



Edgar Allan Poe By Veronica Normann

Edgar Allan Poe was born on January 16, 1809. He was a famous American writer, editor, and literary critic. When he was three, his mother died and his alcoholic father abandoned him and his two siblings and he apparently died two days after. He was obsessed with cats and often wrote with a cat on his shoulder. On September 22, 1835 he married his cousin Virginia Clemm. Later, in 1848 after his wife's death in 1847, Poe attempted to commit suicide. Three of his famous artworks are "The Tell-Tale Heart", "The Raven", and "The Fall of the Ushers".



Three theories of Poe's death are suicide, murder, and influenza. The museum of Edgar Allan Poe is in Richmond, Virginia and it was established in 1922. Richmond, Virginia was also where his mother was buried. Three interesting facts know about Edgar Allan Poe are that Edgar was baptized as Edgar Allan Poe on January 7, 1813. In

1814, Edgar started schooling. After his adoptive dad died, he left Edgar out of the will.



Poe originally wanted to use a parrot instead of a raven, but he thought it didn't evoke the right tone. "The Raven" was published in 1845 and was made a household name. He was living in New York City and was famous enough to draw large crowds to his lecture. He began demanding better pay for his work because so many people liked his work. He published two books that year. He also published "The Tell-Tale Heart".



When Poe was just 13, he married his cousin Virginia who died in 1847. Two years later in June of 1849, Poe left New York and went to Philadelphia, where he visited his friend John Sartain. Poe left Philadelphia in July and came to Richmond. He stayed at the Swan Tavern Hotel but joined "The Sons

of Temperance" in an effort to stop drinking. On October 3, Poe was found at Gunner's Hall, a public house at 44 East Lombard Street, and was taken to the hospital. He lapsed in and out of consciousness but was never able to explain exactly what happened to him. Edgar Allan Poe died in the hospital on Sunday, October 7, 1849. So how did Edgar Allan Poe die? The truth you may never know.

Book Review

The Land of Stories Book #1

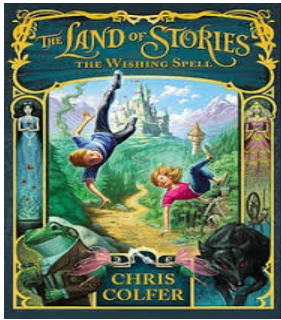
Author: Chris Colfer

By Hannah Cardace

Have you ever read the book called *The Land of Stories* written by Chris Colfer? Well you are in luck because I am going to explain to you how good of a book it is. First, I will talk to you about the basic story and what it is about. So, the basic story is that these two twins named Alex and Conner Bailey get a story book from their grandmother. Alex (the girl) finds out that the book is magical and can transport them into another dimension. Alex, not thinking very much, decided to go into the book and she got transported into *The Land of Stories*. Connor (the boy) then finds out and transports himself to *The Land of Stories*. Then they both meet people/creatures along the way



such as Froggy. They also have to go on a quest to find the items to The Wishing Spell so that they can get home. But there is someone else looking for the items too. Read the book and you will find out!



Tech Review: Apple AirPods By Kiara Martinez

Forget the old- bring in the new. I'm going to tell you if you should get the airpods. Apple airpods really aren't the best wireless earbuds because they don't really look good. The airpods were a hit when they first came out in December 13, 2016 but they are very expensive, \$159 dollars. Some people may lose them because of their shape. For \$159 you get 2 airpods in the pod they come with, then you get the charger which is just a regular iphone charger that you can plug in the pod holding the airpods. If you don't want to pay \$159 you should get the Nanos by Crazy Baby. They are the all new airpods and they don't look bulky like the

airpods. The Nanos are a alternative for airpods, Nanos come in all different colors including volt Green, Matte Gold, White, etc. Nanos have all these color when airpods only have white. The Nanos are a good price for good quality earbuds for a good price, they are \$99 dollars when compared to airpods which are a whopping \$159. The Nanos are a good choice too because they can do the same thing the airpods can do. One feature is that whichever phone you use you can use Siri, Alexa, Google, and Cortana.

Overall you should get airpods because if you like the way they feel and sound but just know that they are on the expensive side but they are high quality. You can also get the Nanos because they sound great and look good too.



Fall Travel Article: Fun Indoor Things To Do This Month By Jack Zeltner

Winter is coming, and that means it's getting cold. But that doesn't mean you have to stay inside,

drinking whatever it is you prefer, counting the slow, boring days until the holidays. Here are some great things to do this winterr if you're looking to keep warm.

If you're looking to exercise, you can go to SkyZone, a trampoline park chain located in Lakewood, Ocean Township, and Hamilton. There you can experience an American Ninja-Warrior inspired obstacle course, a fight to the death (not really "to the death") with foam poles, and a rock-climbing wall you can jump off of! The Jersey Shore Arena also has things to do, like an ice-skating rink and an elaborate laser tag arena. It's a lesser known place, so you shouldn't have a lot of people in your way. If you want to use your brains, try an escape room like The Amazing Escape Rooms in Freehold, or the East Coast Escape Room in Toms River.

Want to take a break and let the experts handle the entertainment? Go to Medieval Times in Lyndhurst. It gives you a great dinner show with Falconry (trained falcon tricks), jousting, and a full-on duel! This show is very realistic and entertaining, with light comedy mixed in. The only catch is that you cannot use utensils! You only get to have a knife. If you go there for your



birthday, you get cake and a special shout-out from the king.

Some good movies coming are; *The Grinch*, *Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes Of Grindelwald*, *The Nutcracker* and *The 4 Realms*. Also, planetariums are still open throughout the year, so be sure to check those out.

Finally, if you're looking to get off your screens to look at a screen, try Ctrl-V, located in Howell, where you can do everything from work for robots in an office or convenience store, or dodge bullets in a matrix-style universe, all from the comfort of VR (virtual reality).

Are your parents feeling nostalgic? Ask to go to the Silverball Museum in Asbury Park, where you can pay-to-play pinball or retro arcade games (yes, they are as fun as your Dad insists) for as long as you want, no quarters needed! iPlay America has an arcade too, but it has a ropes course, bowling, rides, shows, go-karts, laser tag, and a 4D theater! You might wanna spend a whole day at that one.

Those were some things to do on a boring Saturday that I believe are fun to do. So go check them out, and if you enjoy them, tell your friends, too!

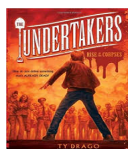
Book Review

The Undertakers: Rise of the Corpses

Author: Ty Drago

By Jack Zeltner

This book is one you probably walk by all the time, and have never even noticed it! It is called *The Undertakers: Rise of the Corpses* by Ty Drago. Will Ritter is a normal 12-year-old boy in the Philadelphia area, with an annoying sister and a loving mother. It's just another day of school, but as he's waiting for the bus, his next-door neighbor walks outside and he looks to be a zombie! Will thinks he's hallucinating and doesn't give it a second thought until his assistant principal and math teacher try to kill him. He's saved by a girl in his class, and learns all about his special ability to see the Corpses. "Don't call them zombies," the back cover reads, "Zombies are slow and stupid. These things aren't." The story then turns into action, adventure, and a little bit of mystery involved as well. You can find this book at the library by looking in the fiction section for DRA, or you can buy it to own at amazon for \$7.99.



The Poetry Corner

By Shannon Calsetta and Hannah Cardace

“Spring comes with flowers,
autumn with the moon,
summer with the breeze,
winter with the snow.

When idle concerns don't fill your thoughts,
that's your best season.”

-Wu-Men



"Just before the death of flowers,
And before they are buried in snow,

There comes a festival season
When nature is all aglow."

-Author Unknown



"November comes
And November goes,
With the last red berries
And the first white snows.

With night coming early,



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And dawn coming late,
And ice in the bucket
And frost by the gate.

The fires burn
And the kettles sing,
And earth sinks to rest
Until next spring."
- Elizabeth Coatsworth

Making it strange to all the
friendly trees!"
- Sara Teasdale

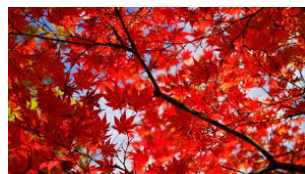
"The white sun
like a moth
on a string
circles the southpole."
- A. R. Ammons, Late November

"When I look into your eyes
I can see a love restrained
But darlin' when I hold you
Don't you know I feel the same
'Cause nothin' lasts forever
And we both know hearts can
change
And it's hard to hold a candle
In the cold November rain."
- Guns N' Roses, November Rain

"The body is like a November
birch facing the full moon
And reaching into the cold
heavens.
In these trees there is no ambition,
no sodden body, no leaves,
Nothing but bare trunks climbing
like cold fire!

My last walk in the trees has come.
At dawn
I must return to the trapped fields,
To the obedient earth.
The trees shall be reaching all the
winter.
It is a joy to walk in the bare
woods.
The moonlight is not broken by the
heavy leaves.
The leaves are down, and touching
the soaked earth,
Giving off the odors that partridges
love."

- Robert Bly,
Solitude Late at
Night in the
Woods



WINTER By Sophia Johnson

When it gets cold you know winter
is approaching
In time it will get so cold that
plants start to die
Not a lot survives through these
harsh times
Though a lot dies some things live
on
Evergreens are one of the lucky
plants that get to continue life
Rebirth happens for all the plants
that didn't make it through

GOETZ SPORTS NEWS Cross Country By Kiara Martinez

Girls Cross Country ran at the
county's on Tuesday, October
23,2018 at Ocean County Park in
Lakewood, New Jersey. The Girls
Cross Country team were ready to
run once they got to Ocean County
Park. Most of the team was there.
Some of the runners were Lauren
Greaney, Sarah Greaney,Zora and
Bloom Swindell, Gracie Sauickie,

"How cold it is! Even the lights are
cold;
They have put shawls of fog
around them, see!
What if the air should grow so
dimly white
That we would lose our way along
the paths
Made new by walls of moving mist
receding
The more we follow. . . . What a
silver night!
That was our bench the time you
said to me
The long new poem -- but how
different now,
How eerie with the curtain of the
fog



Madison Davis, Gaby Cardell, and Ava Engle.

The Goetz Boys Soccer Team Wins Again!

By Shannon Calsetta

On Friday, September 28, 2018 the boys soccer team won their fourth game against Central Regional bringing their record to 2-2. Words from Coach Salerno included “At the beginning, it was a tight game and we needed a goal to gain momentum.” The winning goal was kicked by Tyler Korinchak #4 and the Cougars won the game with a score of 5-1. Congrats to all the Cougars!



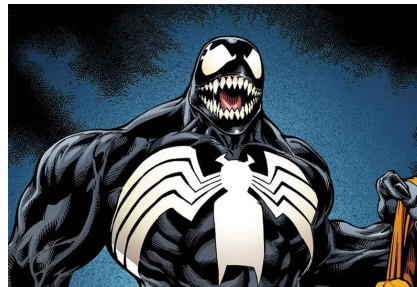
“Venom”(2018) Movie Review

By Timothy DeVita

Out of all of Spider-Man's enemies like Mysterio, Doctor Octopus, Green Goblin, Sandman, The Lizard, Kraven the Hunter, Electro, etc. Venom seems to be one of, if not, the most popular villain. Something that I have noticed is that Venom has been in many

animated T.V. shows, but only one live action movie, “Spiderman 3” (2007) until now. “Venom” (2018), directed by Ruben Fleischer, has just hit the big screen.

Personally, I thought that it was an amazing movie. The action, CGI, and other effects were spectacular, and Tom Hardy’s take as Venom is so good that the scariest part of the movie was Venom’s voice. Also, just the way they designed him was awesome. While there were a lot of product placement scenes, the acting and overall storyline still made this film worth seeing.



From a scale of 1 to 100, I would rate this film a 93. While it is not the best Marvel film I've ever seen, it does its job of entertaining the audience, especially the post credits scene (no spoilers here). I hope that they make another movie to continue this amazing story.

Take a Break!

By Rebecca Seeds

Are you stressed, head pounding, or about to lose your cool? Do you

find yourself getting home from school with lots of homework and possibly a project due the next day? Thanks to Newsela articles and my classmates, I was able to write this article. “What is stress?” you might ask. Don’t worry, you’ll find out by the time you finish reading this article. We will explore how 20 minutes of rest, friends, and/or meditation can help to relieve stress.

First, you might be asking what stress is or how can you relieve it. Well, I have an answer to that! Stress is pressure or tension on a material or object and a state of mental or emotional strain.

Second, do your teachers let you take a break to rest and collect your thoughts during classes? Well they should. Even taking a couple minutes to relax and collect your thoughts is good for you. For an example, research shows that students are handling conflict better in class and paying more attention when given this time. Quiet time is helping kids deal with their problems and grades. Also, some students are way too stressed to pay attention and it’s not helping when they get more facts jammed into their brains without any rest time.

Third, you might not believe it but friends can also help with stress.



Friendships can lower the risk of getting some illnesses. Scientists were also testing this theory so they gathered 15 male adults, 35 female adults, and 28 younger chimpanzees to test this theory out. The scientists were banging on roots of nearby trees to see how the chimpanzees would react. At first, the chimpanzees thought they had to defend themselves against another group of chimpanzees. After that, the scientists studied the differences between when the chimpanzees were with and without their friends. The results showed that when the chimpanzees were with their friends, their stress levels were lower when they were without their friends.

December Gift Review

By Jack Zeltner

The holidays are coming, and that means most of you are deciding what you want for Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa or any other holiday that you may celebrate. Whichever you celebrate, they all have something to do with exchanging items with loved ones. So today, I will be reviewing 5 lesser-known items that are sure to end up on your list.

1. Kan Jam

Kan Jam is a game that involves a frisbee, 2 garbage can-like bins with 1 frisbee sized hole in each,

and 4 players. Each team has one person by a “kan”. One of the teammates throws the frisbee and the teammate tries to hit the kan for one point, hit the frisbee in the kan, or the thrower tries to make it into the slot for three points. First team to 21 points wins.

2. iPhone Camera Lens Kit

This item turns your iPhone camera into a device that takes pictures like a Canon camera. It is only \$25 so it is a good gift for most people to give. All it does is snap on and its lens automatically makes the camera look better so that none of your pictures turn out blurry.

3. Myo Gesture Control Armband

Part of Amazon’s Launchpad, the Myo Gesture Control Armband is a newer gadget that reads the electrical activity of the wearer’s muscles and motion of the arm to control technology with hand gestures and motion – wirelessly. It’s a surefire hit with any gadget-lover or gaming-enthusiast.

4. Floating Bookshelf

Anyone ever wanted to have floating books in their room? Me, too! Now you can have that Harry Potter-like vision inside your bedroom. The shelf is there, but it seems to disappear once the books are all stacked. This looks really

cool and is great to go with any style of room.

5. Kano Computer Kit

This is a complete build-your-own computer kit bundled with all sorts of interesting software to inspire you to start programming, and make music or games. There are simple illustrated guides for you to follow, and it’s impressively accessible. It’s based around a Raspberry Pi 3, but you also get an orange keyboard, a mouse, some other bits and pieces, and a set of stencils and stickers to customize the look. The real fun begins when it’s built and you dig into the challenges to tell it what to do.

