

Edition 2P

#### **SPRING OUTING**

By Sylvia 11A



On the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2017, Students in SNA had a trip to Oriental Salt Lake Resort. Oriental Salt Lake Resort is located in Mao Mountain, a famous Taoist mountain in China, which was a 3-hourjourney away from school. During the journey, all the students were excited and could not fall asleep ,after staying up the night before, too excited to sleep. Each of them chose the friend he or she wanted to sit with and studied during the whole journey, realizing how important GPA is.

When we arrived, we orderly walked to the beautiful Fire Barbeque area, taking in the majestic scenery en route, this was a magical place to have a barbecue. Seldom have they barbecued food by themselves, so everyone was itching for a try. Although the food for everyone was limited, most of them had a good time. An ablaze tinfoil made boys afire, too. In general, boys enjoyed the barbecue more than girls did. Unlike boys, girls would like to take beautiful photos to scenery and themselves, wearing pretty clothing and wreaths of flowers. It was obvious to see the difference of personality between boys and girls.

The ghost house was yet another highlight. "The house was full of sound effects," Jennifer Chen said, "Even though there were no workers who dressed up like ghosts, we were able to scare each



other." A group of students and teachers went

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# IEP Adventures in the USA

As grade 10 get ready to experience the IEP adventure in South Carolina, Sunny from 11B1 reflects on her time in America last year. By Sunny 11B1

Last semester, I joined the IEP program and it was really fun but I think we had some problems there.

Firstly when we went to the IEP studying center on the first day we could not find the right way to there. Then our teacher



said he knew and lead us, but after walking the wrong way for 20 minutes, we felt tired. Luckily, my classmate, Herman is good at technology, and he found the way by using the internet.

When we came back to our hotel we tried to cook by ourselves. My classmate bought a piece of steak to make it but we got into the trouble, because the smoke was a little bit heavy and the alarm was ring. We were so afraid, after about five minutes the fire department came to put out the fire.

We were sorry to disturb all of people in this whole hotel and the fire department. When we left the hotel we bought a bunch of flowers to the workers as an



We also had fun activities, such as playing golf, riding a horse, watching a baseball match, going to the fitness center

and volunteering.

Actually, the activities of IEP were so interesting we really enjoyed every day. We were lucky to be there at the time of a balloon festival. In that day we went to a place inside the suburbs. It was beautiful, but there were lots of snakes near there. We walked into there, and entered a place where there was a small party, and we got to experience real American culture.

Finally, I just want to note how much fun

we all had on our IEP trip last year, we made great friends, had some adventures we'll never forget, and best of all, got to improve our English a great deal. Thanks for the memories SNA!



into it together, and they shared a fantastic time. "Moore is too tall, and the string we assisted is always presses on our heads." Sunny complained, and Jennifer added, "Roy must be the most cowardly teacher in SNA. He was screaming during the whole process."

At the end of the trip, Dr. Schleede took a photo for all the people to record the happiness for them. This is a beautiful memory that will live with all of us forever. Tom was heard to remark, "I'm so sorry that I was late, and held everyone up, next time I promise I wont'." All students would like to thank John, for organizing such an exciting adventure. We cannot wait until the next trip. apology.

### Welcome 9-5

By Pete and Shaw 9-2

Just a few short weeks ago 9-5 joined the SNA family. We asked them what they thought of SNA after their first few weeks. Most students said that the teacher's attitude is more conducive to learning in SNA than other schools. Also, the campus environment is very good, having amazing architectural aesthetics. But the students in class five want the school to

have a bigger playground, a bigger dormitory, and a more obvious sign of the building, so



that they think the price is higher than the price of the item.

#### THE GREAT TOEFL RUN

By James and Nora, 11B1 and 11A

If you look around the basketball courts at 4.40 most nights you can see a large, but attractive man running around the court, completing his punishment run. Who is this man? Ben, our TOEFL teacher, who is encouraging our classmates to complete extra credit essays to improve their TOEFL score.

What is happening is actually a contract. The more extra TOEFL essays that students from 11B1 write, the more exercise he will do. It is so touching. It is so touching: a fat man who only eats, and does not ever exercise (he only ever takes the elevator), is running for the students. Karl, in 11B1 said, "Ben was so fat that when he asked me to do extra work I told him only if I could make him run too."

Here I should say that the students from 11B1 had a really good idea. This is a real win-win deal. Of course, we go to supervise our teacher, to make sure he never cheats, and to shout at him to complete more laps, just as he shouts at us to study in class. Harry, one of the students in 11B1 claimed, "I know how much I suffer when I write an essay, it is nice to know that Ben has to suffer too."

The students get to see their teacher finally lose weight and become more handsome! Then many girls will want to take his class. If we can keep this up, then students from 11B1 will all get a very high score in the TOEFL test and get into their dream university. This is a real win-win for the students, and the school.

#### **READING FESTIVAL**

By Jennifer, 10-1

The idea of the Reading Festival began in 1995, and was first held on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, as a "world book and copyright day." The aim is to encourage more people to read and write. Since the first 'World Book Day,' the festival has grown a great deal, and many schools around the world now celebrate it. Of course, SNA also took part!

I hope everyone can respect and thank the writers who made such a great contribution to human civilization thought, culture, science, literature masters, the protection of intellectual property rights. On this day each year, more than one hundred countries will hold all kinds of celebrations and book propaganda activities.

## **THEATRE OPENS**

By Jennifer 11B1



After lots of preparation the SNA theatre is now open, and all students were invited to an opening ceremony on April 26. All students gathered there to had a meeting together, all of them had a smile on their face, because our school had our own theatre now! It is so big that all students can be held in this theatre, it is much better than that in Mudu!



The stage lighting was so amazing, when Dr. Schleede came to stage to talk with us, the stage lighting suddenly turned on and the whole hall lit up Grade 11 and Grade 12 students could see the whole view from the second floor, the designation brought us a miraculous effect. That's so amazing. In the future, we will be able to see many great ceremonies here. When Nicky came to talk, we could only hear the applause from all students and teachers, how popular Nicky is! Then Nicky told us something about SNA's new discipline, and we listened very carefully. After that, Caroline announced the list of who got the awards on the Mathematics competition, that's a good news as well. Carolyn teacher spoke very kindly, praising all students, and motivating us to try even harder!

Finally, Dr. Schleede played a short film for us, it was about a boy with a serious disease, however, he had huge expectations for his life, he offered a lot of words of encouragement. His remarks greatly inspired us.



From now on, we have a beautiful auditorium all of our own, to make our award ceremonies and meetings even more special than they were before! All of the students, and teachers, would like to thank SNA for giving us such a beautiful environment in which to learn.

We're so excited to have our next meeting in the auditorium!



Our school also held an activity to celebrate it. We held a meeting to recommend many famous and interesting books, and they are useful for us to read. Also the leaders held an Award Ceremony to give awards to the students who read books the most and encourage them to keep going.

## INTERNATIONAL CLUB

By Elizabeth, 11B1

International Club held a meeting about the differences of food between China and America with Wake STEM. Students in SNA sent them a video about breakfast in China in KFC, this really surprised the American students, as it is very different to KFC in the USA.



After that, American students introduced their favorite



The activity helped us know the importance of reading. Not only read ing books during the reading festival, but also reading every day. We should make reading become our daily habit and hang in there.



cuisine including

Thai food, Mexican food, and so on. At the end of the meeting, students from both sides guessed where the cuisine was from and what is it. Every student participated in the game and had lots of fun. Also, there is a meeting about the zodiac next month in International Club and they will talk about the zodiac and constellation together.

Thanks to Ella teacher, international club continues to give us new experiences, and real cultural understanding!