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TOP



TEN

Madison Schaefer '13



Having the honor to be in the Academic Top Ten is one of the greatest goals you could ever achieve. It shows a lot about a person's character. Not only do these students have to maintain good grades and a high GPA, but also integrity, determination, and focus. They must be willing to make sacrifices throughout their social lives and make school their number one priority. However, it is an achievement that will reward you for the rest of your life.

Every year, students wait anxiously for the Top Ten to be announced. This year, Pennfield High School was proud to announce Caitlin Jackson and Nathan Fishnick as Valedictorians as well as Megan DeHart as Salutatorian. Andrew Stevens, Alex Cornell, Mark Majcher, Doug Herzing, Jessie Schneider, Christopher Lukowski, and Madison Schaefer were also recognized in the Top Ten. These ten students have shown academic excellence from the very beginning. They have shown dedication throughout their high school careers and are likely to continue this academic excellence through the next stage in their lives.

Each one of these students has a bright future. Caitlin Jackson plans to attend either Michigan State University or Cornerstone University to pursue a degree in Psychology as well as Social Work. Nathan Fishnick will be attending Central Michigan University where he will be pursuing a degree in Architecture. Megan DeHart plans on attending the University of Michigan where she will study Mechanical Engineering. Andrew Stevens will be attending the University of Michigan to pursue a degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry and eventually his PhD in Research and Development. Alex Cornell plans on attending Kellogg Community College his first two years and then transferring to Michigan State University to pursue his Pre-Med and eventually his M.D. in Pathology. Mark Majcher plans on earning his degree in either Engineering or Teaching at either the University of Michigan or Western Michigan University. Doug Herzing will be attending either Western Michigan University, the University of Michigan, or Michigan State University where he will pursue a business career. Jessie Schneider will begin at Kellogg Community College pursuing a degree in Art Education and complete her Bachelors at Western Michigan University. Christopher Lukowski plans on pursuing a degree in Physical Chemistry at Case Western Reserve University. Madison Schaefer will be attending Western Michigan University where she will pursue a degree in Psychology. Congratulations on being so overly successful throughout your high school careers and good luck to each of you in attaining your future goals.

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After Taking the ACT
Emily Morales '14

If you are a junior, you can finally feel the stress being lifted from your shoulders, and you are finally able to take a sigh of relief. The class of 2014 can now join the class of 2013, and every other student who has already taken the ACT, in knowing how it feels to take one of the biggest tests of your life. The ACT is taken to decide so many aspects of your future. For example, the higher score you get, out of thirty-six, depends on which colleges you will be accepted by. There is no problem going to a community college. These colleges will save you (and your parents) a ton of money. If you have a poor ACT score, any community college would be a good first start to show a bigger college that you are more than that two digit number. If you are looking to apply to the University of Michigan, your ACT score needs to be at least a twenty-four or higher. This is a common score that other universities require. If you are a prodigious student and are shooting for colleges such as Harvard, your ACT score needs to be a thirty or anything higher. Another thing to keep in mind about college is that they are now looking more at the ACT score and the classes you are taking (including senior year), and less of your GPA was some advice given by Mr. Hart. There is a lot of competition now adays, but remember that you can always retake the ACT for a higher score.

Be confident that you got a good score, and hopefully you all did, Juniors! Senior year and college is right around the corner, with the right equipment stored in you brain, you should be continuing to prepare and better yourself every day.



Pictured Above: Hannah Lenz

Cafeteria Food
Emily Bower '13

A topic that Michelle Obama has made aware to the public is childhood obesity. Her goal for school lunches was to not just wipe out the hunger and malnutrition among the school students, but encourage healthy eating. This calls for more fruits and vegetables and fewer fats. The new calorie intake is 850 calories for a school lunch. Many people disagree with her new program and what is now provided for school lunches. Teens count on food to provide energy and help them grow. Although many people disagree with this program, there are some who think it is an effective program. They think it is an opportunity to help students eat healthy. Providing the right nutrition to help maintain a good diet is to discipline yourself by not eating fattening and greasy foods. Speaking on Pennfield High School's behalf, I can say pretty much all of us miss pizza dipper day. It was a day that students would try to leave early so they wouldn't have to wait in line. I spoke with some students and teachers for their thoughts about our school lunches. "School lunches are about 80 percent healthier than they use to be. The school has changed all foods to whole grain and wheat products," said Pamula Lake, cafeteria staff member. Even though our school lunches have changed to healthier foods, some of the students said they will not eat the school food with or without the health change. Is this a bad or good thing?



Band and Choir Festival
Taylor Stout '15

In March, both our band and choir members participated in a competition, or what they call 'festival.' On March 2nd the band participated in their festival. They played at Jackson High School, representing in the Class B slot. They were to play songs, each from a different genre, and then judged on them. They were also given points after a performance, on a scale from 1-5, one being the best. Our band received all one's in every section, resulting in a rating of one overall for the fifth year in a row. When asking Mr. Driver what he thought, he said, "I am very proud of my students, very proud!" On March 15th our choir members took their turn, and performed at festival in Schoolcraft. At festival, the choirs perform 2 songs, they choose one from a required list from MSVMA (Michigan School Vocal Music Association) and one song of their choice. But they were not allowed to perform any pop, jazz, or Broadway music, this is a classical music festival. They performed for several judges who rate the choir on several categories to develop a final "rating". After performing, they had to sight-read, which is learning three 8-measure examples that they have never sang before, and they then have thirty minutes to sing them for a judge. "The hardest part about [sight-reading] is, I'm not allowed to help them learn the music. They have to teach it to themselves which is stressful but they are always good at it," said Mr. Bowen.



Chicago Trip
Taylor '15

On March 15th, Mrs. Haroff and Mrs. Nolin took 25 of our Spanish and 25 of the art class students on a trip to Chicago, Illinois. This trip was created to promote quality education and to provide all students with experiences that could help each of them realize their full potential. All who went, left the school at 7:30 in the morning and headed to Chicago. This truly was an educational trip, the students first visited Millennium Park, then went to the John Hancock observatory. They next visited the Art Institute of Chicago, and The National Museum of Mexican Art. Soon after they enjoyed lunch at and Authentic Mexican Restaurant. They then finished off the day with a walking tour of the Pilsen Mural, and departed back to Battle Creek at 5pm. What an amazing day filled with art, friends, and learning in a fun way. "The trip was amazing, and I learned a lot, and the art and scenery was beautiful!" Said, sophomore, Anna Martens.



Spring Play
Ryan Owens '15

Pennfield put on a play called "Straight from the Horses Mouth" on March 8th. This is where the director can sit down and relax and watch their play come to life, and to watch the families come together to relax and to have fun. "The director has a lot of stress when putting a play together, they will always want to see their students or actors to perform well like (getting on stage when needed, remembering their lines, and hoping their actors stay healthy), and to sell as many tickets as possible," said Mr. Bowen. He also believes that it gives our students a lot of experience in the department of public speaking, this in turn will help to build their confidence. Although directing a play can be challenging, it can also be fun because people learn how to work together and soon become like a family working towards their goals of a successful play. However, Mr. Bowen believes that fun comes at the end of the play where the students develop new friendships that will last a lifetime. The play starts out as a normal day at Dreamhouse, Inc., a real estate agent named Katy Biddlemeyer is showing the ropes to a new employee, named Dena, while Florence is looking for a babysitter for her pet parrot. When some questions arise about a previous purchase on a house that comes with some strange things in it like a racehorse and a very handsome trainer, some questions come about of why they were in the house in the beginning. Unfortunately the Spring play was cut short due to an unfortunate car accident. The cast greatly enjoyed performing the play for those who were lucky enough to attend. Senior, Caitie Prideaux said, "I had a ton of fun participating in the spring play this year. It will be my last performance of my highschool career so I'm glad that the performance went so well and the audience seemed to enjoy it." The Emerald staff is glad that everyone is okay.



Youth Day of Caring
Emily Morales '14

It's that time of year again, Spring. The snow is hopefully melted and the flowers are ready to be planted. Every year juniors and seniors, and a select few underclassmen, volunteer a day during the week to help clean up our city of Battle Creek. This day is called Youth Day of Caring, where students from each high school, church groups, and other community foundations serve their time to do many different activities and to contribute to the beauty of our home. This year, there are many ways to contribute. If you are interested gardening, there are many locations that are available for sign up, such as at the Kingsman Museum. New to the list from previous years are volunteering at the zoo and bowling with patients from the VA Hospital. The Youth Day of Caring takes place on April twenty-sixth. If you believe that you portray any of the special traits you need to be apart in these activities, please sign up! Where the sign up sheets will be placed will be announced soon, so listen carefully to the announcements in the next few weeks for more information!

Profiles of Retiring Staff
Jeff Lambrich '13

There comes a time in almost every worker's life in which they must finally decide to leave the work force and retire. We spend our lives' earning and saving money to support ourselves, pay bills, raise a family, and many other things. But after spending a large majority of your life working you eventually decide its time to retire. As a matter of fact, a few of our staff members here at Pennfield will be retiring after they finish out the school year. For instance Mr. Boyer, our athletic director will be retiring after this current 2012 and 2013 school year. For his first job he taught for one semester at Bellevue, but this was only for a very short time. After leaving Bellevue, he came straight to Pennfield School District. He has now worked in the district for thirty six straight years! He has thoroughly enjoyed his many years and claimed his favorite memory is when "we won the state championship in both football and wrestling in the same year." Mrs. Abbott in the guidance office will also be retiring this year after an exciting 33 years here in the district. I even asked what her craziest experience was and she claimed "You know I can't tell those things. There are so many things that I can't repeat." Mrs. Abbott also told me that she loves all of her co-workers and Pennfield has been a great place to work. She finds it so fascinating "watching students come through Pennfield High School graduating, going on to college, and then even coming back to Pennfield to teach themselves!" Some of the teachers who have come through Pennfield have been her student assistants at one point, and seeing them grow up and mold into their careers has been an incredible experience for her. Be sure to show appreciation for these staff members, and give them a great last year!



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GOODBYE WINTER...

Boys Basketball



It's the late night practices, and the early morning risings that make our panthers such tough players. Ready to take on any team in defeat. The sound of their hoop shoes squeaking across the gym floor or the sound of the ball making its way into the net (swoosh) that turns the crowd wild. The Pennfield Panthers played a tough season with varsity ending the normal season with a 10-10 game record and Junior varsity ending their season with a spectacular 17-3 game record. With the support of the student section turning each game out, showing that our panthers are not to be messed with. J.J. Clements, one of the panthers varsity players shows great sportsmanship and teamwork. He gives respect to one of his following team mates, Ryan Lowe, saying his favorite memory of the season was when Lowe had six blocks within the first minute and thirty seconds of the game. What a great start. Never letting a loss bring them down, they just take that loss and turn the next game into a win, showing that defeat does not run in the Pennfield panthers blood. Finishing the season off strong, our mighty Panthers are headed to districts to show off their mighty team work and their love for basketball just a few more times before officially closing the season. Coach Grimes, the varsity coach, says that he really enjoys working with the kids, helping them grow and become the best they can be. He is very proud of his players and is looking forward to many more good years. Giving a word of advice to the future players looking to play for him, "Spend time working on your game, not just as a team but individually as well." Panthers played a tough season. We are looking for a great season next year. LETS GO PANTHERS!

----Treiona Barlow '13

Girls Basketball



The 2013 girls basketball season seemed to be a fantastic season! Taylor Wilcox and Baylee Shelton were both glad to inform me on the season and both had lots of good things to say about it. Taylor said, " We had a good season over all. We had a winning record and our team became really close throughout the season." Baylee said, "we worked really hard and tried our best through the year against all of the teams." Both girls had many goals but their most important ones were to play harder and jump higher against the tallest girls they played as well as to have fun playing the sport. Their team goal was to have a winning record. Which they did accomplish. Taylor said, "For the most part we'll have the same team. We are only losing one player, but there was a strong freshman class this year so we should have a pretty strong team next year. I can't wait to get to know them and play with them." Baylee said, "Next year will pretty much be the same, seeing how we have only lost one player. I'm looking forward to seeing my teammates on the court again, and playing on the court." Next year is definitely looking good. Good luck ladies and congrats on a great season!

---Bri Dukeman '13

Bowling



The bowling team had a terrific season this year. They went all the way to the championship, went to many tournaments, and they also went undefeated this season. They work very hard at practices while sharing some helpful tips to each other to improve as a team. Sophomore, Kadee Bechman, loves bowling because it gives her a chance to hang out with her friends more while she is sharing the sport she loves. "We struggled with getting spares, but we excelled this year with getting strikes and knocking down our churches, which means picking up the splits." Kadee Bechman said, "Our motto is when we lose, to never give up, because we always have another day to pick up another win." The girls finished strong with a record of fifteen wins and no losses and even placed first in their respective conference. The boys also performed well finishing with an overall record of 10-5. Six total members were even selected for All-Conference! The girls bowling team would like to thank their coaches for helping them to achieve their goals, and they are looking forward to seeing them next year. So to all the students who were on the bowling team this year thank you, you made our school very proud.

---Ryan Owens '15

Competitive Cheerleading



The 2013 competitive cheerleading team seemed to have its ups and downs, but the season still was enjoyable. Bri Everline said, "This season was great at the beginning but got patchy at the end. There were many good and bad moments." Kenzi Turner a senior on the team thought that this season was a good one. The team said they did not win first in any competitions but they did participate in many. Some of the competitions that they participated in were the Delton Invitational, Districts in Allegan, one in Wyoming, and even one at Pennfield. Some goals Bri had were to do her personal best which she said she has achieved. The all over team goal was to do their absolute best and put their absolute best into all their work. Kenzi says her personal goal is to be a better stunter. Bri's comments to the new cheerleaders about this year were, "I believe that next year we as a team will be more focused and will be willing to learn more. I love the team we had, but it's also good to let people in and be part of the family." Kenzi's comments to next years team were, "No matter how many obstacles you go through just keep pushing forward because dedication is key." Congrats on a good season, and good luck on your next season!

---Bri Dukeman '13

Wrestling



The wrestling team had a great season this year, some went all the way to individual state finals. Senior, Justin Parker, came back with a third place win in the regional. Wrestling is a type of sport that allows you to show your skills of strength and dynamics. Senior wrestler, Justin Parker said, "The guys and I love wrestling because we can show our skills while kicking butt, as well as winning matches." The wrestlers worked very hard in practice this year, telling each other what they needed to improve on, while being nice and offering some words of encouragement if someone had lost a match. When the regular season came to a close, we had enough wins to be qualified for regional titles. When the guys made it to the individual state finals, they felt like they had accomplished everything that there was to wrestling, like working as a team, and they felt like they had tried their best to get where they got. When there was only JP left in the individual state finals, Austin Tuttle and Taylor Brown said, "We were cheering for JP to win." When the boy's leave the high school this year they are hoping that the school's wrestling team will improve and go to another championship. When asked what would they say to their coach when they leave this year they said, "Thank you for everything that you have taught us." Even though we didn't finish first in the individual states, the wrestling team brought back the first KVA title in 7 years.

---Ryan Owens '15

Girls Soccer

This month, Pennfield is kicking off a new season with girls' soccer. Starting on March 11th, the girls start practicing and getting in shape for another year. This is a chance for all of the players to set goals for themselves and have the best season possible. Player, Madison Rench, was asked about some future goals she has for herself this season: "I honestly just want to try and be a better team mate to everyone and work together with everyone better. Oh and I want to score more goals than I have in the past." When asked what she wants to personally improve on from last year, Madison said, "I'd like to work on my physical fitness. I want to be in the best shape possible to have a good season." As our lady panthers represent Pennfield out on the field, don't forget to get out there at their first soccer game of the season and cheer them on to defeating any competition!

----Sydney Brown '15

Golf

Along with the large amount of team sports beginning this coming spring, another popular and more individual sport, golf is also about to start. Opposed to baseball, basketball, and football, golf focuses more on individual performance rather than the collective efforts of a team. While on the golf course, you try your hardest to complete all holes with the lowest swings strokes possible. Only you can affect the outcome. This leads to some very talented and dedicated players. Junior, Christian Hoban and Sophomore, Jared Frisbie are especially excited for the season to come. Jared says that he is "very excited to hang out with his friends and fellow golfers on the course, and get some well-needed sun." Christian agreed and is "very excited for getting back to practicing," and "can't wait to eat some of Marywood's delicious hot dogs." Hopefully all of the golfers are extremely excited to go out and get back to the grind as soon as the snow melts away and the courses get clear.

----Jeff Lambrich '13

Track

This March, the runners of Pennfield are beginning to get in shape for another successful year in track and field. On the 11th of this month, both girls and guys start their training and practice for a fresh year of meets. Head coach of the girl participants of track and field, Mr. McKire, was asked a few questions about his upcoming season. When asked about his goals for his team this year, he responded with, "I'd like to see my team be KVA champions, and in the top 3 teams of the conference, and it'd be great to see them win it all! I'm also hoping that they are in the top 5 at regionals, and I would ideally like to see five to eight kids go to state." Mr. Mckire was also asked what he is hoping his runners will improve on from last year: "I'm just hoping that they can learn from experience, because last year we had a really young team, about nineteen freshman. So hopefully they have learned from their first year, learned what it means to get in shape and compete, and just have the right mind set for competitions." Lastly, Mr. Mckire described his feelings toward the most important aspects in being a track coach. He described it as not just as a track coach, but any coach in general, he believes in the concept of focusing most of his attention on helping the kids feel better about themselves. Most importantly, he wants to help kids find their way in sports. Mr. Mckire is starting to get his girls prepared and in that mind set to help them "win it all" this year! Let's not forget to be there at the first track meet of the season, and cheer our fellow panthers to victory!

----Sydney Brown '15

Lacrosse

Lacrosse is a team game, originally played by North American Indians, in which the ball is thrown, caught, and carried with a netted stick. Chris Acton junior at Pennfield High School, is a third year lacrosse player. "A team goal for this year is to win the confrence championship because we always come in second and its time for a win. My personal goal is to improve the basic technique of lacrosse. I think the team this year is the most talented team we have ever had." So goodluck to the lacrosse team this year and go out an support the team and cheer them on to the win.

----Emily Bower '13

Tennis

On March 11th our tennis girls started their practices, it is a no cut sport, so whoever wanted to play was able to. The girls were split into two teams, Junior Varsity, and Varsity. Our JV coach this year, is coach Nichole, she coached the middle school last year, and she has come to take us to victory. Mr. Corcoran leads our Girls Varsity Tennis team. Even after 22 years of coaching, he says "I am so excited for the season this year." Now, with all that experience he should easily lead our team to the top! The girls have been working on their foot work, hand drills, and some insanity workouts. When asked about this sport, sophomore, Sam Penland said "It's great excersise, and I love meeting new people. It's also fun, because I am doing something that I love." On the 23rd of March, our girls went to Michigan State for a tournament against other local Michigan schools' tennis teams, it started at 6pm and lasted til about 1am.

----Taylor Stout '15

Baseball

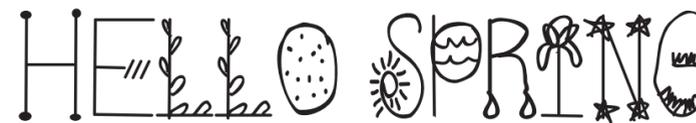
With the forthcoming of the warm, beautiful spring weather also comes many fun and new outdoor sporting activities. Athletes are now beginning to gear up, condition, invest in, and prepare for the upcoming extracurricular season. The baseball players are getting off to an especially early start, and tryouts begin on Monday, March 11th. Many aspirational young men will go out and showcase their skills to the coaches in hopes of being a part of Pennfield's prestigious team. All of the boys who hope to be a member of one of the available baseball teams want to be as successful as the other sports teams here at PHS. Our football teams always rank very highly and the Varsity basketball team did quite well also. Junior recurring baseball player, Caleb Pizarro is also very anxious for the upcoming tryouts and games. He is "very excited to get back on the field and play one of America's national past times." He hopes that tryouts go well, that his team does a great job, and that they can win districts once more. So if you have nothing else occupying your time this upcoming spring sports season be sure to go watch some games. The boys will appreciate all the help they can get!

----Jeff Lambrich '13

Softball

From the looks of it, the 2013 softball season is going to be a great one! The team is full of individuals who have a great deal of confidence and excitement. Although the team is excited, some of the seniors believe this season is going to be bittersweet. Terra Dickenson says, "This season will be bittersweet. We have about six girls that will be done this year, but at the same time it will be the best season yet." A couple of the girls on the team said that last year was not a successful season, but it was a fun one. Danielle Case and Terra Dickenson both want to make this year their best, as well as try to win as many games as they possibly can. Besides having a great season and winning more games, both the girls have some other goals and expectations for the team. Terra wants to be a good leader and role model for the younger girls on the team. She also wants to be the best team player she can be by giving this season her all not just for herself, but her coaches and team as well. Danielle would love to win districts. She also wants to be a good and better player compared to the way she played last year. She is hoping to have as much fun as she possibly can for her last season. As a whole, this season looks like its going to be very enjoyable for the team. Good luck girls!

----Bri Dukeman '13



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The wind blowing in your hair , the sun gently kissing your skin, and the warm sand tickling your feet. What a wonderful feeling. It's that time to soak up some sun and to hang with friends. No more early morning feelings of regret from staying up late the night before. No more forgetting to do you homework and rushing to do it the next day. Lets close up those math and history books and open up a bottle of sunscreen and chill. I hope I didn't get you too excited, because this is not summer vacation, sorry if I gave you that impression. I'm actually talking about spring break the second best thing.

We all sit , wait, and anticipate about this school free week, asking ourselves, "What to do?" "Where to go?" and just wanting to have fun. Whether you are staying in little ol' Battle Creek or going away to spend this week having fun, make every moment count, enjoy every moment.

Let me give you a few tips you could use to insure your enjoyment of this spring break this year. First thing I can tell you is to make sure you have FUN, make the best of every moment, and make it an adventure. Whether you are going away or staying here. there is always something new to explore. Don't spend your spring break alone, surround yourself with friends who will make you laugh . Create memories that will last a life time. Always make sure to add a little "ME" time. It's fun to go out and hangout with friends, but also find something to do that will satisfy you. Make a little time for yourself. Take a book to the beach or a park or something. Give yourself a little space to breath and just enjoy you. The ladies could always do a little arts and craft type of things or the guys can hit the gym or work on their game. Nothing wrong with that, right? Last bit of advice I can give you is to enjoy every moment, make every bit of this break last, because remember it's only for a week but you can make it feel like a complete summer, just depends on how you look at it and how you act upon it. Take risks (but not too risky), start great memories with friends and family, and last but not least HAVE FUN.

Now go out and enjoy the sun and let go of all the things that stress you out the most and just have fun and be free. Make this week feel like it lasts a lifetime long. See you all after break. ENJOY, HAVE FUN, and don't miss school too much.

Treiona Barlow '13



Prom Advice Madison Schaefer '13

Prom is right around the corner. For many girls it is a day they look forward to almost as much as their wedding day! However, along with excitement also comes worry, stress, and anxiousness. With just a little preparation and organization, planning for prom can be very fun and exciting. So relax already!

Although prom seems so far away, there is so much that needs to be done! Spring sports are now beginning and so will the awful tan lines. Go to the tanner early on to keep an even skin tone. Don't let terrible tan lines determine the type of dress you get. You should talk to your parents and plan a day to go dress shopping as soon as you can. It is a good idea to leave plenty of time for any alterations that need to be done. You should have already begun thinking about the type of dress that you are looking for. Try and avoid common stores. Seek out the small boutiques or far away places to find the perfect dress that no one else will have.

Once the dress is purchased, there is still so much more to do! You will want to make a hair appointment as soon as possible. Be aware that there could be other proms happening on the same night so try and be one step ahead of everyone else. You will also want an appointment early in the day to allow yourself plenty of time to finish getting ready. Try and have an idea of the hair style you are looking for or even a picture to show your hair stylist. Next, shop for the perfect accessories and shoes to match the dress. Make sure that they enhance and compliment the dress you have picked out. Be sure to try everything on together and make sure it is the look you are looking for. You will also want to order the perfect boutonniere and corsage for your significant other.

Shortly before prom you should decide the group of friends you are going with. Talk with one another and decide where to take pictures and where to go to dinner. You should then decide what time you are meeting for pictures and what time to do dinner. Give yourself plenty of time at pictures to get all of the shots you want and capture the special moment. Once you have decided where to go to dinner make reservations. This will help the day run so much smoother.

On the day of prom you will want to be on schedule from the moment you wake up. Make sure your camera has batteries. Arrive at any hair or nail appointments early. Wear a shirt that you can easily get off without ruining your hair. Last but not least, relax and enjoy the occasion.

Congratulations to the State Champions! Pennfield Girl's Bowling Team



Concerts

Jeff Lambrich '13

No matter what culture you look at, you can find that people love to listen to music. Especially in our culture. Music is available to hear no matter where you are. Whether at home, at school, on your computer, in your car, or at a performance music is always readily available. Most of us even have iPods or phones we can use to play music everywhere we go. However, nothing compares to the excitement and sound quality at a concert. When you go see a live performance its always tons of fun. You get to see your celebrity idols in person and hear your favorite songs in real time. Bands, singers, and musicians tour the country constantly so the possibilities are endless. Just recently, the day before Valentine's Day, Three Days Grace, Shinedown, and P.O.D performed locally at the Kellogg Arena. Many students attended and said that it was one of the greatest experiences of their whole life. On May 10 at The Fillmore, another popular band, Paramore, will put on a show for their dedicated fans. Also playing at The Fillmore, the Chicago band, Fall Out Boy will be performing for their first tour in over four years. It's definitely one that you wouldn't want to miss. Rap fans also got to enjoy a rare appearance from overnight celebrity, 2 Chainz at the Fox Theatre In Detroit on the 26th of February. And two singers who are unlike any of these are Taylor Swift and Ed Sheran who are on tour together right now and will be coming to Detroit this May. If you've never been to a concert in your life, now is the perfect time. Be sure to check around the internet and get tickets to see your favorite band perform live. It's an experience you'll remember for years to come!

March Madness

Treiona Barlow '13



The NCAA tournaments are an American tradition sending millions of crazed fans into a frenzy creating madness all over giving this tournament the name "March Madness." This tournament consists of 68 teams competing for that number one spot. The creating of the brackets, picking who you want to be number one, and the competition between you and others makes it that much more fun and more interesting. So get your teams together and make March Madness worthy of its name. Lets make it hype and turn up the heat. When the time comes for the last game, which team will be on top of your bracket?

Hallway Challenger

Sydney Brown '15

Finish this Statement:

"He should not be here," said the fish in the pot. "He should not be here when _____."

It looks like only one of you got this answer correct! The correct answer was "He should not be here," said the fish in the pot. "He should not be here when **your mother is not.**"



Bryce Sidnam- "he smells a lot."



Tim Harris- "your mother is not."



Tayler Morey- "when he should be by the pier."



Carl Finch- "your mom looks hot."

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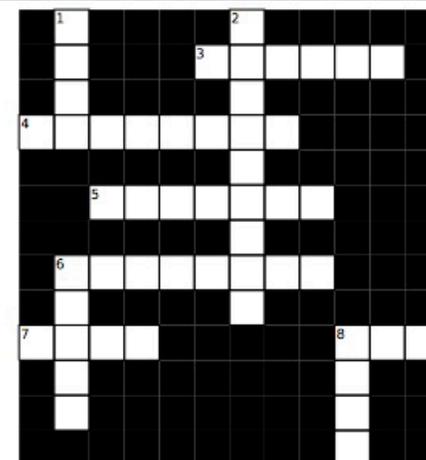
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