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Ever tried a Jones Soda?

This soda brand is noted for its unique flavors and labels. And one of Fordson's own, senior Zeinab Farhat, will have her photo featured on a Jones' Soda label. At Ms. Patrick's urging, Zeinab entered several photographs and just recently received a letter informing her that her "photo was part of the 1% of ALL submitted photos that have been chosen to be on a bottle for the world to see!"

Congratulations, Zeinab. We will all be on the hunt to locate one of your labels.

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12 FL OZ 355 mL

Nutrition Facts
Serving size 1 bottle (355 mL)
Amount per serving
Calories 160

	% Daily Value
Total Fat 0g	0%
Sodium 35mg	2%
Total Carbohydrate 36g	13%
Total Sugars 35g	
Includes 35g Added Sugars	70%
Protein 0g	

Not a significant source of saturated fat, trans fat, cholesterol, dietary fiber, vitamin D, calcium, iron, and potassium.

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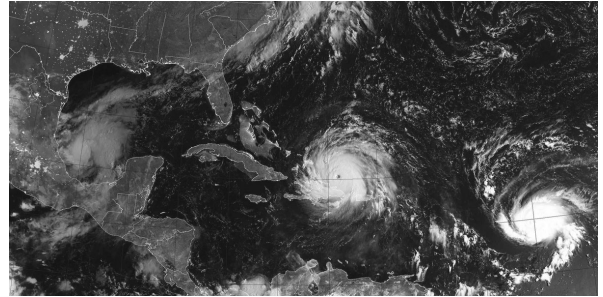


Congratulations to the Girls Cross Country Team who placed 2nd at the Charger Invitational on September 22nd. The girls are currently 3-3 in the Western Wayne Athletic Conference. The girls will be competing in the WWAC all league meet on October 17th at Nankin Mills Park in Northville. The girls are expected to improve on their finish



Hurricane Season By: Hanin Elgahassan

“Catastrophic” and “destructive” are just two words used to describe the 2017 hurricane season. If you’ve watched the news recently, you’ve most likely heard about Hurricane Harvey, Jose, etc. Atlantic “Hurricane Season” began on June 1st and ends on November 30th. So far, there have been thirteen recorded storms and seven hurricanes: Bret, Don, Cindy, Emily, Arlene, Franklin, Lee, Gert, Maria, Irma and Harvey. As of now, three hurricanes have hit and caused major destruction: Harvey, Irma and Maria. Hurricane Harvey hit the gulf coast of Texas and had a death toll of an estimated 60 people, caused major flooding and damage that will cost billions. Soon after Harvey hit, Hurricane Irma ravished the Caribbean; it destroyed Barbuda, touched Puerto Rico, and then made its way onto Florida. Irma resulted in large floods, storm surges, power outages, a death toll of approximately 42 people in Florida alone, and billions of dollars in damage. The areas hit by Harvey and Irma are also dealing with toxic water full of bacteria, sewage, pollutants, etc. Almost apocalyptically, two more hurricanes followed Irma and Harvey: Hurricane Jose and Maria. While Hurricane Jose caused minimal damage, Hurricane Maria ravaged the Dominican Republic and destroyed Puerto Rico. In the Dominican Republic, buildings and infrastructure have been destroyed, and their agriculture sector has been devastated. In Puerto Rico, the people have little to no access to water, medical care, and communication. Additionally, the aging power grid has been almost entirely destroyed and could take months to repair or replace. In times like these, it’s essential to start or seek fundraisers and donate to those in need. There are many relief funds that can be found throughout the internet such as: red-cross.org, dominicarelief.org, mariafund.org, etc. Make sure you donate to a **reliable**, *legit organization*.



Key Club

Fordson Key Club members attended Gleaners Food Bank in Taylor two weeks ago. The group spent time packaging food for those less fortunate. Over 30 members attended the event and packaged 800 pounds of potatoes while filling roughly 100/10 pound boxes of dried goods for those who live in southeast Michigan.



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Original Poetry By: Munira Obaid



**"Y'all be thinking I'm a hopeless girl
 But I'm not
 I'm actually way different than what y'all thought
 I'm not hopeless
 I'm just toneless
 I let my mind speak
 Just so I won't be so weak
 I let my heart stay silent
 To keep down my broken violent
 Even if it's not fair
 I still care
 Yes it hurts
 And no I ain't saying These words so I can rhyme
 I'm just saying them to inform you how to not make a crime
 World to cruel
 But day by day ppl be adding more fuel "**

Choir Happenings

Even though we are only a few weeks into the school year, the Fordson choirs have been very busy.

Sunday, October 1st, the Chamber Choir sang with the National Arab Orchestra at the Civic Center.

Thursday, October 5th, the Chamber Choir sang for the Arab-American Civil Rights League 6th Annual Fight for Justice Gala. This event also took place at the Civic Center. The key note speaker was Asha Deliverance, the mother of the man who was killed standing up for a Muslim woman on a bus in Portland.

In the next few weeks, they will begin a computer programming and composition collaboration with Macro-Connect in Detroit. The students will learn Ruby (the programming language used by such businesses as Twitter and Bloomberg) and use it to create original compositions. The final project will be a live cast on their Facebook page.

Speaking of Facebook, follow the Fordson choirs at facebook.com/FordsonHighSchoolChoir.

Thank you for giving us something to sing about Fordson Choir.

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Fordson Fun Facts By: Khadija Jomaa

1. Over 97% of Fordson's students are of Middle Eastern Descent.
2. Fordson used to house The Wheel Inn before it moved over to the Michael Berry Center and also had a printing department.
3. The Fordson library includes statues of Roman and Greek gods and goddesses, such as Nike and Athena.
4. During WWII, the Fordson Tower was used to see any enemy airplanes that might have been going to the Ford Rouge Plant (which built tanks at the time).
5. Brian Stone, a writer from Huffington Post, said that Fordson was admired for its large amount of students that went on to attend Ivy League schools, like Harvard and Yale.
6. A tradition that began in 1991, known as the Winthrop trip, allowed several Fordson juniors and seniors to travel to Winthrop, Washington to teach elementary school students about Michigan's history and politics, but it unfortunately ended in 2012.
7. Fordson is known for its amazing football team, which is one of the highest ranked teams in Michigan.
8. One of Fordson's treasured traditions is the blue stripes on the football team's maize helmets. Freshmen get no stripes, the JV team gets one stripe, while the Varsity team has 2 stripes on their helmets.
9. Since the class of 1956 gifted our school with 76 flags of the United Nations, each graduating class has presented a gift to Fordson.
10. In 2011, a movie named *Fordson: Faith, Fasting, Football* came out about Fordson's football players

Girls Swimming By: Zaineab Jabber

Splash! The girls swim team kicked off their season with a meet against Dearborn High. The Pioneers prevailed, but the Lady Tractor swimmers showed grit and have been improving ever since. They are well into the season and are looking for a competitive Western Wayne Athletic Conference All League performance which will be held on Wednesday, November 1st at Belleville High School. Coach Garcia reports that "we have a huge team which is unusual. We're doing okay so far with a 2-4 record and are improving daily." The girls have already formed a tight bond which, along with two great coaches, will push the girls to excellence. Good luck to the Fordson swim team as they finish out their season.

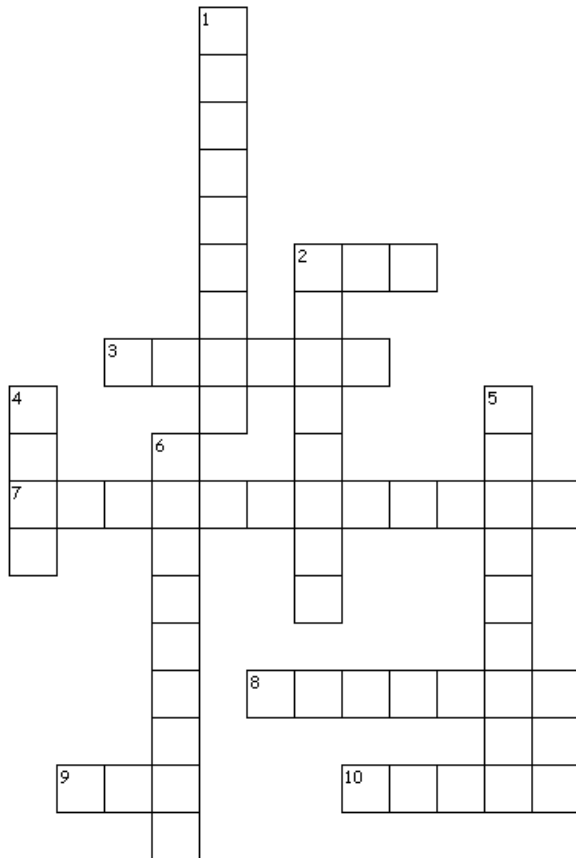


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Cassini-Huygens Mission By: Hanin Elhagehassan

The Cassini Mission, set up by NASA, ASI, and the ESA, sent up a probe to study Saturn. Cassini lasted 19 years (launched Oct. 15, 1997) in space and spent 13 of those years orbiting the planet. It was an orbit from June 30, 2004 until it was deliberately plunged into Saturn's atmosphere on September 15, 2017. Scientists wanted to eliminate any possibility of Cassini contaminating Saturn's moons in case of future exploration. Every moment of the Cassini Mission provided scientists with rich data regarding Saturn and its moons. It created maps of Saturn's gravity and magnetic fields, estimated the composition of the rings, found evidence of water on Enceladus, found/provided information about a methane lake on Titan, and more. Even in its last moments, Cassini took measurements and photos (which were too dangerous to attempt previously) of Saturn. The Cassini-Huygens Mission will leave behind a legacy as it has paved the way for discovery and allowed humanity to take another leap towards understanding the universe. You can find images taken before its suicidal dive into Saturn's atmosphere at saturn.jpl.nasa.gov/galleries/images.

Fordson Crossword by: Sukayna Davnzo



Across

2. You need to have at least one of these credits to graduate
3. Pride, Tradition, and...
7. The name of Fordson's newspaper
8. What is the Fordson mascot?
9. How many games are there in the football season?
10. What should you do the day before a test?

Down

1. This class is taught by Mrs. Fahs
2. Fordson's principal
4. Not allowed to be worn in the hallway
5. Fordson was founded by this person
6. The new policy doesn't allow this to be used in classrooms

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Boys Tennis By: David Tran

From the humid days in late August to the blazing sunny days in September, these boys don't know when to quit. The Boys Tennis team has been improving and achieving better results than ever before. The team has participated in two tournaments so far and played several matches. Their overall record is 3-1-4, and at two tournaments, the Muldowney and Hadley Invitationals, Fordson placed third as a team and as individuals had an abundant amount of second and third place winners. Later in October, the team will be facing their biggest challenges, leagues and regionals, where their skills will be pushed to the limit. Fordson wishes the best of luck to this team, and we hope to see the spirit of Fordson Tennis shine like never before.



STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Ms. Altomonte, the Student Government sponsor is excited about the upcoming year. This year's Student Government Advisors and Executive Board members are listed below.

President: Reem Abouzeid
 Vice President: Mohamed Baiz
 Treasurer: David Tran
 Recording Secretary: Layla Sabrah
 General Secretary: Israa Ghazi
 Corresponding Secretary: Alabas Farhat

Advisors:

Senior Class of 2018: Raefah Saab and Rawa Ganfi
 Junior Class of 2019: Zeinab Allie
 Sophomore Class of 2020: Dimitria Korogiannis and Monica Kubitz
 Freshman Class of 2021: Leila Beydoun

The homecoming parade will take place on Friday, October 13th starting at 5:30. The parade will take the group on a route through the neighborhoods surrounding Fordson High School. The football game will start at 7:00 against Redford Thurston. Also, the Junior Class of 2019 will be sponsoring the Homecoming dance on Saturday, October 14th. Buy your tickets soon. It's a dance you don't want to miss.

Student Government will also be selling school spirit gear all year long with Mr. Teets in the Tractor Stop Shop. You can choose from shirts, hoodies, beanies, water bottles, and lanyards. Stop by A-106 or the Tractor Stop Shop for more details.

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// Film Review By: Allaa Ridha

You've probably heard of the recent film adaptation of Stephen King's *It*. Whether "it" was through an advertisement or because you're a horror movie fanatic, this film has attracted major national attention. While some fear a child-eating clown, hence avoiding the movie at all costs, I was drawn to the growing excitement. After having watched the movie, I have grown less enthusiastic to head to a carnival anytime soon. The theatre experience was quite entertaining, with the added benefit of being accompanied by terrified huddled buddies (be sure to bring someone extra jumpy with you). The casting of the children was exceptional. They brought a genuine and humorous performance to such a frightening film. And we owe a round of applause to the infamous Mr. Pennywise played by the (less scary) Bill Skarsgard for his intensely psychotic performance! I dare you to watch *It*, if you're brave enough of course. There's no better way of saying this, than to simply go out and get your pants scared off. If you have or haven't watched it yet, right from your phone to see what character you

take a fun interactive quiz would be.



Scan this QR Code to go straight into the *IT* quiz:

Student Spotlight By: David Tran

Name: Moe Moussa

Grade: Senior

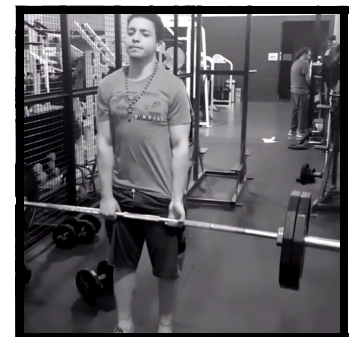
Facts: Gym Lover, Intelligent, AP Student

Meet Moe Moussa!

This student is an insider, but once you get to know him, it's another story.

Moe was once a shy kid at Fordson who didn't know anyone. He tended not to have much energy. However, all that changed. Now that he has been at Fordson for a few years, Moe began to excel in his classes and become one of the most intelligent kids in his class, especially in science. In his junior year, Moe took Honors Physics, like many kids do and he became very fond of this subject and decided to take AP Physics as a senior instead of taking it easy like seniors usually do. He is being pushed by his AP Physics teacher and is enjoying the instruction. Moe Moussa has great ambition and will do whatever it takes to be accepted into his dream school: the University of Michigan of Ann Arbor. Moe Moussa is involved in clubs and sports, but he does take time to help teachers in their work from time to time. He also helps Mr. Teets run the Stop Shop. I personally know Moe, so I tend to "one-up" him multiple times in class. I asked him, who his inspiration is, and who keeps him running? He quickly answered with Eminem, adding that "Eminem is distinctive, and he is not like all the other rappers. He is unique and doesn't follow the norms of society."

That is all I have about Moe Moussa. Catch us next time in the Tower Tribune for your latest Student Spotlight!



Crossword Puzzle Solutions

Down:
 1. AP Biology
 2. Art
 3. Legacy
 4. Hats
 5. Henry Ford
 6. Cellphone
 7. Tower Tribune
 8. Tractor
 9. Ten
 10. Study

Across:

After School Tutoring

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

2:25-3:25pm

in the
Media Center



Tutoring available
for Math, Language
Arts, Social Studies,
and Science

Computer access
available

Homecoming Football Game

Fordson vs Redford Thurston

7:00 PM Friday, Oct. 13th

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