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Public Displays of Affection

By Lexi Gonzales

Where's the faint line between sweet endearment and inappropriate affection? There have been many occurrences in which student couples have been seen expressing their love for one another and are called out for showing over the top affection. Can we agree how much is too much? A couple's casual interaction could be simply repulsive to an unsolicited witness.



Right Place? Right Time?

People often disagree on what's considered repugnant and what's acceptable in regard to publicly displayed affection. Some people believe that couples kissing in public is excessive and disturbing while others are unbothered. Junior Austin Murray says "kissing and being all over each other is over the

Hong Kong in the Berkshires

By Nick Boardman Half a world away from home, 12 affiliated high school students from Hong Kong Baptist University navigated the bustling JFK airport in search of their host families. This was all a part of Mount Everett's student-exchange program, currently in its 6th year, that gives students from foreign schools and Mt. Everett a chance to spend a week in an unfamiliar country. In the past, our school has hosted students from India, Egypt, China, and Germany. Likewise, students from Mt. Everett have spent time in China and India as well.

Art teacher Stephanie Graham has supervised the program from its inception, although former social studies teacher Mike Farmer ran several similar programs earlier. This year Graham, along with host and exchange students, traveled to New York City where they saw Frozen on Broadway, visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and toured the city's landmarks. The following day, the Hong Kong students attended their host student's regular classes. Throughout the week, the students embarked on several trips, including Taft Farms, where they learned local farming methods and participated in numerous activities. They also took a trip to the Sheffield Historical Society where they

Naviance Rebellion

By Kathleen Dillon and Justin Wald

Do you hate Naviance tutorials? Do you want them to go away forever? Well, at least 106 of your fellow students do. A petition to end Naviance tutorial sessions has been floating around Mt. Everett and has been racking up signatures left and right. Naviance itself is a beneficial tool to help high school seniors apply to colleges when the time comes. Starting at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year, high school students were required to participate in bi-weekly Naviance lessons during tutorial, which is what the petition is trying end.



Petition to End Naviance

Sophomores Colin Thorpe and Vaughn Marchione began this petition in hopes of ending

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Naviance sessions during tutorial. Thorpe says that "Naviance is not beneficial to students because they do not take it seriously." Thorpe thinks it unnecessary for seniors who have already completed the college application process to participate in the Naviance lessons. He also thinks lowerclassmen should not have to participate because of their lack of seriousness and interest. Some other arguments are that much of the material that could be useful can easily be found elsewhere. Marchione said, "The website has proven unreliable; there seem to be new problems every week."

Naviance was brought in as a learning system to prepare students for global citizenship. It also helps students with social and emotional skill-building, career inventories and searches, and also college readiness. Mt. Everett Guidance Counselor Kimberly Conant says "Naviance, when used correctly, enables us to hit the major life topics and worries that face everyone in today's world." Naviance also helps develop career paths and interests while connecting them to academics and the real world. Conant added, "it is often very difficult to push into academic classrooms (as that time is very valuable) to make sure that the curriculum and life skills we want and need to make sure ALL students get exposed to happens. Naviance is helping us to do that in a more streamlined way."

Many teachers, sensing their student's dissatisfaction with the lessons, are concerned about

whether it is the best use of time for students that needed the 30-minute tutorial period to get their classwork done. Other teachers believe it to be beneficial for the students. Social Studies teacher John Hammill said, "students get out of Naviance what they put into to it." He explained that some seniors are lost when it comes to the college application process and Naviance lessons could provide sufficient information if taken seriously. Most of the criticism of Naviance is coming from high school students. There is a broad perception that the Naviance middle school lessons are more appropriate and of greater long-term value.

The Bold Eagle is watching the development of this petition and will report any further events stemming from it.



The Fulbright Program,

including the Fulbright-Hays Program, is one of several United States Cultural Exchange Programs whose goal is to improve inter-cultural relations, cultural diplomacy, and inter-cultural competence between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills. It is one of the most prestigious and competitive fellowship programs in the world. Most widely recognized and prestigious scholarships in the world. The program provides 8,000 grants annually.

Art Teacher Travels

By Hailey Liebenow

Art teachers Stephanie Graham and Kari Giordano are off on the adventure of a lifetime. Instead of teaching, they will be learning and studying different teaching techniques, how other schools operate, and about the cultures of different people. Ms. Graham is in New Zealand from January until July. She chose to go to New Zealand based on their progressive education policies. Ms. Giordano will be traveling to the United Kingdom during that time. Both teachers have been awarded Fulbright Distinguished Awards by the U.S. Department of State.

Mrs. Graham will be traveling with her husband and daughter only; sadly her dog cannot travel with them. She says that her family is "excited for a change and see it as an opportunity to experience school and life in a different culture." While in New Zealand Mrs. Graham will be considered a "research fellow" and observing schools in rural communities. She will be working to "...narrow the scope of my research to gain a greater understanding of how to implement a whole-school curriculum." The main point of the program is to "draw conclusions, cite evidence of best practices, share culture and learning, and bring it all back to apply to Mount Everett."

Mrs. Giordano will be studying art education in rural communities and engaging with students in their communities through lessons to help alleviate the effects of urbanization and declining enrollment. She is learning "how they handle educating their students in schools even smaller

Commentary: Schooling in Africa

By Janet Ngoy Mwanza

I grew up with a lot of kids in my family, so it was hard for our parents to get most of the us in school, since in Africa, it is not free. My dad supported mainly my sister and I, but he traveled most of the times, so he wasn't always there to attend to us. My extended family decided to take the responsibility to get all of us in school. Keep in mind that at that time, we only spoke Arabic, Luganda and Swahili. We kids did not know how to speak or write in English yet. Luckily our home was located near many schools so it was easier for my family to get us in schools they could afford.

The first school we attended was a Muslim school. My mom's family is Muslim, so they wanted my sister and I to know the Muslim way of doing things. In that school it is tradition for us to learn how to write Arabic and to understand how to be proper Muslims. At the same time we were trying to learn how to write English and a little bit of Luganda. In my culture the kids are supposed to take their father's religion, but due to my father's traveling we spent most of our time with my mom's side of the family, so we got used to the Muslim way instead of the Christian way.

When my dad got married to my stepmother, he decided that it was time for my sister and I to learn about Christianity. My dad then decided to move to Kasubi, Uganda, where we would start attending Red Star Primary School. While attending that school my dad and step-mom were working on getting our passports, so that we could go live with her in the Unit-

Party Games

By Thomas Netzer

Have you ever gone to a party and thought to yourself, "man is this boring!" If so, now's the time to learn some fun games for teens, so you can host the party of the year. For teens, it's hard to play games at parties that are appropriate for our age. We all know the games: spin the bottle and flip cup with a few others that may not be appropriate for us to play. However, we don't like playing games like tag, Just Dance, or even duck duck goose. Because of this, here are some fun, teen appropriate party games you might not have considered.



Games Make Great Parties

Apples to Apples and Cards Against Humanity are two great party games. Both are very similar, except Apples to Apples is a little more family appropriate than Cards Against Humanity. According to Junior Kai LaRose, "Both games are great! I love getting to play Apples to Apples with my family, because it's such a fun game that lets us all have a good time! On the other hand, Cards Against Humanity is a great game for me and my friends to play together because the cards are very humorous and have a little bit of twist, which makes the game better for teens to play." In both

Presentation Stress

By Rochele Worth

Public speaking is a dreadful task. Many of us would rather die than think of standing up in front of a crowd. Others say try imagining the crowd in their underwear. But does this provide any real comfort? Now, if this musters a deep feeling of fear inside you, it's necessary to understand the fundamentals and coping mechanisms for presentation stress.

Many, and possibly most students dislike presentations. "Presentations are an unreasonable burden for those with anxiety," reported letgrow.org, a site dedicated to adolescent mental health. Many students wish for alternative options. According to theatlantic. com, "forcing students with anxiety to present in front of their peers is not only unfair, because they are bound to under-perform and receive a lower grade, but it can also cause long-term stress and harm." Another essential point is that presentations can be pointless. This is because when teachers have not assimilated the topic, and if students don't focus, there is no value to presenting overall.

On the other hand, there are numerous advantages to presentations. Socially, students are better off when experiencing public speaking. It is important for developing communication skills. This is because it's now mandatory to learn the art of public-speaking to succeed in today's world. Most future careers require these skills. Presentations also create an opportunity for students to not only inform their peers, but to share their ideas and beliefs.

Page 4 The Bold Eagle's Editorial Board

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Naviance is a Disappointment

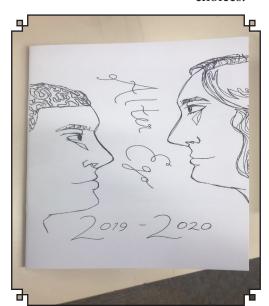
The Bold Eagle's editorial board urges the administration to re-evaluate the use of the Naviance college, career, and life readiness curriculum. While few can argue against the need for lessons in career planning, high school students have overwhelmingly found the program to be ineffective in preparing for life after high school. Many of the lessons focus on character development which, albeit important, would be better suited for middle schoolers as they begin to learn about what kind of brand they want to create for themselves. By freshman year, students gain a stronger idea of what they want to do in the future. This time would be better spent exploring those career paths and what steps would need to be taken to better prepare for them. This would not only be beneficial to the student, but to the guidance department as well, as it would give our counselor's a better understanding of our aspi-

rations to aid us in reaching them.

This is not to say lessons in career development are useless. This time during tutorial could be spent learning life skills such as money management, resume writing, and filing taxes. Juniors could also utilize this tutorial period to compile a list of colleges in Naviance they are thinking about applying to and give guidance time to coordinate future events in accordance with student interests. With these changes, we believe we'd be making better use of everyone's time and relieve guidance of a never-ending flow of complaints from students and teachers alike.

Once again, the editorial board humbly requests the administration reconsider the implementation of the Naviance program and devise an alternative curriculum that caters to student's individual career choices.

The Alter Ego



Mt. Everett's literary magazine, Alter Ego, is now available in the High School Library. Pick up a copy and enjoy the creativity of our students.

Bold Reader's Opinions

The Bold Eagle wants to know what's on your mind so send us your opinions at Boldeagle@sbrsd.org

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Most people are unperturbed by the common forms of PDA such as "little displays of affection like a hug, holding hands, a quick kiss (occasionally) [are acceptable]" says English teacher Ms. Lemlin. On the contrary, some people believe that any display of affection is uncomfortable for others to witness.

There is a difference between people enjoying each other's presence and displaying profane affection. Sitting on someone's lap or interlocking legs can quickly evolve into something else. Hands in the wrong places are sure to elicit groans of displeasure from onlookers. Put a few of these together and they are indeed cringe-worthy. A message to Mt. Everett's young lovers: modesty is a virtue.



A Whole World Away

Africa Cont.

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ed States. My sister and I attended Red Star for two years until it was time for us to go to Nairobi Kenya, where we would stay until we boarded our flight to the United States. We spent two months in Nairobi trying to get our visas (United States entry permits), but that was canceled due to something that happened to my sister's visa, so we had to go back to Kampala to fix the problem and that took a couple of more months. In Kampala, my step-mom's sister got my sister and I into a boarding (sleep away) school, because my dad could not take care of us while he was trying to get the problem fixed and work at the same time.

My sister and I started going to Christ the King boarding school, but this was different from anything we have experienced before. We would get up early to get breakfast and then get dressed, and most of the older kids would help the little kids to get ready. It was like a big family. The school was so strict that if you didn't follow their rules the faculty would purposely embarrass you in front of everyone, just to teach you a lesson. We had assemblies every Monday to make sure kids were following their rules.

Imagine arriving at school in Sheffield! What a difference it was. No religion classes, bullying is not allowed by students or staff, and the government gives everyone a free education. Once we got comfortable with the English language, we were able to adapt, make friends, learn a lot, and enjoy life in America. But it sure is different than what we faced in Uganda.

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games, each player always has 7 red cards in their hands, which are used to answer the category card. The alternating judge picks whose card they like the best for that round, with the winner receiving the category card. When done playing, the person with the most category cards wins.



Good Clean Fun

Another fun party game to play is Paranoia. The game is played by the person next to you whispering a question in your ear. After this, you say your answer out loud. However, after this, you flip a coin; if it lands on heads, you have to reveal the question to the group. If it lands on tails, you and the person who whispered the question to you gets to keep it to yourselves. Junior Kathleen Dillon calls it, "A fun, potentially friendship destroying game."

All 3 of these games are great to play at your next party! However, if these games don't appeal to you, you can always play Jenga, Twister, Sorry!, or even the classic game Monopoly. Remember, there are plenty of games out there to play, and if none of these catch your eye, you could come up with your own.

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The website, teachingenglish.org reports that "presentations form a natural part of task-based learning." This allows students to experiment with real world learning situations. Developing these skills are beneficial to a student's overall future and current performances in or out of the classroom. Thus, teachers frequently try to include public speaking into their curriculum. Turning presentations into conversations, encouraging team projects, and providing alternative options can make presentations easier on students, while remaining academically significant.

At Mt. Everett, the senior class must deliver speeches in May as part of their regular curriculum. According to English teacher Wendy Casey, "students are as prepared as they choose," indicating that preparation and practice are the best antidotes to presentation stress. Casey added that "students choose their own topic. Picking something of interest can eliminate stress and increase natural curiosity," which makes the task more worthwhile.

Other activities support presentation skills. Persuasive essay writing and watching polished public speakers aid in student's speech delivery. Proper speech etiquette including posture, gestures and breathing techniques are all taught and practiced in class. Most importantly, Casey stated that "students are granted ample time in which to practice delivering their speeches before their assigned evening. During this practice time, class atmosphere is supportive and only positive affirmations are shared."

Bargain Tech

By Aidan Aloisi

Apple first released the Apple Watch in 2015 and AirPods in 2016. This sent people flocking to get their hands on these new gadgets without having any regard for its initial price. The Apple Watch was \$349 and AirPods were \$159 on their release day. Now the big question; are they worth the money?



Janker Smart Watch....Apple-ish at a bargain price

On Amazon, there is a very similar Bluetooth set called Bluetooth Headset 5.0 by OZKAKA. These fake Apple Airpods cost a whopping \$39.99. Surprisingly the 5.0's have 100% 5 star ratings by reviews of 34 buyers. An Amazon customer wrote a 5 star review stating "This is a great little device! I mainly use it to listen to music while running, so I still have an ear to hear what is going on around me, and I don't have any wires to bounce. It simply presses the button on the side to stay in place and easily pause/start music. Almost the same music, it is impossible to show the sound quality of high-end headphones, but the clear sound and sufficient sound, I think it is doing very well." A customer by the

Our Under-appreciated Team

By Rose Lewis

Do you like to bowl? Sure, it's a fun pastime, but it is not considered an 'official' sport in most schools, including Mount Everett, because the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) does not recognize it as such. As a result, the bowling club may not be getting the recognition it deserves, at least according to most of the team's members. Unlike other teams such as softball, basketball, or soccer, bowling is given no money from the school for supplies, transportation or coaching. Nor does the school acknowledge the bowling team as often as they do other sports.

Last year, the bowling team did very well and made it to the statewide championship, but it wasn't given the same recognition other sports would have received for a similar accomplishment. Sophomore Justin Wald adds, "I do not think the bowling team receives the credit it deserves. The most credit it got was a single Instagram post on the school's account March 18, 2018 ... We decided to do fliers and got a bunch of new people to join..."

The Mount Everett bowling team is for grades 7-12 with both JV and varsity coaches. The JV coach is James (Jim) Kern and varsity coach is Cody Kern. Tyler Smith, a sophomore at Mount Everett, states that he chose bowling because, "All other winter sports involve movement beyond walking 7 feet and rolling a heavy ball." Justin Wald also added "I chose bowling over the other winter sports because a lot of my friends were on

Good Eats

By Kolby Bleau

DINNER TIME! But if you are too lazy to cook, the Berkshires offers hundreds of restaurant options ranging from fast food to five stars. Whether you are into Chow Mein or burgers and fries, there is no need for a long drive to find a place to eat within your budget.

If you are in the mood for pizza, Berkshire County offers a wide array of options. In a statistically valid survey of Mt. Everett students, 1/3 said that their favorite place to go was Baba Louie's in Great Barrington. This pizza place is healthy, but the menu can get a little pricey. After that, there is Manhattan Pizza in Great Barrington, which is an affordable, New York style pizza great for a small get together or date. They also offer delivery from 4-9pm. The next top pizza place in the south county vicinity is Roma's in Canaan, CT. They also deliver from 12-9pm to almost anywhere in Sheffield and Canaan.

Pub food was voted the next best type of restaurant to visit locally. No matter where you are in the county, a cheap pub is always in reach. Two of the best pubs in Great Barrington, according to the poll and online, are the Barrington Brewery and The Well. The Brewery is more of a restaurant than a bar with good appetizers and chocolate cake known all over Berkshire County. The Well is a more expensive pub but still reasonable with a variety of foods from wings and nachos to pulled pork quesadillas and burgers. If you're up for a drive or live up in the Pittsfield area, there is Patrick's Pub, which is a cheap and decent place to go and have some

appetizers with your friends. They also have live music on weekends. There are also other places such as Mascots and The Bridge that still offer great variety and reasonable prices.

It doesn't matter whether you are on a date, just with friends, alone, or having a nice family dinner, these places are great for everyone. None of them are too expensive and someone will always be able to find something on each menu that they will enjoy.



Good Food, Worth the Money

Teachers Cont.

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than our own, and how they use art to connect students with their communities." Ms. Giordano will be traveling with her husband, and Ben and Jonny (her two sons). She says that "they are very excited to enroll in school in Scotland." While in Scotland she will be working with colleagues at the University of Edinburgh researching topics about art education. Mrs. Giordano say that "the Fulbright fellowship is to not only return to our school with new ideas but to share them with colleagues all over the country."

Hurry back Ms. Graham and Ms. Giordano; we miss you both. We're eager to see what you've learned and can bring back from your adventures abroad.

Tutorial Tolerance

By Sam Kresiak

Why do clubs and school groups and others have to call for meetings during tutorial? It takes the time given to students for classwork away and messes with the students' planning, especially when these meetings pop up unannounced in advance, and are "mandatory." The prevalent opinion among students seems to be negative for the most part, however the volume of attention is low.

Many students have expressed their concerns with the issue. Junior Shallea Brown states that, "It's ridiculous because it takes away important time for us to study." It is true that it would be difficult to try and schedule these meetings another time, but wouldn't lunch just make more sense?

One thing that is a real annoyance to many students is Naviance. All students are required to skip tutorial for a day every few weeks to complete these college-preparation assignments. Yet many find it not as useful and just irritating to have. "I refuse to do it; it's a waste of effort, money, and of the people's time who work there", according to junior Thomas Netzer. Junior Jacob TenBroeck added, "I don't find any use in Naviance." Others state that the Naviance lessons can be useful, but upperclassmen generally cite the repetitiveness of the lessons as they progress from year to year.

The fact is that the administration giveth and they taketh away. They gave us 30 minutes. Now every day we wonder if this will be the day that it's taken away.

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Hong Kong Cont.

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learned about local history and saw many artifacts.

Perhaps the most surprising occurrence was at a Model U.N. meeting designed to help club members research for an upcoming debate on Hong Kong democracy protests. The intent of the event was for members to ask questions regarding the mass protests in Hong Kong, specifically what the exchange students have seen and how they feel about the movement. However, the students were forbidden by their chaperones to speak on the matter. Instead, the meeting was changed to a general presentation of the club and its activities. According to Graham, the chaperones and their administrators back in Hong Kong believe school should be a safe-learning environment, free from any topics that can be deemed divisive. Several of students had conflicting viewpoints and for this reason, the supervisor felt it wasn't appropriate for them to speak publicly on the matter.

To conclude their final day in America, the students and their host family traveled back to New York City where they visited the Brooklyn Bridge and the Statue of Liberty. Host students bid their farewells as the exchange students boarded their flight to head back home. Freshman and host student Cassie Campeglio said "It was a great experience, I found out me and my [exchange student] had a lot in common. She also got the chance to do stuff she never would be able to do in Hong Kong, like go on a hayride." These types of

opportunities are what make the exchange program so special and the experiences that stem from it make it like no other. Graham says, "I hope that exchange programs like this one become part of our school culture and help bridge the gap between countries to increase inter-cultural understanding and friendship."

Did You Know:

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- Octopuses have three hearts
- The only other day that beats Valentine's Day in floral sales is Mother's Day.
- Hallmark was one of the first to mass produce a Valentine's Day card, all the way back in 1913.
- Every year, thousands of people send love letters addressed to Verona, Italy to "Juliet".
 The letters that reach the city are answered by the Juliet Club. The club awards the author of the most touching love letter the "Cara Giulietta" prize.
- The Valentine's Day tradition of giving a box of candy was started in the 19th century, the 1800s, by Richard Cadbury.

Bowling Cont.

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the team and it was a small team so we could be a close one. I also think bowling is a fun sport and better than the others." All members agree that the bowling team is a tight-knit group of good friends.

Bowling is thought to have been around since 5200 B.C. The Egyptians rolled stones at objects in hopes of knocking them over. "Bowling at pins probably originated in ancient Germany, not as a sport but as a religious ceremony. Martin Luther is credited with settling on nine as the ideal number of pins." Another use was the Polynesian game of ula maika, also utilizing pins and balls of stone. "The stones were to be rolled at targets 60 feet away, a distance which today still is one of the basic regulations of tenpins" says the United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

So, bowling has been around for a while and is a wildly popular sport. The USBC adds, "More than 67 million people in the United States bowl during a year. More than 1.3 million people compete regularly in league play certified by the USBC. Staff at USBC Headquarters in Arlington works closely with its more than 1,600 local and state associations to serve league bowlers."



We're a Team, No Matter MIAA Says

Tech Cont.

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name of Schoeder also gave 5 stars saying, "I actually very impressed with these earbuds. 1. The charging case is really nice and small. The earbuds are holding by magnet so they are not falling from the case. That's nice. 2. The earbuds feel very comfortable in the ears, for me the default inserts fit well. In the package two additional sizes provided. But this is pretty much standard. Build quality is great nothing feels cheap. 3. The pairing was ready and fast. At the moment you are pulling out the earbuds from the case they are connecting to each other and go to pairing mode. 4. The volume is high, sound is pretty good. I'm not audiophile, but for me they are just great. 5. You can use them in single mode using just left one.6. Touch interface require to use to it. But works fine. Bottom line - great earbuds!!! Easily recommended." While most people would suspect that these items would be bad, these reviews clearly disagree with those

suspicions.

Onto the Apple Watch side of things. The Janker Smart Watch is currently selling for \$22.39 on Amazon. This watch can apparently do all the same things as an AppleWatch. This item did not set well with their buyers as well as the OZNAKA AirPods did. The Janker Smart Watch currently has an average rating of 3.4 stars out of 5 stars with 46% giving 5 stars, 10% giving 4 stars, 9% for 3 stars, 11% for 2 and a surprising 25% for 1 star. A buyer named John Adams had fairly positive things to say about the watch, "This smart watch is great for the cost and it has good customer service, is great for looks, playing music, calling, and checking the time. The interface is great. Easy to read and when you touch it, it goes to what you want. Also, the customer service is good making the watch reliable if there is any problem." A buyer named Sean was not too pleased with the watch giving a 1 star review: "Wasn't really pleased with this one. The speaker is great and voice over BT

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was really useful..... HOWEVER at fully charged it constantly tells me the battery is low. The device doesn't support phonebook transferring...[and suffers from]...outdated software. The fit is nice with the silicone band. My major issue with it was lack of communication with my galaxy \$10 5G. Iwanted to give this a shot before I went to the new Samsung watch. Wish I hadn't because this is now sitting at the tech recycle center bin at my office."

It is safe to say that even though these are a lot less pricier than the official Apple products, there are risks of malfunctions that Apple products likely won't be experiencing. You could either hit the jackpot by saving money on a device that works or feeling cheap if the product stops working within a few days. Your choice.



Hillary (left) and her lamb, Rumpelstiltskin (right).
The other lambs are; Jack, Jill, Humpty, and Peter Pan,
Hansel, and Gretel



Compiled by Justin Wald

ARIES (March 21 - April 19) — You've been feeling neglected these past few weeks, but it's time to turn that around. Get up and work hard so you can fight to be number one. Your every dream will come true if you can just persevere through the challenges.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20) – You want to stay chill while you're surrounded by a crazy and hectic environment. Just relax and go with the flow. Keep your imagination free and your innovation bold.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21) – You want to do so many things that you're getting drowned in your work and all of those thoughts running through your mind are driving you crazy. Everything seems ruined and you may get distraught. Don't fret, because better days are just around the corner.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22) — You have a mix between both worlds. You are sensitive but you can see the best in everyone no matter who they are or what they do. You see the things that most others don't and you can count on your efforts being both noticed and appreciated.

LEO (July 23 - Aug 22) – You love to bask in the spotlight. You can go anywhere and be the center of attention and feel great. Use your theatrical and vivacious spirit to guide yourself through life step by step.

VIRGO (Aug 23 - Sept 22) – You're very practical when it comes to the way you live your life. You are diligent and care for other. Don't change; this seems to work for you.

LIBRA (Sept 23 - Oct 23) – You represent the balance between light and dark, success and failure. You can see the symbolism of a closed door and an open door always knowing which path to take. You will know which choice to make when the time comes. Just go with your gut.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 21) – You have incredible passion and power. Your emotions are strong and most certainly get in the way. But you have the strength to control these emotions so they work for you and not against you. Make the effort.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22 - Dec 21) – You always want more knowledge. You want to keep learning and keep going on and on with no end. You know that knowledge is power, so your academic performance will reach new heights.

CAPICORN (Dec 22 - Jan 19) — You are not a whimsical person. You give those around you a much-needed dose of reality. Nevertheless, you are sincere, and people are eager to hear what you've got to say.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20 - Feb 18) – You give so much to the outside world that you keep little in regards to personal belongings. Your spirit of giving will reward you a thousand fold.

PISCES (Feb 19 - March 20) - You lack wisdom but you are joyous on occasion. You have many hopes and fears that lead to pain and agony. But in the end, you will always get through it. No matter how hard it seems, everything will be all right.