



The Buzz



HARVARD HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

FEBRUARY 4, 2020

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Schedule for the week of

Feb 12- 17

Feb 12- Half Day

Staff development

Feb 13- No School

Parent Teacher Conferences

Feb 14- No School

Non Attendance Day

Feb 17- No School

Presidents' Day

A Solar Farm Near Harvard?

By: Haily Hill

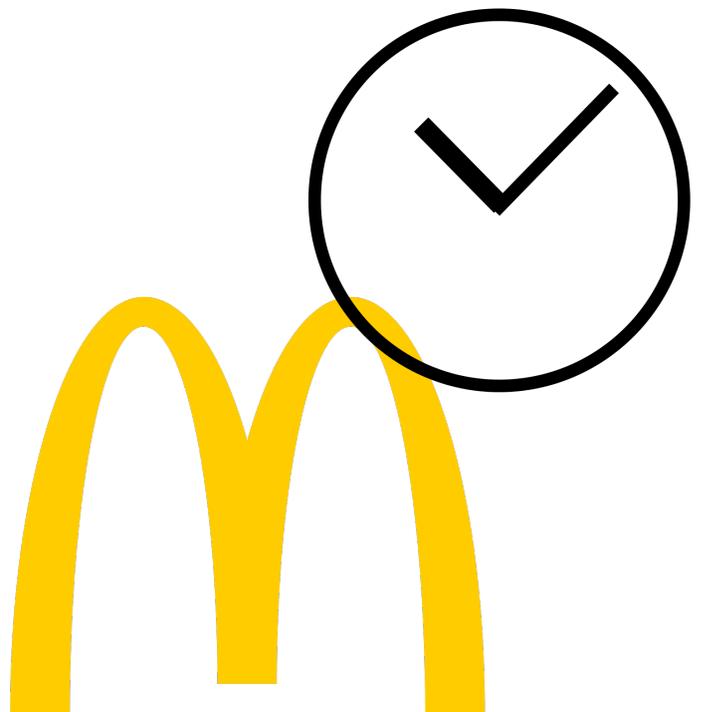
According to the northwest herald a 40-acre site about a half-mile south from Route 14 and Yates Road is being seen as an ideal site for the first solar farm in McHenry County. The board recommended a solar farm proposal from Minnesota-based Geronimo Energy to the McHenry County Board of Appeals and agreed during a public meeting. The company has made more than 1,800 megawatts of wind and solar energy projects. The proposal for the site calls for two, 2-megawatt solar energy systems – which are estimated to power about 870 homes annually and avoid the emissions of about 5,800 metric tons of carbon annually. Board member Charles Eldredge said the project has the potential to improve water filtration and soil on the site, has no harmful environmental consequences, will save farmland in the future thanks to its agricultural zoning and hopefully it will stabilize the cost of power going forward.



Is Food Worth it?

By Yoseline Figueroa, Edith Sanchez, and Adriana Leon

Teachers and staff have been discussing students who show up tardy to school with fast food. There are two reasons why this is becoming a problem. One is because the food is becoming a distraction when teachers are teaching. Another is that other students start craving the food and don't concentrate. Many students make bad decisions by choosing to get food and showing up late to class. A few teachers were asked for their opinions on this idea. One suggested: If students are late to school because they chose to stop and get food, they should stay in the office until they finish eating what they bought. Another teacher said, "Students get free breakfast here at school. I just want kids to make better choices and not disrupt class." There are some who disagree. One teacher responded, "I would rather have students bring food to class and not miss any more class time." A simple resolution is to stay away from getting detention minutes by waking up a little earlier and have time to stop to get breakfast. Keep this topic in mind and stay tuned for more information.



Coronavirus Update

By Mily Sanchez Pichardo

The Coronavirus is a new deadly virus that has spread in Asia and has reached the United States. More than 20,000 people have been sickened by the Coronavirus. Most of the known cases have been in China. This virus popped up in Wuhan, China. At the time of printing, 426 people have died and more than 120 others have recovered and been released from the hospital. Although many of the deaths have happened in China, there have been cases close to home.

The symptoms to look for are a runny nose, headache, cough, sore throat, fever, and an overall feeling of unwellness. There has been 11 known cases in the U.S. There are 6 cases in California, 1 case in Arizona, 2 cases in Illinois, 1 case in Washington state, and 1 case in Massachusetts. The closest known case is in the Village of Hoffman Estates in Illinois. This person has been and will remain in isolation at the Hoffman Estates Hospital until he or she can be treated. In the meantime, wash your hands and stay away from sick people.

The Incubator class is currently working on their prototypes and surveying people. There are three business groups including, WE3, Tied Back, and TeamWork. The businesses will be competing with one another in May. Which every business wins the pitch in May, will have the opportunity to compete with other schools in the area in McHenry College County.

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Sports

By Desiree Brady

Wrestling: The wrestling teams record is currently 24-5. They are also KRC Conference Champions! Regionals will be hosted on February 7 and 8 right here at HHS. The team will find out if they will advance to Sectionals after the results of Regionals.

Girls Basketball: The girls record is currently 11-16. The team beat North Boone on North Boone's Senior Night. Our HHS team will have their Senior Night on February 4. Congratulations to the girls for winning more than 10 games for the first time in a decade.

Boys Basketball: The boys record is currently 4-18. Their Senior Night is February 25 and Regionals start March 2. Good luck to the boys basketball team on the rest of your guys season!



Photo Cred: Schultz and HHS Wrestling Page Facebook page



Photo Cred: Larin and hornet_hoops_ Instagram



Photo Cred: HSHornets1 Twitter Page

SENIORS

We are still waiting for pictures from most of you. Please turn in pictures to any MMJ Members, Mrs. MacKenzie, the MMJ email, or your homeroom teacher. If pictures are not turned in soon, expect to be getting a letter and yappy students on your case. We need them in order to have a production on Senior Tribute! Email: mmjhhs@cusd50.org



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A Google Survey has been shared with you via your homeroom teachers. If you have not received this survey please notify a MMJ member, your homeroom teacher, or Mrs. Mackenzie. This survey is for the Senior Slideshow Playlist. We want the production to be entertaining and to the best level we can make it. However, we can only do so if you guys help us out. Thank you!

Joke of the Week

By Luis Roman

I've learned 99% of the
English language

I'm almost their

Attention All Readers

By: JJ Lich

This will be our last edition of the buzz for a few months while we start work on the senior slideshow. We will aim to have one more edition of the buzz toward the end of the school year. Thank you to all who have taken the time to read this edition and all its predecessors. Be sure to look out for our final edition!



Upcoming Musical by Harvard High School

BY: JJ Lich

Harvard High School will be producing *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* in the upcoming weeks. *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* is not a reenactment of the classic Disney movie that many Harvard High School students grew up watching. The musical is based on the Victor Hugo novel, but the songs are from the Disney animated feature.

Here is a preview of the play provided by Mrs. Galasso. The musical begins as the bells of Notre Dame sound through the famed cathedral in fifteenth-century Paris. Quasimodo, the deformed bell-ringer who longs to be "Out There," observes all of Paris reveling in the Feast of Fools. Held captive by his devious caretaker, the archdeacon Dom Claude Frollo, he escapes for the day and joins the boisterous crowd, only to be treated cruelly by all except the beautiful gypsy, Esmeralda. Quasimodo isn't the only one captivated by her free spirit, though - the handsome Captain Phoebus and Frollo are equally enthralled. As the three vie for her attention, Frollo embarks on a mission to destroy the gypsies - and it's up to Quasimodo to save them all.

The musical is performed by twenty six students plus a pit band of five people. The lead roles are: Quasimodo- Saul Osorio (senior), Archdeacon Frollo- Xander Page (senior), Captain Phoebus De Martin- Jimmy Johnson (junior), and Esmeralda- Mia Lancaster (freshmen).

The showings for the musical will be March 13th and 14th at 7:00 and March 15th at 3:00. The tickets will be free to all Harvard High School students! Six dollars for students outside Harvard High School and children, and eight dollars for adults. The run time of the performance will be two hours and forty minutes with an intermission.

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Unbelievable, Tragic Event

By: Jonathan Estrada

Kobe, who played 20 seasons and won five championships, had a wife and four children. He still had a life to live, but sadly on January 26, 2020 died in a helicopter crash at age 41. He wasn't the only life lost; there were eight more people accompanying him who were Gianna Bryant, Payton Chester, Sarah Chester, Alyssa Altobelli, John Altobelli, Christina Mauser, and Ara Zobayan. So far, what has been confirmed is that they were headed to Mamba Sports Academy in Thousand Oaks, California for a youth basketball event. Some people think the helicopter shouldn't have been flying in the first place. The police stated that they even grounded their helicopters due to the foggy conditions. But Ara Zobayan, the pilot, had been given special permission to fly despite the foggy conditions. At one point, the helicopter was flying too low and wasn't registering on radar. But police officials still have an ongoing investigation to see if it was more than just the fog that played a role in the helicopter crash and are asking people for video or pictures of before the accident happened. Many teams and places paid tribute to Kobe. The Dallas Mavericks announced that they will permanently retire number 24, Madison Square Garden lit up in purple and gold, 76er's had a pregame ceremony, Alicia Keys pays tribute in the 2020 GRAMMY Awards, and players changed their jerseys numbers to eight and wrote Kobe's name on their shoes. May all the victims rest in peace.



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Shakespeare

By Bianca Reyes

We read about Shakespeare from the beginning of our high school career. Shakespeare was an English Poet who wrote many plays we know today. On Wednesday, January 22, 2020, the Senior English classes took a trip to Navy Pier in Chicago. At the Chicago Shakespeare Theater, they experienced the Shakespearean play, The Comedy of Errors. The play was a professional performance and lasted about 1 1/2 hours. The majority of the students said they really enjoyed the play; it was better than they expected. The following week on Wednesday January 29, 2020, the freshman had a play here in the North gym; the Shakespearean play was called Romeo and Juliet. Every year actors come to Harvard High School to perform Romeo and Juliet for the freshman class. These performances shows HHS students what Shakespeare's plays are all about. It also helps the students understand what is going on due to the difficult wording in the written pages of the literature books.



New in the Lunch Room

By; Gabriela Hernandez

Harvard high school has recently included the à la carte during lunch. The à la carte is food that can be purchased with money that is in a students account. Students will still be expected to pick up their lunch as usual and then there will be an announcement during the lunch that the à la carte is open. Their must be money in the students account prior to be purchase and the staff won't be accepting cash. If a student would like to put money in their account, they should visit the main office any day before 10 a.m.

Nobody's Perfect

By: The MMJ Team

You may be wondering why another page is coming out after The Buzz was just released, and we're here to explain. We made a mistake, and in the outcome of this mistake, a page was deleted from The Buzz before we began printing, and we did not catch the page deletion until after we handed out the papers. We hope you understand. Please enjoy the rest of The Buzz!

Senior Picture Issues

By Adriana Leon

We've had some technical difficulties with baby pictures and will do our best to get them back to you as soon as possible. The scanners weren't working and the pictures came back black and white; some scans were cut in half. If there's any other problems we will update you.

Quick Girls Basketball Update

By: Damyan Michel

Back on Tuesday, February 4th, The Harvard Hornets Girls Basketball team had their senior night against Richmond-Burton. After a tough fight, the Hornets came out triumphant 42-36. This also marks the team's first conference win since the KRC was formed. Top scorers were Lauren Shafer with 17 points, and Jade Bailey with 11 points. With one more game until regionals, we are excited to see how the girls finish the season. Go Hornets!



Iowa Caucus Results

By Max Lancaster

The conclusion of the Iowa caucuses marks the beginning of an important Presidential election, but how do the Iowa caucuses work and what makes the Iowa Caucuses so important?

The Iowa caucuses are the first major contest in the primary election with numerous candidates participating. Both the Democratic and Republican parties have their own separate caucuses which are used to decide which candidate of a party receives the nomination to run in the general election against the other party's nominee. The Iowa caucuses are one of three caucuses that will take place during the primary election season and typically foreshadow how candidates will perform in future caucuses and at the ballot box of the primaries. This makes the winning of this caucus very important to the campaigns of all the competing candidates. Caucuses are essentially primary elections but with more person to person interaction in an effort to connect with the voters. Like primaries, only registered members of the party are allowed to attend to avoid outside interference. As of the writing of this article, the Democratic caucuses results after some delays have been announced, Bernie Sanders and Pete Buttigieg tied at 11 delegates while Elizabeth Warren follows at 5 delegates. The Republican caucus results have been announced and as predicted, current US President Donald Trump won by a landslide.

Google Classroom Internet Survey

In the HHS All School Classroom, there is a survey available for all students to take which includes two quick questions about internet at your home. If you have time available during homeroom, please take the survey. There are opportunities for free internet for families that can't afford it.



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