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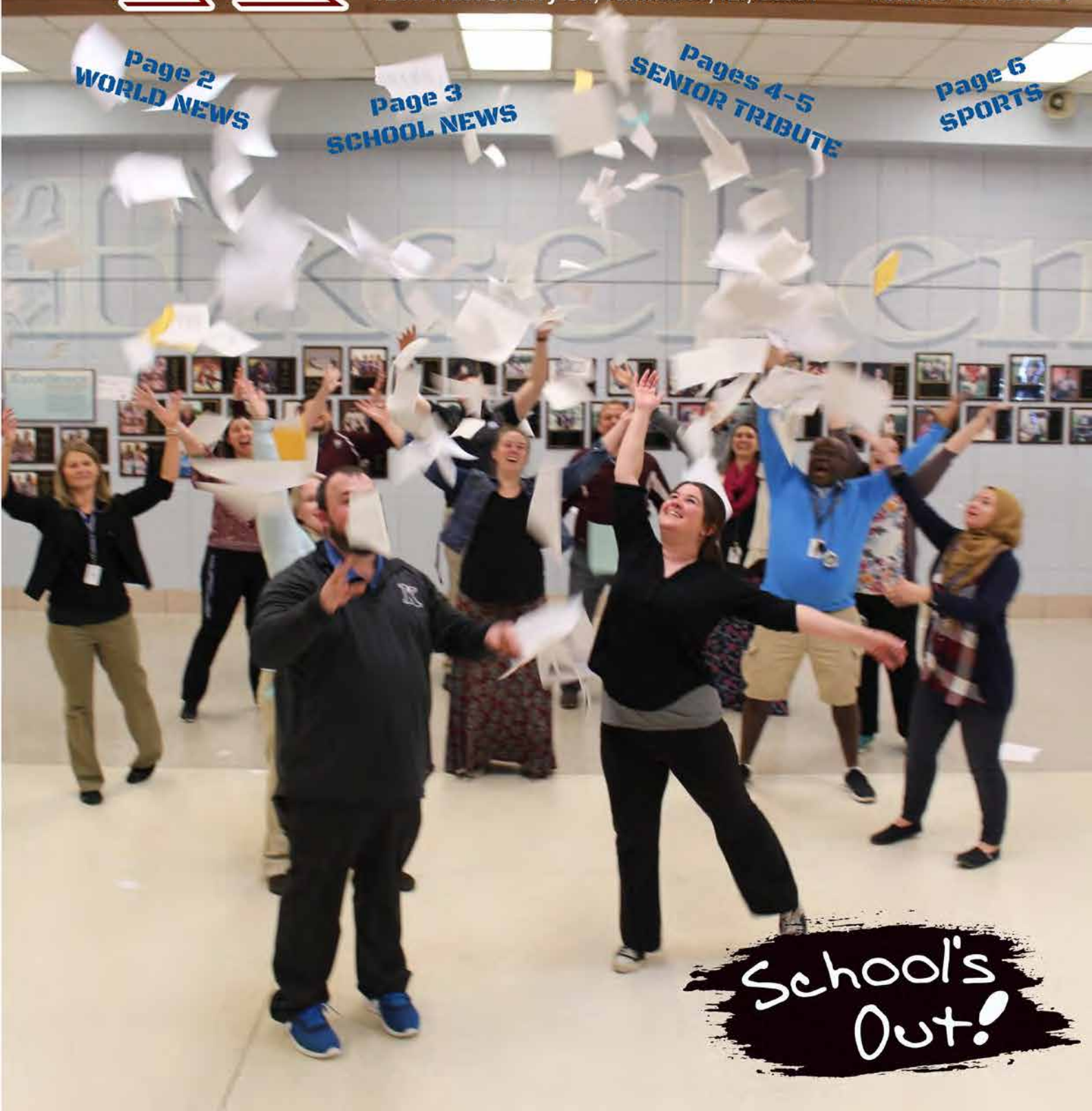
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School's
Out!



Kanye West enrages public with controversial slavery comment

By Jeremy Neufeld

Hip Hop artist, Kanye West brought "new perspectives to the table" last Tuesday when he stated, "Four hundred years of slavery was a choice," during his TMZ interview. Since then, West has been making headlines left and right for his controversial comment regarding slavery.

Van Lathan, a senior producer at TMZ who is known for juicy scoops and controversial interviews, said he felt encouraged to confront West after the rapper turned to other employees in the room and asked, "Do you feel like I'm thinking free and feeling free?" according to TIME.com.

Lathan responded to West saying,



Pictured above: Kanye West, rapper and husband of Kim Kardashian, makes headlines again for, yet another, controversial comment. Photo courtesy of solecollector.com

"Frankly, I'm disappointed, I'm appalled, and brother, I'm unbelievably hurt by the fact that you have morphed into something, to me, that's not real."

As Twitter came to life with reactions of Kanye's statements, he swiftly tried to defend his remarks. "To make myself clear, of course I know that slaves did not get

shackled and put on a boat by free will. My point is for us to have stayed in that position even though the numbers were on our side means that we were mentally enslaved," stated West.

He continues to explain rather than rescind his statement saying he is "being attacked for presenting new ideas."

Recently, a Detroit radio station decided to boycott West and cease the playing of his music.

Top 3 Outrageous Quotes by Kanye

3. "My apartment is too nice to listen to rap in."
2. "You should only believe about 90 percent of what I say."
1. "You don't have to agree with Trump, but the mob can't make me not love him."

Life-threatening volcano erupts in Hawaii

A volcano erupted Thursday, May 3, on Kilauea, Hawaii's Big Island, spewing molten rock and high levels of sulfur dioxide. The eruption was followed by a 6.9-magnitude earthquake Friday.

The federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry says the gas can be life-threatening. All residents of Leilani Estates, a community of about 1,700 people near Big Island's eastern edge, and nearby Lanipuna Gardens were ordered to evacuate.

Cracks emerged in the volcano's East Rift Zone. This is an area of fissures, long, narrow openings made by cracking or splitting in rock or earth, miles away from the volcano's summit. The U.S. Geological Survey said some of the lava was shooting 330 feet into the air, higher than the tip of the Statue of Liberty's torch.

According to CNN.com, the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory said that "active venting of lava and hazardous fumes" continues and is extremely unpredictable. As of Sunday, 10 fissures had opened and 26 homes had been destroyed.

The Kilauea volcano has been erupting almost continuously since 1983, according to the US Geological Survey. CNN meteorologist Michael Guy says, "Each one of the episodes that has occurred in this 35-year period has lasted months to years, so there's no definitive way to predict how the volcanic activity will last."

Those living in the affected areas are fearful of the long term effects of this natural disaster. Mother nature's fury has left numerous residents homeless and unable to return for personal belongings and pets.



Lava from a robust fissure eruption on Kilauea's east rift zone consumes a home, then threatens another, near Pahoa, Hawaii, on May 6, 2018. Photo courtesy of Bruce Omori/Paradise Helicopters/EPA-EFE/REX/Shutterstock)

The sophomore student council recently hosted a talent show for students to showcase their amazing skills. Students competed for one of the following prizes:

1st prize - \$100

2nd - \$50

3rd - \$25

First place winner was Raeven Carrol who sang "Proud Mary." Second place went to KaNyla Speed-Jackson who sang an original song known as "Minute Man." Last but not least, Jayson Verrett won 3rd place with his singing performance of "Best Part of Me." Congratulations to all the winners and participants!

Participants

Zion Ail
Lily Cantrell
Raeven Carrol
Gail Finch
Tiyale Johnson
Lai Jen Lozano
Benjamin Ramirez
Cody Ramos
DeZure Sanders
KaNyla Speed -Jackson
Jayson Verrett
We've Been Crowned -
Dance Team



First Place Winner, Raeven Carrol

SCHOOL EVENTS

I.H.S.A. Organizational Contest

The Illinois High School Association is a state contest for performing arts as well as sports. In this case, it was performing arts that went into the competition. The contest took place at Manteno High School on Saturday, April 14, 2018. Our talented choir, band, and orchestra participated in this contest. Choir performed at 12:20 p.m. Concert band performed at 1:40 p.m., and wind ensemble performed at 2:30 p.m. All of the participants gave their best when on stage. Soon after all performances had ended, it was time to announce placement. Proudly, all performing groups from Kankakee placed D1, victorious.



Illinois State Scholars

By Maggie Thompson

"Do not rush. Take your time. Read each question twice. It's okay to go back and look in the text too. When in doubt, guess. Leave nothing blank."
-Tamia Eugene

"Always leave enough time to go back and check your answers before closing the booklet."
-Ziyan Chen

"Try your best and when in doubt stick to one multiple choice letter for all the questions you did not answer."
-Guadalupe Torres

"For tests, I think that what helps the most is making things interesting for you. You'll be much more likely to remember things if you make some sort of comedic way to memorize it."
-Kyle DeYoung



"You must be hardworking, intelligent, and dedicated."
-Eve Ritsema

The Illinois State Scholar program identifies graduating seniors with high academic potential. The award is based on the recipient's ACT/SAT score, class rank, and GPA. It is an honor to be selected as a State Scholar and will look extremely well on the student's academic record. Some of the IL State Scholars of this year are quite proud of their accomplishment and have some advice for upcoming students that would like to be considered for this award.

Classroom bells and noisy halls,
Watching the clock as last period crawls,
Getting in trouble for talking in class,
Trying to remember where you left your hall pass.

Rooting for your team at a big football game,
Hoping the teacher would not call your name
Studying for tests trying to get higher scores,
The echoing slams of the hall locker doors.

Pep rallies, homecoming and class elections,
Trying to decide next year's course selections
Pondering the source of the lunch room's mystery meat,
Choosing lab partners and changing your seats.

Some of these moments may seem rather small,
But it's the little things that you'll Remember most of all.
So put on your cap and your gown and stand tall,
It's graduation day, so savor it all.
~Author Unknown

**Congratulations,
Class of 2018!**

Top 10 Things To Do Before Your Senior Year Ends



10. Go to prom: It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. If nothing else, go to say you did it.

9. Become a leader of a team, club or class: Taking on a larger role in an activity you're passionate about is extremely rewarding.

8. Volunteer: It helps you get involved with your community and grow as a person.

7. Take a drama class: Drama, speech, debate and communication courses will do wonders for your self-confidence in front of an audience, a useful asset in any job.

6. Get a part-time job: It's great for your résumé.

5. Get your driver's license: Getting your license will push you toward independence and self-sufficiency.

4. Pull a senior prank: Don't do anything illegal or too outrageous, but this could be your last chance to collaborate with the people you've grown up with.

3. Reconnect with your elementary school friends: Once you graduate, everyone goes separate ways.

2. Clean up your Facebook: After graduation, you want to start off fresh. Go through all those "friends" and remove the ones that are more like an "I-was-in-your-freshman-bio-class acquaintance."

1. Ask a stupid question in class: Whether it's, "Can't you just multiply everything by 0 to solve for x?" or "Can you please repeat everything you just said in the past 50 minutes?" Make your mark in the history of dumb inquiries.

Information courtesy of Mercurynews.com



Stylish Graduation Cap Ideas

2018

Decorate your graduation cap to represent your personality. Here are some trending ideas. Be creative and have fun!





Alexis White

Embarrassing- Passing gas and not hearing it because I had my headphones on



Kevin Smith
Frightening-
Walking in the halls
when it smells



Jordan Reisinger

Saddest- Dislocating my knee at golf Regionals



Sonia Sanchez

Happiest-
Meeting my best friend's Yisel and Joselyne my junior year



Diego Gonzales

Saddest- Finding out Mr. Penrod is retiring from the band program



Yisel Perez

Exciting- Being in a relationship with my boyfriend Ramiro since freshman year

Senior Memories



Abigail Stankewicz

Exciting-Building a pyramid of stools and knocking them down in Mr. Worden's class



Maddi Rieder

Embarrassing - Being hit in the head with a pencil during the PSAT sophomore year, earning the nickname Hollow Headed



Breia Barry-White

Saddest- Failing my English test



Senior Sara Serena was chosen by Coach Ruettiger and Assistant Coach Tetrault as an outstanding player on the KHS girls' softball team.

Serena's time and dedication into the sport has led her to rank 6th in the state with her 7L strike out. Serena also has 9 hits, 2 home runs, 3 doubles, and 3 triples. Currently, Serena's batting average is .529.

Coach Tetrault says, "Sara is an excellent leader for the team. She always goes out there and gives



Sara Serena

her best. Not only is Sara a good player, but she also has success at the plate. In one of our games, Sara struck out fifteen of the batters."

Serena's biggest goal for this year is to be a good leader as well as a role model for the team. She also wants to place 5th in Nationals as well as breaking the school's strikeout record.

Serena plans to attend Lewis University and contribute to the college's softball team. She hopes her new, collegiate team will place 1st in State.

SPOTLIGHTS

Senior Kyle DeYoung was chosen by coach Mathis as a valuable contribution to the KHS boys' tennis team.

DeYoung joined the tennis team without having any prior knowledge as to how the game was played. He started as a "newbie" to the sport, but with practice and dedication, DeYoung has improved on his skills greatly.

Coach Mathis says, "DeYoung has improved a lot since he first joined the team, and now he's one of our top players as well as team captain. DeYoung never fails to bring a positive attitude as well as excellent leadership to the court."

DeYoung's biggest goal for this year is to win many matches as possible and to have fun. DeYoung also says, "Coach Mathis keeps it very low-stress and encourages the team by giving us team pointers."

DeYoung plans to attend ONU and graduate with a master's degree in accounting. He also plans on playing intramural tennis while attending college.



Kyle DeYoung

GIRLS' TRACK TEAM TAKES OVER

The Kankakee girls' track team reigned in many victors in the Manteno Invite back in April, scoring 129 team points which clinched the crown for the Kays. Herscher High School took a close second with 125 team points.

KHS relay teams dominated. The 400 meter relay team finished with a time of 50.66. The 800 meter relay team finished with the time of 1:50.50, and the 1600 meter relay team finished with a time of 4:26.59.

Individually, LaDonna Townes took 1st place in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 18.78. Jocelynn Crowell's time of 12.73 in the 100 meter dash earned her 1st place honors. Waverly Martinez also won the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 54.71.



Back row from L-R: Coach Sexton, Officer Martinez
Front row from L-R: Coach Zika, Coach Oletha, Coach Phillips

SUMMER CAMPS

REGISTER NOW

SPORTS PHYSICAL

When: May 14 or May 16

Where: KHS Cafeteria

Time: 4 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Cost: Free

*CALL 815-802-5525 MON.- FRI.
TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

TRACK CLUB

When: May 14

Where: KHS Track

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$150

BOYS' BASKETBALL

When: July 2, 3, & 5

Where: King Middle School

Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$30

WRESTLING

When: June 11 - August 1

Where: KHS Back Gym

Time: 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Cost: \$25

FOOTBALL

When: June 12 - 28 / July 9 - 31

Where: KHS

Time: 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Cost: \$80

CROSS COUNTRY

When: June 4 - End of July

Where: KHS Track

Time: 6 p.m.

Cost: Free

SWIMMING

When: June 4 - July 6

Where: KHS Pool

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Cost: \$50

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

When: June 4 - July 26

Where: KJHS

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$100

SOFTBALL

When: June 4 - 14

Where: KHS Softball Field

Time: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Cost: \$25 Before May 11

\$30 After May 11

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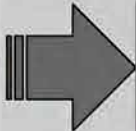
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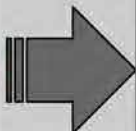
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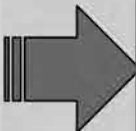
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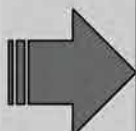
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Miguel Batana



Lizbeth Hernandez



Elizabeth Pizano



As the end of this high school experience is slowly approaching, I would like to say some things before it's really over. In my honest words at the beginning of this journey, I thought to myself, "OMG, what did I get myself into?" It wasn't until Ms. Wells handed me those eight blank pieces of paper and said, "This is your newspaper. You get to create it the way you want." I seriously wanted to cry. Of course being the person I am, I wasn't going to give up, so I decided to do the best I could and finish every single newspaper. Along the way, I would run out of ideas, and there was Ms. Wells and Mr. Knudson to help me out as much as they could. I really appreciated the help that they provided me. Although they helped me out a lot, there was also some amazing people that helped me not give up including my fabulous, best friend Marisol and my friends Leslie and Yisel. They made sure there was never a dull moment. My supportive sister Sindy, my wonderful sweetheart Jacob, and, last but not least, my outstanding co-editor Autumn also helped me survive the ordeal. All of them were very supportive along the way and helped me out as much they could. I would like to thank every single one of them for all the help they provided me.

To the next editor, I know at first it may seem rough, but it'll only get better. Make sure you always try your best and never give up because at the end when you see the product you created, it will show you how much you can accomplish. Goodluck!

Your newspaper editor,
Emely Cabrera



Jacob



Yisel, Leslie, Marisol



Ms. Wells



Autumn



Mr. Knudson



Sindy

Pawsonality

By Maggie Thompson



Pitbull



Shih Tzu



Poodle



Pug

If you are...

- Hard-headed
- Introverted
- Easily bored
- Have a short attention span
- Chatty
- Lazy

If you are...

- A cuddle buddy
- Flirtatious
- Keen
- Out there
- Extroverted
- Sociable
- Above and Beyond

If you are...

- Intelligent
- Can follow directions easily
- Active
- Socially needy
- Fashionable
- Have bad habits
- Talk a lot

If you are...

- Loyal
- A ball of energy
- Hard-working
- Dependable
- Well-mannered
- Clean

Have you ever watched a dog movie like *Marley and me* or *A Dog's Purpose* and wondered what kind of dog you would be? Look no more. Here you can find out out your pawsonality!