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## Mini-Thon Comes to Fleetwood

*School News*

Penn State University's dance marathon, or THON, has made waves in the fundraising world by raising millions of dollars every year for pediatric cancer research. This year's event raised almost ten million dollars, and 2014 stands as the record-holder with over thirteen million dollars in funds raised.

Just as important as the almost 130 million dollars that THON's website claims it has raised in its history is the fact that it has inspired high schools all over the state to hold their own smaller fundraisers.

These fundraisers have become known as Mini-THONs, and they have been prosperous in their own right. Just in the 2010-2011 school year, Mini-THONs across the state of Pennsylvania combined to raise over 1.3 million dollars.

Fleetwood began participating last year and will put on its second annual event

on 21 May. The event is orchestrated by members of Student Council

Mini-THON's first year in Fleet-



wood surpassed the organizers' expectations. Between the event itself and other fundraisers for the same cause, Fleetwood Area High School raised \$7,547.54 for pediatric cancer research.

As a way to raise money before Mini-THON begins, Fleetwood hosted a night at Chipotle Mexican Grill in Wyomissing, where fifty percent of all money from participating customers went towards making Mini-THON a success.

The night, which uses the fundraiser For the Kids, or FTK, is open to all Fleetwood Area High School students. After a night of dancing and other activities, the evening concludes the way the real THON does. Several students, each holding one number, will stand up on the stage and reveal how much money the event raised.

Students and staff should contact history teacher Sue Nagle to find out more information.

*By Owen Sandor*

## Pennsylvania Holds Political Primary

*Politics*

The race for the White House began in mid-March of last year when Ted Cruz announced that he was running for president. Since then, twenty-three total candidates have tried running. Now, with only a few months until one candidate from each party earns the nomination, primary elections are in full swing.

There are currently five candidates seeking the nomination for their party. On the Democratic side, there are two candidates: Bernie Sanders and Hillary Clinton. There are three Republicans: Donald Trump, Ted Cruz, and John Kasich. Only one person from each party will earn the nomination. To earn it, he or she must win a certain number of delegates. This is where the primary election counts. If a candidate wins a state's primary, he or she is one step closer to the nomination. Winning the nomination means appearing on the ballot in November's general election.

The five candidates all have very different views, which can make it easier to choose which one is right for you.

Donald Trump is a conservative businessman. He has never been appointed or elected into any political office. You may remember him from NBC's "The Apprentice." The show was dropped shortly after Trump began his campaign. A recent comment, in which Trump said women should be "punished" for having an abortion, sparked controversy across the board, concerning even his supporters. Trump is the man who has claimed that the only way to monitor immigration is by building a wall.

Much like Trump, Ted Cruz also believes that a wall should be built on the Mexican and American border. Cruz is a

senator from Texas. He first announced that he was running for president in March 2015. Currently, Cruz is second in the polls. He is pro-gun, pro-life and anti-immigration. The difference between Trump and Cruz seems to be that Cruz has more experience in the political world.

John Kasich is the current governor of Ohio, and he is polling last for the Republicans. Unlike the other two conservatives, he is very moderate. He believes that the reason nothing gets done in Congress is that Republicans and Democrats work against each other instead of respecting one another. He is also pro-life and pro-gun. As far as immigration goes, he believes that if someone is hard working, they should be allowed to stay in the United States. Because he is trailing so far behind, both Trump and Cruz have been calling for him to drop out of the race. Kasich, believing that the Pennsylvania and New York primaries will push him ahead in the race, will not do so. He will appear on the primary ballot.

The Democratic candidates are relatively similar. Bernie Sanders and Hillary Clinton generally have the same opinions on social and economic issue, but Bernie has been fighting for the things he believes in his whole life, whereas Hillary's views have changed over time. Recently, the Chicago Tribune released a video of Bernie Sanders being arrested at a 1963 civil rights protest in Chicago.

Sanders' main concern seems to be making public college tuition free and raising minimum wage to \$15.00. He also believes that raising taxes on the rich to give money to the poor will close America's in-

creasing gap between the upper and lower classes. He, like many other democrats, is pro-choice and pro-gay marriage. The Vermont senator has been called a socialist by many other politicians because he believes in equality on a social and economic level.

Hillary Clinton's name has been heard around the world. Her husband, Bill Clinton, was president from 1992-2000. Clinton, like Sanders, has been involved in politics for much of her life. She has been the senator of New York, First Lady, and Secretary of State. She ran for president against Barack Obama in 2008 but lost in a close race between the two of them. This is her second time seeking the democratic nomination.

While students align either as a Republican, Democrat, or somewhere in between, many of them seem unexcited for this election.

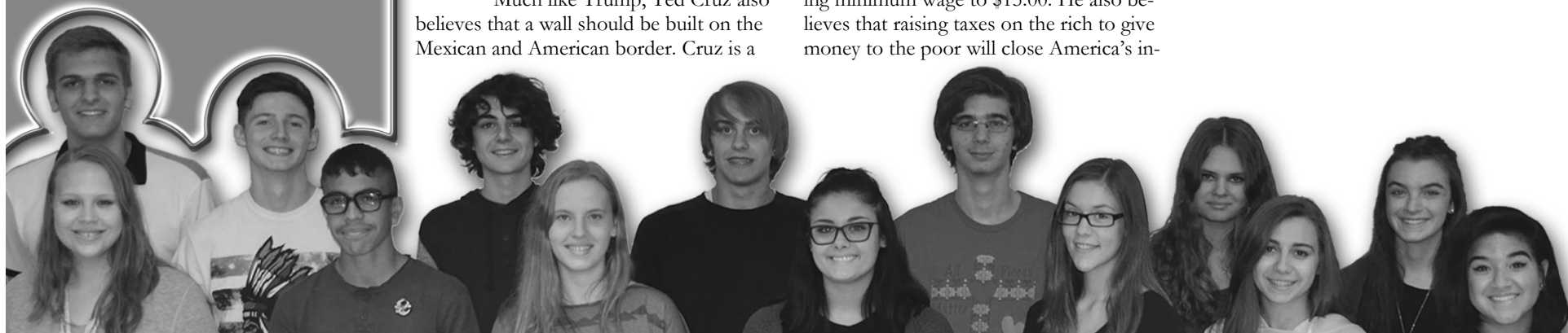
"I don't think there are any good candidates this time," freshman Faith Readinger said.

The Pennsylvania primary was 26 April. Citizens must be at least 18 to vote.

"Pennsylvania has a closed primary, which means you have to be registered as a Democrat to vote for a democrat, or as a Republican to vote for a Republican," government teacher Mr. Todd Weiss said.

You can still register to vote in the general election until the beginning of October.

*By Alyssa Hall*



# Boys' Volleyball Off to a Good Start

*Sports*

Back in 2015, Fleetwood Boys' Volleyball finished with a disappointing record.

"Last year, we were pretty inexperienced and couldn't hold up against the county's really good seniors," junior Shane Burt said.

The team came into 2016 hoping for a more prosperous season. The season did not get off to an ideal start. Fleetwood lost its first two games against Wilson and Governor Mifflin.

From there, however, the team has put forward strong performances in order to climb up the league standings. Starting on Thursday, 31 March, against Kutztown, Fleetwood started what would become a four-match win streak.

In that Kutztown match, Fleetwood did not lose a single game. Junior Nate Wolfe led the way with nineteen kills and two aces. Junior Marckens Griffon contributed by adding thirty digs and three kills.

Six days later, Fleetwood managed to beat Pottsville. Just like in the Kutztown match, Pottstown failed to record a win in any of their games, as Fleetwood won 3-0. Jeff Eager-Heffner recorded eight kills, three digs, and two assists. That win moved the Tigers to 2-2 on the year.

By defeating Brandywine Heights in its next match, Fleetwood matched its win total for the entire 2015 season. With sixteen kills from Wolfe, Fleetwood only needed four games to continue their win streak.

Reading presented Fleetwood with one of its toughest challenges of the year. To push forward with the win streak, Fleetwood needed one of its strongest

performances of the year. They found just that and took the match 3-2.

"Alex Kitixis made some really awesome plays, which helped us in our really close victory," Burt said.

The win streak concluded after a loss to Exeter, but the team remains in the hunt for a playoff spot. Having already surpassed last year's win total, Fleetwood Boys' Volleyball is showing signs of improvement for this season and beyond.

"We're only losing one senior, so our juniors will be good and experienced for next year," senior Alex Kitixis said.

Fleetwood still has several games left this season, including home games against Wilson, Daniel Boone, and top-seeded Governor Mifflin.

*By Owen Sandor*



# Italy Offers Wonders

*Travel*

Going to new places and experiencing new things is always a good way to get in touch with the world. There are so many adventures outside of Fleetwood; one of these is Italy. Italy was founded in 1861.

One of the main cities in Italy that people tour is Rome. In the city of Rome, there are so many exciting places to see. A popular place is Vatican City. In this little city, there are many beautiful attractions to see, like St. Peter's Basilica, The Sistine Chapel, Vatican Museums, and more.

St. Peter's Basilica is a gorgeous monument that took 120 years to complete. This church has magnificent artwork created by famous artists, including Michelangelo and Gian Lorenzo Bernini. St. Peter was buried under the Basilica along with others.

Another beautiful part of the Vatican City is the Sistine Chapel. Baccio Pontelli and Giovannino de' Dolci built this beautiful creation in 1473, but it was later painted by Michelangelo. The Sistine chapel was created not just for its beauty but also for religious purposes, like selecting a new Pope.

When going to Rome, you definitely want

to check out the Colosseum. This great building was originally a theater. It was known as the Flavian Amphitheatre. In the sixth century, you would be able to see fighting, animal hunting, and even executions at the Colosseum.

The Trevi Fountain is Rome's largest Baroque Fountain. This exquisite fountain was built to mark the ending destination of the Aqua Virgo to bring fresh water to the city to bathe in. Many tourists come to visit and look at the beautiful sculpting by Nicola Salvi. There is actually a legend about this fountain.

*By Emily Moyer*



# Trump Becomes Republican Nominee

*Politics*

The Republican field for its party's nomination started off with seventeen candidates, and now, after almost a year of debates, primaries, and caucuses, it appears as though they have chosen a nominee. Although he has yet to reach the 1,270 delegates that are necessary to clinch the nomination, businessman Donald Trump is the only candidate left standing, and he is the presumptive nominee for the Republican Party.

Heading into the Indiana Primaries on Tuesday, 3 May, Texas Senator Ted Cruz and Ohio Governor John Kasich were still active on the campaign trail and seeking their party's nomination. Both of them faced the fact that it was mathematically impossible for them to head into June's Republican National Convention with the nomination secured, but they still sought to become the party's nominee through a contested convention.

Later that night, after the results from Indiana were announced and Trump earned yet another victory, Cruz announced that he would be suspending his campaign. "From the beginning I've said that I would continue on as long as there was a viable path to victory. Tonight, I'm sorry to say, it appears that path has been foreclosed. Together, we left it all on the field in Indiana. We gave it everything we've got. But the voters chose another path," Cruz said as he announced his concession.

His announcement officially narrowed the field down to two.

The next day, 4 May, Kasich became the sixteenth and final Republican candidate to announce he would no longer be seeking a bid for the presidency.

"The people of this country changed me," he said.

After he took time to reflect on his run as a presidential candidate, Trump officially became the presumptive nominee for the Republican Party.

"It is a beautiful thing to watch, and a beautiful thing to behold. We are going to make America great again," Trump said.

Trump will face a difficult battle heading into the general election. A recent Boston Globe poll shows that Trump trails likely Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton by twenty-four percent.

Additionally, Republican leaders, including Speaker Paul Ryan and former President George W. Bush, have announced that they will not support Trump, at least for the time being.

Both Trump and the eventual Democratic nominee will have six months to try and persuade voters to support them in November's general election.

*By Owen Sandor*



# Cassidy Vees: Coming to a Teen Theater Near You

*Profile*

Cassidy Vees is a freshman at Fleetwood Area High School. She loves helping people and wants to make a difference. She is a part of an organization called "Teen Theater Ensemble" at the Yocum Institute for Arts Education.

This is a program that is primarily a theater class that deals with a lot of acting. Some of the activities are improvisational performances, plays, and even some musicals. This helps kids meet new people and gain confidence in themselves.

The play they are focusing on now is written by Barry Kornhauser, called "From Apartment 2B to the End Zone." This is a piece that deals with a situation someone might be going through. The play is about a teen who commits suicide. Kids can express the way they feel about this and how they would handle a situation like that.

"She is very passionate about it. Nothing will ever stand in her way with the theater. I think it's a great way for her to meet new people. I love hearing about all her new friends from the theater," freshman Jenna Scott said.

This assembly is run by Beverly Houck. They have performed in Oley, both BCTC campuses, and multiple other local

schools. Getting the word out and knowing you're not alone helps students with everyday challenges.

Cassidy joined this program at the beginning of this school year. Her parents are huge supporters with Teen Theater Ensemble at the Yocum Institute program even though she had to miss quite a few days to participate in the tour of "2B".

This year, they are doing "Duck for President."

*By Emily Moyer*





Pennsylvania Legalizes Medical Marijuana

Health/Medicine

Medical cannabis, or medical marijuana, is a term for which there is no agreed definition; it can refer to the use of cannabis and its cannabinoids to treat disease or improve symptoms.

Medical marijuana was recently approved in PA. However, it's only a clinical trial as of right now. It's only available in pill, oil, and liquid.

It helps HIV, multiple sclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, inflammation, pain, seizures, substance abuse disorders, and muscle problems caused by MS and mental disorders.

The United Kingdom, Canada, and several European countries have approved a mouth spray containing THC and CBD. The United States is conducting clinical trials for



its safe use in treating cancer pain.

Representative Jeff Pyle was diagnosed with renal carcinoma. He urged his colleagues to vote yes on the bill.

"I think of those who are illegally healing every day, wondering if they will get arrested or incarcerated helping themselves or

a loved one trying to get medical marijuana," Representative Mike Regan said.

Both bills prohibit smoking and would only allow extracted, processed cannabis oils that could be eaten or used like an e-cigarette. Capsules would also be allowed, yet no pre-made edibles, like cookies, brownies, or candy could be sold to patients. Home cultivation is not legal either.

By Lauren Boyer

German Club Hosts Eis and Heiss

School

On Wednesday, 20 April 2016, the German Club served Eis and Heiss. Eis and Heiss just means hot ice cream. This comes with your choice of vanilla or chocolate ice cream with hot fruit sauce on top.



around three o'clock.

"This sounds like an authentic and neat idea to have after school for the German students," senior Kaylee Kleffel said.

This is a new appearance for the German Club; it has never

The two topping choices are raspberry and peaches. To save time and effort, the sauce will be microwaved with store bought ice cream. This gives students enough time to come to the meeting, eat their snack with friends, and, if necessary, catch the middle school bus home. It is an easy snack to make with quick clean up!

"I am very excited because of the authentic German experience," junior Max Ruemmler said.

"[It's] just something fun to do after school!" German teacher and German club advisor, Frau Moll said.

The meetings are always open to everyone. Most meeting members are a part of the club or take German with Frau Moll; however, the German Club welcomes everyone. This meeting starts right after school and ends

been attempted in previous years. It comes from a traditional snack in Germany.

"This will be a new experience for everyone, including myself," Frau Moll said.

This event was held after the play was over so the students who wanted to participate in the school play were available to come and join the fun.

"It will be fun to try something new and see faces I have never seen before," Frau Moll said.

On another note, the German Club will be taking a trip to the Fleetwood Area Middle School. Students who wish to attend should see Frau Moll for more information.

By Laura Siedel

Fleetwood Theatre does OZ

School News

After months of hard work, the cast and crew of Fleetwood's production of The Wizard of Oz carried out the play from Thursday, 14 April, to Sunday, 17 April.

The show was only made possible after countless hours of preparation. The Wizard of Oz featured four main characters. Senior Juliet Cornell played the lead role and starred as Dorothy. She was accompanied by seniors Aaron Dewald, who played the Scarecrow, and Tyler Redding, who portrayed the Lion, along with junior Mike Favata as the Tinman. Shortly after the cast was announced over the winter, their work began to make the show a success. It was only after a tremendous amount of effort, including "Tech Week," which is the week that precedes the show, that the show could be performed.

The show debuted that Thursday for senior citizens and for the hearing-impaired. That show preceded a three-day stretch in which the play was enacted three times. The cast performed shows on the evenings of Friday the fifteenth and Saturday the sixteenth at

7:00 p.m.. Oz's finale took place the next day at 2: 00 p.m.

A unique feature to this year's play was its use of a student as the choreographer. Sophomore Maya Evans helped to arrange all of the dancing routines in the show. Each of the main characters' personalities were reflected through the choreography.

Fleetwood's production of The Wizard of Oz also featured students from elementary schools across the district, who portrayed the munchkins in Oz.

"I think the play went very well," senior Ben Reed said. Reed played the Wizard in the musical. The Wizard of Oz marked Reed's first performance in one of the high school's plays. Reed said he valued the time he shared with the rest of the cast and crew while working on the play.

"I thoroughly enjoyed it. It was a unique experience," Reed said.

By Owen Sandor

Moser, Leenhouts Honored

School News

Cody Moser was recently named male student of the month for April.

Cody Moser is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Moser. Cody has gone to Fleetwood since Kindergarten.

At Fleetwood, Cody is President of the Pride Student Committee. He is a member of FBLA, and he sings in the high school choir. He also played on the high school baseball team in ninth and eleventh grade. Outside of school, he works at Super Duper Seafood. He enjoys umpiring games for the local baseball organization, and he occasionally helps at the Fleetwood Legion during their breakfast services.

In his free time, he enjoys spending time with friends and family. He likes to listen to music, sing, spend time outside, and, when time permits, he enjoys playing Fallout 4 on the PS4. His hobbies and interests include listening to music, playing/watching baseball, singing, and going to the beach.

The Sciences are Cody's favorite subjects in high school. More specifically, biology is his favorite class. The sciences are very interesting to him, and he loved his tenth grade biology class. He credits Mr. Mark Coassolo with doing a great job engaging him and expanding his interests in biology and science.

Cody believes that it is his character and student participation that earned him Student of the Month. He is very outgoing, helpful, and always tries his very best in school. He has the willingness to succeed and always has a positive approach on life.

After high school, Cody plans to attend Albright College, where he will major in Biology/Pre-med. His goal is to become a physical therapist. In ten years, he sees himself graduated from college and working in a physical therapy practice. He also would

want to start a family and travel to new places. Cody will miss the bonds that he has made with his peers and the faculty.

Cody's inspiration is his physical therapist, Todd. He truly inspired Cody to become a physical therapist due to his interest in medical sciences and helping people out. Also, his mom is a huge influence to him, and she always directs him down the right paths in life.

Olivia Leenhouts was April's female student of month.

Olivia is involved in color guard, Artifact, NAHS, art, and the theatre club, for which she acts as president. Outside of school, Olivia is involved in the Reading Buccaneers and Classics colorguard.

Her plans after high school involve attending High Point University for theatre production.

Her parents are Jim and Kathy Leenhouts and her brother is Matthew Leenhouts.

In her free time, Olivia likes to draw, paint, write, do color guard, and applying make up.

In ten years, Olivia sees herself out of school, and she hopes she will have a career that she loves. Olivia believes her hard work and dedication to the theatre department helped her to become student of the month.

When asked what she will miss about high school, Olivia said the theatre department, the art department, and her friends.

Olivia's favorite subject is art because it gives her the freedom to express herself and get lost in something she loves..

By Lauren Boyer and Olivia Fenstermacher

Homicide In Illinois Earns National Interest

Cops/Courts

On 24 April 2016, Darrell Wilson was shot inside of his vehicle in Lawndale, Illinois. The officers responding to the shots arrived at the 3200 block of West Douglas Boulevard to find the twenty-four-year-old, black male, unresponsive in a parked car near Douglas Park.

Wilson was shot in the head and pronounced dead according to Chicago Police and the Cook County medical examiner's office at 12:48.

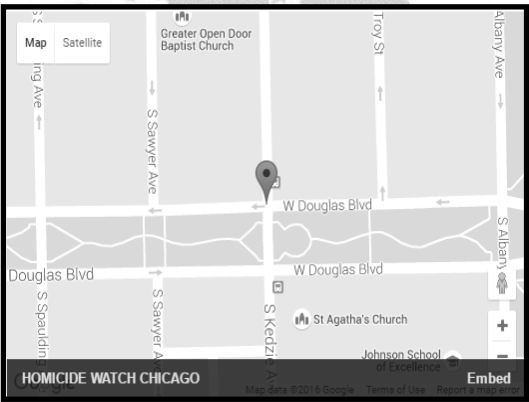
He lived in the one-hundred-block of South Central Avenue. Although no one has been convicted yet of this crime, he was reported as a former gang member by the police in the investigation. This homicide was originally reported in the Chicago-Sun Times.

When asked about the situations, students responded in different ways.

"I wonder what he had done to get himself into that situation," senior Hannah Sell said.

"It's sad to think about what can happen to a person when they get into the wrong crowd," junior Megan Majewski said.

Students were amazed by the amount of crime in Douglas Park, Chicago.



There were 2.8 violent crimes, 3.7 property crimes, and 4.5 quality of life crimes within the 1,000 people in North Lawndale within the past 30days. From 3 March 2016 to 2 April 2016, there were 393 forms of crime reports: a total of 99 crime

reports in the violent crime category, a total of 132 property crime reports, and a total of 162 quality-of-life crime reports.

Within the past thirty days, there have been 38 robberies, 22 assaults, 83 thefts, 16 burglaries, two arsons, 93 narcotics, and 67 cases of criminal damage.

"The area around Douglas Park seems sketchy, so I wonder what he could have been doing there in the first place," Sell said.

There are no memorial services set up yet for Darrell Wilson as of this writing.

"Even if he wasn't the most liked person in the area, he should still have a proper memorial service for his family," Majewski said.

Wilson's family members and friends will have time to mourn and schedule memorial services in the near future.

By Laura Siedel

# German Club Visits Middle School

German Club

German Club recently held a multi-media presentation at the middle school. Frau Moll talks to the soon-to-be freshman every year to show them that German is still a choice to take in high school. A total of eight volunteers from her German Club attended the trip with her.

“We introduced ourselves in German first and then allowed the students to pick out the words that they already knew and were able to recognize,” German Club advisor Frau Christine Moll said.

After the introduction, there was a slide show for the students. They were able to learn and practice vocab in a fun way.

“The students are shown pictures from the activities and events German Club participates in,” senior Nicole Spanier said.

Since the class of 2016 is the last class to have German five, the middle school students are given the choice of electives in the upcoming years. The last four years of middle school, there was only an option for Spanish,

but no German. “This will give me busy days but hopefully this change will allow German Club, as well as German classes, to grow and continue,” Moll said .

Since there is not a German teacher in the middle school, Moll would have to go to and from the high school over to the middle school daily. This gives eighth graders the choice to take Spanish or German.

“I am truly excited to see German grow throughout the high school and now the middle school as well,” Moll said.

Spanier is now in German five because she was given the choice in middle school to start German early. Coming to the high school gives more freedom and choices.

“I believe the option to take either language is good for the middle school students so they start to get a taste for the high school choices,” senior Olivia Leenhouts said.

By: Laura Seide;

# Fashion Has Changed Over Time.

Fashion

As we step into a new year, we say goodbye to our old clothing and start thinking about the latest trends of 2016. Styles have drastically changed over the years.

The 80s are back! Bright colors, lace, and even new makeup trends have returned. Fashion trends even go as far as sunglasses. Ray Ban sunglasses seem to be the “in” thing right now, as they have been for awhile--especially since summer is rolling around. It’s time to bring out those sandals and sunglasses.

“I think today’s style is good, but it is still developing. Some trends are just crazy, but it’s mostly good,” freshman Sam Beebe said.

Even though certain styles are coming back, fashion was very different as recently as a half century ago. Back in the 60s girls wore striped shirts paired with shorts, and dresses. High-waist bottoms were very popular too, and those polkadots are also coming back for modern swim-

wear. Today’s style is quite different from back then, even though we get our style ideas from the past. This era is more laid back with the style. Hoodies , leggings, jeans, graphic tees and slip-on shoes are a big thing.

By Kyra Lea



## RANDOM CHEESE!

What’s your opinion on

# JORTS?



“I hate them,” junior Kirsten Knoll said.



“It’s a ‘no’ for me,” junior Shane Burt said.



# “Pfft,”

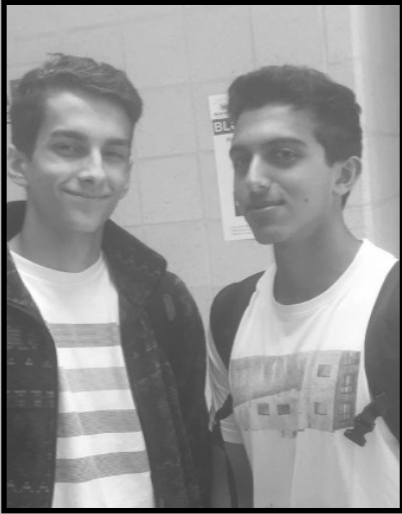
junior Cole Strange said.



“They’re pretty excellent,” study hall monitor Joshua Werstler said.



“I think they should not exist,” junior Adam Cook said.



“They’re back in style,” senior Ian O’Keefe said.

“They’re coming back,” senior Thayjas Patil said.



“They’re good, if you can pull them off,” junior Ryan Skepanski said.

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