Good News Bulletin
February 2022

FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

We are proud to announce The Students of the Month have been selected for February 2022 They are:

Freshman – Angelina Mayo
Sophomore – Mark Laughery
Junior – Kaylee Hunter
Senior – Salvatore Grasso

The above students have met the following Criteria:
1. Must meet high academic standards in class.
2. Exhibit positive character and influence on class/school, dignity, respect, trustworthiness, responsibility, caring, and citizenship.
3. No unexcused lates of any kind for the month.

No discipline referrals in the last month.
Congratulations to all of you!

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

The Environmental Action Club is excited to premiere a brand new season of the Every Action Counts Podcast, hosted by Head of PR, Tanvi Shah, and Vice President, Vedika Singh. There are many interesting topics that will be discussed throughout Season 2 such as: coffee and its effects on the environment, space pollution, and artificial leaves. Be sure to tune in to new episodes of the podcast on all streaming platforms (Spotify, Apple Podcasts) and follow the club's Instagram @mthsnjeac for more updates!

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WINTER ANIMAL CARE

While there are some animals that enjoy the winter time, many other beloved pets cannot withstand the cold temperatures. Snow can chap dog paws and chemicals in the ice melting agents are dangerous if consumed while licking their paws. To prevent your pets from becoming injured in the winter keep your home humidified and dry your pet as soon as you come inside to stop itching paws. Refrain from shaving your dog down to the skin in the winter time, a longer coat can provide more warmth. Even though you should not overfeed your pets, giving your cat or a dog a little more during the cold months can provide much-needed calories. The most important rule is if you feel too cold your animal is also too cold, keep them inside since pets too can suffer from hypothermia.

For this and more information please check out the ASPCA website: https://www.aspca.org/pet-care/general-pet-care/cold-weather-safety-tips

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POLLUTION IN NEW JERSEY HARMING WILDLIFE

It is no mystery that the evolution of mankind has made a tremendous impact on the world and its wildlife. Now we have better ways of aiding animals medically when hurt or sick, we give some animals a civilian life where they can be pets instead of working animals, and we now manufacture healthier food for these animals, but people seem to forget the destruction pollution leaves on the ecosystem and New Jersey is no exception.

No matter what perspective you take, we are ultimately invaders of the natural world. We take its resources for granted and forget about the creatures who also need the habitat to survive. Our prosperity and expansion also leads to death and decay for natural life. Every creature is a piece in the puzzle of life. For example, if there were no bees, then pollen could not transfer to other plants and they would not grow in the correct way. One of the major factors that threaten life in the state of New Jersey is pollution. Man-made waste and thrown away products have cost the lives of many animals.

One of the main contributors to pollution in New Jersey is insecticides. The dangers of garbage pollution cause many wildlife to become sick after consuming those objects. Absorbing these harmful toxins like DDT (Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane is a colorless, tasteless, and almost odorless crystalline chemical compound) and DDE (dichlorodiphenyldichloroethylene is a breakdown product of DDT, which was used as an insecticide) will travel along the food chain and kill off predators that are needed to keep the prey population in line. The effects of these insecticides are long-term and unknown. It also can be absorbed into the soil of farms where our food comes from. Not only were these insecticides harmful for animals but us humans too. It thinned out egg shells and is highly toxic to fish (both of which humans consume). Even though DDT was officially banned in the US, it is still found in the DNA of raptors and fish.

One consequence of pollution in the ecosystem is reduced reproduction. With less and less of an organism being born each year, the species is at a higher risk of eventually going extinct. Without a new, healthy, strong generation it is more likely that the sickly mutated genes will be passed down to the next generation and to the generation after that. Survival will become very difficult for that species.

To keep your pet and all of the wildlife around you safe don't litter, let your products grow on their own without harmful chemicals, and appreciate your surroundings because without our furry friends, we would not have it.

MTHS Robotics Competition



Saturday, February 12th, the Monroe Township High School VRC Tipping Point competition was held at MTHS. A total of thirty-two teams from across the state participated from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. competing with and against each other. Randomly drawn qualifications forced teams to coordinate and strategize for winning the short, one minute thirty second rounds. Some teams had an advantage by creating an autonomous phase for 30 secs before each controller driven round. To ensure that teams are setting up a winning alliance, "scouts" were sent to obtain information on opposing teams' robots. When rounds began, teams would participate against an opposing alliance of two teams in an effort to obtain more points by completing multiple objectives. When the round was over, the teams had to perform maintenance and reconstruction if they evaluated that their robot was not working as intended or could work more efficiently. After a set of qualifying rounds, teams would then head for selections. The highest ranked teams from the qualifying rounds got the first choice of choosing their alliance for the elimination rounds. Teams then battled it out with their chosen alliance to vie for a spot in the finals.

ROBOTICS Continued:
Robotics recieved an invitation to attend the New Jersey VRC Tipping Point State Championship to be held on 03/05/2022.

The team did an amazing job on Saturday Feb 19th, 2022 during the event held at Sparta and the Skills results leading to a good state ranking was what caused the team to get into the state championships

2022 MTHS FBLA NJFBLA SLC Awards & Recognition

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS to all the ADVANCED VIRTUAL and IN-PERSON SLC Competitors who participated, competed and advanced to the NLC in Chicago, IL in June/July 2022! You should all be very proud of your participation and achievements! As an advisor, I am beyond proud of the level of dedication you all displayed preparing and participating in the ADVANCED VIRTUAL and IN-PERSON SLC! If you were not present at the conference there is an FBLA Bag, T-shirt, lanyard and conference name badge and ribbon that will be distributed at the next FBLA meeting. In addition, if you were not present at the conference and received a trophy or medal, they were collected on your behalf and will be distributed at the next FBLA meeting – Date and time TBD. **Please read below for a list of winners, finalists and information regarding the NLC. The FBLA NLC is scheduled to take place in Chicago, IL from June 27 – July 3, 2022. Costs have not yet been published, but you can expect costs in the range of $1,000pp. This cost usually includes your conference registration, hotel & airfare, including transfers to and from the airport and to the conference hotel. More information will be released after 4/1/2022 and will be posted in Schoology. A separate form will be sent to the students who placed to confirm participation at the NLC.*

MTHS FBLA Had 26 students place in events in the Top 4 at the NJFBLA SLC. Students who placed in the Top 4 will advance to compete at the FBLA NLC in Chicago, IL in June/July 2022

Monroe Township FBLA was recognized for the following chapter awards:

- 1st Place OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AWARD for 101+ chapter members
- Gold Seal Chapter Merit Award
- Central Region – Largest Local Chapter
- Chapter Website Award
- 2nd Place Passport for Progress 101+participants
  - Completed chapter activities achieving 18,900 points
- 1st Place Who's Who in FBLA - Thanmayee Kavuri
  - Thanmayee will represent Who's Who in FBLA for NJ at the FBLA NLC in Chicago, IL in June/July 2022
- The team of Narayani Atchutuni/Reyna Patel/Anokhi Patel participated in the NJFBLA Battle of the Chapters live on stage during the 1st awards ceremony
- MTHS/FBLA had two students, Narayani Atchutuni for NJFBLA State Secretary and Reyna Patel for NJFBLA Community Service Vice President, run for NJFBLA State Officer Positions.
  - Congratulations to Narayani Atchutuni, as she was elected as the NJFBLA State Secretary for the 2022-2023 school year.
    - Narayani will attend the FBLA NLC in Chicago, IL in June/July 2022 as an NJFBLA State Officer.
- Both Narayani & Reyna, participated in various activities as part of the campaign process, interviewed and attended state officer boot camps and meetings, participated in state officer candidate testing, prepared campaign materials and a speech that was delivered to over 2,000 conference attendees and ran a campaign booth at the FBLA SLC in Atlantic City, NJ. They both worked hard and I'm sure a valuable experience for them both!

FBLA CONT"D

	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Regional RCE & Straight to State Confirmed Event	Team # (If applicable)	SLC Place, Trophy, Medal Advanced to NLC	Finalist w/Medal
1	Prem	Jani	12	Supply Chain Management		1	
1	Thanmayee	Kavuri	12	Business Ethics	BE2	1	
1	Reyna	Patel	11	Publication Design* Presentation with Equipment - See Schoology and links for events with REQUIRED EVENT TOPICS		1	
1	Aditya	Ahlawat	11	Management Information Systems	MIS2	2	
1	Yash	Chennawar	11	Management Information Systems	MIS2	2	
1	Vibhav	Dwibhashyam	12	International Business	IBS2	2	
1	Vikram	Guruswamy	12	International Business	IBS2	2	
	Thanmayee	Kavuri	12	Local Chapter Annual Business Report LCABR - Prejudged due 2/11		2	
1	Vandan	Narula	12	International Business	IBS2	2	
1	Ria	Patel	12	Local Chapter Annual Business Report LCABR - Prejudged due 2/11		2	
1	Shiv	Patel	11	Networking Infrastructures (Formerly Networking Concepts)		2	
1	Anish	Shah (12)	12	Network Design	ND3	2	
1	Tanav	Sureddy	11	Securities & Investments		2	
1	Abhi	Vallabhaneni	12	Network Design	ND3	2	
1	Ishan	Bansal	12	Network Design	ND2	3	
1	Dhwani	Binu	9	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro1	3	
1	Rebecca	Chin	11	Organizational Leadership		3	
1	Nivedha	Deepak	9	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro1	3	
1	Aditi	Kamath	9	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro1	3	

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1	Sinchan	Kurtakoti	9	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro1	3	
1	Yash	Mishra	11	Business Law - Should have completed full year Business Law or Intro to Law/Advanced		3	
1	Ari	Nair	12	Personal Finance - Should have completed Personal Finance/Economics		3	
1	Parth	Patel	12	Network Design	ND2	3	
1	Pranet	Pudale	11	Health Care Administrator		3	
1	Nikhil	Shah	12	Network Design	ND2	3	
1	Yashvi	Desai	10	Network Design	ND1	4	
1	Yutika	Deshpande	10	Network Design	ND1	4	
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1	Nicholas	Alummootil	9	Introduction to FBLA* (9th			Finalist
1	Suraj	Biju	12	Help Desk			Finalist
1	Jason	Chin	12	Political Science			Finalist
1	Saanvi	Damera	11	Hospitality & Event Man-	HEM1		Finalist
1	Saanvi	Goud	12	Human Resource Man-			Finalist
1	Saumya	Gupta	11	Entrepreneurship	ENT2		Finalist
1	Ria	Kakar	11	Human Resource Man-			Finalist
1	Shourya	Kandula	11	Insurance Risk & Manage-			Finalist
1	Ruchi	Kapse	11	Hospitality & Event Man-	HEM1		Finalist
1	Gabriel	Kelmanskiy	11	Business Calculations			Finalist
1	Inaya	Khan	10	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro2		Finalist
1	Sathvika	Lanka	10	Business Management (Formerly Management Decision Making)	BM2		Finalist
1	Sai	Melam	10	Introduction to Financial Math* (9th & 10th Grade ONLY)			Finalist
1	Kunjal	Mistry	12	Help Desk			Finalist
1	Nishan	Nayak	10	Business Management (Formerly Management Decision Making)	BM2		Finalist
1	Vidhi	Parikh	10	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro2		Finalist

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1	Karina	Patel	9	International Business	IBS3		Finalist
1	Anjali	Patel	10	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro2		Finalist
1	Anokhi	Patel	10	Parliamentary Procedure (TEAM of FOUR - Some knowledge or preparation of Roberts Rules of Order)	ParPro2		Finalist
1	Vinay	Patel	12	Supply Chain Manage-			Finalist
1	Aanya	Rana	9	International Business	IBS3		Finalist
1	Priyanka	Ranganath	11	Business Management (Formerly Management Decision Making)	BM1		Finalist
1	Amarkrishna	Reddy	12	Securities & Investments			Finalist
1	Pareesa	Rizvi	9	International Business	IBS3		Finalist
1	Veda	Sanghi	11	Business Communication			Finalist
1	Aditi	Sreeganesh	11	Business Management (Formerly Management Decision Making)	BM1		Finalist
1	Kairav	Thukral	12	Networking Infrastructures (Formerly Networking Concepts)			Finalist
1	Jyothi	Vivekananda	11	Entrepreneurship	ENT2		Finalist

HOSA

Future Health Professionals had 42 members compete in the NJ Southern Jersey Regionals on January 22, 2022. Eight of our MTHS: HOSA members placed in the Healthcare event they competed in. Congratulations to the following students that placed in the NJ HOSA Southern Regional Competition! Students that placed between 1st and 5th place are advancing to the State Competition being held on March 19-20th.

Behavioral Health
6th Place: Snigdha Thallapragada
Dental Terminology
3rd Place: Roshani Patel
5th Place: Veda Sanghi
7th Place: Arushi Chintakayala
Medical Spelling
5th Place: Ria Kakar
7th Place: Sia Mathur
Nutrition
7th Place: Ryan Singh
Pathophysiology
8th Place: Chris Jaison

Special Olympics Hill Day

Two MTHS leaders were selected by the Special Olympics NJ to represent Unified High Schools across the state of NJ in a virtual "Hill Day" on Feb. 9th

Special Olympics athletes, serving as self-advocates, educated lawmakers and their staff about the stigma faced by people with ID, and how high-impact and cost-effective Special Olympics programming in sports, health, and education can reduce discrimination. Our leaders also requested continued support from legislators for evidence-based programming that benefits all Americans, regardless of ability.

Anna Spirito, Olivia Villare, Coach Dillon and Coach Mascali meet with NJ Congressman Chris Smith and Representative Bonnie Watson Coleman. The leaders talked about our District's Unified program and the importance of state funding to continue to make a positive impact on NJ school communities.



We are very proud of all of our students and their accomplishments!