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March Madness Assembly

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On March 15, 2019, Bunker Hill held its first March Madness Assembly. It was filled with a variety of different activities that kept the students in the school entertained the entire time. Starting off, they had a knockout game filled with teachers and selected students. 7th grader, Maddie Nesmith came out of the game as the winner. The March Madness basketball tournament followed it with Brady Roberts, Matt Buonocore, and Chris Logiovino winning with a score of 8-2. Not only was there a game of knockout, the staff and students also participated in three-point shot competitions and many more. The school also had a Wing Bowl. With a team full of staff members and a team from each grade filling their appetite with 50 wings. In the end, the staff members came out with a big mess and a victory.



Honk! Jr.

The Bunker Hill Drama Club wowed audiences with their production of Honk! Jr. on March 28, 29, and 30th. The talent, both on and off-stage, was extraordinary. A special thank you to Miss Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Appleby, and Mrs. Mallett!



Easter Facts

Mariah Groff

After Halloween, Easter is the best-selling holiday for candy.

More than 90 million chocolate bunnies are made each year.

The largest chocolate Easter egg weighed 15,873 pounds.

Americans eat over 16 million jellybeans on Easter. That's enough to circle the Earth three times.

The Easter bunny originated in Germany.



St. Patrick's Day Facts

Saint Patrick's birth name was Maewyn Succat.

St. Patrick wasn't born in Ireland. He was kidnapped by pirates and taken to Ireland.

Blue was the first color associated with St. Patrick's Day.

There are no female leprechauns in Irish folk tales.

There are 10,000 three-leaf clovers to every four-leaf clover.



Mardi Gras

Gina Klemowitz & Alicia Seeger



This March 5th, Bunker Hill hosted its annual Mardi Gras celebration. Mardi Gras is a holiday that is widely celebrated in places such as New Orleans and France. Standing for "Fat Tuesday," Mardi Gras is a holiday filled with food and celebration, as a last hoorah before Lent begins. There are parades, costumes, beads, and candy. At Bunker Hill, the French students learn all about Mardi Gras traditions in New Orleans and France the week leading up to the joyful holiday. Then, on the day of Mardi Gras, Madame Pecheux hosts a celebration in each of her classes. It is complete with a traditional king cake, crêpes, beignets, and sparkling cider. To mimic the many parades taking place in New Orleans, French students go around to each class and throw bonbons (candy), symbolizing the different trinkets thrown from parade floats in New Orleans. As they enter each classroom, they shout, "Bonne fête de Mardi Gras!" meaning "Happy Mardi Gras!" This holiday gave the French students the chance to flaunt their green, purple, and gold, and be proud of the language that they chose to pursue! Overall, Mardi Gras was a day filled with celebration, fun, and of course, candy.



Students vs. Teachers Basketball Game



Jessica Wei

On March 7, 2019, students from all over the school gathered in the gymnasium to watch an intense game of basketball. The difference between this basketball game from any other game was that the two competing teams were some of the BHMS teachers and girls' basketball team. The team was coached by gym teacher, Mrs. Bramente, she says she's happy this event was a success and can't wait for the future years to come. All proceeds benefited the Leukemia and Lymphoma society which was funded by the game, a dress down day by the teachers, and pretzel sales. At the end of the day, Bunker Hill raised a total of \$1,270! By the end of the fourth quarter, the girls' basketball team was up by ten points, but just at the end, all the teachers came in changing the score to 25-18, with the girls' team taking the win.



Karneval

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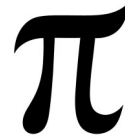


On March 5, 2019, the BHMS German classes celebrated one of the most popular German holidays, Karneval. The students brought in many traditional German snacks and sweets and started feasting like never before. Some of these dishes are Schokolade, Karoffel Salat, Kasepstzle, etc. The kids also participated in the common tie cutting events. This involved the male students wearing ties and the girls cutting them and giving them a kiss in return. But, for school purposes the girls reciprocated with a Hershey Kiss they received from class. This event is very popular amongst not only the German students, but everyone in the school. Teachers and other students who don't take German cut ties as well to play along with the school tradition. There has not been one year where a German student has gone a full day without getting their tie cut. Everyone around them is eager to cut a tie and won't let a full tie go through their sight.



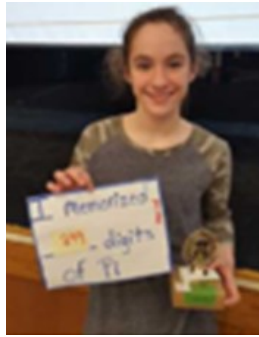
PI Day

Brooke Cavanaugh & Riley Sozio



On March 14, PI day was celebrated by students around the world and in our school. Math classes celebrated by bringing in circular foods for their classmates to enjoy. Such as, brought were cookies, pie, donuts, etc. Along with the fun foods, the 7th grade lunch periods competed in games such as *Pi Runner*. Mariah Groff got the highest score of 299 digits of pi in 7th grade. Second place was Corinne Beck got 297 in 7th grade. The winners got a trophy and a mini pie to take home. 7th grade teacher Mrs. Mckenty even had students compete with each other and win pie metals. These metals were considered as homework passes that you can use for future homework assignments. At the end of the day, Pi day is a historical day in Math history and an important day to math teachers.

Most of all, the students and teachers in this school love this day. Pi Day gives students around the world a better connection with math.



POPS Concert

Lauren Brookstein & Jackie Reeves



On February 14th, 2019, the annual Pops Concert at Washington Township High School occurred. The theme of the concert was “Here and Now”. This year’s Choral Pops Concert featured songs about living in the present moment and mindfulness, with proceeds helping the Child Mind Institute. More than 325 students from Washington Township High School, Bunker Hill, Orchard Valley and Chestnut Ridge performed together. There were a variety of performers such as Mixed Chorus, Women’s Chorus, and Chorale. There were also many soloists and duets. All three middle schools: Chestnut Ridge, Bunker Hill and Orchard Valley preformed together. They sang the songs: Scars to Your Beautiful by Alessia Cara and Feel It Still by Portugal the Man. The middle schoolers also sang Come Alive, featured in The Greatest Showman with the high schoolers in the finale. Our very student, Nicole Forte, winner of 2019s Middle School Idol, per-



Congratulations Louis Esposito!

Jessica Wei

In March 2019, 8th grader Louis Esposito competed in the annual Geography Bee competition. Along with other eager middle school students, Louis was showing off his knowledge of the world. In the final rounds, Louis failed to get a question wrong which advanced him farther into the competition. He whizzed by his peers and was able to compete as a New Jersey Semifinalist. Louis competed at Rowan University on March 29th and placed 24th out of 100. He has a strong love for geography and will continue to go far with his passion.



Middle School Idol

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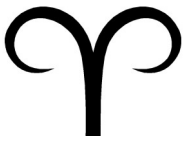
Washington Township held its annual Middle School Idol contest for all the talented singers throughout the three schools. The competitors practiced endlessly for this big night, including Nicole Forte, the winner of the contest. Everyone wowed the judges with their well-rehearsed songs. Nicole sang two beautiful songs such as “Always Remember Us This Way” by Lady Gaga and “Head Above Water” by Avril Lavigne. The judges, Matthew Wolf, Katie Knoblock, Hope Wagner, Bridget Costello, and Moly McDonald and the two-hundred audience members were blown away with her performances. Not only did Bunker Hill win 1st place overall, many other BHMS students did very well. 7th grader Talia Morrison got 2nd place overall and 1st place for the 7th grade division, Martina Weaver got 2nd place for the 6th grade division, and Kathryn Kim who got 3rd place for the 8th grade division.

FBLA States Competition

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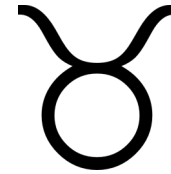
On Monday, March 18, 2019, twenty-five Bunker Hill Students went to Rutgers University School of Business to compete in the FBLA states conference. Under the advisor, Lori McEntee the students chose to participate in different competitive events such as an elevator speech, critical thinking (team event), community service project (team event), and a test under various different business topics. With a chance of winning eight different events, BHMS students won four of them. The following winners are, Lainey Palmer in career exploration, Dylan Thistle in digital citizenship, Jessica Wei in business etiquette, and in critical thinking, Anna Lee, Tangim Morshed, and Jessica Wei. The winners will be going to FBLA National Leadership Conference which is held in San Antonio, Texas this summer.





Seasonally Horoscopes

Carli Sullivan



Horoscopes based around the Earth's seasons.

What's a horoscope? A horoscope is a forecast of a person's future, typically including a delineation of character and circumstances,

based on the relative positions of the stars and planets at the time of that person's birth.

Spring is the season of beauty, flowers, and love.

<p><u>Aries</u> <i>(March 21-April 20)</i></p> <p>Aries is energetic and adventurous. Spring is usually their favorite month, and the perfect time for them to go for a jog outside or go hiking. They love chirping birds and warm sun.</p>	<p><u>Taurus</u> <i>(April 21-May 21)</i></p> <p>Taurus is determined and loving, so they would like to a zoo with family and friends. They might even go to a petting zoo specifically, or even ride horses. Taurus are very warm-hearted.</p>	<p><u>Gemini</u> <i>(May 22-June 21)</i></p> <p>Gemini is youthful and lively, so they usually feel nostalgic the warm weather. They would love to relive anything from their childhood, like flying a kite at the park.</p>
<p><u>Cancer</u> <i>(June 22-July 22)</i></p> <p>Cancer is emotional and compassionate, so they would want to pick flowers or go on a scavenger hunt. Geocaching would be fun in the hot weather too.</p>	<p><u>Leo</u> <i>(July 23-August 22)</i></p> <p>Leo is generous and enthusiastic, so they would want to go traveling with family or friends. They would travel anywhere warm where they could swim and relax. They wouldn't take advantage of the warm weather.</p>	<p><u>Virgo</u> <i>(August 23-September 22)</i></p> <p>Virgo is intelligent and modest. Virgo would like to relax and sunbathe or read a book. They would rather stay home or stay in the area rather than going out on vacation.</p>
<p><u>Libra</u> <i>(September 23-October 22)</i></p> <p>Libra is social and easygoing, so they would like to hang with friends. They might go for a walk or jog, or even just make some crafts. They might even host a party. They love the hot weather.</p>	<p><u>Scorpio</u> <i>(October 23-November 21)</i></p> <p>Scorpio is adventurous and exciting, so they would love to get out of the house in the warm weather. They would like to go on a hot air balloon ride or maybe even go skydiving.</p>	<p><u>Sagittarius</u> <i>(November 22-December 21)</i></p> <p>Sagittarius are optimistic and honest. They might want to walk the streets of the city or go shopping. They might even go out to lunch with friends, maybe hold a picnic at the park.</p>
<p><u>Capricorn</u> <i>(December 22-January 20)</i></p> <p>Capricorn is ambitious and practical, so they would like to something energetic, like going horseback riding. They also may catch up on old projects they never finished, motivated to continue in the calming weather.</p>	<p><u>Aquarius</u> <i>(January 21-February 19)</i></p> <p>Aquarius is friendly and honest, so they would love to hang out with friends and family, whether it be going to the park for a picnic or just enjoying the sunshine. They may play on the playground if they're feeling nostalgic.</p>	<p><u>Pisces</u> <i>(February 20-March 20)</i></p> <p>Pisces are imaginative and sympathetic, so they would want to do their hobbies in the nice weather, like sports, art, music, or other things. They would have their friends tag along when they go outside.</p>