



7th Street Sailor

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7th Street Sailor at Terranea Resort

By the staff of the 7th Street Sailor

The editors of the 7th Street Sailor joined seven other elementary student newspapers at the PressFriends Annual Conference held at Terranea Resort.

We went to sessions with journalists in the morning. Lauren Whaley taught us about multimedia; Jake de Grazia taught us about blogging, Jeremy Rosenberg taught us about writing art reviews, Tom Combs taught us about sports writing, and Nikki Ueda and Tina Wood taught us about interviewing and newswriting.



Principal Lisa Saldivar and 7th Street Sailor reporters

Afterwards, we had lunch with our mentors at the beach. It was beautiful!

In the afternoon, we had more sessions—learning

about animals, learning how to draw a dolphin, hatching grunion fish, or going on a nature walk. We had a great time! ❖

South Bay Ballet's Coppelia

By Tyler C.

On May 31, 2011, I saw a wonderful ballet performance. The South Bay Ballet provided the tickets free to several nonprofit groups including PressFriends, which helps us run the 7th Street Sailor.

The performance was from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We had two intermissions and the snacks were free too.

The performance was about a girl who lives in Hun-

gary, and she likes a boy. They try to get together, but he leaves. Later, he finally admits that he wanted to be with her, but by then, she didn't want to be with him.

Meanwhile, Dr. Coppelius makes dolls that look like people. They're wound so they can work.

Anyway, the girl, Swanilda, and the boy, Franz, get married and were very happy together. ❖



Tyler & Kenjo C. with two performers

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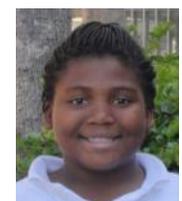
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Ms. Donna Dragich

By Blake F.

One of the interesting teachers here at 7th Street is Donna Dragich. Her favorite color is purple. Her favorite book is Parts. Her favorite food is a white birthday cake.

One of her teachers inspired her to become a teacher. If she had to thank someone, she would thank her mom for all she had done. Her favorite season is spring. If she had to go to a place, it

would be Antarctica or South America.

I interviewed her because I think she is very interesting, and I learned a lot from when I interviewed Miss Dragich. ❖



Donna Dragich

Ms. Sabrina Diaz-Duran

By Isabel H., Fourth Grade

Miss Diaz is an excellent teacher. She said, "I wanted to be a teacher so I could help make a difference in children's lives."

Miss Diaz has been teaching for 6 years. She thinks it is fun teaching because the kids make it interesting. Her favorite subject is math be-

cause she likes working with numbers and solving problems.

"I liked 5th grade because my teacher made it fun," said Miss Diaz. "I also wanted to be an actress when I was a kid and when I got older, I wanted to work for a fashion magazine."

When she was little, Miss Diaz believed in everything she was told about like monsters, ghosts, and spirits.

Miss Diaz's hobby is dancing and hanging out with friends.

Miss Diaz said, "I love baseball and the Lakers!" ❖



Ms. Sabrina Diaz-Duran

Riddles

Arranged by Liliana Linan and Daniela Johnson

"Knock, Knock."
"Who's there?"
"Ya."
"Yahoo?"
".com!"



"Knock, knock."
"Who's there?"
"Boo."
"Boo who?"
"Why are you crying?"

Q: Washington's wife washed Washington's clothes in the washing machine. How many "w"s are there in all?
A: None. All is "a-l-l".



Q: A group of survivors' plane crashed. How did they die?
A: They didn't, they were survivors.

"Knock, knock."
"Who's there?"
"I wish."
I wish who?
"I wish for more jokes and riddles."



Selena Gomez and Justin Bieber

By India H.



Have you ever heard of pop sensation Selena Gomez? She is a Disney Channel star also. When she was five years old she was on Barney. When she was 12, she wanted to start being in movies. She was 15 when her career finally took off.

A few years later, Selena was in a movie called *Prin-*

cess Protection Program with co-star Demi Lovato.

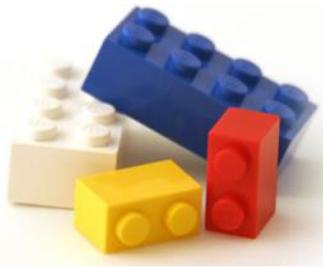
At age 17, Selena Gomez started to date a new pop star named Justin Bieber. It didn't take long for the Bieber fans to become jealous of Selena Gomez. There were rumors that a month after they were dating, Selena Gomez got punched

in the face by a Justin Bieber fan

Then when her best friend, Demi Lovato, was in the hospital, Selena Gomez made a heartfelt song called "Who Says" that was for her. Reportedly, Selena said that she has been bullied so much by Justin Bieber fans she could feel the pain. ❖

Very Fun Toys

By August K.



Toys are fun unless you don't have any. Toys can be any price, from 99 cents to hundreds of dollars or more.

I think the best toys are Legos, Nerf guns, and Slinkys. I like Legos because I like making cars and other stuff. I like Nerf guns because they



are fun to play with neighbors, friends, and family.

Slinkys are also fun to play with because if you have a rainbow slinky and make it go down the stairs, you can see all the colors moving.

I hope you liked this article. Tell more friends and family about this article. Thank you. ❖

Pie

By Jackson P.



Pie is a delicious, yummy dessert. It comes in many flavors like apple. There are many more good flavors.

Some of the most popular flavors are pumpkin, cherry, and berry. Pie can be found in most restaurants and bak-

eries. They are usually about \$5-\$20 each. If you like lemons, you should try lemon-meringue pie. It is very creamy and has lots of lemon. If you like cherry pries, you should try cherry pie. It is full of cherries and

has lots of tasty dough. It is also very red looking. Pie is very great. ❖



Maximum Ride series is Max Fun

By Hannah P.

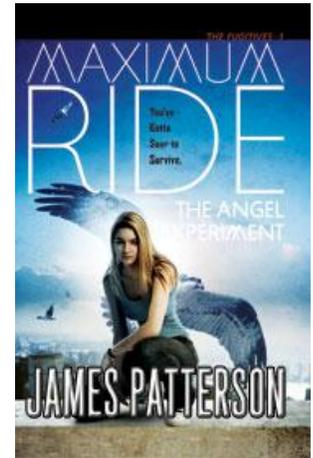
Maximum Ride: An Amazing Series
By Hannah Peril

Have you ever read the series called Maximum Ride by James Patterson? Well, if you haven't, you HAVE TO! It's the most amazing series EVER! I love it!

The series Maximun Ride is about six kids who were

born in a test tube. They had bird DNA grafted into them. Then, years later, after living in dog crates for years, one of the scientists busts them out and moves them into a house far up in the Colorado Mountains. Then four years later, the scientist named Jeb left them, and the flock thought he was dead, but five years

later, erasers, actually wolf-men, attack and they find out that Jeb was actually alive and was still actually alive. As they move farther into the series the flock must fight off evil scientists and all of their evil creations. What else happens to the flock? Read the series and find out about their crazy adventures. ❖



Harry Potter series

By Christina R.

The Harry Potter series has seven books, seven books for the seven years at Hogwarts.

Harry Potter is a special kid. He's special because he's a wizard. His parents died from a dark wizard named Lord Voldemort. When Voldemort tried to destroy Harry, he couldn't, because Harry's mother sacrificed herself for her one-year-old son.

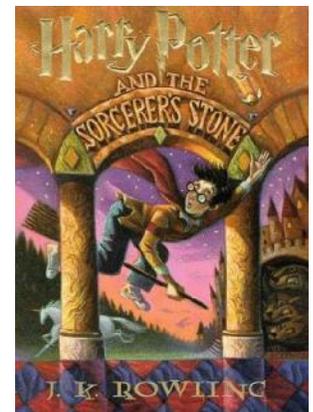
After that happened, Harry was to live with his cousin, aunt and uncle.

When Harry gets mail telling him to go to Hogwarts, Harry was excited and nervous.

On the way to the train, he finds out where it is. It is between platforms 11 and 12. Trying to get through, Harry sees a kid named Ron go through.

On the train, both Harry and Ron meet Hermione. When they get to Hogwarts, and Dumbledore calls Harry's name, everyone gasped. After the ceremony was done, Harry, Ron, and Hermione were all in the same house, Gryffindore.

Later on, the trio will be in big trouble when Harry finds himself with Voldemort in The Sorcerer's Stone. ❖



What's Your Favorite Video Game Console?

By Elijah M.

Video games are a popular pastime. Nowadays, there are so many to choose from.

The 7th Street Sailor asked a random sample of twenty

Seventh Street students which game unit was their favorite.

There was no match for the Wii, which had 55% of the vote. The Nintendo 3DS, PS3 and PS 1 each got 10% of

the vote, and the Xbox and PSP2 got only 5%.

No one voted for the Game Cube, PSP, Game Boy, DS, PS1 or PSP Go. What's your favorite? ❖





If I had a Dog

By Angelina M.

If I had a dog, I would care for it all the time. If I had a dog I would feed it every day. Sometimes I would wash it. Maybe I would walk it. Sometimes I would train it. I will teach it

how to roll over, maybe jump high, maybe 20 feet high!

If I had a dog, I would put her in a dog show. I could play with her outside. I would let her sleep in my room next to my bed.

I would go to the park with my dog. I would close the door and let her go but would never let her go on the street. Most of all, I would love her so much. I would never ever let her go.❖



My Fish Jazzy

By Marisa J.

I have a fish named Jazzy. Jazzy is a type of fish called Betta. Jazzy is a blue and beautiful male Betta. There are only two colors Betta can be. It can only be red and blue.

Jazzy has these very thin fins and tail. Jazzy's body might be beautiful, but his face looks mad and ugly. Betta fish aren't very hungry,

so I only feed Jazzy three tiny pieces of food.

Usually Betta fish only live for several months, but Jazzy has lived for a year! Jazzy was really my mom's gift for Mother's Day (so it's my mom's), but since she doesn't take care of it, I do.

My mom also had a Betta fish at my age. My grandma doesn't really care about fish.

Betta fish can jump out like they do in the ocean. My mom was worried. My grandma didn't put a lid on top of the fish bowl. The next morning, the fish jumped out and died. That's one reason why I put a lid on top of my fish bowl. Now my mom is like my grandma (careless)! I'm like my mom when she was young.❖



Why You Should Have a Hamster

By Paula A.

These are some reasons why you should have a hamster.

The first reason why you should have a hamster is because they are so cute.

The second reason is be-

cause they are fluffy.

The third reason is because they are playful.

The fourth reason why is because they are funny. They make weird noises. Also, they stand on their back.

The fifth reason why is because you could buy them a house, any color. You could also buy them a TV. Also, you could name them, and take them anywhere, like Las Vegas or San Diego.❖

SHORT STORIES

The Leopard

By Daniel J.

One day a leopard named Yee Shnot was lonely. He asked the other animals if he could play with them.

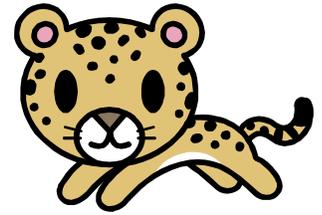
Amigo, the monkey, said, "No! You are ugly and are too short!"

So Yee Shnot asked Sombrero. Sombrero is an elephant. He said, "No. Your name sounds like 'Snot.'"

So Yee Shnot asked the wise chicken. All he said was, "You have to use your brain and you will have friends."

So all night Yee Shnot thought and thought and then he had an idea. The next day he had a long neck and changed his name to Giraffe.

Soon a bunch of leopards copied him and became giraffes too.❖



The Girl With Blond Wavy Hair

By Tyler C.

"Angelina, let's go! Are you even ready yet?" Mother said.

"But Mom-"

"No buts! Get in the car now, I will grab your luggage!"

"Mom, please, I just have one question. Am I going to have to be homeschooled in Chicago too?"

"Yes!" her mother said,

"Now in the car, NOW!"

"Ugh!" Angelina said.

Angelina and her mom packed up and drove to Chicago, their new home.

"Mom, now that we're in Chicago, can I go to a public school, just to make friends?"

"Um, let me think about that, um, NO!"

Angelina tried to go to the public school.

"Um, hi, I am a new student. My name is Angelina Sailor, I just moved here."

"Well, you interrupted my class. I don't have a new student, and if this is a prank, you're expelled!" said a lady with glasses and a pointer stick.

"Well, I tried everything. I think I'll just go to my parents one last time before I give up!" Angelina said.

But before Angelina could say another word, her mother was telling her that she would finally let her go to a public school.

So, Angelina Sailor finally got her way, and she got to make a lot of new friends and also became the most popular, most beautiful, and most talented girl in the whole school!❖



The Story of Paco

By Angel S.

Once upon a time there was a dog named Paco. It was a boy. He loved bones so much he never stopped eating them.

One day, Paco ran away and didn't come back for two weeks. We got him at my

friend's house. She took care of him until we got him.

Once when I went to bed and I woke up, and in the middle of the night when I sat up, Paco was laying on me and then he licked my whole face and it felt weird because I just

woke up. Then in the morning I gave him breakfast, and I ate breakfast. Then we went to walk him to the dog park. We took him home to go to sleep. We woke him up and gave him two bones. And that's the end.❖





Message From Mrs. Saldivar

To the wonderful students, staff, and families of 7th Street School:

I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you for an incredible year. This was my first year as a principal and all of you have made it extremely memorable.

I enjoyed getting pies in my face at the Harvest Festival, watching you sing, dance, and perform at the Talent Show, serving you at McDonald's Night, celebrating with you as you receive awards for attendance, academics, citizenship, homework, and reading, and

walking in your classrooms to see you at your best.

Each day brought new challenges and experiences for which I feel fortunate to have experienced with the 7th Street Community.

I would also like to thank PressFriends for inviting 7th Street to work with their organization. Because of our work with them, our students were able to experience writing and publishing newspaper articles. I hope this encourages more students to join the newspaper next year and inspires more students to develop a love for writing. All of you have a story to tell



and I look forward to reading all about them in the future.

I look forward to another successful year in 2011-2012 and hope that you have a wonderful summer together with friends and family.

Fondly,

Mrs. Saldivar



Free Summer Writing Workshop at the CMA

Join PressFriends for a science writing workshop at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium on August 6, 2011, and be published in *CMA Kids News*. We'll be learning about tidepools and writing about the marine animals in this fun and FREE writing workshop. Students' articles will be published in the summer issue of *CMA Kids News*. Sign-up online at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/cmakids6>. ❖

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