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Q&A with Hadley

BY: HADLEY ANDUJAR

⇒ Q: What is FEMA and what do they do?

A: First off, FEMA stands for Federal Emergency Management Agency. The goal of FEMA, which is part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (as of 2003), is to "plan, prepare and mitigate" before, during, and after manmade and natural disasters and acts of terrorism. I think their job is pretty important, because they can handle situations at times of need in that federal branch.

Q: Many people have asked me how IS.75 is and is it a middle school you should go to?

A: IS.75 not only has a lot of opportunities, but great people waiting to meet you. From personal experience everyone I know has a good attitude and will always do good for you, if you do the same back. When you enter as a sixth grader, you'll see how big the school really is, and it may seem like a lot to handle, but as an eighth grader you will get the hang of it, and keep up with all your schoolwork. But as your final year in school, you should really prepare yourself for high school and what you want to be when you grow up. For me, I picture myself joining the

SPORTS WITH JOHN

BY: JOHN ESPOSITO

⇒ **Cornell Uni. Basketball Team**

Cornell University has a 6-1 record on their men's basketball team. This is an amazing record for them as that means 6 wins and one loss. They lost against Penn State and the score was 85-74 (Penn to Cornell). Cornell has many other sports that they do such as hockey and 34 other Varsity sports.



⇒ **Player of the Week: Leonard Fournette**

In the NFL game between the Buccaneers and the Colts, the Buccaneers won by only 7 points. Leonard Fournette got the most Touchdowns out of the Buccaneers by getting 3 TD. This is pretty bad considering his average 5.9 TD.

⇒ **Suns V. Warriors**

According to ESPN, "The battle for No. 1 in the NBA Power Rankings is on."

The Golden State Warriors, winners of seven straight games, take their league-best 18-2 record into Tuesday night's Western Conference showdown with the Phoenix Suns.

Phoenix, meanwhile, hasn't lost in over a month and is one win shy of matching the franchise record of 17 straight victories.

Elsewhere in the NBA, the defending champion Milwaukee Bucks are looking like themselves again and have successfully broken out of the Eastern Conference play-in race. Giannis Antetokounmpo and the Bucks have won seven straight ahead of a Wednesday night meeting with LaMelo Ball and the Charlotte Hornets."

military and being just like a lot of my family members, my brother stands out the most and I really hope I can be as successful as him with his accomplishments and work ethic. You should always influence yourself and try to strive to the best of your ability.

Q: Is learning a foreign language important?

A: Believe it or not, learning a foreign is a great thing to have up your sleeve. For example, Seventh and Eighth graders get into Spanish and understand the basics, and then the more challenging vocabulary and trying to hold a whole conversation. I think this pushes any student to work harder and push themselves to another extent. If I go more into my life, I am half puertorican, I don't know how to fluently speak spanish and recently I have discovered more things about my culture and words in spanish come to mind easier when you hear songs in that language. I think in IS.75 even being lucky enough to have a spanish class period is great, It is one of my favorite classes because even if I stress or make a mistake on pronouncing a word, at the end of the day it's just a start. I am happy to say though that everyone will get their fair share of learning a new language and when you grow up, if you don't know a new language, you can still try and even just know some slang. It's always good to try something new and incorporate the true benefits of another language in your life.



Bread's TV Show Review

BY: REAGAN COSTELLO

⇒ Little Witch Academia is about an ordinary girl who joins a girls witch academy for witches. In the beginning of the first episode, the main character admired a witch named Shiny Chariot and was excited about going to the place where she learned her skill. Because of Shiny Chariot, she dreamed of becoming a witch and attended "Luna Nova Witchcraft Academy". The main character goes around asking people if they know where the station to get to is, obviously excited about attending the school only to find out that there is no bus station in the town she is in. It only took her a little bit of time to notice that she was right there. From seeing others, everyone there is a witch besides the main character who is an ordinary girl. Overall, I would rate this a 7/10 and would recommend it.



Holiday Lights (in Brooklyn)!

BY: GABRIELLA ALONSO

⇒ The holiday season is now here, and it's time to celebrate! Many people decorate their houses, but others go all out every year. This year as a special treat I went to Dykers Heights located in Brooklyn, which is famous for the mesmerizing light displays most of the houses have. I'd like to share my experience with you and some photos I took so maybe you can go take a look at it too! I recommend wearing something warm since it can get pretty cold at night and you'll be doing a lot of walking. Another thing to keep in mind is that the lights shut off at around 9 pm. The best houses in my opinion are from 83rd to 86th Streets between 11th & 13th Ave. A lot of the more famous ones are there too! The houses were huge and were covered in all sorts of lights and decorations, I've honestly never seen anything like it. It's a place where your whole family can have a good time. Along with that, there's trucks with things like hot cocoa and popcorn all over so there's always room for a snack break. All in all, Dykers Heights is a great place to visit for the holidays!

VIDEO GAME REVIEW

BY: DAVID KAHT

Review is What I Say

We *review* games here... that's really it...

Hello! It's me, David, from Review is What I Say. No intro today, as this isn't the holiday issue. Do you like speedrunning games? No? Well it's ok, because we are talking about: [Sonic Mania](#)

As you'd probably expect from a Sonic game, the gameplay is fast. There are 5 characters, and all 5 characters have their own abilities. And all of them are LIGHTNING FAST! JEEZ! Robotnik and his egg head is gonna be roadkill once Sonic decides to run fast enough! Also, this game does something very interesting by having retro style 16-bit graphics. At first, this might seem like a weird choice, until you remember the game was made by a team of fans that wanted to celebrate the 90's era of Sonic. And the pixel style makes for some of the best animation I've seen in a Sonic game- no. VIDEO game. It's just SO! DANG! EXPRESSIVE!!! It is just a great celebration of all things 90's era Sonic, and is so faithful to the originals, yet isn't trying to copy it. It isn't even trying to feel like it! It just... IT JUST DOES!!! And the weirdest thing is that Sega hasn't made a good Sonic game in like 20 years. It's a miracle that they were able to finally squeeze a good one out. This is, in fact, what I think is the best Sonic game. I don't think you should JUST take my word for it. You should see for yourself. Sonic Mania, baby! (Speeding onto every console near you 4 years ago!)



A SNOWY MISTAKE

BY: WANIA ISLAM



➔ My best friend and I were sledding down a steep hill when all of a sudden we were nearing a cliff. "Whoa! I think we are going to fall!" I said." Rose replied, "I don't think we can stop the sled in time, Rachel!" We fell from the cliff, screaming and hugging. It was a good thing there was a deep white blanket of snow beneath us. We landed on the snow and shook the snow off us. "Where exactly are we?" Rose said. I shrugged. Suddenly, we both heard some footsteps behind us. Rose hid behind my back, afraid. I was brave enough to say, " Show yourself!" We both gasped. A beautiful horse was standing before us. The horse swept us up and was riding us through a snow wonderland. We rode on her for some time and saw a village. I and Rose continued our journey until she took us to a castle that was built with snow. "This. Is. So. COOL!" Rose said. "I know right?!" I replied. As we entered the castle, there were floors

COVID CHRISTMAS

BY: OLAOLUWAPO SEGUN

⇒ Covid has been cluttering Santa's delivery schedule due to the fact that his reindeer were sick from the virus. Santa has been contributing to the pandemic too. Kids have been missing their friends. Santa was cranking up toys to cheer kids up. He redesigned his sleigh to make him and his reindeer to be 6 feet apart to follow the government rules. He also had to wear a magic holiday mask. He put some on his reindeer too. He also made sure to have him, his workshop, and his reindeer to be sanitized. Oh. And his elves. Now they wear gloves when they work. They even installed a magic sanitizing station for Santa. The elves also wear these magic masks.* Santa is ready to go! He wants you to not be naughty, but nice because... Santa Claus is coming to town!

made of ice. Then came a woman in an elegant white gown. The woman said, "Welcome girls! My horse saw you guys falling from a cliff, and she told me that you two may want to go home. I thought I would let her ride you, but this can only be done in one condition. You will have to find a tiara in a cave. Find it and you will get what you want!" We left the castle and rode the horse to start our quest. "Why can't she just find the tiara herself? Couldn't she send the horse to ride us home?" Rose said while we were riding. "I was thinking the same thing, but we should listen to the lady," I said. Rose nodded and we stopped near a cave. The horse was waiting to stand in the cold. We went inside, each lit a torch, and saw a diamond snow tiara. We got the tiara quickly because we thought there might be booby traps, like in the movies. Luckily, there were none. "That was easy," I said. Rose nodded. When we came back, we could not find the horse. A blizzard was fogging the sky. Rose and I were standing in the cold. "Look, I see something!" Rose said. We looked carefully. The horse dashed through the snow and swept us on her back. We rode back to the castle. When we came in, something unexpected happened. The princess trapped us when we came inside. She took the tiara and wickedly said, "I will not let go! You must stay because I have more tasks for you. You two will help me become STRONGER!" Then she laughed evilly. I and Rose looked at each other in fear and confusion. Then I said, "You lied! You said you were going to take us home!" She ignored us and kept us there for some time. After some time Rose said, "We can't stay here! We have to escape!" Rose grabbed a pocket knife and cut the ice bars that kept us locked. We ran and found the horse. "Horse please take us home!" I said hurriedly. She swept us on her back and rode us home. After that, we went to our homes and never told anyone what had happened to us. Since that day, we have never seen that kind horse and the wicked lady.



Home Sweet Home Review

BY: LUKE THOMAS

"Home Sweet Home Alone" is a 2021 live action movie that takes place within the universe of the 5 other Home Alone movies, (Yes there's five of them). This movie is like the original but with a modern twist, and it's worse. The original Home Alone could be humorous, charming, heartwarming and many other things. This movie tries but fails

SNUG HARBOR LIGHT FESTIVAL

BY: MAKAYLA HULTA-BARCIA

⇒ A couple of weeks ago I went to the Snug Harbor Light Festival with some close friends and family. I had a really great time there and so did everyone else, including the people I was with. There were a lot of places to take cute pictures with the neon lights. There were many different animals, insects, fish and famous holiday figures covering the park. There was hot cocoa, snacks and food. There were also light up rides such as swings and a seesaw which were very fun as well. There was a lot more to do that I have not even mentioned like the light show and more. Sadly it's last date did already occur but hopefully it will happen next year!

COMICS

BY: JEREMIAH GHALY, JOSH BASTIDA, WANIA ISLAM, DAVID KAHT

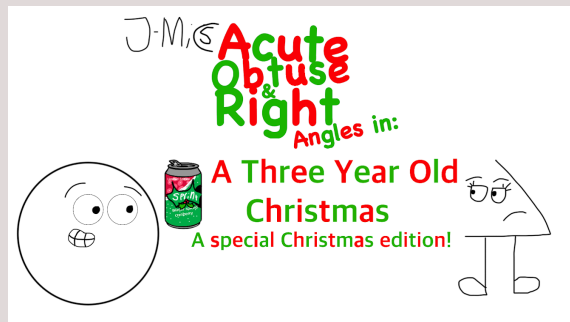
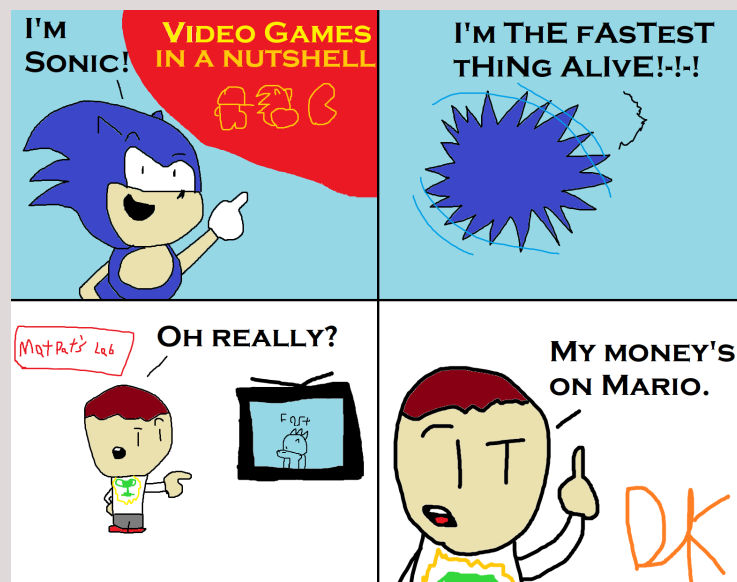


astronomically. Every character is either annoying or so bland and dry that they leave no impact on the viewer. This movie tries so hard to be the original but fails. Overall I'd give it a 2/10 and even that is ignoring most of its many, many, MANY flaws.



Hi Paulo Panthers, today I am presenting you with holiday movies to watch... by Amanda Rose Monaghan.

Unless you live under a rock or never put a tv on, there are hundreds of holiday movies to watch. Hallmark , Freeform, ABC family are a few channels offering 25 days of holiday movies. Some are classics like Miracle on 34th street or A Christmas Carol. There are also comedies like Elf, The Santa Clause, and Home Alone. Krampus is not for the easily



scared as the horror genre had to get one in. Some would argue Die Hard isn't a Christmas movie, but it does take place on Christmas Eve so... it can be considered a holiday one.

Lets not forget when Ralphie shot his eye out in A Christmas Story or Jim Carry made us laugh as the Grinch or Adam Sandler reminded us about Hanukkah in Eight Crazy Nights. Arnold was looking for that special toy in Jingle All the Way. My mom's favorites are Christmas Vacation, 4 Christmases and Fred Clause.

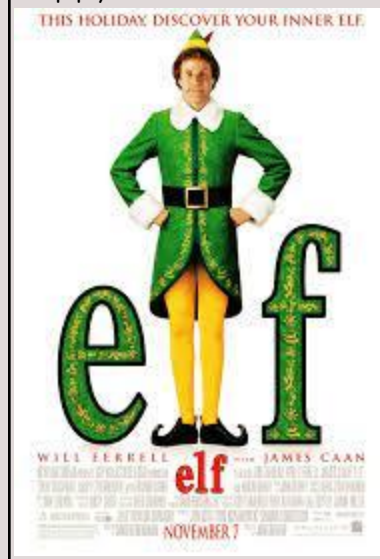
My brothers watch A Christmas Vacation every year and can quote Clark Griswold.

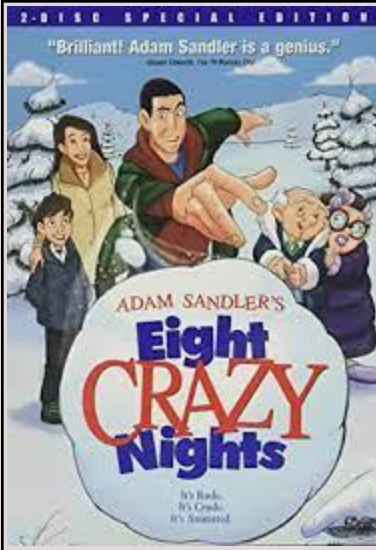
Whether it be a comedy like Christmas with the Kranks or a sappy romantic Hallmark movie like A Wish for Christmas or Silver Bells or a cartoon like Annabelle's Wish or Rudolph, watch what makes you smile, puts you in the holiday spirit and always remember should you miss one..they will all be back next year! Happy Watching!



This year at IS76 we are celebrating Family Holiday Traditions!

Here are a few images of the holidays that are celebrated this holiday season!





THE CHRISTMAS CHRONICLES

BY: BEATRICE PALMIERI

It's Christmas time. It's cold. Time to turn on the TV and watch a movie. But what movie? What about a movie that's funny and includes family, and adventure? Then watch the Netflix original movie, Christmas Chronicles! In this movie, a brother and sister find Santa Claus and help him on a mission (after some sled difficulties). But, Santa isn't used to the regular human way and gets caught by the cops. But Santa won't dispare! He finds a way to escape, just in time to save Christmas.

In this family Christmas movie, the story is clear that it is all about two siblings coming together. They

NO HOMEWORK FOR MIRA



A Tale of Magic Book series review

BY: IMAYA JAYAWARDENE

You may have heard of Chris Colfer. Hmm.. maybe not. What about the movie Marmaduke? I haven't heard of that either.. Then what about the Tale of Magic Series?! Well you're about to find out about the mysteries & adventures young Brystal Evergreen must venture to solve. A Tale of Magic is a fantasy novel series written by Chris Colfer that consists of 3 books: A Tale of Magic, a Tale of Witchcraft, and a Tale of Sorcery. A young woman that goes by the name Brystal Evergreen lives in the Southern Kingdom, where women are forbidden to read & magic is outlawed. Even so, she takes many risks and is enlisted as the maid of a library. She cautiously reads books when no one is looking and discovers that she herself could perform magic but is caught reading by the librarian. After being taken to the courthouse, Madam Weatherberry finds and recruits Brystal to her academy of magic along with a few others that Brystal soon makes friends with; Xanthous (who specializes in fire) and Emeraldal (who specializes in gems). At the academy, they meet Tangerina, Skylene, and Lucy. A

start off lying to each other and being rude. But over time, through this experience, they come closer together and start to understand each other better. So, through this movie, one can learn to be a true believer.



dangerous act with Madam Weatherberry occurs, and Brystal is listed as her new successor. Madam Weatherberry had previously attempted to sort out fairies as good and witches as the bad, so she leaves Brystal and her friends to help untangle this battle between herself & the dangerous Snow Queen, but....??

Later on, Brystal, her friends, and the community of magic have asked that magic be legalized and that women would be given their rights. But how did they persuade them? Or did they even? Huge plot twists happen throughout this series, as this description was just the beginning of the adventure!

Definitely recommending this book series with a 5/5!! The way the author wrote the story is just very beautiful & delightful to read, from the get go! This series is also very similar to the style of Harry Potter, for the Hogwarts lovers out there!

(The book series is on the Sora App, as well as the audio book!!)

PS: Can you believe that the first two books of the series stayed as #1 on The New York Times Best Sellers List for 17 weeks?

