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#### Mc.Taco Short Story, Part 3 By Josiah Rometti

Here Mc.Taco has just landed in Atlantis through time travel, but now the city is starting to shake and sink.

Huge waves poured into the lower areas of the city, causing massive flooding. Mc. Taco watched in shock as civilians and buildings alike were swept away. The king sighed, looking exceptionally sullen, and said,

"Why are you here?" "I was accidentally sent here by... you would call it magic," he replied.

The captain said, "He claims to be from the future. This device seems to have brought him here."

The king looked at it and suddenly became wide-eyed.

"What if... could we... could it be used to send Atlantis somewhere safe?" he said. Everyone nearby went wide eyed, including Mc. Taco. Although the king's logic was sound, he did not understand the time machine at all. There was no way that this thing that Taco didn't even really know how to operate could transport a city.

"You can't teleport a city with that thing! And besides, I need it to get home."

#### <u>Get to Know Your</u> <u>Teachers</u>

#### By Leah Soderling



Mrs. Graves, who is one of our ELD teachers and Director of International Students at Judson, shares a little bit about who she is. Most of you probably don't have her as a teacher, so this gives you a chance to read about who she is.

# 1. What made you interested in becoming the Director of International Students ?

I love working with the international community and had hosted students from around the world for many years. It was a natural transition from teaching to overseeing the program.

### How We See Color

#### By Chloe Campbell

Have you ever stopped to wonder how we are able to see color? How is it possible? What if I told you that light is the key that opens the door to our rainbow colored world?

*It is the sun or any other* white light source that contains the *entire spectrum of color. The color* we see when we look at an object is actually the color of the wavelength that is reflecting off of the object and all the other color wavelengths are being absorbed. For example, an apple is red *because the wavelength we see as* red is reflecting off its surface and it is absorbing the rest. Another interesting fact is that when an *object appears white it is reflecting* all of the wavelengths, and when it appears black it is absorbing all the wavelengths.

But how are we able to see the wavelengths in the light? Well the human eye contains photoreceptors (small cells in the retina that respond to light), and some such photoreceptors are called cones. There are three types of cones; red, green, and blue. It is with these three cones that we use to see the full spectrum of color during the day. The wavelengths in light are what the eye and brain Mc.Taco Story Part 3 Cont.

The king said, "You are a trespasser, but I will waive the terror..."

*Mc. Taco interrupted, "Terror? What terror? What have I done? This was an accident!"* 

"Do not speak to king Triton like that!" said the captain.

"As I was saying," Triton replied stiffly, "I will waive the fear you caused from the explosion that your arrival caused if you help us transport our city to a safe place."

Mc. Taco stared at him with a perplexedly dumbfounded look on his face. "Yeaaa, no. I'd rather not die today. That thing isn't strong enough to transport a whole city. Besides, it's not even mine and I don't even really know how to operate it."

The king looked at him and said, "I don't believe you. You came here with it."

Taco replied, "Only after some nutty criminal punched me and sent me flying onto the device. There was a bright flash and poof... I was here. Not that I want to be..."

The captain said, "That's a lie you are using to protect yourself. You will--" But he was cut short. The city began shaking; it was not exceptionally violent as before, but rather a steady, consistent shaking.

A guard ran up to the king and said, "Sire, the city is sinking! We can't stop it! It's too late."

Stay tuned for the final episode of Mc.Taco's adventures in our next issue!

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## 2. What is so unique to you about being able to work at Judson?

The diverse community and working with people from around the world.

#### **3. How have you seen God working through being a international School?** I see how God's love affects the

students on a daily basis.

# 4. In the past your kids were in the acting business; how did you feel about that ?

It was great fun! I got to meet many celebrities and it is still fun to watch them on the TV shows and movies. My favorite celebrity meeting was Tom Hanks when all of my kids were filming *The Terminal*. He was very friendly and he gave my kids a standing ovation after they filmed their scene! PS - That part was cut out of the movie, so you never see the scene.

#### 5. How has being part of Cure JM (non-profit organization for Juvenile Myositis) affected you?

It has been redeeming to give back to the seriously ill children who desperately need hope. An honor and a privilege.

# 6. In teaching ELD, what is your favorite thing? Any good stories?

Yes! I have so much fun teaching my ELD students. I have too many good memories to single out just one. The students make me laugh all the time. Matthew Choi and Patrick made me laugh so hard last year, I cried. How We See Color, Cont.

turn into color. Isn't that awesome how such a small detail in our eyes makes life that much more enjoyable? If we couldn't see color, how boring it would be. We would never be able to appreciate art and creation in the same way.

One last cool little fact is that while humans are able to see color better than most mammals, there are some creatures, such as the bumble bee and the mighty mantis shrimp, that have even more photoreceptors than we do and are thus able to see colors invisible to the human eye.



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### Current Events

Racism is huge problem in America and many want change. Jussie Smollett, who is a big celebrity, allegedly staged an attack on himself, claiming it was the wrongdoing of two masked Trump supporters wearing M.A.G.A caps. He claimed he was attacked because he was a gay, African American celebrity, which made him a target. Many Americans were outraged by this hoax. The alleged

### WHAT'S NEW AT JUDSON!

By George Aziz

#### Singin' In The Rain Jr.

Great Job to our *Singin' in the Rain* cast as they did an amazing job acting. Some of our high school students were in the cast like Zach, Camille, Brayan, Isaiah, and Chloe. They performed at the Porticos Art Space Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 14-16. Our whole cast had a fun time and they hope you all enjoyed it too.

#### Serve Week

Our Judson students went to different places but all, in the end, learned the same lesson: being able to be flexible and that there is always a way to help someone. The San Francisco trip didn't go as planned due to the weather, but that didn't stop the 11th and 12th



graders from being able to help people.

#### Get to Know Teachers, Cont.



Miss Todd teaches Junior High and High School Math alongside Graphic Design and Student Leadership. Most people say that she is their favorite teacher.

#### 1. How is Hawaii different from California culturally? What is something you miss about Hawaii?

The food is different and the diversity as well. The people are nice. I miss the food and people like friends and family.

### 2. What led you to come to Judson?

I went on those websites were they look for schools where their child would want to go. I sent six emails to different schools. Then the Judson principal said, "We need a teacher for next year."

## **3.** Do you have any funny childhood or teaching memories?

When I was in the ninth grade, my mom cut my bangs when they were wet. My hair being naturally curly, this did not end

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paid actors turned out to be Jamaican. They told the authorities that Jussie paid them to do the staged attack. The case is still ongoing.



Tragedy struck on Sunday, March 10th, when a plane from the Ethiopian Airlines crashed, resulting in casualties of 149 passengers and 8 crew members. Please pray for the victims' families in these hard times. This affected the Yosef/Hizekiel family who were a part of Judson for many years.



It has been very cold and rainy recently, but expect some sunshine and warmth for the next few days. The average temperature will be 70-80 °. Next week starting on the 20th, we will be getting rain. So enjoy the sunshine everyone!



#### What's New at Judson, Cont.



Our 9th and 10 graders went to downtown LA and served at places like the Union Rescue Mission and My Friend's Home, a day center for homeless teenagers.



Get to Know Teachers, Cont.

well, and they ended up being extremely short. I kept them clipped back for like three months while they grew out.

#### 4. How did you start singing?

I just did it. My sister sang and then I did it but I did it for fun. When I was in high school I was on the worship team and then in a musical. And I've led worship a few times for my Community Group and things like that, but never really done anything much with my singing. It's just for fun.

# 5. How do you feel about being a member of Hero for Babies with the Red Cross?

Good? It is nice to know I can help. I am type O- which means I'm the universal donor, so anyone can use my blood, no matter what their blood type is. I'm also CMV negative, which means I can donate my blood to anyone who is in need, even if they have undeveloped or compromised immune systems--like babies and burn victims.

#### 6. Leaving Biola University, which is a Christian University, were you looking to continue going into a Christian environment such as Judson? How has that been for you?

Yes. I wanted to teach in a private Christian school. I started getting my state credential, but dropped out of the program and went to pursue pure math. So, just math classes and no teaching classes. It was good for me to go to

### Old Fashioned Pancakes

#### By Zach Christiansen



#### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon white sugar
- 1 1/4 cups milk
- 1 egg
- 3 tablespoons butter, melted

#### Directions

- Prep: 5 minutes
- Cooking time: 15 min
- Ready In: 20 minutes
- In a large bowl, sift together the flour, baking powder, salt and sugar. Make a well in the center

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