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Good Luck Grizzlies!

Foodball
Lindsey Sheridan



Joel Brydon, (12), Chandra Munger, (11), Taylor Walker, (12), Nick Lindseth, (11)

Foodball 2013 was a huge success for the community. Together, Hoquiam and Aberdeen brought in over 1,000,000 pounds of food for Costal Harvest. The "pounds" of food were collected in forms of actual food and cash donations. Hoquiam won the competition side of Foodball for the fourth straight year by bringing in 622,912.9 pounds total, with 614,661.79 of that being cash donations. Hoquiam brought in over 200,000 pounds more than Aberdeen. Some of the biggest contributors were the McTakover, Lana's Takeover, Domino's Takeover and canvassing.

The competition side of Foodball isn't the important part, however. The Foodball tradition was started 32 years ago to help the community. Students put in their time to raise money and food to help those in need. That is what Foodball is all about: community. It is because of the hard work and dedication of students from both schools that this year was such a success, breaking both schools' 2012 records. Hoquiam has won 26 out of the 32 years, breaking their record often. Great job Grizzlies, let's make next year even better!



Events

Veterans' Day
Lindsey Sheridan

World War I officially ended on June 28, 1919, with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles. The actual fighting between the Allies and Germany, however, had ended seven months earlier with the armistice, which went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. Armistice Day, as November 11 became known, officially became a holiday in the United States in 1926. However, Veterans soon pushed for the holiday to celebrate all who have served, not just the Veterans from World War I. On June 1, 1954, a bill was passed that changed the name to Veterans' Day to honor all U.S. Veterans.

We as a nation celebrate Veterans' Day as not only a holiday for the Veterans of our country, but also for those who are still serving. It is for every branch of military that has provided our country protection and freedom. Many schools celebrate this holiday in a variety of different ways. Lower grade levels may participate in Veterans' Day activities such as word searches, stories about war heroes, or even having a veteran guest speaker. Higher grade levels are able to understand the importance of the holiday a bit more and typically have assemblies honoring all of our Veterans.

Veterans' Day reminds us where we came from, and the sacrifices Veterans and their families have made. It celebrates our victories, and mourns the loss of lives winning those victories. It is an important national holiday that reminds us to thank every single man and woman who has served and is serving our country. Remember to thank a veteran on November 11th!

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Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving History
Cody Loman

Thanksgiving is a great holiday, but do you know its history? Well pull up a chair, children, and let me spin ye a tale about Thanksgiving. In September, 1620, a small ship called the Mayflower left Plymouth, England, carrying 102 passengers. They dropped anchor near the tip of Cape Cod, far north of their intended destination at the mouth of the Hudson River. One month later, the Mayflower crossed Massachusetts Bay, where the Pilgrims, as they are now commonly known, began the work of establishing a village at Plymouth.

Throughout that first winter, most of the colonists remained on board the ship, where they suffered from exposure to diseases. Only half of the Mayflower's passengers lived. In March, the settlers moved onto land, where they were greeted by several Indians. The Pilgrims were taught how to cultivate corn, get sap from maple trees, catch fish in the rivers and avoid poisonous plants.

In November 1621, Governor William Bradford organized a feast and invited Native Americans. This is known as American's "first Thanksgiving. While no record exists of the exact menu, it is said that Governor Bradford sent four men on a mission in preparation for the event. Historians have suggested that many dishes were prepared using Native American spices and cooking methods. The Pilgrims had no oven and the Mayflower's sugar supply had dwindled by the fall of 1621. Therefore, the meal did not include pies, cakes or other desserts.

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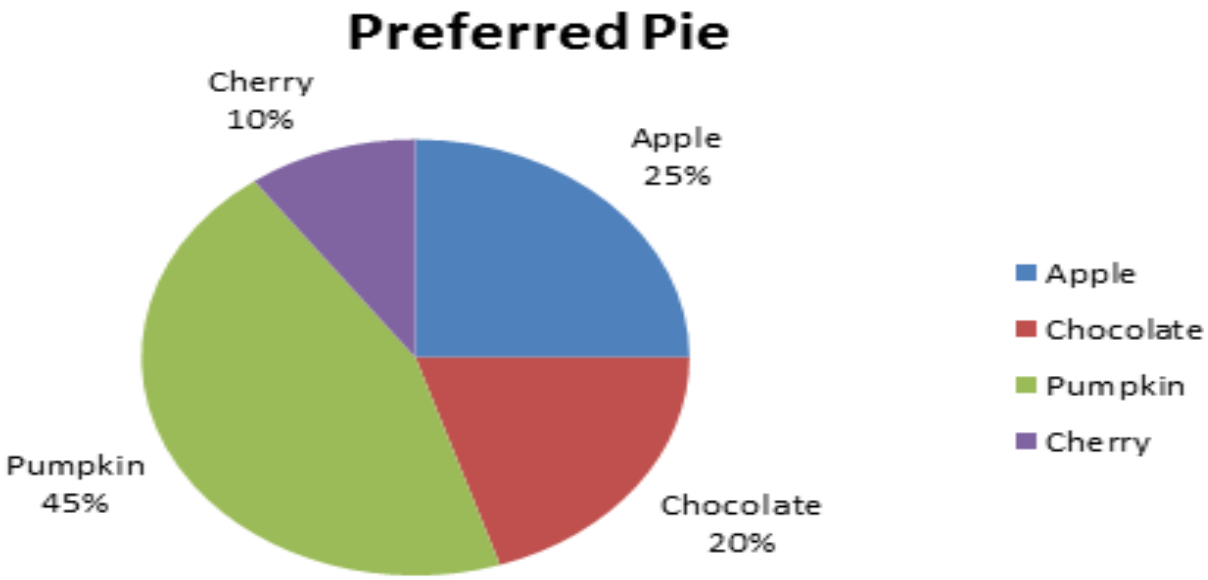
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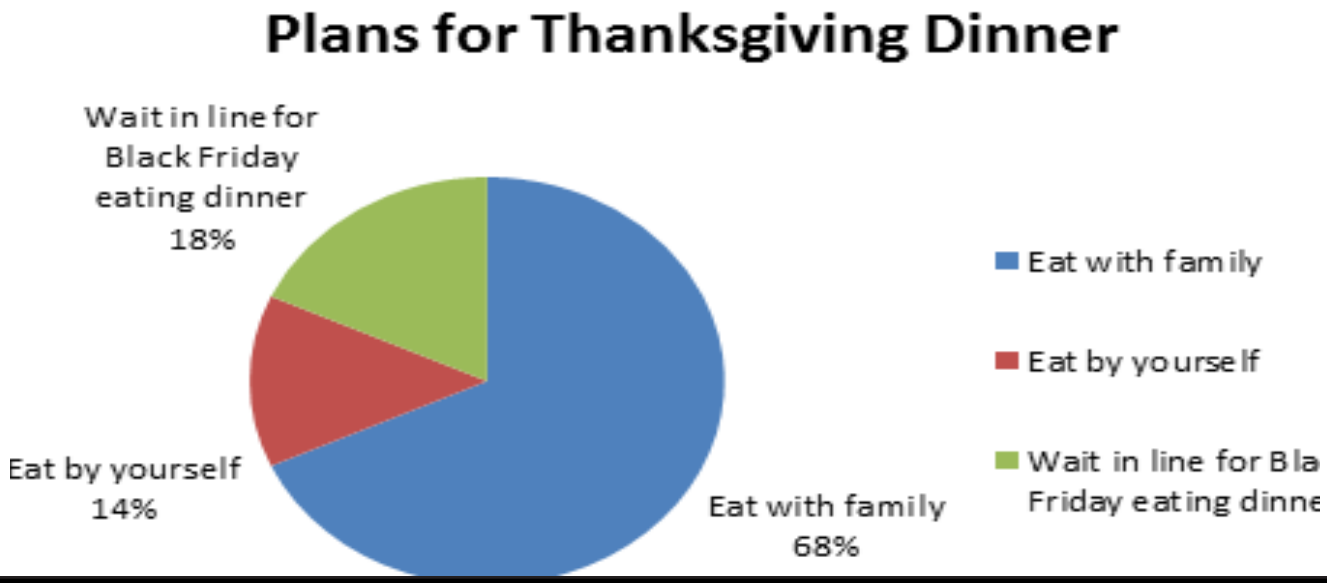
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Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Survey
Jensina Alvarenga

Forty students at Hoquiam High School were asked what kind of pies they preferred to eat during Thanksgiving and what their plans were to do on that day. Here are the results.





Spotlight

Student on the Job
Sierra Brunstad

Many HHS students are urged to get a job, either by their parents, teachers, or empty wallets. Some students actually listen, or at least junior Karen Mudd did. She went and got a job at KFC. She has been employed at KFC since June 19th.

Karen now works Saturdays 4 p.m. - 9 p.m., Sundays 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Mondays 4 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Working at the front register as a cashier, she is rewarded with $400 a month, or $200 a paycheck. This money goes toward keeping her car running and a college fund.

It is hard work, as Karen stocks the inventory and cleans, besides taking customers' orders. Working at the register isn't the easiest job. "Some difficult customers really test your self-control," Karen said, "They don't understand you are trying to give them a good deal." Karen likes her job enough, but it isn't the greatest. When they mean non-slip shoes, they mean it. Karen learned this the hard way, after falling off a stool.

Having a job at KFC is a good leadership experience, as she led a cake sale her first week on the job. The cake sale was a competition: the first one to 10 cakes gets a $5 gift card. It was a great experience for Karen. She is a hardworking student for sure.

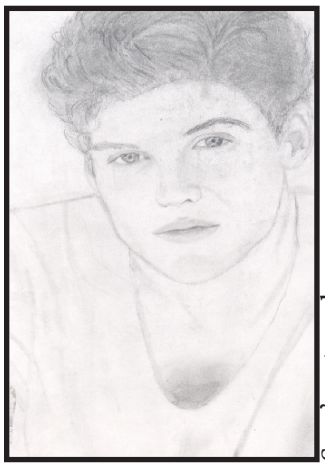


Artist Spotlight
Nicolas Jones

This month's artist spotlight is focused on Samantha Merie Braykovich, a sophomore at Hoquiam High School. She is an excellent artist, and was chosen to be in this article by Mr. Skolrood himself.

Sam creates fines art, ink art, and watercolor art. She also uses other paints and pastels. She mostly draws people, such as family members, celebrities, or her friends. Sam normally draws what comes to mind, but she also likes to draw for friends. Although, she mostly draws with pencil, she likes to use other art styles too. Sam creates art for fun, she doesn't stress about it. She has no original art style, nor an original character she likes to create; Sam just draws what she wishes. Her favorite artist is Mr. Skolrood. She doesn't know if she'll still be doing art in her future, but she thinks it's a possibility.

Overall, Sam is a wonderful artist, and definitely deserves recognition. Her only advice to other artists is, "Don't give up, don't get frustrated, and don't throw your art away. If you're in Mr. Skolrood's class, he'll just take it right out of the trash."



Sam's artwork.

Mystery Students

Mystery Students
Mogley Simpson

This month's mystery staff member has been teaching at Hoquiam High School for over 25 years and he also graduated from this school in 1984. He is married and has five children. His favorite thing about teaching is still getting to laugh and act "goofy" when absolutely necessary. His biggest pet peeve is laziness. One of his hobbies is playing music and his favorite food is Casa Mia Pizza or a good sandwich. To him Grizzly Pride means doing what's "right," working hard and being good to people. This staff member teaches juniors and seniors. Can you guess who this month's mystery staff member is?

This month's girl mystery student is a senior this year. She participates in leadership and basketball. She has also attended schools in Montana and Tacoma. Her favorite class is English because she is good at it. Her hobbies are drawing, playing basketball, hanging out with her friends, and having fun. She has one younger sister that also attends Hoquiam High School and two younger brothers. Her favorite movie is the "*Croods*", and her favorite song is anything by Jack Johnson. She loves to eat Indian tacos and when she grows up she wants to do something in Criminal Justice. Can you guess who this month's girl mystery student is?

This month's boy mystery student is a junior this year. He is involved in football and baseball. When he was younger he attended Emerson and Central Elementary School. His favorite class is art because he gets to draw and learn different ways to show how he feels or his views on an issue. Some of his hobbies are playing the bass guitar and longboarding. His favorite food is lasagna and his favorite movie is "*The Nightmare Before Christmas.*" He has two little brothers. When he wants to grow up he would like to become a Physical Therapist. Can you guess who this month's boy mystery student is?

September Mystery Students:



Mr. Sandstrom



Ashley Paladin, (9)



Brandon Kelly, (10)

Make your guesses in S-26! Win a prize!

Spotlight

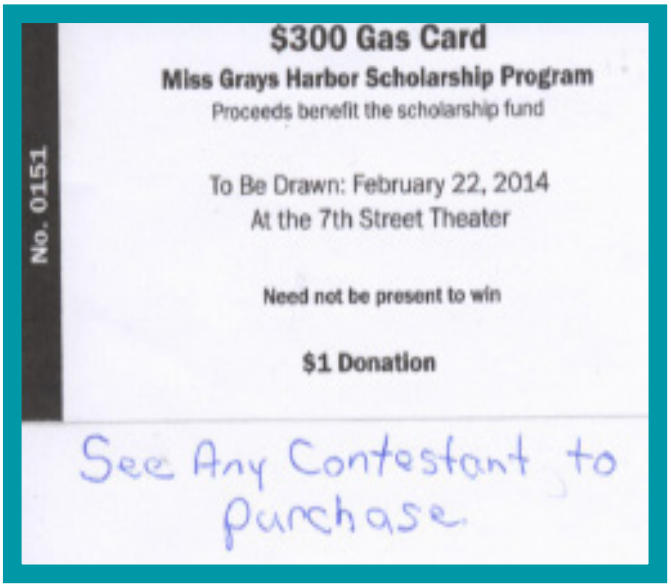
Teacher Spotlight
Madisen Davis

Do you know a teacher who works at HHS that is a true Grizzly and has been teaching for 19 years? He worked at Aberdeen High School for a few years, but returned to our beloved high school. This teacher teaches geometry, credit recovery and physical science. He used to teach typing. If you haven't guessed already, the teacher spotlight this month is Mr. Jones.



Mr. Jones

Mr. Jones grew up on the harbor and his first job was being a dishwasher at the Wishkah Cook House. He says that the hardest math problem he ever solved was a problem from a four year series. Mr. Jones says that his favorite period of the day is his 1st period prep and his favorite kind of student is a student who works hard. Mr. Jones tries to enforce the no homework on the weekends rule and approve that cellphones can be used in class, as long as they are being used wisely (calculators, looking a word up, etc.). His favorite memory from working at HHS, would be when he and Mr. Pelan were guarding the Grizzly. One of his favorite sports teams is the Hoquiam Grizzlies. Anything that has to do with the '80s is Mr. Jones favorite spirit day.



After attending Hoquiam High School, Mr. Jones went to G.H.C and then to Western Washington University. Some of the sports he enjoys playing football, basketball, track and baseball. One of Mr. Jones' hobbies is bikes. He enjoys hanging out with his wife and kids in his free time. He plans on spending time with his family over Thanksgiving break. His last vacation was to Disneyland with his family. A piece of advice Mr. Jones would give to the freshmen class would be "the quicker you learn, the better off you'll be" and some advice for the seniors; "Do NOT put n-Butyric Acid in the ventilation system."

Review

Book Review
Tannim Salisbury

Dragons. Are they real?

In *"The Last Dragon Chronicles,"* Chris D'Lacey weaves a fantastic tale of adventure, mystery, and dragons in present-day Scrubbley, Massachusetts. The story begins as David Rain accepts a tenant offer by Liz Pennykettle, and is soon drawn into their world of dragons. Liz seems to be an ordinary potter, creating quirky clay dragons. Nobody suspects, however, that the dragons have a secret. Some of them… are alive. Descended from the last dragon, Gawain, these "special" dragons have lives of their own, keeping the balance of the world.

This series contains seven books: *"The Fire Within, Icefire," "Fire Star," "The Fire Eternal," "Dark Fire," "Fire World,"* and *"The Fire Ascending."* Over the course of the story, David becomes further entangled with the dragons and their battle to protect the entire universe, along the way meeting the people of Scrubbley: the cranky neighbor, Henry Bacon; the wise Arctic explorer, Professor Anders Bergstrom; the devious sibyl Gwillana. This is a great series for anyone with an interest in philosophy, fantasy, or dragons.

Hrrr…



Tips for being Healthy
Bryson Carley

Have you ever wanted to run a bit faster or maybe lose a few pounds? Well here are a few tips for staying healthy.

* First try daydreaming, this helps raise your creativeness and allows you to be more interesting.

* Try to mix things up a little. If you switch your tasks for a day and mix the schedule up then you will be happier and ready for business.

* Maybe try to start slow on Mondays, this allows more time to wake up from those weekend activities and have a more productive day.

* Turn off the electronics once a day; doing this allows you to get out and enjoy the rare sunshine.

* Another tip is doing what you say you will, like keeping promises and your word. This helps raise your mental appreciation for yourself.

* Try to make time for short breaks in the day this makes you more energized and focus.

* Get revved up mid-week; this will make it seem like the week is going by faster.

* Improve your health by not skipping.

* Try to snack twice a day for more focus.

These tips for health will help with many things in your life so try them out once in a while.

Entertainment



New TV Shows
Christal Cameron



With ratings considered, here is a list of shows (organized by channel) returning to television in November for the remaining fall season.

Renewed seasons:

Fox

Fox has renewed the hit show, "Sleepy Hollow" for a second season. This show is a new mystery-adventure drama created by co-creators Alex Kurtzman and Roberto Orci who are famous for "Star Trek" and "Transformers." "The Simpsons" will also have another season. With 530 episodes already out the family name of "Simpson" is recognizable all around the nation.

"Glee" will also be returning. "Glee" is a musical comedy that stars big names such as Lea Michele and the late Cory Monteith.

NBC

"The Blacklist" will get a full season on NBC. This new thrilling drama has been making waves. A criminal who was once a detective turns himself in and offers to catch other criminals. The catch is he will only speak and cooperate with a rookie profiler. Together the two set out to track dock and apprehend criminals on "The Blacklist."

CBS

"The Crazy Ones" is a new comedy starring Robin Williams and Sarah Michelle Gellar. Gellar plays the daughter of Williams.

"Mom" is a new comedy that tells the story of three generations of women. Two recovering from drug and alcohol abuse and the youngest getting ready to follow in her mother and grandmother's footsteps.

"The Millers" is also a new comedy show. A brother and sister's lives are turned upside down when their father moves in with the brother and the mother with the sister.

ABC

"Marvel's Angels of S.H.I.E.L.D" has been approved for a full season. This show tells the behind the scenes story of the people who clean up after Marvel's famous super heroes.

The CW

America's Next Top Model picked up another season. ANTM (as it's referred to) is a modeling show ran by has-been supermodel Tyra Banks. It's currently casting for its 21st season (or cycle as they are more often called.) "The Originals" is also still planned to keep airing. This show is a spin-off of popular romance "The Vampire Diaries." The shows will focus on the first vampires in the world of these shows. It should have a lot of the same elements as "The Vampire Diaries", but is also said to be a little bit darker in nature.

Debate

Should teachers accept late work?



Lindsey Sheridan
Point

There is always that one assignment that you completely forgot was due until the teacher is standing in front of the class collecting it. You experience a moment of panic, which is soon replaced with dread. You haven't even started that assignment that was assigned a week ago. In fact, you forgot that it even existed and in that moment you curse the fact that your teacher doesn't take late work. But there are many reasons for that!

I believe teachers are correct in not taking late work even if it does create an inconvenience for some students. However, that inconvenience wouldn't be a problem if students would do their work and hand it in on time. If a teacher gives you a due date it is probably a reasonable amount of time to get the assignment done, especially if they provide class time for that particular assignment. Sure, you might have to finish it at home, but there is always an opportunity to get an assignment done on time. Also, having a deadline gives you incentive to get things done! If you know when it's due, that should give you motivation to finish the assignment.

Lessons, especially in core classes, build upon one another. If you take longer than the allotted time to get an assignment done you might miss out on important skills that the assignment covers. To stay ahead, you need to get your assignments in on time. If you still aren't convinced, think about this: learning to get things done on time and in a timely manner gets you in the habit of doing so for the future. If it's just for next school year or for a job, it will still help you. In a real world situation, being late isn't acceptable. So, save yourself and your teacher the stress and turn things in when they are due!



Tannim Salisbury
Counterpoint

Students all around the world have one thing in common; teachers are not excepting late work. Every single student has experienced at least one of their teachers not excepting their late work, even by one day. All students deserve the chance to turn in their work, even if it is late. Take freshmen for example; they come up to the high school, everything is different and its new and scary for them. A lot of them are in a sport or extracurricular activity outside of school. Most of them are not going to sit down for five hours working all their homework. Only a few will actually be willing to do that.

Every student has had this happen to them; they had been working on all their assignments for one class and then the night before, then they remembered that they had something due the next day and it's too late to work on it. They had been sick, and were slammed with all the make-up work they needed to work on, or simply, they forgot that they needed to work on something when they were trying to get ahead on an assignment.

Teachers should allow late work until the end of the chapter they are working in. This gives a student a perfect amount of time to get their work in, on time and with full credit. Normally, teachers allow students to turn late work in, but they lose points and that can mean going down a letter grade. Most students who plan to go to college and get a degree, have a dream of getting a perfect 4.0 every semester, but can never make that goal because of late work.

If teachers would allow late work, either until the end of the chapter or dock a few points off for lateness, a lot of high school students can meet their goal of getting a 4.0.

Sports

Fall Sports
Mogley Simpson

Cross Country

This year cross country finished their regular season by taking 2nd in league as a team and Mario Joya placed 5th individually. All of the runners tried very hard at districts and Mario Joya went onto state. He was also the only state participant from Hoquiam. This year almost all of the cross country runners broke their personal records and they worked very hard to win some great races. The cross country team loves to work out, but they also love to have fun, so they play a lot of games at practices. Overall, this season was a great one!



Cross Country Boys' Team

Volleyball

This year the girls' volleyball team took 2nd in league and they had some really amazing games. One of their best games was the first time they played Montesano and beat them in the fifth game. They had a big crowd and fought through some tough times. They dominated most of the season and became a very good defensive team. The girls ended going 0-2 in districts but they still had a really terrific season. Coach Bozich's favorite part about coaching was getting to really know the girls and learning their personalities and that they are a really great group of girls. Her last words to the seniors are to "start strong, stay strong, be smart, and be fearless!" and that as much as that applies to volleyball, it also applies to life after high school! Seniors will also truly be missed next year!



Haley Bell, (12) and Brandi Creviston, (12)

Golf

This year the golf team tied for third with Elma in league, John Sand, Josh Bishop, Kolby Crowell and Zach Emerson went onto districts. As a team they ended up tying for second place with Rochester and John Sand will move onto state with Josh Bishop as the first alternate. One of the best matches this year was a nail biter against Kalama and Ilwaco. They won two league matches in one with a 169. Through the season the golfers improved on playing as a team. Coach Larry Dublanko's favorite memory from the season was seeing the excitement in the eyes of the kids as they won their matches, especially at districts. John Sand and Josh Bishop will head to state in the spring, so make sure you wish them luck.



John Sand, (10)

Business

FBLA Fall Conference
Sierra Brunstad

The FBLA Fall Leadership Conference was held on November 5th, 2013 at the Little Creek Casino. Nineteen members from Hoquiam attended, and nineteen from Aberdeen as well. After the opening session, the members headed to the first of three workshops that they would go to that day. There were six different workshop options to attend that day, but it was a hard choice to choose between them. They all taught something valuable about business and leadership.

One of the workshops taught new members about FBLA, as well as what FBLA does and the expectations. This workshop also allowed newer members to network and make the most of the opportunity.

As many business people are owners of a business, big or small, a business ownership workshop taught finance and how to start your own business. This workshop was presented by Alicia Diefenbach, the owner of Consumer University, which started in 2003.

Money is an important part of life, so finance skills are important to learn. "The Foundations of Investing" workshop, led by Mandy Johnson, covered the basics of stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and more.

As FBLA is a non-profit organization consisting of high school aged students, chapters have to fundraise to be able to go to conferences. Krispy Kreme gave a presentation of their Krispy Kreme FUNdraising, as well as a Q&A session with a reward donut for answering questions correctly. The conference was not all business, as one of the workshops consisted of playing games and meeting people. Playing games such as "Have You Ever" and "Extreme Cinderella" brought excitement and fun to the members.

Besides going to workshops there was practice for events. Members practiced or watched other members perform Job Interview, Help Desk, Client Service, Business Ethics, Creed, or Impromptu Speaking to see if they were interested in those events.

Business and leadership aren't the only thing taught to FBLA members though. There are plenty of networking opportunities with other members, so meeting new friends is very likely.

After a catered lunch of lasagna, breadsticks, salad, and cookies, Keynote speaker Erin Jones spoke to the members about her difficult experience when growing up and how she worked hard to follow her dreams, and encouraged members to do it as well.

The conference ended by installing the new chapter officers. FBLA members Alexis Franklin, Cody Messerer, Alex Falla, Kathleen Yi, and Jessica Cole all went up to represent the Hoquiam chapter.



Jessica Cole, (10), Kathleen Yi, (12), Cody Messerer, (12), Alexis Franklin, (12), and Alex Falla, (10)

Just for Fun!

Horoscopes
Cody Loman

Aries: You're likely to turn into a werewolf, don't go out on a full moon.

Taurus: You are looking a little sad; go buy a kitten and make yourself feel better.

Gemini: Thanksgiving has passed and you are still feeling a bit stuffed. Just go eat more.

Cancer: You are likely to become rich. So if you see rainbows don't hesitate to run to the end of it and get that pot of gold.

Leo: You will forget everything, so write down every thought that comes to you.

Virgo: Good luck will come to you if you watch the movie Elf everyday till Christmas.

Libra: Don't go outside, the sun will make you melt.

Scorpio: Christmas is coming so go buy a present for everyone you know and good karma will come your way.

Sagittarius: Don't drink soda next month or you will turn into an apple.

Capricorn: Chances are you will see a bunny on the side of the road. Take it home and name it bertha.

Aquarius: You will show a great liking in octopus meat. Chow down.

Pisces: Don't drop that thun thun thun.

Basketball
Rosa Flores

Basketball is a sport that some people enjoy playing. Many people may think basketball is boring to them. But for some people, basketball is fun. Many people play different kind of sports like football, softball, soccer, track, etc.

Basketball is a team of five players or more on a rectangular court. The objective is to shoot a ball in high hopes to score for your team. A field goal scores two points for the shooting team if a player is touching or closer to the basket than the three-point line, and three points (known commonly as a three pointer or three) if the player is behind the three-point line. The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.

Here are rules for playing basketball. The ball can be advanced on the court by bouncing it while walking or running or throwing it to a teammate. It is violation to move without dribbling the ball, to carry it, or to hold the ball with both hands then resume dribbling. Violations are called '' fouls". A personal foul is penalized, and a free throw.

Techniques for for basketball are passing, dribbling and rebounding. Basketball has specialized player positions and offensive and defensive structure player positioning. The tallest player in the team will play center ''power forward" or ''small forward"positions, while shorter players or those who possess the best ball handling skills and speed play "point guard" or "shooting guard".

Activities

Knowledge Bowl
Tannim Salisbury

Imagine this. You are sitting in a well-lit high school classroom (3200 cubic feet – 20' x 20' x 8') containing three tables (10' x 3' x 2" painted wood surface, elevated 2.5' above the ground), wrapped in a partial circle (90 degree sector) around a smaller desk (3' x 3' x 1" polished wood surface, elevated 2.5' above the ground), at which a speaker sits in a swivel chair, reading questions from a packet. You and your three teammates sit at the middle table, the two substitutes and your coach sitting silently at the long table six feet behind you. Your hand hovers over the bar as the reader begins the next question. To both your left and right, the other teams, A and C, are set up similarly.

"In contrast to Pangaea, meaning 'All Earth,' the supercontinent of the Paleozoic era, what is the name of the ocean–"

The reader is cut off by the clamor of bars being hit. One of your teammates has hit your team's bar, ringing in, but team A is first.

"Team A," the scorekeeper reads from the timer beside the reader.

The members of Team A murmur amongst each other, then the captain speaks. "Our team's answer is... Panoceanos?"

"Incorrect," the reader says, his face expressionless.

"Team B," the scorekeeper reads.

The teammate who hit the bar whispers something to your team's captain, who says, "Our team's answer is Panthalassa."

The reader nods. "Correct."

The scorekeeper writes something on his clipboard. "Point to Team B."

Then the round continues.

This is Knowledge Bowl, best described as "Jeopardy on Steroids." It's a tournament of sorts, in each round of which three teams face off in a trivia battle like no other. The top nine teams then go head-to-head in the semi-finals, and then the best three teams proceed to the finals, and the winner of this decisive round takes home the trophy.

This year, Hoquiam's Knowledge Bowl team consists of both returning players and new minds, with Mrs. Falla as the team's coach. The first meet is November 26th in Olympia. Practices occur at lunch on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the library conference room; any student is welcome to join by just dropping in at the beginning of practice.

Miscellaneous

Fishing
Cody Loman

Currently, the salmon are swimming from the ocean and up the rivers. The best time to fish for salmon is right now. To fish for salmon, you need a 2013-2014 fishing license. You must purchase a fishing license accordingly to where you are fishing. If you are fishing in a river, buy a freshwater license ($29.50 if you are 16-69.) If fishing in the bay or in the ocean, buy a saltwater license ($30.05 if you are 16-69.)

To learn more about how to catch salmon and types of tackle to use for catching salmon, go to http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/salmon/howtocatch/freshwater.html. Most gear can be purchased at Dennis Company or Wal-Mart. If you are looking for higher quality fishing gear, you may want to take a trip to Lacey, WA so you can buy gear at Cabelas. To learn more about fishing rules and regulations, visit http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/regulations/ before you fish. Disobeying these laws may result in a fine or even losing your license.

In the case that one catches a fish, there are neccesary preperations before eating. To gut and fillet the fish, visit http://www.greatlandofalaska.com/reference/CleanSalmon.html. If you plan on freezing the fish, it is recommended to vacuum seal the fish in a bag. If you plan on eating the fish right away, it is important to prepare it the right way. First, place the salmon fillet onto a greased cookie sheet. Then, smear mayonnaise onto the pink side of the fillet. Cut a lemon into slices about a quarter-inch thick. Lay the lemon on the salmon on top of the mayonnaise. You can now sprinkle salt and pepper onto the salmon if you would like. Bake uncovered in a 450 degree oven until fish is almost done (about 20-25 minutes.) When it is done, cut off a piece and enjoy.

Student Spotlight
Nicolas Jones

This month's student spotlight is focused on Cody Matthew Loman. He is a sophomore. In this article you will learn a little bit more about Cody.

Cody is an only child. He has one dog named Bella and one cat, which he just calls "kitty." He likes fishing for salmon, drawing, and driving remote control cars. He likes to hunt deer, elk, and grouse. Cody's favorite food is deer steak with potatoes and gravy. If he were to describe himself, he would say he was "a very unique and funny person." He describes his looks as "VERY fabulous." His favorite genre of music is country. His favorite movies and shows include, "Big Bang Theory," "Family Guy," "Alaska the Last Frontier," and the "Fast and Furious" series. His favorite quote is "Live fast, die last."

Cody is a good guy, who deserves a little recognition. So if you see him around Hoquiam High School, be sure to say "hi." He would like to leave readers off with, "NEVER be a potato. Be the best salad you can be."



Cody Loman, (10)

Music

Music News
Nicolas Jones

After 20 years of being in the band, the lead singer to the famous Canadian rock band Three Days Grace, has quit the band recently. Three Days Grace wrote hit songs such as, "Never Too Late," "I Hate Everything About You," and "Pain." There are many rumors spreading about why Adam Gontier (the lead singer) had left the band, but very few are true.



Some say he had musical differences, some say he got in a fight with the other members, and some say he left due to drug addiction. But the truth is he left because of his drug addiction. He felt he needed to enter a new chapter in his life, and focus on his health. He left a heartfelt letter to all of his family, friends, and fans regarding his departure (which will also be in this edition).



Three Days Grace decided to replace Adam with Matt Walsh (lead singer to My Darkest Days) for a tour with "Shinedown" (another rock band). Whether this replacement is permanent or not, has not been announced.

Overall, Adam Gontier is an excellent artist, and deserves respect. Many fans will always remember him, for his talent, his writing, and the way his music made them feel.

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Adam Gontier's Letter to Fans
Nicholas Jones

"To all of my fans, my friends, my family, these are my words coming from my heart, separate from my role as "lead singer of Three Days Grace".

I want you all to know how very thankful I am for your consistent love, your respect, and you're undying support. It is important for me to address any concerns regarding my health being connected to drugs or addiction. The truth is, when I was struggling during that dark time in my life, I hit rock bottom, and I had the kindest of people reach out from all over the world, and reach their hands out to help pick me up. I am so blessed to be walking in the light now. I am reminded of your loyalty, always. The truth is, and I'm very proud to say this…, I am sober. That chapter in my life is over.

There have been many defining moments in my life. My time as part of Three Days Grace is most definitely one of the miraculous ones. I have had so many tender hearted people share with me their stories. How I've touched, or changed their lives. My truth is that all of the love I have received has forever changed my life. Each letter I've read, every picture I've been sent, all of the voices I've heard sing along with me, I will forever remember, and never forget…

After twenty years of being part of an ever evolving band, I have been inspired by life, to move on and to continue to evolve on my own terms. I could not be more grateful for all the souls who have travelled along with me. A journey I look back on with integrity, and a future I look forward to with such hope. I have always admired brave hearts. Life is always changing. I will continue to follow my heart, and what I love to do. I'm not sure what the next horizon will look like, but I do have all the faith in the world that whatever it is, It's meant to be, and I have faith that blessings will continue to shine over all of us. I once heard a "brave heart" say:

"When nothing is sure, everything is possible."

It's because of my life's journey, because of all of you, that I believe.

Sincerely, with love,

Adam"



Recipes

Thanksgiving Recipes
Bryson Carley

Snickers Salad

Ingredients:
2 tubes whipped cream
5 large Snickers
2 Grannie Smith apples

For Thanksgiving Mrs. Carley always makes Snickers Salad. This is how you make it. Courtesy of Shelly Carley.

Step 1. Add two tubes of cool-whip into a bowl large enough for mixing.

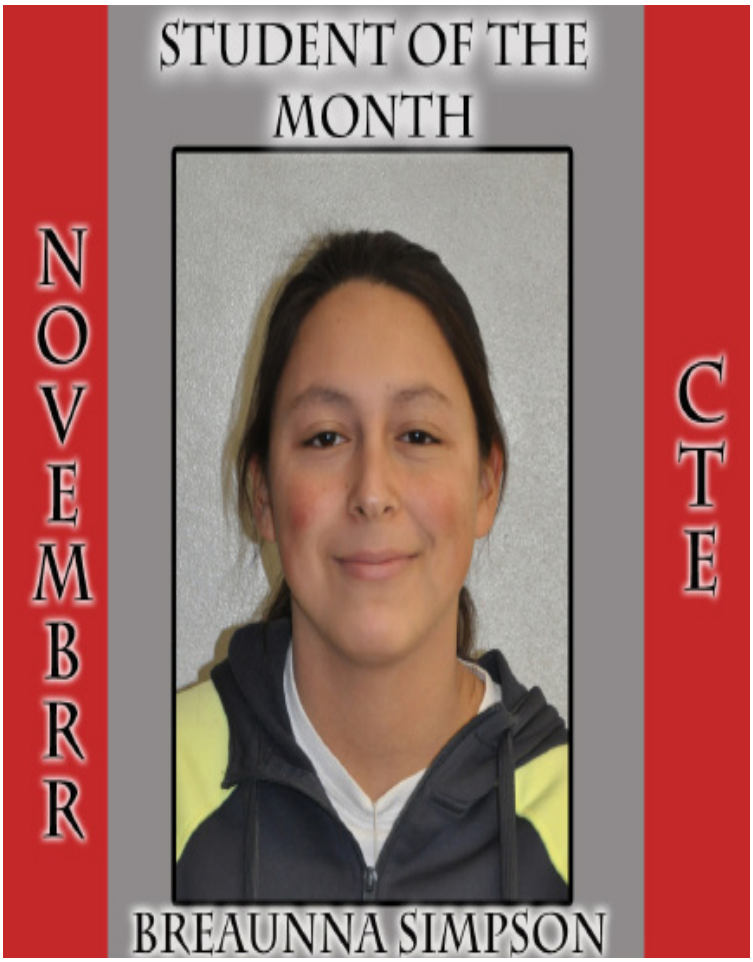
Step 2. Cut up full-sized snickers bars into ¼ inch pieces and add it to the bowl.

Step 3. Get two large Granny Smith apples and cut them into ¼ inch pieces and add them to the bowl.

Step 4. Mix together with a spoon to separate the ingredients and refrigerate for 1-2 hours.

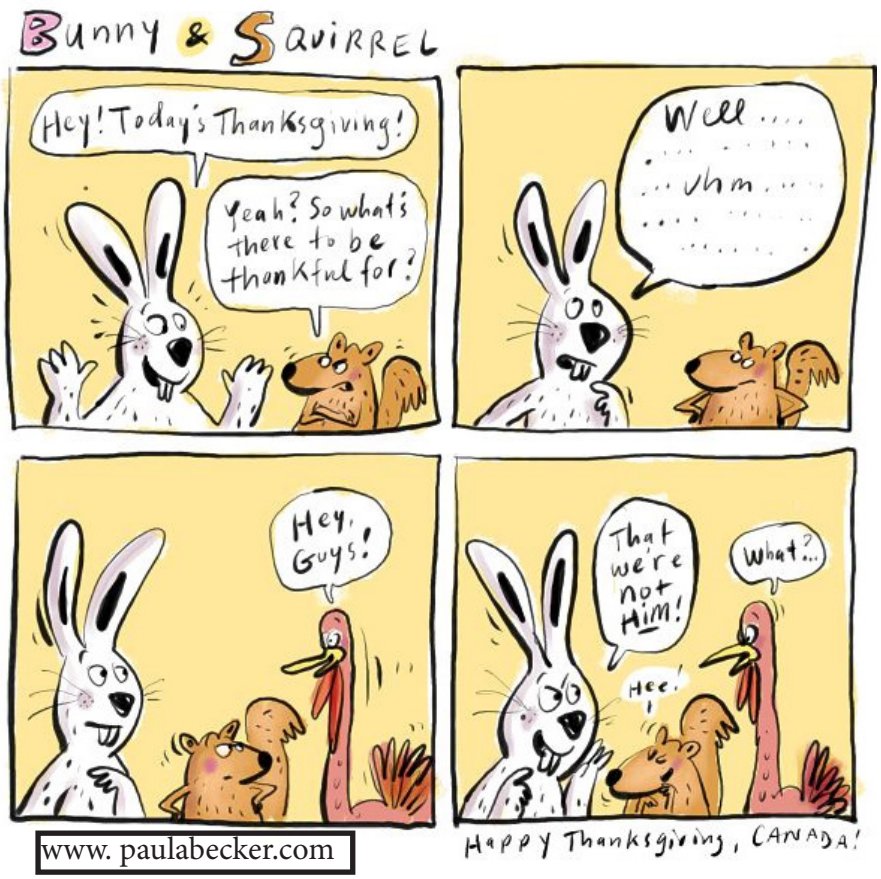
Step 5. Serve and enjoy every bite.





Breaunna Simpson is December's CTE Student of the Month, nominated by Mrs. King. Breaunna is very helpful in the Publications classes. She keeps the class organized, helping students as well as Mrs. King. She is always willing to help students with whatever they need. She attends events and takes pictures for yearbook even though she isn't enrolled in the class. She also helps students in her Gazette newspaper class, writing extra articles and taking photos when needed. Breaunna is a positive leader at Hoquiam High School!

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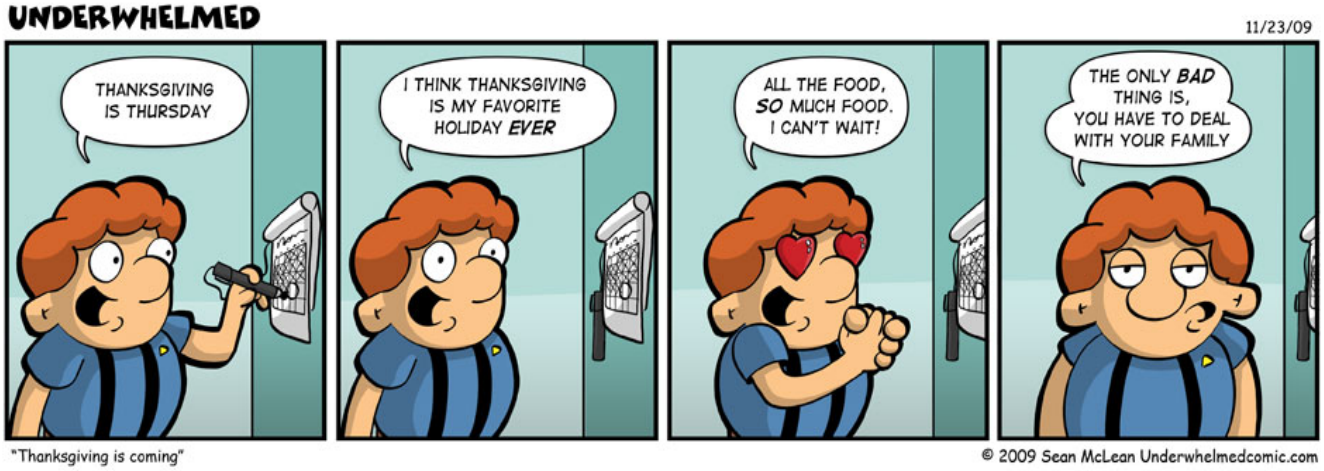


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