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'The Most Important Meal of the Day'

Around the World!

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Have you ever wondered what breakfast other countries have for their first meal of the day?

Many countries have a lot of different cuisines, and some of us might want to try some of these different foods. Here are some of the foods that other countries have for breakfast.



America:

For a hearty Saturday breakfast, your mom makes you a

nice scrambled egg with some nice, fluffy pancakes and syrup. To top that, she makes you some greasy, crunchy bacon. For a drink, she serves: Fresh Squeezed Orange Juice. Yummy!

Japan:

Sunday breakfast at your grandparents! Yay! As you walk into their house, you automatically smell the aroma of something pickled. You sit down and get served Miso

soup, some sticky white rice, pickled vegetables, and to drink, some tea. Bring on the week!

India:

Monday morning comes, and you can't be more asleep. You put on your clothes for school, walk up to your kitchen table to find your delicious breakfast waiting for you. On



your plate, you will find, a dosa, some sambar, a little bit of chutney, with a drink of tea. Time for school!

Germany:

You roll out of bed with the smell of something good filling the house. You sip through get-

ting dressed to see what your dad is making you for breakfast. You see him, your mom, sister and brother all eating the same thing as is what is on your plate. You look

down to find on your plate a bread roll, two hard-boiled eggs, three large sausages and a hot mug of coffee. Time to tackle Tuesday.



Vietnam:

You rub your eyes to find out that it is a wet, rainy, dreary day. You slowly put on your clothes. As you are walking up to breakfast you spot a bowl on the table.



Could it be oatmeal or cereal? As you walk up to the table you see a bowl of noodles sitting there with a sprig of leaf. You eat the noodles happily. After that, you throw on your rain coat and head out the door.

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Somers Prevails in 'Battle of the Books'

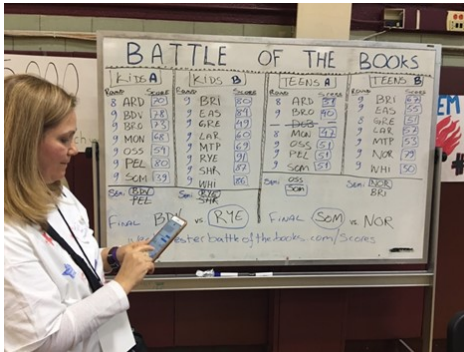


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On Saturday, October 15, 2016, Somers teenage Battle of Books group won Battle of Books.

The group is the third winner in the competition. First was Ossining, then was Briarcliff.

Battle of Books is a competition where a group of people (more than 3) read 5 books and have to answer questions about the books at the Battle of Books event, which is usually the 2nd or 3rd



week of October. The groups compete in two different categories and do a round robin matchup, competing against other towns that also feature teams.

The number of points in each round count to see if you are going to the semi-finals.

The group the Popcornians, were in a 4-way tie of 51 and beat Ossining in the semi-finals.

They also defeated North Salem 12-7 in the finals and won a trophy and signed bookmarks from an author, Stacy Lee, who wrote Secret of a Heart Note and Outrun the Moon and had another title in this year's competition.



The books in this year's competition were Under a Painted Sky by Stacy Lee, Dead End in Norvelt by Jack Gantos, Counting by 7's by Holly Goldberg Sloan, Life as We Knew It by Susan Beth Pfeffer, and Every Day by David Levithan.

The team hopes that the team and the books (which they didn't really like) will be better and hopes to compete and hopefully win next year.

Most Important Meal (from page 1)

Brazil:

You wake up to the smell of your mom cutting fresh fruit. Yum! You love it when your mom serves you some fresh fruit.



You sip through getting dressed to see what fruit your mom bought.

As you approach the breakfast table, you see a different looking kind of fruit, some toast with some ham on it, and to drink, orange juice. You eat the tasty fruit, slurp down the juice, and gobble down the eggs. You throw on your coat, and you

are out the door. Hurry up before the leaves!

United Kingdom:

Friday Finally! You hop out of bed because your mom stays home on Fridays!

You rush to breakfast with all of your school clothes because you can't wait for the big breakfast your mom makes. You get to your seat and are served: three sausage, four stripes of bacon, a couple of grilled tomatoes, and two fried eggs. For a drink, your mom makes some freshly brewed tea. You rush out the door. T.G.I.F.!

So I hope you enjoyed learning about what some of the countries have for breakfast. I sure have. I will have a part two in a couple of weeks. Eat up!



By Caitlyn Stellwagen
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The pizza they buy is pretty good, but the pizza they make, not so much.



1. Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks
2. Cheese quesadilla
3. Nino's Pizza
4. Lasagna
5. Grilled Cheese Sandwich

1. Big Daddy hand tossed pizza
2. Meatball Wedge
3. (Even the salads and The fruits/Veggie assortment!)
4. Chicken Patty
5. Chicken Smackers

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As well, you need to spread the word to

In addition, you have to respect yourself and be drug and alcohol free.



By Nick Cirillo
Tusker Tribune Staff Writer

Nine heroes. Thousands of Mogadorians. One Earth. Years ago, a rocket landed on earth, with nine Loric alien heroes called Garde, and their protectors, the Cêpan. They will develop powers, called Legacies, and must defeat the Mogadorian aliens to save earth.



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Third Presidential Debate Delivers Lots of Drama

By Sara Vala
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Just yesterday night, Secretary Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump, arrived at Las Vegas, Nevada to attend the 3rd and last Presidential Debate of the 2016 Election.

With their arguments in hand, the candidates were ready to face each other once again. For those of you who watched the debate on TV, you already know how crazy it was. And for those of you who didn't get to watch it, here are the highlights of the debate.

Some of the most exciting/arguing topics include, immigration, economy, the national debt, healthcare, foreign countries, and fitness to be president. I'll talk about two of them and what the candidates have to say.

Immigration:

Trump: He would like to build a wall along the border of Mexico to keep illegal immigrants and their drugs out of the country. Mr. Trump would also like Mexico's president, Enrique Pena Nieto to pay for the wall, (which was unsuccessful the first time).

He would also like to deport all of America's illegal immigrants back to their home country. That's about 11,000,000 people in this country. His final plan is to find all the "Drug Lords"

and kick them and their drugs out of the country.

Clinton: Mrs. Clinton plans that in the first 100 days of her presidency, she'll give these illegal immigrants a chance to become U.S. citizens (unless they have committed serious crimes, then they'll be gone in a snap).

She will **not** deport these immigrants, because most of them have children who will be separated from their parents if the parents are deported. Secretary Clinton is also against building a wall and claims that America was built by immigrants.

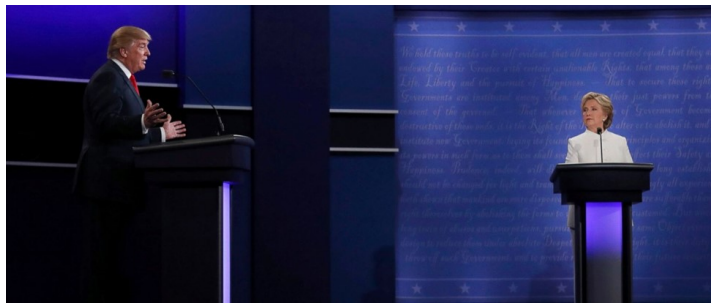
Healthcare:

Trump: Donald Trump would like to repeal ObamaCare (the Affordable Care Act), because he says it's horrible, it's bad and expensive, and his opponent Hillary will just make it worse. He will make a new health care plan that is affordable and high quality.

Clinton: She says that she'll lower the cost of health care and make a start to lower the prices on prescription drugs. She'll also defend the Affordable Care act, and help poor/rural families afford good health care.

So, the debate had many more topics, but these were two that I thought were important.

Now, it's your decision. Trump or Clinton? Just like Trump says, It's gonna' be HUUUUUGGGGGGEEEE!!!!

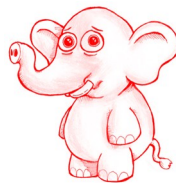


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Get Ready for Spirit Week!!!



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Monday the 24th. Better known as Anti-Drug day during Spirit Week. So go and grab your music and sports clothes and be ready for the week of October 24!!

On Monday you could wear anything like a sports jersey to a chorus shirt! But Monday isn't the only fun day during this week, we still have Tuesday – Friday.

On Tuesday we have color wars! 6th grade wears white, 7th grade wears red, and 8th grade wears black. The purpose is to see which grade has the most schools spirit!



Then, Wednesday is the wackiest day of the week, its Wacky Wednesday!!! You can wear whatever you want! PjJs, un-matching shoes,

Long socks, crazy hair, wacky accessories, and pretty much anything else!

Thursday you can wear anything from the 70's, 80's, and even 90's! Like an afro wig, Beatles clothing, bell-bottom jeans, Neon colors, and don't forget the leg warmers.

Finally, the last day of the week, Friday! You can wear Somers gear!! For this day, wear any Somers

attire like sweatshirts, t-shirts, pants, and even accessories! And get ready for the Pep Rally Friday afternoon!

Happy Spirit Week!

Perfect, or Just Plain Dumb...

Who Knew a Phone Could Cause So Much Drama?



**By Sabrina Cheung
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Elly was a perfect student. She got straight A's in every class. Although she was a perfect student, her brother Mike was way to jealous of her. He got F's in almost every class. He wished that he could be exactly like her. Instead, he was bullied, and had no friends. Elly felt really bad for him but, she was too afraid to say anything because she had a perfect life. She wanted to keep it that way.

All day, every day, her brother was constantly bullied. But one day, everything changed. He stood up for himself, but of course somebody weak like him couldn't fight almost the whole school. So he put his not-so-smart brain to work. He took out his flip-phone and called every person in his school, telling them that there is a sick party that night on Hutchinson street. Of course, they all love parties, so they agreed.

"Wow!" he said in delight. "I must actually have a chance of getting people to like me!" He said. But instead of having a great day, it turned really bad. He got to school and people stopped calling him names, but starting calling his sister names instead. She stared at everyone with her teary eyes.



"WHY DO YOU ALL SUDDENLY HATE ME!?" she screamed in terror. All that people said was to look at a website online. She quickly searched through her phone and saw the devastating news. Her whole diary... was out for the world to see.



She ran into the bathroom and bawled her eyes out. Everything she wrote on there was now for the public to see. Her crushes, enemies, and even bad things about her family and friends. She wiped her eyes and headed out to her next class, trying to forget everything. She couldn't do it though. She sprinted out of the school and walked home. Which is where Mike comes in. He can not only help himself, but can help out his sister too by throwing this party.

With luck, the party was a success, and he got some info on every person at the party, and shared it for for everyone to read. "Johnny wets his bed every night, Cindy kills birds for a living, Jared eats a LOT more than he says," etc. Once everyone was finished being talked about, they all left in disgust.

Now Elly and Mike were the most perfect kids in school, and don't worry. Mike actually got an iPhone. He is much better at using it now.