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2024 HMS Battle of the Books Competition

Battle of the Books is an educational competition where over 15 schools in Burlington County gather to compete and share their knowledge of a selected group of books. This year's Harrington team traveled to Burlington Township Middle School for the county battle on Friday, April 12th.

At the competition, competitors were required to answer given questions and to figure out what book certain events happened in. Teams had to write down the author and title of the book before the 30-second timer went off. There were 2 rounds, and in between the rounds, there was a 10-minute break. After over 100 questions were asked from both rounds, teams were given pizza while they waited for scores to be tabulated and winners to be decided.

Harrington did it!! They took first place once again. Under the guidance of HMS librarian, Mrs. Gallagher, this year's winning team consisted of Naina B., Prisha S., Nidhi B., Saranya T., Kylie B., Shreya S. Great job, HMS!!



Eclipse 2024

Rose N.

On April 8th, parts of the United States experienced something that some of us may never see again. 15 of the states were in the path of the solar eclipse, stretching all the way from Maine to Texas. The eclipse began at 2:10 pm, reached its peak at 3:24 pm, and ended at 4:35 pm. While New Jersey only was able to view a partial eclipse, the sun-show was a one-in-a-lifetime experience.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon is in its 'new moon' phase. The moon's orbit has a slight tilt to Earth's orbit around the sun. When the sun, moon and Earth align, the sun is blocked out by the moon. The moon then casts a shadow onto the Earth, which is why it appears darker when a solar eclipse is happening. If you're located in the darker part of the shadow, you're in the umbra, and you'll be able to see a full eclipse. This is when the sun is completely covered by the moon so the sun is no longer visible. If you're in the light outer part, which is called the penumbra, you'll see a partial eclipse. New Jersey was in the light outer shadow, allowing us to only see a partial eclipse.

Viewing eclipses with your bare eyes is extremely dangerous because the sun's very bright rays will burn cells in your retina, located at the back of your eyes. You won't know it's happening though, because your retinas have no pain receptors so you wouldn't be able to feel it burning. That's why you should wear eclipse glasses, which protect your eyes from the sun because of the thick layers of polyester film coated in aluminum. This makes the glasses almost 100,000 times darker than regular sunglasses.

Harrington provided each student with eclipse glasses so students would be able to view the eclipse safely. These glasses were from the assistant superintendent's office, who purchased them for the students. The next solar eclipse that is in the United States will be in 2044, which is 20 years. Can you believe that at that time, most of us will be 33 or 34?

I asked an 8th-grade science teacher, Mr. Dempster, a few questions regarding the eclipse. This is the information he shared with me.

What happens during a solar eclipse?

"During a solar eclipse, the moon's positioned in its orbit such that it is between the Sun and the Earth and blocks the sun's light. Because the moon orbits the Earth at an angle, it does not happen every time it is between the Sun and Earth making it quite rare."

What made this solar eclipse special?

"When a solar eclipse occurs, the moon casts a relatively small shadow on the Earth causing it to only be seen fully from a small part of the planet. Most of Earth's surface is ocean, so most of the time when the moon casts a shadow, it will land there. This year, like in 2017, a total solar eclipse was visible in the United States."

What did you think of this eclipse?

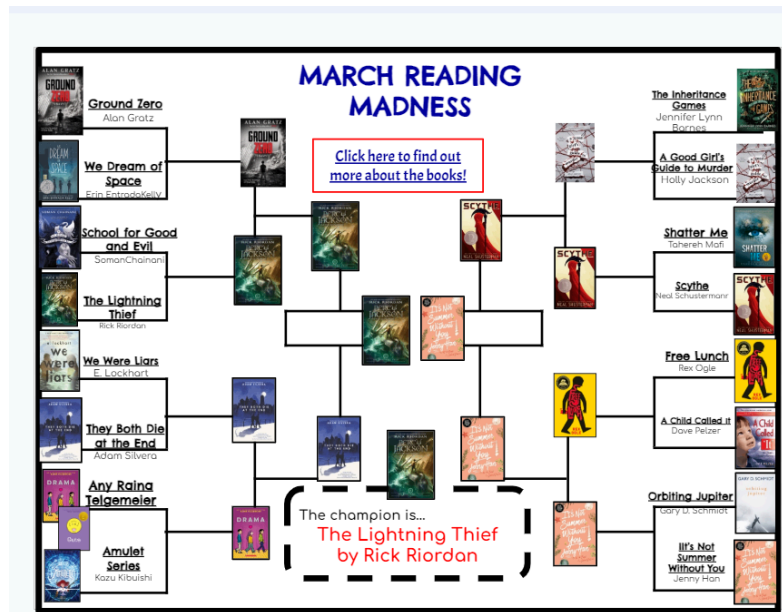
"New Jersey was not able to enjoy the full spectacle unfortunately, as the path of totality (where the shadow of the moon will fall as it goes across our sky) went from Maine southwest through Texas leaving us with only about 93% coverage. We also had a good amount of clouds which didn't help with the viewing. It was pretty cool to see the Sun reduced to a thin sliver of a crescent through the eclipse glasses, but we did miss out on the full experience of being in the path of totality."

How did the eclipse in New Jersey compare to other parts of the country?

"As previously mentioned, we missed out on the full experience of 100% coverage. Even at 99.6% coverage, some friends of mine in Cincinnati, OH got to see the Sun almost entirely covered but it did not feel like it did in places with total coverage. In places where the Sun was completely blocked by the moon, only the Sun's corona could be seen spilling over the outside of the moon. The rest of the sky turned dark and in some places, the stars came out because the Sun was no longer lighting up the sky."

And The Winner is.....

The HMS library recently held its March Madness Bracket to determine which book from the library is this year's favorite. So many great titles battled it out, but in the end, only one book claimed victory. This year's winner is *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan



Originally published in 2005, *The Lightning Thief* is not new to the library shelves. However, with the popularity of the new Disney series based on the book, HMS library visitors thought this book deserved to be spotlighted once again. When looking for your next great read, consider reading *The Lightning Thief* or any other great titles in this year's bracket.

Why Is Pickleball So Popular?

By Siena S.

Pickleball has become a really popular sport recently, especially for older people. Even though it may seem like it just started, it has actually been around for quite some time. Pickleball is a fun game, so keep reading to find out why it has become so liked and accepted as a sport.

Joel Pritchard and Bill Bell, a congressman and successful businessman, invented Pickleball during the summer of 1965. They were coming back from playing golf and decided to play badminton. They couldn't find the right equipment to play, but they found paddles and a

plastic ball with holes in it. They also had a net which they put up really high at first, but soon realized that the ball they were using was able to bounce well on the ground, so they

lowered the net. They introduced their new invention to friends and family. It soon started to spread across the U.S. The only problem they had was what to name it. Pritchard's family dog, Pickles, was always around when they played, so they decided to name it Pickleball, after his dog, because it involves a ball.

This sport may remind many of Tennis, but it is far from it. The rules are different and easier to follow, which is one of the reasons people have started playing it. It always involves a paddle and a different type of ball. It's not hard to get into, either. All you need is the right equipment and you're good to go. Many sports centers have Pickleball classes and leagues so people can play.

Like I said before, Pickleball is easy to follow. Any age can play, and you don't have to be an experienced athlete to get into it and become good. That is why so many senior citizens play it. It isn't too aggressive or hard to play, and it's really good exercise. Although it's really easy, according to the YMCA, *"This game is an excellent way to work against the loss of muscle mass... Pickleball is considered a weight-bearing exercise. So you'll be toning your muscles while you play."*

Pickleball has been around for a while, but it just started becoming popular more recently. Older people tend to play it more because it's a way to get good exercise, without hurting themselves. Pickleball may seem boring, but it's actually really fun. It is easy, but it's still a good way to challenge yourself. Don't put yourself in a dill-emma when choosing a sport to play, since this might be the one for you.

Earthquake 2024

By: Aarav S, Vik A, Anirudh A

An earthquake in New Jersey occurred on April 5th, originating in Tewksbury, NJ at 10:20 A.M, with a magnitude of 4.8. There were 28 reported aftershocks, according to the United States Geological Survey.

The strongest was a 3.8 magnitude in Gladstone, NJ, the same day but at 5:30 PM. This earthquake was

also felt throughout the Tri-State area, including New York City,

Philadelphia, and Mount Laurel. Fortunately, it was not very severe and

hardly left any damage. Also, it was for a very short period

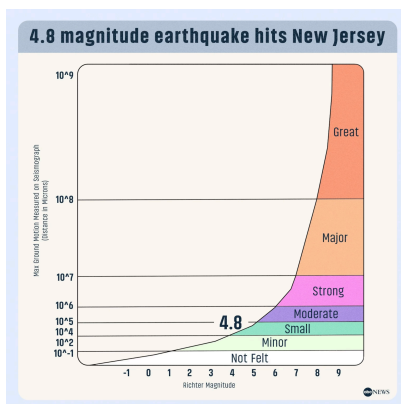
(approximately 10 seconds). This earthquake occurred most likely due

to the Ramapo Fault zone, fault lines in the state's northern half.

Earthquakes happen due to sudden movements along fault lines,

boundaries that separate tectonic plates, which are pieces of the

Earth's crust and the uppermost mantle.



For many of our peers and staff, this was the first time they had experienced an earthquake. This is because the last major earthquake in New Jersey happened on November 29, 1783, and was supposedly 5.3 on the Richter scale (magnitude).

Interesting facts

- The strongest earthquake recorded was a magnitude 9.5 earthquake, and it happened on May 22, 1960, in Chile.
- About 50 earthquakes happen every day. However, most of these are so small that they cannot be felt.
- On July 9th, 1958, a magnitude 8 earthquake happened that caused a tsunami that was 1,720 feet tall. For comparison, that is as tall as the World Trade Center in New York City.
- The Ring of Fire is a hot zone for earthquakes.
- Just like Earth has earthquakes, the moon has moonquakes.

Spring Cleaning

A Kirby's Check-In Corner Special

Welcome to spring! When we think of this season, we think of spring break, nature's big comeback, and two words: Spring Cleaning. While traditionally, this follows the whole "Out with the old, in with the new!" mentality, but I personally think that it doesn't have as much of a meaning physically as it does mentally. For most, "cleaning up" is simple enough; just make things more visually (And sometimes practically) pleasing than they were before. But in the mental sense, it can be a bit harder. Take some time right now to stop whatever you're doing and put your focus on your breathing. In. Out. In. Out. Keep this up for as long as you need (Don't go too hard though) and recite these phrases:

I am unique.

I am important.

I am enough.

I am a good person.

I can do anything.

And that's how you clean up! Refer back to these steps whenever you feel cluttered, tense, or stressed in any way (Not just in Spring!). Remember these two things: everything happens for a reason, and you can't control other people; just yourself.

You Got This!

Autism Awareness Month



By: Dhanshika S

Did you know that April is Autism Awareness Month? Autism is a developmental and neurological disorder that has a wide variety of conditions, such as social problems, interactions with people, and continuing or repeating one behavior again and again. Autism might also affect the person with school, work, or other areas of their life. Autism Spectrum Disorder is a formal way of saying Autism. This essay will closely examine the signs, symptoms, causes, and risk factors.

Autism Spectrum Disorder has many signs and symptoms. It affects an estimated 1 in 36 children and 1 in 45 adults. The signs mostly begin to show around the age of 2 or 3 and are mostly diagnosed at age 5. The most common symptoms of Autism might be avoidance of eye contact, lack of response, preferring to play alone, hyperactivity, and many more. There are an infinite amount of signs and symptoms that a person can have if they have Autism Spectrum Disorder.

There are many different ways that you could have been diagnosed with ASD. One factor that it could lead to is heredity, such as your older sibling could have it. If you were born when your parents were pretty old, it could cause Autism. If you already have certain conditions, such as Down syndrome, you might have a higher risk of developing ASD. If you also had a low birth weight, you could have ASD. ASD has many ways you could have gotten it; these are just a few.

All in all, Autism Spectrum Disorder is when you are unique in one perspective but different in another perspective. If you know someone with Autism, don't hurt them in any way because, as Hillary Clinton once said, "It's important for us to put ourselves in other people's shoes ... to have empathy.

Earth Day 2024



It's that time of the year again – Earth Day! Every April 22nd, people all around the world come together to celebrate our beautiful planet and think about how we can take care of it better. This year, Earth Day 2024 holds even more significance as we reflect on the importance of environmental conservation and sustainability.

Why Earth Day Matters:

Earth Day is not just any other day. It's a reminder for us to pause and appreciate the wonderful world we live in. Our planet provides us with everything we need to survive – clean air, water, food, and a home for all living beings. It's our responsibility to take care of it, just like we take care of our homes.

Taking Action:

Earth Day is not only about awareness; it's also about taking action. Here are some simple yet impactful ways you can celebrate Earth Day:

- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: Remember the three R's – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Use less plastic, reuse items whenever possible, and recycle materials like paper, plastic, and glass.
- Plant Trees: Trees are like the lungs of the Earth. They provide us with oxygen and absorb harmful carbon dioxide. Planting trees is a great way to combat climate change and restore natural habitats.
- Conserve Water: Water is a precious resource. Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth, take shorter showers, and fix any leaks around your house.
- Go Green: Encourage your family to use eco-friendly products and energy-efficient appliances. Simple changes like using reusable bags instead of plastic ones or switching to LED light bulbs can make a big difference.
- Get Outdoors: Spend time in nature and appreciate the beauty of the Earth. Whether it's hiking in the mountains, swimming in the ocean, or simply taking a walk in the park, connecting with nature helps us develop a deeper respect for our planet.

While Earth Day is celebrated once a year, it's essential to remember that every day is Earth Day. Small actions taken every day can add up to significant changes over time. So, let's commit to taking care of our planet not just today, but every day!

As we celebrate Earth Day 2024, let's pledge to be better stewards of the Earth and protect this precious planet we call home. Together, we can make a difference!

Happy Earth Day, everyone! 🌍💚

We're Back!

From Shawn H.

If you read the last page of last month's article, (First of all, kudos for getting to the end!) you might of heard that we were going to start incorporating advertisements into our pages and start a paid subscription service for access to an adless version. Guess what? We got our funding back! Now, Paw Prints can continue for as long as you keep reading! This article's packed with so many awesome articles that you'll wanna keep reading 'till the cows come home, and then you'll have the cows reading too! We are so excited that we can keep on writing for you! Shoutout to you for picking this up! We at Paw Prints hope you love this issue!

Happy Reading!

AIRLINE HEIST

By Will W.

Search warrants have been put out on 4 men and 2 arrested on charges of being connected to a historical gold heist that occurred at the Toronto Pearson International Airport. On April 17, 2023, a cargo airliner belonging to Air Canada arrived from Zurich, Switzerland. Its cargo? \$22.5 million worth of gold and foreign currency. The cargo was offloaded to a secure storage facility where it was locked away. Law enforcement believes that two workers for Air Canada supplied fake paperwork to 4 others who entered the secure facility using said paperwork. The cargo container containing the valuables was loaded onto a truck driven by a former Air Canada employee. Recently, a Canadian man and his rental vehicle were searched at a traffic stop in Pennsylvania. When a state trooper found illegal firearms in the vehicle, the Canadian, who was in the country illegally, fled on foot. He was quickly caught and discovered to be the driver of the cargo truck that stole the valuable cargo.

According to Eric DeGree in an interview with CNN, "A court-authorized search warrant for the vehicle led to the recovery of those firearms that were allegedly destined to be smuggled into Canada." Mr. DeGree is a special agent for the US Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. "Over 65 weapons were stopped from being used to commit any number of violent crimes," says Mr. DeGree. Law enforcement agrees that the gold and cash were being used to traffic firearms into Canada. "We believe that they've melted down the gold and the profits they got from the melted gold they used to finance the purchasing of illegal firearms," said Detective Sgt. Mike Mavity of Peel Regional Police, the municipality where the heist occurred. Deputy Police Chief Nick Millinovich stated, "This was the largest gold heist in Canadian history, reportedly, it's the sixth largest worldwide." Law enforcement has only recovered about \$90,000 worth of the gold stolen. The search continues for the gold and cash.

Autism Acceptance/Awareness

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We all know that autism is a thing. It's likely that we know someone with Autism. But a lot of the time, it's hard to understand and help. Surprisingly, many websites are not a good source for learning about these things. I think we need to change our views on Autism completely.

Interview (with someone who has autism, and would like to remain anonymous)

What injustices or problems do you face?

"My stimming. A lot of people think it's weird. A lot of people judge me for it. Loudness, if I feel there's nowhere to go. Not being able to have accommodations. Especially in school. It makes me not be able to learn properly or learn at all."

Do you face any bullying or are you treated differently because of your autism?

"Yes. Not by people who are aware, but by people who think I'm weird or different and make fun of me for my actions, but not for my autism itself."

Do you think if you told these people you have autism they would treat you better or worse?

"See, I feel like they would probably treat me *differently*, not better or worse. I feel like they would not outwardly make fun of me, but inwardly make fun of me. You know, treat me less human."

What do you think of people who mimic/make fun of certain stereotypes and symptoms of autism? What would you like to say to them?

“See, it’s, it’s really hard because I don’t know what I would say to them. I don’t think they know what they’re doing, to be honest. Because that’s how the first autistic people looked, that’s how these people must look. It really hurts people, and it assumes that they’re lesser and less capable of being a part of society. It makes me and other autistic people so mad when they use the ‘r-word’. Other curse words can be used in a light way. There is absolutely no light way you can use it and it should not exist.”

What do you think of websites that try to “fix” autism, or say things that “help” but actually harm people?

“They’re not helping us. They’re helping the caretakers that treat us like problems that need to be fixed and I hate them so much.”

Autistic websites, organizations, and sources

There are a lot of websites and organizations for autism. But autistic people say sometimes these organizations can do more harm than good. Some of these organizations see autism as a “puzzling problem”, hence the puzzle piece symbol. They force people who are in these groups to mask and stop habits such as stimming. Some groups like this include *Autism Speaks*, *TACA*, *Autism One*, *National Autistic Society*, *Generational Rescue*, and *Autism Society*. These organizations aren’t run by autistic people, nor do autistic people have anything to say in the way they are run. Once, one of these organizations tried to hire an autistic person, and they left because of what horrible things they were doing.

Some good resources for learning how to help and just about autism in general all come from autistic people themselves. The biggest problem, according to them, is that people don’t treat them like people like they are either some animal they can poke and use for fun. Some good YouTube channels made by autistic people include Morgan Foley, Paige Layle, Kalyn Partlow, and “I’m autistic, now what”

Autism and mental health

Not a lot of people know how badly autistic people’s mental health can be affected by not being diagnosed and forced to mask. Stimming is a way people use to comfort themselves by stimulating their senses, hence the term “stimming”. Masking is bad because it forces people to stop their behaviors and change their habits because “it’s weird” or “not normal”.

I can not stress enough how much Autistic people need to just be treated as normal people, and that’s not what a lot of people do. Studies show that around 60% of Autistic children are bullied. A lot of this can include mocking things they can’t control and making fun of behaviors they might not notice at all.

There are a lot of myths about Autism that people spread because that’s what The Autism stereotype is. For example, Autistic people refuse to engage, have no emotions, etc. I strongly encourage visiting the websites listed at the end of this article to learn more and hear the words directly from Autistic writers rather than me. Just remember, just because a coping strategy works for one autistic person, doesn’t mean it’ll work for everyone.

Glossary and additional information

Stimming - something that someone with autism does that stimulates their senses. Stopping stimming can affect their health very negatively, but some stimming behaviors can.

Masking - Stopping habits/symptoms/stimming because of bullying them or telling them to stop because it is weird or starting to do something because “normal people” do that.

What are some symptoms of autism? - There are a lot of symptoms for autism. The most common ones are: Not being able to look people in the eyes,

Where can I get tested for autism? - You can get tested at your doctor's office. You can also ask your guidance counselor for help, even though they can't test you directly.

How do I *actually* help someone with autism cope with bullying? - The best thing you can do is make them feel comfortable. Just because you've heard doing one thing may help with some autistic people does not mean it will work for this person.

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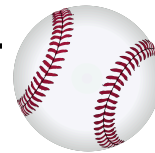
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Best Baseball Prospects

By Aashray A.



#3 - Paul Skenes

Paul Skenes is one of those pitchers you rarely come by. He has the potential to be the next Pedro Martinez. He throws a 100 - 102 mph fastball, alongside a 93 mph slider, with a high eighties changeup. Most MLB pitchers throw their fastball at around 90 - 93 mph. That's how incredible Paul Skene's arsenal is! In addition, Skenes has been dominating the triple A baseball for the Pirates (who need an ace like Paul Skenes). He tends to strike out hitters often. Statcast shows, every time a hitter has made contact against Skenes, the average exit velocity is under 70 mph. The only ball marked as "hard hit" by Statcast had a velocity of 97.5 mph. These are some crazy numbers. On top of this, the Pirates need a pitcher as they have been unreasonably good to start the year. In conclusion, Paul Skenes would be a great addition to the Pirates MLB organization.

#2 - Evan Carter

Evan Carter is one of the best hitters in Major League Baseball. He was a huge part of the Texas Rangers World Series run last year. He has earned himself a 3 spot in the lineup over hitters like Jonah Heim, Josh Jung, etc at only age 21. Evan Carter is the most comprehensive player I know or in other terms he is just about good at everything. He hits for contact, and power, plays great defense, and is a good baserunner. He is the definition of a 5 tool player. In the playoffs, Evan Carter hit .300 with 1 home run, 9 doubles, and 18 hits in only 18 games. He played incredible defense alongside these incredible hitting stats. However, Evan Carter has always continued to enhance his game. Many fans are expecting this to be his breakout season for the Rangers. This is why Evan Carter is the second-best prospect in Major League Baseball this year.

#1 - Jackson Holiday

Jackson Holiday is undoubtedly the best prospect in Major League Baseball and has been for a couple of years now. He has been lighting up the Minor Leagues and people were just waiting for him to be called up. Like Evan Carter, Jackson Holiday is a 5 tool player, but he is just a little bit better. Holiday is a versatile hitter who plays great defense at shortstop. He would be the perfect Shortstop for the O's. The Orioles have rebuilt their team with prospects like Gunnar Henderson etc. So what harm would it do to add another rookie to their roster? In fact I think Jackson Holiday is the spark that will lead the O's to a World Series title. Holiday's MLB season may not have gotten to the best of starts but I have confidence that Jackson Holiday will be a special player for the O's.



Country of the Month

- Cuba -

By: Sophia K.

Here are some interesting facts about Cuba!

- Cuba's capital is Havana. In Havana, you can find plazas and parks, with many restaurants! It is a very vibrant city, with rich culture.
- The national language is Spanish, with 90% of Cuba's inhabitants speaking it. "Cuban Spanish" differs a little bit from normal Spanish, mainly in speech.
- The population of Cuba is 11 million people.
- Some famous people from Cuba are Andy Garcia, Gloria Estefan, and Camila Cabello.
- Christmas was banned for 30 years! The reason? It interfered with the sugar harvest.
- Cuba has one of the highest literacy rates in the world.
- The average GDP per capita is \$5,034.82, and 72% of people in Cuba are living in poverty.
- The White Mariposa is the national flower of Cuba. It is a symbol of rebellion and clarity at the times of war for independence.
- In Cuba, you can find people eating...
 - a. Rice with Cuban chicken
 - b. Rice, beans & plantains
 - c. Pescado, gambas y Camarones (Fish, prawns, and shrimp)
 - d. Cuban Sandwich (ham, roast pork, swiss cheese, mustard, and pickles)
 - e. Ropa Vieja (Beef stew, with shredded flank steak, tomato, onion, and pepper)
- Some popular sports are baseball, volleyball, wrestling, basketball, sailing, and boxing.
- Cuba's main exports are tobacco/cigarettes, sugar, rum, and pharmaceuticals.
- Cuba defeated Spain on December 10th, 1898, after over 400 years of colonization. Also in 1898, the United States colonized Cuba, and Cuba gained independence from the United States on May 19th, 1902.

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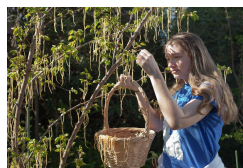
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The Best April Fools Pranks in History

By: Aarav S and Anirudh

Spaghetti-Tree Hoax



In 1957, during April Fool's Day, BBC showed a clip of a family in southern Switzerland harvesting spaghetti from a tree. Many people from the UK contacted BBC, asking how they could grow spaghetti trees. CNN reported this as the biggest hoax a reputable news channel ever pulled.

The McPickle

In 2019, McDonalds introduced the McPickle. This prank failed, because, for some reason, people wanted it on the menu! Additionally, in 2023 Mcdonald's introduced the McFry burger in Australia. However, this ALSO backfired because people, again, liked the burger. This year, they introduced milkshake sauce packets. They include the strawberry shake sauce, chocolate shake sauce, vanilla shake sauce, and Shamrock shake sauce.

WonderPaw

In 2016, there was a claim that an app called WonderPaw, which teaches dogs how to code, was released by Wonder Works. The dogs were shown coding a robot called Dash and Dot. The YouTube video was very convincing with actual customers giving testimonials.

Taco Liberty Bell

On April 1, 1996, Taco Bell announced that they would purchase the Liberty Bell, to “reduce the country’s debt”, and rename it the Taco Liberty Bell. The Taco Bell headquarters and the National Park Service received thousands of calls. It was also announced that the Ford Motor Company was purchasing the Lincoln Memorial, and renamed Lincoln-Mercury Memorial.

Bye, bye space needle

In 1989, a comedy show in Seattle said that the city’s Space Needle had fallen. They even had pictures of it! As a result of this, 700 panicky people called them.

Ramadan



By Anuja G.

Ramadan is a Muslim holiday in which Muslims fast during the sunlit hours to draw closer to God and cultivate self-control, gratitude, and compassion for those less fortunate for a month. During this time, Muslims spend extra time reading the Qur’an and performing special prayers. Ramadan is the 9th month of the Islamic calendar, which is based on a 12-month lunar year of approximately 354 days.

A Muslim family usually rises before dawn and eats a large, breakfast-like meal called “suhur”. After the meal, the family performs the morning prayer, and depending on the circumstances, either goes back to bed or begins the day.

Muslims fast from pre-dawn to sunset, a fast of between 11-16 hours depending on the time of year for 29-30 days. Muslims welcome Ramadan as an opportunity for self-reflection and spiritual improvement and as a means to grow in moral excellence. Ramadan is also a highly social time as Muslims invite each other to breakfast together and meet for prayers at the mosque.

Breaking the fast with dates or water is the only strictly traditional culinary custom associated with Ramadan. It is interesting to note the suitability of dates for this purpose as they are a concentrated source of energy and easily digestible. Different Muslim-populated countries have a variety of special dishes and desserts for Ramadan.

Ramadan is a special holiday for Muslims. It serves as a reminder of the importance of faith, compassion, and gratitude in people's lives. It is important to be kind and respectful of everyone's cultures and beliefs.

- Budget Friendly Spring Bucket List -

By: Sophia K.

Spring is a great season to participate in various activities, so what better way to spend your time by having fun, while spending little to no money? (Near Philadelphia)

- Are you someone who enjoys spending time in a historic place? Well, the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia is just for you. Luckily, admission is free!

Information:

Location: 526 Market St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Hours: Daily 9 am to 5 pm

- Do you enjoy visiting beautiful and unique parks? LOVE Park has the iconic love statue, which is a must-see in Philadelphia. Love Park has many events, food trucks, and games.

Information:

Address: Arch St, Philadelphia, PA 19102

Hours: Daily 7 am to 10 pm

- Just imagine roller skating, in the center of Philadelphia, while watching the sunset. Well, there is a place where you can! The Rothman Roller Rink is open year-round. In the winter, there is ice skating and in the spring, they have roller skating.

Information:

Address: 1 S 15th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Admission: Entry fee is \$10, and it's an extra \$6 for roller skate rentals.

Hours: Sunday - Thursday: 11 AM - 9 PM

Friday - Saturday: 11 AM - 10 PM

- To all the artsy people - The Institute of Contemporary Art is located on UPenn's Western Campus. The art pieces are very unique! It was founded in 1965, with its mission being to show the artworks of underrepresented artists.

Information:

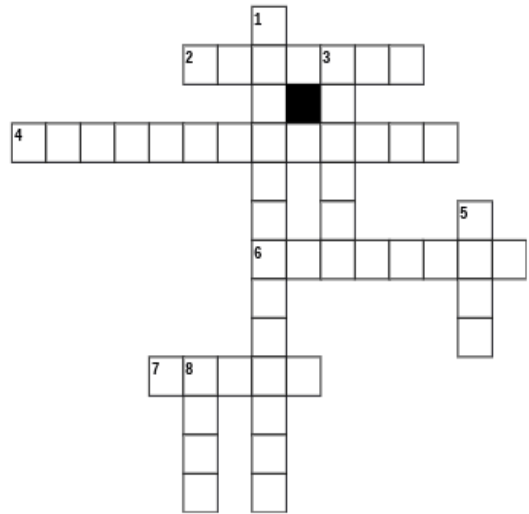
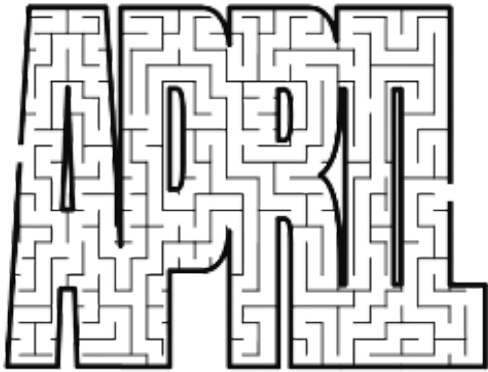
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April Puzzles

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Across

- 2. you pick these plants in the fields
- 4. the holiday celebrated on the first of april
- 6. we celebrate our planet on _____
- 7. the month is

Down

- 1. when the sun is too bright, it can permanently damage your eyes if you look at it
- 3. where the bunny hides eggs
- 5. the most weather found in april
- 8. most popular color in spring

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