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### **Latinos in Action**

By: Hana Hadzialijagic

Latinos in Action (LIA) is a program and class that is set up for high school students in order to support bilingual Latino students in utilizing their language skills to support the school and district community. LIA also motivates these students toward a career and education. Work experience is provided for the students enrolled within the program, to serve as paraeducators and role models for younger Hispanic students in local elementary and junior high schools.

LIA has a Youth Leadership Conference that is an integral part of the program. The conference is to celebrate the work of the students who have performed throughout the year, in and out of the classroom. Some highlights of the conference are amazing displays of culture, where groups and individuals from LIA classes perform for their peers. This conference is yet to happen in April and the 2019 theme was "It's Up to Me."

Three students from Cyprus High School were highlighted by the program! Firstly, Josh Troconiz was sought out to perform for the conference. He is playing a beautiful violin solo. Secondly, Miguel Zamora-Aguirre has been selected as an overall winner for LIApparel Design for the state of Utah. Zamora will earn a certificate and cash prize at the LIA Conference! In addition to his awards, he will receive 10% of his products' profit! Thirdly, Jesse Lavado was selected as the 2019 Utah NAME (National Association of Multicultural Education) High School Student Essay Winner. He was honored at this year's Utah NAME Conference this past Saturday where he read his essay, received a certificate, and a cash prize.

Congratulations to Josh Tronconiz, Miguel Zamora-Aguirre and Jesse Lavado!

Samantha Vore received the EXCEL Outstanding Educator award. It's an incredible honor to be selected as a recipient for this distinguished award!





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Red Cross let us know that the blood drive was able to save 54 lives from the donations they received.

We are having another bloodmobile May 17th 8:30-1:00.



# **Japan Youth Ambassadors**

By: Lluvia Castillo

The Japanese Youth Ambassadors trip is an annual trip to Yuzawa, Niigata, Japan taken by ten Cyprus high students. The students, chosen by Mr. Kerby and Ms. Moses, are Marlo Navarro (12th), George Hill (11th), Andrew Shaw (9th) and Danyl Warner (9th). These four lucky students have the opportunity to experience "the Japanese culture for ten days and experience the city of Tokyo."

The city, Yuzawa, initially chose Magna, Utah to be its sister city several years ago.
Representatives had visited Oregon,
California and other such places before they ended up Magna, Utah and decided to make the partnership.

The students were chosen based off interest in applying, their academics, and appreciation for culture and language. However, the major preference went towards seniors who had applied. Instead of Ms. Moses and Mr. Kerby attending, like they did the past year, Mr. Shaw, a parent of one of the attending students, will be going, due to his understanding of the Japanese language.

The other fill-in will be vice principal Ben Johnson from Matheson Jr. High The host families housing the Cyprus students were selected by two coordinators in Japan. Likewise, when the Japanese students arrive in Magna, the coordinators here will match them to families. The exchange students from Japan will be arriving in August this year. According to Mr.Kerby, the Japanese students will be given the same great experience as to what the students from Magna will receive in Japan.

Mr. Kerby stated, "It's been a very positive program and it's been going on for close to 17 years. It's better then going as a tourist, staying in hotels and seeing tourist things. Instead, [we're] interacting with people from the culture and making friends. There have been many students that have had continual communications with these students." Overall the Japanese trip seems to be an amazing opportunity one wouldn't want to miss, if given the chance.

Congratulations to the winners of C-Factor!

First: Isabel Cossa

Second: **D'Agascar Vakapuna** 

Third: Abi Liddell, as well as The Bongo

Boys

Thank you to everyone who performed! The talent at Cyprus is incredible!



# **An Evening of Festival Performances**

By: Maddie Flores

On March 7 and 8, Cyprus High had an annual spring performing arts concert. This year, each performing arts group was able to present their best talent. Each group performed a piece that will be performed in festival piece with Jazz Band presenting two and the theater department presenting three. Cyprus' Madrigals, Show Choir, Show Choir Two, Concert Choir and Mixed Chorus, each performed one of their beautiful pieces that they had been practicing since January under the direction of Mr. Kerry Moore. Show Choir and Show Choir Two each performed jazzy, upbeat numbers that really set the mood for this fun night.

Madrigals, Mixed Chorus and Concert Choir greatly impressed with their aweinspiring vocals and perfection.

Every single choir was able to present a performance that captivated the audience. Then, Jazz Band, Concert Band, Concert Orchestra, String Orchestra and Percussion each performed unique pieces under the direction of Mr. Dayne Moore. Each one of these groups performed with amazing precision, dedication and immense skill. Each piece delighted and entertained every single audience member. Dance Company and Dance Two and Three also gave amazing performances, under the direction of Ms. Danielle Malmberg and Ms. Alexia Crandall. The dance performances impressed everyone in the room. Each one presented beautiful movement that told a story unlike any other. The execution of all choreography was stellar.

The theater department provided three incredible pieces as well. Alina Colver performed a breathtaking musical theater piece, Jacob Pentico and Christian Valdez performed an exquisite scene and Tristan Tharp entertained the audience with his humorous monologue. The performing arts concert demonstrated how hard working, talented and fantastic our Cyprus Pirates truly are! A big thanks to the Cyprus Stage Crew, as well. They worked effortlessly to keep the program moving smoothly, make sure each group is set to achieve greatness in their performances and so much more.

# **Festivals:**

State Drama: April 11-13
Training Vocal Choir at Granger: April 10
Orchestra at Cyprus: April 23
Large choir at Hunter: April 24
State Choir at Northridge: April 27

# Cyprus High's Twist on the Classic, Twelfth Night

By: Emily Hansen

The Cyprus Theater production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" provided a wonderful night of entertainment, showcasing acting talent and jazz music in the performances. The show ran from February 28 to March 2.

Oftentimes when assignments based on Shakespeare's works are announced, it is received with reluctance and a little dread. Yet is Shakespeare so unfamiliar? Not as much as one would think. There have been many modern adaptations of Twelfth Night, including the popular movie, "She's the Man."

Cyprus Theater students jumped at the chance to audition for the new experience. For example, Sophomore Christian Valdez is always willing to try something new or different. He said he's "always wanted to experience a Shakespeare play." Unless one is familiar with the plot, the play could be confusing. Duke Orsino of Illyria is in love with Olivia, but she has rejected him. A set of twins, Sebastian and Viola, have been shipwrecked, each thinking the other has perished. Disguising herself as a man named Cesario, Viola becomes the servant of Orsino and is sent to woo Olivia. However, Olivia ends up falling in love with Cesario. When Sebastian finds his way into town, Olivia mistakes him to be Cesario and convinces him to marry her. Sebastian agrees. When Orsino and Cesario arrive, Olivia calls Cesario her husband, which Cesario denies. Orsino believes Cesario has betrayed him, but then Sebastian returns. Upon recognizing each other, the twins reveal Viola's true identity. Orsino finally marries Viola.

Cyprus put many spins on the traditional play. For example, the production was set in the 1920s and a live band played soft jazz music in scenes, as well as during scene transitions. These thoughtful touches made the play seem more modern, while simultaneously nearly transporting the audience back in time.

Though the show was a huge success, that would not have been possible without weeks of rehearsals before opening night. Sophomore Austin Hardy said, "I put the play first; homework was done when I had time." Making priorities was necessary for every cast member.

Valdez focused to have a specific mindset going into each rehearsal. He said he needed "dedication to the show, motivation to improve and a mindset that every part is important." He continued by saying another motivation was not wanting to let the other cast members down.

Both Valdez and Hardy agreed that Malvolio, a light-hearted and enjoyable character, was their favorite to watch. One of their favorite lines in the play was one of Malvolio's: "Some are born great, others achieve greatness and others have greatness thrust upon them." Humorous lines such as this were riddled throughout the play, which made it hard to choose a favorite, the two noted.

Although the rehearsal schedule was daunting, especially in addition to homework and various responsibilities in school, the cast agreed performing was absolutely worth it. Senior Mary Anna Mendez, who played Viola, said, "I love being on stage and performing with my friends and working hard to put on something I'm proud of."





# Cyprus High: Twelfth Night







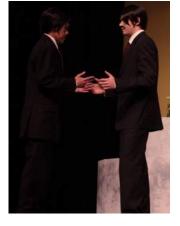


















Congratulations to the following students that qualified for Drama State Festival:

Pasty Villagran and Baylei Harmon in contemporary scene

Cirrus Owings in Dramatic Monologue, Austyn Farnsworth in Dramatic Monologue

**Enoch Mataalii** in Humorous Monologue (Earned a medal for qualifying for medal rounds)

Dani Mortensen in Humorous Monologue

Samantha Johnson in Pantomime, Bryson Zobell in Pantomime

**Emma Peterson** and **Michael Gonzalez** in Musical Theatre (Earned a medal for straight superiors)

Madison Terry in Musical Theatre

Alina Colver in Musical Theatre (Earned a medal for straight superiors and qualified for medal rounds



# **Boys' Soccer Captains**

By: Janely Chavez and Hana Hadzialijagic

Martin Arellano is one of the three captains of the Cyprus boys soccer team. Each leader was chosen by the coaches for a very specific reason: their leadership styles. Arellano has always worn 11 as his jersey number, ever since he was a kid. His field position is right back, where he pushes the ball out of the team's half of the field. Allerano plans to work toward a common goal with the other two captains, Josh Mercado and Jose Arellano, to win region. Together they will unify the team and make it tighter than ever.

Josh Mercado is a currently a senior captain for the boys soccer team at Cyprus High School. Mercado plays with the number 10 on his back. All of his idols have influenced his favorite number on the field and he aspires to become like them someday. Mercado's field position on the team is winger. He claims he expected to become a captain for the team due to his teammates calling him a captain. Looking back on it, he admits he does help guide the team. "I just focus on my game and try to do my best as well as trying to help my teammates get better and push themselves," he said. Mercado predicts this season his team will take on region and make it far into the playoffs.

Jose Arellano, also known by his nickname Chepo, is a captain as well. "I didn't expect to be captain! But I worked hard for this very moment," Arellano said. He is pleased with how the chemistry is building up between each and every teammate. They claim they are ready to take down any team that's in their way. Definitely excited to bring home the region and state trophy! Arellano plays a crucial position on the field, goalie. He snatches any shots that might come his way. Originally, Arellano planned to have the number 9, since it means a ton, but since he couldn't wear his dearest digit, the next best choice was 99.



# HOPE WEEK April 15-19

There will be activities during both lunches every day of the week. If you are interested in helping out, on any day and any lunch, please contact Mrs. Skousen in room 310 or email her at llskousen@graniteschools.org

### **Baseball and Softball**

By: Emily Clarkson and Dylan Van Etten

Softball is much like baseball, but there are differences to it. Softballs are bigger than normal baseballs, softball players throw underhand and some of the rules are different.

When softball was first created by George Hancock, a journalist for the Chicago Board of Trade, it was an indoor sport.

Softball was first called indoor baseball, playground softball, mushball, and kitten ball. Softball was referred to as ladies baseball because it was generally played by women.

Whitley George, Sophomore, said, "I love softball. It is affecting my life by helping me keep my mind off things. Softball is something I will play forever." Softball can change people's lives and how they see things. Softball can be very important to a lot of people who love the sport.

Baseball was invented in 1839, by a young man named Abner Doubleday. Other differences from softball and baseball are the distance from the pitcher's area to home plate, base paths, and field size. Sometimes leagues for the youngest softball players use smaller and softer softballs because girls hands at beginning levels are not big enough to grip. Baseball and softball are nearly identical in many respects, but one will notice a few major differences between the two sports.

Sebastian Hogan, Sophomore, said, "Baseball has affected my life very effectively. I love it a lot. Baseball makes me want to keep my grades up and support others. Baseball gives me less anxiety." Baseball can change people's lives into something better. Baseball is a good sport to be involved in.

# **Planning to Audition?**

Dance Company: April 22 and 25
Dance Company Workshops: April 4,
6, 11 and 14

Band and Orchestra: April 4 and 5 Show Choir and Madrigals: April 17

\*Check with group advisers for all necessities for auditions!

# **Perfect Recipes for April:**

# **Deviled Eggs**

- Ingredients:
- 6 eggs
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon white vinegar
- 1 teaspoon yellow mustard
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- Smoked Spanish paprika, for garnish
- Directions:
- Place eggs in a single layer in a saucepan and cover with enough water that there's 1 1/2 inches of water above the eggs. Heat on high until water begins to boil, then cover, turn the heat to low, and cook for 1 minute. Remove from heat and leave covered for 14 minutes, then rinse under cold water continuously for 1 minute.
- Crack egg shells and carefully peel under cool running water. Gently dry with paper towels. Slice the eggs in half lengthwise, removing yolks to a medium bowl, and placing the whites on a serving platter. Mash the yolks into a fine crumble using a fork. Add mayonnaise, vinegar, mustard, salt, and pepper, and mix well
- Evenly disperse heaping teaspoons of the yolk mixture into the egg whites. Sprinkle with paprika and serve.
- Recipe Credit: www.foodnetwork.com



# **Classic Sugar Cookies**

- Ingredients:
- 1 ½ cups butter, softened
- 2 cups white sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 5 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Directions:
- In a large bowl, cream together butter and sugar until smooth. Beat in eggs and vanilla. Stir in the flour, baking powder, and salt. Cover, and chill dough for at least one hour (or overnight).
- Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C). Roll out dough on floured surface 1/4 to 1/2 inch thick. Cut into shapes with any cookie cutter. Place cookies 1 inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets.
- Bake 6 to 8 minutes in preheated oven.
   Cool completely.
- Decorate with frosting of choice.
- Recipe Credit: www.allrecipies.com



