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Principal's Cup

The 17th Annual Principal's Cup Competition kicked off on Friday, March 31st in Simms. Craig Cummings, a former principal from Belt, was one of the founders of the contest. The Huskies took two teams with five students on each squad to the event. On each team, a senior, junior, sophomore, freshman and one at large selection competed against schools from around the region. The Belt teams represented the small community very well at the competition.

The event was set up with each team on opposite sides of the room. An adult, usually one of the school's principals, would ask the teams a question. Points were awarded for correct for answers and deducted for incorrect ones.

The first player to buzz in would have the opportunity to answer the question to the best of their ability. Question categories included: literature, math, potpourri (random), art, science, finishing quotes, and many more categories.

The Huskies were able to fill two full squads of students. Team Gold included: Zeb Visocan, Isabelle Newman, Nolan Myrstol, and Shelby Paulson. The Gold Team was defeated in the preliminary rounds, but made a comeback in the consolation bracket. Team Maroon consisted of: Harry Green, Julia Vogt, Adrian Malek, Makayla O'Neil, Troy Hennes, and Adelle Meissner. Because of sickness, the maroon

team was short one participant. Aside from the sickness, Team Maroon competed well. In the preliminary round play, the team went 1-1, but won two more and lost one in the bracket.

All of the participants seemed to have a good time at the event. Harry Green said, "The competition was fun, but not as memorable as Troy throwing up all day. There were a lot of smart people out there and strategy is key in winning the matches."

Because of the competitiveness at the event, the Huskies were unable to return to the valley with the big trophy. CMR, a Great Falls school, defeated Cut Bank in the championship to advance the state competition in Missoula.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Track and Field

The track and field season is underway as the athletes competed in their first track meet two weeks ago on Thursday, March 30th. The Belt/Fairfield Invitational Meet, held at Memorial Stadium in Great Falls, brought in many teams from class B and C. Tomorrow, the tracksters will voyage to Choteau.

The boys' track team represented the Husk-

ies well, finishing 2nd overall. The hurdle team consists of two freshman, Adam Langston and Hunter Vogl. In the 110 meter hurdles, Langston crossed the line with a time of 18.21 to take 2nd place. Vogl finished 4th with a time of 18.29. In the 300 meter hurdles, Vogl placed 4th with a time of 46.98.

In the long distance events, athletes from Belt placed

in the top six. In the 800 meter run, Braydon Marks finished 6th with a time of 2:33.76. Keagan Stroop and Harry Green both placed in the mile and two mile. With a time of 4:52, Stroop earned 1st place in the mile. Green crossed the finish line with a time of 4:59.62, good for 3rd in the mile. In the 2 mile, Stroop and Green finished with times of 11:13.97

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Senior Spotlight

Unfortunately, this is the last week for senior spotlight. The Valley Voice is proudly presenting the last two seniors in the class of 2017, Mo Wall and Kirsten Welling.



Mo Wall is an adamant student here at Belt High. She has enjoyed her high school career and the kinder years preceding it thanks to the quaint town of Belt. Wall has made some un-

forgettable memories with her friends these past couple of years that she will never forget. Some examples of these memories are when fellow classmate Zeb Visocan continued to hit his head on the lights in the bus on the ride down and back to state basketball. Wall also enjoyed painting the B with her class and the journey of going to girl's state basketball this past year with the team, pep band, and cheerleaders. Throughout the years, Wall has participated in a total of 4 years in cheer, 4 in golf, 5 in drama, 3 in track (MS), 2 in basketball (MS), 3 in Pep Band, as well as Close Up.

Wall has kept involved in as much as she could throughout her middle and high school career. She has loved her high school experience, however one downfall was when she hit her head on the stair railing by the science lab during cheer practice. This resulted in a split forehead, a trip to the ER, and 4 stitches. One thing Wall is going to miss the most is the unity of her class. She loves the bond that her class shares with each other

and doesn't want to see that bond break or tear apart.

After graduation day, Wall plans on going into the marines or attending college at the University of Idaho. There she would major in either criminology or mechanics. She has also thought about minor-ing in business, however she's still thinking about it. In addition to her major and potential minor, she would like to take part in their drama department as well as their cheer squad if possible. Wall would like to tell upcoming seniors that "Remember to be a respectable student. You give respect and you will get respect. Also, make sure you know when to have fun and when to be serious so you can get as much out of your education as you possibly can."

Kirsten Welling is the last senior to be interviewed for Senior Spotlight and will be the last one to receive her diploma on May 21st. Welling is a bright addition to the mighty class of 2017 and wishes to pursue a similar role in college. She enjoyed nearly all of her classes throughout high school, but one of her favorite classes was math,

"especially when Mrs. Graham wasn't there and all the students had to try and figure out how to do it correctly." Welling also enjoyed participating in the mock trials held by her government class this year. Mr. Koontz was the teacher who supervised the children during this project and it was a smashing success for all students, not just because they got good grades, but because they were able to learn a lot from the mock trials that they

wouldn't have been able to learn in a text book.

However, Welling did not like the amount of homework given this year. She stated that homework does increase over the years and it's overwhelming at times. She can't wait for college work and doing classes that will actually aid her in her major. Throughout her time her at Belt School, Welling has been a participant in the drama department for 4 years, cheer for 2 ½ years, and yearbook for 1 year. Welling claims that she is going to miss seeing everyone nearly every day. She states that this has been an occurrence for over 10 years for some students and it's going to be hard to all of a sudden change that daily routine. After graduating, Welling would



like to attend college in Bozeman at Montana State University and then transfer to Oregon after her first year. She would like to major in veterinarian sciences and potentially join their drama departments if possible. Welling

would like to give some advice to upcoming seniors: "Life's too short to stress about it, so don't."

The Valley Voice would like to wish the mighty Class of 2017 good luck for their last quarter of high school, as well as good luck for life beyond graduation. This is a class that will be dearly missed by all family, friends, peers, students, faculty, and administration.

By: Isabelle Newman

Fish Dissections

Earlier this year, on February 1st, the 7th grade class traveled to Lewistown, MT, for an ice fishing adventure at East Fork Reservoir. Many students had never been ice fishing before, and the experience was fun and exciting. It was a great opportunity given by the Hooked-On-Fishing organization and Darrel Hodges, and the fish that were caught were saved for the next exciting event taking place at Belt Public



School. Fish Dissections.

The students were able to catch enough fish to supply their class for fish dissections, which were supervised by Mrs. Vogt on March 27th. The students mainly captured small perch, but the fish were big enough for students to easily operate with and make comparisons to the human anatomy.

It was a great opportunity for the students to prepare for future dissections in high

school, and it allowed them to physically see the differences in the fish. "It was fun and educational, too, but it was really awesome when we found the brain," Cole Hepfner shared with the Valley



Voice when asked about his experience.

Mrs. Vogt was happy with the procedures and results, especially when students such as Hayden Urick shared, "I usually don't fish or do anything with them, but this was actually kind of fun."

By: Morgan Davis



Spring Sports Schedules...Contingent on Weather

Lady Husky Golf Meets

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 31 st	Fort Benton	9:30
April 7 th	Choteau	9:00
April 8 th	Choteau (JV)	9:00
April 10 th	Meadowlark	9:00
April 21 st	Conrad (JV)	9:00
April 22 nd	Conrad	9:00
April 28 th	Fort Benton	9:00
April 29 th	Harlowton	10:00
May 6 th	Chinook	10:00
May 8 th	Seeley Lake (Pre-State)	9:00

May 15-17 Seeley Lake (State) TBA

Husky Track and Field

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 30 th	Great Falls	9:00
April 8 th	Choteau	9:00
April 11 th	Great Falls (JV)	9:00
April 21 st	Power (Frosh)	9:00
April 22 nd	Centerville	9:00
April 29 th	Great Falls	9:00
May 2 nd	Cascade (Top 8)	9:00
May 4 th	Great Falls (Frosh)	9:00
May 5 th	Great Falls (Pre-District)	10:00
May 12 th	Great Falls (District)	10:00
May 18 th	Great Falls (Divisional)	TBA

May 26-27 Missoula (State) TBA

Lady Husky Golf

Donation

The first golf meet of the season, hosted by the Lady Huskies, was held on March 31st in Fort Benton. Fifteen team members were able to go on the course and have a great time. The first timers did a great job on the course as well the more seasoned members from recent years (affectionately known as the “Old Hags”).

The varsity team took 2nd overall with a score of 358 right behind Fort Benton, who tallied 354. Hannah Schweitzer placed 3rd with a score of 114 after a challenging chip off and Kara Neal took 5th with the score of 120. Schweitzer and Neal have had a good start as they already qualified for the state competition at their first meet. Following Schweitzer and Neal on the varsity team is Kali Duncan with a score of 134 and Adrianna Irvine with a mark of 135.

The balance of Lady Husky scores included: Morgan Davis-134, Mo Wall-136, Karlee Permann-138,

Elyse Adams- 144, Tori Shelton-145, Sydne Flinn- 155, Tori Sherwood-159, Raenita Berlinger -167, Kassie Hoyer -168, Keely Drummond-169, and Natalie Larsen-172.

The meet was a success for all competitors, and Coach Stinson was particularly pleased with the performance of the younger players, who got their first taste of competition. Coach Stinson also expressed thanks to volunteer marker Kally Permann, Sandi Koontz, and Eileen Dolphay

The girls have a busy few days ahead. Today, the junior varsity squad will travel to Teton County to compete in a meet hosted by Choteau. Tomorrow the varsity team will head to the same venue to test their skills in the shadows of the Rocky Mountains. On Monday, the top 8 girls will get a treat when they compete at Meadowlark Country Club in Great Falls.

By: Kara Neal

Thanks to Northern Energy AmeriGas, Belt Public School is participating in a program that allows the school to receive credits for each gallon of propane they sell to customers in the area of Belt. This year, Belt Public School earned enough credits to qualify for a \$2,000 donation from Northern Energy, which was used to purchase ten new chrome books.

The donation was greatly appreciated, and Belt students, teachers, and faculty would like to thank Northern Energy AmeriGas for this opportunity. A big thank you to Sherrie Neff, who helped out with tracking the points the school collected.



DECA Talent Show

On March 26th at 6:00 p.m., the Belt Talent Show was put on by Belt's DECA chapter. Their first talent show was put on last year and was a smashing success. The same could also be said about this year's event. There were 3 divisions: Elementary, High School, and Adult. The talent show attracted all kinds of acts like: baton twirling, dancing, belly dancing, and singing.

The judges were very impressed with all the acts and wish luck to the acts for next year's talent show. The results from Belt's DECA Talent Show were: Elementary-1st, Rogue Roberts dancing to *Let It Go*, 2nd, Sparkettes baton twirling to *It's My Life*, and 3rd, Sydney Paulson dancing to *Dancing in the Dark*. For the High school Division, a dance group piece called Way Down

received 1st. 2nd was a hip hop group dance called Hotlantic and 3rd place was Belt's very own freshman: Avery Newman dancing to *How Will I Know*.

The adult division was won by Rosa Sheldon- Dormady who belly danced to the song *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*. Belt had one kiddo from their elementary compete with the Sparkettes this year: Addy Hoffman. She had a blast and can't wait for next year's talent show so she can show the judges what she's all about. The dance group *Way Down* included a Belt senior, Isabelle Newman, who was accompanied by four other friends from her dance company in Great Falls, Sole Dance Company. Hotlantic was another group

piece put on by Sole Dance Company, including Newman as well, with 10 other performers from the company.

Hopefully DECA will put on another talent show next year, as they are always a big hit. They attract pieces from not only Belt, but surrounding communities such as Great Falls. Everyone had a great time and had great sportsmanship to spread around. Congrats again to Rogue Roberts, Way Down, and Rosa Sheldon-Dormady who won their divisions.

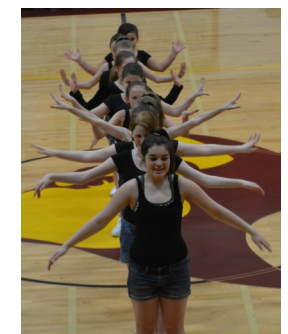
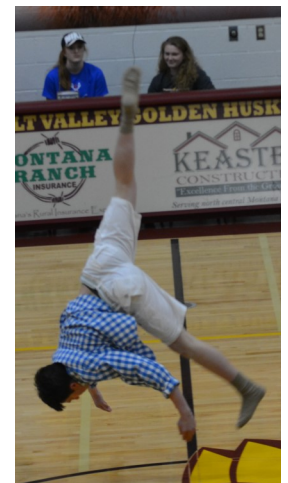
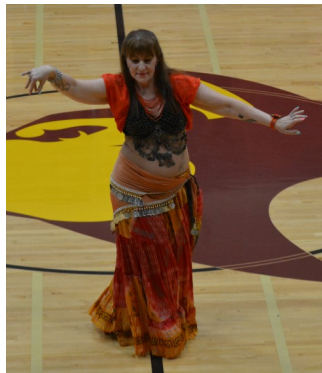
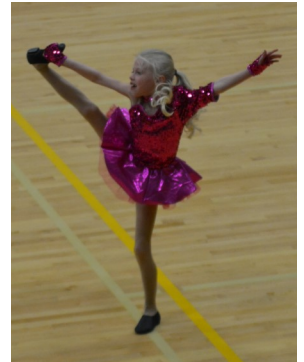
By: Isabelle Newman



Sydney Paulson dancing to *Dancing in the Dark*.



Hotlantic was another group



Marsh Monster in Belt Creek

Breaking news was released on April 1st, 2017, with footage of the giant marsh monster bathing in Belt Creek. News sources such as the Valley Voice covered and reported the story, and terrified reporters replayed the story repeatedly for the public. “Nothing like I’ve ever seen before...” “... even larger than the big foot we spotted on B-Hill last spring...” and “...ain’t no monster slithering around in my creek...” were the responses the Valley Voice reporters received from the community, ranging from frightened civilians, angry farmers with pitch forks, and Mr. Koontz, who said the story was a load of bull.

The Valley Voice is keeping the community updated, and recommends everyone to avoid the outdoors

and to spend their remaining hours with their families.

Ellie Hill was the source that originally spotted the wild beast on her way home from working in Belt Public School kitchen. “I couldn’t believe my eyes! It was green, gooey, and it stared at me as I crossed the bridge. I was terrified for my life.” Ellie reported the incident to Belt Vigilante PD, and officers including Karl Koontz, Keith Hoyer, Jeff Graham were the first to respond. They encountered a fluorescent green slime along the creek bank.

Upon their arrival, Mr. Hoyer was so disgusted and shocked that he fainted and collapsed. Mr. Hoyer is still recovering in Great Falls hospital, but is stabi-

lized and conscious.

While Mr. Koontz was skeptical that it is just some publicity stunt, Coach Graham is planning on quitting his job, packing family up, and high tailing back to “God’s Country”, aka the Hi-Line. “I just can’t have my kids being influenced by a nasty Marsh Monster. They need to focus on basketball drills, not worrying about a dangerous amphibian.”

No one knows what to do or how to catch the beast, but community members have organized a local militia that plans to hunt down the creature just as soon as they corral the pesky snipe they’ve been chasing for several months.

By: Morgan Davis

Track (Cont.)

and 11:14.93, respectively, to place 1st and 2nd. Robbie Gliko and Robbie Flinn also competed in the 2 mile. Gliko placed 4th with an 11:54.02 finish. Following him was Flinn who finished with a time of 12:59.68.

The boys’ relay teams had a good day in Great Falls. The short relay team consists of Vogl, Langston, Stroop, and Brandon Wall (in order). They finished 5th with a time of 49.02. The long relay team includes: Vogl, Nolan Myrstol, Stroop, and Green (in order). They crossed the line with a time of 3:48.76 to earn 1st place.

Aside from the running events, the throwers also represented Belt very well. Jaren Maki placed in all three events. In the javelin, Maki heaved the spear 166-08 feet to take 1st place. Maki placed 2nd in the shot put with a throw of 38-01.5 feet. Lastly, Maki earned 3rd in the discus with a distance of 121-1 feet.

In the jumping events, Antonio Heaton placed 6th in the high jump with a height of 5-04 feet. Jess Bodner placed 6th in the triple jump

with a leap of 36-11.5 feet.

The ladies also had a good day of track and field, placing third overall. In the 100 meter hurdles, Sara Anderson finished 3rd with a time of 18.23. She also earned 1st place in the 300 meter hurdles as she crossed the line when the clock read 51.24.

The sprinting crew also embodied Belt’s competitive spirit. Adelle Meissner ran the 100 meter dash with a time of 14.01, good for 5th. She also finished 4th in the 400 meter dash.

The long distance squad fared well in their events. Shelby Paulson ran the mile with a time of 6:33.55 to place 4th. Directly behind her was Kolby Pimperton, who finished with a time of 6:33.9. Ko. Pimperton also competed in the 2 mile. She finished with a final of 14:55.54, to place 4th.

The girls’ short relay team consisting of Anderson, Paulson, Dani Urick, and Meissner finished 4th with a time of 55.48. The long relay employed Paulson, Meissner,

Ko. Pimperton, and Kylie Marquis. They earned 4th place with a time of 4:50.34.

In the throwing events, Urick placed 1st in the shot put with a throw of 31-01.5 feet. Behind her was Jordan Swanson who heaved the shot 30-10 feet. Swanson also placed 4th in the discus with a distance of 86-02. Joely Stoker took 2nd in the discus with a throw of 90-03 feet. In the javelin, Kerstyn Pimperton heaved the stick 105-02 feet, good for 2nd. Urick also took 1st in the high jump, jumping 4-10 feet.

Both the boy’s and the girl’s team finished their first meet with good standards. It was a perfect day for the athletes to adapt to the outdoor season as they set goals for the rest of the campaign. Tomorrow the track and field team travels to Chateau to compete in their second meet of the season. The tracksters hope to beat their times and distances from the previous meet.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Legislative Trip

The Belt seniors and juniors recently took a trip to Helena on March 29th. The bus took off at 7:00 a.m. and the eager learners reached their destination around 9:00 a.m. The chaperones that joined the students were: Karl and Sandi Koontz, Sylvia Myrstol, and Tom Chesbro. The juniors and seniors were split to take a part in different activities and eventually grouped back together towards the end of the trip.

The seniors started off their adventure by going to the House Judiciary Hearing Room in the capitol building. They were able to witness a

committee meeting and see how people felt about a certain topic about the bill that was being discussed. After listening to the meeting the seniors took a tour of the capital. The students were amazed by the structure and the history of the building. During the tour the students were able to go into three rooms: the House Gallery, Senate Gallery, and the old Supreme Court Chamber (now a hearing room). The seniors put their knowledge from government class to the bill making process they were able to witness.

After the interesting tour of the capitol, the juniors and seniors switched places. The seniors headed to the Montana Historical Society Museum and the juniors headed to the capitol for their tour. In the Montana Historical Society Museum there was a variety of historical items. The students were able to see a 20th century war memorial room that was full of artifacts from Montanans that sacrificed in these wars. There was also a Charlie Russell Museum Art Gallery, Native American exhibit room, and a walking Historic Panorama of Montana his-

tory, and a lovely gift shop.

After a lunch break, the juniors and seniors grouped together to go to the Supreme Court. They had a presentation from two Montana Supreme Court clerks. The students learned about all the hard work that lawyers, clerks, and judges have to go through for each case. Also, the juniors and seniors had a great time being able to sit the chairs of the Supreme Court justices. After all of the information instilled in the students from the Montana Supreme Court clerks, the students headed back to the capitol. The students sat in the viewing room galleries of both houses of legislature.

Overall, the Helena trip was a success. All of the students were on their best behavior and took a major interest of all of the sites they were able to experience. Mr. Koontz believes “the bi-annual trips are worthwhile because it is both informative for the students and tends to spark enthusiasm.”

By: Kara Neal



As spring commences and winter says bon-voyage everyone becomes ecstatic with joy. Finally sometime to go out, enjoy the weather, and have a couple of drinks with friends and family. This is all fun in the sun until someone makes the critical error of driving while intoxicated.

The upsetting thing is around Easter and spring break more than 100 people die from either driving while intoxicated or being the victim of a carless driver who decided it would be ok to drive while intoxicated.

Practically nobody wants to see a family member/loved one wind up in the hospital or even dead during any holiday. Don't drink and drive; it's a mistake that is bound to ruin anybody's day.

Don't Drink and Drive!

This message brought to you by your
Cascade DUI Task Force



Town of Belt

The town of Belt recently joined together on March 15th at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were: Mayor Wells, Clerk-Treasurer Lynn Schilling, Alderman Delbert Darko, Annie Porter, Paul Heikkila, Glen Enderson, Sally Miller, and Nadine Hardinger. Other community members included: Dave Anderson, Clancy Siversten, Lori Siversten, and Wally McManigle of the Little Belt Cowboys Association, and Scott Van Dyken of the Cascade County Sheriff's Office; Belt School Superintendent Kathleen Prody.

The meeting started off with Van Dyken of the Cascade County Sheriff's Office discussing extra charges for law enforcement during the LBCA's Rodeo this coming June. Van Dyken and the members of the LBCA talked about determining the costs for the upcoming rodeo. Neither the town nor the LBCA can dictate how much law enforcement will be provided during the rodeo. The decision for law enforcement is decided

exclusively by the sheriff's department. The town of Belt contracts with the Cascade County Sheriff's office for general office for general law enforcement services, but additional costs for security measures at the Belt Rodeo is the responsibility of the LBCA.

Soon after the discussion of the extra charges for law enforcement, Prody announced that there has been a decision made to remove the modular building behind the school that currently houses the pre-k and the Boys & Girls Club. There will be bids taken from parties interested in acquiring the building. If there is not a bid made by June 9th, the school will tear down the structure.

There has been high levels of radon gas detected in City Hall and plans for the installation of radon abatement ventilation system are in progress. Prior to his happening, city Hall will be open on a limited schedule. There has also been

plans being made to begin the work on the baseball fields with the donation from Dennis Stack. There will be action taking place soon to construct four new dug-outs, new and refurbished bleachers, and sprinkler systems for both fields. Schilling also suggested that the Town of Belt could kill weeds in the area of the baseball fields and lay new gravel material within the fields. There was also a discussion about a memorial planter for Dennis Stack. The council decided instead of buying a bronze statue, it would be best to make a concrete bench with a plaque designating the park area as the Dennis Stack Memorial Ball Fields.

The Town of Belt is focused on all of their new projects and are looking forward to beginning them as soon as possible. The next City Hall meeting will be on April 5th.

By: Kara Neal

Mother/Daughter Hoops

DECA is moving closer to their trip to Anaheim, California, and they've been hosting many different types of fund raisers to aid in their expenses. Once again, the DECA club is holding the annual Father-Son-Mother-Daughter-Basketball games.

The games will help DECA reach their financial goals, and it'll be a fun experience for parents, students, and community members – it is greatly stressed that participants *did not* need to be parents or guardians to play, it was a fun event that *everyone* was welcome to join.

On April 1st in Belt Public School's gym, the FSMDB was hosted, and basketballers such as Ryan Schraner, Kassie Hoyer, and Dani Urick, along with Dani's brother Nolan, helped out and participated in the event. It was a great opportunity for

families to spend quality time together, as well as with the community, while also helping DECA and their cause. It was a fun event, with Dan Miller reffing, and everyone enjoying the game. Many people also had fun participating in the live auctions, a series of gift baskets, that was held between games.

Although the event became Mother-Daughter basketball only due to the lack of fathers playing, the moms and kids had a blast.

Heather Hoyer, Lisa Urick, Alicia Malek, Polly Pimperton, Jo Cooper, Katrina Paulson, Justine Breeding, and Shawni Stenglein all had a great time at the event, and they had the chance to relive their glory days with their children or family by their sides.

Not only did the families

have a good time, the DECA Auction was also very successful, earning \$1,601. Chad Stoker won the raffle, and the students sold 77 tickets total, earning \$5,700. Great job to the students who hosted FSMDB basketball, DECA students, and the mothers and daughters who participated in the event.



By: Morgan Davis

Principal's Report

Belt Public School has been extremely busy between sports, science fair projects, and awaiting the arrival of summer, and everyone is excited to be wrapping up the 2016-2017 school year. Congratulations to the Lady Huskies for claiming 2017 State Champs, and great job to the Varsity boys' team that claimed Conference and District Championship.

While winter sports have come to a conclusion, spring sports such as track & field and golf have taken over. A track meet was held in Great Falls on March 30th, and the Lady Husky Golf team traveled to Fort Benton for their first meet on March 31st. A big thank you to Mrs. Horton and Mrs. Vogt for supervising the Science Fair, and great job to the students who placed. First place winners were Keely Drummond & Abby Gliko with *Cold Pack*, Robby Gliko with *Renewable Energy*, Kerstyn Pimperton & Allison Stoker with *Water Fountain Bacteria*; Second place winners were Sydne Flinn & Shelby Paulson with *Music Bacteria*, Morgan Davis with *Oil Spills*, and Harry Green with *Projectile Drop*; Third place winners were Maggie Andrews

& Natalie Larson with *Electra Light Challenge* and MaKayla O'Neil with *Birthday Cake*.

On March 16th, Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Meissner took 47 students to Great Falls High to participate in the MTCM Math Competition, which was a great success and a good opportunity for students to engage in math concepts outside of the classroom.

March has been a busy month for everyone, and one of the highlights was Prom 2017. The grand march, pictures, and the dance were set up by the junior class, and many students who attended the event enjoyed the theme and had great fun with friends. The Valley Voice would like to thank Mr. Ross for speaking at the National Honor Society Banquet that took place on March 20th. Mrs. Ray provided a fantastic buffet, and 8 new inductees became proud NHS members by reading the oath, along with the existing NHS members.

On March 29th, the juniors and seniors, under the supervision of Mr. Koontz, traveled to Helena, MT, for their Legislative Trip. Javi

and John, the foreign exchange students from the sophomore class, also joined in on this trip to experience the differences between the United States and their countries. This was a good opportunity for students to comprehend and connect the information they've been studying in class all year to the real deal.

By: Morgan Davis

Public Notice

It's time to clean house at the old school. The Belt School District will host a garage sale on Thursday and Friday, April 27th and 28th from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day.

A wide variety of treasures will be available, including: furniture, electronics, books, and games.

Items for sale will be displayed on the north end of the school near Remington Field. Some items will be given away while others will be available at "Fire-Sale" prices.

For more information, call the school at 277 3351.

Bowling Scores

Week #25	Week #26
<u>Men's High Game:</u>	<u>Men's High Game:</u>
Bill Romero 226	John Larson 211
Mike Ezop 210	Drew Koffler 204
Sam Olson 201	Mike Ezop 196
<u>Men's High Series:</u>	<u>Men's High Series:</u>
Bill Romero 595	Mike Ezop 572
Mike Ezop 537	John Larson 551
Neill Sweeney 510	Drew Koffler 539
<u>Women's High Game:</u>	<u>Women's High Game:</u>
Linda Lewis 199	Lisa Urick 209
Denise Puppe 179	Sandy Francom 185
Laura Koffler 173	Polly Pimperton 168
<u>Women's High Series:</u>	<u>Women's High Series:</u>
Denise Puppe 481	Lisa Urick 535
Laura Koffler 449	Sandy Francom 485
Linda Lewis 436	Polly Pimperton 447

Calendar of Events

- April 7th-Golf Meet (JV) @Choteau (9:00 am)
- April 8th-Golf Meet (Var) @Choteau (9:00 am)
- April 9th- Track Meet @Choteau (9:00 am)
- April 11th-Track Meet @GFH (3:30 pm)
- April 13-17th-Spring Break
- April 19th-Wear Orange Wednesday
- April 21st-Track Meet @Power (TBA)

Middle School Basketball

The middle school basketball season is coming to a close as tournaments start today. Both the boys' and the girls' team are looking forward to competing for the 1st place trophy.

The boys' tournament is held at the Geyser gymnasium. The boys' team will compete against

DGS today at 12:30 p.m. If they win, they play again at 3:30 p.m. If they lose, they will compete at 9:30 p.m. tomorrow.

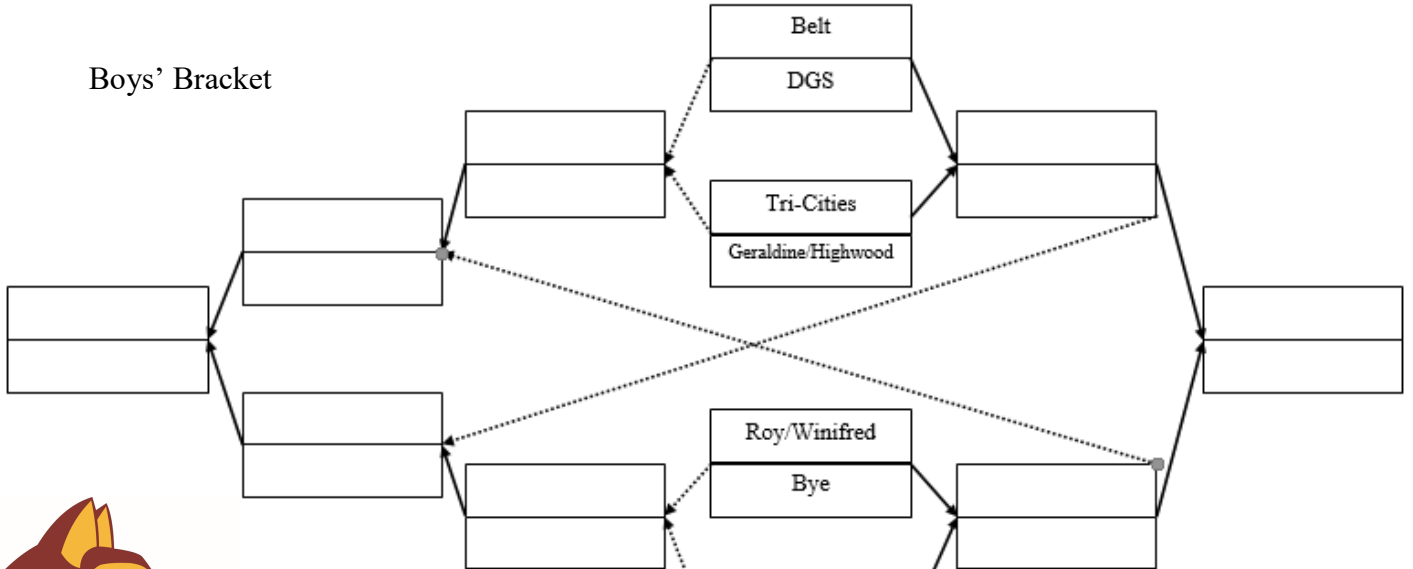
The girls' tournament is being played at the Stanford gymnasium. The ladies are going into the tournament as the number one seed. They compete against the winner of

Roy/Winifred or Geraldine/Highwood at 4:30 p.m.

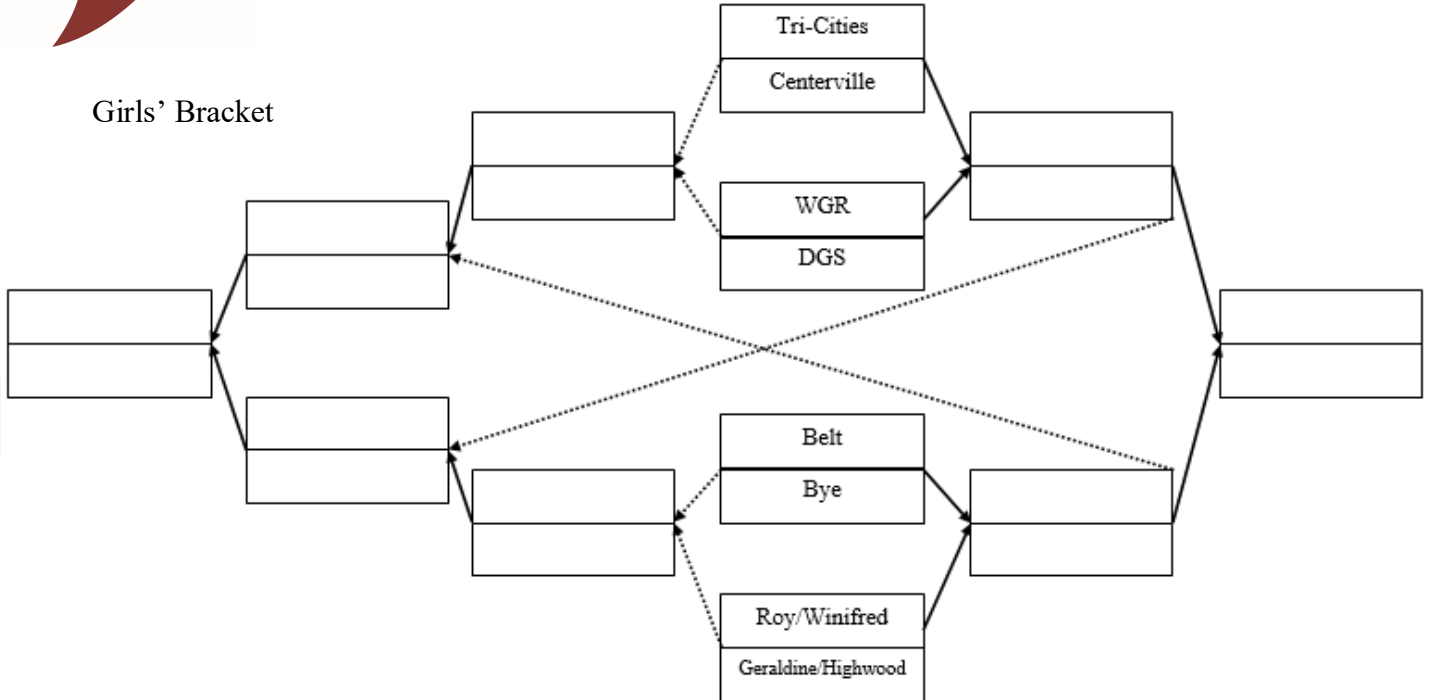
The Belt community would like to wish both squads the best of luck as they represent the Huskies in their middle school tournament.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Boys' Bracket



Girls' Bracket



It's a HIT

The annual Hi-Line Invitational Tournament kicked off two weeks ago in Havre. Multiple Husky players participated on teams at the post-season tournament. The competition level was very high as the top seniors and juniors from each class (AA, A, B, and C) squared off with each other.

On the boy's side, Jaren Maki competed on the Class C team led by Coach Jeff Graham. Maki was accommodated by players from Arlee, Box Elder, Hays Lodgepole, Manhattan Christian, Melstone, and Sunburst.

The first two days of basketball was filled with pool play. From there the teams would compete in the championship game or the consolation game. The Class C boys defeated their Class A and Class B

competition, but fell to Class AA. Despite the loss, they were seated in the championship game against Class AA again. In the championship match, the Class C boys fell to Class AA to earn 2nd place.

Four ladies made the trip down to Havre. Sara Anderson, Kassie Hoyer, and Kerstyn Pimperton all competed on the Class C team coached by Graham. Due to MHSA rules, Dani Urick was not allowed to play under the leadership of Graham, but was put onto the Class A team coached by Nick Luoma (a Centerville grad who coached in Belt and is now at Fort Benton). The Class C team was very successful in their tournament, defeating Class AA and Class A. They lost to Class B, but got another chance at them in the champion-

ship round. Unfortunately, the Class C team fell to the talented Class B team to earn 2nd place as well. Urick and her team fell to Class B and Class C in pool play and defeated Class AA. In the consolation game, they overpowered Class AA for the second time to take 3rd.

As the tournament finished up, awards were honored to athletes participating in the games. Two of the Belt competitors, Pimperton and Urick, were selected to be on the H.I.T All-Star Team. Overall, the Class C teams had successful runs at the tournament, both finishing 2nd.

The competition was the top of the spectrum as only a few selected athletes got to show their strength competing.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

JDRF Chairity



Recently, a rather clever "chairity" auction that took place on March 25th at the Harvest Moon. Amber Roberts has a 1st grader, Rogue Roberts, who has been diagnosed with Type One Diabetes. Amber is aware of how supportive

the Belt Community is and wanted to help her child and many others who have diabetes. Amber came up with the brilliant idea to have a chair auction. For this auction many community members made some unique chairs to be auctioned off.

The people who donated chairs were: John Elkins, Sandi Koontz, Cindy Morgan, Jeff Dawson, Blaine Sherritt, Gene Warehime, Stan and Val Guedesse, Terry Webster, Angie Dekoning, Daphne



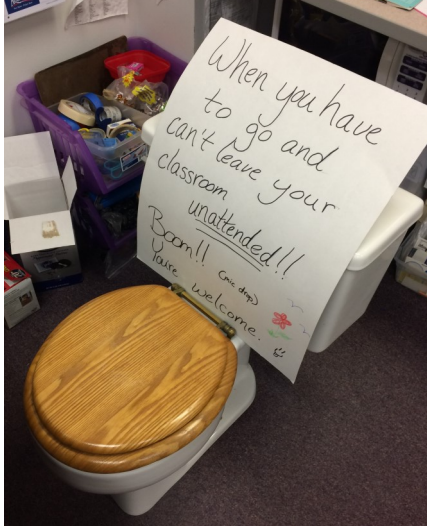
LaPlaunt, Devan Wieferich, and Mick and Karen Miszler. John Gliko also donated a raffle ticket for the Dirty Dozen Gun Raffle for the Dusty Gliko Bull Riding challenge. There were so many generous people that took part of this event. Amber was able to raise a total amount of \$4650 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). The evening was a success as there were many chairs auctioned at high prices, 50/50 prizes returned for the donation, and lots of extra donations for the cause.

By: Kara Neal



Games/ Puzzles

Whodunit: An act of chicanery was perpetrated in the Spanish classroom this week. Some hooligan replaced Miss Hiatt's chair in the dead of night. The great mystery is which teacher or staff member pulled this April Fool's prank.



Answer to last weeks game: Jess Bodner

Inspirational Quotes

This week, the Valley Voice is presenting Inspirational Quotes with the theme of: enjoy life. This can apply to all people, however, this can be extremely relatable to the senior class of 2017, for they have less than 2 months before they graduate. Enjoying life and the time you have left is extremely important to do because face it, it's not going to last forever, so make the most of what's given.

"Life is like a rollercoaster, live it, be happy, enjoy life."- Avril Lavigne

"Take a step back, evaluate what is important, and enjoy life."- Teri Garr

"Slow down and enjoy life. It's not only the scenery you miss by going too fast- you also miss the sense of when you are going and why."- Eddie Cantor

Time is of the essence right now, especially for the might class of 2017. Taking the time that is left for granted is a mistake in its entirety. Live life to the fullest and just enjoy it, because it's not going to be here forever.

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