It Takes Two

Jocelyn Lee Bryant

Me and my brother got on my Xbox, and we saw a game called It Takes Two. We downloaded the game and started. When we first started, we chose characters and we had to see how the game worked. Our two characters were going to get a divorce and the characters had a daughter that wished it would not happen, but then we turned into the girl's dolls. If we wanted to be normal again, we had to work together. So now that we knew how the game worked, me and my brother went through the game until we got blocked by something that we had a tough time passing. It was a giant vacuum. But before we were going to defeat it, I gave my brother some motivation, so we did not keep losing. We both came up with a plan. So, the plan was if I did not lose damage then I could keep driving him. And just like that we beat the giant vacuum. The best part was that we did it together. After that there was a game in the game, and it was called Wack-o-moll where my character was whacking my brother's character. The way it worked was that his head was going to pop out of a hole, and my job was to smack it and every round. I won. This day I will never forget.

My First Solo

By Kylie Buggs-Graham

It was 4th grade and I was in class. And ready to go to chorus. I was about to find out if I got the solo part. I auditioned for a part a couple weeks ago. I was scared. My hands were sweaty. My friends Yoselin and Emily were excited because they knew I could get the part. When I arrived at chorus, I was having mixed emotions. When I got inside the music room, I was standing singing the song that was on. Then it was the song that I auditioned for. The part came on, and I was waiting for her to say something about the part. Mrs. Greene the music teacher said, “Don’t sing this part a fifth grader got it.” My heart dropped. I was almost crying. I thought, “My first solo audition and I blew it.” Then it was time for the last solo of the song, and she called my name, “Kylie can you come up front?” This was finally my chance. She told me to sing the last solo part and said, “You can have that solo part if you would like.” I was so happy. I finally got my first solo.

My First Time Going to Busch Gardens

By Evangeline Caddigan

It was my cousin’s birthday. We were on our way to Busch Gardens. Then we parked in the parking lot. Before going to buy our tickets, we had cake in the parking lot for my cousin’s birthday. He was turning 11. Then after eating cake, we went to go and buy our tickets. We were having a hard time buying our tickets. Then a man came up to us and gave us 12 tickets because he did not need them. So, we gave the extra 2 tickets to 2 teenagers walking by. After that we walked in through the gates, and the lady checked our tickets. Then we were off. The first ride we went on was Cobra’s Curse. First, there was a long line, and there was a live cobra in a glass box. The line was divided in to 2 lines because there was one line for pictures and one for just riding the ride. The cart that I was in twisted and there were drops and more. Then at the end we got food. After that we went on a ride called Scorpion that had a drop and one big loop too. It was fun at Bush Gardens. If you go there, do not go on Shikra because there are Really big drops. I’m glad I was not tall enough.

The Soccer Game I Broke my Foot in

By Olivia Canata

I was in a tournament, and it was my second game. My coach didn’t start me, and I was so confused. She usually started me. I knew something was up, but I just watched my team play. Then she started me as last defender. I played, and everything was going smoothly. Then their striker came in with the ball. Of course, I stole the ball from her. And then she tried to get it back, but she tripped and fell on my foot. I kicked the ball out in time, but I was in so much pain. I couldn’t walk or else I would feel a sharp pain on my foot. I pulled myself out. My coach asked me why and I told her. My foot hurt so much. My dad ran up to me and asked me what was wrong. I told him I couldn’t run so he got me ice. I watched my team play for the rest of the game. When the game ended my dad got me ice for the ride home. We went home to a mad house because it was my sister’s 15th birthday and there were 10 teenagers at my house. So I just laid in bed. The next morning, I had another soccer game so when I woke up, I had to get ready. Me and my dad got in my car and drove. When we got there, I played, and I felt great. Then a girl stepped on my foot and I pulled myself out. After the game my dad took me to the hospital, and they took an X-ray of my foot. 5 minutes later they came back and said I broke a bone. They gave me crunches and wrapped my foot. The crutches were horrible. After that week of school me and my mom went to the orthopedic, and they gave me a cast and a boot. So, if you see me at Enterprise Village with a cast just don’t ask.

The Power of Art

By Yamileth Cerroblanco-Botho

Art has its own POWER, it can be made in any form whether its 2D, 3D, or digitally. Art lets your mind be CREATIVE or FREE, like a bird flying through the cool breeze. Even though you might think your artwork is not good, other people might love it. Your Artwork doesn’t have to be the same style as someone else’s. People have their own style to draw, build, or craft a piece of Art, whether its muddy, sloppy, wet, or neat. Every work of art is all UNIQUE, just like how people are all different and not the same. Draw a dragon, build a landscape, or anything that comes in mind to create. You will realize that there is no right or wrong way to make Art. You just need a little piece of creativity and imagination.

The Baby Story

By Yoselin Charrez

I was in my mom’s room trying to do my homework and watching YouTube. Then all the sudden I heard screams of joy. “YAY IM SO EXCITED!” is what I heard. “What’s happening out there?” I screamed. “Nothing,” my mother replied. So I ran into the living room and that is where I saw a glimpse of the ultrasound. My face turned confused. Then when I realized I was having another sibling tears started to form up in my eyes. I screamed “ARE YOU PREGNANT?” I hid my tears of joy that streamed down my face. “Si mi hija.” I cried tears of joy and hugged her. A few months later a beautiful boy named Gabriel was born on December 28 at 11:00pm, and I got to name my baby brother.

The Wedding!!

By Noah Clifford

Once I went to a wedding, and I thought it was going to be horrible…But when I got there, I liked it. I liked seeing my uncle getting married. Now I have a new aunt. After that I had some food and my mom said come and dance, but I said NO! So, she picked me up and said come on you love to dance. I still said no, and she called me a party-pooper. After the wedding it was 9:59. We got home by 10:30 and I played games. I played Fortnight. When I went to bed it was 11:00. It was the best night of my life!

The Game!

By Daniel Dotson

It all started in one football game. It was the Falcons against the Bears. My team was the Falcons. It was the 3rd quarter. The score was 16-18. My team was winning but then. The most unexpected thing happened. The Bears scored a touchdown then punted the ball for an extra point. That made it 23-18 in the last second of the 3rdquarter. Now it was 4th quarter, but this is where it gets exciting. During the last 5 min of the game, we scored, but we did not get the extra point. That made it 23-24. My team was happy because we had the ball again because of the other team’s downs. But our quarter back threw an interception! At the last minute they ran! And ran! And ran until number 0 got him. Now they were at the 95-yard line for 30 seconds state. We fought them until they lost at the 99yard line.

My New Puppy Henry

By Tina Ellis

One day my mom was looking at a puppy. She had to call Jim, and Jim said do whatever you want to do. When our mom picked me and Harvey up, we started yelling at each other. Mom said, “Do you want to get a puppy?” We said, “Yes!” So, we went home, put our stuff down, got in the car, and drove 30 mins to Blue Sky Puppies. We picked up the puppy and my mom did the paperwork. We named the puppy Henry. When we got in the car, my mom said, “Do not tell Jim we got the puppy until Jim sees it.” Mom called Jim and Harvey told Jim we got a puppy. Jim asked about the return policy. We all got mad, and mom said, “I will return Jim first.” When we got home Jim came to the house. He loved the puppy, but he did not like the name Henry. Jim wanted to change the name. Me, mom, and Harvey did not want to change the name of the puppy.

HARRISON GUYETTE

THE ESCAPE ROOM

It all started on Jahmari’s birthday. We came to an escape room, and we asked to do the hardest one. We went in right away. I found the first clue inside of a book. There was a paper with nothing on it. Soon enough another clue was found. It was a little safe and a key. We didn’t know what the key went to either. Then there was a scare, a toy cockroach. We went to a cabinet and opened it; we found a safe. We opened it and found a code. Soon after we had 90 minutes. Later we saw a library stand with a lock. Soon enough we found more stuff. It was a blue light bulb. When we had 60 minutes left we asked for one of two hints. They told us to look around maybe with a light. Soon we found a blue light and used the note I found in the book. We shined the light at it. There were letters. We opened the safe and there were two keys. We opened the old safe and found another toy cockroach with a key. When we had 45 minutes left we opened the cabinet. It turned out there was a basement behind the bookcase. There was another little safe and 5 stands so we used the old key. Then we found and opened another safe and found a big bulb but blue. Now we had two bulbs, so we put them on the stands. We had 2 out of five. We went back up and looked under stuff and found a note. It showed the five stand and five bulbs in different orders blue, green, red, purple, and pink. Next we used another hint. With 30 minutes we went downstairs and found another toy cook roach. We looked for the last one, but we were losing hope. Me and Jahmari begged for another hint. She gave us one. We had 5 minutes remaining. We found another toy cockroach on the wall behind the cabinet. It ended, but we did not escape. It turns out the cockroaches had codes behind them, and the codes opened a safe with the last bulb which would have the key to open the room.

My First Cruise

By Adalyn Harder

# I was about 6yrs old is when I had my first cruise. We left the house at 4am. We got there at about 6am. We were supposed to get on the boat at 12pm, and the boat was supposed to leave at 4pm. When we got on the boat me and my brother where too scared to go on the water slides. My mom told us whoever went on it first would get $100. My brother said if we went at the same time, we would get $50 each. So, we went at the same time, but when we got off the slides our mom said we were cheating. So, none of us got the money. So after all never cheat!!!!

My First Time Making a Shot in Basketball

By Giovani Hernandez

My first shot in basketball was when I was going against one team. That team was the hardest. It was 12 to 20. It was the second half. We had to make 4 shots so that we can win. One of my teammates made 1 shot. That same teammate made another shot. There was 2 minutes left, and we had to make two shots so that we could win. We made another shot 1 minute later. There was 50 second left. My teammate made the shot. Now there was 15 seconds left. I got the ball. I was close. I shot the ball. I made it! I was so happy that I made it. There was 5 seconds 5, 4, ,3 ,2 ,1. We won! Everyone was happy, but I was happy about my shot.

Sleepover

By Emily Lazo-Martinez

As I got out of the shower, I heard the doorbell ring. I went to my room and saw Yoselin sitting on my bed. We watched YouTube together. Then we ate dinner together. Then we played. Then it got late so we went to sleep, but me and Yoselin couldn’t fall asleep so we were bothering our sisters and knocking on my sister’s bedroom door until we got tired. After a while we got tired and ept late and had a very fun night. The next morning, we had breakfast. After breakfast Yoselin and her sister left. After all me and Yoselin had a fun night.

My All-County Concert

By Zoey Murach

One day, I was going to my All-County concert. Me and my family had to wake up early. Once we got there, my parents dropped me off at the back door. I walked into the room where all the other kids were. A few minutes later, my best friend, Emmalyn, got there. The grown-ups led us all into a tiny dressing room. We had to wait there for a long time. Then we ate our snacks, and the adults led us into the theater for the dress rehearsal. We practiced for 30 minutes, and then we went back into the tiny room. Later, it was time to perform. We went into the giant theater and sat down. People gave speeches, and we played the songs. After we played, Middle School played. And then High School played. After the show, my parents picked me up and gave me a plaque that the theater people gave them. Then we went home. I had a fun time at my concert.

My Best Birthday Gift

Jakob Murphy

My best birthday gift ever was after a cruise we went on for my birthday party. Ever since my other two dogs sadly passed, I’ve been wanting another dog. “Just one more,” I said since I had no one else to play with. Also, I am allergic to most dogs “which is what my parents claim.” We decided to look on YouTube to see what kind of dogs are non-allergenic. The first thing that popped up was about goldendoodles. I thought they were the cutest things ever. So, we decided that was the type of the dog we would get, and they made it happen by meeting a guy who sells goldendoodles. Then we came up with a name. Since I love war we came up with the name “Scout.” Then we met up with the guy for the last time and we took him home. Now he’s 1 year old and is about 70 pounds. So next time you want a non-allergenic dog you should get a goldendoodle. (Mrs. Lister will love you for it.)

My 3rd Season Homerun

By Isaac Reyes

As I watched, my teammates hit ground balls and flies, get out and be safe, I wondered what I could do for the first inning. I cheered on my teammates and got my gear on. When it was my turn to bat, I was a little scared but had confidence. I went up to the plate. I measured. I got in position. As the pitcher lifted his foot above his waist, I got ready to swing. “I got this,” I said to myself. I swung and... foul! The ball went behind me. A little too early. Again, I got prepared. I tried again. Ball! That was a close one. After a few balls, I got a walk. I was a little disappointed. I didn’t even get to second base because we got 3 outs! As I got my hat and glove on, I wondered what I could do better. After what seemed like 15 minutes, we finally got 3 outs. I was 5th at bat, so I would have to wait until I was up. As I sat and drank from my water, I thought about what I could do better. When I was up, I relaxed my muscles and mind set. I can do this. I walked up to the plate. I measured. I got set. The pitcher lifted his leg. I loaded. The ball came out of his hand. I swung and... pling! The ball soared over left field. I ran to 1st base. I have never felt so good. I hit 2nd. I glanced at right field, who was still trying to rush and pick up the ball. I opened for a turn on 3rd. I heard the ball in the air, so I slid into home plate. It flew right over me. When I got up, I saw the whole crowd cheering. That was the best, I thought. When the game ended, we won and as a reward, we went to Tijuana Flats.

My First Time Playing Football

By Jeancarlos Trejo

My first time playing football was when my friend told me to play football. I said ok. At first I didn’t know how to play football. I was pretty bad when I just started playing football. At first I was so bad at football. But the next day I got even better. When I got home, I told my dad that I was playing football with my friend. Next my dad asked me was that your first time playing football? I said yes. When I got to school, I got my first touchdown. I told dad that I got my first touchdown. He was so happy because I did my first touchdown in football.