Delete your online mistakes

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Many, if not all of us, know that feeling of dread that comes from reading a post on a social networking site, leaving us wondering what could have compelled us to press “Post”. Luckily—or unluckily—for us, the state of California will be implementing a new law that may make it possible to kiss those embarrassing posts goodbye.

January 1, 2014, California will make use of a law commonly referred to as the “erase button”. True to its name, this will allow minors to erase posts made on social networking sites, also screening the ads that appear to people under the age of eighteen. James Steyer, chief executive of Common Sense Media, believes this could do wonders for the kids whose futures are jeopardized by things they have posted online. “Kids often self-reveal before they self-reflect,” he says. While many are planning for the law, there are some limitations that keep others from doing the same. A number of people wonder whether the posts will truly be “deleted” or not, seeing as the sites are not required to wipe them from their servers completely. Others wonder if kids online behavior will get worse as they know the can always still delete it later, and still others wonder if it’s even worth it at all.

“I mean, why would a college or high school admission officer even look at you if you’ve erased things from your profile?” Maggie Hernandez, a sophomore, replies. “It doesn’t say a lot about them.”

Along with personal posts being saved in the servers indefinitely, posts not made directly by the person cannot be deleted. This means that pictures or posts that people are tagged in aren’t affected by the bill, leaving many wondering if kids online behavior will get better—or if it’s even worth it at all. Still others are tagged in aren’t affected by the bill, leaving many wondering if kids online behavior will get better—or if it’s even worth it at all. Still others worry that it won’t do much to save their kids from posts they didn’t even ask to have put up or that friends uploaded “for a laugh”. Regardless of the viewpoints of either side, the bill has, in fact, already been made into law and will take effect immediately in the new year.

There is no way to know what will result from the decision until then.

A community in mourning

Locals say goodbye to Burgess Hu

By Mallory Muniz
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The young life of Burgess Hu was tragically cut short, devastating several communities in the Contra Costa area. The 12-year-old was struck by an SUV while riding his bike to Excelsior Middle School on Monday, September 23rd, 2013. The driver had just dropped her own children at school when she made a right turn and hit Hu. “She felt she had struck some sort of object. After pulling over, she realized she had struck a child,” claimed California Highway Patrol Officer John Fransen. Burgess was well loved by his peers and many admired him for his leadership qualities.

“He was an excellent role model, very smart and respectful,” said Jeremy Slack, Athletic Director here at Liberty. A vigil in honor of Burgess was held at Timber Point Elementary, Hu’s former school in Discovery Bay. Hundreds showed up to participate in the ceremony and sang songs, lit candles, and bid farewell to Burgess. He will be sorely missed by not only those who knew and loved him, but by all who are deeply saddened by this accident.

A healthy cigarette?

There’s no such thing

By Laura Gomez
Staff Writer

The sensation known as the hookah pen has spread all around the nation sparking an interest in teenagers. Most teens don’t know what exactly the hookah pen is. It is flavored tobacco smoke which sweetens the scent and taste of hookah tobacco. Hookah pens or hookah sticks are similar to electronic cigarettes otherwise known as e-cigarettes. However, both e-cigarettes and portable hookah products contain nicotine, a highly addictive drug. Scientists have proven that electronic cigarettes actually cause problems to the lungs instead of helping smokers quit their habit of smoking. Although the risks of hookah pens are still being tested, professionals are almost sure that hookah pens encourage a smoking-like habit and is the last thing an adolescent needs to experience. Dr. Donald Bucklin, a Regional Medical Director for U.S. Healthworks commented on the subject. Dr. Bucklin stated, “Perhaps twenty years from now we will be able to tell you positively whether hookah pens lead to smoking. In the meantime, my kids don’t play with guns or e-cigarettes, what about you?” Although hookah pens can easily be purchased at gas stations and minimarts, hookah pens are illegal for teens under eighteen. Hookah pens can cause heart disease, reduced fertility, lung cancer, oral cancer, and less functioning of the lungs. Diana Mendoza, a former student of Bonner Springs High School, gave her opinion towards hookah pens. Diana Mendoza mentioned, “I have friends who know people that use hookah pens, but I didn’t know that they could hurt the health of someone.” Many adolescents don’t know that hookah pens are as dangerous as cigarettes are. But, the packaging and the flavors of those products grab the attention of their targeted audience, teenagers. Therefore, the bottom line is to not get misled by the colorful packaging of portable hookah products.
Amidst the loud ruckus of gunfire and artillery in Aleppo, a child has looked for his mother that has yet to be found...alive. The intense civil war in Syria is still counting its own casualties up to 110,000 this year. With 10,000 of those being women and children according to the UN casualty counts. May it be for the better or worse, our administration is pushing for some involvement. It's still being decided, if we will send military forces; may it be troops on the ground or military aircraft. Right now Syria is in outright chaos with rebel fighters and Al Baashar Assad's army of soldiers fighting every day of the week. Bullets are being launched through every portion of some cities and tearing Syria up into a war zone. Most recently, several countries (including our own) are discussing peace options with the uncertain Syrian representatives. Russia has also given Syria the chance to give up their weaponry to gain political respect. However the Syrian representative only “welcomed” the plan, maybe due to his position in the chain of command. Nevertheless this represents a possible conflict in the area of military control and power. In the end if we do not get involved then one side will eventually consume the other, as it stands the Free Syrian Army holds about 50,000 troops. The Syria Liberation Front and the Syrian Islamic Front combined are at about 50,000 as well. However the difference in power is not in numbers, the soldiers fighting for Assad have the advantage in weaponry and military tactics. As far as the Syrian rebels go, their leader Khaled al-Hamad ate a dead government soldiers heart to show just how far he is willing to go for his cause. The Syrian rebels are just some civilians given military equipment, in which they train through actual combat unlike organized military. The civilians seem to commonly support the rebels however it goes both ways. Whatever the outcome of our country’s decision it will have to be quick or else Syria may not be able to hold together for long.
Discover the delicious, mysterious secrets

By Austin Trenholm
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You walk into In-N-Out, and you finally get to the front of the line. You order a cheeseburger as you smell the freshly cut fries you look up at the menu and think, “Is this all they have to offer?” The answer is no; most restaurant chains have their own secret menus that end up not being so secret after all.

“You’ve heard the rumors (about our secret menus), probably wondered what was on it… But in reality, we don’t have any secrets… It’s just the way some of our customers like our burgers prepared, and we’re all about making our customers happy” (In-N-Out website). Most secret menus are posted on their websites for everyone to see, just like the In-N-Out secret menu, but other restaurants, such as McDonalds, take a little bit more time to find.

There must be a reason why there are many secret menus, is it to heighten their sales with items to make you feel like an insider? Who even comes up with these item ideas?

For example, secret menu items like the Pink Starburst from Jamba Juice are created by patrons, employees, and food designers. Secret items earn their names to help simplify even the most confusing of orders. Some of these items vary from the chains of the restaurant and not all places sell the same secret items.

From McDonalds, there are special dessert items such as the classic rootbeer float to more uncommon items like the neapolitan shake. There are many tasty treats that come from an assortment of restaurants and other food related companies (Starbucks, Jamba Juice, Panera, etc.). Most commonly known secret items consist of the animal style cheeseburger of In-N-Out, Biscotti Frappe from Starbuck, the White Gummy Bear from Jamba Juice, and Subway’s Pizza Sub.

Thinking of a holiday job?

By Alicia Evans
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The holidays are most people’s favorite time of the year, but especially teens that need some extra cash when just receiving gift cards aren’t enough. In this economy it’s unbearable for anyone to be hired at a new job, especially if you are a teenager with no experience. But, luckily there is a solution to that crisis: holiday hiring. Kohls, Wal-Mart, Target, Party City, JCPenny, and Amazon are just a small variety of the places hiring for seasonal jobs this winter. Even though online shopping has increased 13% more for holiday gifts, stores still need extra hands for more traditional shoppers spending their money on gifts for loved ones. Macy’s is the top store to hire around 85,000 employees last year for the Christmas time, but Amazon follows close behind by hiring 70,000 workers. One of the most widely shopped places in this area is Target; although they are hiring 18,000 workers less than last year they still need teens to fill the store with helpful hands. In the not very good economy we have today seasonal jobs are a perfect way to earn cash and maybe if you are doing good be hired for the rest of year.

The Lion’s Cafe

A delicious meal right out on the savannah

Pho Vietnam-nom-nom-nom-nom-nom

By Matt Albright
Staff Writer

There are few times in life when one gets to enjoy a culinary experience that is not only delicious, but fairly priced and all together a wonderful twist of flavors. I was able to experience one of these rare moments when I went to Pho Vietnam with my mother, who was being as obvious as possible when she learned I was going to this eatery for the purpose of writing a review. While she was sitting there looking all serious after we had been led to our table by a very nice server I had a good chance to observe the restaurant itself. Pho, like most Asian restaurants, has a large amount of culture via imperial age paintings. Pho had this, and more, with a large assortment of flora and a tiny sculpture. The one vice I had with the place was the space for movement; while I didn’t feel crushed in you had to do a bit of a zigzag to get to the restrooms across the way. Other than that, the main dining area was well decorated and airy. I was snapped out of my observations by the return of the server, and I quickly scanned the menu (which had great variety and some very interesting drink choices which I am saving for a rainy day, literally) and chose the pork chop combo meal, which was $8.95, and a soda. After he left, then came back again with the coke (the entire time being polite and nice as possible, along with a few jokes!) then speedily returned again with my meal.

What happened next is kind of hard to describe. Firstly, this meal could feed a family of four easy; two pork chops, three fried shrimp, four egg rolls, a large hill of rice with a large fried egg on top. There was a salad too, which I’m sure was just fine, but I’m not much of a salad dude. Anyway, regardless of my opinion on salads, each thing on that plate (aside from the salad) was utterly delicious. That’s all I can really say to give it justice, I ate the whole thing so fast it’s hard to describe how good it was, leaving me excessively satisfied. The best part, though, would have to be the price. It was only 8.95! $8.95! For that large feast! This, combined with the culturally decorated restaurant and amazing, attentive service make Pho Vietnam an amazing place which everyone should enjoy.
The line of shoes was first made to get their hands on the new shoes. However, despite the craziness and commotion people still were happy every year. Hundreds of people wait in line and some are ignored the barricades and rushed to their nearest mall, Texas people by the dozens being arrested. At Greenspoint Mall, a great decision. Michael Jordan had bought Jordan s, financially since March of 2010. In 1996 Nike brought Nike about $105 million in sales. But is a Reddit post the only thing that could be selling them are F bins, excited as you are. Some stores in addition, the stores are just as busy as they are happy every year. Hundreds of people wait in line and some are being arrested. At Greenspoint Mall, a famous person such as Jimmy Kimmel (the host of a late-night television program) that reports links or funny content, the ability for a creative participating community to form (such as what happened with My Little Pony). Friendship is Magic, where many people began to create and distribute tons of original content that related with the show), and an additional element of surprise. The new “CMFT 11 VIZ” Air Jordans have generated excitement and are a part of my life. Nobody knows why they like them, but they just keep eating them.” So, in conclusion, is there any surefire secret for a meme to become viral? From what it looks like, you can try, and you can even become somewhat popular through your attempts, scoring a few million hits on a video or even getting a decent number of people to laugh at a joke. But creating an internet sensation that will be talked about by many? It doesn’t look like it. And if there is a secret for it, the world may never know what it is.
Kai Bohannan, a freshman athlete that plays many sports that include cross country, track, and basketball. Kaia has participated in various sports teams. These teams include Warrior Basketball League, Excelsior Middle School Track team, and Liberty Cross Country. While on these teams she has traveled to San Diego for Warrior Basketball League, broken track records and scores, she makes the crowd roar. She is the hare, not the tortoise. She is Liberty’s newest Athletic Prodigy. Freshman Athletic Prodigy Liberty’s Kai Bohannan wows the crowd

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Take aim: hunting and fishing tips

By Trevor Robinson
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Have you ever heard the story of a massive fish getting caught by a friend at school, or a 14-point buck getting away from your grandpa or uncle? Chances are, you have! Fishing and hunting are extremely popular sports. Not only can anyone fish or hunt, but fishing and hunting allow people to get food and the sport is fun. In fact, fishing and hunting are also forms of exercise! Fishing competitions almost every weekend. These two sports are both challenging and frustrating with a reward that pays off better than any other sport. There is no feeling like the one you get when you’re feeling like you’re about to bag a trophy buck or catching a massive fish.

From the barbaric method of nooting to the more advanced types of ocean fishing with braided line and powerful reels, all styles of fishing are unique and require different skills. For example, a fly fisherman may be able to catch fish on top of the water with a fly, but a normal angler fishing may just throw a worm out and let it sit. The fly fisherman may not catch many fish but he has the fly to be different than the angler with the worm. Depending on the type of fishing a person is doing there are different places to find game will be. Differences. Like fishing, hunters generally know where the animals they are wanting to hunt can be found. However, these areas are often vast and require the hunter to track the animal, sometimes for miles or in challenging terrain. In this way, hunting can be more challenging that fishing because it can be physically demanding. For example, hiking in the mountains for several days chasing a trophy buck can be extremely tiring. To increase the level of difficulty, the exhausted hunter must then land a precision shot and also to take the buck back down the mountain to get the prize catch home.

Like fishing, in hunting, the hunter generally knows where the animal is located but the type of animals that are being different places. Ducks can generally find near bodies of water and in marshes and, along with geese, can be caught migrating to warmer weather. Doves and pheasants can be found in fields. Other animals, such as deer, boars and large game, have to be found in forest or mountainous areas. Other animals, such as ducks and geese will attack crawdads, fake or real plastic lures. This is because shad flood into lakes and rivers and many types of fish fight over the food. As the beginning of this implies, fishing is a decision making sport where you need to experiment with lures and fishing styles to find what fish are biting on.

People hunt for all sorts of animals from squirrels to lions. In some ways, hunting and fishing are similar. However, there are many noticeable differences. Like fishing, hunters generally know where the animals they are wanting to hunt can be found. However, there are often vast and require the hunter to track the animal, sometimes for miles or in challenging terrain. In this way, hunting can be more challenging that fishing because it can be physically demanding. For example, hiking in the mountains for several days chasing a trophy buck can be extremely tiring. To increase the level of difficulty, the exhausted hunter must then land a precision shot and also to take the buck back down the mountain to get the prize catch home.

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Cross Country's Meet of Champions is Saturday, November 23rd

Who is really in that lion costume?

By Kassidy Connors
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Who gets you pumped up for the game? Of course it's the Liberty Lion! Many people do not know who the Liberty Lion is, or how the person is chosen. The mascot is not only one individual but multiple volunteers. For most of the year so far it has been Alexis Balles. Alexis enjoys being mascot because it brings a different type of spirit to the games and brings joy to people, but that's not the best part. Alexis proclaimed the best part was, “Kids wanting to hug you, take pictures with you, and hug you!” She first volunteered for her sophomore year and has worn it 8-9 times since and absolutely loves it. Alexis said that it gets really hot in the costume and it is important to bring water. It is also important to have an escort because the costume makes it hard to see. A person’s height measurement isn’t a common problem for incoming mascot volunteers because the suit fits on anyone.

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Opinion

You really SHOULD stop “twerking”

By Matt Albright
Staff Writer

I have, over the course of my entire student career, never actually been to a school dance before. Imagine my parents’ amazement when I told them that not only did I want to go to Homecoming this year, but that I had also managed to procure a date as well! (Who was in fact, pretty awesome) So, after a long wait, lots of driving, sitting around my date’s friend’s house and watching the really big boxing match that was going on that day (Mayweather vs Canelo I believe), we were all ready to go, and drove off to Liberty. Then we were walking, talking, standing in line whilst my date chit-chat- ted up all her ‘girlfriends’ and I stood in the back, being the lampshade that we all knew and love.

Finally, after a lot of yelling and a security gate, we were through the door! Music was bumping, people were laughing and talking, I was enticing the crowd with thoughts of rhythmic dance. ‘Corrupting, twisting, and turning was to be my first dance experience into some sort of “orgy por- gy” right out of Brave New World. Luckily for me, and most of the people around me, my awesome date and her ‘girlfriends’ looked about disgusted as I did, so we slowly moved our way over to the side of the dance floor to get away from this disgust- ing dance craze.

Now, I’m going to stop my story-telling for a moment and say a few things. To all guys that do this dis- gusting form of dirty dance: what in any major religious figure’s name is wrong with you? You’re supposed to go there to dance with her in a NICE AND RESPECTABLE WAY. Not bend her over, then lift her skirt so ev- erybody can see her butt and panties (this seriously hap- pened, no joke).

To girls: WHY?? Why would you let yourself be degraded in this way? All the girl’s faces there that were twerking disgusted me in the worst way possible. Their eyes were rolling in horror: ‘Dear god!’ I thought mostly to myself, ‘What on Earth could they be doing?’

Then, after the initial shock, I thought it was some sort of isolated inci- dent. Nope. After a few mo- ments it slowly spread like a disease over the populace of the dance. Corrupting, twist- ing, and turning what was to be my first dance experience

NaNaNaNaNaNaNaNaNaNa... Ben Affleck?

By Alec Douglas
Staff Writer

In the year 1939, a legend was born. That legend was named Batman. The character of Batman has been an icon in pop culture since his first appearance in Detective Comics #28. Since 1943, Batman has been played by multiple ac- tors over the past 70 years: Louis Wilson, Robert Low- ery, Adam West, Michael Keaton, Val Kilmer, and in- famously, George Clooney. Clooney’s version of the movie is considered one of the worst, if the not the worst movies of all time. It was critically panned due to over the top acting and for the fact that it was basically made to sell Batman toys. (Serious- ly, this movie is really bad. They put nipples on the bat- suit). The Batman film franchise appeared to be dead until the release of “Batman Be- gins” in 2005 starring Chris- tian Bale. The movie was a box office and critical suc- cess due to the darker, more psychological interpreta- tion of the character. In 2008, the sequel to “Batman Begins,” called “The Dark Knight,” made over 1 billion dollars and in 2012, the trilogy was complete with “The Dark Knight Rises”. Now that the trilogy is over, fans and main- stream moviegoers were ea- gerly anticipating the release of a new Batman film.

After the release of “Man of Steel”, (the 2013 Superman reboot di- rected by Zack Snyder and produced by Christopher Nolan) the release of “Man of Steel 2” was announced at Comic Con 2013. It was

also announced that it will co-star none other than Batman. As you might expect, fans and moviegoers were dying to see who would take on the role of Batman and to see two leg- ends together on the silver screen for the first time ever. Actors like Ryan Gosling, Gerard Butler, and even previous Batman actor Christian Bale were rumored to have been offered 30 mil- lion dollars to play Batman. On August 22nd, 2013, it was announced by Warner Brothers that actor/director Ben Affleck had obtained the role. Yes, Ben Affleck.

Unless you have been living under a rock you should know that everyone and their grandmother has hated this decision. The cast- ing of Ben Affleck caused people to create a petition stating a new law that de- clares that it is illegal for Ben Affleck to play another super- hero. The reason for this is because Affleck played the superhero, Daredevil in the movie “Daredevil” which was not very well received by fans and moviegoers. It also doesn’t help that some of his move credits include some pretty bad movies that he has made in the past. When I first heard this news I was very cross country practice, went on the internet, then boom, “Battlecreek”). After a while I

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importantly, teachers: Grab a ruler, jump into the crowd like a Viking of old, cuf them, then kick then out. Just do SOMETHING to stop this catastrophe of a dance craze.
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started thinking about how weak of a decision it was, but after a couple of more days I thought about actors that have been in similar controversie. For instance, when actor Michael Keaton was cast to play the dark avenger in “Batman”, people hated it because he was known for comedies. His most famous movie before “Batman” was “Beetlejuice” and if you have seen that movie you know that the character of Beetlejuice is nothing like Batman. One of the other complaints was that he was too short, (Keaton being 5’10 and Bat- man being 6’2) and was not good-looking enough to portray Bruce Wayne. But when the film was released everyone was surprised at how excellent he was at the role. I don’t even remember smiling or cracking a joke when I saw the movie at a young age. The Keaton version of “Batman” was one of the first versions of “Batman” I saw, so when I think of Batman, I think of that version. Another example is that when Heath Ledger was cast as The Joker for The Dark Knight, people had a very similar reaction to the one that Keaton and Affleck received. Ledger was being hated on for being too “pretty” for the role and it did not help that one of the movies he did before “The Dark Knight” was “Brokeback Mountain”. Again, the movie was released and everybody loved what he did with the character. People still quote The Joker’s lines from that movie to this day even though the movie came out five years ago.

What I am trying to say is that people just need to calm down and wait to see how an actor does in a role, especially since most of the complaints by fans have been really unfounded. I mean, there are a lot of qualities that Affleck has that are perfect for Batman. For example he played Daredevil. There are many things wrong with the movie but Affleck was not one of them. Affleck did a very good job in this role because he played a troubled soul who has been through so much sadness and anger in his life, and lost his child- hood the day his parent died. Daredevil failed not because of Affleck, but because of the directing and story decisions. Another complaint is that he is not “tough” or “intimidat- ing” enough. Affleck is 6’4 (two inches taller than the character is supposed to be) and is known to get into seriously good shape for action films. Another complaint is that he has a Boston accent. I think it could be kind of cool if Batman had a Boston tone to his voice. I mean if Chris- tian Bale (a British actor) can put on a Batman voice that sounds like he has a throat can- cer, why can’t Affleck use a more deep version of his own voice? What people need to remember is that not only is this the “Batman vs Super- man” movie, this is actually “Man of Steel 2,” which means the star of the first movie, which is Superman, (played by Henry Cavill) is going to be the major focus of most of the film, (especially after the way Man of Steel ended). We don’t even know how many times Affleck is going to get to wear the Bat- man suit. For all we know he could just be playing Bruce Wayne most of the time. So over all, do I love Ben Affleck playing Batman? No, not really. Do I think he has the potential to be a great Batman? Yes I do. So we are all just going to have to wait until 2015 to see if “Batfleck” was a good idea.

There are times when I am utterly ashamed as a guy, mainly when I have very ‘guy’ instincts. For example, I hate yoga pants, but I cannot stop my eyes from wandering when a troupe of girls walk by me in the hall. I hate low cut tank tops, but I can’t help but watch when an attractive member of the opposite sex walks by with her belly but- ton open to the breeze. It is the same thing with skimpy costumes during Halloween. Yes, I hate them. They are often the only choice a girl has when shopping for a cheap costume, as more reserved costumes can be more expensive, meaning that a girl would have to either make her own, or fork over lots of dough for one. But, when it comes down to me and my “guy feelings”, I can’t help but wake up on Halloween ready to see what sort of revealing costumes certain girls will be wearing over the school day. And yes, I should probably feel ashamed of myself. But I won’t be, because I know I’m a guy. I just have certain feel- ings and instincts that in any situation will probably over- ride any idea of chivalry. So guys, next time you find yourself staring, just remem- ber that you’re a guy! Yes, it may be bad or disgusting! But dang it, that’s how we are!

By Brittany Freking

Editor

From short shorts to risqué Halloween costumes, teenage girls everywhere are conforming to this hot trend, whether it is from peer pressure to simply mak- ing the choice themselves. This Halloween many girls will dress like a risqué ver- sion of a police officer, or a catching Native American with a short skirt. Having their own reason as to why they dressed the way they did. The costume selection for teen girls is both astonishing, and debatable. Some of these costumes come with fish net stockings, and skirts that you would get dress coded for at school. Others have revealing tops that are see through. It is amazing how many costumes are equipped with such provocative clothing, or lack there of.

Many teenage boys use words like sexy, or hot to describe the way girls look in these outfits. Is this how girls want to be thought of? Why do they wear these costumes? Why do they put them- selves out there like that? It seems more and more every year, costumes be- come more provocative one way or another. Bottom line: risqué cos- tumes are becoming more revealing every year and more and more people are choosing to wear them no matter how risqué they are.

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How do guys and girls view revealing Halloween costumes? Our writers sound off

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