Congratulations, Class of 2017!

by CHASSIDY BYRD

This past December, it was upon us again! Yes, graduation time... where we cram our brains and we drain ourselves emotionally and physically. Graduation and the end of the semester is the part of your college life where everything seems to be a tad bit harder. Throughout your college years, you have experienced the good, the bad, and the ugly and the closer you get to your goal/ main focus, the easier it becomes to breathe.

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Choosing your major in college

by MIAYA LUNDY

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lege offers so many ma-
jors: art, biology, busi-
ness administration, chem-
istry, communication
art, early childhood edu-
cation, etc. but a ma-
jor is only as good as the
person choosing it. There
are a number of people
that come to college and
don’t know what they
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What makes a good teacher?

by MIAYA LUNDY

What makes someone
a good teacher is some-
one who knows the
basic fundamentals of
their teaching. There is
difference between
knowing the funda-
mentals of the subject and
knowing the funda-
mentals of teaching.

A good teacher is someone
who is passionate about
their job and passionate
about the subject learning.
A good teacher is also
someone who has great
communication skills.
She should not only talk
but also be a good listener.

Teachers are vital in
students’ lives and should
understand their roles.
Good teachers are also
organized and collaborative.
It comes to the teaching
method that they use.
A good teacher must also
be concerned about the
students because most
students view them as a
role model.

Setting an example for
the students should be
the most important as-
pect of teaching. It’s not
about the material be-
coming a good teacher
stands out... it’s how they
teach the material.
Do your own research
by MIYA LUNDY
I was thinking about joining the Army Reserves. I have heard so much about it. I have let the idea of serving my country sink in for a while now, with college loans and how simple it would be to do the reserves, I would do four years and then go. My cousin was telling me about the Reserve because he felt that it was right for him, and he stole her snack. She was crying because she felt left out and did not un-derstand anyone. From this summer’s experience, the question “why am I learning Spanish?” goes into my mind: “why do I desire to learn Spanish?” My passion to learn different languages is what changes this question, but it is my compassion for people that allows me to answer the question. This world is extremely diverse, made up of several different cultures, ethnicities, and races. Many racial problems stem from the inability to understand and communicate with each other. Understanding Spanish can make those things more easier and bring much success. I challenge you to learn many languages as possible. With everything going on in today’s world, we should make others feel left out and misunderstood based on our lack of knowledge to understand them.

The importance of studying foreign languages
by CHAISRITT BYRD
In May of 2017, I had the opportunity to tour the renovated and high school students. That summer was the best of my life. Not for me—at least not this summer. Although it was months ago, I can still remember it as though it was yesterday. There was a young girl who came into the tutoring program, no older than eight years old. I spent an entire week just talking with her. She was one day. I noticed her crying during snack time and I simply asked her what was wrong, in English, of course. For the life of me, I could not figure out why she had only stood and never explained.

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by KHOLEN HAMANN
The return to an end, this has been a year for the underdog in profes-
sional sports. In baseball, the Houston Astros out-
lasted the Los Angeles Dodgers in seven-
en games in the Major League Baseball World Series. The road to the champion-
ship was not easy for either team; however, the Astros took the crown after beating the top three rich-
est teams. The magician, Major League Baseball has no cap limit, meaning that as long as the team has the money, they can buy as many players as they want. That is what the group is known for. The Boston Red Sox are the third richest team in the MLB, with a team value over $2.5 billion. In one of baseball’s most world’s Top 2004, Jose Altuve, who the Astros won 5-3 in Los Ange-
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