 2023.





KPOP? OKAY!

With the success of bands like BTS and TWICE, it was only a matter of time before K-Pop made Broadway. The South Korean cultural phenomenon hit the stage in *KPOP*, a musical featuring a girl band, RTMIS, and a boy band, F8. The documentary-style story with flashbacks showed the sacrifices performers make to achieve stardom.

BLACK PANTHER FOREVER

Letitia Wright filled big shoes as the new superhero to the sequel of the 2018 smash Marvel film starring Chadwick Boseman as T'Challa, the King of Wakanda. The Black Panther: Wakanda Forever storyline follows T'Challa's little sister, Shuri, played by Wright, as she matures into the hero doing battle with the ancient ruler and villain Namor, played by Tenoch Huerta. Black Panther: Wakanda Forever reeled in a record-breaking \$180 million on its opening weekend in November 2022.



NOT-SO-SWIFT

Taylor Swift's 10th album,

Midnights, debuted to recordbreaking sales. Swift continued to
be the top American Music Awards
winner, adding six awards to bring
her total to 40, but it was "The
Eras Tour" ticket sales that rocked
headlines. In November 2022,
Ticketmaster opened up sales with
presale codes and a waitlist for
Swifties not lucky enough to score
a code, but the system crashed
with 3.5 billion requests, and public
ticket sales were canceled.

TECH & TRENDS

ENCHANTED BY ENCANTO

Disney released *Encanto* in 2021, but echoes of the movie featuring the Madrigals, a Colombian family, swelled in 2022. "We Don't Talk About Bruno" spent three months on Billboard's Hot 100 list and officially became the biggest Disney song of all time. The animated movie was celebrated for representing Latin family and community values authentically and positively.





TWEET DEAL

Elon Musk, chief executive officer of SpaceX and Tesla, became the new owner of Twitter in October, almost six months after he first offered \$44 billion to take control of the social media site. After firing Twitter's chief executive and chief financial officer and hundreds of employees, Musk made the company private and loosened the platform's content moderation in pursuit of publishing "widely diverse viewpoints."



IT'S A WRAP(AROUND)

Wraparound sunglasses, the formerly mocked eyewear, made a resurgence after Kim Kardashian posted photos of herself in the curved lenses on her Instagram. The Balenciaga Swift Oval shades that Kardashian wore to the Vanity Fair Oscars after-party cost \$490, but lookalikes were available online for less than \$13.

HARRY'S HOUSE

Harry's House was the title of Harry Styles' album, released in May 2022, but it also became the nickname for Madison Square Garden after the singer performed 15 shows for his "Love On Tour" residency in New York City. The tour went global as his single "As It Was" reached number one on Billboard charts. Fans of Styles, known as Stylers, paid between \$110 and \$384 for tickets to see the former One Direction singer perform live.





988 FOR LIFE

A blitz of posters, stickers and social media morphed 988 into a lifeline for more than 152,000 callers in August 2022, just a few weeks after the number was activated. The emergency mental health support line, which also offered support via texting, averaged 45-second response times, almost two minutes faster than the previous number, 1-800-273-8255.

TIME TO BEREAL

The trendiest app of the year set out to counter social media norms of edited, perfect posts and social comparisons. BeReal challenged users to snap a real-time photo (using front and backfacing cameras) and post it unedited when prompted by a random daily push notification. Users had two minutes to post whatever they were doing in real time. If they missed the time, their post was marked "late" to keep the post honest.





CRASH TEST

It was a real-life climactic scene straight out of an apocalyptic movie. On September 26, 2022, NASA purposely crashed a spacecraft into an asteroid to change its trajectory and test a defense against potential cosmic collisions with Earth. They planned to consult photos from the Hubble and Webb Telescopes to chart the trajectory over time.

TECH & TRENDS



CORNTASTIC

A 7-year-old New York City child went viral on TikTok and Instagram in late August 2022 when asked his thoughts about corn. "It's corn!" Tariq exclaimed. "I can't imagine a more beautiful thing!" His wholesome words blossomed into the anthem of the summer when they were autotuned into a catchy song on YouTube. The fall saw Tariq partnering with Green Giant to donate 90,000 cans of vegetables, as well as appearing in a Chipotle ad.

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HOPE IS NEVER MERE

Blockbuster prequel series *The Lord of the Rings: The Rings of Power* (Prime Video) had fans excited to see empowered and heroic female characters at the center of the story. *The Rings of Power* is set thousands of years before the events of J.R.R. Tolkien's trilogy with Frodo and Bilbo.





CELEBRITY CAMEO

The Cameo app connected celebrities with its users to create personalized video messages for any occasion. Users browsed thousands of stars ranging in price from \$1 up to \$2,000 based on popular demand – with some donating funds to charitable causes. Featured celebrities included Olympic gymnast Gabby Douglas, actress Lindsay Lohan and boxer Floyd Mayweather.

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