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HSA Hoover Fun Night

Hoover Fun Night 2012!

Guten Tag, bonjour, hola, etc. my friends! This is Sara Breene and I'm working with Matthew Sternin. I bring to thee an article about... c'mon, take a guess... it's about farmers! WRONG!

This article we offer to you is about the fabulous Hoover Middle Fun Night 2012!!! The title of the article makes more sense now, right?!

For those who attended, you know what happened. For those who didn't go, we shall sum it up for you. At the Snack Bar, there were pizzas, cupcakes, and sodas (all

very delicious). There was a make-and-race-your-own-car event in the cafeteria, as well as karaoke and dancing. In the gym, there were lots of long waiting lines... oh, and there were games, too. There was a Velcro Wall Jump, a Bungee Run (home to the school's longest waiting line), an Insect Fling, a Football Toss, and a Jousting Ring.

Overall, the Fun Night was a huge success. I can't wait to go back next year!

By: Sara Breene & Matt Sternin

Daytona 500



The Daytona 500 took place on February 27th after being rained out on the 26th. The race consists of 200 laps totaling 500 miles. In the end, Matt Kenseth ended up winning it all as other racers such as Jim-

my Johnson, Danica Patrick, and Juan Pablo Montoya crashed. Finishing 2nd through 5th were Greg Biffle, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Danny Hamlin, and Jeff Burton. This race was a big one and the whole country was watching



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Zachary Jurewicz & Andrew Widmer jousting!



even though it was the first Daytona 500 that happened during the evening until late at night. This was a big accomplishment for Matt Kenseth. Winning that race really must have been worth it!

By: Jacob Brill

The SuperBowl 2012



Super Bowl MVP
Eli Manning



“Hodgson could finally be the guy who is going to help us start scoring goals in Sabres games.”



The Super Bowl this year was held in Indianapolis, Indiana at Lucas Oil Stadium, which is also known as the house that Peyton Manning built.

The game was a back and forth struggle between the New England Patriots and the New York Giants. The final score was 21 to 17 and the Giants came out on top.

The game started in favor of the Giants in the first quarter. However, the Patriots came back in the second quarter scoring 10 points. It was close at the half, but the Patriots were on top by one point. The fourth quarter was dominated by defense, but Mario Manningham’s catch on the edge of the sideline was a turning point for the Giants. This gave the Giants great field

position. On the same drive, they scored a touchdown they didn’t even need. The Patriots got the ball back and Tom Brady tried to pull a Hail Mary but failed. He threw his last pass of this game into the end zone and Rob Gronkowski just missed it. The game ended with a score of 21- 17 in favor of the New York Giants!

By: Josh Prygon

The Buffalo Sabres

The Buffalo Sabres are terrible. As of February 26, they stand at 25th in the league and 12th in the conference. As of today, they stand at 27-27-8 as their record. The Sabres look worse right now than I think they have in the past few years. However, the Sabres did actually do something on Trade Deadline day as opposed to the usual boring trade day for the Sabres.

The Sabres made three trades, one big one being the trading of Paul Gaustad and a 4th round pick to Nashville for their 1st round pick. The Sabres also picked up defenseman Alexander Sulzer from Vancouver for our defenseman Marc -Andre Gragnani. Sulzer currently has played 12 games and has one point. The main trade for the Sabres though was the trade of huge prospect

Zack Kassian for Vancouver’s Cody Hodgson. Hodgson is a rookie this year and already is 4th on the Sabres for points, and 3rd on the team for goals. Hodgson could finally be the guy who is going to help us start scoring goals in Sabres games that have recently been very boring.

By: Colin Lynch

Is Manning’s Career Over?

We’ve all heard the stories about Peyton Manning and the Colts, but now since the season is over, it will get serious. Will the Colts get rid of Manning and pick quarterback Andrew

Luck in the draft?

Reporters haven’t been sure because they said there is a 50.9% chance Manning will leave (49.1% chance he will stay). Also if Manning does return, the Colts

owe him \$28,000,000 in his contract. So in my opinion this will be another Brett Favre situation, he’ll retire, then come back, then retire and come back. We’ll see in September.

By: Bobby Wolfe

Valentine's Day



Valentine's Day is all about spending time with your valentine. But many just take it as another day passing by.

Valentine's Day reminds me of romance and all that mushy gushy love stuff. (By the way I hate mushy gushy love stuff.) Roses, chocolates, and giant teddy bears will be given to girlfriends in America. But in Japan women give men chocolates to express their love because they are too shy to talk to the men. Men return the gift (not the gift that the girls gave) on March 14th a day that the Japanese created called "White day". But when a girl gives you chocolate in Japan, don't get too excited because it might be girl-choko which is given to bosses, colleagues, or male friends that the women have no interest in. But on the other hand if you are the woman's husband or boyfriend you will receive Honmei-choko.

The history of Valentine's Day

One legend of St. Valentine is that he was imprisoned and fell in love with his jailer's daughter. He wrote her a love letter and signed it, "Your Valentine" before he was executed. (How romantic.)

The Greek cupid

The Greek cupid's name is Eros. Here is some of the story. There was a king with three daughters. The first two were average looking, but the youngest, Psyche, who's name meant, "the soul", was so beautiful that she rivaled Venus the love goddess. Men were so enchanted by Psyche's beauty that they left the temples of Venus to worship her, even though she was only a mortal.

Venus, looking down at her temples, saw them neglected and deserted. Angry and jealous,

she called upon her son Cupid to wound Psyche with one of his golden arrows when she slept. He arranged it so the first man she would see and would fall in love with would be the ugliest and meanest man in the world.

Cupid, always willing to serve his mother, flew to the palace where Psyche was sleeping and lightly touched his arrow to her shoulder. Roused, Psyche woke up, but could not see him in the darkness. She was so beautiful that the love god's heart skipped a beat, wild feelings rushed throughout him, and he felt weak. His hand shook, and he wounded himself with his own arrow. The love god had fallen in love! He who had so often wounded others was now wounded himself.

By: Faith Brancato and Whitney Spencer!

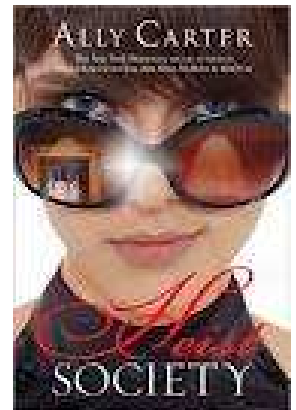
Heist Society Book Review

Katarina Bishop has been trained for a life of thieving as long as she can remember. Kat is a fifteen year old girl trained in the art of stealing, especially very valuable things. Arturo Taccone is a man that as Hale calls it is "a dif-

ferent kind of bad". Taccone thinks Kat's dad stole his paintings and has decided that if he doesn't have his paintings in 2 weeks, Kat's dad's life could be in danger. Kat is certain her dad is innocent but who else could have

stolen them? She and Hale must figure out where the paintings are and fast. Kat and Hale team up with some of their friends to get these paintings back before the deadline.

By Paige Phillips



War Horse Movie Review



The movie "War Horse" is about a boy named Albert Narracott (Jeremy Irvine) who sees a little horse being born. Later, Albert's family is in need of a plow horse for their farm. He meets up in the market place with the horse that is later bought by Albert's father and named Joey.

World War I is breaking out and the army needs horses for war and Joey and Albert get separated. Captain Nichols (Tom Hiddleston) promises Albert that he will take good care of Joey. Later, Captain Nichols gets captured and killed by the Germans, while Joey is able to stay alive. Then, two soldiers of the German army are sent to ride Joey and another horse into battle, but both horses escape and ride away to freedom. After that, a girl and her grandfather claim the horses. However, the horses are later recaptured by the Germans and put back into war.

Meanwhile, Albert goes out to war to help and to find Joey. During the war, the horses are used to pull tanks and many of them die in the process. At the end of the war, Joey gets caught in barbed wire and he is spotted and claimed by the English. After the war, when all the wounded men and horses are being treated, Albert hears Joey and claims that it's his horse! But the general doesn't believe him. Can Albert prove Joey is really his? Will he reclaim his horse?

On a scale of one to ten, this movie deserves a ten. But if you want to see what your opinion of the movie is, it is still in theaters and coming to DVD and Blu-Ray soon. More movie reviews are coming soon!

By: Trevor Balbierz

Interview with Frau Boehm

Why did you decide to become a German teacher?

Languages and other cultures have always fascinated me. My grandparents came from Germany and I always wanted to speak their language. I studied German and Spanish in high school and college. I became a teacher because I love seeing students gain knowledge. It is like putting the pieces of a puzzle together, except we are putting together pieces of knowledge. We can add an infinite number of pieces to the puzzle- it just makes the big picture expand.

Tell us what it was like to

live in Germany?

I spent 20 years living in Germany and loved every minute. My daughter was born there and attended school until 10th grade. The Department of Defense contracted me to teach German to the American soldiers stationed there. I also taught for the European Division of the University of Maryland. The lifestyle there is less hectic than it is here in America. There are many other things that I loved about Germany- the countryside (especially the Alp mountains), the food, the freedom, that young people have, the fact that you can ride bikes everywhere and that you can take

your dogs almost everywhere. Most importantly I loved that I was able to see my German relatives so often.

What are your hobbies?

I have so many- skiing, swimming, sailing, reading, walking my dog, travelling to other countries, sewing, watching movies and having dinner parties. But right now, hobby number 1 is playing with my grandson and watching and helping him learn new things. He lives in Japan, so you can see that my love in learning about cultures has been passed on to my daughter and her family!

By: Cameron Markott

“My grandparents came from Germany and I always wanted to speak their language.”



Top 10 Vacation Spots for Families

Since many families went on vacation for February break, I've decided to write about my top 10 vacation spots for families to visit.

10. Snowbird Ski and Summer Resort in Snowbird, Utah

This resort offers 3,240 foot tall mountains to explore. It also has, 5,000 acres of mountain to hike or ski on. If you are tired of skiing, you can always have fun with ice skating, snow tubing, snowshoe tours and luge sleds. Don't worry parents; you can unwind with a stone massage or an herbal wrap at the Cliff Spa.

9. Circus Circus in Las Vegas, Nevada

Circus Circus Las Vegas is a hotel and 126,000 square foot casino located on the Las Vegas Strip in Nevada. Over 3.5 million people visit per year to experience the thrilling entertainment this resort has to offer. It is the fifth largest resort-casino in Vegas.

8. Paradise Island in the Bahamas

Not only can you walk for miles on the beach, take a swim in one of the 11 pool areas, or eat at one of the 38 restaurants, you can enjoy the Mayan Temple's Leap of Faith Slide. It has a 60-foot drop in an acrylic tunnel that submerges into a shark infested lagoon!

7. Washington D.C.

Our nation's capital doesn't only give us laws; it also gives us a bunch of fun. Here you can see the wonderful Washington Monument, Arlington National Cemetery, The Smithsonian, and The Lincoln Monument. But that's not all; you can also see the White House. This is a vacation you will remember!

6. Legoland in Carlsbad, California

Calling all Lego lovers! This entirely Lego based amusement park has over 50 rides. It is fun for the entire family. It has 3 roller coasters and 7 water rides and is a perfect Lego lover vacation spot.

5. Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida

At this famous theme park, rides are based on popular movies such as Shrek, Jaws, Men in Black, and even the Simpsons! This is a must visit for anyone who likes to have a good time!

4. Noah's Ark Water Park in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin

This park spans some 70 acres with nothing but fun in it. It has over 60 waterslides, 2 wave pools, and a lagoon pool. The most famous of the water slides, is the Time Warp, which has a 70 foot drop.

3. Grand Canyon in Arizona

Over 18 miles wide and about a mile deep, this is a beautiful sight to see. It is so beautiful, that it is considered one of the 7 wonders of

the world! You can hunt, hike, or just enjoy the scenery here. All in all, this is easily number 3!

2. Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio

Opened in 1870, this amusement park has a world record 76 rides and 17 roller coasters. It has received the "Best Amusement Park in the World" award by *Amusement Today* for the past 14 years! Cedar Point is the only amusement park in the world with four roller coasters taller than 200 feet. Magnum XL 200, Millennium Force, Wicked Twister, and Top Thrill Dragster.

1. Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Florida

You saw this coming, didn't you? I mean this park is only the worlds' most visited entertainment resort, with 4 theme parks, 2 water parks, and 23 resort hotels. It's just fun for the whole entire family! It has a countless number of attractions. How can one amusement park have all of this? With 30,080 acres of land, of course it can! At 257 feet tall, Spaceship Earth stands tall along with its neighbor Cinderella's Castle that is 187 feet tall. There is no competition; Walt Disney World Resort is easily the best vacation spot for your family!

By: Nick Manning

FUN FACTS

- More Monopoly money is printed each year than U.S. dollar bills.
- Women have a better sense of smell than men.
- P.S. at the end of a letter stand for Post Script.
- There has never been over time in a Super Bowl game.
- Ice cream was invented in China.

By: Dominick Harris

Advice Column



Dear Awesome Advice and Co.,

I have a friend who borrows clothes, money, and books and never returns them. I have tried to ask nicely but she always says that she isn't done with them and changes the subject! How do I get my things back?

From, Confused Lender

Dear Confused Lender,

You need to tell your friend nicely but firmly that she needs to return your things and pay back the money A.S.A.P. If she still says no, tell her that if she doesn't return them you will need her to buy you new things.

From, Awesome Advice and Co.

Check Out Your Horoscope!

(Check out which month your are born in for your horoscope!)

January

School: You will get a 100 % on all your tests in this month.

Love: Most likely to find love.

Lucky Number: 27

Lucky Colors: Hot Pink and Neon Green

February

School: Your grades will be slightly higher than usual in this month.

Love: You will find love!!!!!!!!!!!! <3

Lucky Number: 14

Lucky Color: Red and Pink

March

School: 70% tests grades will come often

Love: You'll be green in the face when u get a kiss...

Lucky Number: 17

Lucky Colors: Green and Yellow

April

School: Prepare well or you'll see a negative grade...

Love: You'll find an answer from a friend...

Lucky Number: 19

Lucky Colors: Purple and Orange

May

School: Your grades will rock!!

Love: You will be single this month...

Lucky Number: 99

Lucky Colors: Blue and Grey

June

School: Your grades will be a little low...

Love: a new crush will develop!

Lucky Number: 8

Lucky Colors: Periwinkle and Maroon

July

School: You will have a grade change!

Love: Your crush will notice you.

Lucky Number: 7

Lucky Colors: Turquoise And Neon Yellow

August

School: You will not have a pleasant occurrence....

Love: You won't find love this month.

Lucky Number: 57

Lucky Colors: Navy Blue and Black

By: Natasha Perez & Arianna

Roseboro

September

School: Definitely Positive!!!

Love: The one who likes you will fess up.

Lucky Number: 44

Lucky Colors: Neon Purple and Gray

October

School: I'm not seeing anything bright.

Love: You'll stumble upon a mate.

Lucky Number: 31

Lucky Colors: Black and Yellow

November

School: Your grades will be slightly higher.

Love: Someone likes you!

Lucky number: 52

Lucky Colors: Orange and Red

December

School: You will have an excuse for not having homework but it will not turn out well for you.

Love: You'll lose your best friend.

Lucky Number: 25

Lucky Colors: Teal and Black



Leanne's Valentine's Word Search

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CARDS
HEART
LOVE
ROSES

CHOCOLATES
HOLDHANDS
RED
SAINTVALENTINE

CUPID
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ROMANCE
VALENTINE

