

# Point of View

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# A 23-year-old Educator and other school teachers were harassed by the parents.

by JULIE SONG

300 thousand teachears' protest

Image Source: Tiktok

The Seoi Elementary School community is left in shock and grief as they mourn the loss of a promising young teacher who tragically ended her own life, allegedly due to relentless harassment from the parents of one of her students.

The victim, a 23-year-old teacher who had just embarked on her teaching career, found herself caught in a web of harassment and despair stemming from an incident of school violence involving a pencil. The parents of the student involved were no ordinary individuals; they were a former police officer (mother) and a prosecution police officer (father). Before the commitment to take her own life, the young teacher endured constant criticism from the student's parents. They blamed her for not siding with their child in a school violence incident involving a pencil. As law enforcement professionals, they used their powers of status to halt any reporting of the incident. Their unrelenting pressure severely affected the teacher's mental health, pushing her to contemplate suicide.

Unfortunately, the harassment continued. For several years, the teacher endured relentless intimidation that went beyond Seoi Elementary School. The student's parents constantly harassed her, bombarding her with non-stop phone calls, sending threats, and even mentioning reporting her to Kyeong-pal, or the local police. Their accusations revolved around the teacher allegedly insulting students' characters while fulfilling her role as

an educator. This troubling series of events has raised concerns about the lack of support systems and the media's failure to highlight the challenges educators face while striving to deliver quality education.

### **Aquatic Products Radioactivity**

by CIERRA BAE

Recently, with the release of contaminated water from Japan's Fukushima nuclear power plant just around the corner, Kyodo News reported that radioactive materials far exceeding the standard were detected in fish off the nuclear power plant. Why did Japan release nuclear power plants? And how dangerous are nuclear power plants?

On March 11, 2011, a 7.3-magnitude earthquake and tsunami in the Pacific Ocean of the Tohoku region caused the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant accident. The accident caused radioactive contaminated water to be released into the ocean, which became a big issue in Japan's surrounding countries and the international community. Radioactive materials are still leaking into the air from the reactor.

Radioactive contamination harms the human body. Radioactivity can affect organs and, in severe cases, change the shape of the body. Exposure to pregnant women, in particular, can also affect the fetus.

Japan continues to release radioactive waste to the air and sea because it has no way to dispose of nuclear power plants that emit infinite energy once they are in operation. The results of this have affected the marine ecosystem, which has led to issues related to the safety of fish and seafood between countries.

Due to Japan's recent radiation leak problem, the annual damage to the fish industry in Korea alone amounts to 3.72 trillion won. The world's public opinion is already in bad shape. Some netizens responded by saying, "It's better not to eat large fish, but you'd better stay away from tuna and tuna cans," "I'm already avoiding Japanese products, but I'm worried about changing the country of origin," and "Salt from seawater as well as seafood is a problem."

It is expected to take time for radioactive contaminated water to disappear. The Japanese government is trying to minimize contaminated water by monitoring radioactive levels and taking necessary measures. However, complete removal of contaminated water is not easy and can take a long time.

#### Knife stabbing in Korea

by DAHEUN LEE

There have been many motiveless knife crimes happening in South Korea since July. Criminals would basically have knives or other tools with them and go around the places, threatening and hurting many innocent citizens.

The knife crimes began on 2023 July 21st, at Sillim station. Chosun, the man who was accused of this crime, got out of the taxi in Sillim Station with the possession of knives. As he got off, he approached the victim (22-year-old man) who was smoking. Chosun began attacking him with the knife. The victim strongly resisted at first but fainted after getting so many attacks to his neck from Chosun. He eventually died due to loss of blood. Afterward, Chosun swung his weapons at the men nearby him. Three men were severely hurt but fortunately were alive. Chosun was finally arrested by the police while wandering around the Sillim Station.

The following crime happened in Seohyun Station on August 3rd. The accused started his crime by threatening citizens with his car. Afterward, he got out of the car with his knife and began attacking people. The police reported that there were a total of 13 victims, but people and many broadcasts stated that there were over 14 victims in this crime. The suspect was arrested by the police while wandering around nearby.

Even after these crimes, there were many cases in which people were posting fearful warning messages about the knife attacks on social media, creating intense fear for the citizens. There were also many cases in which people went to the scene with their weapons but failed to attempt them. As the situation is getting more serious, policies with special armed forces wereplaced in attack warning areas, and taking strong responses. I think we have to be more aware of this problem and stay safe.

# The Problem with Smartphone Addiction

by LAYLA YOON

Smartphone addiction is a disorder involving compulsive overuse of mobile devices. The smartphone addiction rate was found to be increasing every year, from 8.4

One of the main characteristics of addiction is that the addict feels internally that the degree of desire is high, but the degree of liking is relatively low or even almost absent. In other words, just "want". The reason cell phone addicts become addicted to their cell phones is not just because cell phones are fun. When a cell phone addict uses a cell phone, the 'reward circuit' in the brain is activated, stimulating the brain to release a large amount of dopamine, causing pleasure and creating an excited

state. However, this pleasure is different from the sense of accomplishment after effort. This explains why we only feel excitement after looking at our phones, but are left with a sense of emptiness without any sense of accomplishment.

If they can't use their smartphone, they become anxious and make it difficult to endure. Additionally, without a smartphone, it becomes difficult to focus on work (or study). School grades and work reduce efficiency due to excessive use of smartphones. They are often criticized by family, friends, and people around us for using our smartphones frequently or for long periods, and this begins to damage our relationships. They feel like they would lose the whole world if they couldn't use their smartphone. Using a smartphone is more enjoyable than being with family or friends.

#### Trump arrested, then released

by SEJIN



Image Source: NBC news

This former president was arrested in Atlanta, Georgia for charges related to the 2020 election in Georgia, where his followers would try to overrun the election in favor of Trump. He was arrested as fast as he was released for a 200,000 dollar bond agreement but then was released for 100,000 dollars. "What has taken place here is a travesty of justice," Trump claims as he tells reporters his story, saying he did "Nothing wrong" after he was released. He also posted a tweet, or an X when he was released, posting a picture of his mugshot with captions saying "ELECTION INTERFERENCE", and "NEVER SURRENDER" He plans to postpone his case and three others until after the 2024 presidential election. This has been a controversial event but what will happen next? Trump's mugshot was the first one where a president's mugshot went public, as the other ones never being shown. There was also a bomb threat where

Trump's trial takes place. Nobody knows if this is from a Trump supporter or a hater, but nevertheless, the trial will be more protected.

### Helping Animals in Need of Help

by JAY JIN

#### Hammers, Splinters, and Children

by JIHOON CHOI



Image Source: The New York Times

Splintered wooden planks, elevated platforms supported with thin planks, hammers, nails, and saws waiting for a victim. Parents wait outside the steel-inforced fences, and the children who play are barely teenagers. This is an adventure playground. The idea was from Carl Sorenson, who in the 50's saw that construction sites and abandoned lots were the crowded places of interest for children rather than the asphalt playground built for them.

Parents will feel indignant, thinking it will be "dangerous" when seeing this. The idea may look like a plan that would never get past a safety standard, and it is true that there are only a few in the world(about 1000). Though having many rejections, children playing love it. Instead of the structured and adult-made "safe" playgrounds, this allows children to make their own. Risks are an important factor too. In the usual "safe" playgrounds, children are surrounded by parents, who usually supervise them. This is the main cause of injuries in playgrounds, says Mariana Brussoni, a scientist in Vancouver. When children feel too "safe" in the playground, it leads to them doing rash stunts like going on top of the slide when adults aren't watching. So instead of making a playground with 'safe" elements, make the place surrounded by risks, so that children become more careful. Until now, there were none who were badly hurt playing in the adventure playgrounds.

Adventure playgrounds have a variety of helpful conditions they give children, such as self-esteem, and less conflict, while an overly safe environment can create obesity and less independence. Adventure playground promotes the children's health and their abilities. Safety departments should consider using this playground in greater quantities and should be able to define the term "safe" again.



Image Source: Gimhaenews

On July 30, 2023, by the famous animal program, many people faced the reality of indoor zoos in Korea. In Gyeongsangnam-do people report that there is a zoo abusing animals by not giving them enough food and preparing small places. The total area for each animal is the size of the normal ICS classroom. The floor is set in concrete and there are no plants at all. All of these were caused after COVID-19, by not earning enough profit to feed the animals. It's not just small animals staying in the indoor zoo; there are big animals like tigers, lions, and pumas which are neglected in small places just like small animals. The owner should not give up and try to get food for animals as much as he can. But the best way for the animals is to find other places where animals can have a happier life.

Thanks to the Korean government, animals were able to move to bigger zoos in outside areas. They were moved to Cheongju Zoo, also known as the "wildlife sanctuary". Cheongju Zoo has the best conditions for animals such as providing better food. However, many animals are still living in bad conditions, As quickly as possible we should save animals that are still in indoor cages.

## Harry Kane leaving Spurs?

by MINSEOP CHIN

In the 2023/24 season summer transfer window, Tottenham's world-class striker, Harry Kane, has left Tottenham after traveling roughly 20 years with the English club. Kane was literally one of the most underrated players of all time. In 2022/23, Tottenham's game didn't work very well. Not only the passes but their defense was horrible. Even the relationship between players and the manager became worse as time passed by. Due to this, the manager Antonio Conte has been sacked after being responsible for horrible performances during 2022/23.

However, even though the team has experienced these obstacles, Kane managed to score 30 goals exclusively in the league. Many professional players have praised Harry Kane's performance and also added some critiques to Tottenham as if Harry Kane wasn't in Tottenham, they would've been in the relegation zone. Due to Spurs's horrible performance last season, there were rumors being widespread that Kane will move to another club this summer. He was linked to numerous big clubs including Bayern Munich, Paris Saint Germain, and Manchester United. However, there were also statements that Harry Kane would stay in Tottenham as Daniel Levy, the headmaster of Tottenham, was reluctant to sell their ace. He held a price tag of 100m pounds to Harry Kane. Not many clubs were active on this deal. Even though Harry Kane was showing world-class performance in a club like Spurs, Kane is now 30 years old which is relatively old as a soccer player. However, Bayern Munich, a club that dominates the Bundesliga, was very active in this deal. This was because the number 9 position was always a thrive for Bayern Munich after the departure of their legendary striker Robert Lewandowski. After negotiations for ages between the two clubs, they finally reached an agreement and Kane was able to transfer to Bayern Munich. As a Tottenham fan, it is sad that the striker who everyone loved due to his loyalty towards the club and mostly, his ability to score numerous goals even when the team is going through a crisis. However, Harry Kane needs to achieve something in his own career. I wish him good luck in his future in the German club and wish him to release his desire to win a trophy.

# Introducing Google's AI chatbot "Bard"

by MATTHEW PARK

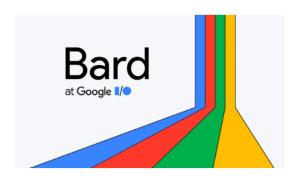


Image Source: Google.blog

On March 21, 2023, Google released its chatbot "Bard" in beta mode. Through many updates, it can code in over 20 programming languages and respond in 46 different languages, including Korean, Japanese, and English. It is also capable of critical thinking and data analysis.

The functions of Bard are not only programming and language abilities. It can connect and support many Google

applications, which makes it easier to use applications like Google Colab, Google Docs, Google Sheets, and Gmail. Also, unlike other chatbots that use the GPT language model, Bard uses the PaLM 2 language model, which was trained with much more data for high-quality responses. However, there are limitations that Bard can not do while more advanced AI chatbots, such as chat GPT-4 can. Even though Bard can summarize and organize its responses, it is not as perfect as a more advanced chatbot such as chat GPT-4. Also, there is a shortage of the ability to create creative works, such as writing poems and short stories. Google hasn't announced when will they release it as an official version. Although it has many things to improve to become an advanced AI chatbot like chat GPT, it is still an amazing AI chatbot that can help our lives easier.

#### Space landing done by India

by SIOH PARK



Image Source: CNN News

On August 23, 2023, Indian Space Research Organization succeeded in landing their rover named Pragyan on the Moon. By this, India became the fourth country to successfully land on the Moon, and first to successfully land on the Moon's south pole. Since the Moon has virtually no atmosphere, it has a lower change to land on, which gives more significance to this case.

Pragyan explored the frozen water and other elements on the lunar surfaces, and that information has been sent to the scientists in India. It also searched for one lunar daylight period, which is two weeks on the Earth. Pragyan will now stay on the Moon and explore more about the Moon and Earth. It is not obvious how long the rover will survive on the Moon, but the Indian Space Research Organization predicted that it will work until September 22.

As mentioned previously, it is difficult to land on Through this opportunity, we could expect to know more about either the Earth or Moon. Only 5

#### **BOOK REVEIW:** The lake

by GEON GO

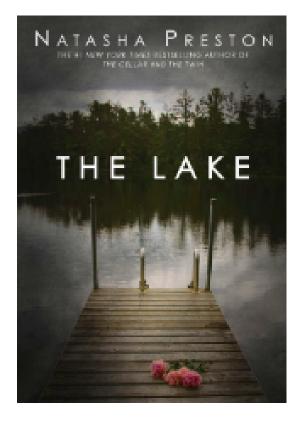
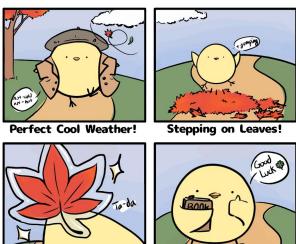


Image Source: Amazon

The Lake is a mystery/thriller novel written by Natasha Preston, this book was originally published on January 1, 2019.

The main plot is about two girls named Esme and Kayla, who were the campers at "Camp Pine Lake." They were excited to return to the camp as "CITs," responsible for teaching young children survival skills in nature and how to craft useful tools from natural materials. Both of them had a fondness for little kids and nature, so they eagerly prepared to teach and engage with them. Esme enjoyed playing with the little girls, while Kayla relished scaring the little boys with spiders. Despite their initial enthusiasm, they harbored a lingering sense of nervousness and fear due to a past misdeed from their time as campers. However, they had agreed to keep this secret. After about two months, Esme and Kayla discovered a mysterious note on their table. They decided to read the note, and it simply stated, "THE LAKE NEVER FORGET." They couldn't grasp the meaning of this message, but it sent shivers down their spines as they exchanged fearful glances.

#### **CHICK-CHICK'S Autumn**



Artwork by Hyunseo Kim

Have a Happy

Fall Semester!

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## Vibrating Vests Translate Music For Concertgoers Who Are Hard of Hearing

by SHINE LEE



Image Source: Bilyonaryo

The invention of vibrating vests is bringing a whole new world in live music experiences for concertgoers who are hard of hearing. Patrick Hanlon, an audio expert, invented these suits to equip individuals to feel the music through vibrations which makes the live music performances more inclusive to those hard of hearing.

The vibrating vests translate a variety of musical elements into different vibrations. The ribcage is resonated with the sound of violins while bass and cellos are felt slightly lower. In the shoulders, the vibrations of horns can be felt and the soloists' music is felt around the wrists. These vibrations mimic the music heard on stage. People with auditory disabilities can "hear" the music.

Before vibrating vests, people who had hearing problems had very few ways to experience music. For example, people placed their hands on speakers to feel the vibrations though these methods cannot show the true music experiences that can be offered by the vibrating vests. These vests are very versatile and can vibrate to various genres of music such as classical or even rock.

#### Yankees, \$280 million of shame

by BRIAN CHOI



Image Source: New York Yankees community

The New York Yankees are one of the most significant sports franchises in the world. Their famous 'NY' logo is virtually known by everyone and their dominant performance in the late 90's and early 2000's earned them the nickname "The Evil Empire". But the 2023 Yankees have played far below expectations, are currently 4.5 games behind their century long rival Red Sox, and also are on pace to come last in the division for the first time in 33 years. So, why are the Yankees so bad? At the start of the season, the Yankees had high hopes to finish first in their division, their performance now makes all the people who bet on the Yankees look like a group of buffoons.

Despite the Yankees having the largest payroll in the American League with a whopping \$279,361,190 dollars, it seems like this huge spending has not paid off so far. During the off season, the Yankees re-signed reigning American League MVP and American League home run record holder Aaron Judge to a massive 9Y/360M contract and San Francisco Giants ace Carlos Rodon to a 6Y/162M contract to help the Yankees boost their pitching staff already present with the likes of Gerrit Cole and Luis Severino but Rodon already missed opening day with an injury and has only been back very recently but has underperformed significantly with a 5.97 ERA in 37½ innings. Judge has performed very well and is probably the only above average hitter in the entire Yankees lineup but he has missed a significant amount of games due to injuries which means once he is gone, the Yankees lineup is absolutely horrifying. Veterans such as Josh Donaldson were hitting .142 before he got injured, others like Anthony Rizzo were playing very well until

he suffered a concussion injury. The rookie prospect shortstop Anthony Volpe also looks far from MLB-ready on the offensive side. Out of the nine main batters for the Yankees, only two of them are performing above league average which is one of the reasons why the Yankees are struggling; the other reason is their pitching. The Yankees have a horrible rotation. Besides the Yankees' ace Gerrit Cole, everyone else has a higher ERA than 4.50, in other words, they are Triple-A level, not MLB.

The combination of horrible batting, mediocre pitching, and injuries have caused the Yankees to fall off heavily from last year's 1st place team into the likely last place team. Fans are understandably furious about the current situation and are requesting to fire manager Aaron Boone and general manager Brian Cashman. It is certainly a peculiar and eerie feeling watching the Yankees out of all teams about to finish in last place.

#### Transparent mouse

by YEONJEONG JEON

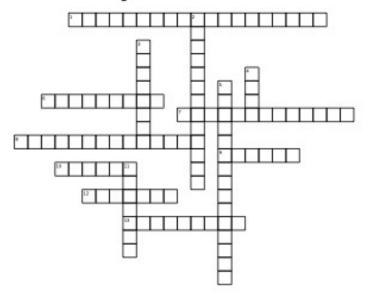


Image Source: BBC news

A recent breakthrough by a German researcher has unveiled a groundbreaking technology that renders all components of living organisms, including skin tissue, bones, nerves, and organs, completely transparent through a simple soaking process. It is important to note that this remarkable advancement is currently applicable only to deceased animals. Nevertheless, this development has triggered a surge of enthusiasm within the scientific community as it presents an unprecedented opportunity to delve into the microstructure of human organs and tissues.

Traditionally, the study of tissue and organ microstructure demanded laborious and time-consuming procedures involving the slicing, staining, and microscopic examination of each individual sample. However, with the resounding success of this pioneering experiment, the landscape of research has dramatically evolved, rendering it far more convenient and efficient. To date, experiments have primarily focused on mice, achieving a level of transparency that encompasses even the minutest details of their anatomy, including their eyes, nose, mouth, limbs, and tail. This astonishing feat has ignited optimism across the scientific realm, primarily for its potential implications in the field of neuroscience.

## Crossword Puzzle By Aden Lee



#### Down:

- 2. The audio expert name in this newspaper.
- 3. That causes feel excited.
- The school name that the teacher suicide by parents harrassment case happens.
- The place where in the Korea (Hint is in the lion article)
- 11. The picture when you in jail.

#### Across

- 1. The playground name.
- Where the nuclear power accident happen on japan and at 2011.
- 7. 1990, 2000's New york Yankees Nickname.
- The name of the author of the book "The Lake"
- The place where the transparent mouse researches.
- The station name that the stabbing happens on July 21st, 2023
- 12. The name of the rover that has land in India.
- 13. A soccer player that notice in the newspaper.

