

Gryphon Gazette

April Fools Edition

Morro Bay & San Luis Obispo Beckon

Students from both Kingsburg and Oakhurst campuses will be accompanying teachers Kaylene Friesen and Matthew Englund on April 17-18 for an expeditionary field trip to the central coast.



The main feature of this field trip will be first-hand exposure to the Cal Poly campus. This trip is coordinated with Cal Poly's annual open house, with many exhibits and interactive opportunities available. In addition, advance arrangements have been made

with specific professors who have connections with GHS staff—for personalized presentations to our particular group. It truly sounds like an outstanding visit!

Being that close to the coast, it is only natural

for the trip to include some beach town time as well. Morro is well known among Central Valley occupants as a great getaway ocean experience (minus the crowds and congestion of Los Angeles or San Francisco).

Overnight trips of this nature usually include 20-30 participants, including parents, and this year is no exception. Several rooms have been reserved at the Days Inn, and limited van transportation is available, so act quickly if you would like to accompany this field trip.

Information may be obtained through Mr. Englund or Mrs. Friesen at the Oakhurst campus (559)642-1422

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9th Grade PE Testing: Epic Fail

All 9th grade students at Glacier High miserably failed the recent PE testing conducted on campus. Never before has a public school been so humiliated, and found to have been so grievously "out of shape."

The situation appears to be so dire that it has been called to the attention of first lady Michelle Obama.

Interviewed by phone, Ms. Obama quipped,

"What do those homeschool kids do all day, sit around?"

One student was airlifted during the event, overcome with exhaustion during the trunk lift phase.

When asked to do the sit up/crunch maneuver, several kids could do nothing more than grunt.

The average time for the mile walk a GHS student was longer than the winner of this year's Boston Marathon. What more can be said?

The 25 students tested managed a combined total of 14 pushups, inspiring the school graffiti below:

FITNESS TEST



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A Hole Lotta Testin' Goin' On...



Annual testing is already underway, with the aforementioned PE testing recorded and in the books.

Late April will also involve testing for all TENTH GRAD-ERS in the area of Life Science. This is a California mandated standardized test, whether or not a sophomore is currently enrolled in Biology or Life Science. This year's CST Life Science test is set for Tuesday,

April 28th at both sites (OKH: 8:30);(KGB 9:00).

The inaugural Common Core test, known by the acronym CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) is coming in May for all GHS JUNIORS.

Oakhurst: M-T May 11-12, 8:30-noon

Kingsburg:: W-TH, May 13-14, 9:00-1:00

These tests are mostly online based, but with a group discussion element as well. Resources are available to sample the test format in advance. See link at;

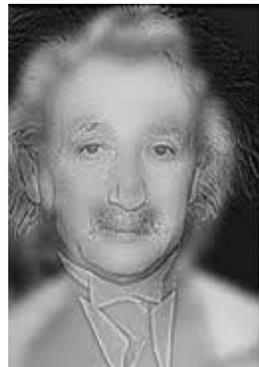


...testing, continued: Is It Better to Be Smart or Beautiful?

Student



Burnout



Vision Test

Normal Vision People will see Albert Einstein in the Picture

Near-Sighted People will see Marilyn Monroe

NOTE* If you see Einstein then step back a ways to see Marilyn Appear

Test Created by Dr. Aorta Oliva, MIT in 2007

...and one last test:



Who cares if the dress is black and blue, or white and gold?

You've seen this one in the recent news.

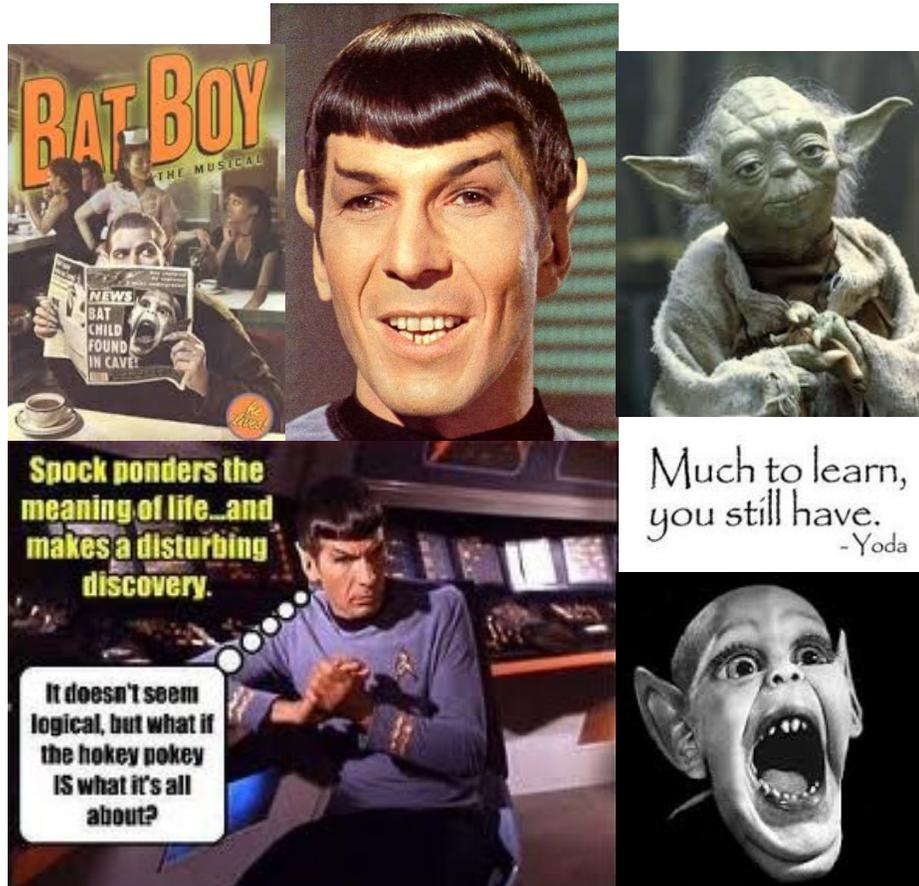
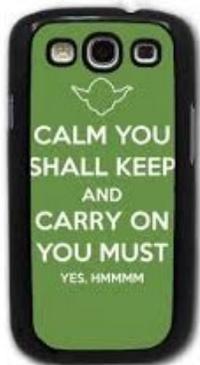
Maybe it's got something to do with rods and cones, or just good/bad taste in color combinations.

Or maybe we're all walking around seeing something different from each other...

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Englund's Biology Class Makes Breakthrough Discovery

Mr. Englund's Biology class, after extensive research, has positively established the long-suspected genetic links between "Bat Boy" of the 1950's classic horror films, "Spock" of the 60's Star Trek, and "Yoda" of 70's-80's Star Wars fame. Anatomical comparisons, combined with DNA samples, were used in the analysis. Findings indicate that Yoda appears to have the most highly developed sense of hearing. Bat Boy is clearly a carnivore, Yoda mostly herbivore, and Spock the closest to human, as an omnivore.



ROV Gears Up for Monterey Competition

Glacier ROV continues to prepare for the annual statewide competition held at Monterey Bay on Saturday, May 9th.

Preliminary trials will be held at the Harry Baker pool at Yosemite High School on the afternoon of April 30th, from 12:30-3:00 pm. Visitors are welcome to observe.

Those interested in helping may

contact Mr. Hagen at GHS Oakhurst for details.

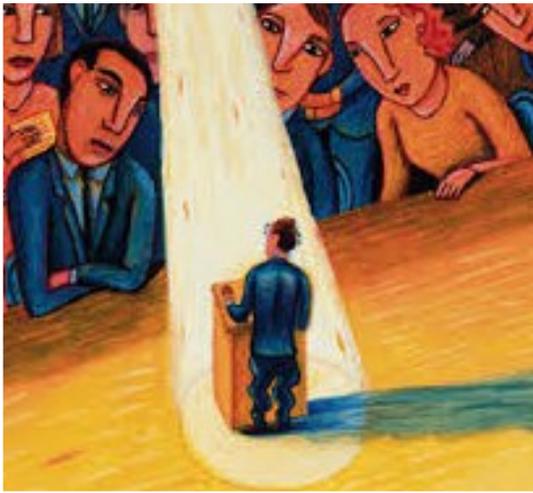
ROV construction and operations present many logistical difficulties. In particular, since the machines are electrical and operated underwater, waterproofing is critical. Other challenges often involve mobility— including overall balance, thrust direction, and remote camera navigation.



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Formal Dance

**Oakhurst
Community
Center
Friday Evening,
May 15
Tickets \$25**

Toothpick Bridges Project

Mr. Boe's Geometry class is designing and building scaled toothpick bridges. Bridges will be evaluated for aesthetic appeal and load bearing capacity.

Each bridge is destined for destruction. The only question is "which one will survive the most abuse?"



**WSCS Board Meeting
May 6, 2:30 PM
Oakhurst Campus**

**Kingsburg Leadership Class
Community Service Projects Presentations
Thursday, May 7, 3-4 PM**

Zoo Trip ON for May 1

Friday May 1st will mark ASB's sponsored visit to the Chaffee Zoo in Fresno. You don't have to be a member to join us!

Discounted group prices are available to students— just meet at the main entrance at 11:30 AM where money will be collected (on the spot). Be sure to bring exact change to get in on the discount.

Students will need \$3.50 for admission, adults \$6.50. There is a nominal charge for parking in Roeding Park. Transportation arrangements are up to families, and not provided.

