



BHS NEWS IN BRIEF

GOLF ENDS SEASON AT DIVISION II TOURNAMENT

Monday morning at Hillview Country Club in North Reading, the Beverly Panthers Golf Team participated in the Division 2 State Tournament.

They were one of fourteen teams that qualified for this event including fellow Northeastern Conference foes Gloucester and Marblehead. The top six players from each team participated in this eighteen-hole match.

Ryan Lally ‘10, Nick Pinciario ‘11, Adam Capodilupo ‘11, Austin Butler ‘10, Brenden Mitchell ‘12, and Dan Crowley ‘10 represented Beverly.

Although the Panthers turned in their best effort, they did not finish in the top three, and therefore did not advance.

Lally, Pinciario, and Mitchell all played very well.

The Panther’s season ended on Monday, but it was still a very successful season, with a 10-2 record and a second straight NEC Championship title.

Austin Butler ‘10, Staff Writer

POWDERPUFF STARTS

The Girls Powderpuff Team began practice this week, one week earlier than most years. Practice will be held tonight from 6:30-8:00 in the field house and next week Monday thru Friday.

ADVISORY BLOCK

There will be an advisory block this Friday. Seniors will take the yearbook survey. Juniors will vote for the Student Council re-election.

SENIOR DUES

Senior dues **go up to \$75** next month, so get your dues in by **October 30th** to Ms. Flaherty.

HALLOWEEN CANDYGRAMS

Halloween Candygrams will be sold at \$1 each next week Monday thru Thursday at all three lunches. Candy will be delivered Friday during GH block.

GERMAN HORROR FILM

The German Club is showing one of the earliest horror movies in film history, the 1922 silent film “Nosferatu-The Symphony of Terror,” today after school in room C208.

GERMAN IMMERSION

Students signing up for the summer 2010 immersion program need to turn un registration papers and a \$200 down payment by November 2nd. For additional information, please see Mr. Guy.

SWIM TEAM MEETING

There is a swim team meeting today after school in the cafeteria.

FOOD DRIVE

The City of Beverly will have several bins at this Saturday’s football game as a part of Senator Berry’s Food Drive Challenge. Bins will be located between the locker room entrance and concession stand.

What happened to respect?

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Staff Writers

The Ledger recognizes, and continuously reports on, the myriad positive aspects of Beverly High School and realizes the actions of a few individuals in no way reflects the behavior of the school as a whole; however, to be considered a credible journalistic publication, The Ledger has a duty to report on all major school events.

Beverly High School has a generally timid, amiable atmosphere; however, that was not reflected by a select few students last week. Fights broke out on both Thursday the 22nd and Friday the 23rd, sending the school into an uncharacteristic climate of apprehension.

Both incidents involved a pair of female students, although specific details cannot be exposed due to privacy concerns. Assistant Principal Dan Bauer commented on the school’s policy toward violence, “It’s something we do not tolerate and do not expect. We have high standards at Beverly High School.”

Unfortunately, students in addition to those directly

involved in the confrontation demonstrated poor behavior, gathering around and watching the fights, some even recording the altercation on cell phones.

Has something changed in society to make these actions, the fights and the encouragement from the crowd, acceptable? Numerous are quick to blame violent movies and video games; however, this seems a bit arbitrary. Although Grand Theft Auto may not be a good influence on students, the Reality TV Show driven culture more closely parallels the high school dilemma.

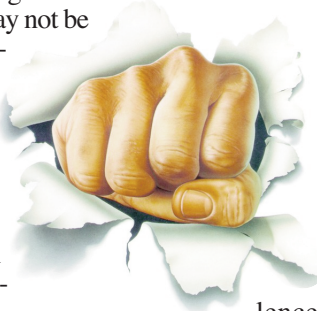
Almost every American has turned on the TV, only to become enthralled with the petty drama between obscene characters with apparent ego issues. This behavior may be entertaining on the small screen, but that is no excuse for support of violent behavior in the school.

The fact is real people are injuring each other, which is in no way entertaining. Yet, somehow,

at the word “fight,” students gather, eagerly waiting to watch their peers tear each other apart. However, it is also important to recognize the majority of students, who continue to class or get a staff member, as the unsung heroes of the conflicts.

Fights are a rare occurrence at BHS, emphasizing the surprise of two altercations in one week. Assistant Principal Bauer discusses this general lack of violence, “We have a district-wide policy to create a safe environment. Issues are worked out before serious problems arise because there are adults in the building for students to talk to. We have resources to prevent violence, including two equity counselors, five guidance counselors, three assistant principals, Officer Jay Lantych, and over 120 staff members, all willing to help resolve conflict.”

Although fighting reached uncharacteristically high levels last week, the intense climate is deflating, and students are easing back into their normal routines, because as always, the school year continues on.



Art Department enters digital era with Macs

Mariah Thomas ‘11
Staff Writer

Last September, the BHS Art Department received fifteen Apple Macs for the students to use in a variety of the art courses. Only a few of the art courses, including Intro to Digital Imaging and Media Productions will be using these laptops.

Intro to Digital Imaging is a new course offering this year and uses to teach the students how to operate Adobe Photoshop. This software helps students make adjustments to their photos to improve the look and quality.

The class makes students look at entertainment

“This new class makes students aware of images in the media and how they are created. In the professional photography industry, Photoshop is used. This will help them if they need it in the future”, says Mrs. Borsetti.

The Art Department always has students design pinwheels for Pinwheels for Peace. Intro to Digital Imaging takes this project beyond. Each student makes a pinwheel, take photos of their pinwheel, and then make a poster to advertise Pinwheels for Peace.

Other projects included in this course are designing magazine ads, a magazine cover, and a book jacket, as well as creating a digital autobiography and a scanner collage. Students will also have to gather pictures for specific categories.

Taylor Hall ‘12 comments, “My favorite part about the class is learning how to use Photoshop and the mac laptops.”

Art is joining other departments that are adapting to the modern digital era. Media Productions has already entered this new age, filming and airing their broadcasts on the BevCam educational channel.

The addition of the fifteen Apple Macs, along with the new course “Intro to Digital Imaging,” has helped the BHS Art Department modernize.



Courtesy of Mariah Thomas ‘10

Taylor Hall ‘12 and Dan Parsons ‘11 work on the Art Department Macbooks.

advertisements in a different perspective. They learn to think about the consumers and what makes an ad appealing.

Mr. Dealy: BHS’s most esteemed sub?

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Staff Writer

“We have Mr. Dealy as a sub today!”

For most BHS students, that fact would make their day.

Mr. Dealy made his debut as a substitute in the Beverly school system last December.

A graduate of UMass Boston, he is getting his masters degree in history at Salem State. Next, he plans to get a masters in English.

Dealy noted that he would then be a “Master of the Third Degree.”

We asked Mr. Dealy a few questions about his past and what he’s looking forward to in the future.

The Ledger: Where did you go to high school?

Mr. Dealy: I went to Lawrenceville Boarding School in New Jersey. I had a wonderful time there.

The Ledger: What was your favorite subject in high school?

Mr. Dealy: I would have to say history or public speaking.



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The Ledger: Do you have a favorite subject when you’re subbing?

Mr. Dealy: Uhm... Let’s see - History, or English. It all depends on the class, and if they are already running as a well-oiled machine prior to my arrival.

The Ledger: Is teaching something you would be interested in doing full-time?

Mr. Dealy: Absolutely, and I have been trying to for the past two years. I am a master at crafting very thoughtful cover letters, but no one has bought what I’m selling, yet.

The Ledger: Why, in your opinion, are you Beverly High School’s favorite sub?

Mr. Dealy: BHS students are very intelligent, and I enjoy teaching them. I know a little about a lot of things, and I’m not afraid to share that.

The Ledger: Is there anything else you would like to add?

Mr. Dealy: I’ve had a wonderful experience in the realm of the Panther. Panther faculty and students are a pleasure to deal with. It would be wonderful if I could one day become a full-time inhabitant of this academic jungle of the panther.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

People often get on each other’s nerves, and sometimes a fight can occur. Although this is not the best way to express emotions, people sometimes snap. I am appalled about the fights that occurred last week, but I am even more disappointed in the students that stood and watched. Students should at least make an effort to persuade people to stop the fighting, not by physically breaking people up, but by getting a staff member. Fights can always be prevented. If people are having trouble, they should talk to someone whom they can trust.

Frightened Freshman

Dearest Editor,

The recent fights and student behavior during these incidents are quite distressing. Although such altercations should not be taking place, there should be new regulations regarding bystander behavior during such conflicts. The school administration learns from these confrontations and takes initiative to prevent fights. Students who stand by and watch these altercations, especially those who take pictures or video tape, should face serious consequences to prevent the repetition in any future incidents.

Sophisticated Senior

“Let Love Rule”

Connor Hayes ‘10
Staff Writer

“This place is like your personal living room tonight; security please go light on these guys.” That was the mood of the

REVIEW

Orpheum Theater as Lenny Kravitz stopped by on Wednesday. Kravitz always puts on a good live show, and Wednesday was no different. However, it wasn’t what I expected.

Lenny is known for drawing songs out and just jamming, but he took it to a whole new level. “Blues for Sister Somebody” lasted a good 20 minutes much to my displeasure. “Believe” was also painfully long, and he lost me and some audience members for a while.

And during the encore, he extended the song that had already been going on for 10 minutes an extra 5, and by that point I really just wanted to leave. There were too many jam sessions, and I was disappointed he didn’t just stick to the original layouts of the songs.

He also didn’t play too many of his hits, which was unusual. “Where Are We Runnin’?” is one of my personal favorites, and I was extremely disappointed that he did not play it. He played about 12 songs which, over a 2 hour period, wasn’t satisfying either. I expected him to play more of his hits, and just more songs in general.

But overall, it was still Lenny being Lenny. His backing band had some incredible musicians, and I was extremely



impressed by the drummer’s drum solo. The brass section was talented as well, and the lead guitarist could hold his own just fine next to Lenny.

After the drum solo, Lenny came out and played his best songs and won the crowd over. “Are You Gonna Go My Way?” was the best song of the evening. I was also impressed with “Freedom Train” from his first album, and “Mr. Cab Driver” another favorite of mine.

Despite Lenny’s jam sessions, I really couldn’t complain with the concert. It could have been much better, but at the end of the night, I was happy I went. I give it 4/5 stars loosely because, come on, it’s Lenny Kravitz. He came, he saw, he conquered. And most importantly, he “Let Love Rule.”

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