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Quiz Bowl wins Scrimmage

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On December 13, 2022, BHS's Quiz Bowl team defeated Delaware Valley, becoming BLAST IU and CslU champions, cementing their victory in the local Scholastic Scrimmage Competition. Hosted by Regina Meyers, Scholastic Scrimmage is a competition where students compete for their schools by rapidly recalling facts to answer questions about various topics. This is the first time since BHS started participating in Scrimmage that Berwick has won the whole competition. The school was represented by Head Coach Todd Gunther, members Christopher Stola, Jack Kendron, Emma Czajkowski, Josephine Morgan, Elizabeth Gunther, and Eric Switzer.

Berwick started their win streak with a defeat of

Selinsgrove on November 29th, 2022. The round was a stepping stone, paving the way for three more wins. A win like this didn't happen overnight, however. Gunther explained their process of pregame preparation,

format," said Gunther. The team also did special preparation for the 'Lightning Rounds,' which are rounds where each team has one minute to answer as many questions that center around a theme as possible. Gunther

was very proud of how his team performed, saying, "It's just good to see Berwick students excel in whatever extracurricular activities they're involved in. So, this is just another avenue where Berwick students excel at another extracurricular activity, and I hope more people get to see it."

The students were very excited about this opportunity to show

their knowledge and represent BHS. Player Elizabeth Gunther commented on her feelings going into the matches by saying she "definitely had a lot of school pride going in, and it got stronger when we powered

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back pictured from left to right: Jack Kendron, Christopher Stola, Eric Switzer, Josephine Morgan
front pictured from left to right: Emma Czajkowski, Elizabeth Gunther

photo by Todd Gunther

describing how the team got ready for their games. "During summer, we started practices geared towards the Scrimmage format, which isn't all that different from Saturday Tournament Quiz Bowl. Still, we did focus on the Scholastic Scrimmage

Students consider personal responsibility

TRACE MANEVAL

Editor in Chief

During a typical school day, many students experience the impact of a technological distraction. This could vary from a student forgetting his or her computer to someone in need of a charger.

While one may not believe a daily interruption is substantial, if five minutes of a class focused on fixing a student error, that would equal 125 minutes a week. If a student attended all 180 days of school, that could be equivalent to 900 minutes, or 15 hours of class missed due to an individual's technological mishap.

This loss of time may force teachers to quickly pivot to an alternative way to complete the current lesson. Or, if enough students did not come prepared, teachers may have to completely change the lesson to something that will work. Many teachers have a backup plan, or as BHS Technology teacher Mrs.

Julie Ceralosi-Kishbaugh called it, an "unplugged plan." She says having this plan keeps her day from being ruined.

15 hours of lost class time would not only affect the student that forgets his or her laptop. All students could potentially feel the impact. The time would be lost on everyone in the classroom. The argument could be made that test scores would drop, teachers would not get to complete content, and all students would suffer the consequences.

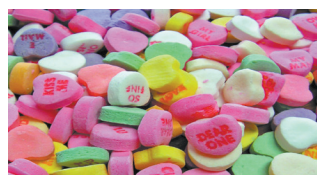
Senior Emily Barna believes not coming to class prepared will result in the loss of learning, "I know for a fact that computers stop working and teachers send students to the library [to borrow a device]. What are they going to learn during this lapsed time?"

Freshman Jacob Guerriero said he "would be so far behind" if he did not bring his laptop. Guerriero thinks be

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Life skills students participate in annual holiday dance

RILEY WALLS

Freshman

On Valentine's Day, Life Skill classes will join together at Berwick for a dance of joy, laughter, and unity.

The dance will take place at the BHS gym, and is a semi-formal winter dance. The dance is all about Life Skill classes coming together to socialize and make friends.

At the dance, there will be music, dancing, entertainment and activities. Swing choir will be performing; there will be a photo booth and crowning of king and queen. Six local high schools will

attend the dance: Central Columbia, Danville, Millville, Benton, Northwest, and Nanticoke.

This event is a big hit every year and it is very special to participating students. Even news reporters will come and interview participants. Special Education teacher Debra Kern said, "The friendships with the other classes, the students dressing up... and everyone having a good time is what makes this day so special."

Along with Kern, Guidance Secretary Caroline Curry, Swing Choir

helping the dance come into fruition. Student Council members will

stay after school to set up decorations. They also remove the decorations when the dance concludes. In addition, they DJ, help with the court, work the photo booth, take pictures, and socialize with the other students. Student Council also pays for any costs regarding

this event. Driscole said, "This event is my favorite... The students work-

ing together to create a magical day makes me so proud and the interactions they have with all of the visiting students and our students is incredible."

Additionally, there will be a variety of food that the school gets donated. Some foods from past dances were: pizza, subs, cakes, donuts, bagels, veggie trays and fruit trays.

Overall, this holiday event allows for Berwick students to connect with students from other districts. Kern said, "This is something we look forward to."



Adviser Melissa Driscole, student council, and peer tutors play a vital role in

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ing prepared on a daily basis will help students complete their work easier.

Mrs. Kyla Riccobon, BHS English teacher, said that if everyone brought their device on a daily basis, "It would be amazing...I don't always utilize the laptops, but they are a necessary evil in some ways. If everybody brought them and they were fully charged, it would be great." Riccobon went on to highlight the fact that during the height of the COVID-19 Pandemic, many students used Google Classroom daily. She said if students continued to use this program, it would help eliminate the amount of lost instructional time.

While many teachers want devices brought everyday, some do understand that there are going to be days where some students just

forget. Riccobon believes in "show[ing] grace to my students. I need to be shown grace in my life as a teacher, as a parent, and as a person. I need to show grace to my students."

Riccobon is not the only person who thinks this way about the devices. Guerriero said that "most teachers are lenient." The problem that Riccobon and Guerriero have is when the same student forgets a device every single day. They both believe that causes unnecessary disruption.

BHS teacher Ms. Stephanie Rothery said that she believes students are responsible enough to carry laptops on a daily basis. She said that if "they are responsible enough to carry a phone around with them all the time, which they never forget, then a computer should be the same principle." That point was also

made by BHS Technology teacher Ms. Rhonda Rowles. She thinks that students should be able to take care of their computers since they can take care of their phones.

Another potential problem that puts emphasis on distraction is the fact that some students do not just forget their laptop. The student forgets his or her laptop, but decides to take advantage of the potential for lost time. Senior Rachel Whitenight said that some students "make a big scene about it, and that makes everyone draw their attention to them instead of what they are supposed to be doing." This unforeseen circumstance could take even more time out of the educational process, causing an even bigger loss of learning for students.

Some teachers are also coming up with potential solutions to try and combat this

epidemic. Rowles thinks that "every room should have a few chargers in them so they charge student devices."

Many people are also worried about the potential destruction of laptops. They are school property, and damaging them would violate school policy.

Barna and Whitenight both believe that changes need to occur. They suggested implementing a new policy to potentially stop the problem of irresponsibility. They believe that starting a policy of a security deposit would help curb some of the damage. When students damage their laptops, then they would be held responsible for their actions. If students had to pay money to take care of a laptop, they may be more likely to follow through with their financial promise.

The problems with laptops are likely to continue until

something changes, whether that be the acknowledgement of student responsibility, or school leaders taking action to help stop this recurring issue, such as establishing the policy of a security deposit.

The laptops have greatly enhanced the overall learning environment. Students have been given access to educational technology. For many students, these devices have improved the way they learn. Riccobon reminded students that "The school has provided you with a laptop because they want to help you succeed. Be grateful." Students need to take advantage of the helpful devices and learn to respect the equipment along with their fellow classmates.

However, some would argue that the real problem is not with technology. They think the problem lies between the chair and the keyboard.

Stores decorate for holidays early

CARLY HILL
Editor in Chief

Every year, international companies and local stores alike change holiday decorations at illogical times. Many people find this decor conundrum confusing and irritating.

English teacher William Phillips experienced this occurrence, saying, "Big Lots in Hazelton... had an aisle of summer, 4th of July decor, next aisle was Halloween, next aisle was Thanksgiving, next aisle...

Christmas stuff. It's like Happy-Fourth-of-Autumn-Hallows-Eve-Christmas all at once." Individuals can assume the premature decorations allow people to get into the holiday spirit early, prolonging the festivities.

While some enjoy the scenery as early holiday spirit, others believe it cheapens the otherwise lively occasions. Freshman Elizabeth Gunther said, "(Stores) seem to put like no soul into the holidays."

If stores act too fast with switching decorations, when should they change their festive

scenery? Junior Joshua Feudale said, "maybe someone has not a lot of time to decorate, so they take what free time they have to decorate."

While some shared Feudale's viewpoint, others believed the stores

generated, like Saint Patrick's Day... how many people do you think are celebrating Saint Patrick's Day, realistically, in America? But, you go into a store, and all you see is green and clovers and little leprechaun men."

The main benefit is for the market. By prolonging selling the holiday items, stores are able to extend their profits. According to marketrealist.com, the price of roses doubled in 2022 due to a current shortage of supplies.

Regardless of raised prices, those in relationships feel required to buy items such as flowers during Valentine's Day; therefore, stores may price such items highly. Expanding their decorations for Valentine's Day allows them to prolong the heightened costs as well.

Nevertheless, the hurried change of decorations looks as if it will stay in place. Gunther said, "What you just have to do is just revel in the cheesiness." Perhaps individuals will have to learn to accept these pesky store traditions.

could revise festivities the day after the last holiday ends. For instance, Christmas decor may be displayed the day after Thanksgiving.

In these overlapping decorations, some holidays become overshadowed by the larger commercialized festive events.

On the other hand, some minor holidays are overplayed. Once the decoration contest within the months of October to February end, stores scramble to make up for the loss of joyful decor. Gunther said, "smaller holidays are over-exag-



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Is Valentine's Day a real holiday and why?



Cassidy Feudale
Senior

"No, I think it's a made up holiday just for couples to get together."



Jack Kendron
Sophomore

"No, it's a glorified saints feast day to steal your money."



Draven Geiger
Freshmen

"Yes, because it isn't only celebrated by those in relationships but also spreads love for everyone."



Amelia Zlobik
Freshmen

"Yes because I think it's important to show love among others."



Emma Berkes
Freshmen

"It's literally about nothing, just show love and affection for someone."

BHS says farewell to science teacher

CALLIE SHULTZ

Freshman

BHS teacher, Donna Novicki, is moving on to the next chapter of her career. On January 12th, the beloved science teacher parted ways with her students and colleagues.

Novicki has transferred to Hazelton School District immediately. Her swift transition was felt by Berwick staff and students.

In 2019, Novicki began teaching three science courses at Berwick.

While her departure was a bittersweet action for her, the opportunity outweighs the downfalls. Leaving her students and colleagues behind was a hard thing for her to do.

With leaving in mind, Novicki said, "I will miss my colleagues and... my

students." She also wants her students to be reasonable with her replacement.

Students have constructed meaningful relationships over the past four years. Freshman Mahi Brahmbhatt wants Hazelton to understand that "She's an amazing teacher, and you are truly blessed to have her."

Over the years, she constructed a comfortable learning environments. Novicki showed she cared about her students. Senior Jasper Martinez wants her future students to "Get to know her and appreciate her kindness... there is only greatness to discover!"

A memory from her science class occurred last year. Junior Camila Amaya recalls it saying,



Novicki

photo by Callie Shultz

"A couple weeks into school, I walked into class with Mrs. Novicki talking about a big mosquito and how she was gonna look at it under a microscope. It sat on her desk for the rest of the year, never mentioned again." Along with Amaya, there are

other juniors wondering about the mystery of the big mosquito.

Mrs. Novicki utilized traditions for students to enjoy. One of them being hand printing, which Senior Cassidy Feudale remembers, saying, "we painted our hands and put them on the wall, so I put my hand next to all my friends."

Another tradition of Novicki's was giving out Tootsie Pops.

Martinez said, "It's a simple act, but it shows us she notices and cares." Such memories made students feel noticed by the thoughtful faculty member.

Her class allowed students to learn and have fun at the same time.

Brahmbhatt says, "Her

class was calm, peaceful, and amazing," Regardless of the class, Novicki tried to make students' experiences enjoyable.

While Novicki provided students with a tranquil academic setting, she also taught them the value of hard work. Her classes required effort and determination. Junior Amy Beer says she learned that "Sometimes, I really do need to study."

Other students agree with Beer's assertion of the courses' rigor. Senior Feudale hopes that her new students know to "Study for her tests! Do not try and wing through that; study for her tests!"

Novicki hopes for students "to carry on and find their successes in science!" BHS wishes for her to succeed in the future.

Students talk about new poetry club

MICHAEL TERRY

Senior

Ode to Raven, a new poetry and arts club established with the help of Advisor William Phillips, is already growing in interest. Currently, there are around 15 members in the club.

The club is student-run and plans to have a lot of creative writing opportunities as part of an exploration of different forms of poetry, even including music. Phillips said it was because of "the student's passion and interest in poetry in class" that he felt the need

to become the advisor.

Gabrielle Finucan, Co-President of Ode to Raven (along with Jasper Martinez), said, "I think Ode to Raven will really help kids get in touch with their own creative expression and allow themselves to explore not only their levels of imagination but also their more emotional state because poetry is a very expressive form of art." Finucan believes the club will be a "good creative outlet" for those who have less experience with the spoken art form. The conception of the

club was started last summer before being presented in front of the school board in December, once there were enough members, according to Junior Rebecca Alexander.

The club has many goals; Alexander said, "My personal goal for this club is to allow it to grow freely for the students of BHS. We plan to make this happen by letting the club be accessible to everyone who is interested."

The club has yet to run out of motivation, as Finucan said, "I myself had a very negative experience with the

way poetry was displayed in middle school, and then I grew to appreciate it in a way that was fit best for me. I wanted to give that same experience to others."

The club's name according to several members came from *The Raven* by Edgar Allen Poe. Finucan said the reasoning behind it was that "We wanted to have there be a little inside joke kind of to poetry and we figured who else was better than Poe."

In terms of expanding the club in the future, Phillips has spoken to Berwick Mid-

dle School English teachers to promote the organization. "I'm trying to promote it in my classes... I could see, if not this (year), hopefully next year we expand into the middle school," said Phillips.

Some may still feel uncertain about whether to join the club, and to that Phillips said, "Just give it a shot. If you can, find an officer or a club member or even come to myself if you're... on the fence about attending."

Phillips is located in room 53 for more information on the club.

♥ Valentine's Messages ♥

To: Bee
When you're looking at me, I'm not sure if you're looking AT me, or BEHIND me.
Happy Valentine's Day bestie.
From: Bear

To: Bear
Dear Bear, when I look into you eyes, I'm not sure if you see me, or just your cousin. You are my best friend and I am glad to have a cousin like you. I would not mind spending a lot of time with you even if it gets annoying.
Happy Valentines Day best friend.
P.S. You're my favorite cousin, don't tell the family emo.
From: Bee

To: Symone Chase
Are you a parking ticket? Because you've got FINE written all over you.
From: Yours Truly

To: Raeanna
I love when you bring me dishes.
From: Mason

To: Addy Post
If kisses were rain-drops
I'd send you showers
If hugs were seconds
I'd give you hours
If smiles were water
I'd send you the sea
And if love were a person
I'd send you me!
From: Pookie Bear

To: Ava Peters
You're my #1 bestie and I love you to the moon and back.
From: Boo Bear

To: Pookie
Thank you for driving me everywhere and bringing me snack. #1 on the field and #1 in my heart, I love you!
From: Boo Bear

To: Fruity Pebbles
I am so glad we met and became best friends! Can't wait for the years to come!
From: Coco Puff

To: Gabe Hook
You are the one I learned my procrastinating skills from. Thanks! Oh, and do you remember that time I deleted your Animal Crossing island?
From: Nate Hook

To: Amelia Zlobik
Thank you for being awesome. You are better than L. W. at everything. Happy Valentine's Day! You're amazing.
From: Peanut and Sesame Seeds

To: Mr. Gunther
Thank you so much for all you do for us. We can't show how much we appreciate you!
From: Quiz Bowl

To: Natalie Mayorga
Hey it's your favorite cousin.
From: Yesenia Acceda

To: Camila Amaya
You are the best Valentine I could ask for.
From: Sus Master

To: Everybody
Happy Valentine's Day best friend.
From: Someone

To: Mrs. Christian
You are my favorite English teacher I have ever had.
From: Robert

To: Pookie Bear
I love my Pookie Bear beary much!
From: Tater Tot

To: The Periodic Table
Your gases are wonderful
Your elements divine
Oh Periodic Table, Please be mine
From: The Mad Scientist

To: Zenith
Happy 10 months! Hope to see you again soon.
From: P. B.

To: Olivia Ellzy
We should go see the Megan movie together! Love you lots.
From: Bunny Bo

To: Makayla Brown
Are you a camera? Because I look at you and smile.
From: Your Secret Admirer

To: Angry Wife
Roses are blue
Violets are red
.....wait
From: Your Designated Driver

To: The Band Children
So proud of all of you!
From: Le Baguette Parent

To: Daniel Miller
We are simply meant to be!
From: Your Love

To: BHS

Happy Valentine's Day students and faculty of Berwick Area Senior High School!

From: Unknown

To: All of my students

Happy Valentine's Day to my students! Thank you for always trying your best each day. I appreciate having all of you in class. See you in class!

From: Mr. Phillips

To: Maddy Birk

Thanks for being a good friend. I hope you have a great day. Happy Valentine's Day!

From: Hayley Briggs

To: The Easter Bunny

My dear friend, I hope you've been well. I just wanted to wish you a happy Valentine's Day, and Christmas is still the superior holiday! You may have eggs, but I have elves!

From: Santa Claus

To: Al Nichols

I can't even express how much I love you babe. You're the highlight of my life and you're an amazing boyfriend. Thank you for always being there for me. I love you.

From: Your Girlfriend

To: Norah Hestor

Hey shawty bae! I just wanted to say how thankful I am for you. You always know how to cheer me up when I'm feeling down, and you never fail to make someone smile. Have a happy birthday and a lovely Valentine's Day. <3

From: Pookie

To: Ava Lear

Thank you for always doing my nails for free and being the funniest person alive. You will always be my sugar mama when you buy me food. Your beautiful eyes and amazing hair make me realize I have an amazing friend. I love spending time with you, pook. Keep eating up.

From: Pookie Bear

To: Lady Bulldogs Basketball
Happy Valentine's Day to the Lady Bulldogs! I appreciate your dedication and passion for our basketball program!

From: Coach Phillips

To: Skyline Perez
Hello Sky, thank you for being my best friend.

From: Your Bestie

To: AP Lang
You are Absolutely Perfect!

From: Mrs. C

To: Everyone Without a Valentine
You look stunning, and absolutely drop dead gorgeous. While you may be alone for this Valentine's, I'm sure that you'll find someone who completes you next year. Don't lose hope yet.

From: Anonymous

To: Jacob G, Alex E, Everett S, Luke T, Nick D
Thanks for being good friends and being there for me.

From: Packer

To: Justin
Love you!

From: Emily

To: Integrated English
You brighten each day! You make Integrated English Great!!!!

From: Mrs. C

To: Kage D'Angelo
Hey babe, thank you for always being there to support me. I love you, and I can't wait to share more fun memories together.

From: Your Girlfriend

To: Elmo
I love your work on Sesame Street. Season 27, episode 107 is my favorite.

From: Your loving fan

To: Maddy Andrews
You're the "she" to my "nani-gans."

From: Emmy B Raps

To: Matt L
Roses are red, my earmuffs are blue, most of all, I love being best friends with you!

From: Your bestie

To: Francesca Pupo
I like you because you're weird like me. Eat some pickles.

From: Emmy B Raps

To: Gwyn Noroski
Are you a secret? Cuz I don't think I can share you.

From: Baby Kev

To: Andy

Hey lovely, I hope you're doing alright this Valentine's Day. I know its a sucky, cheesy, corperate holiday but you deserve someone totally sick to spend it with. Here's hoping neither of us are lonely. -love, fable. P.S. See you at DND <3

From: Fable

To: Maddy Birk

You are such an amazing friend that anyone one be lucky to have. You comfort me all the time when I'm down and bring my mood up. You're a girlboss and a positive person overall. You're super enthusiastic, and my best friend. Have a great Valentines Day!

From: Your favorite

To: Morgan

D.
Sup Morgan thanks for being such a good friend. It is so fun when we get gifts for each other for the holidays. You are so funny (not funnier than me) and we also have to make plans to go to the beach together. Hope we can travel together to different countries when we are older. Also thanks for giving me homework answers, hehe.

From: Your Coolest Friend

To: Mosh Mike

Happy Valentine's bro! you're doing well at your job, hope that ice cream machine is working! We need to go visit our friend at the test track! And not get stuck on level 2.

From: Hingle McCringleberry

To: Alix

You are the greatest friend ever. I know these are going to be corny but they should give you a good laugh- (you are so cute I want to take a little bite of you) like what the heck these are things to say to your friends or crush, why would you ever say that to your crush. HAHA. But I wanted to say thanks for everything and you're everything a friend can ask for- Love you xoxo

From: Coo Coo Bear

To: Jared Smith

Dear Jared, you are someone I can come to when I have a problem, you are my person. You can come to me when you have a problem, I am your person. You are my world, always and forever. Love you.

From: Tawney Culver

To: The Student Times Staff
You make every ISSUE interesting!
From: Mrs. C

To: Em
Do you have a name or can I call you mine? :)
From: yk who

To: Julia Mowery
Are you a parking ticket? Because you've got fine written all over you!

From: Papi Con

To: Zoey Force

Congrats on all your accomplishments over the years. I'm glad I got to witness most of them. I will always enjoy performing with you. Much love!

From: Your Pal

To: Velvet
This isn't a Valentine for you, it's for your dogs.
From: Licorice

To: Madison D
Is this what it's like to take a joke even further beyond?
Plus Ultra.
From: Krisham

To: Sean Murphy
Pass the ball you will make it to 1,000 if you give Fab get to da breesh the ball I love you cuzzo.
From: Fab

To: Mrs Melito

Thanks for being awesome & always helping me when I need it! I appreciate you so much!

From: Sophia

To: Licorice
Thanks, the dogs loved it so much they left you a present on your lawn.
From: Velvet

To: Luke Traugh, Nick Definnis, Nathaniel Hook, Ethan Packer
Thank you for being my friends.
From: Jacob G

To: Mr. Thatcher
What did the calculator say to the pencil on Valentine's Day?
You can always count on me.

From: Bailey Pursel

Students and faculty share their ideal Valentine's Day date



Greysen Kupsky
Junior

"To stay at home and watch a movie."



Emma Mowery
Freshman

"Going out to dinner because you get to eat and talk."



Nick Definnis
Freshman

"I would watch Batman and have a variety of different snacks to eat."



Lybbi Switzer
Junior

"I would go to a movie then eat dinner on the beach during sunset."



Makenna Mensinger
Sophomore

"I would like a movie in the woods along with a hike."



Jacob Guerriero
Freshman

"I would go to watch a 3D movie and go out to a fancy dinner."



Scott Hook
Teacher

"It would be to go for a hike out in the woods, then go out for a nice dinner, and then watch The Lord of the Rings trilogy."



Kylie Beck
Sophomore

"I would go to the beach to have a picnic."

photos by Sydney Kozak

What's *your* perfect Valentine's Day?

Take the quiz below and use the chart to determine your score.

What is your favorite Valentine's day candy?

- a. Chocolates (4 points)
- b. Candy Hearts (3 points)
- c. Fun dip (2 points)
- d. Other (1 point)

What is your favorite romantic movie?

- a. *10 things I Hate About You* (4 points)
- b. *Grease* (3 points)
- c. Other (2 points)
- d. *The Notebook* (1 point)

Out of the items listed below, what is your preferred Valentine's Day gift?

- a. Home-made gifts/cards (4 points)
- b. Chocolates/candy (3 points)
- c. Jewelry (2 points)
- d. Flowers (1 point)

6-10 Points
11-15 Points
16-20 Points
21-24 Points



Valentine's Messages continued

To: Potato Patty
Dear Potato Patty, I love the way you set me up for a hit. My favorite thing to do is play volleyball with you. I hope to play v-ball with you infinitely. Love you so, so, so, so, so much.
From: French Fries

To: French Fries
Happy Valentine's Day! You're my bestest friend and favorite pepper buddy. Luv ya
From: Potato Patty

To: Bagel
Love ya bestAY! Happy St. Valentine's Day! You mean so much to me and are the best friend anyone could ask for.

From: Jo

To: Jo
Love ya bestAY! You're a very successful person and I'm so glad to be your bestest friend for 10ish years. I will love you forever as my bestAY! Happy Valentine's Day! I'm so proud of you!
From: Bagel

To: Mr. McDonnell
Thank you for being the coolest teacher ever! You are such a cool person, and you have such amazing talent.
From: Your Students

Valentine's Day Date?

Determine the best Valentine's Day Date for you!

Out of the colors listed below, which is your favorite?

- a. White (4 points)
- b. Purple (3 points)
- c. Red (2 points)
- d. Pink (1 point)

What symbol do you associate most with Valentine's Day?

- a. Heart (4 points)
- b. Cupid (3 points)
- c. Roses/Flowers (2 points)
- d. Doves (1 point)

How do you feel about Valentine's day?

- a. It's an okay holiday. (4 points)
- b. It is a pointless holiday. (3 points)
- c. I love it! It's the most romantic time of the year! (2 points)
- d. I don't have an opinion. (1 point)

Cook dinner/dessert together

Staying in and having a romantic movie marathon

Dinner at a restaurant

Go stargazing with a picnic dinner

Top relationship tips for teens

EDEN SAVOY
Features Editor

Having difficulty in the dating world is a common issue that many people have, including teenagers. One way to learn is through making mistakes, but listening to others' advice can be useful in preventing these mistakes from happening. Here are nine dating tips to help lead to a smooth relationship.

Make a good first impression. The first time you meet someone is the way you will remember them until they become a larger part of your life. Making good impressions on others is important, and initially impressing someone will pique their interest.

Be yourself. While making a good first impression can

be important you shouldn't change who you are for a partner. Acting like yourself will make you more comfortable and ensures that the relationship stays honest. If your partner has an incorrect notion about who you are, it weakens the relationship.

Have clear communication. The best way to tell someone how you feel is exactly that—telling them. Waiting for someone to realize or guess your needs is unreliable and causes confusion within a relationship. By being straightforward about your expectations, there leaves little room for misunderstandings.

Don't make assumptions. Communication is important in a relationship from both sides. Make sure that you know what your partner is

feeling instead of assuming and ignoring issues that could be happening, as communication must be upheld from both sides.

Stay loyal to your friends. Meeting someone new can be exciting, but this does not mean your focus should shift fully. Remember to spend time with those who have always been there and make sure your friends know that they are a priority. They can begin to feel left out without you even realizing it.

Set personal boundaries. Ensure your partner knows what you are comfortable or uncomfortable with them doing. Setting a list of boundaries can be helpful in giving your partner an idea of things you do or don't want within your relations

Be selective. Don't date someone just because you can, do it because you want to. It's important to get to know someone before jumping into a relationship.

Follow your gut. Sometimes your intuition acts faster than your brain. If you have a feeling something is wrong, don't ignore it, no matter the issues level of importance. If your instincts are telling you something, it's probably for a good reason.

Don't stress. These tips can seem overwhelming and hard to focus on, but the thing you should remember most about dating is that it should be fun. If your relationship is causing more stress than good, it might be time to take a step back and do some evaluation.

♥ Pasta-tively amazing spaghetti dinner

AMY BEER
Junior

With Valentine's Day right around the corner, many people need a delicious meal to celebrate the special day. This recipe that I have prepared today is one that my mother taught me and makes for my stepfather every Valentine's Day. It's some quick and easy spaghetti.

This dish takes no more than 40 minutes to complete and is honestly the easiest and best-tasting dish I have made. You only need three ingredients, a block of feta cheese, a small carton of baby tomatoes, and a box of spaghetti noodles. Some extra things you need include a large baking dish, garlic, salt, pepper, olive oil, and a large pot of boiling water. This is such a quick and easy

dish that will complete any Valentine's Day dinner.

To start, set the oven to 375 and begin to boil a large pot of water. In the baking dish, spread a generous amount of olive oil over the bottom of the plate, along with some minced garlic.

Then, place the block of feta cheese in the center and surround it with the baby tomatoes. Once that is finished, drizzle another generous amount of olive oil on top of everything, followed by salt and pepper.

You can add any other vegetable if you wish; it can be customized to your and your date's desires. That is all for the preparation of the meal.



photo by Amy Beer

Once the oven is ready, place the dish and bake until the cheese is golden brown on the corners.

The cheese will be melted inside and ready to mix. This

should take anywhere from 30-40 minutes. Around halfway through the baking, take the dish out and split the cheese in fourths to allow it to melt faster.

By this time, the water for your spaghetti should be boiling. Put a pinch of salt into the water and drop the spaghetti in.

Take a pair of tongs and cook the noodles until they reach *al dente* or "to the tooth." This should take about eight to ten minutes, and the noodles should

have a little bite when they are done.

Once the noodles finish, do not drain them. Instead, take out the dish of cheese and

tomatoes once it is finished and mix it together. It should look something around an alfredo sauce.

Then, mix the spaghetti into the sauce slowly until the noodles and sauce are thoroughly combined. If needed, you can scoop in some of the water from the pot of noodles. This will help to make the sauce thicker.

Once everything is mixed to your liking, you can sprinkle some fresh parsley on to complete it.

This dish is not only fast and easy to make, but it is also delicious! This is perfect for those looking for a dinner idea for Valentine's Day. It is also perfect for having your own picture-perfect *Lady and the Tramp* dinner. Share the love this month with this easy and delicious recipe!

Avatar Way of Water lives up to expectations

LAUREN BIRK
Junior

The long-awaited sequel to director James Cameron's groundbreaking *Avatar*, released in 2009, has finally arrived. With a thirteen-year gap between the two movies, the anticipation and expectations of *Avatar: The Way of Water* are incredibly high. According to *Variety*, the movie made \$134 million in its first week alone. CNBC reports that it is already the top-tenth-earning movie in history. Though there are some mixed reviews, most of the feedback is very positive, and audiences are waiting for the next film in the franchise to come out.

The screens open on Jake Sully, his wife Neytiri, and their four children in the forest of Pandora. To stay safe, Jake Sully decides to relocate

his family to a water tribe village. However, the threat that compromised their safety follows them to their new home and results in a confrontation that Sully had been avoiding.

Similar to the first *Avatar* movie, the lighting and visuals play a prominent role in this movie's success. *Avatar* had lots of bioluminescent plants, floating mountains, and greenery. Due to the family's move, a change in scenery was an obvious necessity and did not disappoint. Unlike

the primarily dark visuals in the first movie, *Avatar: The*



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Way of Water blew fans away with stunning underwater and sunny locations. Each location was not lacking in its unique creatures and plants, which added a layer of mystique to the already perplexing movie.

Additionally, the highly

talented cast heavily contributed to the trance created by the visuals. Returning actors and actresses Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana, Stephen Lang, and Sigourney Weaver charge the plot through their solid and unique personalities.

Actors new to the franchise, including Jack Champion and James Flatters, make a strong debut into the world of Pandora and quickly capture the audience's love, just as the returning actors have done.

Of course, the movie's primary purpose is to entertain the audience and keep them rooting for the characters.

Fortunately, it also intends to bring light to water pollution and the effect humans have on sea life. *Avatar: The Way of Water* reopens the age-old discussion of "If we destroy Earth, and we find another habitable planet (with natives), how far are we willing to go to ensure our safety?" And on a lesser scale—how we need to appreciate and care more for Earth.

As of now, Walt Disney Pictures has announced that the franchise will have five more movies, each coming out two years after the previous one. That may not be all, though, as James Cameron has plans for an *Avatar 6*, and so on.

Locally, *Avatar: The Way of Water* can be seen in AMC Bloomsburg, Regal Hazleton, and R/C Wilkes Barre Movies, along with other theaters in the area.

We Have Always Lived in a Castle captivates readers

GABRIELLE FINUCAN
Junior

We Have Always Lived in the Castle by Shirley Jackson was a harrowing read, containing classic gothic mystique delivered in a strangely gentle and peaceful manner. Shirley Jackson manages to pull readers into a seemingly blissful world between two sisters—while simultaneously foreshadowing the morbid truth beneath their simplistic lives. I grew immensely fond of the novel, despite Jackson's chilling nonchalance laced throughout the plot. Nevertheless, her work succeeded in captivating my attention from a seemingly innocent and whimsical story of magic, to a more sinister conclusion. Even after finishing the book, I found myself

retreating back to the story to see if there was another crumb of truth lost in the deluded narration to devour. For I felt so connected to the world Jackson created, that once I entered the book I could not escape—even after I ran out of pages to read.

Out of all the works Shirley Jackson has produced, I believe this piece of fiction demonstrates her talent of misdirection and acute horror most prominently; her unique display of terror is tactfully done, rather than through senseless gore and brash action. I greatly recommend this eerie 214 page story for audiences who enjoy light elements of gothic literature and unnerving tales.

The story begins through the perspective of Mary Catherine Blackwood—who goes by the name "Merricat" most notably—an odd, capricious young girl who lives with her agoraphobic older sister Constance, and her ill Uncle Julian. The family lives together in a secluded mansion and attempts to navigate normalcy after half of their family died due to an arsenic poisoning a few years prior to the plot. The family now faces persecution from their community, as all the townspeople are adamant that one of the family members left is responsible for the poisoning incident. Despite the violence the Blackwells face by their community, there is a bittersweet nature to the

domestic life they attempt to reconstruct. However, any mere concept of normalcy to this family is destroyed as a suspicious cousin reveals himself and starts to live amongst the family and interrupts their fanciful lifestyle. The mellowness in which Merricat and Constance persist in their daily life is depicted in an uneasy and foreboding manner, that the mystery itself is not nearly as unnerving as the gradual reveal of the motives behind the culprit's actions.

Despite the otherworldly nature of the story, I could not help but love the two sisters and their sanctuary against their hateful and violent community. Along with engrossing, twisted

constructions of characters, Jackson does an impeccable job of creating morbidly comedic and loving moments from these characters. Merricat, while childlike and often disconnected from reality, is an engaging character that leads audiences along the deceitfully peaceful plot as her nonsensical narration slowly reveals hidden truth. Not only that, but the genuinely loving relationship she holds with her sister Constance, sheds a refreshing light of optimism in a chilling tale as this. If anything, Jackson makes it impossible to not root for the remaining mysterious Blackwell family against the barbaric and self-preserving community that surrounds them.

Popular beauty products prove their worth

MADELYN BROWN

Reviews Editor

Recently there has been an influx of "must-have" beauty products rising in popularity. The problem with this is that most products are incredibly expensive, and some are not even worth the price. So I will break down some of today's most popular products and tell you whether they are worth it.

Clinique Black Honey Almost Lipstick

Price: \$22.00

This classic favorite sheer lipstick has been popular since the 70s and has become even more massive in recent years. This lipstick is easy to apply and very forgiving due to its sheer nature. Additionally, the hydrating product can be layered to achieve



whichever level of pigments **Rare Beauty Soft Pinch Liquid Blush**

Price: \$23.00

The Rare Beauty Soft Pinch Liquid Blush has gained massive popularity over the past few years and is a bestseller at Sephora. The blush has a smooth velvety texture that sits on the skin very nicely and does not leave an oily residue. The incredible pigmentation of this product can be positive or negative, depending on the user. It takes very little product to get the desired look; however, this means it is very easy to use too much and end up looking sunburned. So, if you are an experienced makeup user, I would say the product is worth it. On the other hand, if you are a beginner, then a more user-friendly blush may be a better option.

Tarte Shape Tape Ultra Creamy Concealer

Price: \$31.00

This cult-favorite concealer has experienced a resurgence in popularity in the past few months. This concealer's

creamy thick texture makes it easy to blend and provides full coverage. The brand carries an extensive range of shades with different undertones making it an excellent option for everybody.

Brazilian Crush Cheirosa 40 Bom Dia Bright Perfume Mist

Price: \$24.00

This perfume has a perfect balance between vanilla and fruit notes. It's the perfect smell for someone in their teens or twenties. It does not smell like a grandma, but it also does not smell sickly sweet like the perfume of a little girl. This perfume is potent and lasts a long time. I have never gotten more compliments than when wearing it.

Truly Unicorn Fruit Body Butter

Price: \$23.90

This nourishing body butter has recently been all over social media. While it seems expensive for the amount of product, very little of the product must be used at a time. However, due to the

oily residue left behind, clothes tend to stick to the areas where it was applied.

Essence Lash Princess False Lash Effect Mascara

Price: \$4.99

This mascara has taken over the Internet for being incredibly effective while costing so little. While it does create very long defined lashes, the formula can be irritating and difficult to remove. If sensitive eyes are a concern, this mascara may not be the best purchase.

Shark FlexStyle

Price: \$269.99

This product has gained a lot of traction lately due



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to being just as effective as its much more expensive counterpart, the Dyson Air Wrap. The multiple extensions are beneficial and can blow dry, blowout, and curl hair. This product is incredibly convenient because it allows one to style and dry their hair simultaneously without excessive damage. However, if you do not style your hair every day, this product might not be worth the price tag, and you may just want to invest in a regular blow dryer.

Olaplex Products (No. 4,5,9)

Price: \$30.00 each
Olaplex No. 4 is overly hydrating and heavy. It left my hair greasy right after I washed it. Unless you have dehydrated, damaged hair, this is not for you.

Olaplex No. 5 is a nice conditioner but nothing special.

Olaplex No. 9 is an excellent heat protectant that helps tame frizz and dryness.

I hope this is helpful in all your beauty product purchasing endeavours. Happy shopping!

Would you rather see a movie in person or watch on a streaming service?



Raina Donlin
Sophomore

"I prefer the theater because it is more entertaining."



Jacob Guerriero
Freshman

"The theater. The atmosphere and experience is more enjoyable."



Laynee Farmer
Sophomore

"Theater, because it is a better experience."



Jayda Powell
Senior

"The Theater. The bigger screens make the movie seem more realistic"



Michael Terry
Senior

"When it comes to budget I would choose streaming services."

photos by **Alyssa Labour**

BHS reviews importance of scholarships

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Editor in Chief

In preparation for later educational or career opportunities, students often apply for a variety of scholarships to diminish anticipated debt. However, this form of financial aid is frequently overlooked.

Entering the work environment out of school can be difficult; therefore, any financial aid would benefit student workers and graduates. Besides, the cost of education includes room, board, fees, food, and transportation, as well as tuition. According to scholarshipamerica.org, "By providing sufficient scholarship assistance, we can enable greater success in college, providing backing for deserving students who want to graduate with their degree and give back to society."

There are many types of financial aid; however, scholarships seem the preferred option. Loans and grants circle new students, but grants are not ensured, and loans must be repaid before many recent graduates are prepared to do so. The Federal Student Aid web page said,

"Unlike loans, scholarships do not need to be paid back... they provide tremendous relief to those struggling to keep up with the high price of tuition."

Furthermore, scholarships allow students' focus to remain on their academics. According to post.edu, "Scholarships help students have more time to focus on their studies. Research shows that work can take up more than 15 hours per week and becomes an obstacle to academic success."

There exist many types of scholarships ranging from personal experiences to honor courses. Financial need scholarships remain throughout the education system. On the other hand, merit-based scholarships impact students as well. Elevated GPA scores, honors or Advanced Placement classes, and awards of students increase their chances of receiving a merit-based scholarship. Moreover, specific scholarships target students entering distinctive fields, the workforce, the military, etc. For example, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) contains pockets

of money for those who feel there may be a barrier to employment. For information on OVR, students should contact the guidance office. Each type of scholarship can be found via a multitude of sources. Students can find them on websites as international scholarships. Local scholarships are advertised in high schools or on provincial bulletin boards. Colleges offer monetary support.

Berwick Area Senior High School hosts a Senior Awards event in which BHS seniors are vested money from local sources. The school gives away over a hundred thousand dollars. There is no limit to how many scholarships a student can apply to. In February, the graduating class will be emailed a document listing over 90 scholarships. Seniors should read scholarship descriptions, determine which they are eligible for, and email Guidance Secretary Caroline Curry at ccurry@berwickisd.org with the list of scholarships they wish to apply for. Curry will return the documents, and students may begin applying. If nothing else, students

should fill out the last two pages of the first document they receive; this is the senior survey which will automatically qualify students for numerous awards without the need for an official application. While only seniors are eligible for the Senior Awards, any student can apply for scholarships.

When applying for scholarships, students will most likely need letters of recommendation. Guidance Counselor April Zluchowski suggests that students ask teachers or club advisors for such recommendations. She advises asking someone who "can speak about you." When requesting letters, students should have activity resumes prepared for recommenders.

If students receive scholarships, they may include them on their resumes, often under a category labeled "honors" or "awards." The ICOHS College Website said, "College graduates are certainly familiar with the process of putting together a resume. While not all employers will review every detail, scholarships tend to stand out."

Students should apply for

any and all scholarships they are eligible for, yet many fail to do so. Zluchowski said, "Do not disqualify yourself before applying for the scholarship." When applying, students may think since there is another who has more financial need, they will not win the scholarship. However, if students share this belief, not as many apply and these aids go unawarded. Another reason for low applications may be the length or amount of scholarships. "This is almost like a part-time job. If you're intimidated, let us who have gone through this... help you," Zluchowski said.

Many online websites claim to hold significant scholarships. Unfortunately, many of these may be commercial and have little to no benefit for students. Recognizing safe scholarships is a skill students must learn in order to "prioritize because... you'll run out of time. So, you wanna go to the guaranteed safe, reliable money," Zluchowski said.

For more information on scholarships or the Senior Awards event, contact the guidance office.

SCRIM CON. FROM PG 1 through and won again. I'm so happy about that."

Competing in competitions can be very stressful, and each person prepares in different ways. Gunther explained how she handled her nervousness before they started filming. "I had to do some breathing exercises before we went on because I was so nervous. Those definitely helped."

Playing was just one of many ways the members con-

tributed to the team's success. President of Quiz Bowl, Eric Switzer, cheered his teammates on with encouraging waves and smiles off stage.

The students also enjoyed their time after the filming, with Switzer saying his favorite moment from the day was after the filming. "My favorite part was hanging out with some of my friends in Quiz Bowl, and going out to eat after some big wins."

Big wins are right. Scholastic Scrimmage is a well-

known competition, and thus many schools from around the area compete. As already mentioned, winning against all those students takes practice and skill. Since there are many schools in the surrounding areas that are involved in the Scrimmage. To be chosen to compete is "exciting and I was honored to be there," said Switzer.

Gunther made some final remarks regarding the competition and its eventual air on TV. "I definitely would

encourage everybody reading this, please when our games come around in March, please be sure to watch Scholastic Scrimmage, it definitely is a lot of fun." She wishes for the enthusiasm of participating students have for Quiz Bowl will be shown. "I hope some other students that haven't participated in Quiz Bowl will get to understand and experience that," she said. By watching this event on television, other students might find an interest in the

club.

Students and staff alike highly suggest this academic organization to incoming or interested student.

For more information on what Quiz Bowl is or how to join, see Todd Gunther in room 43.

For more information on future Quiz Bowl events and to see Berwick compete against Selinsgrove, Montgomery, Lewisburg, and Delaware Valley, check local listings.

Rifle Team concludes regular season

JOHN GUERRIERO
Senior

The Rifle Team is nearing the end of their season this year. They competed in nine total matches. The team looks to send several shooters far into the playoffs who will have the chance to compete.

Unfortunately, this season the Bulldogs did not end up making it to the playoffs, but that certainly does not mean that they were not successful. As a team, they still finished with a winning record. Head Coach Cathy Curtin said "3 individuals qualified to shoot in the individual state tournament...only the top 20 in the league make it. Senior

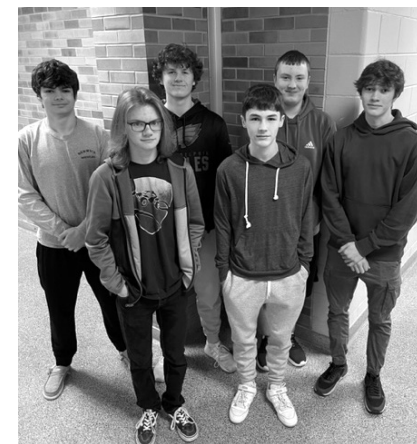
Colton Rinehimer, sophomore Wyatt Readler, and senior Trace Maneval will shoot that match on February 7th. They will spend the next practices shooting 4 targets in 40 minutes on the more challenging USA 50 target." These three bulldogs look to compete at the state level to bring home a trophy of their own.

The Rifle team this year still showcased several positives, regardless of having a smaller roster than usual. Rinehimer said "One of the biggest challenges we have had as a team was rebuilding. This year we had only half of our varsity roster

returning and we had lots of spots to fill. Our first few matches were definitely learning curves and full of nerves but as we go it keeps getting better." The Bulldogs have also been faced with other adversity, such as less practice time due to the range not being available. Maneval said "I believe the team's biggest strength is the ability for us to get less practice time than our opponents and still be successful."

The Bulldogs concluding their season have high expectations for the remaining shooters. These shooters are hoping to make it as far as they can in States.

eSports club begins first season



back pictured from left to right: **Collin Hornberger, Cole Phillips, Andrew Scott**

front pictured from left to right: **Nate Hook, Derek Pinterich, Nicholas Uram**

Missing from photo: **Ben Carro**

ALYSSA LABOUR

Freshman

eSports are changing the face of school clubs and activities. The new club, Dawg#, features competitive video gaming as a sport.

eSports' first match was on Thursday, January 29th 2023; Freshman member Nate Hook competed for the first time against Danville. He said he likes eSports because "It's fun and a good way to meet people who like to do the same things as me." He said he has been playing video games for years so this club was a perfect fit for him. He says he loves this year's game choice, Rocket League, because he has played it for a long time. His personal main goal for this year is to win.

eSports has a match almost every week and they try to practice at least once a week. This year's eSports club game is Rocket League. Rocket League is a video game that involves a combination of car racing and soccer.

After losing their first match against the 2022 defending champion, Danville High School, the Dawg#

photo by **Julie Cerasoli-Kishbaugh** eSports team bounced back with a win against Warrior Run in week 2.

eSports is a club of students getting together to share their love of sports through gaming. This is eSports first year being a club; but it has been getting organized for two years. There are eleven active members in this club. Their main goal is to make the top three teams in the district and make it to the playoffs.

Julie Cerasoli-Kishbaugh, Business Computer Information and Technology teacher and Marina Davenport, Technology Integration Specialist, serve as the coaches of the club. Cerasoli-Kishbaugh has decided to help create this club because she felt students have an interest in gaming. Cerasoli-Kishbaugh says "It has been a fun season so far; and I am learning so much as a coach." Overall she is very happy with the progress the club has already made.

eSports offers more than competition, there are tons of scholarship opportunities from universities.

For more information on eSports stop by room 56.

Wrestling Team triumphs in conference

TRACE MANEVAL

Editor-in-Chief

As the BHS Wrestling Team's regular season prepares to come to a close, they can celebrate in victory as they are the Wyoming Valley Conference Champions.

The team currently holds an overall record of 11-4. However, they are undefeated in their conference. Head Coach Ron Swingle said the team "has worked hard" and that it is time for them to start "reap[ing] their rewards."

Swingle said it has "been 15 years since Berwick wrestling has had a championship season. The team members have to embrace this and develop a champion attitude." To try and help the wrestlers overcome this challenge, Swingle had a group of wrestlers attend multiple mindset workshops. In these workshops, the focus is on the overall process rather than the outcomes. The wrestlers are now attempting to think about what is in their control, rather than what is not.

Although there are still some upcoming matches the team will compete in, Swingle wants the teammates to "compete without pressure and have fun." He does not want his team to overanalyze the upcoming matches. He just wants them to focus on the outcome that they can control, while not making the matches "bigger than what they are."

Senior John Guerriero is a wrestler and has been since his freshman year. He praised the uniqueness of the sport, and believes that wrestling has "taught me valuable life lessons." Guerriero also highlighted how a wrestler's brain has to be in multiple places at once. There is not just one focus. He said that every wrestler must focus on discipline, weight, and practicing hard. Guerriero said that "being mentally tough" is how he can overcome the challenges that arise when competing as a wrestler.

The season typically lasts

from Thanksgiving until March. However, Swingle and other coaching staff make sure that workouts take place from September until June. This will allow the wrestlers to stay interested in the sport and stay in shape to compete.

Along with Guerriero, there are three other seniors on the team this year: Anthony Kalapach, Trystan English, and Bruce Hartman. Swingle described that "losing members of the team regardless of the reason is always hard."

As for the season overall, Swingle has three goals for the team. One goal is to win their division, which the team has accomplished. The other goals are winning the team dual championship and the district individual tournament. Both of those events have not occurred yet. So, it remains to be seen how the rest of the season will play out for the Bulldogs. In the meantime, for more information about the team, see Swingle in room number 69.

Girls' Basketball aims to finish strong

SEAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

With the regular season coming to a close, the Lady Dawgs' Basketball team looks to make a final push to gain the most out of the season.

Despite the loss of Junior Forward Gabby Starr before the season started to an injury, Head Coach Bill Phillips feels that this young

team is improving each and every day with this detrimental loss.

Phillips said that the team's main bright spot is "a young,

inexperienced group of players gaining valuable experience." With just a lone senior, Guard Rachel Whitenight,

They are one of the best teams in the conference and have two of the leading scorers and we only lost by five." This shows that



photo by Edén Savoy

currently getting minutes for the Dawgs, this team still has time to perfect their craft heading into the postseason.

Junior Guard Alysa Lewis

regardless of their record, the team believes they can hang with any team in the conference.

The team still has high

expectations heading into the final stretch of their season. Phillips is aiming to win as many games as possible during the regular season in order to improve their seeding for the upcoming district playoffs. In order to accomplish this, Phillips said that the team will need to continue to stay dedicated and work even harder at practice.

Lewis explained that in order to achieve the success that the team wants in the playoffs, they will need to continue with their defensive efforts, but also become more confident scorers on offense to compete with other top-notch teams they will have to face. "We will all need to get

better at shooting to be more aggressive on offense," said Lewis.

The highlight of the Lady Dawg's season was their win at Dallas, with Junior Guard RaeAnna Andreas draining a three-pointer at the buzzer to defeat the Mountaineers. "We all played well on defense that game and worked hard on offense" said Lewis, "and it felt good to win after losing to them during the Judy Knorr Tournament,"

With high hopes still in mind for this season, Phillips looks to get his players increased skill work and more experience heading into a tough playoff schedule and the upcoming season.

Boys' Basketball made strides

JOHN GUERRIERO
Senior

The Berwick Bulldogs Basketball Team has continued to work hard this season. This has led to some games won and several close match ups. The Bulldogs have lost some close games, but have also won some big games against teams such as Danville who they defeated 79-65.

The Bulldogs have high expectations entering the playoffs and look to be as successful as possible. Senior Sean Murphy said "I expect to win more than half of our remaining games and win at least our first round playoff game." Murphy this season has consistently been a play maker and has benefited the Bulldogs team in several ways. He looks to hit his 1,000th career point which is a remarkable milestone for high school basketball. The Bulldogs look to maximize the positives that they represent as a team entering

the postseason. Murphy also said "The team's biggest strengths are the multiple scoring threats that we have and our ability to play faster than our opponents."

Senior Zack Bedwell said "Our team's biggest strengths are our trust in one another, speed getting up and down the court, and our talented roster that can knock down shots when we need to. These strengths will improve as the young talent we have gets more court experience." The team looks to carry these positives into the end of their season, hoping it will lead to success and some playoff wins.

For the rest of the season, the team plans to keep working as hard as possible to succeed. As of now, the Bulldogs are the 8th seed in a very talented pool of ten teams in their district playoff bracket. With their season on the line, the Dawgs will look to make a huge splash with a playoff win in the first round.

SEAN MURPHY
Sports Editor

Heading into a highly anticipated Super Bowl matchup between the juggernaut Philadelphia Eagles and the explosive Kansas City Chiefs, let's take a look at how this year's playoffs have shaped up.

Wild Card

In the Wild Card round, fans saw two upsets of top teams that experts predicted to go far in the playoffs. In the AFC, the Jacksonville Jaguars overcame a 27-point deficit, one of the largest comebacks in NFL history, to defeat the favored Los Angeles Chargers with a score of 31-30. Despite throwing four interceptions in the first half, Jaguar's Quarterback Trevor Lawrence came alive in the second half to lead his team on to the Divisional Round.

On the NFC side, New York Giants first year Head Coach Brian Daboll led his team to their first playoff win over

the Minnesota Vikings since the franchise's 2011 Super Bowl win. Daniel Jones, Giant's Quarterback, had a stellar performance, throwing for over 300 yards, two touchdowns, and no interceptions, while also leading the team in rushing yards with 78. After the Giants took a first half lead, they never looked back, and ended up beating the Vikings 31-24.

Another game was on upset watch in the Wild Card round, as the Seattle Seahawks traveled to San Francisco and held a one point lead at halftime against the heavily favored 49ers. The 49ers would not go down like this however, as they came out of halftime and outscored the Seahawks 25-6 in the second half to come out on top, winning with a final score of 41-23. Brock Purdy, Superstar Rookie Quarterback for the 49ers who got his first start in week 14, threw for 332 yards and three

touchdowns to push his team past the Seahawks.

Also in the Wild Card round, the Buffalo Bills found themselves in a tight game against the visiting Miami Dolphins, despite the Dolphins having to start career-backup Quarterback Skylar Thompson. The Bills ended this game victorious, even with the Dolphins putting up a great fight, with a final score of 34-31. The Cincinnati Bengals defeated their inter division rivals, the Baltimore Ravens, who also were starting a backup Quarterback in Tyler Huntley, with a score of 24-17. Then, in Dallas, Cowboys Quarterback Dak Prescott had a field day, throwing for just over 300 yards and four touchdowns in the Cowboy's 31-14 win over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Divisional

The Divisional round held a handful of great football
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NFL playoff games wrap

TOP DAWGS

Wrestling Team



The Dawg's Wrestling team had a stellar season, coming out on top in 14 of 19 matches up to this point in the year. The team placed 3rd in the Dual District Championships, which makes this season the Dawg's best season in 15 years. Head Coach Ron Swingle, who has been the coach for six years, said that the team has talent across the board, with a total of seven wrestlers reaching the impressive 20-win mark on the season. Despite losing four great senior wrestlers, this young and skilled team will look to build upon this season and continue to take this program to the top.

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Trace Maneval



Senior and Captain Trace Maneval has been a member of the BHS Rifle Team since Middle School. He began going to matches when he was officially old enough to compete. Maneval's goal for this season was to always do his best and give 110 percent effort. He hopes that he was a role model for some of the younger shooters just beginning their Rifle careers. Maneval's inspiration to keep shooting was his work ethic of never giving up. Maneval

loves the sport and all of the people involved. His favorite part about being a member of the Rifle Team is that it gave him a lesson about what it was like to truly be part of a team. Also, he says that being a Captain has been one of his best life experiences. Maneval's future plans include attending Dickinson College. From there, he hopes to attend and graduate law school to become a prosecutor and judge.

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Colton Rinehimer



Senior and Captain Colton Rinehimer has been a member of the BHS Rifle Team since Freshman Year. His main goal for this season was to place higher than previous seasons. Rinehimer did just that, placing as the 5th overall regular season shooter. He says that the atmosphere, his teammates, and his high scores led him to continue participating each season. His favorite part about being a member of the Rifle Team is that it teaches shooting

skills and discipline. Rinehimer admitted that the sport was not as easy as he thought it would be. He said it is something that he needed to work on to be successful. Rinehimer's future plans include obtaining a Master's Degree in Architecture at Marywood University, where he will play Baseball.

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 games. After a battle with the Jaguars, the Chiefs held on to get the win behind solid performances from their stars, Quarterback Patrick Mahomes, Running Back Isiah Pacheco, and Tight End Travis Kelce; the final score was 27-20.

In Buffalo, the Bengals got out to an early 14-0 first quarter lead and never took their foot off the gas. Bengals Quarterback Joe Burrow threw completions to eight different receivers in the Bengal's 27-10 rout of the Bills. Burrow ended with 242 yards and two touchdowns and Running Back Joe Mixon ran for 105 yards and one touchdown.

On the NFC side, the top seeded Philadelphia Eagles proved to the league that they were a force to be reckoned with, destroying the Giants 38-7. While Eagles Quarterback Jalen Hurts threw a solid game, the team's running attack, like all season, was what pushed them through this game. Across four different runners,

the Eagles accumulated 268 total rushing yards and 3 touchdowns.

In the last game of Divisional weekend, the 49ers played their usual style of game, slow, defensive-driven, and tough as they defeated the Cowboys 19-12. With only one touchdown from their offense, Kicker Robbie Gould netted four out of four field goals to push the Niners past the Cowboys.

Conference Championships
 Championship weekend gave fans two very different games. In the NFC, some would argue that the Eagles had already won in the first quarter, but in the AFC, the Chiefs and Bengals battled it out to the finish.

After a quarterback switch due to injury for the 49ers, the team showed no signs of light. Throwing for less than 100 yards as a team, the 49er's offense could not get anything going, and part of that is due to the Eagle's stifling defense. On the offensive side, for the second week in a row, the Eagle's rushing attack out-gained their throw-

ing attack, while also scoring four touchdowns in the process. With this astounding win, the Eagles advance to the Super Bowl, hoping to repeat their efforts from their 2017 championship win.

Patrick Mahomes showed why he belongs in the biggest state with his performance against the Bengals on Championship Sunday. Mahomes threw to ten different receivers in this game, with his yards adding up to 326, along with two touchdowns and no interceptions. On the other hand, Bengal's Joe Burrow threw two crucial interceptions that could have ultimately altered the outcome of the game, being it was only a one-score affair. Mahomes was the better quarterback, and that is what this game came down to, and that is why he is advancing to Super Bowl 57.

With Super Bowl 57 just days away, fans are eager to watch possibly the two MVP frontrunners, in Mahomes and Hurts, go head-to-head under the brightest lights of this year's Super Bowl.

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Who's Most Likely to...

Read the following quotes and match them to the teachers name who you think made the statement

Rhonda Rowles	Kate Warhurst	Sarah Warner	Kathleen Haubert	Todd Gunther
Matthew Shrader	Melissa Driscole	Donna Novicki	Victoria Witner	Sara Gorman
	Stephan Swicklik		Ronald Swingle	

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| 1) ___ I was nearly blind before having LASEK surgery and lived from 5 years old to 22 years old wearing glasses. My vision is now 20/20. | 3) ___ I lived in Ireland for two years and worked in an Irish pub. | elementary school. | 8) ___ I played the trumpet at my elementary school for a couple of months before being told by the band director to never touch another musical instrument again. | 10) ___ I learned how to mountain climb and how to rappel cliffs in the Andes Mountains of Bolivia. |
| 2) ___ I was on the show Flea Market Flip | 4) ___ My husband was in a band and I helped him out as a band tech. | 6) ___ I was once attacked by a swarm of angry yellow jackets. I probably received about 50 stings in a 30 second period. | 9) ___ I have 4 grandkids ages 12, 11, 5, 2 ½ | 11) ___ I can occasionally be absent-minded. |
| | 5) ___ I was a state award winning seamstress when I was in | 7) ___ I lived in four states and attended five schools by sixth grade. | | 12) ___ I eat cherry Greek yogurt every day at lunch. |

Berwick hosts jobs for students

MADELYN BROWN
Reviews Editor

As high schoolers grow older, they tend to acquire jobs for various reasons. Whether they are working for extra spending money, car payments, or even saving for college, having a part-time job is a beneficial experience. Many students may not know what jobs are available or what they entail, so some upperclassmen who work various jobs in the area have provided some insight.

Senior Allie Shultz has worked at Burger King for a year and a half. There she works as a Team Leader and said, "I serve food, work the register, make food, etc." Shultz is happy with the management and how she is treated at her job. She usually works "30-35" hours per week and said her favorite part of her job is "the fries." While she doesn't like cleaning the milkshake machine, she said, "it's so tedious" she enjoys her job.

Shultz said, "I think working is important because it teaches responsibility needed later in life."

Personally, she gained financial responsibility. She said, "I now watch my spending and try to budget and save."

Marisa Canouse, a senior, works as an assistant swim coach at Berwick Age Group Swimming. There she instructs kids on how to better their swimming skills. Canouse enjoys everyone she works with and said "The kids are so sweet, and everyone is so nice." While Canouse does not enjoy the humid environment of the pool, she loves connecting with the kids. Canouse said, "It's basically like having a lot of little friends."

Canouse feels that working is vitally important to the function of society. Working has given her "experience to grow as a mentor and a leader." She said, "Hard work pays off for not just myself but everyone."

Senior Jayda Powell works at Glen Brook RHC as a receptionist. She said her job responsibilities include "answering the phone and opening the door, as well as keeping patients happy and

occupied." Although Glen Brook's environment can be a bit slow, she said, "I like that I am able to do my homework at work." She enjoys her working environment and appreciates her coworkers.

Powell said that working is essential because "It helps build character development and aids in handling people and understanding their feelings. She benefited from this job by learning to "take care of vulnerable people."

Sophia Ambrosino, a senior, works at Rite Aid as a cashier. She works about 5 hours a week and said, "My employer works around my schedule."

Ambrosino said, "Working is important because... we have important things to save up for. We may need to save for college, a car, gas, or even simply buying clothes and food for ourselves." She is grateful for the friends and experiences she has gained through working.

From flipping burgers to answering the phone, working benefits oneself and others in the community.

Who's Most Likely to... Answer Key

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| 1) Matthew Shrader | 7) Donna Novicki |
| 2) Melissa Driscole | 8) Rhonda Rowles |
| 3) Sara Gorman | 9) Ronald Swingle |
| 4) Victoria Witner | 10) Kathleen Haubert |
| 5) Sarah Warner | 11) Todd Gunther |
| 6) Stephan Swicklik | 12) Kate Warhurst |

Bowling members partake in competitions



photos by Kaydia Wright

CARLY HILL
Editor in Chief

The BHS Bowling Team has made the most of this year's season.

At Senior Night, senior members John Ebert, Regan Welch, Jared Smith, Connor Mensigner, Eric Switzer, and Victor Eckrote (pictured from left to right) enjoyed a final match with their peers.