

THE TIGER TRIBUNE

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and the surrounding area.

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Another Fantastic Race

On October 7, 2015, Tiger Tracks took first place in both the boys and girls categories in a race.

This was no surprise, as Tiger Tracks has been consistently great in races big and small. (They performed very well in a large race held a while ago in Tahoe, as mentioned in Issue 1.) Still, it's impressive how completely they won this race.

Jordyn came in first for girls, with no one even close behind her, as you can



see in the picture. The same happened for James.

However, that's not to say that kids from other schools didn't perform well. Everyone did a great job, and I'll bet that over half of them achieved personal bests. -By Ben Trefry

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How the Drought has Affected Mono Lake

We all know that the drought has really affected Mono Lake, but most of us don't know the exact numbers. Therefore, we talked to Geoff McQuilkin, director of the Mono Lake Committee, about it.

According to the Mono Lake Committee's measurements, the lake has dropped over 5 vertical feet since the drought started. It's expected to stabilize this winter, and then drop again next year if it is dry—or rise if the winter is wet. The main threat to the ecosystem is not the lake drying up, but in fact the land bridge that will connect Negit Island to the shore if the level drops enough. If this happens, then coyotes will be able to access multiple nesting areas, and feed on the California gulls

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The Quarter's Over!

How to avoid being unprepared for the end of the quarter.

As the final grades are submitted to the report-card company, many students wonder where all the time went. Wasn't it just yesterday that everybody was dreading the first day of school?

Luckily, not all the quarters will go by this fast, because the quarter we just

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Culture & Fun in Mono City

Mono City has just gotten a whole lot cooler, and it's not because of the weather we've had lately. Recently, the small subdivision has gained lots of resources and activities that make it a very interesting place!

Down in Mono City East, there is a free library! That's right, a library! While it is just a small 'book box' with about twenty books, it is still a great little book lending facility. Recently,



with people spreading the word about it, the library has gotten many new books, especially ones that appeal to kids in the middle grades. There are also bike ramps and a swing right next to the library.

As for the western end, there are a couple great swimming holes at the creek. And, while it's not official yet, there is talk of a library being built there.

If you're looking for the library, it is next to the big apple tree, about fifty feet east of the bike ramps and swing. (Everything is on the left side of the road.)-By Ben Trefry

Field Trip to Devil's Postpile

On September 7, the 7th and 8th grades went on a class field trip to the famous



Devil's Postpile. They came as part of a program to teach children about national parks and the environment, and Santiago was leading the trip along with a ranger and an intern.

Many students had never been to this magnificent monument, and were awed when they got their first glimpse of the majestic spires, but not very excited to write about their visit and share it with the rest of the class. However, they still enjoyed the trip very much. -By Ben Trefry

Birthdays in October:

Ray Calderon 10/21, Cody Peake 10/27, Diego Chacon - Murguia 10/18, Gunnar Ackley 10/11, Chyann Andrews 10/4, Angie Cortes 10/11, Giovanni Gamon 10/18

And the Winners Are...

Giovanni Gamon!

Angie Cortes!

Cody Peake!

Gunnar Ackley!

The winners get to pick a prize from Ms. Garcia's room (room 7) on Thursday at lunch recess (11:45-12:10)

Quarter, from Page 1 finished was the shortest one that we'll have all year. In fact, you might find that the two quarters after Christmas Break drag on a lot longer than you'd like! But for now, here are some tips to help you stay on top of the work so you don't feel overtaken by the short quarters of the year.

1: Keep on top of your work. Missing just one assignment can put you behind everyone else if you don't get on top of it, and cause you to scramble to finish at the end of the quarter.

2: Ask the teacher when the quarter ends. If you have a calendar, you can put it on there. If not, it's still good to know when your grades get locked in so you can prepare and make sure everything's turned in by then.

3: When you're offered extra credit, only do it if you have time and need to. If the extra credit is for a subject you have an A in, and you are behind with some other assignment, don't do it. (Required assignments should always come first.) Instead, ask for extra credit in subjects that you have more trouble with.

-By Ben Trefry



Drawing by Lauree Wanner

Exclusive Interview with Berlin Del Aguila

A couple weeks ago, Berlin Del Aguila finished the Tioga Pass run. Here's our exclusive interview with her about the race.

BT: What inspired you to do this run?

Berlin: I've always enjoyed running and challenging myself, so doing this run was perfect.

BT: Would you say it was really hard?

Berlin: I would say the run was a little bit challenging in some parts, but that only pushed me to keep going because I knew I would feel proud of myself in the end. I ran at my own pace and enjoyed the view, so difficulty wasn't something I worried about during the race.

BT: What did it feel like to finish this "extreme" run?

Berlin: To cross the finish line and think "Wow I just ran 12.4 miles uphill" was a great feeling. I felt so accomplished and motivated to do it again.

BT: What advice would you give to people who want to try this, or something like it, in the future?

Berlin: If anyone is considering doing this run, I'd say go with your gut feeling and do it. It's so worth it when you turn around during the run and see how far you've ran. It makes you want to keep going so you can prove to yourself that you can do whatever you set your mind to.

Great Job, Berlin!

-With reporting by Ben Trefry

Running Club Images



Lake, from Page 1
that live and breed there. Currently, the lake level is just a few feet above the land bridge.

In addition to this, the lake's salt content is rising. This could eventually kill the brine shrimp and alkali flies, as they don't have infinite tolerance for salt.

There is hope, though, mainly in the form of El Nino forecasts. Mr. McQuilkin says that "...four years of drought cannot be made up in one wet winter but...we need a winter that is of average wetness or wetter (100% of average or greater) in order to avoid the lake dropping below 6377 feet in elevation, the level at which coyotes can get out onto the nesting islands." It is also noted that there were predictions of an El Nino in winter 2014, but, as you remember, it didn't happen. However, there is more evidence this time suggesting a strong El Nino, and it seems to be shaping up to be a large winter. Cross your fingers!

The images below were taken at the exact same spot, but the one on the bottom just a year later. -By **Ben Trefry**



WE NEED MEMBERS

Do you notice that most of the articles are written by a select group of under 5 people? Well, you're not the only one. But we're working to put more names in bold after the hyphen.

Since The Tiger Tribune's layout is flexible and expanding, now is a great time to join. Whatever you'd like to write about, we can feature it in our widely distributed publication. But you don't even have to write, because we're looking for artists to draw pictures for our Culture page (Page 6, check it out if you haven't already), and to decorate the margins. Every volunteer we get is a big help, and, on average, lets us publish The Tiger Tribune a day earlier than we would without that valued member.

So, if you're interested, come to Ms. Garcia's classroom any Thursday, or talk to Ben Trefry or Claire Desbaillets. If you don't want to miss recess, we can arrange a way to let you have all your recess every day, and still help out with The Tiger Tribune.

Poll: Should the ASB let younger members (4th grade and under) vote on dances, since they can't go to them?

To answer this, go to surveymonkey.com/r/RNSFJN2 (no spaces in the address)

About this Issue

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Our next issue may have a very different layout that will look more "newsy".

My View: Would you pick up and eat wrapped candy off the ground?

Norah: No, because it would be gross.

Hugo: No, because somebody might have touched it. So it would have germs.

Jennifer: I would pick it, because it would be bad for a bear or other animals. But I would throw it away.

Beverly: No, I wouldn't eat it, but I would pick it up so animals won't get sick and die.

Charlie: No, because there might be germs on it.

Ben: Probably, because it's hard to believe that anyone here would poison it or do something like that to it.

What the "Experts" say:

While there aren't many experts on this topic, they say that you can eat wrapped candy out of the garbage or off the ground, as long as there are no holes in the wrapping and its "best-by" date is not over three months ago. (The Best By date can often be found on the silver part of the wrapper.)



Norah



Hugo



Jennifer



Beverly



Charlie



Ben

Last Week's answers to the Riddles:

1: Of course! A hundred dollar bill is worth way more than a one dollar bill!

2: David. Since it says David's father, that means that one of the sons must be David.

3: When they meet, since they are on separate tracks, they are both the same distance from NY.

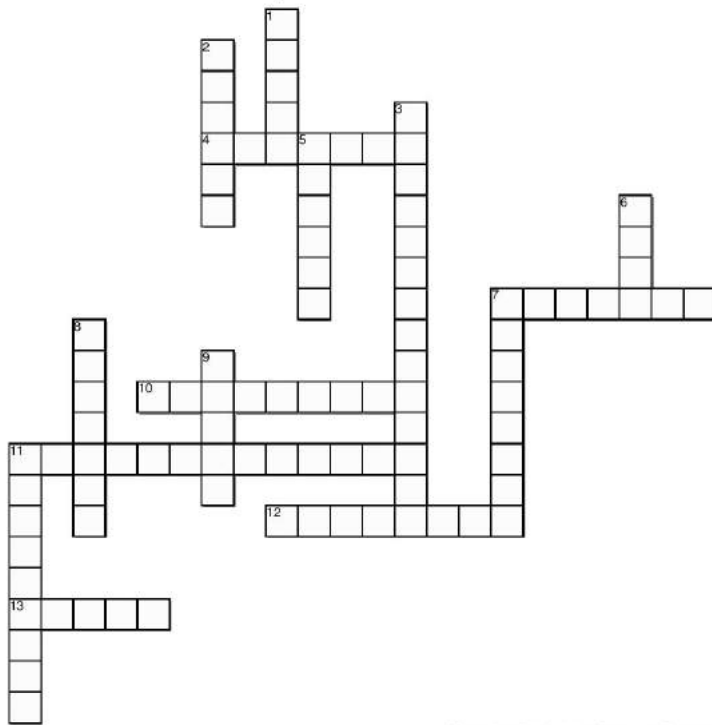
4: It was more than two feet to the floor from his hand, so the egg dropped two feet without damage and then broke after it had dropped around four feet, which was when it hit the ground.

WITH REPORTING BY
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The Puzzles

Halloween Fun

Complete the crossword below



Created on TheTeachersCorner.net Crossword Maker

- Trick-or-Treat Mask Black Cat Costume Witch Haunted House Orange Candy
 Monsters October Halloween Pumpkin Ghost Princess Spooky

Across

- 4. when Halloween is
- 7. what a jack-o-lantern is made of
- 10. animal seen with a witch
- 11. where ghosts live
- 12. what scare you in the dark
- 13. flies around on a broom stick

Down

- 1. it lives in a haunted house
- 2. what you use to describe a ghost
- 3. what you say to get candy
- 5. on of the common colors of Halloween
- 6. part of a costume that goes on your face
- 7. wears a tiara and a fancy dress
- 8. what you wear on Halloween
- 9. thing you get on Halloween
- 11. holiday on October 31

Sudoku

		4	7		8	2		3
8					3		7	
	3	6	1					4
6		7			1	5		2
		9		8	4			6
	8				6			9
4		2		1		9		
	6		8			3	2	
3			6		7		4	5

The Riddles

1: I will come one time in a minute, two times in a moment, but will never come in a thousand years. Who am I?

2: Which months have 28 days?

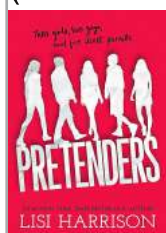
3: A man is dressed in all black and walking down a street at night. As he gets under a street light, in full view of a policeman and right next to a group of people, he sneakingly takes something out of someone's bag. Yet the honest policeman doesn't do anything about it! How can this be?

4: A horse is tied to a 15 ft. rope and there is a bale of hay 25 ft. away from him. Yet the horse is able to eat from the bale of hay. How is this possible?

Book Review:

Pretenders by Lisi Harrison

(AR level: 4.0, worth 6 points)



This book reveals the secrets of The Phoenix Five, five high school freshmen, and it follows them through their

first few months. The narration is unique because the story is told through diary entries. Recommended for ages 10-13. I (Claire Desbaillets) loved this book and currently own it if anyone would like to borrow it. The second book, *License to Spill*, is equally good.

-By Claire Desbaillets

Book Review: *The House on Stone's Throw Island* by Dan Poblocki



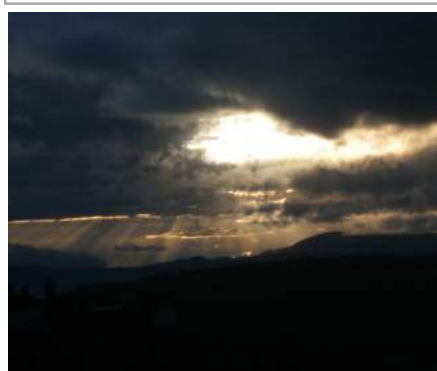
This book follows the exploits of Eli and Josie, two teens whose siblings are going to get married. It

starts out a little boring, but quickly gets exciting when Eli finds an abandoned fort with ghosts in it. While this book is pitched as "a ghost story" it isn't really very scary. It's recommended for anyone ages 10-13. However, it does have some themes from Hitler's era, and the ending is equal parts sad and happy (five people are lost at sea). Like the above review, the reviewer (Ben Trefry) owns the book if anyone wants to borrow it. -By Ben Trefry

Fashion

The season is fall, and tribal prints are in the air. Many students have been wearing tribal print leggings, shirts, and dresses, and backpacks. One of the main people who is into this trend is Chyann Andrews, a local 7th grader. Every day, she dons her black and white tribal backpack.

Another trend this season (and seasons before) is floral! Many of the girls in 7th and 8th grade wear colorful floral leggings, and as I am writing this, Emily Garcia is wearing a floral tank top. Also in style right now are Vans and Converse. I have seen shoes ranging from Mickey Mouse to grey with black and white laces. Finally, in boys fashion, it looks to me as if Nike shoes are in style. Some look like vans, just with swooshes, and others are high tops (which have been in style for a while). -By Claire Desbaillets



Nature's Beauty: Hole in the Clouds by Ben Trefry



Video Game

Review:

Pokémon: Pearl Version

Most of you have heard of Pokémon, but the Pearl version is a bit different. Players: You can have up to 4 players playing.

Difficulty: Medium

Objective: Defeat trainers, evolve Pokémon, win badges.

Star Rating: ★★★★★

Once you finish all the levels, it kind of ends. There's nothing else to do. -By Eamon Moffet

Video Game

Review: Animal Crossing

This game has a weird name for what it is, as you'll see in this review. People who enjoy everyday tasks will probably like this game at first, but then it'll get boring.

Difficulty: Easy

Objective: Complete everyday tasks such as mailing letters and running stores.

Star Rating: ★☆☆☆☆

This game is not much fun in my experience. -By Eamon Moffet

