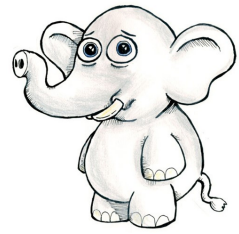


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3 7th Graders Write About the 7/8 Pep Rally

By Julianna Aiello
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The 7th and 8th grade pep rally occurred on October 30, 2015.

The events occurred as followed: Backpack race, frisbee throw, and tug of war. The Backpack race is when you have to run with a heavy backpack. You have to jump over hoops, and crawl. You must pass it to your teammate at the end and whichever team finishes first

wins. In this case, the teachers won.

The frisbee throw, is when you have to move on a scooter, then throw it into the can jam tube. The 8th graders won this.

Finally, the tug of war. The 8th graders won this 2 out of three rounds. At one point, as the teachers seemed to be winning, a huge group of 8th graders came down from the bleachers to help their classmates, resulting in the 8th grade winning. It was a great show of teamwork!

By Nicola DeMarinis
Tusker Tribune Staff

This year's Pep-rally was another great success! The stands were rocking with excitement (literally)!

There were 3 activities total: Heavy back pack race, Frisbee throw and best of all, Tug of war. Heavy back pack race consisted of 3 teams competing against each other. 7th grade, 8th grade and the teachers. Unfortunately the teachers won. I don't think it's really fair though, they were carrying the weights (books) in their hands! The second activity was Frisbee throw. The

object was to scooter all the way down the gym and throw a Frisbee at a can. You got 3 shots. The 7th grade took home gold for that one.

Finally there was tug of war. The 7th graders lined up beside the

rope and so did the 8th graders. Despite 7th grade's hard efforts, they could not beat the 8th grade.

Now it was time for the 8th graders to get a taste of their own medicine. The Teachers! The first round was an easy win for the teachers but, there was nice twist on the second round. 8th graders were close to defeat when friends started pouring from the crowds to support their fellow 8th graders. They pulled hard until the whistle blew. Indicating that 8th grade had WON!

Turn to page 2 for a third story on the 7/8 Pep Rally. Cool photos from both pep rallies are on pages 2 and 3.



Upcoming Events

2015

- **November 13: Picture Retakes**
- **November 25: Half Day!**
- **November 26-29: Thanksgiving Recess**
- **December 23-Jan. 2: Holiday Recess**

2016

- **February 5: 7th Grade Social, 7-9 p.m.**
- **February 25: 6th Grade Social, 7-0 p.m.**
- **March 24-28: Spring Recess!**

7th and 8th Grade: What a Pep Rally!

**By Noelle DeMarinis
Tusker Tribune Staff**

"WA-HOO!!!" The screams of the crowd fill the air. Joy and excitement illuminate children's faces. A sea of red stands in the bleachers.

This perfect picture is the Somers Middle School Pep Rally!! In this Pep Rally there are three activities. The first contest is the Heavy Bag challenge. This includes carrying a textbook filled backpack through an obstacle course. Unfortunately the teachers won this round.

The next challenge is the Frisbee Throw! This challenge shows frisbee skills, accuracy, ability to use a scooter, and speed! Since the seventh graders are very agile, they won the Frisbee Throw!

The last, and by far the best activity is the Tug Of War! Seventh and eighth grade both participate, as well as the teachers! The winner of grade seven versus grade eight will challenge the teachers!

In this year's Pep Rally, the eighth graders crushed the seventh graders. The teachers put up a good fight, but the eighth graders were too strong. In all, this was a very fun school activity! Can't wait for next year!!!



6th Grade: What a Pep Rally!

By Charley Martabano
Tusker Tribune Staff

Congrats all sixth graders for attending the schools annual pep rally! Mrs. Nobile and Mr. Dell won the pie eating competition!

Mr. Dell even added a little tasty surprise! Luckily, we beat the teachers at mummy wrap! That winning team wrapped like a pro! Plus congratulations to the winners of the starbursts and the milky ways!

Finally, we won musical chairs! Congrats to all the lucky winners! You even got a little prize!

Thank you all the teachers who participated and making that day fun. Also give a special thanks to the student council to give us that wonderful history information. Thank you everyone for attending and cheering your peers on!



Agario: A Game Review

By Eugene DiLorenzo

Tusker Tribune Staff

A new game called Agario is out and has many players. This game is very well-known in our school. I've played it myself and I rate it 4 stars out of 5.



Why 4 stars? It's because I think that it can be a little boring because you are just a cell searching for food. But there are other players all around the world who play with you and the bigger you get, the more players you can eat. The goal is to get as big as you can get until a player bigger than you eats you. I would recommend this game to anyone who likes multiplayer games.

Star Wars Sequel—the Official Trailer Comes Out!

By Hunter Duffy
Tusker Tribune Staff

They have finally made the official trailer for this highly advertised sequel.

If the movie is anything like this trailer I think we're all in for a treat. When Disney bought Lucas Film it was clear they had something planned. As you can see they have some characters from the original movies returning, as well as

some new characters. Among these new characters there is a new Darth Vader. We'll all become more familiar with these characters on December 18 when the movie hits theaters.

Click here for the official trailer!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OMOVFvcNfvE>

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