

• Winning class for Food for Thought food drive in Nov. was Mr. Curtis' 1st block with 111 items. •Semester Exam schedule is as follows: Wed. Dec. 20 Blocks 1 & 3, Thurs. Dec. 21 Blocks 2 & 4. Early release days are Tues. - Thurs. Dec. 19 - 21. • Marching Band MPA Results: This marks the 18th consecutive Superior for the Terrier Sound Marching Band. • Yearbooks can be purchased Online still for \$70 each, there is a small processing fee. Extras like namestamping, icons & autograph insert pages can only be bought online at www.yearbookforever.com thru Jan. 12. • Classes resume for students on Monday Jan. 8, students will go to homeroom first then follow new schedule.



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Students enjoy Homecoming festivities all week

Students reflect on the fun and excitement of Homecoming week this past October.

by Amani Jenkins, 11 & Lauren Cassazza, 11 OF THE GROWL STAFF

Homecoming was totally awesome, I got to see all my classmates looking so formal. I liked seeing Mrs. Berley and Mrs. Marshall there all dressed up too," said Lily Tang, senior and temporary SGA Treasurer.

I liked going out to eat with all my friends and seeing everybody," said Alex Griggs, junior and varsity football player.

Dressing up for Family tree day, junior Maggie dresses like a soccer mom to show her Terrier spirit.



PHOTO BY AIMEE BENSON The 2017 Homecoming Court Representatives: (left to right) juniors Gabby Cera and David Colbert, seniors Krishna Thakkar, Jacob Foune, Heather Gulbrand, Daquion Mack-Williams, Homecoming Queen Emily Estes, Principal Annetha Jones, King Trequan Williams, Myranda Beasley, Noah Cline, sophomores Billie Castillo and Alex Gutman, and freshmen Brooke Best and Noah Daniel.

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Showing their homecoming spirit, students Brandon, Alexa and Haylee dress up for Derby Day/ Dress to the Nine's day.



juniorPatrick wear their red, white and blue for Patriotic Day of spirit week.

Freshmen

Brayden and

HOSA is sponsoring a blood drive on Fri. Dec. 8, make an appointment asap Page 6



the Growl pep rally, sophomores show fierce effort to defeat the freshmen team during the tug-o-war contest

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Top 3 of 30 most popular Tech gifts this season are up Roku Ultra \$99, the Fitbit Ionic (smart watch) \$299, Acer Chromebook R13 \$350

Tesla does it again, Australia just turned on world's biggest battery The litium ion system is powered by wind, and can power up to 30,000 homes

Former President Barack Obama gives good advice at recent speech Use spellcheck and punctuation, be aware of perils of using social media like Twitter

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Parking lot sinkhole to get engineer evaluation

Parking lot traffic has been routed around the damaged area since October, Christmas Parade staging will have to work around it as well on Dec. 9 if it isn't repaired yet.

by Brandon Mutter, 12 OF THE GROWL STAFF

A sinkhole appeared next to a drainage grate on the southern end of the campus parking lot on Oct. 2 following 10 inches of rain on Sunday Oct. 1.

What caused the *sinkhole?* "We believe the old drainage pipes collapsed. We are waiting on the engineer to

confirm," said Dan Diesel, Facilities Assistant Principal at Titusville H.S.

Is it the same failure that occurred a few years ago, but a different section? "Not positive but could very well be that it is the same cause," said Diesel.

Is there a time line for repair? "Hopefully this week, with engineers to scope the pipe. Once this is completed we can then get a price and proceed with getting bids to repair," said Diesel.

Who is responsible for paying for the sinkhole repair? "It is Brevard Public Schools



Maintenance's responsibility to pay for the repair," said Diesel.

Who paid to have it repaired last time?

"BPS Maintenance, and we have had several (sinkholes) in our parking lot over the past 10-15 years," said Diesel.

When was the last time the school parking lot has been repaved and re-painted? "Extensive repaving was

PHOTO BY NICK GEHI MAN

> The sinkhole is located about five feet from the front parking lot side walk. and about a foot away from the drainage grate seen here. The traffic pattern in the parking lot has been disrupted, reducing the line of traffic to one lane at this part of the parking lot, slowing down the exodus from campus.

done during the \$43 million comprehensive renovations and addition project in 2008-09," said Diesel.

When is it scheduled to be re-paved and re-painted? "The BPS word I get is 2020...2 more years," said Diesel.



This panoramic view shows the previous pipe collapse and sinkhole repair area (light colored area) that is approximately 50 yards east of the current sinkhole. That repair process took more than a year to happen.

Teacher & Employee of the Year named



How long have you worked for Brevard Public Schools?

"Twelve years," said Linda Scarlata, Intensive Reading teacher.

"Twenty-four years," said Beverly Lepka, Front office clerk.

What schools have you worked for, in what capacity, and for how long?

"I have only worked at THS as an Intensive Language Arts teacher for 12 years," said Scarlata. "Apollo Elementary as an Instructional Asst. for 5 years,



School Activities: really enjoy being part of Terrier TV Favorite subject: Art or English College Planning to Attend: EFSC then University of Central Florida

Career Goal: Videog-

rapher, Photographer, or anything Digital Media Favorite Pastime: Being at the beach surfing or hanging out with friends

Student Spotlights



Linda Scarlata Teacher of the Year

Space Coast Jr./Sr. Instructional Asst. 1 year, South Lake clerk 15 years, and THS clerk 4.5 years," said Lepka. What do you feel is your biggest strength that you bring to the workplace?

"I hope I bring an open heart, a spirit of perseverance and positivity to my classes,"said Scarlata.

"A good sense of humor," said Lepka.

What is your career goal?

"I am retiring at the end of the spring semester," said Scarlata.

"Retirement," said Lepka.

What is your favorite pasttime?

"I love spending time with my grandchildren. Going to the beach is a favorite place to be while listening to music. Traveling will always be something I want to do as well," said Scarlata.

"Taking my granddaughter out on adventures like Disney, Sea World, and shopping. Watching Nascar, be it live or on T.V., and I love summer," said Lepka.





School Activities: Vice President of Student Government Association, Interact Club, Mu Alpha Theta, National Honor Society, and Academic Cooper Team Favorite subject: Math College Planning to Attend: University of Florida **Career Goal:** To be an Engineer Favorite Pastime: Hanging out with friends







Students make most of event to create "Sweetest Memories"

by Amani Jenkins, 11 & Lauren Cassazza, 11 OF THE GROWL STAFF

"My favorite part of homecoming week was being able to show off my Terrier Spirit," said Jenny Massa, senior. "I wish homecoming lasted a little bit longer."

"It was special and emotional because it was our last one," said Nadaliz Colon, 12.



to because of being with my friends, and probably because it was our last one," said Randon Barrial, 12.

"It was probably

the best one I've gone

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"The Family Tree day....l made a pretty nice grandma," said Haylee Coffman, 12. "We should have a favorite movie character, video game character, or twin day."

"The dressing up (was my favorite), because we can all look stupid on purpose," said Clay Kyle, 11. "We need to have better days like pajama day, that would be cool."

"The dressing up was fun because l

"I ve been to two

Homecoming dances so far and this year was more fun because I knew more people, and the Growl pep-rally was indoors with air-conditioning," said Lily Berry, 10.



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could be stupid and get away with it," said Gavin Vickers, 11. "Better dress up days, like who wants to wear Derby stuff, we want pajamas and du rags."

The Terriers' Growl Staff

Amani Jenkins, Jared DaSilva, Will Tucker, Brandon Mutter, David Daniels, Josh Hargrove, Allysa Roark, Hattie Balam, Lauren

Cassazza, Ciera Williams, Savannah Haynes, Trinity Pierce, Richard Fore, Joe Bonds, Miketrell Phillips, Xavier Martin

Swim, dive and bowling only sports to send athletes to State

Only State Championship was won by diver senior Kaity Fredericks, who also recently signed a sports scholarship.

by David Daniels, 10, Jared DaSilva, 11, & Will Tucker, 12 OF THE GROWL STAFF

SWIM & DIVE RESULTS: Girls Finished 4th Overall

Diving (1st) Kaity Fredricks (STATE CHAMPION)

Girls 200 Medley Relay (5th) Julianna Graf Sarah Alderman Emma Colvin Anna Backus

Girls 200 Individual Medley (3rd) Julianna Graf

Girls 100 Butterflu (10th) Emma Colvin

Girls 100 Freestyle (4th)Jullianna Graf

Boys 100 Freestyle (11th) Caleb Brandon

Girls 200 Freestyle Relay (6th) Julianna Graf Sarah Alderman Emma Colvin Anna Backus

Boys 100 Breastroke (13th) Tim Legare

Girls 400 Freestyle Relay (16th) Sarah Alderman Jessica Edleman Anna Huff Sierra Benson

Additional Team Stats: •Girls' team was Conference Champs, District & Regional



PHOTO COURTESY OF DSP Senior Tim Legare swims the breast stroke during a meet. He placed 13th at the State swim meet for this event.

BOWLING RESULTS: Boys' team finished 12th **Overall** in State

Girls' Individual Veronica Petrinec finished State Runner-up

10th Place in State Kyle Nazarian

12th Place in State **Reginald Jackson**

Additional Team Stats: •Boys' team was 2nd place at **District Tourney** • Kyle Nazarian was 9th place at District, Andrew Matheus was 10th place • School record set for 1,176 points for their traditional record • Highest recorded individual game score 246

• Toughest Opponent: Rockledge H.S.

"Our biggest strength was bowling really well in traditional games; our biggest weakness was being posi-



PHOTO COURTESY OF DSP Sophomore bowler Kyle delivers another strike during a competition at River Lanes in Titusville. The team advanced to the State Tournament as a group for the first time.



ABOVE: Senior bowler Veronica Petrinec shows off her State-Runner Up medal at the Astronaut game pep rally in the gym. Veronica was the only female bowler to advance to the State Tournament. Petrinec has participated in bowling at Titusville H. S. all four years and was on the team when they won the State Championship and advanced to the State tourney previously. she currently dual enrolled at EFSC.



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Cheering on their teammates during a tough race at home, swimmers wait for their turn to race. Members of the Boys' and Girls' teams as well as diver Kaity Fredericks advanced to the State swim meet.

PLAYER PROFILES

Runner-Up

• Julianna Graf still holds the the 100 back record & two relay records

tive," said Richard Butler, sophomore.

Student-Athletes Selected to the All Cape Coast Conference First Team

Swim/Dive	7
Julianna Graf	
Sarah Alderman	V
Emma Colvin	J
Anna Huff	
Anna Backus	B
Jessica Edelmann	V
Kaitlyn Fredericks	
Caleb Brandon	X
Finn Daly	B
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Fim Legare Volleyball Julianna Quinn Bowling Veronica Petrinec XC Billie Castillo



meet we do a chant and then pray.

Qualifying for Regionals individually in the

College Plans: To attend UCF for a

nursing degree, then continue education to specialize in a branch of the Medical field

Most exciting moment:

Most Improved

800m

Jessica Sports played: Varsity Cross-Country & Track Awards received in sports: Scholar Athlete, State & Regional qualifier, 110% Award & Pre-game ritual? Night before a meet the team eats pasta together. Before the

Noah **Sports** played: Football Basketball, Track & Baseball Awards received :



Scholar Athlete **Pre-game ritual?** Eat Food, listen to music, and visualize myself in the game Most exciting moment: Winning the basketball District championship last year **College Plans:** Still looking, my #1 is Valdosta State



Fall athletic scholarship signing goes to diver

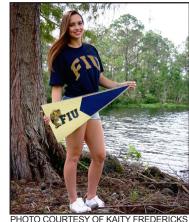
by Aimee Benson OF THE GROWL STAFF

Q: What was your final team season record? "Swimmers and divers compete as individual athletes, for a team. In regular season the THS swim and dive team was undefeated and as an individual competitor I was also undefeated in the dual meets. As an individual athlete I placed 1st in the District, Regional and State championships," said Kaity Fredericks.

*Q: What was your best score or PR for the season? "*My personal best was a 483.50 at the District meet held at Indian River State College," said Fredericks.

Q: Has anyone broken or set a school record this season? "I broke that THS record at Cape Coast Conference with a 443.65 and then broke that record again at the District Championship with a 483.50," said Fredericks.

Q: Which opponent WAS your toughest competition? "The toughest competition I had this season was the Cape Coast Conference, because you don't have any visibility on scores until everything is finished. I was not feeling well at that meet and



I thought I was not doing well –as it turned out, I broke the school record," said Fredericks.

Q: What was your team's biggest strength? "The team's biggest strength this year would have to be our integrity, work ethic and team camaraderie. We also have really great coaches who encourage and prepare us to perform our very best," said Fredericks.

Q: What was your team's biggest weakness? "Coach Tasha says we are really bad at leaning in for pictures—at least we are really good at diving," said Fredericks.

Q: Will you be pursuing an athletic scholarship to college for diving? "I just signed with Florida International University in Miami, Florida during NCAA early signing week," said Fredericks.



PHOTO COURTESY OF KAITY FREDERICKS

Senior diver Kaity poses for picture on the diving board to mark a great season full of successes. Kaity was a homeschooled student that chose to join the Titusville HS dive team. Kaity will be attending Florida International University in Miami, FL in the fall. She has already signed an athletic scholarship to dive for them.

NJROTC wraps up an eventful fall semester

by Xavier Martin, 12 OF THE GROWL STAFF

November 11, 2017, was the 99th celebration of Veteran's day, formerly known as Armistice Day. Since 1918, American's have honored America's veterans. THS NJROTC is highly dedicated in honoring these many brave men and women. On November 10th, several Color Guard members presented the Colors for the "Parrish Veteran's Day Salute to Veterans". The combined Astronaut and Titusville High School bands played the patriotic music for this honorable event. Many of Titusville's veterans and active and reserve personnel attended this event. Titusville's own, Mayor Walt Jonson, USAF (Ret), gave the main speech for this great event.

Through the week and weekend, the cadets took part in many of these events in Brevard County. Some of the key events they participated in were Massing of the Colors at the EFSC campus, in Cocoa, the Parrish Health and Fitness "Salute to Veterans", and the Apollo Elementary Veteran's Day Ceremony. The cadets had The week of November 11th was a great week; it was a week full of patriotism and pride towards our great nation. Our country's veterans have given so much for all of



NJROTC cadets help honor our nation's veterans during one of the many ceremonies held around town on Veteran's day Nov. 11. This ceremony was held at the First United Methodist church in downtown Titusville.

the privilege to meet and listen to many veterans and active duty/ reserve personnel, many of which were senior enlisted or senior officers in their respective services. us; so, if you come across a veteran or anyone currently serving in our nation's military, respectfully shake their hand and thank them for their service.

High School's NJROTC held their annual Military Ball. It was held at the Knights of Columbus council #5667 building in Titusville. The ball took place on 10 November, 2017, making it the 242nd birthday of the illustrious service. Just one month earlier, on 13 October, 2017 the United States Navy celebrated its 242nd birthday. In honor of these two birthdays, Titusville's Navy JROTC holds a ceremony in the beginning of the ball, resembling the ceremony that many active and reserve Sailors and Marines hold every year. In addition to the many cadets that attended,

In early November, Titusville

Lieutenant Commander Chatman, 1stSgt Henson, and their wives, several honorable guests attended this grand event.

Those were the Embry Riddle Aerospace Instructor for Titusville High School, Dr. Bispham, and his wife, THS' very own Mrs. Jones, and her husband, THS's NJROTC Booster Club President, Mrs. Celli, and several of the parents and volunteers that help out the unit. All the male cadets

ernment provided homes. Many of these student's families still are having a hard time acquiring cooked meals. In the spirit of the Thanksgiving season, the NJROTC Corps of cadets and many other students, faculty, and staff at T.H.S., held a fundraiser to help these students and their families in need. Together they brought in a combination of funds and boxed/canned goods. Altogether, they raised a whopping \$1,074 in funds towards this great cause. T.H.S. NJROTC was a large contributor towards this drive, contributing \$807. With the cash and items collected, all the Terriers in need and their



Winter Sports Update

Boys' Soccer: varsity game time 7pm

Next 3 games: 12/7 @ CHS, 12/12 @ Home, 12/14 @AHS,

Current Record: 1-4

Girls' Soccer: varsity game time 7pm

Next 3 games: 12/6 @ Home, 12/11 @ EGHS, 12/15 @ PSLHS,

Current Record: 4-3-1

Wrestling: varsity game time 6pm or 8am for tournaments

Next 3 games: 12/6 @ CHS, 12/13 @ SCJrSr, 12/16@ MIHS

Boys' Basketball: varsity game time 7pm-7:30pm

Next 3 games: 12/7 @ Home, 12/8 @ PBHS, 12/12 @ Home,

Current Record: 1-2

Girls' Basketball: varsity game time 7pm

Next 3 games: 12/6 @ SHS, 12/11 @ CBHS, 12/14 @ Home, Current Record: 1-2 were dressed to the nine's in their Service Dress uniforms and the female cadets in their dresses. It was a great night, with dinner being provided by the Knights volunteers, followed up with dancing, cake, and awards.

Even in the months following the aftermath of Hurricane Irma, many of our fellow Terriers are still in need. Many of these students are currently living in hotels, staying with family members and friends, or in govPHOTO BY XAVIER MARTIN

NJROTC students get fancy at their yearly Military Ball held in November. Cadets pose with Commander Chatman to commemorate the evening.

> families were able to have a proper Thanksgiving.

As part of the Turkey fundraiser, NJROTC holds an annual shooting contest for teachers and staff members who want to donate. Twenty-three participated using air rifles, the prize was a turkey to cook. It was a close call, with a three-way tie of 90 points, followed by a two-way tie of 91 points, and finally ending with Jason Wright in 1st place, with a grand score of 93 points.



Musical groups, individuals excel this season

by Hattie Balam, 10 OF THE GROWL STAFF

Q: What were the results of the Marching Band MPA's held Oct. 28? "Straight superiors," said Ian Schwindt, Band Director.

Q: How many years in a row has THS Marching Band received superior marks at MPA? "Eighteen years," said Schwindt. Q: What was the Terrier Sound's biggest challenge this season? "Losing seven days the hurricane," said Schwindt.

Q: Was the Terrier Sound group larger or smaller this year compared to the last couple of years? "It was about 30 people bigger," said

ter concerts? "December 7, Zero block will be performing at Parrish Medical Center from 5:30pm -6:30pm. Dec. 15 7pm, Dec. 16 3pm and 7pm for the Prism Concerts that feature bands, orchestras and Choral groups," said Schwindt.

Q: Which bands/ensembles will be playing at the Winter Concerts? "Every ensemble in the music program will be performing in this concert in rapid fire. For Band it will include Zero block, Percussion Ensemble, 2nd block band, Full Orchestra, Jazz Band, and 4th block band," said Schwindt.

Q: What are the most notable songs the groups will be playing?

and times for the Win- junior and also a band member.

> "My favorite is the Christmas Sing-a-Long, it's very fun to play and I enjoy playing with the band," said Olivia Nardone, sophomore. *"Lunar Lullaby*," said Tiara Cappello, freshman.

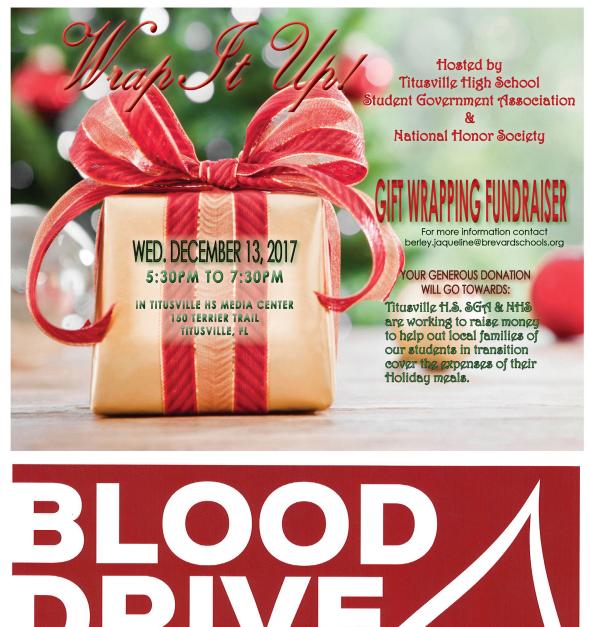


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Congratulations to Layne Hoelscher for earning a spot in the 2018 All-State Symphony Orchestra! Hoelscher auditioned in September competing against the state's best 11th and 12th grade viola players and has earned a spot as one of the top 14! This is a huge accomplishment in itself, but even more than that, Hoelscher has earned this honor every year for the past 4 years.

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2018 TERRIER SOUND MARCHING BAND

Schwindt.

Q: What unique characteristic stands out to of the band to put together a great show despite all of the lost hurricane days and all of the game to rain," said Schwindt.

"Mostly holiday selections," said Schwindt.

Q: What song is your you about this particu- favorite to perform at lar season? "The ability the Winter Prism Concert?

> "Ding-a-Ding-a-Ding," said Nick Beard, Mixed Choir, junior.

"The Awakening, in Mixed Q: What are the dates Choir," said Erin Diamond,

UPCOMING EVENTS

THS Drama Club & State Festival Meetings: Dec. 6 Drama Club 2:30 Dec. 6 State Festival 5pm **THS Prism Concert:** Dec. 15-16, 15th 7pm, 16th 2pm & 7pm **Terrier Experience for Incoming Freshman:** Jan. 16 **AP Night:** Jan. 23 **Jackson Band Concert:** Dec. 11 7pm **TGT Auditions:**

In the THS Theater: Jan. 18 3:45pm **All-County Band & Orchestra:** Jan. 25 **Collegiate HS Meeting:** Jan. 31 by Invite Only 5pm **Orchestra MPA:** Feb. 28 **Band Concert MPA:** Mar. 9 **National H.S. Inductions:** *Mar.* 29 2nd & 4th block **Band Concert:** May 3

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