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Miss Montana

Earlier this week on Tuesday, the fabulous Lauren Scofield visited Belt Schools to talk to the elementary and middle school students about what it's like being Miss Montana and STEM (Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics). Scofield became Miss Montana last June, and will reign in this title



until June 2017. This intelligent woman graduated from Carroll College last May with a major in biochemistry. Winning Miss Montana granted Scofield a \$5,000 scholarship and advanced her into the Miss America

Pageant in New Jersey this past September. Scofield says she loves doing the pageants, but the main reason for being involved in these competitions is "because of the scholarships which helps with paying off student loans. Going to Miss America was just a huge bonus," Scofield says.

"Another thing about doing Miss America that is crazy is that I get pushed out of my comfort zone every day."

Later this year Lauren will be "planting the seeds of STEM." In the assembly for the younger students of Belt School, Scofield stressed the importance of loving these fields of study, and how you will use them in your everyday life. Sco-

field says "science is my favorite so I want to demonstrate how fun it can be." To show the students that science can be exciting, Scofield put on a science experiment. She mixed chemicals together, and allowed the students to get involved. The students enjoyed her performance and were glad she was able to come share her experiences with them.

The Miss Montana and Miss America Pageants are very empowering for women in the USA. Scofield wants these women to know that there are fun ways to get to where they want to be. Even if they want to become a doctor, they can still strive to be Miss Montana and even Miss America. Always push yourself.

By: Alison Stoker

Class Olympics

This year, the Class Olympics changed a little bit for Belt's 2016- 2017 Homecoming. Each year, the four high school classes compete against each other in these games in order to compete for the spirit stick. This year, like in past years, the teacher supervisors that helped put on the Olympics are Mrs. Tillman and Mr. Koontz. Without them, Class Olympics would not

be possible.

There are several events that the Olympics include. To start off, a relay race began the event. However, there are several events that are included within this relay race. This includes an egg carry, a three legged race, a wheel barrel, a piggy back, a sack hop, and a bear crawl. Four students from each grade

participated in this contest, however, seniors didn't start off on a good note. As the senior's pair began their strides in order to reach the 20 yard line on the football field to give the piggy back riders a go ahead, they dropped the egg, putting the seniors at a slow start. Quickly preparing, the grades got ready for the next race. The grade's

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Husky Football

The Husky football team continues their winning ways after conference wins against the Cascade Badgers and the Centerville Miners. The past two weeks saw Belt build their perfect record to 5-0.

On Friday, September 16th, two of the three undefeated teams in the Northern C, Belt Huskies and Cascade Badgers, squared off at Remington Field. With their quickness and agility, the Huskies defeated the Badgers 49-16, notching their fourth victory of the season.

Chinook	0	0	0	0	0
Belt	22	14	12	0	48

Centerville	0	0	0	6	6
Belt	25	8	8	0	41

In the first quarter, the pack looked to attack first and that's just what they did. Keagan Stroop received a 14 yard pass from Harry Green to put up six for Belt. Jess Bodner's kick was good for the extra

point. Green was the next for the Huskies to score after a seven yard run. The extra point was no good. But the Badgers battled back and scored against the Huskies, making the score 13-6 late in the first quarter. To end the period, Green snuck into the end zone to add to the home team's margin. The extra point was good by Bodner. Heading into the second stanza, the score was 20-6, Belt.

The next twelve minutes for the Huskies were just as impressive as the first. Jaren Maki started out the scoring for Belt with an eleven yard pass from Green. The kick was good, adding seven to the Husky advantage. A 35 yard pass from Green to Stroop resulted in another six for Belt. The two point conversion was successful as Maki threw to Green in the end

zone. After a blocked Belt punt, Maki recovered the ball in the end zone, but was tackled to add two points to the Badger's margin. That ended the first half of the ball game as the Huskies led 35-8.

After intermission, Belt continued to rack up points. Green ran 19 yards for a touchdown. To add two more, Troy Hennes was found in the end zone. Bodner was the last of the Husky squad to score on a short pass from Green.

In the final stanza of the football game, the reserves were put in the competition for Belt. Cascade was able to score once after a 40 yard run, resulting in 8 points. As the final horn blew, the Huskies found themselves on the right end of a 49-16 final.

Defensively, Maki was an animal, accumulating 15 tackles on the night, six of them solo tackles and nine assisted. Nolan Myrstol amassed four tackles for a loss of yardage including two

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Don't Text and Drive

As a teenager of the 2016 generation, cell phones are a huge part of their daily lives. While many parents and teachers constantly warn students of cyber bullying, creepers on the web, and the other dangers of social media, sometimes people forget to touch on texting and driving. Everyone has heard the hazards of texting and driving, but very few actually take it seriously. Texting and driving is just as bad as drinking and driving. Distracted driving has taken the lives of millions of Americans in the recent years of the technology boom. Adults and teens justify their habit by saying "It's okay to read a message, just don't compose and send one," but over 4,324 U.S. citizens, in this year alone, have died because of texting

and driving. People often believe that 'safe' ways of texting and driving include: "Just put the phone on the steering wheel so you can still see the windshield," "I'll just increase my following distance so that I can still see the car ahead, but I won't be too close," and "I only do it at red lights and stop signs." It doesn't matter when, where, or how 'safe' someone thinks it is because it is not safe. It is the driver's responsibility to keep passengers safe, be aware of their own safety, and pay attention to oncoming traffic; distracted driving endangers not only the driver, but also the other cars on the highway and all of their passengers. Thankfully, Belt

Public School doesn't have a lot of trouble when it comes to students and staff texting and driving, but it's still important to educate the school population and the community. Most accidents happen within a two mile radius of the home, and no one wants to be the cause to be texting and driving. To keep community members up to date, here is a brief summary of Montana and United States laws on texting and calling while behind the wheel. Montana laws state that texting and calling while driving is illegal and consequences include: \$100+ fines, license revoked, and repeat offenders will serve jail time. Be safe, don't text and drive, be a Husky!

By: Morgan Davis

Cross Country

The cross country is in full swing as the runners raced in Great Falls and Missoula in the past two weeks. Coach Garber continues to push his runners in practice so that the athletes' meet times keep getting faster before the state gathering.

The Great Falls Invitational Meet on the 16th was raced on the Anaconda Hills Golf Course. It rates as one of the top 10 hardest courses in the country because of its hilly personality. The ladies kicked off the running for the Husky/Miner co-op. Shelby Paulson clocked in first for the team with a time of 25:18. Shaylyn Dilley, a Miner contributor, was the second runner for the squad. She finished with a final of 25:29. Kolby Pimperton for the Huskies came in with a time of 26:01. The final racer for the team was Makayla Paul, who finished when the clock read 28:15.

As for the gentlemen, Jacob Kelley from Centerville finished first for the team with a time of 21:17. Brandon Little, also from Centerville, came in second with a time of 23:50. Lastly, the only Husky runner for the squad was William Franzen. He had a final time of 35:01. This concluded the Great Falls Invitational meet for

the Belt/Centerville co-op team.

On September 24th, the team competed at the Mountain West Classic in Missoula. This meet is one of the biggest cross country competitions in the state. Between middle school races, JV races, and Varsity races, there was an approximated amount of 3,000 runners throughout the day.

Both the boys and the girls' team ran in the JV races. The girls started out the competitions at 9:30 a.m. on a cool, Saturday morning. 480 athletes competed in the JV girls' race. Kolby Pimperton came in first for the team with a time of 23:34. She placed 143rd. Her older sister, Kerstyn Pimperton, followed her with a final of 24:04, placing 174th. Dilley was the third runner for the co-op squad to come in. With a time of 24:22, Dilley placed 200th. The last runner, Paul, crossed the finish line when the clock read 24:46. She placed 229th out of the 480 competitors.

The boys' JV race started at 10:15 a.m., right after the girls' run. 573 runners participated in the contest. Keagan Stroop, Harry Green, and Robert Gliko all competed in their first meet of the year

because of conflicts with football. Stroop was the first runner to cross the line with a final of 18:08.64, placing 54th. Just milliseconds behind him was Green, who finished with an 18:08.81 run. He placed 56th out of all of the partakers. Gliko was the third runner to come in for Belt/Centerville. Placing 224th, Gliko had a time of 19:46. The two runners from Centerville, Kelley and Little, followed with times of 20:07 (267th) and 21:09 (372nd), respectively. Franzen qualified for the state meet by running under 30 minutes. He finished with a final of 29:09, placing 564th.

Tomorrow, the cross country squad will travel to Havre for their next competition. Next week, the Belt/Centerville co-op team will be racing in Helena on the 6th of October. By this time, the runners should be continuing to decrease their time. Preparing for the state competition is beginning to become a focus in practice and at meets. The state meet will be held on October 22nd in Kalispell.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Stu's Cruz

The 27th Annual Stu's Cruz kicked off Sunday September 25th. The Cruz is a great way for the community to get together and have a scenic drive. The people who attended the Cruz met at their usual place, by Lithia Honda on 10th Ave, S., at 11:00 a.m. They went to the top of Monarch

Canyon, turned left, and returned to Belt going down the Kibby Canyon Road.

The drivers had another successful cruise in the mountains and ended the day with



refreshments. The Cruz finished at the Belt Brew Pub with a gratis lunch and one free drink. The winner of the 2016 Stu's Cruz was a 1947 Chevy pick-up truck. Thad

Stinson, the owner of the Pub, had many classic cars to choose from, but the old Chevy is what caught his eye.

While these people had a great time in the Pub, the Belt community had the chance to look at the fantastic, classic cars.

There were many people enjoying the warm afternoon interacting with one another. This was another successful year and the Pub is looking forward to next year's cars.

By: Kara Neal

Brush Crazy

This past Sunday, few people of the Belt community got together at the Harvest Moon for the Brush Crazy Pool Fundraiser. Brush Crazy is a painting and ceramics studio located in Great Falls. Brush Crazy employees assist a person to paint



a portrait step by step if they need it. They have all kinds of colors for paint to make the perfect painting. Dawn Marsh, the director of Brush Crazy, was generous enough to bring out her art tools to Belt and support the Pool Fundraiser. Marsh showed the people attending the fundraiser how to paint stunning scenery with whatever they would

like to add. Each person paid \$45 for a painting and \$20 from the payment went to the pool. The community raised a total of \$280. The community had lots of laughs while they were painting their beautiful landscapes. Each person had a great time and were happy to support the Belt Pool.

By: Kara Neal

Student Spotlight

This week's student spotlight question is: If you were able to choose anyone in the entire world, dead or alive, to be your teacher, who would it be and why? The Valley Voice received several responses to this intriguing question.

To start it off, fourth graders Madisyn Peters and Addy Hoffman had quite the answer. They exclaimed, "Cory Mathew's off of Girl Meets World!" For those who don't know what Girl Meets World is, it is



a kids TV show about a girl going through the normal troubles of a kid. For some, the name of this show might ring a bell, because Ben Savage, the actor of Cory Mathews, was a TV star as a kid himself. He starred in the television show Boy Meets World that aired through almost all of the 90's. Peters and Hoffman stated that they wanted Cory Mathews as their teacher because, "He would be able to teach a lot of good life experiences." Well said girls.

Next on the list is Raily Gliko and Archer Throckmorton. Gliko stated that she would like to



have Ms. Hicky from Hobson to be her teacher. She states that, "We are re-

ally things like 'oh my goodness' in the background, "because I am a big One Direction fan. Plus, let's not forget, 1D is my license plate number." Having a heartthrob as a teacher might not actually be so bad. Wall was next to answer stat-



good family friends with them and it would be fun having a friend as a teacher." On the other hand Throckmorton took a while to respond, but decided on his grandmother. "I would probably decide my grandmother. She would probably bring brownies to class which would probably

ing that, "Albert Einstein would be a good teacher because we could learn a lot from him." Intelligent answer Wall. Finally, Flinn came up with the answer of Walt Disney, pronouncing that "He is the best director/ movie maker ever. It would be interesting to learn how he does it all." After all, he was the creator of the movies that children live off of and look back on to this day.



make everybody's day better." Brownies in class? Yes, please.

Lastly, freshmen Maggie Andrews, Sydne Flinn,

and Anthony Wall were interviewed with the same question. Andrews confidently said, "I would pick Harry Styles," while Wall and Flinn were sighing and saying

The students at Belt High decided that if they were able to choose anyone to be their teacher, it would somebody off of TV, or maybe a member of a boy band, possibly a celebrity, oh, and don't forget grandma!

By: Isabelle Newman

Middle School Sports

Middle school sports continue to take place as the new school year heads into full swing. The football team travelled to Fort Benton on September 2nd and competed on their home turf against Chinook on September 9th. The volleyball squad ventured to Fort Benton for their first match up. Finally, the middle school cross country runners competed in their first meet of the year on September 19th in Great Falls.

The football team is getting some great experience to prepare them for the upcoming years at Belt. The squad consists of five eighth graders: Leaf Corrow, Kaimen Evans, Treyton Hennes, Cole Marks, and Mason Williams. The seventh graders include: Aiden Bergstrom, Cole Hepfner, Asa Jassen, Archer Throckmorton, Gabriel Triplett, and Hayden Urick. The sixth grade class consist of: Memphis Black, Zach Feldman, Owen Halley, Isaac Maki, Riley Mapston, Garrett Metrione, Cash Muretta, Sawyer Myrstol, Gavin Olson, Josiah Triplett, and Bridger Vogl. The football team is coached by Tim Lords and John Metrione. The Huskies participated in their first game on August 26th against

the Chester/Joplin/Inverness Hawks. They won easily with a score of 44-20. Their next game was on September 2nd in Fort Benton. The Longhorns had the size advantage over the little Husky team and defeated Belt with a score of 49-12. Their next game was against the Chinook Sugarbeeters. Once again, the Huskies were out-sized and lost by a margin of 14-28. In their game against the Cascade Badgers, the Huskies edged the Badgers by a score of 22-20. Last week, the Huskies competed against the Centerville Miners in Centerville. They edged the Miners by a score of 40-20. The volleyball A-team consists of four eighth graders including: Riley Larson, Anna Pethel, Alivia Shelton, and Sabrina Wing. The seventh graders are Piper Denno, Raily Gliko, Maddisen Osterman, and Lindsey Paulson. The B-team consists of two eighth graders, Jessica Downard and Faith Marchington. Ahmia Lords is the lone seventh grader and the sixth grade group consists of Hailey Assles, Deanna Davison, Tara Hedstrom, Haley Hoerner, Makaila Machington, and Alyssa Nebel. The middle school team is under the

leadership of Dayna VandenBos and Jill Gliko. Overall the volleyball squad is 5-3 overall. Their first competition was against the Fort Benton Longhorns on September 1st. They lost to Fort Benton, but found out what they needed to work on in practice. The next week on the 8th, the Huskies lost to Highwood. Then on September 10th, the Simms Tigers came to Belt. The team did not defeat the Tigers, but found out what they needed to work on to be successful. In their next game against Great Fall Central, the Huskies defeated their competition to earn their first win. On September 15th, Belt travelled to Centerville where they overwhelmed the Miners. Then on the 17th, the Huskies defeated Big Sandy to gain another win on their record. Last week the Huskies competed in two games, one in Cascade and one at home against Highwood/Geraldine. The Huskies defeated both teams.

The middle school cross country team took a bus trip to Great Falls on the 19th to compete at the Lyons Park Invitational meet. Lindsey Paulson placed first place in her race. She had a time of 10:36 after crossing the line. Piper Denno was the second Husky to come in for the squad, she had a final time of 12:16. As for the boys, Asa Jassen placed 3rd in his race with a time of 9:37.2. Cole Hepfner finished right after Jassen with a time of 9:37.8. The last runner, Richie Andrews, had a final time of 11:27.

In the next two weeks, the middle school athletes will be just as busy as they have been. Keeping up with school and participating in a sport can be difficult, but it will prepare them for the upcoming years at Belt school.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Senior Class Spaghetti Dinner

Go to the annual
Senior Spaghetti
Dinner and
support the
Class of 2017



Don't cook tonight!
Come to the Belt
School Cafeteria
instead from
4:00-7:00 p.m.

Enjoy a large plate of spaghetti, salad, and brownies directly after the homecoming parade and enjoy the Belt football game following the dinner

\$7 for one plate, \$25 for a family of 4 or more

Husky Football (Cont.)

sacks. Antonio Heaton and Hennes also sacked the Badger's quarterback.

Offensively, Green's passing was tremendous. He completed 15 out of 20 passes for 243 yards. He threw four touchdown passes, his longest being 35 yards. Stroop accumulated 132 yards receiving. He averaged 22 yards per catch. Together, the team rushed for 148 yards and hoarded 250 yards receiving.

Last week, the Huskies competed against the Centerville Miners on the road. The Huskies once again dominated their competition by a score of 41-6. The Huskies used their speed and swiftness once again to defeat the opposing team.

The Huskies executed their game plan well against the Miners. They started out the scoring on their first possession when Bodner received a six yard pass from Green.



Bodner's kick was successful for the extra point. Bodner found the end zone again after Stroop was positioned as the quarterback. He threw the ball 50 yards to find Bodner, adding six to their mar-

gin. Converting defense into offense, Heaton recovered a fumble in the end zone for the Huskies to add to their expanding margin. Maki found pay dirt for Belt after a 20 yard pass from Green. By the end of the first quarter, the score was 25-0.



In the second stanza, the Huskies used defense to their advantage after Stroop intercepted the young, inexperienced

quarterback's pass. He ran 24 yards to put up six more points for Belt. Brayden Marks caught the two point conversion for the Huskies. The score heading into the locker room was 33-0, Belt with the lead.

In the next half, the Green to Bodner duo struck again for the Huskies to add six more points for the Huskies' expanding margin. Maki ran two yards to complete the two point conversion. In the fourth, the reserves for Belt finished the game once again for the Huskies as the game clock ran. The Miners ended up scoring six in the final three minutes. The final score of the ball game was 41-6, Belt.

On the defensive side of the spectrum, Green and Maki were



both marked with 13 tackles for the night. Stroop used his athleticism to gather an interception, resulting in a touchdown for Belt.

The Huskies accumulated seven sacks against the Miners. Hennes and Olson both had two sacks. Heaton earned three tackles for a loss of yardage and recovered a fumble consequently scoring for the Huskies.

Offensively, Green and Stroop both contributed as the quarterback, making it difficult for the other team to defend. Bodner hauled in four catches, three of them resulted in points for Belt. The team rushed for 107 yards and gained 103 yards receiving.

Tonight, the Homecoming game will be played against the Hays-Lodgepole Thunderbirds. Kick off time is set for 7:00 p.m. The Huskies have a perfect record of 5-0 and hope to continue to increase that number in the next two weeks. At this point there are two undefeated teams in the Northern C, Belt and Great Falls Central. Those two teams are set to play on October 15th in Great Falls.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Senior Citizens

The Senior Citizens have been having a great time over at the Senior Center. They get together Monday thru Friday to have a morning coffee and an afternoon lunch on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The Senior Center has recently got a new cook and are enjoying the fantastic meals. Every once in a while the Senior Citizens will have special dinners at the Center for days like Thanksgiv-

ing and Christmas or even upon request. The Seniors have had baby showers, birthdays, and funeral receptions held there. For example, two Sunday's ago there was a Maki 90th birthday party. The Senior Citizens love to get together and make it fun. On Monday they play bingo and on Thursday they play cards after they eat. To make things more exciting in the Senior Center they

plan on dressing up on Halloween and Valentine's Day; a person is never too old to dress up. The Senior Center is used for space if anyone needs it, just contact Betty at (406) 788-6201. Also if anyone would like to volunteer it would be a great help to the Senior Citizens and they would enjoy the company.

By: Kara Neal

New Students

Belt School is proud to welcome three more new students to Belt School. These kids have been doing a great job getting to know students and teachers on campus. This issue is featuring Josiah Triplett, Zoie Anderson, and Raenee Mapston.

Josiah Triplett is a 6th grader from Havre. He dedicates his time to reading, trapping and hunting. Triplett also enjoys sports and is currently a member of the football team. Later this year, he plans to participate in wrestling and track. Triplett enjoys Belt because the teachers, staff, and the community is all very nice. "All the kids here are nice," he says, which he is thankful for. Finally, this student enjoys history class because it



is the most interesting.

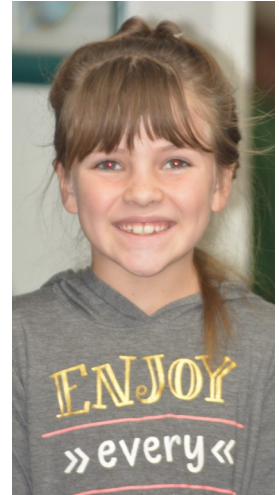
Zoie Anderson, a 4th grader, transferred to Belt from Lincoln Elementary, Great Falls. Anderson is a big reader, in her free time she read books. Currently she is reading



"Runaway Ralph." When she isn't reading, she does lots of tricks on her trampoline. Because she was in gymnastics, she is able to do these tricks with ease. Anderson is really enjoying Belt; she loves the teachers and all the toys. She says Belt has really good lunches!

Raenee Mapston is taking on her third year and has been in Belt all along. Mapston was previously homeschooled and is opening up to a public school. She loved

homeschool but is loving the transition to Belt School. Mapston loves reading. She says she could read all day! In her spare time, when she isn't reading, Mapston enjoys riding her horse and playing with her dogs. She is an animal lover. This young student also enjoys sports and plans to join the basketball team this winter.



Belt loves when new students are joining the Husky unit. We welcome everybody coming from all different places. The next issue will feature three more new students that moved to the Belt community.

By: Alison Stoker

Each day approximately 28 people or more die from drunk driving. That's more than 9,000 people per year. Not only are these people effected but so are their friends and family. Nobody wants to lose a loved one because they were driving carelessly.

Don't drink and drive at the same time, because you never know who you could hurt by doing this. Drunk drivers can be responsible for other people's injuries and even deaths.

If you are drinking make sure to call a non-intoxicated trusted adult that can drive you home. It is always worth it to just call someone instead of thinking you are okay to drive. The alternative is simply not worth it, Be sensible for yourself and for others on the road...

Don't Drink and Drive!

This message brought to you by your
Cascade DUI Task Force



Class Olympics



teams for the three legged race were more than ready to run their way back to free the bear crawlers of each class.

Each students began crawling with the intent to win. Next on the list were the wheel barrowers. Each class was able to have two students from each class participate in this contest. Gladly, nobody face planted into the grass

on the football field. Last event in the relay was the sack hop.



Each class was determined to cross the finish line in order to win, however the juniors came out victorious. In second were the sophomores, third the freshmen, and last the seniors. Not a good start for the graduating class.

That was a lot of activity in such a short amount of time, but the Olympics weren't even close to being over with. Next on the list of events was Tug of War.



Every year six, hefty girls from each class are chosen to beat out the other three classes. This competition worked like a Round Robin. However, the sophomore girls pulled through on this event, leaving the juniors, seniors, and freshmen in the dust.

The long, wet grass was definitely a challenge for all grades, but the sophomores came out the winner, defeating the other three classes.

Next, to finish the outside events, was the chip off. One boy and on girl are chosen from each class to represent their classes. There were

three circles painted on the field as well as two lines, one closer than the other. If a ball was chipped and didn't get in any of the rings or circles, the ball counted as 0 points. If the ball got in the outside ring, 1 point. If the ball reached the middle ring, the golfer would receive three points. And, if they were good enough to get the ball in the middle circle, the golfer would receive 5 points. The first round was done by the line closest to the rings and circles.



The second round was done by the line farthest from the rings and circles. As much as each team was shouting and supporting their class's players, the seniors were victorious, finally winning an event.

Then, all the classes went inside in order to finish up their events. Next event was the Quiz Game. This was new this year so that way it would be able to allow more students to participate in the Olympics. Each grade was allowed 6 people on their team. Each team was given two Sudoku's, a word find, and a multiple choice worksheet. As soon as Mr. Koontz gave the go, all teams had 10 minutes to complete as much of the worksheets as correctly as they could.



The freshmen came in last, the juniors in third, the seniors in second, and the sophomores in first. Mr.

Mr. Koontz and Mrs. Tillman graded all the papers in order to ensure fairness.

The second to last event was for the boys of the classes: badmin-



ton. Each class had two teams, two guys on each team. This was also played like a Round Robin. The line judges got quite and

earful from the enthusiastic crowd. However, not only did the seniors win this event, they competed each other in the championship game. Second place was awarded to the juniors, third to the sophomores, an fourth to the frosh.

Last event was dodge ball.

This game, also played like a Round Robin, required each game to only last 90 seconds long and 6 players to a



team. Each class was allowed to make two teams. Because of the placements. Seniors received first, sophomores second, juniors third, and freshmen fourth. As this was the last event, Mr. Koontz gathered all the kids into the middle of the gym to announce the overall winner for Class Olympics.

Fourth place was given to the freshmen, third was given to the sophomores, and the seniors and juniors were tied. However, the tie breaker was the winner of the relay race, so juniors were victorious in the Olympic Games.

All the classes had a blast and are excited for the rest of the week to pursue. The rest of the dress up days still need to be counted up as well as points for the Husky roar and float building to determine the winner of the coveted Spirit Stick.

Bowling Scores	Calendar of Events
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Week 1Men's High Game

Matt Lewis	178
Dave Eggert, John Larson	174
Bill Romero	170

Men's Series

Bob Williams	469
Drew Koffler, Matt Lewis	487
Keith Olsen	453

Women's High Game

Denise Puppe	176
Linda Lewis	164
Joanne Voytoski	156

Women's Series

Linda Lewis	443
Denis Puppe	437
Patti Sweeney	415

Week 2Men's High Game

Matt Lewis	214
Charlie Lindeman	191
Dave Anderson	190

Men's Series

Matt Lewis	214
Bill Romero	508
Dave Anderson, Charlie Lindeman	498

Women's High Game

Sandy Francom	201
Lisa Urick	178
Linda Lewis	174

Women's Series

Sandy Francom	511
Lisa Urick	486
Denise Puppe, Laura Koffler	445



Sept. 26th-30th Homecoming week:

Monday-PJ Day

Tuesday-Camo Day

Wednesday-Favorite Team/College Day

Thursday-Throwback Day

Friday-Maroon & Gold Day

Sept. 30th-Fball (Homecoming game) @Belt (JVar-2:00PM Var-7:00PM)

Oct. 1st-Volleyball @CJI (TBA)

Oct. 1st-X-Country @Havre (MS-10:00PM Var-11:00PM)

Oct. 6th-Volleyball @Belt (JVar-4:00PM Var-5:20PM)

Oct. 6th-X-Country @Helena (Var-1:00PM)

Oct. 7th-Football @Belt (MS-4:30PM Var-7:00PM)

Oct. 8th-Volleyball @Belt (JVar-6:00PM Var-7:20PM)

Oct. 14th-Volleyball @Belt (CS-4:00PM JVar-5:20PM Var-6:20PM)

Oct. 15th-Volleyball @Belt (Jvar-6:00PM Var-7:20PM)

Oct. 15th-Football @GFCC (MS-10:00AM Var-1:00PM)

Oct. 15th-X-Country @Townsend (MS-10:00AM Var-11:00AM)

Oct. 17th-Volleyball @Simms (JVar-6:00PM Var-7:20PM)

Oct. 18th-Volleyball @Fairfield (CS-4:15PM JVar-5:35PM Var-5:55PM)

Hunting Trophies

This year the Valley Voice will once again be publishing hunting trophies. Hunting season is now in full flourish. Any questions about when hunting season starts or ends can be answered by visiting the following website: <http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/seasons>. The community of Belt looks forward to hunting season every year and can't wait to see the catches the hunters will capture this year. Contact Valley Voice reporter Kerstyn Pimperton at valley-voice@beltschool.com to submit a photo of your kill.

By: Kerstyn Pimperton

Darko Poker Tournament

The annual Matt Darko Memorial Poker Tournament was held at the East Side Bar Saturday, September 24th. The community had an abundant time gambling for a good cause. This event was held for about 6 hours. Jeff Dawson took 1st place with flourish of great cards. Second place went to Morgan (not Blaine) Sherritt and third place belonged to Delbert Darko.

The Poker Tournament began in 2013 with 38 players. The amount of players have been de-

creasing year by year. The Poker Tournament will continue until no one shows up. This past weekend the total amount of money raised was about \$3,150. Most of the prize money was generously donated back to the memorial fund.

Since May of 2014 the supporters of the Matt Darko Scholarship have given away \$13,100 to



Belt Seniors and the community. This year they plan on giving \$2,000 to a female, and \$2,000 to a male of BVHS. The supporters of the Matt Darko Scholarship have done a lot for the Belt Community and they are all thankful for their fundraisers and generosity.

Matt Darko passed away on May 27th, 2013

By: Kara Neal

Volleyball



The Lady Husky volleyball team is off to a perfect start, they are still undefeated with a 10-0 winning streak. The second round has already begun, so the teams are

playing each other for the second time this year. As far as conference play goes, the Huskies are first in their conference with a 7-0 win. Trailing the huskies are the GFCC Mustangs (4-2), Centerville Miners (2-2), Fort Benton Longhorns (2-3), Cascade Badgers (1-3) and Geraldine/Highwood Rivals (0-6).

A couple weeks ago the Husky squad swept the Big Sandy Pioneers in a 3 set match. The dogs took the win 25-10, 25-8, and 25-12. Leading in stats was Haley Stoker and Dani Urick with 5 aces, Urick with 7 kills, Kassie Hoyer with 5 blocks, Urick with 8 digs, and H. Stoker with 21 assists.

The next week, the Lady Huskies trekked to the Cascade Badger's home gym. The gym was loud and crowded, because it was their

Homecoming. The Huskies did not let this get in their way and silenced the crowd with three quick sets. The Huskies quickly snatched the win 25-13, 25-11, and 25-12. Leading in stats was H. Stoker with 3 aces, Urick with 12 kills, 1 block from Malek, Urick, Hoyer, and Swanson, Alison Stoker with 18 digs, and Pimperton with 32 assists.

Last Saturday, the Geraldine/Highwood Rivals traveled to the Husky's home gym for a short game. The Rivals played their best, but the Huskies

were too quick on their feet. The dogs dominated the Badgers in three sets 25-12, 25-5, and 25-6. Leading in stats was Malek with 6 aces, Hoyer with 9 kills, Hoyer with 2 blocks, A. Stoker with 17 digs, and Pimperton with 24 assists.

Last night was the Belt Huskies' Homecoming volleyball night. These ladies did a great job holding their ground and defeating the Great Falls Central Mustangs in four sets 25-16, 19-25, 25-16, and



25-20. More information of this game will be featured in the next issue of the Valley Voice.

Tomorrow the lady dogs will be trekking to Chester for the CJI showcase. This all day tournament begins at 9:00 a.m. The Huskies will start

the games off at 9:00 a.m., then will play again at 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. The championship match is planned to start at 4:00. Next week, October 6th, Centerville will play the Huskies in Belt 20 minutes after the JV game at 6:00 p.m. On October 8th, Cascade will visit the Belt gym for another volleyball contest then on October 14th, Fort Benton travels to Belt for the game at approximately 7:00 p.m.

The Valley Voice wishes good luck to our Lady Huskies as they head to CJI and Belt's home games this next week. Information to be posted in the next issue.

By: Alison Stoker

Scotland Trip Update

This year the Belt Valley Shakespeare Players got accepted to travel to Edinburgh, Scotland next August to perform at the Festival Fringe with fifty other theatrical groups from around the United States. The actors will be performing *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare for four nights in different locations around Edinburgh. Last year the theatre group performed *Henry IV Part One* by Shakespeare and because this play involved the actors moving around on stage with swords fighting each other, they needed to be taught stage combat. Kevin Asselin, who is the executive artistic director for Shakespeare in the Park, taught the actors basic stage combat techniques at the Black Box Theatre on the MSU

campus in Bozeman and nominated them for the chance to go to Edinburgh. All of the seniors, when asked how they felt about going to Scotland, stated, "It's really an honor to be able to go to Scotland and perform with others from around the world," says senior Adrianna Irvine who has been in the theatre group for six years. "I feel pretty fantastic about it," says Mo Wall, a senior who has been in theatre for five years. "I think it's a great opportunity for us as actors to experience performing on bigger stage with lots of people from different places watching us. You never know, maybe one of the actors will decide to pursue a career in acting," says senior Emily Langston, who has been in theatre for six years.

"I'm super excited to go, it'll be fun," says Emily Highfill, a senior who has been in theatre since her freshman year. The theatre group will be in the U.K. for ten days.

While in London the students will take some acting workshops at the Globe Theatre, as well as go sight-seeing when they aren't rehearsing. Fundraising for the Belt Valley Shakespeare Players continues. On the 1st and 15th of October they will be bagging groceries at Albertsons on 10th Avenue South in Great Falls. The drama students are selling PC raffle tickets, 1 for \$1, or 6 for \$5. Contact Mrs. Vogt or a drama student for more information about fundraisers.

By: Kali Duncan

Close-Up

Close-up is an extracurricular club that the majority of the sophomore and junior classes are involved in. It is a great experience for students to travel and learn much more about the government of their country. For Close-Up, students every two years raise money to trek to Washington D.C. and New York. In charge of this endeavor is Lori Swanson and Debbie Vogt.

This is the first year for Swanson and Vogt to be advising the Close-Up trip. Swanson says this is a good opportunity for the students to visit these cities and meet other students from across the nation and other countries. Swanson says they are lucky to be in a school where they are able to be involved in such a thing. Many other schools do not offer Close-Up. These two teachers are ecstatic for the trip and they are confident that they will raise enough money. The group has been doing many fundraisers already, and are continuing to do some throughout this school

year. The fundraisers that are currently in place is the 50/50 raffles at the volleyball and football contests, and will be continued throughout the basketball season. The football throw is another fundraiser that gets the younger students involved.


Close-up students are also going to be bagging groceries at Albertsons to raise money. There are a few major sales that attracts the Belt and surrounding communities.

The fruit sales is a big money maker. These delicious fruits are sold quickly. The candy sale is another big hit, which will be available later this year. For a dollar, you could buy World's Finest almond, caramel, dark chocolate, milk chocolate, and W.F crisp bars. Also for sale with the candy fundraiser is boxes of World's Finest chocolate; this includes milk chocolate peanut butter bears, caramel whirls, mint meltaways, and many more chocolate candies. Finally, the Indian taco dinner is an alluring dinner that is

held annually at a basketball game. These yummy homemade tacos gather people from all over to get something to eat and watch an intense basketball game. Mrs. Swanson appreciates all of the support from the community in all of these fundraisers.

After all these fundraisers and after a lot of hard work, the students will travel to Washington D.C. and visit many influential sites, then a few days later visit New York and experience everything the city has to offer. The scheduled date for this expedition is May 28th-June 4th. Involved in this club is Morgan Cooper, Robert Gliko, Shannon Hoskins, Tucker Johnson, Adrian Malek, Braydon Marks, Jordan Swanson, Dani Urick, Keaton Vaughn, Sam Vaughn, and Julia Vogt. These students are all excited and cannot wait for the trip this summer.

By: Alison Stoker

Games and Puzzles	Inspirational Quotes
<p>Games/puzzles of the week continues with body parts! Who's football cleats are these? (Hint: One of the cleats broke at game against Cascade on September 16th).</p>  <p>Answer to last week's game: Keagan Stroop.</p>	<p>Now that determination and confidence has gotten everybody past the first few weeks of school, they are starting to set back in to their regular routines. With tests popping up here and there, having homework every night along with extracurriculars, sports, and clubs, it's quite easy to get stressed out. This week's inspirational theme is: relax. Here are some quotes to read when relaxation is crucial:</p> <p>"Each person deserves a day away in which no problems are confronted, no solution searched for. Each of us needs to withdraw from the cares which will not withdraw from us." – Maya Angelou</p> <p>"Have regular hours for work and play; make each day both useful and pleasant, and prove that you understand the worth of time by employing it well."- Louisa May Alcott</p> <p>"You can discover more about a person in an hour of play than in a year of conversation." – Plato</p> <p>Hopefully these quotes can help those in need of relaxation over the next couple weeks. When in doubt, take a break. Step outside, take a leisurely stroll, or even lie down on the couch. It will be beneficial in the long run.</p>

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