SAT WORDS: conundrum (n.) puzzle, problem

April is National Poetry Month. In today’s poem for April 12, 2019, can you catch the irony in the coincidence??

A COINCIDENCE
by Robert Fuller Murray
Every critic in the town
    Runs the minor poet down;
Every critic—don’t you know it?
    Is himself a minor poet.

Boxes:
The Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society invites all high school students to meet and talk to San Diego Assemblyman Todd Gloria from District 78 after school on Thursday, April 18 in Room E201. You will have the chance to ask relevant questions about his political career, current issues, and general information to gain thoughtful insights from his answers. Todd Gloria will be running for mayor of San Diego in 2020, so come learn about this potential future leader of our city. Spots are limited, so we encourage all high school students who are interested to sign up in Ms. Greco’s room (E201)! (Greco 4/17)

Reminders:
Cheer Tryouts:
All students currently in grades 9-11 who are interested in trying out for the 2019-2020 Preuss School cheerleading squad should attend an informational meeting in Ms. Garcia’s room E103 on Monday, April 15th during high school lunch. We will be distributing eligibility packets and giving general information about tryouts. If you cannot attend the meeting, please see Ms. Garcia on or before this date. Go Tritons! (Garcia 4/18)

High school students:
The Preuss Insider is now taking applications for its 2019-20 staff. Journalism is looking for students interested not only in writing but also taking pictures, fundraising, designing, podcasting, and laying out the paper. Reminder: Even if you select Journalism during course selection, you must still go through the application process. Pick up your application from Ms. Garcia in room E103 and return it by Thurs, April 18th. Journalism is a student-led class with lots of opportunities for leadership positions. Don’t wait; apply today! (Garcia 4/18)
**Fresh Start Surgical Gifts**- Do you want to give a little sunshine to those in need for this Spring season? As a top organization that helps children, Fresh Start Surgical Gifts transforms the lives of disadvantaged infants, children, and teens with physical deformities caused by birth, accidents, abuse, or disease. Next week of school (4/15-4/19), Spanish National Honor Society will be collecting the following items every morning in front of school to donate to international patients that receive pro-Bono surgeries at Rady Children's Fresh Start Surgical Gifts Clinic. The following donations have been assigned (but not mandatory) for each grade level.

- **Grade Level**
  - 6- Coloring book and coloring pencils
  - 7- Board games and card games
  - 8- Stuffed Animals
  - 9- Lotion
  - 10- Deodorant and Chapstick
  - 11- Toothbrush and toothpaste
  - 12- Fluffy socks

Help accomplish that goal of transforming lives of children by helping them have a positive self image! (Zamora 4/19)

**High School Students Only:**
Are you a book lover, an avid reader, or just like to listen to authors’ stories? If you answered yes to any, then Yallwest Book Festival, Saturday, May 4, in Santa Monica is just for you! **An All Day Event**

"More than 20,000 people converged at Santa Monica High School to celebrate young adult and middle grade books, with more than 100 authors participating in book signings, panels, giveaways, singalongs and shenanigans."

Pick-up your permission slip today from the library, Ms. Bandy or Mrs. Majors. All Permission slips are due to Ms. Nance no later than Monday, April 29th. This is a first come, first serve event, limited spaces available. (Nance 4/26)

**Yearbook Applications:**
Now Available Online and In Print
Access the yearbook application for 2019-20 online at https://forms.gle/UYtGx7jmydZWLDG89 or pick up your print application in room B201 or in the library. Completed applications are due Fri, April 18. (Teacher recommendations may be submitted later). (Ensberg 4/18)
**Attention all students:** All students are to ride the bus that they have been assigned to. There are no exceptions unless you have had approval from Mrs. Villanueva and Mr. Selleck. (Selleck)

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