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BHS NEWS IN BRIEF

PROM FASHION SHOW: The annual Prom Fashion Show will be held in the BHS auditorium at 6:30 on Thursday, May 2nd. Senior guys will be auctioned off, providing underclassmen with the opportunity to win a date with their favorite senior guy. Tickets cost \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door.

SOPHOMORE SEMI: Tickets for Sophomore Semi on Friday, May 4th, will go on sale for \$15 next Monday. They will be sold all week. The dance begins at 7 in the cafeteria.

UP ALL NIGHT ART CONTEST: A big thanks to Mrs. Borsetti and Ms. Graczyk for their help in organizing the Up All Night Contest. Congratulations to Greg LaPierre, who won the contest, as well as Doris Richardson (2nd) and Hayley Lewis (3rd). Also thank you to Mariah Belanger, Melinda Tetreault, Steve Batista, Lena Kirschning, Christine Klemis, Katie Connaughten, Joe McDonald, Nick Theriault, Holden Zimmerman, Dave Cook, Sean Kennedy, and Maria Ontiveros for participating.

SENIOR FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE:
May 22nd: E, F, & H Blocks
May 23rd: A, B, & D Blocks
May 24th: C & G Blocks

SPRING SPORT UPDATES

- Baseball 3-3
- Softball 2-4
- Boys Lacrosse 6-2
- Girls Lacrosse 5-2
- Boys Tennis
- Girls Tennis
- Boys Track 0-3
- Girls Track 3-0
- Sailing 0-0



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. . . from the top of Machu Picchu



Photo courtesy of Katie Ball '13

Thirteen BHS students and two Spanish teachers, including (Back Row) Ms. Mary-Beth Rodalico-Linskey, Nicole Bertaux, Katie Ball, Olivia Konaxis, Riley Leblanc, Emily Boches, Katie Wheatley, Christine Green, Jillian Morneau, Allison Silva, Ms. Diana Buccella, (Front Row) Katie Gonzalez, Sierra Mizer, Libby Rosenberry, Jake Levine, Mike Rosenberry, and Tom Donovan joined the gallery of pictures at Nick's Roast Beef by having their photo taken with the famous bumper sticker at the top of Peru's famous ancient Incan site, Machu Picchu, one of the Seven Wonders of the World.

Spring fashion do's and don'ts

Jenny Bolden & Taylor Devlin '12
Staff Writers

As spring approaches, new trends are appearing both in stores and on students. Although new colors and styles keep popping up, some trends seem as if they are being worn the wrong way. These fashion do's and don'ts will help you take full advantage of chic springtime fashions.

For the girls:

Do wear lace. It's feminine and pretty and can be seen on sleeves or even fashioned into full shirts. **Don't** be too revealing. Lace can be flirty and fun, but always make sure to wear a camisole under any sheer shirts. You want to be sophisticated and keep it classy.

Do wear patterns. They can brighten up any outfit. Mix patterns in an outfit, as long as they share a common color. Surprisingly, these options can really expand your closet.

Don't be weather-confused. Uggs can be very comfortable in the winter, but when shorts weather rolls around, put them away. If you want to wear shorts, try dressier boots or a cardigan to warm yourself up. Mixing the furry boots and the short shorts just looks confusing and unprofessional.

And for the Boys:

Do take advantage of the new spring colors for males. Lighter colors and shoes like boat shoes and leather flip flops are great for guys, since they are dressier and classier.

Do wear a belt, but wear it the proper way. Belts are meant to hold up your pants. Why males think pants worn way below the hips is beyond us. It never looks attractive or decent. Undergarments on both males and females should be hidden, not shown.

The bottom line of spring fashion is to keep it sassy and classy. "Spring is here, and with it comes trashiness." Don't succumb to the inappropriate temptation and stay classy throughout the season.

Pontarey wins Battle of the Talents

Kelsey Jean '12
Staff Writer

The 2nd annual Battle of the Talents, where students have the opportunity to show their skills, was held the Wednesday before vacation. All eighteen acts were unique in their own way, providing entertainment for the entire audience.

The reigning champions, Pontarey, a band made up of Mark Babcock '13, Matt Cassola '13, Kevin Kennedy '13, and Evan Hawks '15, won first place for the second time. The band's exceptional stage presence and original songs entertained the entire crowd.

Senior Taylor Place's fantastic singing and acoustic guitar won her second place, as well as the audience's popular vote.

The harmony of a group representing the Freshman Class nailed third place with their song.

The night was full of laughs and comedy, thanks to the always funny and energetic senior emcees, Sky Cowans and Katerina Hillios.

All in all, it was a truly entertaining night, and since the first and third places were won by underclassmen, next year should be even more fun!

Open Mic Night raises money for Student Council

Liane Patrazza '12
Staff Writer



On Thursday, April 12th, the Student Council hosted its annual Open Mic Night. This was the second year that the event was held in the new library. Hosts for the night included Liane Patrazza and Jessica Gomes.

About fifteen acts performed including Jackie Tetrault, The Wicked, Matt Handler, Matt Gill, Zach Stone, Nick Koenig, Lauren Leclerc, Greg Lapierre, Sophie Israelson, and Robbie Auld. All acts impressed the audience with their musical talents, some singing acapella or even playing an instrument while singing. There were also karaoke performances throughout the night from people in the audience.

The Student Council received all proceeds from the ticket sales, as well as the baked goods sold at the event. Student Council plans to hold another Open Mic Night next year and would like to thank all students who performed.

Freshman Ariele Lee takes third in the 16th Annual BPL Teen Poetry Contest

Of the 400 poems submitted to the Beverly Public Library Poetry Contest, three of the 29 finalists were Beverly High School students. Freshman Ariele Lee's poem "Hope" placed third.

Hope

The sky
Is an open possibility
Let go
Of the dandelion seeds
And watch them
Fly

Senior Profiles

Every week until graduation, The Ledger will profile seniors who have been actively involved through academics, service, and activities. The Ledger strives to select a well-rounded, deserving group; however space is limited. Our apologies to those we were unable to feature.

India Boland

By Kaitlyn O'Connor

India Boland, will be attending Princeton University in New Jersey next fall. Majoring in Economics, she will also be swimming at the school as a Division 1 student athlete. India has also been involved in clubs throughout her years at Beverly High School taking part in

Key Club since freshman year, Model UN for 2 years and DECA as a senior.

India has been involved in activities outside of the high school as well. She has swam on the YMCA of the North Shore swim team since she was young. She is the Good Friday Walk Board Student Representative and the Publicity Coordinator for the Ymca of the North Shore swim team.

India's greatest memories from high school include the Columbia Model UN conference, Powderpuff, DECA States 2012, and Junior Prom.



Courtney Hannable

By Jay Richardson

Courtney Hannable is a well rounded student who as excelled both in athletics and in the classroom. Courtney was part of the gymnastics team all four years this previous season, as captain led her team to an undefeated season.

Courtney has an impressive GPA of 4.18 and has been apart of National Honor Society both her Junior and Senior year. She has also been a peer leader since her sophomore year as well as DECA as a senior.

Courtney has also been a huge contributor to the yearbook and has been working on the school paper and yearbook since here freshman year. She was named the Editor in Chief of the school paper her senior year.

Courtney's favorite memories of high school include prom and DECA Nationals. Courtney is going to miss seeing her friends everyday and is planning to major in education at Assumption College in the fall.



Andrew Harney

By Jenny Bolden

Andrew Harney has been a vital part of the BHS community for the past four years. With a 3.5 GPA, Andrew has not only been an active member in the intellectual community, but has also been involved in various activities at BHS. He played lacrosse during the 2010-2011 season, and is in various music groups at the high school.

Andrew is also very involved in the work force, as he has worked as a music teacher, CIT, landscaper, and a house painter. He is also active as a volunteer playing gigs for various community events. Many of his memories include Mr. Novack and the band trips, which he will miss very much next year.

His advice for upcoming seniors is to "get all your college stuff done early, do well on SATS, and be the best at what you do". Harney will be studying guitar performance at the prestigious Berklee College Of Music in the fall.



Kaitlyn O'Connor

By Liane Patrazza

Kaitlyn O'Connor will be most remembered at Beverly High School for her athletic accomplishments in Cross Country, Swimming, and Track.

Kaitlyn is a three season captain and holds the BHS 100yd butterfly record, which she set this year at the state meet. She has also qualified for the Cross Country, Swimming, and Track State Meets all four years that she has attended BHS.

Next year, she will be attending Rider University in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, on a Division 1 swimming scholarship. She will be joining her sister Kelly O'Connor who is also on the team and majoring in Early Childhood Education and Special Education.

Her favorite memories from high school include Junior Prom, playing sports, and the Homecoming Dance. Kaitlyn encourages BHS underclassmen to work hard, but also have fun because it will go by fast!



Hannah Robinson

By Kaitlyn O'Connor

"Get involved and enjoy high school, it goes by fast" is the advice senior Hannah Robinson gives to all underclassmen.

Hannah has been very involved in the school community over the past four years, as a member of the BHS key club and going on mission trips to Boston, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C. Hannah was also in the National Honor Society her Junior and Senior year of high school. Hannah has also served as the Girls Tennis Captain for the past two years.

After graduating Beverly High School in the top 5% Hannah Robinson will be attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute where she will be majoring in Biomedical Engineering.

Hannah's greatest memories in high school include AP World History and Powder Puff. She will miss all the friends she made these few years the most when she attends high school.

