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# Head of the Charles

Established in 1965, the Head of the Charles Regatta has welcomed crew teams from all around the world to participate in its two-day rowing competition. The regatta attracts over 9,000 athletes and 300,000 spectators. Photo Credit: Steven Matteo

## CRLS Mirrors Gallup Poll, Dissatisfied with Congress

"A great many

American citizens

don't trust their

elected officials."

By Aidan Down Register Forum Staff

In a September Gallup Poll, the American public was asked whether they approved of the way Congress handled its job, and the overwhelming majority answered "no."

A full 83% of those

polled disapprove of Congress' efforts, this and number has been steadily ris-

ing since 2003. Some blame the current administration, and still others pin the fault on the Republican strategy to block all Obama-proposed legislation. If the poll is any indication of public sentiment, a great many American citizens don't

trust their elected officials to properly represent them.

Some students and teachers Cambridge at Rindge and Latin share these sentiments. "Generally I think that the interests of the nation correlate far too much with the interests of people with money," senior Kahlil Oppenheimer commented.

> Arthur Schutzburg, senior and student body Vice President, felt underrepresented

by his Congress. "While our generation may be the future of the country and the world, Congress is focusing solely on how those who are in power benefit the most."

Congressional approval hit 10% in August,

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## The Falcons' Founding Father

By Kevin Xiong Register Forum Editor



Photo Credit: The Cambridge Room Archives

Everyone knows of the Cambridge Public Library, the Cambridge City Hall, Rindge Avenue, and of course the high school of opportunity, diversity, and respect, Cambridge Rindge and Latin School. However,

few know of their origins.

Frederick H. Rindge (1857-1905), an American businessman and philanthropist, is responsible for the construction of many of Cambridge's greatest establishments, including the aforementioned locations. Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Frederick Rindge was the son of Samuel B. Rindge and Clarissa Harrington and, in 1883, inherited his father's entire estate, which was worth a substantial fortune.

"He was our city's greatest benefactor," summarized archivist Alyssa Pacy of the Cambridge Room.

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## Club 4 Gives Back to the Community

By Hoon Hong Register Forum Editor

Club 4 has gone from scrambling to find enough volunteers, to having a massive influx of ready and willing CRLS students itching to get their hands on the shelter's appliances every time the officers open up the flood gates to the online sign up forums.

For those wondering what Club 4 is, it is a program connected with the Harvard Homeless Shelter that allows students to volunteer to plan, cook, and serve a delicious meal for the hungry. Students can serve their community in the truest sense of

the phrase. Students serve a shelter right in the heart of Cambridge, in Harvard Square.

Club 4 does not only offer good community service opportunities, "People get good life skills," club advisor Susie VanBlaricum explains, "you're learning the life skills of how to find things in a grocery store, knowing how to price and budget a meal."

Indeed Club 4 participants develop introspection and culinary prowess. Moreover, after the meal has been created and dinner is served, students can

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## AROUND SCHOOL

## Showing Love to Student Gov

By Rout Asefa Register Forum Editor

Student Government is a student-run club that helps organize various events for the student body, like the homecoming game and dance. The club not only teaches teens how to plan events but it also helps to mold future leaders.

The club aims to carry out the CRLS motto that embraces diversity, respect, and opportunity. The events that Student Government plans are intended to bond the school community as a whole. They work behind the scenes to bring students together as they also promote school spirit.

Student Government has twenty elected officials; however, meetings are not restricted. The meetings are open for anyone who wants to join. Meetings are held every Monday morning at 7:15 a.m. in room 2127, the MCAS Center. Individual classes meet on Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. in the advisors classroom.

In a recent interview student body president, Shameen Akhtar, voiced the goals of the club for the year, which included having numerous school dances and to have a great school year. During the three years she has been a part



The 2012-2013 Student Government team prepares for a brand new year of opportunity, diversity, amd respect. Photo Credit: Larry Aaronson

"The club aims to carry out the CRLS

and opportunity."

of Student Government she said that the club has "expanded their horizons by having the talent show be more diverse and also incorporating the Nest Fest last year, which was a huge success."

When some students were asked what they thought motto that embraces diversity, respect, about Student Government, they

changes that were brought by Student Government and appreciated greater communica- es that face Student Government, they hope tion and information. Sophomore Eliza Klein to be even more successful and meet more said, "I'm okay with what they're doing now but there is definitely room for improvement."

In the attempts to combat some of the issues that they face, Student Government has begun to make some changes. Ms. Elinskas, one of the Student Government advisers, said "We

> are trying to get their faces seen and the homeroom ambassadors are also going to help spread the

said that they were relatively unaware of the word as to what is going on around the school".

Although there are many challengof the needs of the student body this year.

## The Battle to Save the Ocean Comes to Rindge

CRLS Club Looks to Raise Awareness about Troubled Marine Ecosystems

> By Sam Mazer Register Forum Correspondent



On a historical October 3rd, the Marine Conservation and Awareness Club met for the first time.

The Marine Conservation and Awareness Club, founded by hotshot student and environmental scientist Tessa Tracy, hopes to educate students and faculty about widespread global issues endangering the ocean, its ecosystem, and humanity.

Ms. Tracy said about her brainchild, "I started this club because I care deep-

ly about marine ecosystems, and noticed a lack of knowledge at CRLS about the challenges facing the ocean and its ecosystems."

Tracy wasted no time in telling me her plans for the club's first weeks: "The first issue we will be addressing is the shrimp aquaculture industry's destructive effect on mangroves."

The cultivation of shrimp around the world is done largely in tropical coastal areas; this business

is endangering the resident mangrove forests, and the surrounding ecosystems. The mangroves provide shelter and a major resource for the local people.

The club's plan is to cover this topic for as long as its members feel they need to effectively spread awareness.

Unfortunately, there are all kinds of serious issues endangering the ocean's various ecosystems, but Tracy is taking matters into her hands and already

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planning the next topics eventually cover.

"In the future, we will focus on islike sues

overfishing and depleted species, sustainable seafood, and possibly land erosion."

So how does Tracy intend to properly spread awareness? Tracy says that media will play a huge part in the club's campaign.

Deals are already in the works to produce various film shorts (via Community Meeting videos) and a blog in cooperation with the Island School.

Tracy also intends to hold assemblies, fundraisers, and other events in the school to further the club's efforts.

Proceeds from fundraisers will go to various organizations devoted to combating the issues the club is focusing on at the time.

Ultimately, the goal of this environmental-activism group is to conserve the environment. Planning school-wide events and producing media are all great ways to spread awareness, but these efforts will prove pointless if they do not convince the student body to make steps personally to conserve the ocean's

> ecosystems. In fact these ecosystems are extremely important on a global scale, pecially

for humans. For this reason, Tracy hopes to get as many people in the school involved as she can.

CRLS Marine Conservation and Awareness Club meets on Wednesdays after school in Room 3402 (Mr. McGuinness's Room). If you are interested in getting involved, contact Tessa Tracy, vice president Danielle Heims-Waldron, or myself (Sam Mazer) on Facebook, in person, or via e-mail (Mr. McGuinness on FirstClass). Don't be shy! The ocean depends on you.

#### CLUB 4

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mingle with the guests of the shelter. Club 4 officer Shameen Ahktar exclaims, "The best part about Club 4 is when you sit down with the guests, have friendly conversations, and together enjoy a superlatively savory and succulent meal."

Volunteering at the shelter certainly has its rewards beyond community service hours. Club 4 officer Nathan Greenberg jovially adds, "My experience with this club since freshman year has truly been a life changing one. I have loved every moment volunteering at the shelter. Additionally, it has been inspiring to witness the progression of the club itself." Club 4, is a club that truly embodies the words of the CRLS motto, most notably, opportunity. Club 4 provides a great community service opportunity for many students at CRLS.

Club 4 meetings are every Wednesday morning at 7:30 AM in room 2310. The shelter runs from November 15th to April 15th. To sign up for a volunteer date, enroll to the club's moodle page then post your name and contact information on your desired volunteer date.

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## Legend of the Truffle Shuffle

### Underground Mushroom Trade Plagues European Market

By Hoon Hong Register Forum Editor

Ounce-for-ounce, truffles are the most expensive food in the world. In fact, some white truffles can cost up to \$6,000 per pound. Truffles are wild mushrooms that grow underground, usually at the base of an oak tree. They are so delicious, that it has created an absurd fungas black market.

One of the biggest problems in European cuisine has to do with the smuggling of truffles. "What the deuce are truffles? Are those the things you bring to the beach?" asked unknowing junior Mia McCarthy. No Ms. McCarthy, I believe you are referring to towels.

Currently truffles are under siege and becoming scarce. They are trafficked like drugs, stolen by thugs, and threatened by inferior imports from China.

The best truffles in the world come from Europe. The combination of European red soil and rainy summers produce an especially rich and earthy flavor that cannot be matched by truffles from elsewhere in the world.

A truffle hunter's best friend is always his dog. Dogs are trained specifically to find mature truffles that are ready to be harvested. The price these truffles make truffle command

hunters "There is a problem with confidentiality and secrecy." middle-And that encourages a mafia-like attitude." men in like gold

miners, and it is also why hunters value their dogs more than anything.

Unfortunately scarcity and high prices of truffles have attracted attention from organized crime. In an interview with 60 Minutes reporter Lesley Stahl, truffle connoisseur, French and restaurateur, 'Bruno' stated that robbers

stole his truffles, his trees, and even worse, his dogs.

What worry trufflers the most are other truffles. Chinese truffles have found their way into the European truffle industry. When asked what he thought about the Chinese truffles, Bruno stated that they were, "catastrophic. The Chinese truffle is worthbatches of European truffles with Chinese truffles before selling to larger distributors. Olga Urbani, who controls 70% of the world's truffle trade, complained

Food importers and

Photo Credit: truffle.com

generation truffle farmer

Michel Tournayre said to

Stahl, "There is a problem

with confidentiality and se-

crecy. And that encourages

a mafia-like attitude." Tour-

nayre also said that local truf-

flers have been car-jacked,

beaten with baseball bats,

and even killed. Thieves

even came to him; they

"stole 200 kilos of truffles." less. No smell. No taste." Furthermore third-

The ways in which the Chinese truffle and European truffle are farmed vary completely. Unlike in France where dogs smell when a truffle is ripe, the Chinese rake at the earth and harvest the truffle as soon as they find them. Which explains why, although the two look alike, the price drastically different.

The

truffle distribution water down that she must be on guard not against the Chinese but from her own people.

businessmen import about

28 tons of Chinese truffles per year. Some people try to blow the whistle on the restaurants that sell Chinese truffles at French prices, but these crimes get overlooked.

Furthermore, spores from Chinese truffles are infecting and taking over the European soil. It began to happen in Italy, so Italians made importing Chinese truffles illegal. The French are trying to spark a similar movement.

Some French fear that the Chinese will do to their truffles what they did to their Louis Vuitton bags: produce knock-offs of lower quality but look the same. But if that is the case, the French have nothing to fear. In the solemn words of the legendary Jonah Conlin, "That's the way the cookie crumbles."



By Annie Bonsey Register Forum Editor

RF: Why don't you introduce yourself to those who do not know you.

BD: Who doesn't know me? Well my name is Berhan Duncan and I work at the attendance desk in the Learning Community R office.

RF: What is a typical day like for you at CRLS?

BD: I get here around 7:30, hang out, chat for a little while, drink some coffee. At 8:00 Ms. DiClemente will go down to the tardy desk. At that point I check my voicemail and get all the messages, so that when she comes back we can sort of connect about the comings and goings of each student in Learning Community R. And then I pretty much answer the phones, try to stay in the "Berhan space," you know.

# In the Spotlight: Berhan

## The Man, the Myth, and the Legend of School R

RF: Where did you grow up, and where did you go to school?

BD: I grew up in Florida actually. I was born and raised there. I lived in a few different cities there, but most of the time I spent in Miami. I moved here when I was 15, and I went to the Boston Arts Academy.

#### RF: What brought you to CRLS?

BD: I was temping and doing office jobs for an agency and they gave me an assignment in the office of Special Education with Chris Deyeso. It was just a really good fit and I really enjoyed being here. It was very serendipitous how I found my way here.

#### RF: How was your high school different from Rindge?

BD: My high school was very similar and very different actually. For starters, we had a graduating class of about 50 students and every student majored in an art discipline. I studied music and classical piano. So it was a little different from CRLS. I appreciate the arts at CRLS and the amount of attention that the arts programs receive. I think it's comparable, and that Cambridge deserves all of the accolades for the arts work that it's doing. CRLS offers a wider selection of classes, such as RSTA, an Athletics department, and a more traditional curriculum.

#### RF: What have you liked so far about working here?

BD: I have loved my discovery of appreciation towards student life. I didn't know that working at a high school would be as much fun as it is. I think that the students here just really add a character to my life that is just so fulfilling. Everything is just alive and colorful, and that to me is life.

RF: In your opinion why is School R the best?

BD: I don't know that School R is the best... (laughs) (Silence in the School R Office) The truth is I have worked in so many different offices in this building. When I came to School R, I felt welcomed, I felt accepted, and I feel like I have a home here, and I really appreciate that. However, I still cherish my experiences outside of the School R office that were more inclusive of the entire school.



Photo Credit: Ahad Zia

## Homecoming 2012: CRLS Gets R-O-W-D-Y



Falcon fanatics fired up for the homecoming game against the Methuen Rangers. The following night, students enjoyed themselves at the homecoming dance. Photo Credits: Larry Aaronson, Maha Shahid

By Rout Asefa Register Forum Editor

Students, spectators, families, and teachers poured onto Russel Field on Friday October 12 for the homecoming game. The Rindge Falcons were facing the Methuen Rangers. This was not only an important game for the football team, but it was also important for the homecoming court.

Twenty-five students ran for princess, prince, queen, and king, but out of the twentyfive only four were crowned. Nominees campaigned throughout the week reminding students to vote by hanging up posters and handing out treats. During both lunches the bagel bench was full of students waiting for their turn to vote.

The night of the homecoming game, Solome Nakimuli and Elijah Scott were crowned homecoming king and queen. Zarya Miranda and Philip Gaines were crowned prince and princess.

On October 13, student government put on a homecoming dance to celebrate the newly appointed royalty.

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The dance was held in the media café from 7pm to 11pm, and the doors closed at 9. With the help of many volunteers, the dance was a huge success amongst the students.

Once again, congratulations to the newly elected homecoming royalty: Solome Nakimuli, Elijah Scott, Zarya Miranda and Philip Gaines!

#### IS CONGRESS CORRUPT?

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the lowest it has ever been in the Gallup Poll's 38 years of asking this question. Americans have always been negative and suspicious of their Congress, and approval rate has averaged 34% since 1974. Approval had only gone below 20% twice before June 2011, once in 1979 (the end of Jimmy Carter's presidency) and again in 1992 (the end of George Bush Sr.'s presiden- to actually need," said Kahlil. cy).

skeptical of the Legislative Branch. "I trust that the people in Congress will attempt to act in the best interests of the people," says student Ryan Tracy, "which I feel is an accurate representation of me."

There is certainly some disillusionment with the way in which American tax dollars are used. "Most of our tax money is funded not back into the people or certain social equities, but rather into business, or an army that we don't seem

Mr. Schutzberg, however, Not all Rindge kids are so doubts Congress' ability to please everyone in the United States, adding, "Clearly you aren't going to be able to represent every individual's belief."

Cambridge Rindge and Latin U.S. History teacher Lily Read attributes the latest numbers as a product of the media's increased access to governmental actions. "There's a greater transparency in terms of what the government is doing," Ms. Read observed. "Which allows people to have more of an

With the upcoming presidential election, all branches of government are under scrutiny, and Rindge students can do a lot more than is apparent to fix the problems in Congress. For the seniors and juniors who are 18 already, voting is an excellent way to let their voices be heard.

The Massachusetts 8th District representative elections are slated to happen on November 6th, and perhaps even more important is the race to grab Scott Brown's senate seat, also decided on the same day. If CRLS students are as invested in their country as they say they are, they will head to the voting booths come November.



#### **Falcon Crossword Puzzle Answers**

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## Samsung Galaxy SIII versus iPhone 5

Side-by-Side Analysis of the Two Best Smartphones on the Market

Ahad Zia Register Forum Editor

Which phone is faster? Which phone looks better? Which phone has more features, and which has better features? These are the questions that are being asked as two phones compete for first place in the technology world. The Galaxy SIII might have features and a bigger screen, but can it compare to the user-friendly iPhone 5 with its awesome screen resolution? We will find out.

Apple has been leading the technology industry with their laptops and tablets, but their flagship product has been the iPhone. The iPhone is known for being very user friendly, which is one reason that many people buy the iPhone. But while it is very easy to use, is where Galaxy has won

it can be very limiting when compared to an Android powered phone. Samsung has also been a very competitive company in terms of phones but never as competitive as Apple. However, this has changed with Samsung's new phone, the Galaxy SIII.

The looks of the phone and screens can be compared nowadays because people want bigger and better screens. People also want a good looking phone that is light and durable. The iPhone 5 weighs less than the Galaxy SIII and some tests suggest the iPhone has a more durable body. Octavio Chiesa, a current senior at CRLS supports the iPhone saying, "I would go with the iPhone because it is the thinnest and best looking smartphone in the market."

However, the screen



Photo Credit: Ibtimes.co.uk. Galaxy SIII (left) and iPhone 5 (right)

over many buyers because of its 4.8 inch screen compared to the iPhone 5's 4.0 inch screen. Although the big screen on the Galaxy is nice with awesome resolution, the iPhone has

a brighter and a better resolution screen. Sam Rater, a current

senior states, "I think that Apple is keeping it simple and user-friendly with its design, though in some ways this can be limiting." This rounds ends with a draw with both phones putting up a good fight.

Faster data speed is one of the most important reasons why people buy phones, and the iPhone 5 and Galaxy SIII go head to head in this round. According to a CNET test, the iPhone won this round with quite some margin. Both the

"Ithink that Apple is keeping it simple files, picture, and and user-friendly with its design..." music by touch-

> iPhone 5 and Galaxy SIII have 4G/LTE; however the iPhone 5 beats the Galaxy SIII with faster downloading and uploading speeds for every carrier.

> Features in a phone are important because that's what people want more of in a phone. Straight off the

bat, the Galaxy SIII won this segment. The Android Seam and S-Seam are two very important features that Galaxy has to offer. Both these features are important because people with Gal-

axies can trade ing two phones.

Just put both phones against the backs of each other and there you have it, music from one to the other.

Senior Jose Aponte indicated with two thumbs up when asked about the features of the Galaxy, adding "the features on this phone are amazing."

# Taking Care of Business, While Busy

By Connor Donovan Register Forum Staff

Few **CRLS** students have indefounded pendently their own businesses while integrating other priorities into their schedule during the school year.

According to Gallup polls, studies show that less than 25% of high school students are even offered a business or entrepreneurial course before they graduate. Whether running a business or having a job, this signifies that most students don't understand the importance of pursuing a career. So what about the ones that do?

A 2010 study on the ages of local business owners reveals that owners eighteen or under have a 1.7% consumer rate, compared to a 34.6% for those forty five years or older. The reasoning for this is simple; running a business without entrepreneurial knowledge is not an easy thing to do.

Jamil Depina, an eighteen year old senior at CRLS founded his clothing company, Guerilla Warfare, in February of 2012. Along with co-owners, Grant Baker and Abdulahi Abdulahi, Depina has consistently designed and released new products throughout the school Jamil explained, "Truthfully, school takes up most of my time and its of great importance; however, the amount of focus I put



Photo Credits: Abdul Abdullahi, Jamil Depina.

towards the two [GW and Education] is equal." Also, having a part time job limits Jamil's "GW" time to three hours a day; Unfortunately, this leaves very little

time for a good nights rest; something that most high school students can relate to.

In November of 2011, Junior Sun-Ui "Sidewalk" Yum founded his blog, Post-Walk, which he uses to record opinions and information on a broad range of topics. "Updating my blog during the week is tough with my workload; however, I love blogging and the feeling of seeing it in action is worth the difficulty of balancing it out with school," added Sun-Ui.

When asked about his thoughts on running a business while still being a student, former CRLS graduate, Ciaran Fitzpatrick, stated, "Though getting started early on things is normally a good idea, there should be no rush to pursue a career until one's knowledgeable on their profession. Fitzpatrick followed up by expressing, "I encourage young entrepreneurship."

CRLS offers business courses such as Marketing, and Personal Finance, encouraging students to have further understanding on being employed. For the students that have already started their own businesses, these courses aim to offer guidance and integrate business with their education.

For any business related questions, consider taking a business course or talking to teachers, Mr. Rubin or Ms. Desire. Also, make sure to check out postwalk.wordpress.com and the Guerilla Warfare page on Facebook!

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## BLAST FROM THE PAST

#### The Rindge Register, OCTOBER 1924

The Register Forum is the oldest continuously-run student newspaper in the U.S. Let's take a trip back to the four-page October 1924 edition of *The Register Forum*'s predecessor, *The Rindge Register*, the student newspaper of the Rindge Technical School.

#### **Highlights**

- Rindge Tech "proves too fast" for Cambridge High and Latin School in their October football game.
- Friday, September 12th was the annual Freshmen and Sophomore rope pull, staged in front of the school office. "As was expected the Sophomores carried away the victory."
- Rindge Cross-Country will "make its first appearance this year in the YMCA Road Race, October 13th."
- Corny humor: "Did you know that candlepins do not give any light? Did you know that Strawberry Sundae is not a holiday? Did you know that you can't play footnotes on a horn?"

## **FREDERICK RINDGE**Continued from page 1

In 1887, William Russell, the mayor of Cambridge and Rindge's Harvard classmate, asked him for land upon which to build the Cambridge Public Library. Rindge generously responded with not only the

land and funding for the library, but also for the Cambridge City Hall and the Manuel Training School, which became open to the students of the English High School.

In 1997, the Manual Training School (which was renamed the Rindge Technical School) and the English High School (which was renamed Cambridge High and Latin) amalgamated to form Cam-

bridge Rindge and Latin School, after which the city demolished Cambridge High and Latin.

"If Rindge had his way – nothing would be named after him," said Ms. Pacy. "In fact, he insisted that his name not appear on any of the ... civic institutions that grew from his do-

nation and that have come to define Cambridge."

And yet, many CRLS students do not know of Rindge and his contributions.

"I have never heard of him [Frederick Rindge]," revealed senior Isobel Green. "But what an interesting man he must have been. However, I don't think that a generous dona-

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tion from a man means that our school's character is or should be shaped in his image."

"I have never actually heard any stories as to why our school is named after him," commented junior Alonzo Solórzano. "I didn't even know his first name was Frederick. It would

make sense if there were a publication of the school's history somewhere."

"I have heard of Mr. Rindge. Freddie the Falcon was named after him to pay homage," explained senior Arthur Schutzberg.

Rindge was deeply religious, evident in the many engravings he commissioned on each of his contributions. "It is my intention to build didac-

buildings," tic Rindge wrote to Mayor Russell. Sure enough, the Cambridge Public Library still possesses the tabcontaining lets Rindge's "Eleven Commandments," the Cambridge City Hall still has his religious inscriptions above its entrance.

In 1887, Cambridge's biggest benefactor married Rhoda May Knight and moved to California.

"The route to California had as much to do with Rindge's health than anything else," explained Ms. Pacy. "In search for a cure or at the very least better climate, Rindge traveled through Mexico and western United States."

Before he passed away in 1905, in a letter to

Mayor Russell, Rindge discussed the reasoning behind his generosity: "Cambridge was my father's and my mother's home and my own birthplace. The recollections of my boyhood center about it... I believe that what is worth doing at all is worth doing well and thoroughly."

For more information about Frederick H. Rindge, plan a visit to the Cambridge Room, located on the second floor of the Cambridge Public Library, where professional archivist Alyssa Pacy can answer all of your questions about the history of Cambridge.

"Our rich collec-

tion of research materials includes books about Cambridge, archival documents, photographs, and historic Cambridge newspapers," Ms. Pacy stated. "If you have a question about Cambridge, we have the answer."

For interesting tidbits on Cambridge history, follow the Cambridge Room blog here: http://thecambridgeroom.wordpress. com/. Or check out the online newspaper collection at http://cambridge.dlconsulting.com/ to see what life in Cambridge was like 150 years ago.



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## **EDITORIAL-OPINION**

## Is Facial Hair the Movement at CRLS?

By Niko Emack-Bazelais Register Forum Editor



During my minor bout with mono over the summer – while in bed – I took to growing out as much facial hair as I could; however, for lack of

better words, "it was not what you want." I\_ was simply just too young.

Although my attempt failed, many of my peers in the senior class have been progressively growing out more and more facial hair. Looking at CRLS, many beards have been sprouting up around the halls; is facial hair the movement at CRLS?

With many students patiently growing out the peach fuzz, I took to the halls in order to discover the inside scoop on facial hair at Rindge.

While some of us have been shaving since 7th grade, like Koby Shafer-Schwieg, many of us young men on the cusp of adulthood are finally experiencing just what it means to grow facial hair.

Representative to the school committee, Grant Baker, shared his insight, "Facial hair is slowly becoming the movement at CRLS; facial hair can be found in all shapes in sizes, from the pube-esque goatee to the Mach beard."

"I grew mine out

"I shaved but kept my sideburns, swag-tastic voyage!"

> the end of the summer, then I shaved but kept my sideburns, swag-tastic voyage! I don't think there is a movement at CRLS, just people realizing they can grow out their facial hair. Once they get to a point like me, they'll realize they just gotta keep it clean" expressed Koby Shafer-Schweig.

Senior Artur Saradzhyan felt similar to Koby, "I think facial hair is something that most guys want to grow at this age. So if they can, they do from time-to-time. I don't think

it's quite the movement, but I have been noticing more people with some sort of facial hair".

Senior Ashraful Rahman, who's been rocking the facial hair since Freshman Academy, put it simply: "Facial hair's cool – it's something that looks good on some people and it's just another component that you can play with. Facial hair is the ish and it has always been the movement; everybody I talk to is down for getting a beard or something of that sort"

> Contrary to most, senior Nathan Keiser stated,

"well at the moment, if I could grow a beard I probably would not want one -it's a lot of work to take care of, but as an adult I would definitely would want one." Keiser agreed that facial hair was in fact becoming a phenomenon amongst the senior guys, "I could see it being a movement. I see senior dudes with small beards all the time - nothing too serious - but yeah I guess it could be considered the movement at CRLS."

With the last word, juniors Jeremy and Emile

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people are moving towards agree that there is a steady growing their beards out increase of "fuzz" among for some reason or another, the senior class. With the man - personally I would cold months ahead, and not grow out a beard, at many senior ready for a least not now." However, No Shave November I when asked if he thought it wouldnt be surprised to was the movement at CRLS, see more "winter beards" Emile answers in great de- sprout up around school; only time will tell.

So what's the ver-

## Embracing

Hoon Hong Register Forum Editor

It is fall in Cambridge and the students at CRLS are beginning to feel the October chill. The end of October is headlined not only by the last of this year's heated presidential debates but also by the most spirited holiday, Halloween. Halloween is not all ghouls, goblins, trick-ortreating, and scary stories. It is a traditional holiday founded on playful trickery and childish fun.

Halloween is a time when everyone can

else. But in order to fully embody the everyone must participate in the most

important aspect of the holiday: dressing up.

Over these past few years CRLS has lost its once magical spark for embracing this holiday in all its glory. Less and less students have properly dressed up for the occasion in recent years and the spirit surrounding the hallowed holiday is slowly passing on.

But the rowdy CRLS student body of this 2012-2013 school year exhibits promise to bring back the Halloween spirit of old. The adolescents of this generation's CRLS students truly know how to make sure it is poppin' off. Already students look to bring back the rowdy school spirit that seems to have weakened in recent years. Senior and impassioned philanthropist,

Julia Leonardos exclaims, "I'm going to dress up as a carton of orange juice and make everyone call me 'Juicy J!'" Indeed the teenagers of this year's student body are innovative, creative, and complicated. Not only are some students fully committing to their costumes, but also others are becoming their own characters.

Senior and Soccer Team Captain, Bernardo Ponte, plans to fully embody his favorite superhero: "I'm going to paint gills on my skin, fill my neighbor's pool with fish, then dive in and give responsibly let loose. It is a time when every- them orders to save the inhabitants of the sea!" body is warranted to laugh with and at anyone Not only is it shocking that someone could ad-

"I'm going to dress up as a carton of orange man spirit of Halloween, juice and make everyone call me 'Juicy J!'" much, but is just as pleasantly

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shocking that students are becoming more and more committed to fully embracing Halloween.

Similarly, junior Mia McCarthy exclaims, "I'm about to be a jean-jacket-wearing thugged out dolphin! Shout out to Lillandra!" While her costume and explanation are rather confusing, one has to admire the creativity and the passion that comes with donning such a costume.

It is not just the upperclassmen that are enthusiastically preparing for the holiday. Eager but conflicted freshman, Kumani Ellison, has trouble deciding what he's going to be: "I'm either going to be a space man or a cowboy. If only I could be both!" The magical thing about Halloween is that he can be both. With some creativity anyone can dress up as whatever they want. It is all in joyous fun of the holiday spirit.

As many students impatiently wait for October 31st in order to don their holiday apparel, all are wondering what to expect this Halloween. Will the school finally show its vivacious spirit or will it just be a repeat of the stale Halloweens of the past? Regardless of how live one may want it to be, all need to ask themselves the question, "What am I going to be this Halloween?"



## **EDITORIAL-OPINION**

## Struggling to Stay above Ground

Upward Bound Program Suffers Federal Budget Cuts

By Kyia Jones Register Forum Staff



In the summer of 2012 the MIT/Wellesley Upward Bound program was officially cut from the federal budget due to a decrease in available funds. It is one of the six TRIO programs that were in danger of being cut. Although MIT/ Wellesley Upward Bound is still up and running, it is in a great struggle. This academic program

helps students with the college process and to stay focused on their school work. It is possible that it will be closing down, turning students away from great support in their academics.

"Upward Bound provides one-on-one help for students. It keeps them from distractions and focused on their work. It is a place where parents do not have to worry about their kids getting into trouble. It is upsetting that the program was cut and is in trouble of closing down. Upward Bound is really beneficial and a great opportunity," expressed Janet

Jones a very concerned parent ing and etc. Upward Bound

According to the article "Budget Cutters Take Aim at TRIO and GEAR UP," Stephen Burd states that out of \$828.4 million the TRIO programs were cut \$26 million, which makes a huge difference.

"46 years Upward Bound has been running," Evette Layne implies. "Thousands of Cambridge Youth have been supported through their high school years."

It has come to a point where students do not receive stipend during the school year and seniors were allowed to come to the program because of their college admissions needs. Furthermore, the program was left with tough deci-

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sions and let one of their staff members go. Initially, it was necessary to keep the program up and running for the students.

"I wouldn't have gone to college if it wasn't for the support of Upward Bound," Director Evette Layne added. "It is devastating that this is happening and it leaves students lacking opportunities for things that they might not get the chance to do, for example, college visits, career advising, and etc. Upward Bound is a Program that helps build character for these students."

This program has been in jeopardy since 2011. The MIT/Wellesley Upward Bound Facebook page states "any across-the-board automatic cuts will be made at the Department level (meaning, the Departments of Education...)." Therefore, the program's budget would be completely cut.

Considering the cutting of the finding, it affects many parents, students, and staff. If Upward Bound completely closes down it will greatly hurt and affect jobs and the future of students. "I hate that programs like Upward Bound are being cut because of all the work they

do to help out students who need help getting into college. A lot of students don't have those resources," stated Samantha Sauld, Student and senior of MIT Upward Bound.

If interested in helping the program please contact your senators and representatives in congress:
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Senator Scott Brown
(R-MA) 202-224-4543
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(D-0) 202-225-5111

Also, if you have any questions please contact the MIT/Wellesley Upward Bound office at 617-253-5124.

## Mitt, I'd Like a Lime Green Binder Please

By Maia Holloway Register Forum Staff

Anyone who hasn't been hiding under a rock these last couple of weeks may notice that there have been Presidential debates. Although those who have witnessed President Obama and Governor Romney on October 3rd may not call them "debates", it was more like two men pointing out each other's flaws and not giving fact based answers on why they are better than the other one.

To say the first "debate" between President Obama and Romney was bad would be an understatement. Most of the time Obama sounded like he was giving a speech and hardly ever looked up at Romney, while it was almost unbearable to sit and listen to Romney tell lie after lie so flawlessly.

People wanted a real debate, with veins bulging and voices raised. They wanted truth to the questions that still fazed them. They wanted blood but only got more dissatisfactory answers. What has happened to American when your own President states that the reason he didn't do so well was because he had a "bad night"?

President Obama, you can't brag about your anniversary but then have a "bad night" during a very important debate. It's un-

derstandable that Romney wants to become president so bad he'll do anything, but most of his lies were just outrageous, especially about taxes and healthcare.

Now the Vice-Presidential debate was a lot different because it actually was a debate. Vice President Joe Biden destroyed Ryan with his condescending laugh whenever Paul Ryan would speak, his unblemished answers, and his ability to attack. The Vice President continued to call Ryan his "friend" throughout the debate and talked down to him like a teacher would do to a thoughtless student. Paul Ryan, otherwise known as Eddie Munster, got put in his place a couple times by Biden and wouldn't stop sipping on his water. At least many can say that this debate was livelier though none of the debaters gave undecided voters many answers.

The second Presidential debate was better but not the best debate that anyone has ever seen. In all the debates the candidates were very rude to the mediators, especially during the second presidential debate. Mitt Romney continued to talk over both Jim Lehrer and Candy Crowley and continued to go over his time limit even when he was told to stop. The other candidates weren't any better. Let us just hope that whoever wins this presidential election brings our economy back on track, creates more jobs, and gives the people the answers they deserve. Oh, and Mitt, I would like my binder to be electric lime green.

## Don't Get Me Wrong, I Don't Hate Obama

Sun-Ui Yum
Register Forum Editor

In fact, he's who I'm supporting this November in the presidential election against Mitt Romney. Personally, I find his policies much more realistic and genuine, and I think that our nation would benefit from another four years of Obama's policies. However, just because Obama is a natural counter to the notably aloof world of politics (seemingly inhabited only by rich white people over the age of 50) doesn't mean that we should dismiss Mitt Romney.

It's easy to be caught up in the whirlwind of hype surrounding the election and ignore the former Massachusetts governor's accomplishments: he rescued Bain & Company while confounding the extremely successful private equity firm Bain Capital, salvaged the near-disastrous

Salt Lake City Winter Olympics of 2002, and enacted a successful and decidedly Democratic health care reform law known as Romneycare.

The fact of the matter is, Mitt Romney is a savvy businessman and successful politician: a very intelligent person, if his accomplishments in the last few decades are any indication. Yet, multiple people have told me that he's too stupid to even be in the presidential race. Wait, what?

It's one thing to tell me that Mitt Romney is an extremely hypocritical politician with an unrealistic deficit-reduction plan, and I'd gladly have that argument. But to tell me that you don't want to elect him because he doesn't seem as friendly as Obama, or just because he's Republican, is ridiculous.

This election shouldn't be solely about whom you'd rather hang out with for a day: personality is an important element of any politician, but as you know, their policies play a part too.

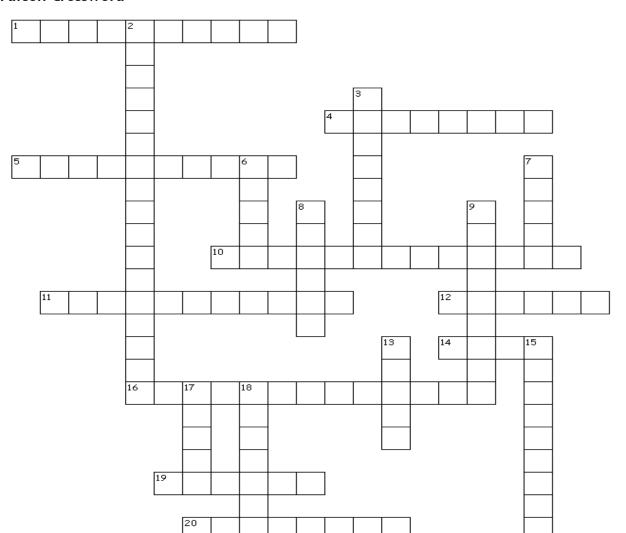
I'm not trying to tell you that Romney should be your candidate for this election. The point I want to make is that this election is far too important to let your decision be consumed by bias and thoughtlessness.

It's one thing to log on to Twitter and type out "#obama2012 or #2termz", and an entirely different thing to be able to articulate what exactly about Obama's foreign policies appeal to you as a member of American society.

Anyone can tell people that Romney is an idiot: but can all of those same people point out specific holes in his plans for the federal deficit?

Any person armed with two hands and a keyboard can send sweeping, generalizing messages across the world. It takes a person with considerably more reason to inform him or herself properly before making such statements about arguably the most important political election in the entire world.

#### **Falcon Crossword**



#### Across

- 1. King and Queen
- 4. Legislative proposal that would grant conditional permanent residency to certain undocumented residents
- 5. School email
- 10. Skipped school
- 11. Show about a former high school chemistry teacher
- 12. Republican Presidential Candidate
- 14. Shout out to Ms. Read
- 16. 28th President of the US
- 19. Journalism teacher and CRLS legend
- 20. Spongebob's best friend

#### Down

- 2. Shout out to Ms. Cesario's class
- 3. Valuable fungus
- 6. AP Literature & Composition teacher
- 7. Company that makes the iPhone
- 8. Man in the spotlight
- 9. Candy and Costumes
- 13. Swiss mathematician and physicist
- 15. Principal and All-Around Boss
- 17. Democratic Presidential Candidate
- 18. Head of the Charles

#### Sudoku

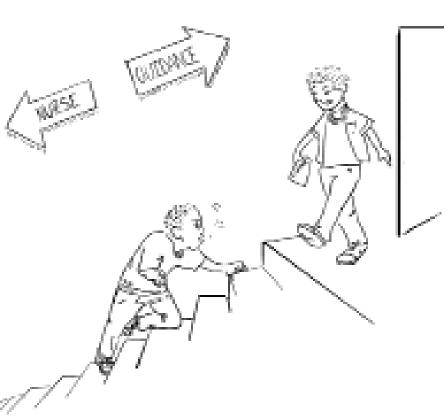
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#### Cartoons





"You look sick. You should go to the nurse!"

By: Anna Steinman

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## Boys Soccer Tested Early

#### Overcomes Worrisome Injuries and Losses

Mario Vazquez Register Forum Staff Sun-Ui Yum Register Forum Editor

Despite early setbacks, the boys soccer team has rebounded nicely to the tune of a 7-5-2 record.

Although after nine games the Falcons were standing at four wins and a .444 winning percentage, in the past five games the team has conceded iust seven goals scored twelve.

The early part of the season was defined by a tough 3-0 loss at home to their rivals, Somerville, on September 21st that may have been determined by some quesrefs. tionable calls by the

game, Late in the the Highlander goalie's appeared to bounce off senior midfielder Alex Kirby's chest and into the goal; however, Somerville argued that their goalie managed to keep the ball in front and out of the net for a save. The Somerville team jumped in celebration as the goal was taken away from Kirby and ruled as a save.

"The ball was clearly

ferociously claimed spectator Jake Stephano-Shacter, as he watched from the sidelines. Several parents were thrown out for their apparently input excessive on controversial decision.

Three weeks after blowing out the Boston Latin School in a 5-1 game at their field. ton Latin rolled Caminto bridge October 2nd, on seeking revenge. The team suffered another close loss, as senior forward Tommy Amaya stated, "We went into the game with a mentality that we were going to win."

But despite these losses (and a serious injury to senior forward Lance Mayo), the boys soccer team has still been playing an attractive, smooth-passing style of soccer to quite some success. After a 5-1 drubbing of Everett and a 5-1 loss to Somerville, the team's record is 3-1-1 since the halfway point of the season.

Regarding the team's recent morale-boosting win against Everett, senior captain Ryan Tracy noted, "We came out a little bit flat and ended the first half tied 1-1. However, in the second half, we got ourselves together and played a great forty minutes in which we scored



Senior Bernardo Ponte looks for an open teammate as he dribbles the ball in a game versus Malden Catholic.

four goals."

Senior captain Callum Nelson attributes this turnaround to a change in mentality. He stated, "About halfway through the season we changed our practice format to mostly playing small sided games with high intensity, with the goal of never having moments where we weren't working hard. Having that system has benefited our play in games tremendous amounts."

Although the team is coming off a tough loss at Somerville, senior captain Bernardo Ponte is certainly not giving up hope, saying, "I've lost in the first round

Photo credit: Larry Aaronson the worst feelings and so I promised myself that I wouldn't leave Rindge without a win in the tournament." He continued, "Because we have the talent and the chemistry between us, if we give the 100 percent all the time I know we can make an impact in the tournament this year."

As the regular season comes to an end, the Falcons still have a few more important games marked on their calendar before the playoffs are anywhere Falcons' sight. The **GBL** will game be played on Thursday Octo-25th, at Malden ber High the past two years and it was one of School with a 3:45 kickoff.

## RF Athlete of the Month

## Niko Emack-Bazelais







Grant Baker Register Forum Correspondent

"Take your mark, get set, go!" are the words Niko Emack-Bazelais hears in his head as he wakes every morning. Niko hops out of his bed, brushes his shoulders off, takes a look in the mirror, and asks himself, "Do you want to be a champion?"

those who To know Niko, the question seems rhetorical. Niko, known to many as "Sneaky Neeks," was born to be a cross-country champion.

"I've been dreaming about being a trackstar since I was about seven, but the dream is far from over and the journey hasn't been easy," Niko, the co-captain of the Cross

Country team, says with confidence.

Niko's 4:36 mile time has come with anything but ease, for asthma has hindered Niko for as long as he can remember. He has had to drop out of many races due to asthma attacks; however, this doesn't stop Niko from chasing his goal of breaking 4:30.

When asked to comment, co-captain Nathan Greenberg exclaimed, "When Niko runs the mile, he's like a blur, practically vaporizing the competition. He is very elusive, that's how he got the name Sneaky Neeks!"

Niko is truly revered by his teammates and he continues to be a role model on and off the track for all Cambridge Rindge and Latin students

#### **BOYS VARSITY FOOTBALL SCORES**

10/12: CAMBRIDGE VS METHUEN - 28-18 (L)

10/19: CAMBRIDGE VS MALDEN - 34-18 (W)



Members of Student Government hold out a banner for the team just before the second half Photo Credit: Larry Aaronson



The football team lines up in a game versus Methuen High School on October 12th. Photo Credit: Larry Aaronson

# Crew Team Keeps Cruising



The boys crew team rows by the Cambridge Boat Club during the Head of the Charles. Below (left to right): The boys crew team prepares for upcoming competitions in a recent practice; the girls crew team poses for a picture before their race at the Head of the Charles; spectators look on as a boat passes by under the Eliot Bridge. Photo Credits: Larry Aaronson & Steven Matteo

By Sun-Ui Yum Register Forum Editor

Since the CRLS crew team's inception twelve years ago, it has experienced a large amount of success.

However, even though the team has come away with trophies consistently, it has not managed to garner the same amount of recognition that other teams at Rindge have.

"It's really disappointing to me that so few people are aware of our achievements." says varsity coxswain Benjamin Schooler (junior). However, sophomore Olivia Maaghul disagrees, saying, "The best part about winning a race is winning, not going back to school to brag to everyone."

Crew has become notorious for its grueling practice schedule. According to boys varsity coach

Matt Zatorski, the crew team will practice for over 600 hours. In contrast, the total amount of time the team will spend racing is less than fifteen minutes: the ratio of work time to race time is 2,976 to 1.

However, in the words of varsity rower Liam Armstrong (junior), "It may be a lot of work, but the payoff is huge in terms of achievement." Senior Ruby Johnson agreed, saying, "The thing for me is that I've already fallen so hard for the sport and the competition that comes with it, that most of the time I'm just excited to get the work done, because I know I'll come out of it that much stronger."

According to girls varsity coach Dale Wicken-"You heiser, about winning a have to really race is winning, want to do it. It's not a casual not going back to 1965, the Head activity to be a school to brag to part of, just to have something to do." He con-

tinued, "Practice at the boathouse is the only time some can get better at rowing. It's what makes each practice so important and, I think, that immediacy is what makes our practices so dynamic."

Zatorski agreed, stating, "One of the things I love about rowing is that you can't fake it. No one is born with it, you just have to work really hard."

When asked about adjusther experience ing to crew, junior Louisa Winchell said, "After training for the fall, winter, and spring seasons for two years

in a row, I finally made it to the first varsity boat. That year we won first place in the Mass Publics league, and that was probably one of the most rewarding moments of my crewing career."

The Head of the Charles is an event regarded as a highlight of many

"The best part

everyone."

rowers' experiences. Held on the second-tolast weekend of October since of the Charles is the biggest two-day rowing event in

the world. This year, it is set to be held on the 20th and 21st of October.

**CRLS** has been volunteering and rowing at the Head of the Charles Regatta since the fall of 1999, and it has been a valuable experience for all.

Senior Jonah Simon, who has volunteered for three years and rowed this year, says on the experience, "There are rowers racing nonstop, tents with crew gear, food, people from all over the world. The rowing community is really brought together in one place."







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free years of education."

## **CRLS** Athletes Consider College Sports

CRLS Seniors Weigh Athletics against Academics as College Approaches

> Niko Emack-Bazelais Register Forum Editor

With college approaching, many student athletes have been asking themselves the same question—"do I have what it takes to play at the next level?" From soccer to volleyball and everything in-between, many student athletes at CRLS are putting in the hard work and long days to pursue their dreams of playing at the collegiate level.

For soccer captain Callum Nelson, being a student has always come first. Callum expressed, "I'm still orienting my future education around academics so I'm applying to some schools where I'd walk on and try to make the team, and I have safeties where I know I'd get in because of soccer, but academics have still always been the priority."

For varsity sprinter Alex Kirby, running in college only recently became a reality. He noted, "I think it really hit me that I could do it when we were ranked #11 in the country for the 4 x 200 during the end of last year's season."

Similar to the soccer captain, Alex un-

derstands the imporacademics, tance of saying, "I'm interested in schools not for their track programs, but for

their academics. I'm interested in running, but know it won't be a career for me so I simply want to use it as a way to increase my chances of getting in to a great college." At the moment, Alex is looking at Harvard especially.

Captain of the volleyball team and powerhouse Jalen Penrose is currently being looked at by a plethora of NCAA Division 1 schools; just a few consist of UCLA, Stanford, Ohio State, Penn State, BYU, Loyola, and George Mason. For Jalen, it was tough growing up at 6'7, in a city [Cambridge] that is known for its basketball. He said, "everyone always wanted me to play, I grew up liking b-ball, but it just wasn't my passion.'

However, after finding volleyball in middle school, Jalen knew he had found his thirst – he's been working incredibly hard to improve his game ever since.

Elijah Scott, a wide receiver for the

CRLS varsity football team, has been in love with the game since he was just a kid. Elijah expressed, "I want to play

college football because it's a great chance at 4 free years of education. I'm interested in Boston College, UMass Amherst and Florida International. The process is pretty cool because it's nice to get stuff in the mail, and have college coaches call and talk to you about your progress.'

Elijah's remained positive; he ended by stating, "All it takes is commitment."

With many great athletes at CRLS working hard, day in and day out - as a CRLS community, let us wish them luck in their pursuits.