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BHS NEWS IN BRIEF

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Monday:	NO SCHOOL.
Tuesday:	8:15 - 9:55 Science 10:10 - 11:50 B & D electives 11:50 – 12:20 Lunch 12:20 – 2:00 Social Studies
Wednesday:	8:15 - 9:55 Math 10:10 - 11:50 E & G electives 11:50 – 12:20 Lunch 12:20 – 2:00 English.
Thursday:	8:15 - 9:55 Foreign Language 10:10 - 11:50 F & H electives 11:50 – 12:20 Lunch 12:20 – 2:00 A & C electives (and any make-ups).
Friday:	8:15 - 9:55 Make-ups 10:10 - 11:50 Make-ups 11:50 – 12:20 (Early Release) 12:20 – 2:00 Make-ups.

31 ADVANCE TO DECA STATES



Photo courtesy of Jean McCafferty

Mark Hannable ‘10
Staff Writer

70 Beverly students represented BHS DECA at the Ferncroft, taking part in a 100-question exam followed by role plays.

While waiting for their role-play times, participants ate lunch, socialized with students from other schools, and listened to music played by a DJ.

A highlight of the DECA district competition at the Ferncroft came when John Tutty ‘11 placed first in his respected category, and the Beverly section went crazy. Another memorable moment was with the first place finish of Corey Konaxis, Hannah Moffie, and Colleen Coz.

Beverly High will be represented by 31 students in the DECA State Competition in March and will look to advance to the National Competition in Kentucky in April. They have a good chance of going all the way this year.

GIRLS HOCKEY UPDATE

The Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team, that consists of girls from Danvers, Saugus, and Gloucester, as well as Beverly, defeated Everett and Marblehead for the first time in the team’s five-year existence. They are currently 5-1-2 and undefeated in the Northeast Conference. This is the first time that they have led the conference.

GOOD LUCK AT THE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY CMUNCE MODEL UN CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK CITY THIS WEEKEND

Kelsey Davison, Tamsin Doherty, Nikolai Friedman, Mallory Hall, Nate Howard, Regan Imperiali, Andrew Katzenstein, Lauren Lacy, Christina Norris, James Powers, Shannon Robers, and Erika Walsh

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Jon Miller ‘10 & Filipe Inacio ‘11 rock in... Exiting the Fall

Elizabeth Walsh ‘10
Staff Writer

Jon Miller ‘10 and Filipe Inacio ‘11 are involved with something many of us only dream of - a band. These two, along with three other North Shore musicians, make up Exiting The Fall, a hard-core rock band.

Miller says, “Exiting The Fall is like going against nature, living in a good way.”

Voted “Best Musician” for the Senior Class Superlatives, Jon transferred from Falmouth High last year; Filipe comes from Peabody High School.

Of the New England venues the band has played at over the past two years, their favorite so far has been Soulfest, a five - day festival with over 500 people in attendance.

Performing is their favorite thing to do, but it



Photo Courtesy of Tana Miller

can also be dangerous! The boys have had their fair share of injuries on the stage.

The boys laughed as they told The Ledger of

one incident where Filipe hit their vocalist with his bass and caused a bloody mess. “It’s not a big deal though; we’re like a family. We look back and laugh on it,” Filipe states.

Although being in a band has its perks, these two have had to sacrifice a lot. They had to prioritize their activities, cutting out video games and television instead to focus on work, church, music, and school.

“It was tough at first, but after a while, you get used to it,” Filipe tells The Ledger.

With the support of their family, friends and God, ETF has been able to reach new heights. They have a CD coming out this summer; until then, you can listen on their Myspace page: www.myspace.com/exitingthefall.

Too harsh on Tiger?

Austin Butler ‘10
Staff Writer

Do you think that Tiger Woods is being treated unfairly for his actions? I do. The media is tearing him apart for cheating on his wife, but in reality, there are plenty of things in the celebrity world that are far worse than his situation.

It is almost guaranteed that a huge majority of professional sports players have cheated on their wives while on the road. It is either under wraps or it goes unnoticed.

Tiger Woods just happens to be the most famous sports player in the world, and up until now he has been considered the “perfect man.”

Once he finally slipped up it seemed as if the whole world was there to



attack him and they gave him no chance.

He has had an outstanding career and unfortunately this is most likely going to overshadow most of his accomplishments.

The media these days is out of control and is relentless when it comes to situations like this one. They will never back down, and Tiger Woods will never be able to escape this.

Not only is this ruining Tiger’s image, but also is ruining his family life. It is his fault that this had to happen, but now his personal issues are public, something that he has made sure to avoid his whole career.

It is sad that this had to happen to Tiger, but I believe that he should be given a second chance. Everyone makes mistakes and he deserves a chance to work his way back up to the top of the professional sports world.

OPINION

Elementary, my dear Watson

Angelica Marciano ‘10
Staff Writer

“Sherlock Holmes.” Doubtless you’ve heard of the man, and with that, doubtless you’ve heard of the new movie.

If you heard of it, you might want to see it for numerous reasons. Robert Downey Jr., being one. Jude Law, being another. Guy Ritchie directing, yet another. It seems as if one of the last reasons to see the movie, that I’ve been finding, is that it is a Sherlock Holmes movie.

I’ve heard complaints of it being not enough like the books, but you shouldn’t worry about that. As Mr. Karvounaris, an avid fan of the movie, said: “It is like the books in the fact that they use every element of the plot to come together at the end.”

What the audience dismisses becomes important at the end – you have to pay attention to the finer details.

Nearly everything shown in the movie is reported to have basis in the original series. They wouldn’t pluck elements from nowhere, with a story as beloved as Sherlock Holmes.

Seeing this movie I wasn’t sure what to expect, but I left happy – and willing to pay for it again.

The action scenes are fantastic, the plot-though not spectacular, but satisfying - leaves you hungry for a sequel (which is good, considering rumors of such), and Downey and Law have amazing chemistry together.

I highly recommend this movie to anybody who is even the slightest bit interested. Give it a chance – you won’t be disappointed.

REVIEW

New Athletic Department Fundraiser



Photo Courtesy of Emily Schultz ‘11

Emily Schultz ‘11
Staff Writer

P.A.W. stands for Panther Athletic Wear. This is a new t-shirt design group here at Beverly High School. The team will be designing shirts that promote sports and sporting events at BHS.

Their first t-shirt, though, is promoting “Panthers

Above The Influence.” The members of the group are selling this shirt for \$10. Since they are fairly new, the group consists of Emily Schultz, Mariah Thomas, and their advisor, Mr. Coffey.

The t-shirts will be available for all teachers and students in any size. The “Panthers Above The Influence” t-shirts will be offered with your name or number on the back. All proceeds of each shirt sold will go to the Athletic Department.

P.A.W. is hoping to raise money for new uniforms and equipment for all sports teams. This cannot be done without the help of students and teachers buying these shirts.

Future shirt designs have been thought of and one option will be a “lady panther superfan” shirt. All t shirts that will be sold will be sports related.

Mr. Coffey and the girls will be ordering these shirts from TODD’S sporting goods.

If you would like to contribute ideas for future shirts or join the group, contact Mariah Thomas, Emily Schultz, or Mr. Coffey.

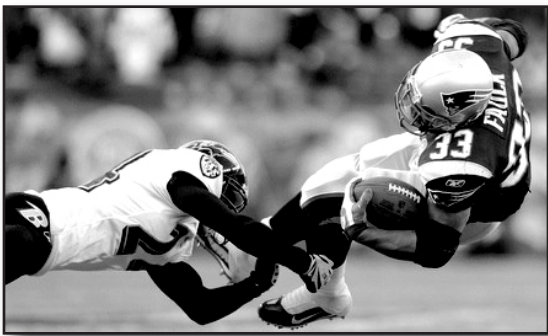
Patriots lose a tough one

Dan Hegarty ‘10
Staff Writer

Yesterday I attended the AFC Wild Card playoff game held at Gillette Stadium. The New England Patriots hosted the Baltimore Ravens in what was sure to be a close and exciting game, right? Wrong.

The Pats came out flat and from the very first play of the game, an 83 yard TD scamper by Baltimore’s tailback Ray Rice, things were not looking good for them.

The game continued on and so did the embarrassment as the Ravens continuously shut down the Patriots in all ways possible. One thing that bothered me while I was there was the reactions that I heard from the surrounding New England fans. There were guys behind me making comments like



“Brady sucks take him out,” and “The coaching staff has no idea what they’re doing we should get rid of Belichick.” These remarks blew me away and I was extremely surprised when I continued to hear statements like these throughout the day.

This is the team that has won 3 Super Bowls in the past decade right? And this is also team that has won at least 10 games every season since 2000; a task that has been accomplished by very few teams in the NFL during that time and is something that Raiders fans could only dream of.

We Pats fans take winning for granted and we think that a season that doesn’t result in a Super Bowl championship is a failure. That is not the way an honest and true fan should think.

All in all, the Patriots had a successful year and there is nothing more to it.

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Class Survey:

New Years Resolutions



George Kastrinakis- Go to bed before 10 o’clock and wake up before 7 o’clock.

“Gnarly” Charlie Marrs- Be more active and sleep less.

Julie Crowley- I plan to go to bed early so that I have more time to do cool activities like karate and Chinese checkers.

Erika Dimaggio- I plan to get rid of my extensive pokemon collection and to pay more attention to my studies.

Rob Martin- NO MORE CAKE!