



# Monsters on the Lawn!

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On Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm student council sponsored the second annual Movie on the Lawn, which presented *Monsters, Inc.* outside on the track.

This was the second successful year of Movie on the Lawn. The weather was perfect for the event, but students also brought blankets and chairs. All students throughout the school were invited along with their families. There was only a one dollar admission fee and the students could purchase popcorn, candy and glow sticks at the concession stand that was opened for the event. Ryan Schalk said, "The event went great and student council did a fantastic job setting it up."

All of the money made at the event goes into the student council fund so that they can have events like this more often. Senior student council member Holly Tiell said, "This year's Movie on the Lawn was easier to set up because we knew what we were doing. In the future we most likely wouldn't have more than one a year because in the spring time it gets very hectic."

An attendant of movie on the lawn was Ruthann Schreiner, "The little kids seemed to enjoy it and I had fun." Students requested that more events like this be held at our school since it's cheap and it also brings in money for student council.



Lauren, Lindsay and Tiffany during movie on the lawn. *Picture courtesy of Holly Tiell.*

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Danny, Austin and Ben eating snacks from the concession stand. *Picture courtesy of Holly Tiell.*



# Math, Reading, and Writing. Oh My!

By: Audrey Bloom  
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The PSAT is a practice test for the SAT that the juniors took on October 12<sup>th</sup> in the library. This test helps students get better knowledge and a better score on their SAT. Getting a better score will allow students to go to a college of their choice and have better chances of getting accepted. The test will begin at 8:00 a.m. and ended at 11:00 a.m. The cost to take the test was only \$14.00.

To prepare for the PSAT, Mrs. Forman handed out study guides. Mrs. Forman said, "The PSAT is important because it helps students prepare for the SAT and ACT. It is also important for understanding the questions better, the time restraint, and the ways that questions will be asked."

There are three sections covered on the PSAT: math, reading and writing. The math section is basic knowledge of algebra and geometry. None of these questions will require a calculator. The reading section covers passage-based reading questions which will help the

ability to read and think carefully about a single passage. The writing section will be identifying sentence errors, improving sentences, and improving paragraphs.

Not everybody has to take it, but it is an option. Ashli Gershutz took the PSAT and said, "I am taking it to qualify me for merit scholarships and to prepare me for the ACT."



Jacquelyn helping Carly study for the PSAT.

# Time Management

By: Andrew Criss  
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The first step to managing available time wisely is to beat procrastination. A good portion of students tend to leave all homework assignments until the day before they are due, and end up trying to study the night before a test. This can be very stressful, and gets students nowhere.

A great way to save time is to study notes every day so that cramming in information for the test the next day isn't necessary.

If people have many homework assignments, they tend to do the easiest assignments first. Break this habit! It's a lot better to do the more difficult or time-consuming ones first

and then go on the simple ones. A great way to do this is to rate everything that needs to be done, A, B, or C. A being really important, B being less important, and C being even less important.

If getting the assignment started is the trouble, try using the Pomodoro technique. There are five main steps to using this. The first is to decide on the task to be done. Second, set a timer to 25 minutes. Third, work on the task until the timer rings. Fourth, take a short five minute break. And fifth, every fourth time the timer goes off, extend the short breaks by five or ten minutes.

# Editorial

By: Shelby Chaney  
News

It's time to get in the spirit for next week's annual Red Ribbon Week here at school. On Monday it's Red Day, so wear as much red as you can find. Tuesday is Pajama Day which means you could just roll out of bed if you really wanted. Wednesday is Neon Day, so get ready for all the bright colors. Thursday wear as much New Riegel apparel as you can find. Finally, Friday

is Costume Day.

Personally, Costume has always been my favorite because I love seeing how creative all the students, and even the staff, can be. It's fun to see how many different personalities are really at this school. I also love when the elementary student's walk through the halls. Their costumes are also creative and they make it adorable.

The Halloween parade is also coming up pretty soon so if you are signed up to make a float with your class it would be a good time to work on it and make it the best it can be.

Halloween is just around the corner so if you're a Halloween fan it's best to get in the mood now if you're not already. Good luck and have fun for next week's spirit days!



## Time Management

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This technique is based on the idea that frequent breaks can improve mental agility. You can read more about this technique at [www.pomodorotechnique.com](http://www.pomodorotechnique.com).

Another good tip is to plan your week ahead of time. On Sunday, take fifteen minutes to write down everything that you know has to be done that week. If forgetting about assignments or projects is the problem, write those down so that they can be done when they need to be.

Another helpful hint is to keep distractions to a minimum. Microsoft conducted a

study that showed that once students or workers get distracted, on average it takes them about 15 minutes to regain focus. That's a good chunk of time that would be better off being used on more meaningful things.



Hannah Heckathorn planning her week ahead of time.

# SPORTLIGHT

By Nick Wank  
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**Name:** Brooke Scherger

**Nicknames:** Brooklyn and Buttercup

**What sports do you participate in?:** Basketball, Volleyball, and Softball

**Favorite moment in sports history?:** Going to state in softball

**Favorite Quote:** "Once you replace negative thoughts with positive ones you'll start having positive results" -Willie Nelson

**What professional athlete do you look up to?:** Aaron Craft because he is awesome

**What would you like to accomplish this season?:** To win the MAL in all three sports and to go to state in Volleyball

**What inspires you to play sports?:** Being able to be part of winning teams and the thrill of competition, also being with all my friends

**What matchup are you looking forward to the most this year and why?:** All the tournament games

**Name:** Ryan Schalk

**Nicknames:** Blue eyes, Peyton Hillis, Boo Boo, Injury, Muskrat, Pinkie Crusher, Doctor leaf

**What sports do you participate in?:** Quiz Bowl, Competitive Sticker Hunting, Cross Country, Basketball, Track, and Professional Bear Training

**Favorite moment in sports history?:** Junior Cross Country Season, especially state meet weekend

**Favorite Quote:** "It's true, girls actually do want to have fun"- Unknown

**What professional athlete do you look up to?:** Peyton Hillis

**What would you like to accomplish this season?:** Basketball MAL champs and have a deep tournament run

**What inspires you to play sports?:** All the ladies screaming my name

**What matchup are you looking forward to the most this year and why?:** Guarding Timmy Ink at practice

# Junk In The Trunk

By Jake Dryfuse  
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## Lauren Zoeller's Trunk



### What's in your trunk?

- Blanket
- Lunch Bag
- Gym Bag

### Why are those things there?

- : The blanket is for sleeping.
- : The lunch bag is there for carrying my lunch even though I don't use it.
- : The gym bag is there because I need it for gym every day.

### How did they get in your trunk?

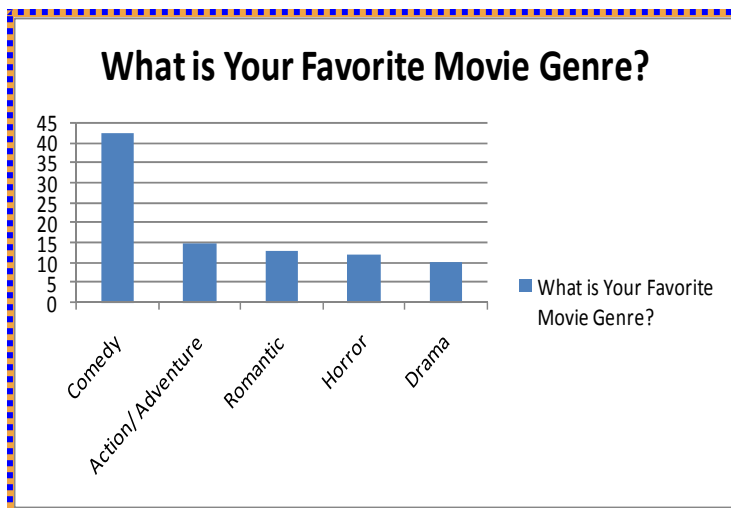
- : I put the blanket in there this summer.
- : I don't remember how the lunch bag got there.
- : I put the gym bag in there after school.

### Are you ever going to take them out?

- : I'll probably leave the blanket there in case I need it.
- : I'll take the lunch bag out eventually.
- : I can take the gym bag out when gym class is over.

# Student Poll

Brandyn Reinhart  
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More and more movies seem to come out each year, so this week the students were asked what their favorite movie genre is.

In first place was comedy who stole the spotlight from all the other genres. In second was action/ adventure and in close third and fourth were romantic movies and horror. Bringing up the rear was the drama genre.

Overall most people care for a comedy with a couple laughs more than any other movie genre. Ryan Schalk said, "They're a laugh a minute, everybody loves laughing."

# Snack Time!

## PINEAPPLE PRETZEL FLUFF

By Jake Dryfuse  
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With temperatures starting to get cooler, good indoor snacks are going to be a lot more popular.

Whether it's having friends over for a football game Saturday night, or just a friendly get together, pineapple pretzel fluff will be a great snack to keep everyone satisfied. It's easy to make and it's a good change of pace from ordinary snacks; not to mention that it's delicious.

One recommendation for making this snack would be to try using different amounts of some of the ingredients such as the pretzels to see if you can get a different taste. Something to keep in mind is to bake for less than 7 minutes because the pretzels could burn. When I tried this recipe they almost did. Another thing to do is make the pineapple pretzel fluff a while before the party so you can have it ready when everyone gets there. And don't worry about not having enough. Just double the ingredients if needed. This is a delicious snack and I recommend it for anyone who wants to try something new.



### Ingredients

- 1 cup coarsely crushed pretzels
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 1 cup sugar, divided
- 1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 (20 ounce) can crushed pineapple, drained
- 1 (12 ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed

### Directions

In a bowl, combine pretzels, butter and 1/2 cup sugar. Press into a 13-in. x 9-in. x 2-in. baking pan. Bake at 400 degrees F for 7 minutes. Cool. Meanwhile, in a mixing bowl, beat cream cheese and remaining sugar until creamy. Fold in pineapple and whipped topping; chill until serving. Break pretzel mixture into small pieces; stir into pineapple mixture.

# Funny Page

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~World's Biggest Dog~  
It's over 7 feet long!!!

## Funny Joke

A three year old walked over to a pregnant lady while waiting with his mother in the doctor's office. He inquisitively asked the lady, "Why is your stomach so big?"

She replied, "I'm having a baby."

With big eyes, he asked, "Is the baby in your stomach?"

She said, "He sure is."

Then the little boy, with a puzzled look, asked, "Is it a good baby?"

She said, "Oh, yes. It's a real good baby."

With an even more surprised and shocked look, he asked...

"Then why did you eat him?"

## WEIRD OHIO LAWS

- **IT IS ILLEGAL TO GET A FISH DRUNK.**
- **IT IS ILLEGAL TO HUNT FOR WHALES ON SUNDAY.**
- **IN BEXLEY, OHIO, IT IS PROHIBITED TO INSTALL OR USE SLOT MACHINES IN OUTHOUSES.**



## Another Funny Joke

I was in the restaurant yesterday when I suddenly realized I desperately needed to pass gas. The music was really, really loud, so I timed my gas with the beat of the music.

After a couple of songs, I started to feel better. I finished my coffee, and noticed that everybody was staring at me....

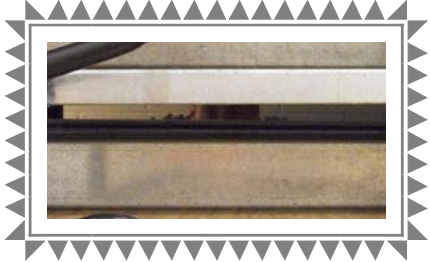
Then I suddenly remembered that I was listening to my iPod.

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# Where are the students?

