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We're Back!! After a long break, the members of Paw Prints are excited to share Harrington news and events in our monthly editions. If you have an article idea that you would like us to cover in a future edition, please let us know by emailing your suggestion to hmspawprints@mtlaurelschools.org.

Epilepsy Awareness Month

By Joyce T.

If case you didn't know it, November is Epilepsy Awareness Month, and if you don't know what Epilepsy is it is a neurological disorder and is very common. According to healthline.com, about 150,000 people are diagnosed each year. 1 in 26 people are diagnosed every year and it's the fourth most common neurological disease after migraines, strokes, and Alzhemiers. Epilepsy also causes seizures and even though people live normally with this disease, it can cause early death. You can get Epilepsy at any age, even if you are a child. . 1.2 %(3.4m globally) of Americans have active Epilepsy and 65m people around the world have this disease. Epilepsy causes emotional problems to some and 1/3 of people Epilepsy experience depression and anxiety.

There are organizations to donate to help people with Epilepsy and information for what to do when an epileptic person is having a seizure below.

Organizations to help with Epilepsy:

- American Epilepsy Society (AES) <https://www.aesnet.org/>(Founded in 1946)
- The Cameron Boyce Foundation <https://www.tcameronboycefoundation.org/>(Founded in 2019 after the famous actor Cameron Boyce died after having a seizure in his sleep due to Epilepsy.)
- The Chelsea Hutchison Foundation <https://chelseahutchisonfoundation.org/>(Founded in 2009 after a girl named Chelsea Hutchinson died because she had a seizure in her sleep due to epilepsy and this foundation is to families that have epilepsy and stop SUDEP.(Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy)

Mashed Potato Collection

Each year the Mount Laurel School District partners with the Mount Laurel Rotary and Mount Laurel Library to provide December Holiday food baskets for needy families in the district. Students in each of our schools are requested to donate one food item to help make these holiday baskets complete. Harrington Middle School students and staff have been asked to donate one box of instant mashed potatoes. If you can contribute, please bring your box to the Main Office no later than December 14th.

How to help those affected by Hurricane Nicole ♥



By: Sanchita S.

Hurricane Nicole was a relatively weak Category 1 hurricane at its strongest, but it was a jaw dropping tragedy for many. Many lives were lost, and many homes were destroyed, leaving people homeless and starving. Would you want to go through all of that, and in just a matter of a few hours? Probably not. Here

is what you can do to help those affected by Hurricane Nicole:

- ★ Stay updated: Staying updated is one of the best ways to help those affected by this hurricane. Keep checking on friends and family and see how they are doing. Also, make sure you stay updated by watching the news, and reading articles (if you are a reader!)
- ★ Understand who exactly is at greatest risk: Not everyone who is in the path of a hurricane is equally at risk. According to research, there are over 30 factors that affect an area's vulnerability to these natural events. Some of which are demographic composition, rural or urban character, among others. Make sure to keep these factors in mind!
- ★ Understand what they're going through: The littlest bit of empathy can trigger you to do something to help.
- ★ Did you know that repair for damage caused by Hurricane Nicole costs about \$150,000? You can donate:
 - Blood: With so many people dying, blood is very much needed. Donating your blood can help to save precious lives that would otherwise be lost.
 - Water, Food, Shelter, and Medical Services: These are the four basic and immediate items that would be in urgent need right after a significant storm, or a hurricane like this one
 - Your love: Thinking about those who are in the worst times of their lives can help to build them up and fight through the difficulty! An effortless way to help those affected by Hurricane Nicole ♥

SHOULD HOLIDAY DIRECTIONS GO UP BEFORE THANKSGIVING

By Zaylie D.

Whether you like to get in the spirit early like Buddy the Elf or be a Grinch and wait until after Thanksgiving, here are the pros and cons of decorating for the holidays before Thanksgiving.

Yes!! Deck the Halls!!	No Way!! Wait until after Turkey Day!
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. More time to enjoy the season2. Don't have to rush when the time comes3. There's no shame in celebrating early4. Things are cheaper5. Encourages family spending time together6. Improves mental help and makes you happy7. Decorations are easier to find the earlier that you buy them.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Don't skip the time of gratitude that is Thanksgiving2. People are falling prey to corporate retail tactics3. Be appreciative of spending time with family4. If decorations go up to early, you may get tired of them.5. Overshadows the purpose of Thanksgiving6. Different month, different season, and different vibes.

Which Hogwarts House Are You?

By Aarav S.

1. What trait best describes you?
 - Bravery. - 1 point
 - Leadership. - 2 points
 - Kindness. - 3 points
 - Smartness. - 4 points
2. What is a bad trait about you?
 - I sometimes am a nerd. - 4 points
 - You always put others first and never can prioritize your needs. You are sometimes too selfless and fail to put yourself first. - 3 points
 - I sometimes am mean. - 2 points
 - I argue sometimes. - 1 point
3. What best describes you at a restaurant.
 - Buying way too much food so everyone can eat what they wanted to eat. - 3 points
 - Arguing what food to eat. - 1 point
 - Just ordering what the 'leader of your group' is ordering. - 2 points
 - Researching what food is healthiest to eat. - 4 points
4. What is your favorite Harry Potter subject?
 - Transfiguration. - 1 point
 - Charms. - 4 points
 - Potions. - 2 points
 - Herbology. - 3 points
5. Who is your favorite character out of the following?
 - Cedric Diggory. - 3 points

- Harry Potter. - 1 point
- Draco Malfoy. - 2 points
- Cho Chang. - 4 points

- My books. - 4 points
- Myself. - 2 points
- My family. - 1 point
- Me and my family at the same time. - 3 points

6. If your house was on fire, who would you rescue first?

Now it's time to see which house you were in!

Gryffindor - 1 point

Slytherin - 2 points

Hufflepuff - 3 points

Ravenclaw - 4 points

See which house you had the most answers on. If it was a tie choose which you like the best!

Gryffindor is a house which is all about bravery. They are fierce (in a good way) and they stand up for what they believe in, causing them to probably lead into many arguments. One of the famous Gryffindor people is Harry Potter.

Slytherin is a house which is known for people who are mischievous. People in Slytherin are good leaders. One famous person from Slytherin is Draco Malfoy.

Hufflepuff is a house known for people who are very kind. They also tend to prioritize others over themselves. Cedric Diggory is a famous person from Hufflepuff.

Ravenclaw is a house which is known for very smart people. They are good at solving problems in difficult situations. A famous person from Ravenclaw is Cho Chang.

 Paw Prints Survey

By: Nitya. R and Anika. V

Two writers from Paw Prints decided to conduct a survey that had many random questions, which you will see down below, and you can understand how lucky they are. But we decided to give 20 students and teachers this survey, and here are our results (due to lack of responses for certain questions or too many responses the results may not be accurate for 20 people):

1. Do you celebrate Thanksgiving?
100% said yes.
2. Turkey or Stuffing?
55% chose Turkey and 45% chose Stuffing. (One author might think they both suck but the other thinks one is more supreme.)
3. Pumpkin Pie or Apple Pie?
45% chose Pumpkin Pie, and 55% chose Apple Pie.
4. Ice cream or Brownies?
55% chose Ice Cream and 45% chose Brownies. (Correct answer is both).
5. What are you thankful for?
 - a. Health
 - b. Family and Friends
 - c. Wealth
 - d. Food20% chose Health, 60% chose Family and Friends, 30% chose Wealth, and 35% chose Food. (Food is the right answer.)
6. Dogs or Cats?
60% of people chose wrongly, and 20% of people chose cats. (One of the authors prefers cats more and disagrees with the 60% that chose dogs.) (One of the authors actually has taste and prefers cats unlike the other.)
7. Cobra Kai or CNN10?
45% of people chose Cobra Kai, and 35% chose CNN10. (Apparently in this day and age people enjoy Carl Azuz almost as much as they do Miguel Diaz.)

Book Review

By: Kaley U

The book for this month is...*Kingdom of the Wicked* by Kerri Maniscalco.

This book is a great read and a mix of a bunch of different subgenres! Yes, this book is fantasy, as well as an edge-of-your-seat mystery and a breathtaking romance. For people who are new to mystery and romance like myself, this is a great start! Our protagonist is Emilia. She finds herself hunting for her twin's murderer, and she won't stop until she finds the culprit. But there is something special about Emilia and her family. They are all good witches running from demons. This story is set in late 1800s Italy, way back when Italy was a kingdom instead of a country.

This is a great young adult novel for new and old readers. Kerri Maniscalco has a plethora of young adult books perfect for our age. If you like the series there are two other books! Keep calm and read...sometimes

Is it in the Library?: No

Overall star rating: 4 / 5 (purely to be modest :D)

TEACHER TALKS:

What Was Your Dream Job When You Were Younger?

By Aarav S.

During American Education Week, Mr. Besler asked students to dress for the career they believe they will have. Staff was encouraged to wear what they thought they would be doing for a career when they were in middle school. I set out to ask several staff members this question: What was your dream job when you were younger? Why?

Ms. Poulton: "I wanted to be a rock and roll singer like Stevie Nicks or Pat Benatar."

Mr. Gearhart: "My dream job was to be a paleontologist. The original Jurassic Park had come out when I was young and I fell in love with the movie and the thought of discovering new dinosaurs. Everything I had was dinosaur themed....fortunately I grew out of my dinosaur themed room and clothing!"

Mr. Dempster: "I have wanted to be many things throughout my life, but I'd say the biggest was wanting to be a paleontologist when I was in elementary school because I always found dinosaurs so fascinating."

Mr. Besler: "When I was younger, I thought I would grow up to be a professional football player."

Ms. Tirico: "I knew from a very young age I wanted to be a teacher. As an elementary grade student, I can remember pretending to grade papers and loving it. I realized I wanted to be a language arts teacher in the 8th grade as a Harrington Middle School student. Mrs. Matthews was my language arts teacher, and her enthusiasm for the subject inspired me. I never looked back. It's funny how the very school district I grew up in is the district I ended up fulfilling my dream as a teacher. Life works in interesting ways."

Mr. LaMorte: "My dream job when I was in middle school was a Marine Biologist. I wanted to study sharks and whales!"

Ms. Lubin: "I wanted to be an anchorwoman. I wanted to sit there and read the news. I didn't want to be a reporter. I just wanted to sit there and read the news."

Mr. Welte: "I had a few dream jobs in mind when I was in middle school. The first one is obvious, which was a teacher. There were a lot of times throughout my math classes where I would understand what was going on, but my classmates were very confused. I was asked a lot to help them out, and I did. I felt a lot of accomplishment and fulfillment in helping my classmates understand what I understood. My second dream was to be a professional chef. I watched a LOT of cooking shows and had always wanted to be as good as the chefs from The Food Network. The last dream job I had thought about was being a marine biologist. I have always been fascinated and intrigued by sea life that it compelled me to just want to scuba dive and swim around with fish. My first encounter was snorkeling in the Bahamas and I fell in love with the mystical and magical scenery under the water. I had Discovery Channel to thank with all the nature specials too. Eventually, I had decided that teaching math was more of my dream than the others, so I pursued it as my career."



5-Step No-Bake Pumpkin Mousse By Liv A.

My family cooks and bakes Thanksgiving together every year, and we bake a ton of homemade dishes for all of us to enjoy! This is one of our favorite desserts that we bake annually every autumn!

To start, gather your ingredients:

Cream cheese – Leave your cream cheese out on the counter to soften.

Brown sugar and granulated sugar – Not necessary, but adds a bit of sweetness to your dessert.

Pumpkin pie spice – All the autumn flavors in one spice!

Pumpkin puree – You will want to use pumpkin puree and not pumpkin pie filling.

Heavy whipping cream – Adds a heavier and thicker consistency.

Vanilla – A dash of vanilla extract to add a bit of flavor.

Step 1: Mix the cream cheese, pumpkin pie spice, and brown sugar in a bowl. Leave the cream cheese out on the counter for a while so it's softer, it'll make your mousse smoother. I strongly advise using an electric mixer.

Step 2: Continue mixing until it is a light and fluffy consistency. Next, add the pumpkin puree and mix until it is all blended.



Step 3: Prepare the whipped topping in another bowl by whipping together the heavy cream, sugar, and vanilla.

Step 4: Pour around $\frac{3}{4}$ of the whipped cream you've made into the pumpkin puree bowl and save the last $\frac{1}{4}$ for the end.

Step 5: Pour your mousse into small glasses and plop a little of the leftover whipped cream on top. You can add other ingredients of your choice.

I suggest mini marshmallows and chocolate chips, they are the best!

BOOK-TO-SCREEN ADAPTATIONS TO WATCH

IRONICALLY

By: Joanna L.

*PSA: it is a fact—NOT opinion—that these movies are terrible book adaptations.
Argue with a wall.*

Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (2010)

The movie itself was not *that* bad. But compared to the book, it was laughably terrible. It strayed so far from the original plot, including the cast age. Even though Percy is only 12 years old in the first book, Logan Lerman (Percy Jackson actor) was 18 at the time of the movie release. The new Disney+ series coming out 2024 is already looking so much better. That being said, it's still a fun movie to watch if you can get past the fact that the CGI seemed to devolve every other scene, among other—more obvious—things.

Divergent Films (2014-2016)

Yet another adaptation where the writers decided the books were not good enough and changed the entire story. (Yay...) If you didn't have a childhood and never read the books, the original plot did not involve a Box in any shape or form. Like the word "box" probably wasn't even in there. Allegiant the movie also does not keep to the original ending at all. Bonus: the actors that play Tris and her brother play characters that are dating in *The Fault in Our Stars*. Has nothing to do with the Divergent series but it's funny and slightly disturbing.

The Twilight Saga (2008-2012)

Self explanatory.

The Book Thief (2013)

Seems like 2013-2014 were terrible years for movie adaptations. Anyways, this is an...okay(??) movie. It's just really boring and slow. Liesel, the main character, has some violent tendencies in the book, such as throwing a book at a woman's head and punching a boy repeatedly in the face (he had it coming, to be honest) but in the movie, she is much calmer. Much like other adaptations, they left a lot of significant details and scenes out, and the book is much better.

A History Of Football on Thanksgiving

By Jules G.

Do you like football? My family and I are huge football fans and will usually watch the games every Thanksgiving. It's become a tradition! But, have you ever wondered how it came to be this way? If so, I'm here to tell you just that and more.

Thanksgiving day football started in the 1800s. The first Thanksgiving day football game was the Intercollegiate Football Association championship in 1876. Princeton University and Yale University played that day and continued to play every Thanksgiving day til 1881. Football and Thanksgiving eventually became so connected that by 1893 the *New York Herald* called Thanksgiving the official holiday for watching football.

With all this popularity towards Thanksgiving day and this sport, the NFL decided to follow suit and played their first Thanksgiving day game in 1920. The game was played between the Akron Pros and the Canton Bulldogs. More recently though, the Detroit Lions and Dallas Cowboys have been Thanksgiving staples; playing every Thanksgiving for decades.

In Portsmouth Ohio in 1934, a group led by George Richards bought the Portsmouth Spartans, moved them to Detroit, and renamed them the Lions. Since Detroit's Major League Baseball team had been the main sports attraction then, the Lions had to make a splash to fill the stands. Therefore, the Detroit Lions signed up to play on Thanksgiving and had it broadcast on 94 radio stations across the nation. A new tradition was born. The attendance at the game was huge and they continued to play every Thanksgiving (minus from 1939 to 1944 due to the war).

As for the Cowboys, in 1966 the team's GM was looking to raise game attendance and was hoping to join the Lions in playing every Thanksgiving. Although their GM wasn't too sure it would work, he signed the team up to play that Thanksgiving and forever changed history. Attendance was over the roof with a whopping 80,259 people attending; breaking the record for the most people attending a game at the time.

Fun Facts:

- Out of all the teams in the NFL, the only team to never have played on Thanksgiving is the Jacksonville Jaguars.
- In 1980 the Cowboys destroyed the Seahawks 51 to 7, making it the largest win margin in Thanksgiving game history
- Troy Aikman holds the record for the most passing yards in the Thanksgiving game with 455. This record was set in 1998.
- The Rams haven't played on thanksgiving since 1975 which is the longest active thanksgiving drought in the NFL)

I hope you enjoyed reading this! Have an unbe-leaf-vable Thanksgiving!

Comic by Jayden



“5 and 5” Restroom Rule Explained

By Rose N.

Students and staff at Harrington are adjusting to a new routine that impacts that entire school. A new bathroom policy is in place and the reason for it is for safety. The new rule started on Monday, November 15th, and it outlines specific times students can and cannot use the restrooms. Students have had some questions about why the policy is in place, so I had the opportunity to communicate with our principal, Mr. Bessler. He provided answers that help to clarify any confusion.

Q: Can you explain the rules of the new bathroom policy?

A: In order to have an accurate record of all the students at all times, I have asked that the bathrooms be locked during hallway transitions and for the first five minutes and the last five minutes of class. If a student has an emergency, or desperately needs to use the bathroom, he or she may. We have the ability to open the bathroom at any time, and any student with an emergency may go to the Nurse's office.

Q: What made you decide to create the new policy?

A: I have observed students walking in bathrooms during the transitions between periods and as Principal of this building, I am responsible for the safety and well-being of everyone, so I want an accurate record of where the students are each period. If something were to happen to that student while in the bathroom, no one would know he or she is in there except for that person. In an event where there is an emergency, every second counts. Safety is my number one priority for every student and staff member in the building. Personally, I need to be able to say to a student's or staff member's family, "I did everything I could to keep everyone safe." With the previous method, I was not able to say that.

Q: Why is it important to follow this policy?

A: It is important for everyone to follow this policy because it allows every staff member to account for every student. Transitions can be difficult to manage in a building with over 900 students and 120 staff members. Students need to get to point A, before they can go to point B. This policy ensures that students are not stopping off in a bathroom, but rather are in the hallways where they can be monitored and in the eyes of an adult. Some people may argue that we are spending a significant amount of time with the bathrooms at Harrington Middle School; however, my response is that we need to spend the same amount of effort on safety that we do with curriculum when it comes to students. A child is a family's most prized possession, and I take great pride in being responsible for that child when he or she is in my care.

Q: What parts of the school day does this rule apply to?

A: When I enter the building, either myself or Mr. Hann, who is our School Security Manager, lock the bathroom doors. If a student needs to utilize the bathroom before or during Homeroom, a teacher, administrator, custodian, or School Security Manager can unlock the bathroom door. After five minutes pass in Period 1, we begin following our bathroom usage time frame that is now posted in each classroom all the way to Period 8.

The new bathroom rule at Harrington has only been in place for less than a month. If students have any questions about the rule, they can ask their teachers or any staff.

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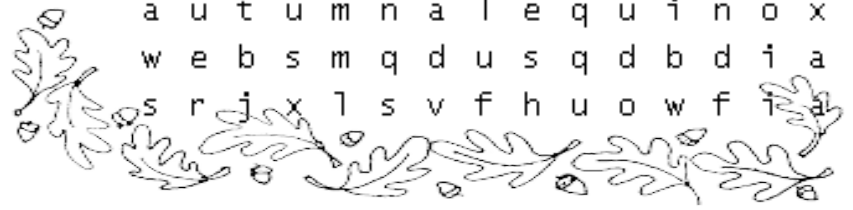
Are you a Minecraft player? Well, that's perfect, because there is an SMP for the school! You can join, as long as you fulfill the following requirements:

- At least 10 years old
 - Have the java edition of Minecraft
 - Maybe be able to upload videos of the SMP
 - Capable of taking a joke
 - Have discord (join at <https://discord.gg/RWeNjDkGpa>)
- We look forward to having you in the server!

November Puzzles

by Liv A.

Autumn ~ Autumnal Equinox ~ Family ~
 Feast ~ Leaf ~ Love ~ Orange ~ Pumpkin
 ~ Sagittarius ~ Scorpio ~ Stuffing ~
 Thanks ~ Turkey ~ warm ~ windy



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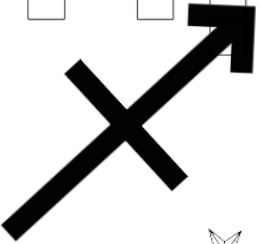
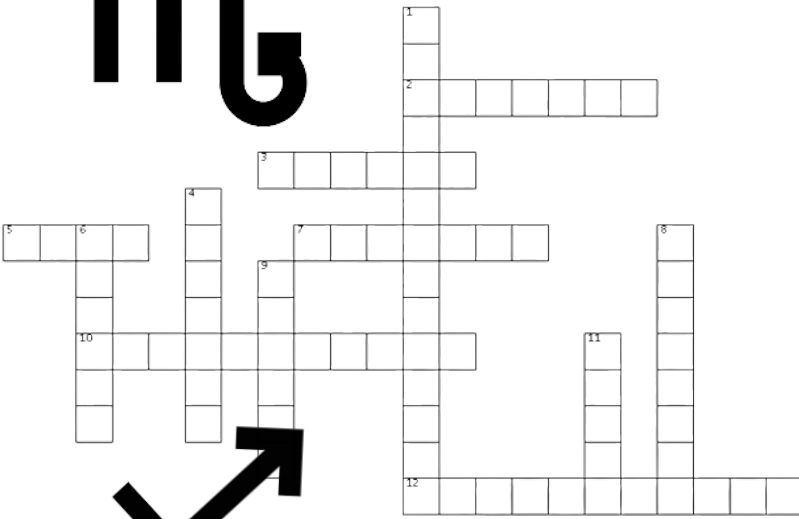
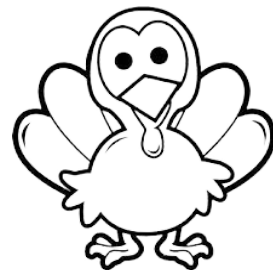
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- 2. zodiac from October 23 to November 21
- 3. a bird usually associated with fall and thanksgiving
- 5. today's season
- 7. a big orange autumn fruit (yes it is- it has seeds)
- 10. holiday in November that celebrates people from the armed forces
- 12. zodiac from November 22 to about December 21



DOWN

- 1. delicious, classic thanksgiving dish that the main office is collecting boxes of right now
- 4. the process of gathering crops
- 6. shovel is to dirt as to rake is to ___
- 8. number 11 of the 12 months in this year
- 9. the color of orange autumn leaves
- 11. a large meal



The Anything Article!

By Aiden, The Writer

This is an Article about anything

I feel like! I hope you like it

(Email ideas to pawprints@mtlaurelschools.org)



Great! The [article](#) that I was writing was "Too Confusing". Time to ScrAP IT. (On the last three days I want to add)

This article is about Puzzles! There are some puzzles for a book I found I want to show. These are puzzles I (Explain later) Time for the Puzzles! Answers on the are on the next page BTW.

From *SideWays Arithmetic From WaySide School* and *More SideWays Arithmetic From WaySide School* By Louis Sachar

Rules:

Each Letter stands for a number (0-9).

Each letter stands for only 1 number. (No S=1 and 2)

Each number stands for only 1 letter. (No S and T = 1)

The Equation has to be true.

ELF	EGG	TOP	STAYS	EWE	STILL
<u>+ELF</u>	<u>+EGG</u>	<u>+TOT</u>	<u>+ SAY</u>	<u>+DELL</u>	STALL
FOOL	PAGE	OPT	TRUST	WOODS	<u>+STILT</u> NITWIT

Bonus puzzles for the Brave

DOG	HE ME HE	FOUR	MISSWORM
<u>xAD</u>	<u>+ME +WE +WE</u>	<u>+EIGHT</u>	<u>+ZILLIONS</u>
DOG	WE SHE SUE	TWELVE	ZZZZZZZZZ
<u>+ADO</u>	Note:	Note:	Note:

AGOG

Solve all 3 at once

This is impossible

There is no Q

Note:

Why?

In the problem but Q>N

The **x** Is a multiplication sign

Answers

1. ELF+ELF=FOOL
721+721=1442
a. E=7 F=1 L=2 O=4
2. EGG+EGG=PAGE
899+899=1798
a. A=7 E=8 G=9 P=1
3. TOP+TOT=OPT
250+252=502
a. O=5 P=0 T=2
4. STAYS+SAY=TRUST
89718+871=90589
a. A=7 R=0 S=8 T=9
U=5 Y=1
5. EWE+DELL=WOODS
515+9577=10092
a. D=9 E=5 L=7 O=0
S=2 W=1
6. STILL+STALL+STILT=NITWIT
89655+89755+89659=269069
a. A=7 I=6 L=5 N=2
S=8 T=9 W=0

Bonus puzzles

7. DOGxAD=DOG+ADO0=AGOG
102x51=102+5100=5202
a. A=5 D=1 G=2 O=0
8. HE+ME=WE
40+50=90
ME+WE=SHE
50+90=140
HE+WE=SUE
40+90=130
a. E=0 H=4 M=5 S=1
U=3 W=9
9. We have 12 letters. Since we only can use the numbers (0-9), some have to be duplicated and breaking one of the rules above!
a. 1.E 2.F 3.G 4.H
5.I 6.L 7.O 8.R
9.T 10.U **11.V**
12.W
10. MISSWORM+ZILLIONS=ZZZZZZZZZ
95226079+15885032=111111111
a. I=5 L=8 M=9 N=3
O=0 R=7 S=2 W=6
Z=1 (BTW Q=4)

The True Story of The House on 657 Boulevard

By Abigail A.

Warning:This contains spoilers

Netflix's new show "The Watcher" by Ryan Murphy spent a while on the top ten. It's about a family who bought their dream home and later found harassing letters from someone called "The Watcher." Just as scary as the show, the real story is even scarier.

The Watcher

In 2014 the Broaddus family bought the house on 657 Boulevard in Westfield, New Jersey for \$1.3 million. A few days later they got their first letter from "The Watcher."

A part of the letter read, "657 Boulevard has been the subject of my family for decades now and as it approaches its 110th birthday, I have been put in charge of watching and waiting for its second coming. My grandfather watched the house in the 1920s and my father watched in the 1960s. It is now my time. Do you know the history of the house? Do you know what lies within the walls of 657 Boulevard? Why are you here? I will find out."

In a year and a half the family got four letters. Each time the letters got more disturbing, showing that the family is being monitored closely.

After getting the first letter the Brodusses stayed in their old home. They never lived in their \$1.3 million home, eventually selling it in 2019 for \$959,000.

In the show it shows that the neighbors of the Brannocks, Mitch and Mo, watch the house from lawn chairs. This is kind of true. The Broaddus family's house painter, Bill Woodward said, "One day, I was looking out the window and I saw this older guy sitting in one of the chairs," he told The Cut. "He wasn't facing his house – he was facing the Broadduses."

Till this day "The Watcher" has not been found. According to the Union County Prosecutor's Office, the case is not active or closed.



History of Thanksgiving Holiday

By Rana N. and Will C.

History of the Thanksgiving meal

Each year on the 4th Thursday of November, Thanksgiving is celebrated, this usually falls on the 24th of November.

The very first Thanksgiving was a shared Autumn harvest feast in 1621 in Plymouth, Massachusetts, though some historians argue that instead it was held in Florida, rather than Massachusetts. The joint meal was between the Colonists and an Indengious tribe, the Wampanoag tribe.

The original Thanksgiving meal included deer, onions, beans, lettuce, spinach, cabbage, carrots and perhaps peas. The first Thanksgiving meal did not include turkeys, but in the 1940s “farmers would gift the president with some plump birds for roast turkey over the holidays, which the first family would invariably eat.” according to History.com.

History of the Macy’s day parade

The Macy’s Day Parade first took place in New York City, 1924.

The parade lasts from 9am to noon. It starts on West 77th Street and ends Macy’s Herald Square.

Macy's decided to throw the parade to showcase the grand opening of the Macy’s Herald Square, which at the time was the largest store in the world. Since it was the most popular parade in America, later on, they decided to do it every year.