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BC National Honor Society News

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The Bristol Central Spring Tapping ceremony will be taking place on Friday, March 31, at 7:45 a.m. in the senior cafe. The Tapping ceremony is the occasion when candidates receive their NHS pins from a current member of the BC National Honor Society. The new members are then escorted to the senior cafe where they will attend a breakfast with the current members, faculty council, administration and other dignitaries.

Bristol Central High School's Spring Induction Ceremony for the National Honor Society will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school's auditorium.

Students that are inducted into the BC National Honor Society go through a rigorous process. To be eligible for membership consideration, students must have a cumulative G.P.A of 3.7 or higher. In addition, candidates must meet high standards of leadership, service, and character.

Leadership is based on the student's participation in two or more community or school

activities, or election to an office. To meet the service requirement, the student must have been active in three or more activities in the school and community. Character is measured in terms of integrity, behavior, ethics and cooperation with both students and faculty. Students are reviewed by the faculty council consisting of five teachers appointed by the principal.

BCHS 4th Annual Culture Night

On Thursday, March 30, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., the BC Culture Club along with the World Language Department will host the fourth annual **Culture Night** - an evening of culinary and cultural delights designed to highlight the many flavors that make up our rich cultural community.

Culture Night will include a pot-luck style dinner. Students and families are encouraged to bring in their favorite cultural dish whether it may be an appetizer, entrée, or dessert. We are looking for donations of water as well. Please consider bringing a case of water to support this great event. We

Mission Statement

BCHS promotes an environment wherein all members of its community employ 21st century skills to become creative thinkers, conscientious problem-solvers, collaborative learners and committed citizens in a global society.

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Principal- Mr. Peter L. Wininger
Assistant- Mrs. Marisa Calvi-Rogers
Assistant-Mr. Geoff C. Sinatra

welcome additional food vendors, chefs, supplies, presenters and cultural entertainment to join us in celebrating the cultures of the world. *Culture Night* will be open to the public and will benefit all members of our Bristol Central Community.

Tickets are \$2 and must be purchased ahead of time so that we may have an accurate count of attendees. Please see any teacher in the World Language Department to purchase a ticket for this great event. All proceeds will be used to defray the cost of non-donated items we purchase to host the event.

All services will be donation only and every business or group will be recognized as sponsors for this event. Please consider making a donation of your time or services to make this evening a true success.

Please contact World Language teachers, Mrs. DiCarlo (TeresaDiCarlo@ci.bristol.ct.us), Mrs. Gallo Reinhard (GinaGallo@ci.bristol.ct.us) or Mrs. Kathleen Archibald (kathyarchibald@ci.bristol.ct.us) by March 15, 2017 if you are able to donate or volunteer for this great community event!

March Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, March 21 (snow date is Tuesday, April 11)

from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. You will receive a letter explaining all the details of the evening. We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to discuss your child's progress with his/her teachers. While attending parent conferences, if you haven't already, visit the main office and obtain your login and password for our on-line grade book, PowerSchool. This communication tool allows you to see your child's grades, attendance, and discipline information from any computer with Internet access.

InterAct-ivities

In mid-February, the students continued their INTERACTions with Bristol's seniors by serving at their Valentine's Day dinner at the Senior Center. BCHS InterActers will return to the Senior Center to serve St. Patrick's Day dinners and to socialize with the seniors.

On March 25, many InterAct students will spin their little hearts out at the Charity Cycle Challenge. The Charity Cycling Challenge is an annual indoor cycling event; riders raise money for their favorite charitable organization. Last year, the Bristol area raised over \$50,000 with more than 300 participants. With the support of many sponsors, we have a fun-filled day that includes catered breakfast and lunch, hourly raffle prizes, and of course, cycle to

various themes of music - no single hour is ever the same. At the Bristol Boys and Girls Club, 34 BCHS students will ride stationary bikes in support of the Bristol Special Olympics. Please help support Bristol Special Olympics by sponsoring our participation in the 2017 Charity Cycling Challenge with a donation. Donations can be made by check, cash or credit card.

For credit card donations, please follow this link, <https://www.gofundme.com/charity-cycling-so-bristol>. When making your donation, please add 'Donation on behalf of student name here' to the comment section of the donation form so it is clear which rider you will be sponsoring. For more information about the Charity Cycling Challenge: <http://charitycyclingchallenge.org>. Thank you for your generosity and support.

In April, InterAct students will volunteer with their parent club, the Bristol Rotary Club, at the fourth annual "Great Pizza Challenge." As residents sample and judge Bristol's finest pizzas, InterAct volunteers will assist in the set-up, serving, and clean up for this event. Last year, at the end of the day, more than \$2,000 was raised to fund a new scholarship for a community-service minded BCHS InterAct student.

Finally, as part of the CT Leukemia and Lymphoma

Society's "Pennies for Patients" fundraiser, InterAct's senior Mr. BCHS candidates have been collecting coins at lunchtime and after school. The InterAct Club will proudly present a check to the CL&LS at the Mr. BCHS pageant on Saturday, April 29.

If you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Mrs. Monahan-DiNoia or Ms. Guarino @ 860-584-7735.

BC Singers Compete

On Saturday, February 11, BC's DyRAMics traveled to Wakefield, MA to compete in the quarterfinal of International Championship of High School A Capella. They performed exceedingly well and represented Bristol Central with professionalism and class. An individual award was given for Outstanding Vocal Percussion for our entire set to Zachary Cote. Mr. Nelson could not have been more proud of DyRAMics' accomplishments this weekend.

Senior Citizens Experience the World

The Experience the World program was program held on January 11 at the Bristol Senior Center by four BCHS students, Marianna Apergis, Katie Plourde, Hunzla Sajjad and Alex Winarski. Students organized and presented the program. All four students are in Mrs.

Moskowitz's, 3-credit UCONN class, Individual & Family Development, offered at BCHS.

Seniors at the Senior Center enjoyed an afternoon featuring desserts from around the world, a trivia game with prizes and folk dancing lessons.



Hunzla Sajjad and Marianna Apergis

Senior Info

- Chili's fundraiser on March 14
- Dues collection: \$10.00 until the end of March. Checks can be made payable to the Class of 2017 and given to a class officer, Mrs. Collins in Rm. 222 or Mr. Greenleaf in Rm. 124.
- Senior Prom is June 3 - Tickets will go on sale in early May. More information will be distributed at a later date.
- Senior Class Night is scheduled for Tuesday, June 6.

"Pushups for Patriots"

The 2nd annual Push-Ups for Patriots fundraiser will be held starting Saturday, March 4, at 9:00 a.m. and concluding

Sunday, March 5, at 9:00 a.m. All proceeds are donated to the Semper Fi Fund. That's right; you read it, a 24-hour push-up marathon! Do you have what it takes to join in?

For more information contact, Mr. Broderick at 860-584-7735, ext.224 or ryanbroderick@ci.bristol.ct.us



Physical Examination Requirements

Per the Bristol-Burlington Health District, a student may not enter grade 11 unless the health assessment (physical exam) and immunization update are completed. This health assessment must be done after the completion of grade 8 but before the beginning of grade 11. **Please note: If your child does not fulfill the requirement by the first day of 11th grade, your child will not be allowed to return until the requirement is met.**

If you have any questions please contact our school nurse, Cheryl Woodward, at 860-584-7735, ext. 133.

2017 TORCH YEARBOOKS

The 2017 Torch Yearbook is in production and promises to be the best one yet with the new layout and new additions!

Quantities are limited and they are going fast! Don't miss your chance to have the best yearbook ever!

HOW DO I RESERVE A COPY?

You may reserve your copy by doing one of two things:

1. Send in a \$25 deposit to Mrs. Archibald in Rm. 23 or to the main office.
2. Purchase online with your credit or debit card at www.iostensyearbooks.com

BCHS accepts cash or checks (payable to BCHS).

Please bring all payments to Mrs. Archibald in Rm. 23 or to the main office.

The \$40 balance must be paid before or on the day of pick up!

Questions???

kathyarchibald@ci.bristol.ct.us
or 860-584-7735, ext. 323

LATE BUS

Every Tuesday and Thursday there will be one late bus leaving Bristol Central from the front of our school. This bus will leave promptly at 3:30 p.m. This bus is



in place so that students may take advantage of extra help from teachers, participate in clubs and special programs, or stay for detentions.

Only students who stay after school for approved school events will receive a pass for the late bus. Students who obtain a late bus pass must also go to the main office to place their name and address on the late bus list. Students are not allowed to remain in the building unless they are in an approved school function or with a teacher.

Contact Information

If there have been any recent changes to your address, phone number or email address, please contact the school at 860-584-7735 and ask for Roxanne Martin.

Comments

If you would like to respond to any of the articles in this newsletter or have suggestions for future articles in the BC Link, please contact Mr. Winger at 860-584-7735, ext 150, or peterwinger@ci.bristol.ct.us

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Hey Juniors:

SATs are April 5
Are you prepared??

Where:
BCHS Library

When:
Every Tuesday in
March and the first
Tuesday in April

March 7, 24, 21, 28
April 4
2:00-3:30 p.m.

Do you:

- ✓ need help preparing for your SATs?
- ✓ want feedback on your PSAT scores and customized practice?
- ✓ like FREE hot cocoa?
- ✓ enjoy FREE cookies?

Come join the RAMbassadors for free **HOT CHOCOLATE** and **COOKIES!**

We will have Chromebooks available for students to work on Khan Academy.

Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and personalized SAT practice.

Teachers and students will also be available for SAT help and practice. Come for one Tuesday or all of them. **April 5 is coming fast!**



BRISTOL SPORTS HALL OF FAME OF CONNECTICUT

“Take This Play Off”

Social Media Education for Student-Athletes

By Tom Pincince

Assistant Athletic Director for Communication and Media Services

Central Connecticut State University

Presentation Topics

Good decision making

Social Media Statistics

Privacy: What you know and don't know about your privacy settings?

Social Media Do's and Don'ts

Positive social media presence is important.

Date: March 8

Location: Bristol Central High School Auditorium

Time: 7:00

Open to All Middle School and High School Students and their Parents

Free Admission