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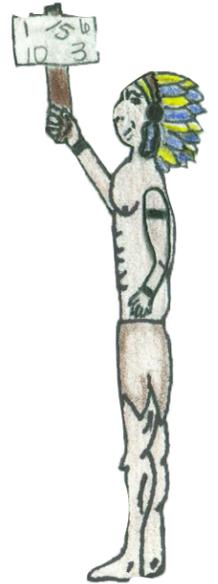
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Montoursville Area High School has been open for **83** years

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There are **249** lockers in Freshman hallway

There are **204** lockers in Sophomore hallway

There are **224** lockers in Junior hallway

There are **209** lockers in Senior hallway

12 AP classes are offered at MAHS



New foundation site benefits schools

jilliano'connor
news editor

The Montoursville Area School District Foundation is aiming for more public exposure with its new website.

"We have been in existence for a while and are now looking for more exposure," said foundation President Keevin Larson Sr. "So marketing and advertisement are the phase [we are in]."

Larson said the things he hopes the website will bring are additional foundation members, community involvement, and donations.

School district Superintendent Dr. Tim Bowers, who acts as a liaison between the district and the foundation, said he hopes the website reaches those who are interested in the foundation, and that they will then be able to support educational issues.

Class of 2008 graduate and former Editor-in-Chief of The Arrowhead Sarah Weber, the founder and lead marketing consultant of Sweb Marketing, created the website for the foundation.

The foundation, which was established in 2007 and has 11 board members, is for the school district. It is to help raise funds for special items, events, etc., that are not in the school's budget.

The funds the foundation raise are for onetime special grants and are used for certain fields, such as purchasing science equipment.

The money raised can go to a variety of things the school needs depending on what the school's application was sent in for

"Every building has applied for the foundation and the foundation has helped every school at least once," said Bowers.

Larson said the foundation tries to never reapply grants but gives grants for something different each time. However, Larson said there are certain special grants that they accept as an exemption to this rule.

For example, once in the past the foundation raised money to help with a Gettysburg trip and if it were to come up again they would probably help again.

This happens very rarely but it does happen. It would have to be a very special grant though.

The foundation helps school districts in two important procedures.

Teachers or administrators



The Montoursville Area School District Foundation's new website can be found at masd-foundation.org. Information regarding the foundation can also be found on its Facebook page.

have ideas to receive a possible grant and then they would go to the principal of the school and fill out the application and send it to the superintendent and if he approves it, then it is sent to the foundation who then talks it over and sees if they have an idea to raise money.

The foundation has helped schools for years, and Larson said it is now ready to take a bigger step in helping.

One way they can reach this goal is through donations from community members, alumni and parents, which will be easier with its new website.

A major benefit to donating to the foundation is that all donors will receive tax credit since it is a 501 C.D., or non-profit entity.

Scotland comes to Montoursville

jilliano'connor
news editor

With a new school year brings more students and one of those students one has traveled all the way from Glasgow, Scotland.

Foreign exchange student Joshua Thomson is 18 years old and a senior for this school year.

Thomson said he will only be staying here for this year and then moving back home at the end of the year.

His host family that he is staying with are the Robinsons.

Thomson decided to do the exchange program because it's a good opportunity and it's a great experience, and he gets to see the different culture between the countries, he said.

"[Montoursville] is a fun environment and the teachers are

pretty cool," said Thomson.

Thomson plays basketball, soccer, boxing, track, and golf. He's playing basketball for this school year and either track or baseball in the spring.

Thomson is a huge sports fan and loves about every sport.

His favorite memory so far at his time in Montoursville has been going to school football games.

Thomson said his favorite parts about the U.S. are "The sports, food, and the people are friendly."

Thomson is interested in all

kinds of music and movies and sports.

The movies he is most interested in are horror, comedies, and action films.

While staying the United States Thomson would very much like to go to a NBA game, a college football game, and a professional baseball game.



Foreign exchange student Joshua Thomson poses for a head shot. Thomson came from Scotland at the beginning of the school year.

New teacher: Miss Donahue

joshthomson
staff writer

Miss Alycia Donahue is a new teacher and she is a very important part of the special education program.

"Helping someone understand math makes me feel good, it helps me know that I have picked out the right career," said Donahue as to what her favorite teaching moment is.

Donahue said she chose to teach special education because her best friend's little sister is autistic and that she understands the difficulties of students with different needs, and she said she loves to help people.

Donahue said she chose Montoursville High because she feels it has very friendly staff workers and also kind students.

Previously, Donahue graduated from South Williamsport in 2006, and then majored in elementary and also special education at Lock Haven University. She graduated from there in 2011.



Miss Alycia Donahue is the new special education teacher. Donahue previously taught at Williamsport and Bucktail schools.

MAHS excels again

isaacmiller
news staff

MAHS was recognized again for its educational achievements.

"I am very proud of how our students are performing," said Principal Mr. Dan Taormina.

Newsweek's America's Top High Schools has named MAHS as one of the top 500 high schools in the country, for the second consecutive year.

Newsweek ranked MAHS as 424th out of the 500 top schools. Even more impressive is that it was only one of 41 other schools within the Commonwealth.

Additionally, the school was recognized by the Washington Post as one of the Most Challenging High Schools in the nation for the third consecutive year.

The AP scores for the school were also very impressive. 28 students who took the test passed with a 3 or better.

That means the school had a 94% pass rate out of the students who took AP tests.

When asked about his plans for future AP courses Taormina said "There is definitely room for expansion but I don't plan on dropping any courses."

Many students at the school feel very honored to be going to our school.

"I feel that my school is very effective" said Senior Sean Little "I feel very blessed to go here."

"I'm glad that good things are

getting noticed at our school," said teacher Mr. Mitch Hart when asked how he felt about the school being nationally recognized.

"I think it is very cool that were taken seriously," said Senior Serrira Hyuak when asked how she felt about the schools ranking "I am proud to have the chance to graduate from such a highly thought of school."

Even freshmen at the school are proud to have the chance to go to a school that is nationally noticed.

"I am very proud of my school and its achievements" said freshman Keegan Leahy.

Taormina also said "None of this could be done without the athletics and other clubs at the school that all majorly help students at the school."



PHOTO BY M. STONER

Montoursville Area High School was recognized again for being one of the best and most challenging high schools in the nation. Its accolades come from reputable critics, such as Newsweek and The Washington Post.

Unhealthy food banned

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news staff

For years students and teachers at our school have depended on the selling of food and candy from the teachers.

It was a great snack for students in the morning or during the day and a great way for teachers to make extra money in fundraisers.

Although the marketing of these foods has been very useful there are now restraints on what the school can sell and not sell. Foods claimed to be unhealthy for students have been banned in hope to reduce obesity in schools, said principal Dan Taormina.

But what can be classified as an unhealthy food? Senior Michaela Phillips said "Chips, candy, and chocolate" when asked what she thought were unhealthy.

Taormina was given a list of guidelines that can be sold in the school that are considered healthy. The lists consist of limits for sodium, sugar and many other ingredients in foods to determine if they're healthy or unhealthy, he said.

It has been thought by many that by getting rid of unhealthy food in school it will help with student obesity in schools.

When asked if this banning would help student obesity Senior Mikey Signor said "No, because students will just get what they want from home and bring

it into school to eat."

"No because you're only here from 8:20 you 3:15 for 180 days and can eat it anywhere else other times and places" said Taormina when asked if he thought this would affect kids.

Teachers also have depended on selling food in their class as a big fundraiser.

Taormina said "It will have a big effect on fundraising because kids will not have all the choices to pick from, like Orange Julius and buffalo chicken dip" when asked if he thought it would affect fundraising.

The food in classrooms is not the only thing being limited in schools. School lunches are also being changed to be made healthier.

When asked what he thought about the changes to school lunches Taronimo said "I believe it's wrong because the portions are already too small and some students are not getting the right amount on food in school."



Mr. Bradley Deacon watches Clyde Frog perform on Saturday night at the festival. Deacon is a member of the Kiwanis Club, which organized the Fall Festival. In previous years the borough organized the festival.



Just like old times: Fall Festival returns after three years, by Jenny Yocum



Sophmores Gillian Mitchell, Bri Ulmer, Freshman Tatyana Kraft, Sophomore Jess Mattiace, Freshmen Shelby Kurtz and Madelyn McDonald pose for a picture while working the girls' soccer stand Saturday night. The stand allowed kids to kick soccer balls at soda bottles that were decorated with silly faces to try and knock them down.



Before the Clyde Frog concert started, 3-year-old Maggie Casale chases her dad, Nick Casale while playing a game of "Dragon." Elementary kids were able to play games like Duck, Duck, Goose in the open field.



Freshmen Kylie Kreitz, Senior Kiersten Fagerstrom and Sophomore Sherri Boyles take a break and peer through a cheerleader cutout. At the cheerleaders' stand, people could pay fifty cents to either "sponge a cheerleader," \$1 to throw three darts at balloons to win candy. Passersby could also take a photo in the cutout for free.

New school building plans approved

jilliano'connor
news editor

The new school year has started and that means further progress for the new plans for the new high school building.

New plans have been made to build the new school building. The architects that will be building the school have come up with a structure the school board approved.

80 percent of the school is being rebuilt over the next two and a half years. They are going to try to have the minimum amount of disruption to education during school hours.

Construction will start at the end of this school year in early May of 2015. The cost for the building is \$35.9 million.

The architects that are in charge of the building are from Crabtree, Rohrbaugh and Associates.

The new school will have three floors to it along with a bigger auditorium, science lab, band, and choir room.

The exterior stones will not be there but instead the architects are going to reuse them in the new building design.

All the rooms are going to be new. The only rooms that are going to remain where they are are the gymnasium and locker rooms, but they will be reconfigured so it will look completely different from how it is now.

All the classrooms will now be the same size of 800 square

feet.

The 'E' hallway rooms will remain where they stand right now. The classrooms will be occupied by different teachers but the rooms will be unchangeable.

"I haven't seen much but the three floor building, I love it," said Mr. Taormina, "It's efficient and it gives us a smaller footprint on the property."

The auditorium is going to have a black box theater in it. A black box theater is just a smaller performing space. It seats about 200 to 250 people.

There will be a field house out by the stadium as well.

The main field's grass will be replaced with artificial turf. There will also be updates for the track and the field events like the high jump.

The stadium is the first phase to the whole construction.

The student parking lot is also going to be reconstructed. There are going to be well over 100 parking spaces of what there al-

ready is.

The parking lot should be big enough for every student to have on campus parking.

There will also be a bridge on the second floor connecting to the second part of the building at the end of the "E" hallway.

The bridge will be glass that way the students will be able to see outside while walking across it.

Part of the building will have 100 percent of student's suggestions.



The architects are coming up with the new school building plans. The plans for the school have been well thought out and put down on paper.

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Editor's Picks

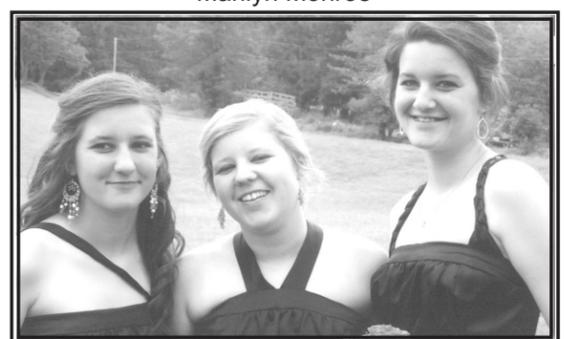
The quote that changed my life...

meganstoner
editor-in-chief

As The Arrowhead's first person to choose something for the Editor's Picks, I decided to pick a quote that I love. My sister showed me this quote a couple of years ago, and I have kept it with me forever.

"This life is what you make it. No matter what, you're going to mess up sometimes, it's a universal truth. But the good part is you get to decide how you're going to mess it up. Girls will be your friends - they'll act like it anyway. But just remember, some come, some go. The ones that stay with you through everything - they're your true best friends. Don't let go of them. Also remember, sisters make the best friends in the world. As for lovers, well, they'll come and go too. And baby, I hate to say it, most of them - actually pretty much all of them are going to break your heart, but you can't give up because if you give up, you'll never find your soulmate. You'll never find that half who makes you whole and that goes for everything. Just because you fail once, doesn't mean you're gonna fail at everything. Keep trying, hold on, and always, always, always believe in yourself, because if you don't, then who will, sweetie? So keep your head high, keep your chin up, and most importantly, keep smiling, because life's a beautiful thing and there's so much to smile about."

- Marilyn Monroe



My older sisters, Bethany and Alyson and I are all really close. All three of us were bridesmaids in our cousin's wedding, as pictured above.

Campaigning for
Homecoming

Homecoming season is quickly approaching and senior girls have taken notice. Every day the anticipation rises as to who is going to be on the court and who wants to be on it. All of a sudden girls are becoming much friendlier in the hallways, whereas a few short weeks ago they barely lowered themselves to make eye contact.

In the past few years it seems that Homecoming is rising in importance. Girls are becoming more competitive to be on the court, when in reality there is no real purpose. While being queen is appealing to every girl, nothing is actually gained by receiving the title except a plastic tiara and a blue sash.

The tradition, overall, has a positive idea. It is nice to see alumni return for the game, but to some it seems that is no longer what Homecoming is about. The night now revolves around girls in dresses attempting to prove they are the most popular in the school.

It is rumored that the stress of being put on the court pushes people to cheat. As a result, this year the student government is being forced to take votes on the computers to eliminate any question of the results.

The fact that kids feel it is really important enough to compromise their ideals is disappointing. No one should feel so much pressure that they need to cheat.

Granted, riding on the back of a car feeling like royalty sounds like fun, but is it really worth ruining friendships? A crown isn't going to make you a better person.

As we gear up for yet another Homecoming court selection, the girls are gearing up as well. Subtly, you can see the ladies becoming friendlier with those around them or bluntly asking for peoples' votes.

If you need to campaign for your place on the court, you shouldn't have one to begin with.

The process of voting for the court should be done naturally, with no pressure from those attempting to be on it. This isn't a presidential campaign; the queen and princess have no real power. All this contest tells us is who is the most popular girls in school.

Being a Homecoming queen or princess shouldn't reveal that you were popular, it should tell everyone around you that you were the most respected, and well liked. Popular doesn't always mean well liked, often it just means that you held the most power.

Homecoming also has the highest standards. With the parade putting the contestants into the public eye they need to have the most poise.

The girls who truly belong on the court don't care if they win or not, they are just there to have a fun experience and they are honored to have been chosen in the first place.

Through the mind of Megan

The stress, stress, and stress of
high school



meganstoner
editor-in-chief

Welcome back!
And to the class of 2015 I say "Congrats" because we're seniors and we've started our last year of school where we will all be together.
As a senior, I can personally say that I have never ever been so stressed in my life...my entire life.
And yes, this early in the school year, I am stressed. Just wait, you'll be there to.
Everyone who says that junior year is the worst is wrong.
Yeah, you may have to take the SAT's and just begin, and by begin I mean sort-of start thinking about what college you would like to go to or what you would like to major in, but when you're a senior you actually have to make those serious life decisions.
And along with making these serious and possibly deadly choices in your life, you also have to keep your grades up and play sports and work a job so you can save money for what?

College.
Now, I know that I am not someone that should be complaining about the stress that I have this year because I am the one that chose my classes...but I will anyway.
Here we go.
I decided to take AP Physics, AP Calculus, AP Psychology, AP Economics, AP Government, and AP Literature my senior year (you know the senior year that is supposed to be fun and not hard and make me want to cry).
Psychology isn't that bad, and Mrs. Quick makes the class fun with a lot of projects that will help you learn what you need in order to take the dreaded AP Test in May.
But some of them on the other hand, *cough cough* Physics and *cough cough* Calculus are pretty awful.
It's not even that these two classes have material that I don't understand, not yet anyway.
It's more of there being a lot of material and lots and lots of homework, where I am up late at night doing it.
And every once in a while

when I am up late, and I can't figure out that last Physics problem, and I start to cry because I feel dumb. well that's just great.
I mean, who doesn't love to feel dumb?
Along with all of these AP classes I am also in: National Honor Society (treasurer), Science National Honor Society, Math National Honor Society, English National Honor Society, Rho Kappa, along with being the senior class representative on the school board, and working four to five days a week at Giant.
And I know, you're probably thinking, "MEGAN, I don't care about your stress. You signed up for all of this," and I would probably say "I know."
But, something would feel weird if I would have done it differently, if I would have taken an easier road in high school.
I came across a quote, and I read it, and it made me laugh so hard.
"When it comes to the point where you occasionally look forward to being in prison on the basis that you might be able to spend a day reading a book, the realization dawns that perhaps the situation has become a little more stressful than you would like," said by Julian Assange.
Julian Assange basically summed up my life in just a couple of sentences.
When I was in middle school I used to read book after book after book. I mean I read a lot of books, and would get close to a thousand AR points, that's how much I read.
And, now I hardly read at all.
Honestly, I couldn't even tell you what the last book that I read for fun was, which is sad because I love to read.
And I know that after I graduate from high school there will still be a stressful like ahead, but the optimism in me likes to think that it will still be less than now.
I hope that every knows that they will face some sort of stressful situation in high school, and I just want you to be prepared for it.
To everyone, "Good luck in the future!"

Look out, it's Liz!
Men need to pick up the mantel

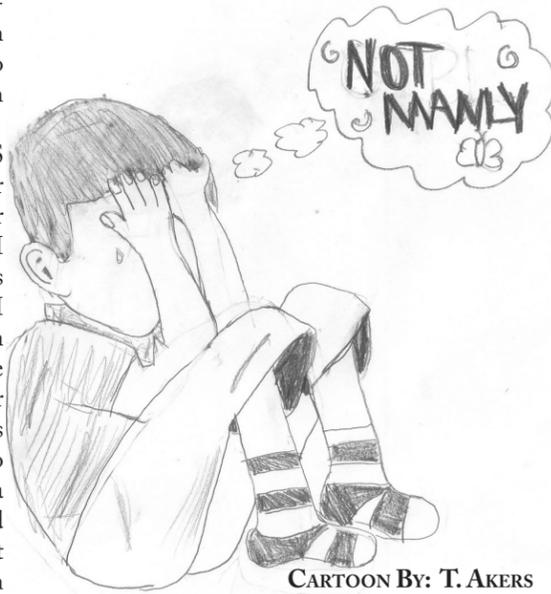


elizabethlee
assistant editor

Welcome back ladies and gents. You have somehow survived September and have also figured out why Green Day's song "Wake Me Up When September Ends" was such a big hit.
As I was scrolling through Twitter, in between a Tweet about a pumpkin spice latte and a Tweet concerning sleep deprivation I saw that Seventeen Magazine had posted a video of the lovely Emma Watson giving a speech to the UN.
Watson is a United Nations Women Goodwill ambassador. According to the UN website, an ambassador is a "prominent" person who helps draw attention to key issues.
Watson has just launched a campaign for gender equality called HeForShe. In her speech she said the basis of the movement is that "We should stop defining each other by what we are not and start defining ourselves by who we are."
This hit me right in the feels. At some point or another everyone has wished they were different. In middle school I wished I was taller, now I'm just thankful for the ankle length pants becoming popular again because it hides the fact all my pants are high waders.

One of the goals of the campaign is to create a healthier environment free of prejudice and unrealistic expectations for women. Along with this Watson wants the world to be a place where boys can be vulnerable and sensitive without being perceived as less masculine.
Bringing to light the fact guys are also victims of gender inequality is important. So many people think that only women are treated unfairly.
Watson brings to light feminism as well. She claims that too often feminism is considered man hating.
One of my favorite quotes is one that I found on a t-shirt, "feminism is the radical idea that women are people too."
I consider myself a feminist but you don't see me burning my bras. Feminism to me isn't about not relying on men at all. Instead I see it as about knowing that I am just as important, and have just as much worth as a guy.
Something that makes this campaign stand out is that women are not the only ones being called on to make this movement successful. Men are being asked to "pick up the mantel." The best way to make HeForShe make an impact is to have everyone on board.
The key to making a movement successful is finding people to support it who won't actually be

affected. By men taking up for the cause it will give it more of a presence.
So go ahead gents. go forth and be feminists. You don't have to be feminine to be a feminist. The only thing required to be a feminist is to believe women are equal to men. Which we are.
In the US we take our freedoms for granted, I know I'm as guilty of it. I get upset when I get in trouble at school for wearing shorts that are too short when a 15-year-old girl was shot by the Taliban for fighting for the right to just attend school. Just because we have more rights in the U.S. doesn't mean we can stop fighting for equal rights.



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Have something to say?
Write a letter to the editor or be a guest writer and have your opinion published in The Arrowhead.

Popping some tags: thrift shopping

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features staff

Thrift shopping, or the process of buying used clothes, is becoming more popular nowadays.

Senior Staci Shoemaker said "You can find anything there. It's just a little bit of everything."

Senior Grace McNamara and Junior Kylie Savidge said flannels are the best things they buy at thrift stores.

Mainstream shopping is still a necessity, as Savidge said, "When I need seasonal clothes I go to the mall, but I go to thrift stores when I just want to shop for fun."

The local thrift shops are the Salvation Army on Lycoming Mall Drive, and the American Rescue Workers shop in Williamsport.

McNamara said she shops at Goodwill and Salvation Army.

Bigger thrift stores in Selinsgrove consist of the Community Aid Thrift Store and Donation Center, and the Goodwill Store and Donation Center.

Shoemaker said "My aunt lives in Harrisburg and she takes me to all the good stores there."

In the Community Aid thrift shop, all high school and college students get 50% off all clothes when they show their school ID.

Senior Michaela Way said "I ask a lot of questions about the items and I feel like I'm on 'American Pickers'."

If finding deals is your thing, try going thrift shopping for once.

Why some students thrift shop:



"I'm gonna pop some tags, and I only got \$20 in my pocket."

-Grace McNamara, 12



"I like to see what they had in that point of history, and I like to see what other people owned."

-Michaela Way, 12



"Everything is really cheap."

-Staci Shoemaker, 12



"Looking through all the clothes."

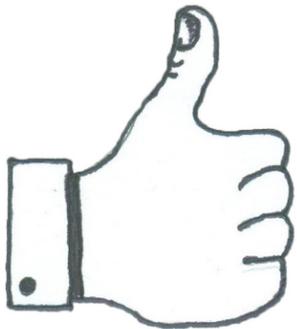
-Kylie Savidge, 11

Photos by Jenny Yocum

Is MAHS into it or over it?

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features staff

Into it



High waisted shorts

52% Into it

48% Over it

"They're cute!"
-Junior Mariah Ireland

iPhone

78% Into it

22% Over it

"[The iPhone] makes complicated technology simple."
-Senior Alex Fischer

Over it



Facebook

27% Into it

73% Over it

"My gram is on Facebook."
-Freshmen Maddie McDonald

"It's just people complaining."
-Sophomore Patrick Bowes

Ice Bucket Challenge

38% Into it

62% Over it

"Raises awareness and money for ALS."
-Mrs. Ashley Christ

Axe (Deoderant/Body spray)

36% Into it

64% Over it

"Smells cheap."
-Sophomore Carter Sechrist

"Because it's for hygiene..."
-Senior April Ulmer

Percentages based on 100 MHS students surveyed.

Boy and Girl of the Month Nevan Matthew Schulte

Son of: Steve and Elizabeth Schulte

Birthdate: 12/3/96

Status: Single



FAVORITES

Color: Yellowy orange that looks kinda green

Book: "The Hobbit"

Movie(s): "Ping Pong Playa"

Show: "Colbert Report"

Class(es): Lunch

Pet(s): Two dogs, Buster and Duke

Song: "My Country Tis of Thee"

Magazine: Seventeen

Historical Figure: Moses

Cuisine: Smoked chicken wrapped in bacon

Describe yourself in one word: Swanky

Describe your fantasy date: "Swimming and kayaking in the river followed by good food, preferably cheesesteaks cooked to perfection, and then going clubbing."

Most Memorable High School Moment: "Messing around in the back physics room with 'crotch rocket'."

Most Embarrassing moment: "When I blacked out in 8th grade health class and landed on Logan Koser."

Activities: Soccer (9), Swimming (9-12), Track (9-11), National Honor Society (10, 11, president 12), Key Club (9, 10, 11, Sergeant of Arms 12), FBLA (9-12), Math Honor Society (11-12), Physics Club (12)

Plans after graduation: The dream is to go to Duke for basketball. I don't even play basketball.

QUOTE: "With much reserve in the tank, 220 is a willing parasitic host for many a classmate."

-Mr. Theodore Barbour

Amelia Braque Deacon

Daughter of: Brad and Judy Deacon

Birthdate: 9/12/97

Status: Married to my work



FAVORITES

Color: Green

Book: "Un Lun Dun" by China Mieville

Movie(s): "Men In Black"

Show: "Doctor Who"

Pet(s): Rabbit-Cinnamon,

Dog-Penny, Gecko-Ecko, and tadpoles

Song: "Comfortably Numb" by Pink Floyd

Magazine: Scientific American

Historical Figure: Marie Curie

Cuisine: Indian/Anything spicy

Describe yourself in one word: Bookish

Most Memorable High School Moments: "Water crayon battle with Woody (Cayla Treaster), Isthmus (Sarah Musheno), and Mr. Deacon on the 2014 AP Chem kayaking trip."

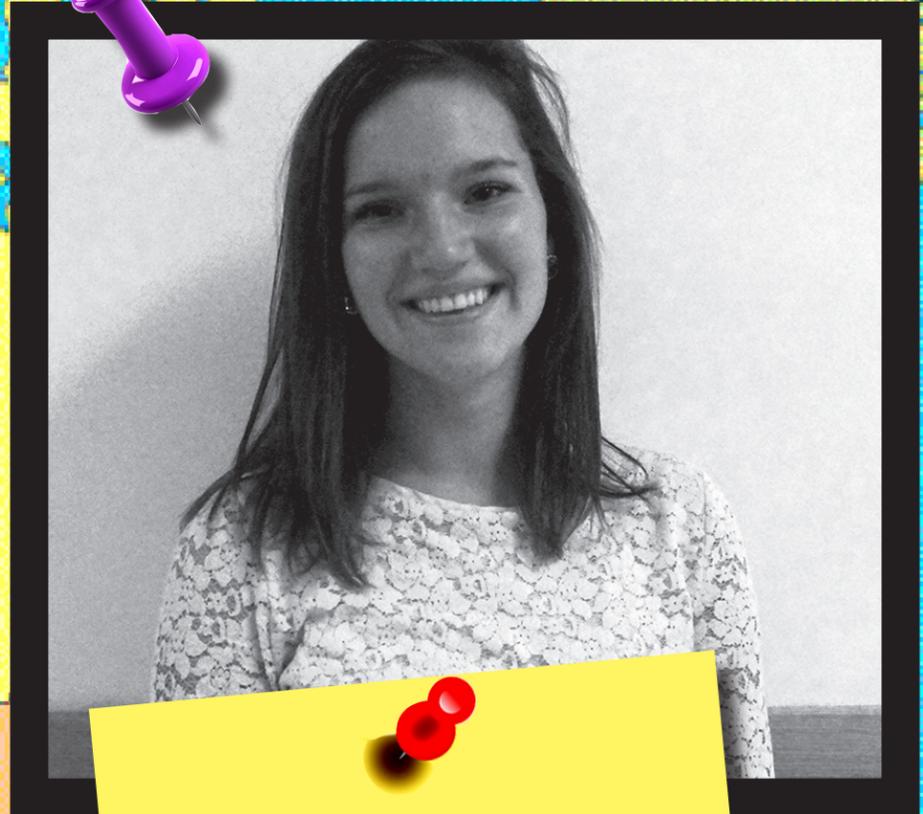
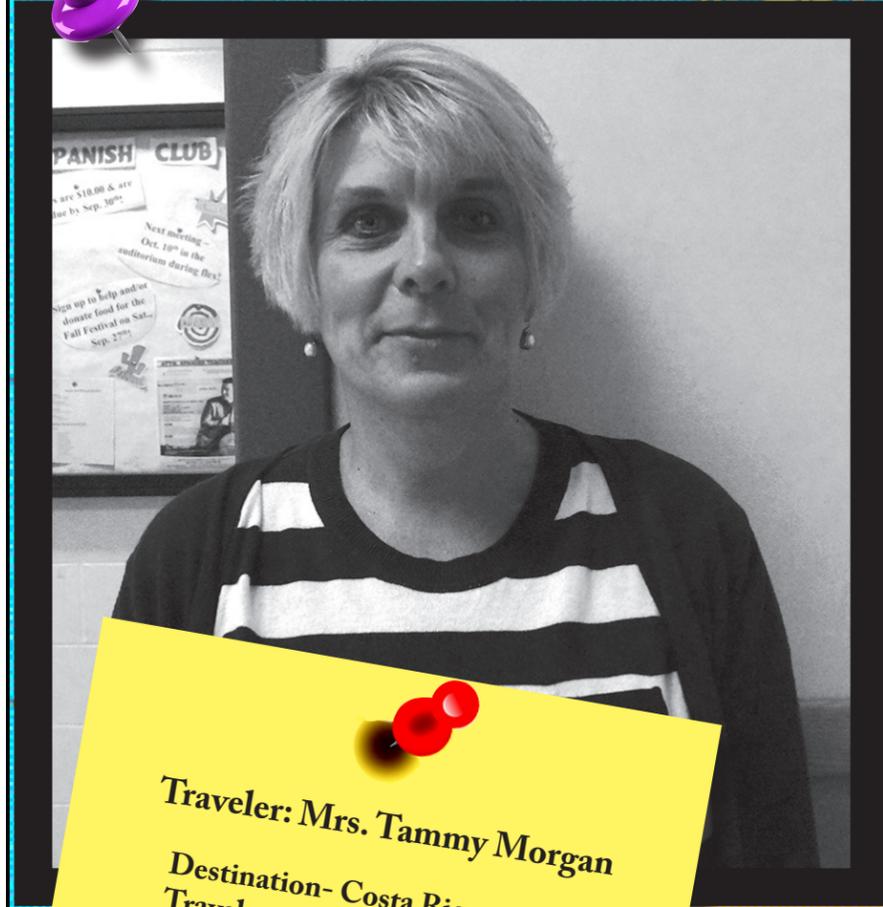
Activities: Mu Alpha Theta (11-12), National Honor Society (10,11, secretary 12), Science National Honor Society (10, historian 11, vice-president 12), Spanish National Honor Society (10, 11, vice-president 12), Ac Dec (silver in math at states 11, 12), ballet (12), Battle of the Books (12), Physics Club (secretary 12)

Plans after graduation: Major in Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh Honors College

QUOTE: "Unique? Given the choice of any item on the menu, BobbyD chooses black bean soup."

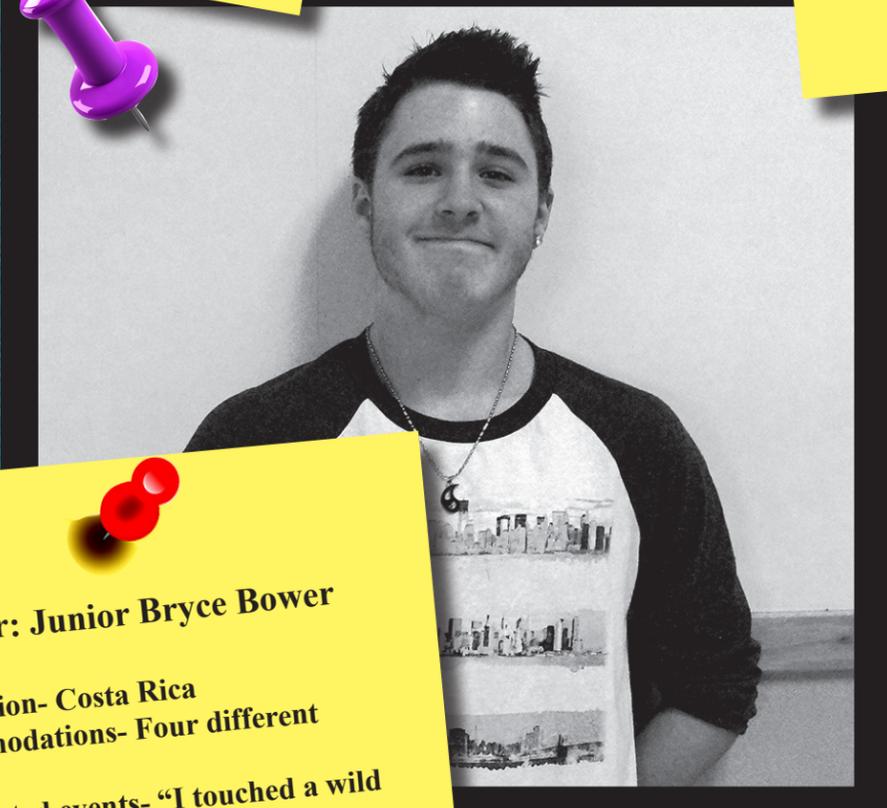
-Mr. Theodore Barbour

MAHS students spread their wings to discover the world



Traveler: Mrs. Tammy Morgan
 Destination- Costa Rica
 Travel companion(s)- MAHS students
 Purpose of travel- "To learn more about Spanish culture, people, and to practice Spanish. It was an awesome opportunity for them."

Traveler: Senior Grace McNamara
 Destination- "I went to a YoungLife camp in Antelope, Oregon, population 32, two hours from civilization."
 Travel time- Flight with layovers was eleven hours
 Favorite Memory- "The cookies and the cool people."



Traveler: Junior Bryce Bower
 Destination- Costa Rica
 Accommodations- Four different hotels
 Unexpected events- "I touched a wild crocodile."
 Favorite Memory- "Becoming friends with bilingual students from California."

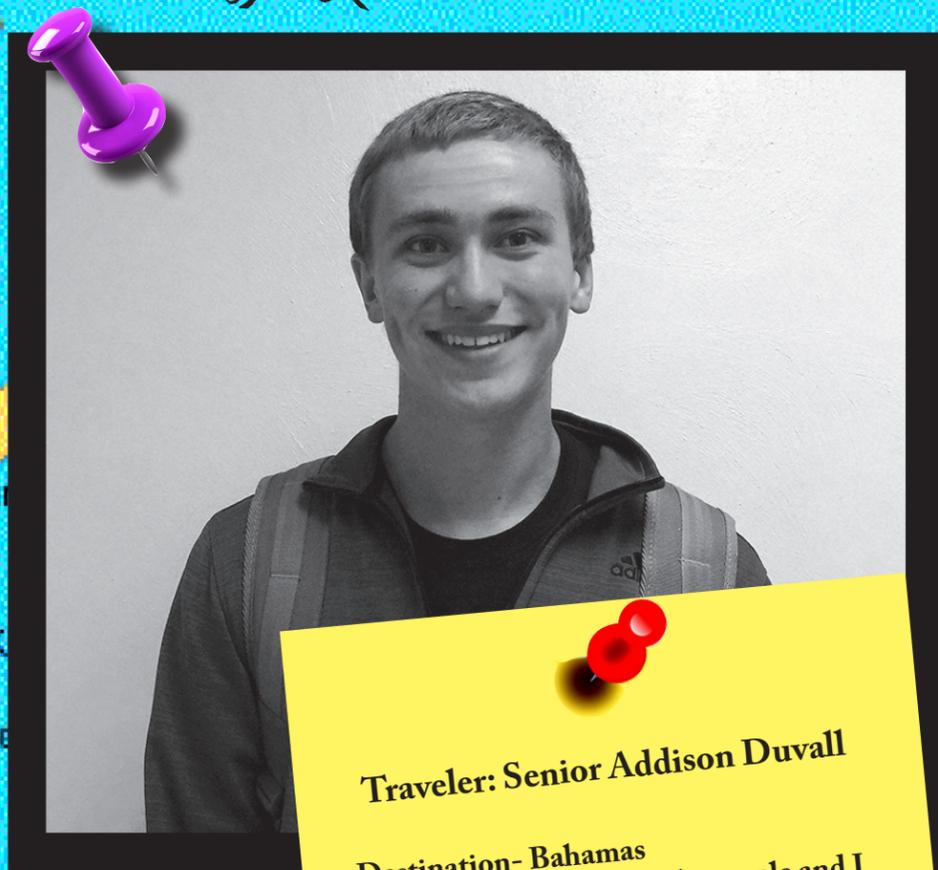
Traveler: Senior Sierra Huyck
 Destination- Fort Jackson, South Carolina
 Purpose for travel- to attend basic training for the National Guard.
 Favorite Memory- "I enjoyed shooting the weapons."
 Activities- "They would never tell you what you would do. Every day was something different."

Our wings during summer 2014

Traveling the world

by Kendra Parke and Mackenzie Rodrigues
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Svalbard (Nor.)



Traveler: Senior Addison Duvall
Destination- Bahamas
Purpose- "I wanted to help people and I wanted to travel."
Activities- "We built the interior of a house for a homeless mother and her two kids."
Travel time- 14 hours with a 6 hour layover
Accommodations- A church
Favorite Memory- "Playing soccer with the kids from the neighborhood."

Items to Take on a Long Trip:

1. Map or GPS
2. iPod or CD collection
3. Snacks/ drinks
4. Toiletries
5. Sunglasses/ Sunscreen
6. Camera
7. Blanket/ pillow
8. Money
9. First Aid Supplies
10. Chargers



Traveler: Senior Jamie Atondo
Destination- Northern California
Purpose- To visit family
Travel time- Five hours there and six hours back
Activities- Visited beaches, went to San Francisco, and went shopping
Favorite Memory- "Going to San Francisco because there are lots of different people and cultures."



Students binging on Netflix shows

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Netflix, once a simple movie mailing system has expanded and has now taken over social media, and even some people's social lives.

Binge watching has become a new craze and having "no life" has become the mainstream way.

With thousands of things to pick from there are countless choices. Many popular television shows are offered on Netflix, even shows that ended years ago like "Freaks and Geeks". There is also an enormous selection of movies. Many students admit to losing sleep over these shows and canceling plans to go home and snuggle up to their tablet.

Junior Aidan Plants claimed to watch Netflix everyday on top of football and school work. "It dictates when I go to sleep," he said.

Junior Cheyenne Wood who has been in the top ten of her class since Freshman year even claims that Netflix, "hurt her grades," last year. She now tries to only watch on the weekends.

Senior Savannah Wilton even admitted to canceling plans to watch the ever so addicting Netflix. So what is it that makes Netflix so desirable and so interesting? Could it be the vast selection of shows? Over 70 percent of students who answered the survey given stated that they watch television shows opposed to movies.

Teenagers are being exposed to shows with content that have il-

legal activity. Shows like "Breaking Bad", "Gossip Girl", "Orange is the New Black", and "Weeds" show explicit content. Things like bad language, drug use, sexual content and violence. These shows display things we know are morally wrong and glorifies them but exactly that draws viewers in.

We dig the action because, living in Montoursville, the most we get is trying to figure out who John Doe's subtweet was about. The content in these shows are unfamiliar to most teenagers and that is another reason it interests them.

Shows like "Orange is the New Black" give viewers excitement. If you are familiar with the show, it shows various women's lives in prison. Or "Breaking Bad" this show shows a Chemistry teacher that turns into a crystal methamphetamine supplier in order to support his family whom he loves dearly.

The writers for these shows are taking criminals, usually undesirable characters and are giving them likable, relatable personas. Usually a viewer would think poorly of the drug dealer or murder. But the creators use characterization to further develop these fictional people. Characters we would once look at as monsters have families and feelings and good intentions, so we relate to them and end up feeling for them.

It's creating open minds throughout students because it helps them realize that criminals

are people too and that everyone has a story.



MHS favorite Netflix Shows

"Criminal Minds"

"Pretty Little Liars"

"Blue Mountain State"

"Gossip Girl"

"Breaking Bad"

"Orange is the New Black"

Turn Blue review

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The doors didn't open until 7:00 pm; we were there by 5:30. Waiting for Cage the Elephant

to come out was the longest period of time, ever. Finally the lights came off and opening band on the stage. They killed it, Matthew Ray

Shultz was nuts, he crowd surfed at least three times. I went crazy when "Cigarette Daydreams" came on. It was beautiful. They ended on Come a Little Closer, which was also amazing. I was sad until I realized The Black Keys would be coming on after a short set change. They hit the stage and the crowd was yelling so loud. I couldn't hear my own voice! They started their show with Dead and gone. A lot complained that they didn't play much of the Turn Blue album but it was fine by me, heck

Set List:

Dead and Gone
Next Girl
Run Right Back
Same Old Thing
Gold On the Ceiling
Strange Times
Nova Baby
Leavin' Trunk
Too Afraid to Love You
Howlin' For You
A Girl Like You (Edward

Collins Cover)
Money Maker
Gotta Get Away
She's Long Gone
Fever
Tighten Up
Your Touch
Lonely Boy:
Weight of Love
Turn Blue
Little Back Submarine



it was the Black Keys. Gold On the Ceiling was amazing live. Their entire set was. They "ended" without playing my favorite song from the album, "Weight of Love". They only played it once before live so I was trying to accept that

I wouldn't be hearing it. But the crowd roared on even after they left the stage. We all turned on our phone's flashlights and it lit up the entire arena. We were all yelling and praying they'd come back out. Six minutes passes and they still didn't come back. Finally they came they heard our cheers, how couldn't they? I seriously cried, it was way better than the recorded version. They continued with Turn Blue and ended with the amazing Little Back Submarine that sent chills up my spine.

Artist of the Month: Mackenzie Wise

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Q: How long have you participated in school band?

A: Since sixth grade.

Q: What instrument did you learn to play in the band and why?

A: The clarinet because I couldn't hold the big instruments and I thought the flute was annoying.

Q: You are also the Senior Drum Major. What made you want to try for the position?

A: It's a fun way to get more involved in the band.

Q: What is your favorite thing about being Drum Major?

A: It gives me a chance to show my leadership skills. I also have fun with friends in the band that I have known throughout the years.

Q: What are you planning to do after high school?

A: I'm planning to attend college for Speech Pathology possibly at

Bloomsburg.

Q: What is your favorite song to play and conduct?



PHOTO BY J. YOCUM

Senior Mackenzie Wise conducts at the Montourville v. Mifflinburg football game. This is Wise's second year as drum major.

A: I like conducting "Saturday Night's Alright for Fighting" and I like to play "Party Rock Anthem" the most.

Q: What do you do outside of school?

A: I go to Katie Benson's School of Dance and attend band practice every Wednesday.

Turning pages with Tori, by Tori Mayo, A&E Staff

I don't know about you, but finding the next book to tear into is too often a struggle of mine. Here below you will be able to find your next read!

Action/Adventure

Divergent by Sarah Davids



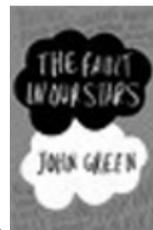
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City of Lost Souls by Cassandra Clare



Love

The Fault In Our Stars by John Green



already read?

IF I Stay by Gayle Forman



Thrillers/mystery

Shutter Island by Dennis Lehane



already reads?

A Simple Plan by Scott B. Smith



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The blazing sun and the best beats

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The school bell rings and suddenly the students of Montoursville Area High School are released to do as they wish without any homework, tests or other academic responsibilities.

After a few weeks, they [the students] tend to wither away and fall into the trap of boredom.

Summer concerts are one of the ways students spice up the summer. Music festivals and concerts like Bonnaroo, Firefly, Warped Tour, Mayhem Fest, Liberty Fest and the Electric Tree Festival are just a couple of these creative outlets for boredom.

Seniors Jason Bomboy and Tyler Ulmer are a couple of these students that attended a music festival over the summer.

In reference to Mayhem Fest, Ulmer says he "was in it for the mosh."

Moshing is a type of dance for the Hardcore genre.

Corpse." says Bomboy.Cannibal Corpse, Korn, Trivium, Asking Alexandria, Texas Hippy Coalition, and Avenged Sevenfold just a few of the many bands that participated in the one day festival.

Another one day festival is the Van's Warped Tour.

Artists like George Watsky, Bowling for Soup, Less Than Jake, Ice Nine Kills, Of Mice and Men all participated on the Pavilion Mountain in Scranton.

Sophomore and fan of Of Mice and Men, Emily Fravel said she goes to warped because "home is boring and warped is an adventure." Meeting people like DFizzy, eyr and Jason from YouTube channel, VeeOneEye.

Mayhem Festival wasn't the only music event this summer as students explored outside of the state like Senior Bryce O'Connor did.

Gathering in the Vibes is another festival hailing in Connecticut. This alternative festival included bands like Disco Biscuits and Slightly Stupid and gave O'Con-

nor "new music to listen to." Regardless of what festival fits your tastes, be sure to get out there next summer!



Rapper and poet George Watsky performs his new single, "Whoa Whoa Whoa." Fellow rapper, Wax, accompanied him at Warped Tour.



Fans gather around one of the several outdoor stages to express their enthusiasm. This a common sight at any music festivals as the head count reaches over 3,000 people.



90's band, Bowling for Soup plays at Warped Tour 2014. Playing tracks like "1985", the band gained a lot of audience participation.

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Starting On A New Note

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As the new school year rolls around there is new faces, a new senior hallway, and then a newer senior hallway, but the music department has changed the most.

For one, there is a whole new class built around learning Ukulele, secondly, Junior Collin Payne is the first male drum major after a long line of female majors, the marching band is featuring a new "Fight Club" themed routine, and receiving new uniforms.

Payne joined band in 5th grade and he is now the first male drum major after a long line of female majors, which he thinks could be good because of the change of pace.

"I think the band has a lot of respect for me and I have a lot of respect for them as well," said Payne.

There is also a brand new ukulele class for beginner

ukulele players, taught by Mrs. Jaelyn Gilbert. The class is called "Uke & Roll" and has already become quite popular, having acquired 15 students.

The class spans over two marking periods. It is available to students in any grade on 7th period odd days.

The already county-renowned Montoursville High School band has gotten fresher with a new set list of songs with a new "Fight Club" themed list.

They are continuing their two year halftime tradition of dancing to a song that they are also playing is now

going to be Elton John's "Friday Night's Alright for Fighting"

The new band uniforms are changing from a lighter blue to a darker blue. Sophomore band member Amy Updgraff said "I am excited for the new uniforms, and I like the new color compared to last years"

The additions to the music department shows our schools interest in not only athletics and academics, but also the arts.



Junior Collin Payne directs the band during their pre-game show. This is Payne's first year as drum major.

Meet the Warrior: Warren Pride

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Full name:
Warren Otstawakin Pride

Status:
It's complicated.

Color:
Blue and Gold

Parents:
Madame Montour and John Burrows

Favorite class:
Wood Shop

Favorite book:
"Tuesdays with Morrie"

Favorite Movie:
It's a tie between "Dances with Wolves" and "Indian in the Cupboard."

Favorite Song:
Every song except "Seven Nation Army" by the White

Stripes.

Hobbies:
Long walks on the Loyalsock Creek, scrapbooking, hunting, archery and political debate.

Guilty Pleasures:
buying flowers for his latest love interest at Neville's Flowers.

Most Embarrassing Moment:
Losing against the Loyalsock Lancers

Favorite food:
Breaded chicken and macaroni salad from Rupert's.

Favorite place to be:
On the front of The Arrowhead starting this month!

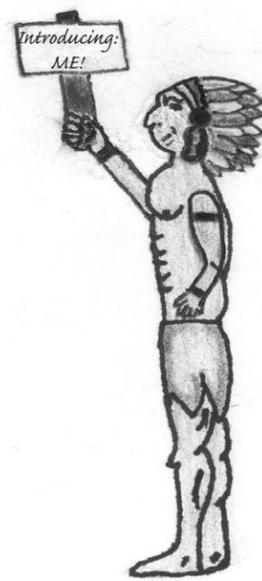


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Football team: By the numbers

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Montoursville's Football Team has been playing competitively in The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association since 1930.

The current head coach, Mr. J.C. Keefer is the 12th coach of the program.

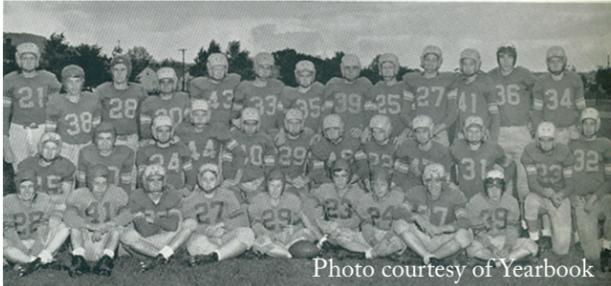


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The 1953 Montoursville Football Team was one of the earliest team pictures.

Montoursville's only coach to never have a losing season was Mr. Ted Streinwith 58 wins, 17 losses, and 2 ties throughout the late 1950's and early 1960's.

There have been ten District IV Championships, the most recent being in 2008.



Photo by J. Yocum

The Football Team plays their first home game against Lewisburg on Sept. 5. They started the season 2-2.

Against the Loyalsock Football Team, Montoursville's cross-town rivals, the record is 28 wins to 17 losses.

Not including the 2014 season, the overall franchise record has 557 wins, 287 losses, and 21 ties.

School sports success: September

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The Football Team won its first game, away at South Williamsport, which was previously ranked 2nd in A States.

Senior Carly Mill scored her 50th goal on Saturday, Aug. 30 during the first game of the Burke Tournament against Mansfield.

The Girls' Soccer Team won the Burke Tournament over Lewisburg 3-0 in the final game.



Photo courtesy of Jennifer Marriot

Senior Carly Mill, Junior Katie Harlacher, and Sophomore Gillian Mitchell celebrate a goal during the Burke Tournament. The Montoursville Lady Warriors go on to win the game 11-0.



Photo courtesy of Madi DeWald

Montoursville girl cross country athletes take off during a home meet. DeWald has been consistently placing at meets.

The Boys' Soccer Team got revenge on Milton, which had beaten the Warriors 3-0 previously this month in the Burke Tournament, with a 2-1 overtime win on Sept. 16. Senior Nick Russo scored the overtime goal from a free kick.

The Cross Country Team won its first home meet against Jersey Shore, Loyalsock, and Mid-West September 2nd. Senior Madi DeWald placed first at a later meet.

The Girls' Tennis Team's 3 singles varsity players, Juniors Autumn Hall and Mikala Shaffer and Freshman Karina Dangle, do not include any seniors, making the program's future look promising.

Puttin' in work to know the golf team

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MAHS has a golf team?! Yes! Little people know this but the school does in fact have one, and a decent one at that!

The golf team is made up of five people: Senior Bryce O'Connor, Juniors Will Bagwell, Garret Whiteman, Sophomore Gage Alter, Freshman Arianna Whiteman.

Due to little participation here in Montoursville, the team combines with Loyalsock students to make one team. The team has a record of 6 wins and 14 losses.

Most of the golf team's matches are held at Susquehanna Valley, Shade Mountain, Clinton County Country Club, and White Deer.

Freshman Arianna Whiteman took summer lessons and "Thought playing on the golf team was a good way to get better," she said. During the off season Whiteman plays golf with her family, including her brother, Junior Garret Whiteman, who is also on the team.

One would think there would be a rivalry between team members, because it's comprised of Montoursville and Loyalsock students, but not so.

"Were like one big golf family," said Arianna Whiteman, "We pretty much forget about it, [the rivalry]."

The golf team's matches are

held on Mondays and Tuesdays. They are coached by the Whiteman sibling's uncle Jeff Whiteman.

The girl's team's goal this year is to go far into districts and maybe even win. Whiteman said she is definitely playing next year.

The boys goals are much more simple. The boys hope to have a better season than last year and Bagwell hopes to also do better than he did last year with his personal record.

"It's cool because you get to meet so many more people from so many different schools and everyone is really nice from Loyalsock," said Bagwell.

"People should join because it's easy to learn and you really don't have to work at it to be good," said Bagwell. Bagwell would like to more people to join next year because of how great his experience has been the last few years.

The Golf Team is hidden behind other fall sports. Football, soccer, and girl's tennis are sports also going on in the fall that take most of our students from joining



Photo By: The Yearbook Staff

Senior Bryce O'Connor drives a ball hard onto the green. O'Connor has been a member on the Montoursville-Loyalsock Golf Team for four years now.

the golf team. This is unfortunate because golf is known to promote virtuous skills such as sportsmanship, honesty, and being calm and collected if things don't go your way.

From 2005 teen golf participation dropped by 24% between the years of 2005 and 2008. This is a little over a million less participants in three years according to the National Golf Foundation's most recent participation report.

"Wood ya' look at that!"

School, sports, and stress overload students

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Everyone knows how stressful coming back to school is-getting used to new teachers, reconnecting with friends, taking on a huge workload all at once.

Many students are also involved in fall sports, adding an extra few hours to each day.

On practice days, student athletes don't get home until around 6 to 6:30, which is early compared to game days. Away games cause buses not to return to the high school until 9 o'clock and later.

Then, you are somehow supposed to go home, eat dinner, and slave over several hours of mind numbing homework and studying.

The amount of work shoved on students at the beginning of the year after a stress-free summer is exhausting and overwhelming for anyone, and even more stressful for student athletes.

Being able to balance everything without losing your mind is an accomplishment in itself. However, every aspect of life is trying to pull you more in a certain direction.



Your social life is begging for attention with football games, fall bonfires, and friends wanting to have fun.

On the other hand you have parents and teachers reminding you every day how important junior year is, or if you are a senior you are dealing with college applications and writing good essays.

And then the athletes deal with coaches wanting complete focus at practice. Coming from a stressful day of school to a physically exhausting practice can be difficult to handle.

Spreading yourself too thin is a natural part of dealing with high school, and in the long run we will be thankful for learning to balance our time before we hit the real world. For now, don't let the stress weigh you down and ruin these 4 years.

Athletes of the Month

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Carly Mill

Q: Besides winning what do you strive for in a game?

A: Playing with heart.

Q: Are you looking to continue to play soccer in college?

A: Yes, at Tuscalum College.

Q: Why did you start playing?

A: Because it was fun.

Q: What role do your parents play in your athletics?

A: They are very supportive but annoying at times.

Q: What are some pre-game rituals?

A: All I do is hug Gillian Mitchell.

Q: What are your goals for the year?

A: Be league champs, and districts.

Q: What's your biggest accomplishment in your high-school career?

A: Winning districts Freshman and Junior year.



Nick Russo

Q: Besides winning what do you strive for in a game?

A: Being able to say you played your hardest.

Q: Are you looking to continue to play soccer in college?

A: Yes, either soccer or football.

Q: Why did you start playing?

A: For the ladies!

Q: What role do your parents play in your athletics?

A: Charles (his father) is quite the motivational speaker.

Q: What are some pre-game rituals?

A: I really don't have any.

Q: What are your goals for the year?

A: Win a playoff game.

Q: What's your biggest accomplishment in your high-school career?

A: Getting revenge on Milton after them beating us in the Burke tournament this year.



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Freshmen create frenzy

This year's Freshman class has made an impact on fall sports due to the size of their class.

The Class of 2018 has 184 students in their class.

Just to show how big the class actually is, this year instead of having only two lunch periods we now have three to have enough seating.

Along with the Class of 2018 comes with new, fresh athletes to replace the graduated Seniors.

The Varsity Football team has two Freshmen, Josh Dinges and Dalton Tubbs.

Girls' Varsity Soccer, three Freshmen, Lauren O'Malley, Tatyana Kraft, and Shelby Kurtz.

Varsity Cheerleading has seven Freshmen, Hannah McLaughlin, Breanne Doane, Hayley Montgomery, Kayla Herr, Kylie Kreitz, Breanna Moser, and Mackenzie Lewis.

The Cross Country team has eight Freshmen, Stephanie Beck, Olivia Conklin, Mattlyn Markley, Kathryn Plankenhorn, Rebecca Reeder, Jacob McDonald, Sam Sacavage, and Nick Williams.

Golf team has only one Freshmen, Arianna Whiteman.

Girls' Tennis team has six Freshmen, Alana Clary, Madison Clary, Karina Dangle, Olivia Evans, Madison Myers, and Emily O'Connor.

The Boys' Varsity Soccer has one Freshmen, Nick Musto.

"I think that all of the athletes that I have been watching have been doing well off season and during season. The best part of my job is to watch as our athletes excell. As a whole our fall sports are very successful," said the Athletic Director Evelyn Wynn.

Fall sports success thus far

Football
2-3

Girls' Soccer
9-1

Boys' Soccer
4-7

Girls' Tennis
7-7

Girls' Cross Country
8-9

Boys' Cross Country
3-9

Freshmen to watch

Girls' Soccer



Lauren O'Malley

"She's really good with her positioning. But, overall I think our Freshmen Class is very solid." -Coach Vic Gorini

Cross Country



Mattlyn Markley

"She's consistently in the top five for the girl's team." -Coach Katiera Nettles

Golf



Arianna Whiteman

"She is doing it the right way, working hard and taking lessons from an LPGA Professional Laura Tyler weekly. If she continues to work hard and take lessons she will be someone to watch." -Coach Jeff Whiteman

Girls' Tennis



Karina Dangle

"She had shown the most improvement from pre-season until now. She is very smart player. She knows how to read her opponents well and has excellent ball placement. I can always count on her to pull through at any point for us in a tough match." -Coach Erica Wurster

Cheerleading



Kylie Kreitz

"Kylie is a very talented and determined cheerleader. She always rises to the occasion and goes above and beyond for her squad. Kylie continues to amaze us every day and we're very excited to watch her grow as a cheerleader and improve through her career as a Montoursville cheerleader." -Coaches Kari Ulrich and Ashley Rupert

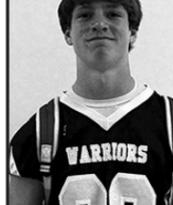
Boys' Soccer



Nick Musto

"He can step into a varsity game as a midfielder and does as good as a varsity player. Also, he knows how to play the ball well when he is in trouble." - Coach Lee

Football



Josh Dinges and Dalton Tubbs

"Both boys stand out and start JV. They are very close to playing on Varsity friday nights." -Coach J.C. Keefer

11 board members in the Montoursville Area School District Foundation

184 Freshman

146 Sophomores

148 Juniors

155 Seniors

171 students playing a fall sport

13 AP SCHOLARS LAST YEAR

9 School Board Members



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