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LGHS hosts an unforgettable Sadies

by Elizabeth Monsef

News Editor

The annual LGHS Sadie Hawkins Dance was held on Fri., March 20, from 8 to 10 PM. This year's dress up theme was Cartoons. LGHS students went all out in an array of different costumes based on cartoons from the past and present. Some costumes included Peter Pan and Wendy or Tinkerbell, The Fairly Oddparents, Popeye and Olive Oyl, Mickey and Minnie Mouse, and several different superhero duos. Sadies gave girls a chance to get creative and ask a fellow student or student from another high school as a date.

The dance was planned by the LGHS Leadership class, which is run by students and advisor Stephanie Bulaich. Leadership put several weeks of planning into the dance, and the result was another success. The informal costume dance featured a balloon entrance, lights, a photo booth, custom caricature drawings, and student DJ, senior Efe Torunoglu. Torunoglu has performed at LGHS's Thursday Night Live and yet again at Sadie Hawkins. He says, "My favorite part was... Well its hard to choose. There were segments where I played my favorite tunes and I felt like I was exposing everyone to new music and it felt like

one big listening party, and other times where we all listened to songs we knew and all got down together. I loved both parts." Torunoglu enjoyed the experience and gave it a ten out of ten, saying he would definitely do it again.

Additionally, the students competed in the annual costume contest. Senior Liat Rubin, voted LGHS's most fashionable girl, won best costume with her date, senior Adam O'Regan. The two went as Cruella Deville and a dalmation from Disney's 101 Dalmations. Other contenders included seniors Tony Moller and Cali Vance as the Incredibles, freshmen Jake Chen and Annie Tolkik as Aladdin and Jasmine, and sophomores Stephanie Carter and Quin (Morgan) who dressed as Harley Quinn and the Joker. Overall, there were large numbers of students who dressed up in colorful, fun, and creative Sadies costumes.

Once again, Leadership put on a great dance for LGHS to enjoy. From the DJ to the decorations, Sadie Hawkins 2015 was a success. The Wildcats got creative and brought their best moves to the dance floor to enjoy another great school event.



courtesy XinNi Chai

CARTOON CREATIVITY: Senior Jonathan Gilbert and senior XinNi Chai dressed as The Incredibles, while senior Joyce Fang and guest George Ku dressed as characters from Pixar's Up.

Philz Coffee has a community feel

by Maddie Abene

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Philz Coffee has finally made its way to Los Gatos. Located at the corner of Los Gatos Boulevard across the street from Chipotle, this new coffee drinkers' paradise has been attracting locals in large numbers.

When I had the pleasure of visiting Philz on a Sunday morning, I ordered the Philharmonic. This drink, which comes with fresh mint leaves, perfectly matches the fresh, cool atmosphere of the shop. The menu includes a creative twist, displaying the three main flavors of the coffee or tea that you are ordering in addition to the coffee's name. These flavors range from cardamom, maple, and herbs to creamy, apple, and vanilla.

From the moment that I walked in to Philz until the moment that I left, I received great service. All of the employees were eager to help with smiles on their faces and made sure that I was pleased. Just as I was drinking my Philharmonic and conversing with a friend, a Philz Barista came outside with a nicely assembled tray of apricot bar samples.



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COMMUNITY: Philz Coffee offers locals a new place for delicious food, drinks, and socializing.

There are already fourteen Northern California Philz locations with plans to establish a few more this year in Southern California. Those who are not familiar with Phil or his coffee will assume that Philz is just another Starbucks: a mass-produced coffee chain. However, Philz Coffee founder Phil Jaber said, "The beauty about our shop is each one has its own culture, its own community. I'm not a cookie cutter. I will never be a cookie cutter."

My own personal experience with Jaber was nothing but pleasant. I was out at Philz with my Mom and 12-year-old brother when Jaber complimented my little brother on his fedora and commended him for his taste in hats. Jaber loved Max's hat so much, in fact, he and told him that he wanted to get him a customized Philz Coffee fedora. After speaking with Phil for a while, he exchanged numbers with my mother. A few weeks after this encounter, my mother received a call from Phil saying that he was back in Los Gatos and that he had the hat for my brother. This outstanding character represents the connection Philz strives to create between the customer and establishment. Philz Coffee is a great addition to our town and has provided a new location for many to indulge in great drinks, food, and community. (Source: Savorgood.com)



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COFFEE PARADISE: Philz Coffee draws in large crowds looking for a flavorful coffee experience.