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## The Great Films of 2016

by: Anthony Islas

This year, many movies were released such as *Captain America: Civil War*, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*, *Rouge One*, *Finding Dory*, and many more..

Many directors such as Gareth Edwards, Anthony and Joe Russo, and Zack Synder, along with their film crews, produced new movies this year. This year, cinema has improved due to good soundtracks, animators, and high quality and relevant advertisement. This year movies have amazed many of us and have proved to be very successful in the theaters and in the box office. In 2016, movies have evolved to be likable, due to great animators and impressive CGI effects in movies such as *Captain America: Civil War*, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*, *Finding Dory*.

Cinema has been great and has given us many new actors and directors that have been shown to be a hit with audiences and critics alike. Film this year has gotten better and has shown a lot of progression and effort from the actors and directors that have to make them interesting to audiences. Movies in the year 2016 has been loved from audiences and critics alike.

## The KwikVR of Oculus Rift

By: Aleksander Norman

The Oculus Rift has a new add-on called *KwikVR*. This add-on gets rid of the tether that you would normally need to play with your Xbox, PC, Wii, etc. The people making this add-on are called *Tpcast*. It makes everything connect by wifi so you can move around more freely. They will make this add-on to make it easier to play games without tripping on a cord or not being able to move wherever you need to go because you're tied to a tether. This will be released in the next couple of days after the 2017 new year. The place where they are making this add-on is located in Las Vegas. The add-on weighs less than 1 pound and can last 2 through 5 hours depending on what batteries you use to power the device.

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## World Awareness - Turtles and Trash

By: Kiana Nelson

Pick up your trash off the ground and put it in that trash can over there, child! Don't litter because most of your trash ends up in gutters that drain into the ocean and it harms the fish and other inhabitants of the sea. Another reason why you shouldn't throw trash in the ocean is because a small turtle may find its way to a pile of trash and get something intertwined with its neck. Say no to littering, but say yes to turtles, because who doesn't love turtles?



## Chromebooks in Class

By: Frankie Coughlin

This school year, the middle school received Chromebooks to use for class assignments. Each student has their own email and password to get into their login. After the student saves their work it is saved onto Google docs so the students can email their work to the teacher instead of printing it. These are important because the students can send their work to the teachers instead of wasting paper, which waste trees. An advantage is the students can do some of their work at home if they did not finish in class. The Chromebooks can be moved to any classroom in the middle school. The students can use the Chromebooks when they are working on an assignment. This will be an advancement for our learning.

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New Year's Eve... Disaster? Mariah Carey's Lip Sync Fail

By: Madison Hogler

These are the final moments to look back at the year you've had, only to jump right into a brand new start. Everyone especially loves to look back at all the fails of the year, but for Mariah Carey, her fail was a great way to start 2017! Popular bands and singers were very ecstatic to come and perform at Time Square on New Year's Eve, and the pop diva herself came to flaunt her stuff. Mariah Carey planned to give an incredible finale performance that would surely set 2017 up to be an amazing year. Her first song was amazing, but as she went to sing her song "Emotions," things took a turn for the worse. Malfunctions with her ear piece left the singer unable to sing vocally, which only led to a cringe worthy ending. Throughout the rest of her performance, her audio could be heard in the background, which left her audience disappointed with the famous singer and her lip-sync fail. Most people believe that she was originally having voice problems, and that she felt trying to fake it would give her fans a better performance. Everyone was surprised though, to see that she kept the show going. While her track played behind her, she let her fans sing, and even started a conversation with most of them. In all honesty, she took this fail like a champ, and allowed some good things to come out of it.



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*8th Graders Dance the Night Away*

*By: Christina Wieczorek*

*On December 10th, all of the 8th graders came together, put on their dresses and fancy outfits, and had a wonderful time at the 8th grade Christmas Dance. This was a time when they got to dress elegantly and hang out with their friends and classmates. Madison Hogler, an 8th grader who got to experience what it was like at this event, had some interesting things to say.*

*Q: What did you like the most about the dance?*

*A: "Well, I liked dancing with my friends, the music, and also the photo booth. The photo booth is where I got to cherish the memories with my friends. I think that the thing that was everyone's favorite... was being able to be teenagers.*

*The dance was surely enjoyed by the entire 8th grade, and will be a fond memory in the years to come.*

HT's Academic Decathlon

By: Jillian Pasquarella

At the beginning of the year, seventh and eighth graders are given the opportunity to join the Academic Decathlon for the rest of the year. Every Tuesday during TAG, the Academic Decathlon team meets in Mr. Wiley's room to study and learn. This year, Decathlon's emphasis is Gospel Art. The Decathlon members have been learning more about art and studying since the beginning of the year. On March 5th, there will be a Decathlon competition where members will compete against other Decathlon teams from different schools, and put all their studying skills to the test. "It's an opportunity to have fun while expanding your educational horizons," says Kalista Magana, a member of the team. I recommend joining Decathlon to have fun and use your school effort to represent our school in seventh and eighth grade.

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## \_\_\_Student Council Field Trip\_\_\_

By: Angel Casiano

This year, the Holy Trinity Student Council went to the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. The people that Student Council were helping are special kids, as all of them have missing fingers or toes. The kids that went on the field trip helped set up for the hospital and helped the employees give out food and greet people at the entrance. There were animals that gave the kids in need company and love a visit, including a poodle and three other dogs. It was really cute seeing the kids being with the dogs, and the little girls and boys having fun with the puppies. Student Council helped give kids and their families food. Student Council members say that it was beautiful to see all the adults and children's faces. The Student Council members enjoyed this field trip and hope they can go again next year.



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## PUZZLES AND GAMES

### MYSTERY TEACHER

Today, I interviewed a teacher that went to middle school at Mary Star. The car this teacher owns is a 350 Z Nissan. This teacher uses Amazon to buy clothes, and enjoys Mexican food and hockey. This teacher's favorite holiday is Christmas and likes the movie 'Gladiator'. Lastly, this person began teaching in 2013.

- A) Mr. Wiley
- B) Mr. Vanderploeg

- C) Mrs. Herrera
- D) Mrs. Robles

Search this issue of the Charger Chatter for the answer!

WORD SEARCH

January

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m	v	h	a	g	i	n	a
a	c	e	e	s	t	e	a
n	b	x	e	y	p	u	l

mitten

snowball

hat

snowman

flake

bear

Yesterday, a man from Paris fell into a river.  
It was quite the Seine.

I tend to love eating French fries,  
since potatoes are so a-peeling.

I wasn't originally going to get a brain transplant, but then I changed my mind.

Have you ever tried to eat a clock?  
It's very time consuming.

My friend tried to annoy me with bird puns, but then I realized that toucan play at that game.



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"Knock, Knock."

"Who's there?"

"Theodore."

"Theodore who?"

"Theodore wasn't open so I knocked."

"Knock, Knock."

"Who's there?"

"Nana."

"Nana who?"

"Nana your business."

What fruit has amnesia? A pineapple. Because it's not pine at all.

What's the advantage of living in Switzerland?

Well the flag is a big plus.

Slept like a log last night... and woke up in the fireplace.

What did the momma buffalo say to her son as she dropped her off at school?  
Bison.

What kind of magic do cows believe in? Moodoo.

"Hold on I have something in my shoe!"

"I'm pretty sure it's a foot."

## Jokes

## iPhone 7

By—Vincent Martinez

In 2016 the new iPhone 7 came out! They have no headphone jack so you have to do everything with a bluetooth. You have to buy the wireless headphones because you can't connect regular ones. The iPhone 7 is waterproof. It is the very first I phone that's waterproof. The iPhone 7 is 60% faster than the iPhone 6. The camera lets 50% more light in the dark. The I phone 7 plus has a second 56mm telephoto lens. In my opinion I like the iPhone 7 better than the 6.

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During this year, Mrs. DiBernardo was blessed with a child. After anxiously wanting to deliver her baby, she went on a month long maternity leave around late October. After a full recovery from delivering her child, Mrs. DiBo came back and was ready to teach her classes again. I got the chance to talk to her about her feelings towards this latest experience:

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"Yes, of course I did. Even though sometimes they drive me nuts, they are a big part of my life. I love teaching them and expanding their knowledge."

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"Yes. I miss my daughter, but I am glad to be back!"

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"Not really, because we do have a lot of other children in our family. I am glad that she got to spend them with us."

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"Not very much, just the sleep deprivation is what really takes a toll on my waking up early in the morning."

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"Yes. I read her stories and sing her songs and use everyday skills to teach her."

In conclusion, Mrs. DiBernardo is glad to be back. She loves the time spent with her daughter and uses her teaching skills in her everyday life. She is very grateful for what God has blessed her with. I know I can speak on behalf of the 7th and 8th grade classes, we are glad to have you back!

## Yearbook

By: Abby Allen

The yearbook is a special object that holds the school year's memory within it. The students who make the yearbook are very talented people whose work is shown in every book. One of the makers of this year's yearbook has commented about making the most anticipated books of the year. "You need to have an open mind. In yearbook, having creative ideas makes the yearbook more unique and distinct." - Xander Singson making the yearbook requires a creative person. If you are interested in signing up next year go to Mrs. Sulentor.

Mystery Teacher: Mr. Vanderploeg