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5K for Aidan Sandor Scheduled for 14 May

School News

Aidan is a sophomore and an honors student here at Fleetwood Area High School. Attendees of Fleetwood have probably seen him powering down the hallway, accompanied by his long term companion, a Golden Retriever named Song. He smiles and laughs, never letting anyone get him down as he struggles with a powerful illness, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

Aidan was diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, commonly referred to as DMD, in spring of 2004. DMD is a detrimental disease that attacks the muscular structure of body, starting in the legs of the afflicted and eventually progressing to the vital parts of the body, such as the heart and respiratory system.

There is currently no cure for DMD. Thousands of scientists globally work around the clock,

looking for a cure for DMD.

Aidan and his loving parents, Maria McDonnell and Tom Sandor, help to work towards this goal by holding fundraisers, in the form of 5K runs, the pur-

pose of which is not only to raise money towards a cure and to Aidan's medical expenses, but just as importantly, to raise awareness of this genetic disorder.

The annual 5K fundraiser "5k for A.J." takes place around the beginning or middle of May. Last year's event took place on the 16 May 2015. The run raises money through sponsorships from local businesses and the money paid from the runners to participate. The money raised from these fundraisers helps to support Aidan and his family as they deal with this illness as well.

Also, as an alternative to running, which a lot of people prefer not to do, you can choose to just donate towards the cause. Whether you want to run or not, come out to this year's "5K for A.J."

By Eric Ebner



February Students of Month Named

School News

Meghan Sadler is the daughter of Jamie and Christine Sadler. She has only ever been in the Fleetwood Area School District.

Here at Fleetwood, Meghan is a part of Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Students, National Honors Society, and National Art Honors Society.

Outside of school she is involved in her church's youth group and Girl Scouts. In her free time, she likes to draw, paint, read, and watch movies.

Meghan's favorite subject is science because she likes learning how and why the things around us work the way they do. Her hobbies include, creating art, reading, playing field hockey, and baking. She believes she was chosen for Student of the Month because she is passionate, hard-working, and kind to others.

In ten years,

Meghan sees herself with a steady job that she enjoys and possibly starting a family.

After high school, she is going to college to major in Biology with a Pre-Med track and go into the Medical Field. She will miss the teachers she's come to know over the years. Her aunt is one of her role models because she has received her degree in Veterinary Medicine and has a good job at a local practice. Along with that, she is able to pursue her hobbies, like cooking and horseback riding.

Ben Reed is the son of Harry and Cathy Reed. Like Meghan, Ben has been in

the Fleetwood Area School District his entire life.

At Fleetwood, he has been involved with Mini-Thon, the school play/musical, and Tiger TV. He is also a member of the football and tennis teams. In his free time, he enjoys working out, playing video games, and developing creative projects. Ben's favorite class in school is TV Media because he loves working with cameras and videos. His interests and hobbies include, music, playing video games, sports, and exercising.

He believes that he earned his place as February's Student of the Month through his kindness and ambition.

Ben sees himself working on creative projects in the film industry in ten years. After high school, he plans to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Film Editing and Animation. He will miss being able to see his high school friends regularly.

His inspiration for life is the opportunity to do something great.

By Olivia Fenstermacher



Water Crisis Plagues Terror in Brussels

Flint, Michigan

Health/Medicine

The city of Flint, Michigan has recently suffered a major water crisis. Flint's water supply was found to have astronomically high amounts of lead after the city switched its water supply two years ago from Lake Huron to the local Flint River.

The switch was made for financial reasons. The city saved money from the switch.

The acceptable amount of lead in a water supply must be less than 15 ppb (parts per billion) according to the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency). Flint's water supply was found to be 25 ppb, with some samples surpassing 100 ppb.

It turns out that the water from the Flint River is nine times more corrosive than the city's previous water supply, as was discovered by the Virginia Tech Research Team. The city never treated the water with an anti-corrosive agent, causing the water to eat away at the pipes.

The city began issuing water filters and water bottles to residents, offering a temporary solution to the issue. A long term fix has not yet been decided, but there are ideas.

The city may incorporate an anti-corrosive agent or move the

water supply back to that of Detroit and Lake Huron. The city will also need to repair and replace the pipes that take water to residents' homes.

Many residents and observers are asking who is to blame for this crisis. There are, in fact, multiple answers. Many blame the city government for making the decision to switch the water supply to save money. They also blame

them for consciously hiding it from the public for two years and ignoring the issue.

"A lot of people's health was affected by the government's decision," junior Anna Grayek said.

The Department of Environmental Quality is also to blame. The DEQ is responsible for testing samples and determining if the water supply is safe to drink. The samples that they tested yielded safe results, but questions have surfaced whether or not they used legal and consistent samples.

"A lot of the data was not examined close enough," said Anna Grayek. "They didn't perform enough samples to get an accurate reading."

"It is primarily the department's job to make sure the water is safe to drink," junior Josh Klopp said. "Had they done proper testing, they would have seen that the water had issues."

Even the Republican governor Rick Snyder has received criticism for handling the situation poorly.

By Adrian Alicea



Devon Heller and Olivia Fenstermacher Students of the Month for March

Profile

Devon Heller is the son of Jennifer and Christopher Heller. In school, he is involved in Science Olympiad, German Club, and the Outdoor Club, for which he acts as president.

Outside of school, he was previously involved with the local food bank, which goes well with one of his many hobbies, baking. Some of his other hobbies include working with cars, golf, gardening, and anything outdoors.

After he graduates, he is going to attend Penn State University to major in Medical Engineering.

"I will miss my friends a lot after graduation," Heller said.

He is very interested in both the math and science department, as those are his favorite subjects in school. He thinks the reason he became Student of the Month is that his teachers like him and because he does his work.

In ten years, he hopes to merely be alive.

Olivia Fenstermacher is the daughter of Peter and Marie Fenstermacher, and she has been attending Fleetwood Area School District all her life.

In school, she is the secretary of the Interact club, and she also writes for the school's newspaper, *The Tiger Times*. Outside of

school, she is part of a youth group at her church, as well as a teacher for their kindergarten and first-grade Sunday school classes.

Some of her hobbies include, writing, reading, listening to music, and hiking. She also likes to watch Netflix and hang out with her boyfriend Logan Carbaugh, a junior at Fleetwood, in her spare time.

Her favorite subject in school is English because it lets her express herself through writing and it gives her a better understanding of American and British literature.

After she graduates from high school, she would like to attend Kutztown University to major in Paralegal Studies, as she would like to work either as a legal secretary or undertake some kind of paralegal social work. In ten years, she would like to have her own house or apartment and maybe have started a family and be working within the paralegal services.

She thinks she became Student of the Month because she is both hardworking and friendly as well as outgoing. She has also put a lot of effort into school for the past couple of years in order to become her best self.

By Skorpan Erikson

World Terror

On 22 March 2016, the day began just as any other day in Brussels, the capital of Belgium. But, as men and women arrived from a multitude of countries on planes, a malevolent force lurked on and beneath the ground. This malevolent force came in the form of five Islamic extremists, of which three have been identified.

The identities of the perpetrators are Ibrahim El Bakraoui, Najim Laachraoui, and a third unidentified man. They were the terrorists who attacked the Brussels Airport. In addition to the airport bombing, the Maalbeek Metro Station was attacked by Khalid El Bakraoui and another unidentified male individual.

The bombs claimed the lives of 35 victims instantly (32 innocents and 3 suicide bombers) within the airport and metro station. The injuries related to the incident were over 300, and 62 of those injuries were critical. Belgian officials declared a three-day national mourning period for the victims and their families.

The attack may have been a surprise, but it was expected for ISIL, the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, also known as ISIS, to attack in the

region. Many believe that March's attack, the deadliest terrorist attack in Belgian history, may have been stopped before even having the chance to begin, had the Belgian government reacted to the United States' warning that Ibrahim El Bakraoui was a threat and was on the counter-terrorist watch list.

The amount of homegrown terrorists within Belgium is larger than any other country in Europe. The amount of Belgians estimated to have left Belgium to seek out terrorists organizations in Iraq or Syria is around 440. This, combined with Belgium's weakness in security and competing intelligence agencies, makes the country of Belgium a hub for local and global jihadists activities.

By Eric Ebner



FBLA Hockey

Business

On Monday, 7 March 2016, eight members from FBLA attended a sports and entertainment seminar at the Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia.

Tara Wily, Taylor Landis, Amanda Meck, Amanda Biedler, Chris Logar, Marissa Werley, Dayna Lochman, and Kristen Knoll are the eight students who were able to partake of the knowledge during the seminar.

The seminar was held from 4-5 p.m., and it included short presentations from four individuals within the Philadelphia Flyers organization. A time for a tour of the main concourse was also given.

The point of this field trip was to

learn about sports careers and learn about what it takes to be in sports management. The concourse tour showed key parts of the stadium and the displays for the hat trick hall of fame.

"The tour wasn't as good as I was expecting, but I enjoyed listening to the speakers and watching the game," senior Amanda Meck said.

The members, the FBLA advisor, Mrs. Ackerman, and their wondrous bus driver enjoyed the food and the game, which began at 7:00 pm.

By Olivia Fenstermacher

Dental Hygienist a Fun and Helpful Occupation for the Health-Conscious

Profile

There are many bright minds that attend Fleetwood Area High School. Many people have a different idea about what they want to do as a career in the future.

According to Dictionary.com, a dental hygienist is a person who is trained and licensed to clean teeth, take dental x-rays, and provide related dental services and care, usually under the supervision of a dentist.

Being a dentist requires doing many jobs. An example of one is removing all the tartar, stains, and plaque that are present on the teeth. Another job is applying sealants and fluorides to help protect teeth. Dentists need to take and develop dental x-rays. They need to keep track of patient's care and treatment plans. Another job is teaching the patient's oral hygiene, such as how to brush and floss correctly.

For the most part, dental hygienists work in the office. While working, they need to be wearing safety glasses, surgical masks to help to prevent anything going into their mouth. The most important is gloves to keep disease from spreading.

Some advantages to being a dental hygienist is that they can work part time, according to collegegrad.com. They need an associate's degree in dental hygiene. Some classes they would be taking in college are biology, chemistry, and mathematics.

There are many qualities a dental hygienist will need. They will need to be compassionate, detail-oriented, dexterous, friendly, and energetic. They use these qualities throughout every day of working.

There are also more advantages with pay. Dental hygienists can earn up to \$70,210 a year in 2012, said Collegegrad.com. They can also receive time off for vacation and sick leave. If you are a full-time worker, you will have more benefits and pay for working more hours. The most a dental hygienist can get paid is up to \$96,280 a year, according to Collegegrad.com.

By Emily Moyer

Seniors Sign Letters of Intent

School News

Every year, Fleetwood Area High School has some of their athletes sign to play for a college. This time, Jenna Hawkins and Ciara Delong signed their National Letters of Intent.

They did their signing on 3 February 2016. This event was held in the board room at Fleetwood Area High School.

Jenna Hawkins chose Bloomsburg as her college for her next step in life. She mainly chose this school because they have a fantastic soccer team. She gets along with coaches as well. Through this decision, she gets a lot of opportunities. She is very excited about going to Bloomsburg to see what life has there for her.

"I love the campus and the atmosphere up there," Hawkins said. Hawkins will be majoring in Environmental, Geographical, and Geological Science. This was not Hawkins' original choice until she visited the campus, met the team, and viewed the facilities on campus. When she first stepped on campus, she knew that this was the place she wanted to go for the next four years.

Her family is very happy with her decision. They are extremely excited to see most of her games as a collegiate athlete. Jenna's coach is also happy with her deci-

sion of going to Bloomsburg. Her recruiting coach is really excited to have her as a new addition to the team.

Ciara Delong was the second student to sign for a college. The college she chose to go to was the third top school in the whole country for her major, Misericordia University. They also have a fantastic softball project, which benefits her very well.

The program that Ciara wants to go for is Occupational therapy. She chose this occupation because she likes to interact with people and wants to be able to help them in need. They use assessments and treatments to develop, recover, and maintain the daily living and work skills of people with a physical, mental or cognitive disorder.

Ciara's parents are very happy and supportive with the decision she made to go to this school. Her coach is extremely proud of her.

"All the hard work she put in, her dedication is paying off," her coach said. Jenna and Ciara are very happy that they know where they are going in life

By Emily Moyer



Hair Products Cause Damage

Fashion

There are a lot of products men and women use daily. One important product is shampoo. You have to find the right brand for your type of hair, and you have to be careful if the type of shampoo burns off your hair.

Pantene has a product that literally causes your hair to burn at the scalp. An occurrence like this recently happened in Maryland.

Patrik Alan Simpson works at Mixed Elements Salon. He took this problem to Facebook. Patrik said that Pantene's Moisture Renewal shampoo and conditioner was unacceptable, according to Refinery29. While he was working on a woman's hair doing a technique he has done for years, her hair started to catch fire and burn through the aluminum foil he put in her hair.

He asked her what she used in her

hair, and she said Pantene, which she has used for over a year. Despite the number of complaints, Pantene has done nothing about this shampoo and conditioner burning and bubbling on the scalp.

Another product that achieved notoriety was WEN. More than 200 women filed a lawsuit on WEN hair products for causing severe scalp irritation and hair loss. This product claimed to be an all natural shampoo and conditioner to help hair grow faster, healthier, and thicker.

That doesn't mean the product actually does what it is supposed to. This caused a lot of hair loss to women even after just one use. These are all of the side effects costumers reported after using WEN: rashes, scalp irritation, hair breakage, hair discoloration.

By Emily Moyer

German Club Gets Festive

School News

On 17 February, the Black Forest Cherry Cake event was held for the German Club. This cake was made with chocolate cake mix, cherries, and whipped cream.

"The students in the club did a good job making the cakes. There was a tall cake and a short cake. The tall cake had four different layers, and the small cake had only two layers," German teacher Frau Moll said.

"I had brought the extra cake into the play practice and everyone who got to try some loved it," senior Nicole Spanier said.

Although the cake may be eaten in the United States as a dessert, in Germany, the cake is usually eaten between lunch and dinner to keep everything moving. Black forest cherry cake comes from the cherries grown in the Black Forest in Germany.

"Germany is not like Spain, where they take a break in the afternoon to nap and eat. Germans like to keep their day moving along to get as much done as possible," Moll said.

The original history of the cake cannot be proven and no one knows who created the tasty snack. The club was not able to put Cherry Schnapps in their cake, but it was once made with the liquor inside of the cake.

"It was interesting that cherries are the main crop there, I wouldn't have thought of that," Moll stated.

The next event coming up is Spaghetti Eis on March 16, 2016. Spaghetti Eis in English is spaghetti ice cream. The ice cream was invented in Mannheim by an Italian immigrant. Vanilla ice cream is put into a noodle press to form the strands that look like spaghetti noodles. After the noodles, strawberry topping is put on top to make it look like the sauce. Shaved off white chocolate is the last topping of the sundae to look like shredded cheese.

"It really looks right like spaghetti! Although it is easier to eat on a plate with a little flat spoon that looks similar to a shovel, when I was in Germany, there was a restaurant with an advertisement about it being on a cone," Moll said.

The final upcoming event is being taken place on 22 April, 2016. It is a Pennsylvania Dutch restaurant that came here from Germany. The German word for German, is Deutsch. People thought it was pro-



nounced "Dutch" when the Germans first came to America and that is where the name Pennsylvania Dutch came from.

"My grandmother's first language was Pennsylvania Dutch," Moll said.

The German culture has a very plain taste in their food. So students going on the field trip to Deitch Eck expect simple foods. While there, food will be served all you can eat, family style. This very heavy lunch will include pot pie and pig stomach as the main meal. The pot pie is not like the usual pot pie you may think of in a pie crust. This pot pie has very thick noodles with a gravy-like broth. The noodles can be described as square and flat like lasagna noodles. The dish was originally served on Monday's as leftovers from Sunday's dinner. It may seem thicker to what the students may be accustomed to.

The other option for the main dish is a pig stomach. This comes from the Germans not wanting to waste any part of the animals. The stomach is chopped up with sausage, carrots, onions, and potatoes.

"Sometimes the pig stomach can get chewy," Moll said.

The side dishes include potato filling, lettuce with bacon dressing, Chou Chou, pickled vegetables, and pepper cabbage with corn. After the meal, the dessert options will be shoofly pie or apple crumb pie.

By Laura Siedel

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Talent Contest

August

Spaghetti & Song

Directed By
Jeannette DeAngelo
September 30 & Oct 1

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29 & 30

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I Hate Christmas

Director: TBA
December



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Fleetwood Track off Happy Birthday, to a Strong Start Dr. Seuss!

Sports

Fleetwood Track and Field is coming off of the most successful season in its history. After an undefeated finish for the boys team and a very strong season for the girls in 2015, the team will look to continue its dominance in Berks County. Last year saw some of the team's strongest performers graduate, meaning that new leadership will be essential if 2016 will see similar results as last year.

The season started with a scrimmage against Twin Valley, where Fleetwood hosted the visiting Raiders. Scoring for the scrimmage was not officially kept, as this scrimmage served solely as a way for the teams to prepare for their first matches of the year.

"From what I saw, we have a very talented track team," sophomore Dana Gehringer said.

The first competitive meet of the year came with mixed results. The meet was on Tuesday, 29 March. It was on the road against Wyomissing, and it was an early test for the competitors. Wyomissing is a perennially-strong team, and they project to have another impressive season ahead of them. The boys' team was able to come away with a tough win against the Spartans, winning 91-57.

"We did

a really nice job," senior Nick Matteo said.

The girls' team was not able to come away from the same result. They kept the match close throughout, but, in the end, they came up short and lost 90-80.

The Tigers came out with another strong result at the Oxenreider Relays at Muhlenberg High School. Out of the seven competing teams, Fleetwood finished in second. An outright victory was within reach, but Wilson managed to come away with a narrow seven-point victory.

After a good start, it is beginning to look like Fleetwood may have a chance to replicate the success they had in 2015. Upcoming meets against Schuylkill Valley, Tulpehocken, and Hamburg will give Fleetwood Track and Field an opportunity to set the tone for another triumphant year.

By Owen Sandor



News

Dr. Seuss's birthday was celebrated on 2 March 2016 in Fleetwood Area School District. Theodore Seuss Geisel was born in Springfield, Massachusetts. In his 87 years of life, he became a much loved story writer. In 2000, Publishers Weekly voted for the "Best Selling" children's stories of all time. Sixteen of the top one hundred were written by Geisel.

High School students in FBLA were encouraged to join the "Read Across America" program to read to the Elementary School students at Andrew Maier Elementary. For the second year in a row, the students read and interacted with the children. After the FBLA members read to the students, the children made projects based around their story book.

"We will hopefully be participating in these activities again next year to make it a new tradition," FBLA advisor Mrs. Kelly Ackerman said.

Each grade in the elementary school was given a different story to read aloud. Kindergarten was given *The Cat in the Hat* and made masks for them to make and wear. First grade had been read *The Foot Book* and traced their feet to put rhymes inside of their footprints. Second grade was read *There's a Wocket in my Pocket* and made pockets with Wockets inside of them. The Wocket is a silly green Dr. Seuss creature. Third graders

were read *The Lorax* and made puppets.

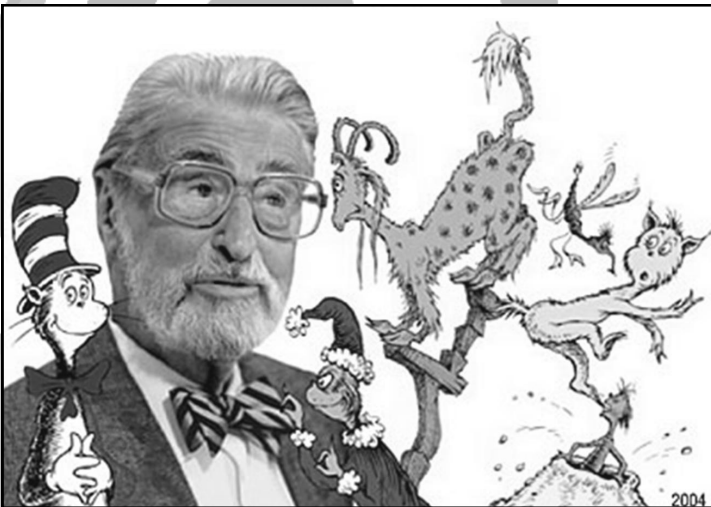
"It was cute to watch the third graders build the foam Lorax. Reading to them in the rocking chairs were a lot of fun," senior Tara Wily said.

The fourth grade students were read *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish* and made a poster with traced cutouts of their hands to make fish. Combining the short stories, funny rhymes, and made up characters, the students were happy to have the fun activities brought to their school.

"I liked watching the children making their projects and learning about the books," senior Taylor Landis said.

If you are in FBLA or if you will be joining the club next year, join the fun in reading the books to the Elementary School students.

By Laura Seidel



RANDOM CHEESE!



"Black, like my soul," physics teacher Damian King said.



"Purple. It's just a very relaxing color," junior Rayanna Celmer said.

"Gray, because it matches everything," junior Zack Hadeed said.



"Red, because it makes me happy," senior James Bowman said.



"Aqua. It's a very unique vibrant color," sophomore Emily Delozier said.



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