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## Combating Climate Change

Imani Davis

The start of 2021 has flown by and Arizona's trademark melt-your-face-off summer is rushing in. The state's temperature has steadily risen over the past few decades, as the result of climate change. Natural or man-made, there is no doubt that human beings have an influential role in the increase of temperatures. Many initiatives have been made to combat this increase within the past years.

In late 2020, the European plane manufacturer Airbus announced it would give itself 5 years to develop a commercial aircraft that runs on hydrogen. Zero-emission hydrogen planes have been looked at as an option to decrease greenhouse gas emissions, but they have many obstacles to overcome. Hydrogen fuel is highly combustible, as well as difficult and expensive to store -- making Airbus' task seem outlandish. The company estimates that hydrogen powered planes could half the aircraft industries emissions. [According to an article by Bloomberg](#), Airbus plans to spend the rest of the five years left on their clock to brainstorm ideas with an estimate of, if all goes well, production starting in 2028. The company could start flying passengers in 2035.

Another method that looks promising for reducing greenhouse gases is feeding cows a special type of seaweed. [According to the Smithsonian, livestock are responsible for 14.5% of annual greenhouse gas emissions and cows represent about 65% of that.](#) Recent studies published in the peer-review journal, Plos One,

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found that by adding a red-hued seaweed called *Asparagopsis taxiformis* to beef cows diets', their methane emissions can be reduced by up to 82%. In studies conducted in 2018, the main concern was that the seaweed would affect the cow's ability to put on weight, but recent studies have shown that this is not the case. In fact, the change in diet would actually increase the efficiency with which cattle turn food into muscle mass. However, this method is likely to only work in feedlots, where cows only spend a few months of their lives. The majority of methane emissions happen in the pasture, where it's much more impractical to insert seaweed into their diets. Even with these drawbacks, livestock is vital in feeding the nearly 10 billion people that inhabit this planet, and nutrition plays a monumental role in finding solutions for methane emissions.

In terms of quick solutions, food innovations have started to gain traction. If eating seasoned worms and crickets (a great source of protein) isn't your style, try edible packaging. [In an article published by Kolab Tree, food scientist Souha Guenoun writes about the](#)

[estimated 150 million metric tons of plastic that litter the world's oceans, about 60% coming from packaging.](#)

Good packaging is hard to find. It has to be able to withstand many different conditions, have good longevity, meet health and safety standards, cost-effectiveness, etc. It's not as easy as it may seem. Edible food packaging has been in the works for a while, but the movement is finally gaining some real traction. A company called [Evo & Co](#) has a mission of reducing single-use plastics and creating a world without pollution. Under the name [Evoware](#), they've created edible party cups and seaweed-based packaging, both biodegradable, high in fiber, and the latter with a shelf life of 2 years. While these methods have some way to go, it's likely that they will become real options during the next few decades. For now, we can do our part to combat climate change through businesses like [Podswap](#) [AirPods](#), which gives you recycled AirPods buds in exchange for your old ones at a fraction of the cost of a new pair. The world is changing fast and this time it's for the better.

## Biden's \$1.9 Trillion COVID Relief Package

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*Madeline Moran*

On February 27th, 2021, the House passed a \$1.9 trillion stimulus bill to aid in the country's recovery after the economic effects that occurred due to COVID-19. One week later, on the 6th of March, the Senate passed the bill with an amendment. On March 11th, President Joe Biden signed it into law.

According to an article by Adam Hayes on [Investopedia.com](#), the American Rescue Plan "is a package of economic measures a government invokes to stimulate a floundering economy." The stimulus bill was designed to support the economy and be able to reverse or prevent a recession.

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includes an expansion of the current child tax credit and an increase in federal unemployment benefits.

In comparison, the \$2.2 trillion CARES Act was passed by Former President Trump in 2020. The fifth round of that stimulus bill was issued in December, and in early 2021, incoming President Biden began on the American Rescue Plan of 2021.

When asked for a statement on the American Rescue Plan, a U.S Representative of Arizona's 9th district, Greg Stanton, said, "The American Rescue Plan accelerates vaccine distribution, helps millions of working families get back on their feet, and extends a lifeline to struggling small business owners. And, critically, it get[s] kids safely back in classrooms and helps to address the learning loss and social and emotional needs of students disproportionately affected by COVID-19."



# #MeToo

Brianna Bromley

Recent events have caused #MeToo to start trending on multiple platforms, but how did this movement come about?

The [MeToo](#) Movement focuses on bringing awareness to sexual harassment, while simultaneously being a safe place for survivors to reach out for support.

In 2006, the phrase “me too” was coined by Tarana Burke. As the founder of many organizations for young women, Burke has brought significant change to the world and advocates for women everywhere. In an interview with [Time](#), she said, “I had an experience with a young person who was a survivor, and I couldn’t speak to them honestly because I was still dealing with my issues. But I just knew that everything would have changed if I had been able to tell that person I was going through the same thing they were. I wasn’t able to then. But I am now.” Tarana Burke herself is a survivor and uses her own experience to bond with others who have unfortunately been through similar situations.

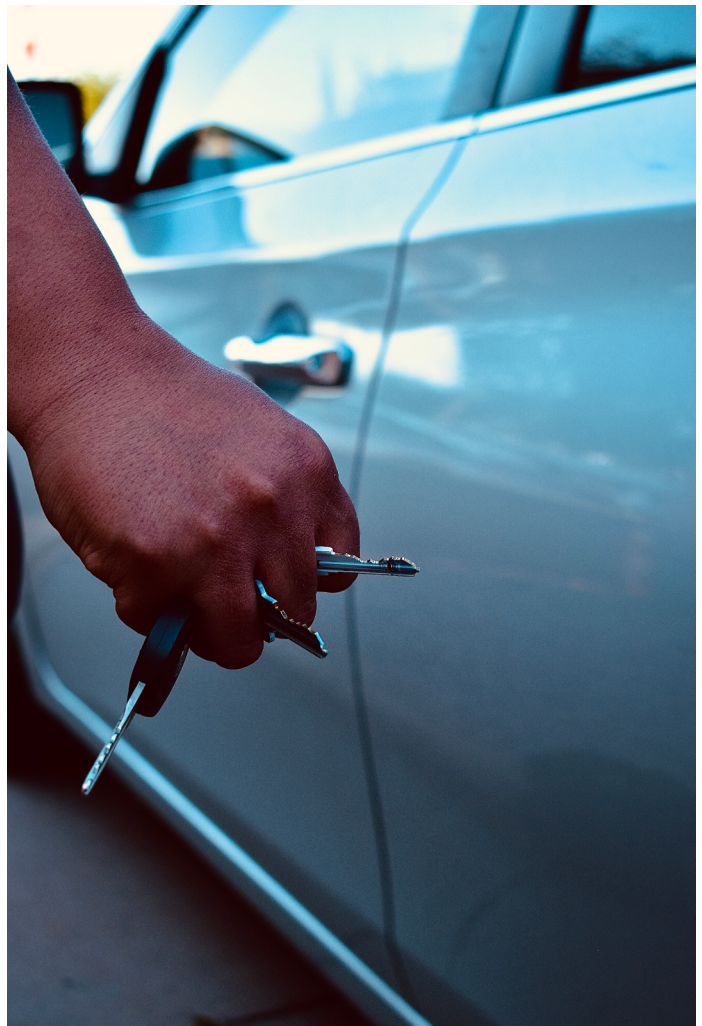
The hashtag resurfaced after the case of Sarah Everard spread worldwide. In London, on March 3rd, 33-year-old Sarah Everard was walking home from a friend’s place when she was kidnapped, sexually assaulted, and murdered by Wayne Couzens, a local policeman. This sparked an instant uproar from women around the world demanding change. Rothna Begum, a senior women’s rights activist researcher, summed up the feelings of many by telling [Today](#), “I think the reason why the killing of Sarah Everard has shocked us all is because it could have been any one of us.” Sarah took every precaution commonly told to keep people safe at night: stay in well-lit areas, wear bright clothing, pretend you are talking on the phone, and stick to busy roads. Even with those measures being taken, her life was brutally lost. Memorials were held in honor of

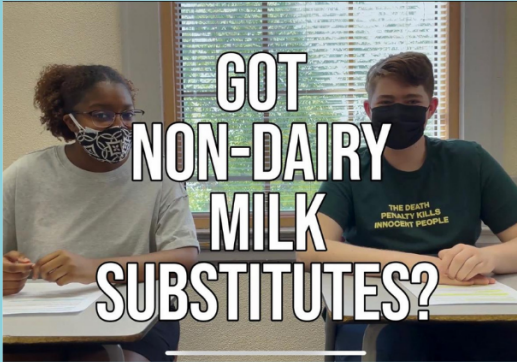
Sarah Everard near her hometown in South London, and change is now at the forefront of global conversation.

This change will come mainly in the form of education and bringing awareness to this topic, in hopes of preventing cases like Sarah Everard’s from occurring again. Tia Thomas, a journalist for [Fashion Industry Broadcast](#), wrote, “The way forward is not through curfews or telling women ‘how to not be harassed.’ But rather education on consent and violence towards women to improve awareness.”

“It’s beyond a hashtag. It’s the start of a larger conversation and a movement for radical community healing.” - Tarana Burke

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## Got Non-Dairy Milk Substitutes?

By Simone King and Madeline Moran

As consumers turn towards alternative non-dairy beverages to reduce their environmental footprint, many are crippled by choice. Which substitute is best?

### Ethical and Environmental Information About Milks

#### Almond Milk

Due to the high consumption of water and the resulting draughting, almond milk is environmentally harmful. Almond milk uses 17 times the amount of water as cow's milk in production per liter. The international transportation of almond milk also contributed to carbon emissions.

#### Coconut Milk

Besides emissions from transportation, and the processing, coconut milk has low environmental impact. These farms are eco-friendly and use very little water to produce the actual coconut milk compared to the extremely large amount used in the production of almond milk.

#### Oat Milk

The production of oat milk produces 80% less greenhouse gas emissions, uses 60% less energy, and 80% less land to farm and produce than cow's milk. Although oats are often contaminated with an unsafe level of glyphosate, Oatly claims to not allow its suppliers to use glyphosate.

#### Pea Milk

The peas used are grown in areas that have heavy rainfall. This means that there is not a large water footprint. The peas are also non-GMO certified. The packaging of Ripple milk in particular is made of 100% recycled material that is also recyclable after the milk is finished.

#### Macademia Milk

Macademia nuts cause a relatively low amount of damage to air, water, land, soil, and forests as long as pesticides are not used in production. Still, in a lot of macademia milks, genetic modification (GMO) and pesticides can be found.

#### Soy Milk

Soy milk production creates an equal amount of greenhouse gases to almond and pea milk, but less than dairy milk. However, it uses 10% less water than almond milk. Soybeans reduce the need for nitrogen fertilizers. Popular brands use organic non-GMO soybeans.

Oat Milk

Soy Milk

Macademia Milk

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### Student Bracket

Data gathered from Instagram Polls

Oat Milk



## Guest Article: Commitment to our Mustangs

Natalie Valliere

Do you remember the magical feeling of driving by a field of horses as a child and staring out the window in amazement at the strong yet elegant creatures? What you don't realize during your brief encounter with the majestic animals is the number of free-roaming mustangs in the western states of America. Mustangs are free-roaming horses brought to America by the Spanish in the 16th century. These horses and burros are considered to be living symbols of the pioneering spirit of the west, yet they stand at an estimated number of 90,000. The mustangs once owned 27 million acres of government-designated herd management area, serving as a constant reminder of American history.

The problem for these mustangs arises with their increasing population growth (15-20% annually) and the dwindling land. The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) is in charge of rounding up more than 50,000 horses and burros and housing them in government funded holding facilities. The growing populations create a need for thousands more wild horses to be placed in holding facilities in order to protect the land that other mustangs roam on. This is why the Federal government needs to maintain their commitment to protect America's historic wild horses and burros by providing adequate funding and monitoring land management tactics.

Congress has passed bills to support the funding under specific budget planning solutions, but the funding for this project should not be in question every year. In 1971, a law was passed protecting mustangs from capture, branding, harassment and death. The government's reconsideration for the funding annually puts not only our land and horses at risk, but also other government operations like the Wild Horse and Inmate Program (WHIP). Randy Helm, the head of Florence, Arizona's WHIP, gave me an insight into how the government's funding works, saying that "the BLM pays



Photo Courtesy of Natalie Valliere

per head per day, or at least that's how it is broken up." The money covers feed and medical care, but not the infrastructure needed to properly care for the horses. While citizens can help programs like WHIP with donations through 5013c's, the organizations reap more benefits when attention and awareness is brought to the issue.

However, money can only go so far. When the government decided to begin rounding-up mustangs, they made a commitment to protect them. The only way to truly accomplish that is with long term solutions like fertility control. Even though the BLM has plans for fertility control and has implemented some of the tactics, such as castration, with more support and understanding of population control the BLM could begin to use fertility vaccines. The Washington Post states that "there is a willingness to make investments in long term solutions." Despite the fact that these solutions seem easy to implement, some still believe that this strategy would take too long to make a difference and the population would increase exponentially for the next few years. But studies show, even with the possibility for population increase, the land as animals would benefit in the long run.

Now more than ever it is important for the federal government to provide the necessary funding to America's sacred wild horses and burros. Not only will this money help improve care, but it will also improve land management tactics and future long term plans. Besides being a reminder to the government of their commitment to protect the land and the horses who roam it, it will better the use of government funds.

## What is 'Cancel Culture'?

Griffin Eckstein

If you have consumed any conservative media in the last three or so months, you've probably heard about how "cancel culture" is attacking Americans. Speakers like Representative Jim Jordan (R-OH) at CPAC, one of the largest conservative conferences in the US, allege that decisions like changing the branding of a toy potato or installing metal detectors at the US capital following a terrorist attack are "cancel culture" in action. Rep. Jordan, a rising star in the GOP, took the stage in February to launch a full-scale attack on cancel culture. But can we call all of these different situations cancel culture?

It's hard to get a single definition of cancel culture, but we can start to form one by looking at all the things labeled as "cancel culture" by conservatives. Mr. Potato Head was a flashpoint of outrage earlier this year over parent company Hasbro's decision to rebrand the toy as simply 'Potato Head'. To clarify, Hasbro will still sell gendered Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head products, according to a statement via Twitter. That is what pundits like Tucker Carlson, along with politicians like Rep. Jordan, describe as cancel culture. Private companies changing branding to catch up with the times, be more inclusive, or simply refresh their image has rarely been such a point of contention. Is a private company aligning with new values "cancel culture"?

We've also heard of individuals being "canceled." Outrage began when Chris Harrison stepped away as host of "The Bachelor" following his defense of racist social media posts by contestant Rachael Kirkconnell. Conservative pundit Dan Gainor stated in an interview with Fox News that Harrison's voluntary departure was akin to "the kind of thing that we saw during the Chinese cultural revolution," adding that "this is how a mob acts." The former President was also a victim of "constitutional cancel culture", according to his lawyer Michael Van der Veen during the proceedings of his historic second impeachment trial on the instigation of a deadly



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insurrection. According to their statements, canceling, then, must be holding individuals responsible for their actions.

But it wasn't cancel culture when Former President Trump, [in an April statement](#), urged fellow conservatives to "Boycott Major League Baseball, Coca-Cola, Delta Airlines, JPMorgan Chase, ViacomCBS, Citigroup, Cisco, UPS, and Merck" over their decision to condemn Georgia's new election laws, ruling out our first definition. It also, apparently, wasn't cancel culture when Republican Governor and potential 2024 presidential candidate Kristi Noem attacked popstar Lil Nas X over his "Montero" music video and "Satan Shoes", saying on Twitter that the shoes are a "fight for the soul of our nation."

So what is cancel culture? Maybe it's just a battle against progress in America's social values.



## Why We Vote the Way We Vote — And Why We Shouldn't



*Photo Courtesy of The Boston Review*

*Imani Davis*

America is very well known for its two party system. We celebrate our party alliance like badges of honor, our politicians like our holy leaders. The far left and far right can be blinded by party affiliation, and it becomes harder and harder for the voters in the middle. Are the party leaders really who they say they are? Can I believe their words, these attack ads, these promises? For new voters it's difficult to understand what different parties really mean, and for old voters it's hard to move out of set ways.

[A paper by Jon. A. Krosnick](#), a professor of psychology and political science at Stanford, looks at the way voters vote. He likens it to picking a movie. Do you pick your films by carefully researching each one and calculating the total amount of enjoyment it will give you? Maybe you do, no judgement here. But most of us look at the one that seems the most interesting.

Maybe the cover or blurb caught your eye; some of us don't even read the synopsis. We all judge books by their covers, and we do the same thing with politicians. People who seem smart, confident, and trustworthy become the best choice. Personalities sways us over policy. This is an example of guardianship democracy: elected representatives decide how the government

should operate on their own. This seems all fine and dandy; there's no need for a Ph.D in political science anymore. But guardianship democracy means that representatives lead the people instead of following their instructions. It's not a true democracy; the people sacrifice their voice to a bigger leader, and while this works in such a large country like America, it means the voter has less power.

In an age of social media and digital news, personality has become a much stronger factor than it was. We might vote much more with our hearts than our heads once those attack ads and promises sink in.

What can we do to make our votes count? When voting for party and policy instead of personality, how do we actually know what we're voting for? We first have to figure out which politician has policies that we agree with the most. CHS government teacher Carol Gould says that a simple answer for new voters is first thinking about the issues that are most important to you, from criminal justice reform to environmental issues. Then, go to a party's website and look at what their platform is. From there, look for candidates that support your issues in a way you agree with.

"It's not perfect," she says, "but it's a sure better way of voting than it is based on an attack ad."

## WE ARE NOT VIRUSES, WE ARE NOT YOUR PUNCHLINES:

### *A History of Asian Hate.*

Vy Truong

In a country like America, filled with opportunities and possibilities, Asian hate has been consistently discounted. This article will inform you about the hate you have likely never learned in school. About the fear, about the murders, about the discrimination, and about your silence.

Dana Son, a junior at Chandler High School states in an interview, “as an Asian-American, it is terrifying to know that the hate and violence is closer to home than we think. Advice I would give to non-Asians on supporting #StopAsianHate is to recognize that Asian hate crimes are not blameless.”



Photo Courtesy of Vy Truong

*"The foreign and exotic label given to Asians in the U.S are a result of past anti-Asian policies, laws, and propaganda, which sprouted from the pro-White ideas of this nation's history and has led to the villainization of Asians today. It will take a lot of work to eradicate the negative effects of systematic racism, but we can start by supporting Asian people and businesses."*

-- Dana Son

Shruthi Sadhasivam, an Indian-American sophomore at Chandler High School states, “Non-Asians can support the Asian community during these difficult times by being more supportive and appreciate what we bring to the table. They can help out by signing petitions and portray the same energy used for the BLM to the Asian community.” Because Asian racism is so normalized, the world has not noticed the fear that we have faced. This timeline of Asian hate shows the information that schools don’t teach. Nothing can be done about the past but the future is bright. To make a change, we must educate ourselves, start conversations, and never stay silent.



## Chinese Massacre of 1871

A White policeman and rancher were killed by two Chinese men on October 24, 1871. Because of the two murders, 500 men composed of White and Hispanics rioted to Los Angeles's small Chinese community. The rioters lynched 19 Chinese men. They stole and attacked many innocent immigrants. They were hung through multiple downtown sites. This is known as one of the worst lynch massacres in American history. At the end of the day, 8 of the hundreds of perpetrators were convicted of their crimes.

## Chinese Exclusion Act

The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 was passed to prevent Chinese laborers from entering America. Contrary to the idea that the United States of America allowed all to enter, this act purposefully excluded a specific ethnic group. Rather than being an open door, the U.S. was selective on who can enter. This act, however, was repealed in 1943.

## Japanese Internment Camps

During World World II in the 1940s, people of Japanese descent were forced to go to internment camps. In the [Harvard Gazette](#), Liz Mineo stated in an article, " In modern American history, Asian-Americans have been regularly scapegoated during periods of national duress. World War II saw the forced internment of about 120,000 Japanese-Americans on the West Coast - an estimated 62% of whom were American citizens - in the wake of the attack on Pearl Harbor." The conditions within the camps were extremely hot in the summer and freezing in the winter. Rooms were cramped with residents and whoever tried to leave would be shot.

## 9/11 Hatred

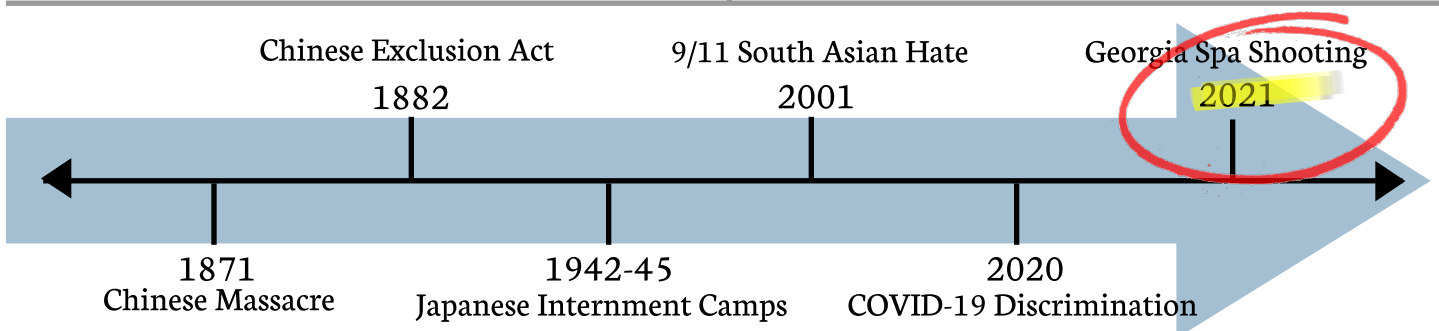
After the 9/11 attack in 2001, discrimination against Muslims and South Asians increased. One instance was the murder of Balbir Singh Sodhi, a Sikh-American gas station owner originally from India, in Mesa, Arizona. Aircraft mechanic Frank Silva Roque believed Singh was Muslim and shot him to death. Islamophobia became more prevalent in the West and perpetuated the fear that all Muslim are "terrorists."

## COVID-19 Discrimination

The COVID-19 pandemic increased hate crimes against Asian-Americans by nearly 150 percent, according to [NBC News](#) (Yam). Because the virus spreaded in China, Asian-Americans have received discrimination and are being murdered, especially the elderly. The [Harvard Gazette](#) stated "Asian-Americans have been physically attacked, verbally harassed, spat upon, and subjected to racial slurs. In February of 2021, an 84-year old Thai man died after he was shoved to the ground in Oakland, California's Chinatown. Since the start of the pandemic, Asian-Americans have become the target of xenophobic attacks (Mineo)."

## Georgia Spa Shooting of 2021

#StopAsianHate has been put in the spotlight since the beginning months of 2021. This was due to the Atlanta Spa Shooting on March 16. Six Asian spa workers were shot and killed which opened the world's eyes to the hate Asians have been facing since the 18th century. The murderer's reason for the massacre was due to his sex addiction and his want to subdue his sexual temptations. This caused the utmost anger within the Asian and non-Asian communities.



## Earth Day

Annie Payne

Earth Day. The day that people forget is in April, yet it is just as important as any other holiday. Summer is almost near and people are thrilled to go outside, but could they do that if the planet was not healthy?

This day was created when the U.S. was participating in the Vietnam War in the 1970s. Americans were driving cars fueled by leaded gasoline, factories and chemical plants were booming, oil industries were flourishing, and air pollution was getting worse. Back then, the Earth was not the main priority as otherworldly events were happening. However, Senator Gaylord Nelson saw and took action to help his planet. According to a passage from [Study.com](http://Study.com), "Senator Gaylord introduced his idea for a 'national teach-in on the environment' in 1970... The team recruited 85 individuals to promote the Earth Day concept across the country."

More than 20 million people around the world still gather every year and help clear up our earth.

The air quality in the U.S. has gotten tremendously better than in the 1970s as it was one of the main issues during the first Earth Day. Presently, awareness has gotten much better, yet future projections have gotten much worse. Scientists have been trying to help the planet but they can only do so much.

Even though the planet has gotten much better at managing what we put into the atmosphere, people are still dependent on oil. Oil releases carbon dioxide into the air causing the planet to warm up. Scientists have been trying to find alternative fuels to use other than oil to protect the atmosphere.

In 50 years, so many people have gathered and created groups and communities to help the Earth. And of course, this planet has had benefits and disadvantages since Earth Day, but if Senator Gaylord Nelson did not create this eventful day, we would not have the Earth we know and love today.

THE HISTORY OF

## The Lovely Mother's Day

And Gifts

### The History!

Mother's Day was founded by Anna Jarvis in the early 1900's. She created the holiday due to her own mothers passing that year. Jarvis pushed for the day to become an official holiday. Then, in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation to make Mother's Day on the second Sunday of May every year. Jarvis even teamed up with florists to make the white carnation as the symbolic flower for the holiday. Mother's Day is celebrated all over the world in a variety of different ways. We get to appreciate moms and all they do because of the powerful impact from Anna Jarvis.

### Gifts!

Appreciating moms with admiration and words are great, but gifts also help! Here are a few gift examples:

1: A heart-shaped snapshot mix



2: Travel Jewelry Organizer



3: Pure Relief Deluxe Foot Warmer



Check out more gift ideas at <https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/mothers-day/g511/mothers-day-gifts/>



# Features

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Madame B, Room 1110

## FRENCH CLUB



French Club helps students experience pieces of French culture through food, games, and crafts in order to learn about French culture in a fun way.

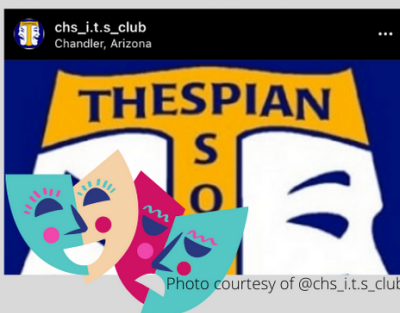
Insta: @lettersforrose.az  
Mrs. Kemp, Room 214

Founded by two girls in New Jersey, Letters for Rose is a nation-wide initiative to write letters to people in nursing homes and help them combat loneliness during the pandemic. The president, Makayla Larntz, says that LFR is "a great club for anyone wanting to make a difference within our community."

## LETTERS FOR ROSE



## THEATER CLUB



Insta: @chs\_i.t.s\_club  
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Ms. Likes, Drama Room

Theater club helps organize, publicize, and sponsor theater events. The club is for everyone interested in theater, is looking to learn life skills and learn a craft. Theater is a place to learn about yourself and meet kids from all walks of life.

Insta: @unifychs\_2021  
Ms. Peacock, Room 515

Chandler Buddies hosts events to help people with and without intellectual disabilities meet each other. The current president, Jordyn De La Torra, says their mission is to "create a community where everyone feels loved and accepted at Chandler High"

## CHANDLER BUDDIES



# CHS CLUBS

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## How To Spend Your Summer?

Asia Cruz

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*Time with Friends*

Go on a late-night drive and blast music with the windows down. Live like you are in a cliché coming of age movie, order some food at midnight and watch the stars at the top of the Overstreet parking garage in Downtown Chandler. If being outside is not your thing, have a movie night with your friends: watch Marvel movies in chronological order, binge Harry Potter, or stream any movies from your childhood.

Have a Yes Day! A specific day where parents cannot say no. This is usually a great day for the kids but a nightmare for some parents, so use this day wisely. Rules can be applied to this day, for example, no spending crazy money on unnecessary things. If a Yes Day is off the list, have a household cook-off. See who has the best cooking skills and have someone be the judge who blind taste tests.



*Time with Family*



*Time for Yourself*

Want to do something this summer to focus on yourself? Try getting a summer job, an extra hundred dollars never hurts. Work on your physical self or try a new hobby. Do summer school to get some credits out of the way. It will make next school year easier. Start applying for colleges and scholarships, the earlier, the better. If you don't plan on attending college, figure out your next step in the world.



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## College Applications

Griffin Eckstein

Countdown  
To Summer 2021

The class of 2021 faced one of the most competitive college application cycles in recent memory, according to the Washington Post. Test optional policies and the pandemic increased applications to top schools and drove down acceptance rates. The classes of 2022 and 23 might be stressed out by this data, but they still have time to work on their resume and stand out to admissions officers. How can Sophomore and Junior students spend their summers to enhance their college applications?

- **Nail down a college list.** What schools speak to you? A good rule of thumb is to have a few reach schools, a few target schools, and a few safety schools in mind.
- **Application Prep.** Start writing essays, researching prompts, and thinking about what makes you a unique applicant.
- **Make sure you have ACT and SAT scores you are happy with.** You can take these tests more than once if you want to improve your scores, but retakes do cost additional money.
- **Plan digital college visits.** One benefit of the pandemic is that college visits and information sessions are more accessible than ever before, and you can take advantage of that.
- **Intern or volunteer in a field you are interested.** Make connections and finding openings.

Class of 2022

- **Work on your GPA.** Take COA or summer classes if you need to fix earlier grades.
- **Find an extracurricular activity that interests you.** Developing a "spike" of extracurriculars in fields you want to go into is a great way to stand out.
- **Start working if you are old enough.** Not only can you earn money, a job is a great way to show that you are a hard worker.
- **Start ACT and SAT prep.** Khan Academy's free SAT prep course, which makes use of either a placement test or PSAT scores, gives you personalized practice.
- **Start thinking about which schools, careers, and fields of study interest you.** You don't have to know for sure yet, but it's good to get a head start.

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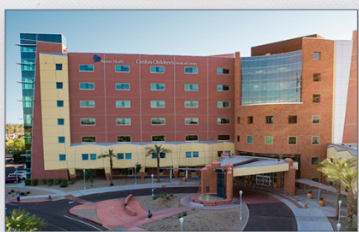
## Volunteer Opportunities

Photos Courtesy of IDEA Museum, Banner Health, AZCEND Food Bank

Volunteer at the i.d.e.a Children's Art Museum in Mesa. This opportunity will allow you to support art education and provide a safe and fun environment for kids. If you are passionate about art, childcare, museums, and volunteering, this is a great opportunity for you! The volunteer shifts are also constantly needed and very flexible.



*i.d.e.a Museum*



*Banner Health*

Are you interested in helping others and pursuing a career in the medical field? Banner Desert Medical Center and Banner Children's Cardon Medical Center are looking for passionate volunteers aged 16+ to work in administrative offices, guest services, and more! Working in a hospital is a great way to get involved in medicine and learn more.

AZCEND is a local food bank looking for volunteers to help to distribute food to Chandler residents. Volunteers at AZCEND can be expected to help set up and distribute food and be passionate members of their community. AZCEND does great work in Chandler and they need support doing it. Sign up to volunteer with them today!



*AZCEND*

## Hey Batter, Batter!

*Brianna Bromley*

The 2021 MLB Spring Training games have officially ended, with the regular season currently underway. Dodger fans are overjoyed as the Dodgers continue to hold the #1 spot in the MLB, even though a few star players like Cody Bellinger and Mookie Betts are out on injury. Other top teams to look out for this season are the San Diego Padres, Boston Red Sox, Cincinnati Reds, and the Los Angeles Angels. According to Talking [Chop](#), the teams predicted to get into the 2021 World Series are the LA Dodgers and the Atlanta Braves, with a good chance that the Dodgers will win back-to-back championships.

A few players have also sparked some momentum that should benefit them throughout the regular season, as long as they keep their game up. One player who had an impressive pre-season, defensively and offensively, was Shohei Ohtani. He made 32 plate appearances and pitched insane splitters and sliders while striking out 14 batters in 8



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innings. If Ohtani can break his record for injuries in the beginning of each season, he is expected to have an impressive regular season. Another player who is in the prospects for AL Rookie of the Year Award and has similarly impressive stats is Akil Baddoo. At only 22-years-old, he dreams of becoming a household name and his current stats support his dream. Lets see what the 2021 regular season games have in store, game on!

## March Madness Discrimination

*Simone King*

‘March Madness’ is a phrase that college basketball fans are all too familiar with. The annual NCAA basketball tournament has drawn in viewers for decades, but a series of viral posts from female basketball players shifted fans’ attention to the obvious difference in treatment for women’s teams by the NCAA.

After a TikTok posted by University of Oregon Player, Sedona Prince, gained national attention for showing the almost empty training facilities provided for the female players, fans of March Madness began noticing the vast disparities between the NCAA’s treatment of women’s teams compared to men’s. Her post showed that clearly space wasn’t the issue, so what was?

In the Supreme Court Case, *NCAA v. Smith*, the Supreme Court ruled that the NCAA did not have to

abide by Title IX, an amendment banning discrimination based on sex, because the NCAA is a nonprofit that does not receive federal funding. The women’s teams bear the weight of this ruling as the NCAA was no longer required to ensure equal treatment. The most evident examples of discrimination are the lack of bonuses provided for female players and the NCAA’s refusal to use the trademark ‘March Madness’ phrase in the women’s basketball tournament, both of which are staples of the men’s tournaments.

Although businesses like Planet Fitness, Dick’s Sporting Goods, and OrangeTheory Fitness have attempted to bridge the gap between the teams, the disparity between the men’s and women’s teams remained the talk of the tournament. Ultimately, it is up to the NCAA to remedy the inequality in their organization by ending the discrimination against their women’s teams.



## 2020-21 RECAP

Asia Cruz

### FOOTBALL

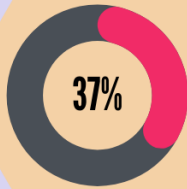


Overall: 10-0

Exceeding national average in rushing yards, receiving yards, total TD's, and tackles, the Wolves have had a great season

Honorable quote: "Getting through the struggles of becoming a champion made my season very memorable and enjoyable. I definitely learned not to give up... and keep moving forward I learned it takes a lot of heart and dedication to achieve goals I set. If I don't give it 110% then what's the point in practicing and playing football?" - Markye Wheaton, Jr

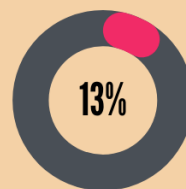
### BASKETBALL



37%

Boys basketball  
Overall score: 7-11

58.2 points per game - Above national average  
27 rebounds per game - National average  
5.9 steals per game - Below national average

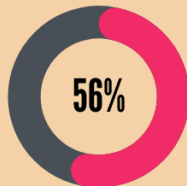


13%

Girls basketball  
Overall score: 2-13

40.9 points per game - National average  
25.2 rebounds per game - Below national average  
11.8 steals per game - Above national average

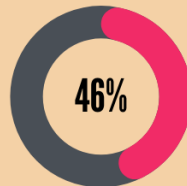
### VOLLEYBALL



56%

Girls Volleyball  
Overall score: 10-8

10.1 kills per set - Above national average  
107 total blocks - Above national average  
2.7 Aces per set - Above national average



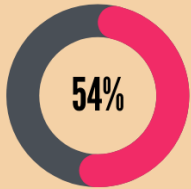
46%

Boys Volleyball  
Overall score: 5-6

9.6 kills per set - Above national average  
59 total blocks - Above national average  
1.2 aces per set - Below national average

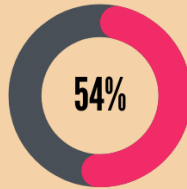


## TENNIS



Girls Tennis  
Overall score: 7-6

Standing in Division 1 Premiere: #6  
Ranking in Arizona: #20



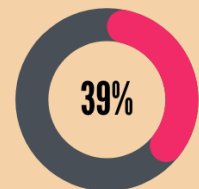
Boys Tennis  
Overall score: 7-6

Standing in Division 1 Premiere: #6  
Ranking in Arizona: #24

## SOFTBALL

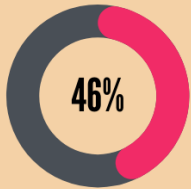
Brynn Smyhte, jr, glides through her season with many impressive stats on the team. A batting average of .432. She also has a .532 on base percentage, and 6 RBIs on her 2020-21 record.

8 Home Runs per game: Above national average  
.313 Batting average per game: Above national average  
10 stolen bases per game: Below national average



Overall: 6-8

## BASEBALL



Overall: 6-8

2 Home Runs per game: Below national average  
.257 Batting average per game: Below national average  
31 stolen bases per game: Below national average

A brotherhood on a team, the players are very close. When asked what his favorite memory of being on the team was, Seth Moore, jr, said "probably just hanging out with some of my closest friends and playing the game we love."

# HAPPY SEASON WOLVES!





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## A WEBTACULAR MENU

### GAMES

BACKYARD



Poptropica



Flash by Night



Quick, Draw



### MUSIC

RADIOOOOO



RADIO GARDEN



Music Theory



A Soft Murmur



### STRESS RELIEVING

BORED BUTTON



Scream into Void



This Is Sand



### EDUCATIONAL

Code Academy



Free Rice



Duolingo



### USE FOR SCHOOL

Sleepytime



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Read Next?



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INSTAGRAM & OUR WEBSITE



## WHY BATMAN DOES NOT KILL

### THE ORIGIN OF BATMAN'S NO-KILL RULE...

*Martin Ibarra*

According to various blogs on the internet, in Batman Issue Four published in December 1940, Batman says to Robin, "We never kill with weapons of any kind." Then why was it only a year ago when Batman carried a gun and marked people left and right? DC's No-kill Rule.

In his biography "Batman and Me," Bob Kane explains the origin of his rule, "we had our first brush with censorship over Batman's use of a gun in Batman Issue One. In a story of that issue, he had a machine gun mounted on his Batplane in which he used. We didn't think anything was wrong with Batman carrying guns because the Shadow also used guns. Bill Finger was called on to the carpet by Whitney Ellsworth, he said, 'NEVER LET BATMAN CARRY A GUN AGAIN'. The editors thought that making Batman a 'murderer' would taint his character, and mothers would object. The news-editorial policy was to get away from Batman's vigilantism and bring him over to the side of the law."

The DC Comics editorial policy states that "a hero should never kill a villain regardless of the depth of the villainy; if the villain if he is to die should do so as a result of his evil machinations." So technically, every DC hero had a no-kill rule.

### BATMAN'S REASON...

The classic writers never gave a reason for Batman to not kill, so maybe there is no real reason. Maybe it just makes sense that a boy is highly trained and highly intelligent. He was so traumatized by the death of his parents that he spent his entire life torturing himself emotionally and physically, vowing to never kill so that no boy can ever witness what he witnessed, so that no boy can ever feel the pain he feels every moment of every day.

Maybe it just makes sense that Batman would never take a life. Criminals have children, the goons he murders on screen have children. What sense does it make for a victim of trauma to enact that same trauma onto others? The answer is pretty simple: it doesn't.



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## THE ACTUAL CONFLICT IN A BATMAN STORY

Batman stories don't focus on physical conflict but instead if Batman will beat the joker. Will he survive the story? Batman stories focus on the moral and ethical dilemma of Batman's actions? Should he kill the Joker? Is Bruce Wayne just a crazy guy with money?

If Batman kills those who are unjust, then he becomes unjust. If he takes the lives of others, then he becomes like those who took the lives of his parents. If Batman decides to murder criminals then there is no story to be told. Stories like the Arkham collection can't exist. The Dark Knight Returns can't exist. The Killing Joke can't exist.

Jason Todd is mad at Bruce for not killing the Joker, and the Joker is fascinated by Batman's no-kill rule in the Arkham series. If Batman does indeed kill in The Dark Night Returns, then the go-to government gopher, Superman, has reason to take Batman down. If Batman kills there is no Batman.



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## POV: it's summer and you're the main character

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