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Highlights of Homecoming 2018



The 2018 Homecoming court. Back row from left to right, Zackary Allocca, Deytric Enking, Will Hendrix, Griffin Madore, and Will Whyte. Front row from left to right, Ashely Connors, Jazmyne Mejias, Allie Carpine, Sydney Gillingham, and Keelin Sweeney. Photo by Diane York.

By Athen Hollis

In preparation for the Homecoming football game on Sept. 28, BE had a week of celebration and a pep rally on Friday to amp students up. Following the football game, a win over Deering, was the annual Homecoming dance. Allie Carpine was announced Homecoming Queen and Will Hendrix Homecoming King.

During Homecoming week, classes battled it out to see who had the most spirit. Each class was judged based on their hall decorations, number of participants in Spirit Days, and points from spirit assembly games. The winning class this year is the Class of 2019! In second place were the freshmen, third were the juniors, and in last place were the sophomores.



At top, juniors Tugg Marles and Athen Hollis decorate their hallway. Above, students cheer as faculty members participate in pep rally games on Friday. Staff photos

Contagious illness takes toll on football players

By Athen Hollis

Several BEHS football players and non athletes have come down with hand, foot, and mouth disease this fall, but it is not expected to spread any further on the team or around the school because of the precautions the school has taken.

You may have heard the rumors flying around the school during the past few weeks, but here is what actually happened. According to Coach Kevin Cooper, four football players contracted the virus and have missed significant practice and game time because of it. In addition, there has been at least one confirmed case among non-athletes. Junior Zeke Sturgeon has confirmed he had the disease but is back in school and fully recovered.

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Even ‘Vacationland’ has haunted places to visit

By Elizabeth St. Arnaud

“Hey what’s up guys? Welcome back to another creepy Halloween article!”

As fall creeps forward, the witching hours loom near and long. It’s only a matter of time until the Ouija boards are brought out into the candle light; however, you might get just a little embarrassed when your older—or in some cases younger—siblings come in to tell you that ghosts aren’t real.

With the confused thoughts in your head of what’s real or not, (Is seeing believing or is believing seeing?) what better way to decide than by exploring some hauntings.

Maine has a long history of tragic accidents on land and sea, and that seems to be the main ingredient for haunted habitats.

At Loon Pond in Acton, stories are told of a ghost husky with only three legs who roams

the shore at midnight. People suggest maybe he is looking for his lost leg among the sands of his departure. Some say he trots, others say he walks just fine. The dog stands out by having an unearthly glow. A dog on a mission to find its missing leg: if you go there, I would suggest not calling out “Fetch.”

In Newfield stands a house that was built in the late 1700s. Gideon Straw and his family lived there, hence the house’s nickname: the Old Straw House.

Winter struck in 1826, and tragedy crept upon Gideon’s family. His daughter, Hannah, had died at age 30 of unknown causes. Housebound for the winter, and with the frozen ground covered in snow, the family was burdened with the problem of where to put her body. They had no choice, but to lift up the kitchen floor boards where the ground was

softer. They placed her body beneath the flooring and kept it there.

The house has gone through many owners as old houses do, but there is a recurring theme: they all have reported sightings. Past owners, it is said, could hear disembodied footsteps. Passersby also say when it gets cold you can see an outline of a woman in the kitchen window.

Maine is known for its coastal fishing. So, as you can imagine, ghost stories arise from their adventures out at sea. Long ago a ship in Harpswell sailed no matter what the sea had in store. The ship went under many names and its origin is fuzzy. Some say it was a ship called “Dash,” which disappeared ages ago, and others say it was built for various residents in Portland.

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On the grounds of the Fort Knox courtyard in Prospect, enjoying the spooky aesthetic of the fort’s watch posts.

Photo by Elizabeth St. Arnaud

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Labs are state of the art

By Athen Hollis

Coming back to school in September, you may have encountered some changes to the building. First was the renovation of the science labs on the third floor.

Gone are the old equipment and work tables. In their place are new work stations and equipment that, according to Principal Mrs. Lori Napolitano, “are better than what many college campuses have.”

The renovations were a locally-funded project that the school designed through a collaborative approach between the facilities department, a project manager, and teachers from the science department.

The initial planning began in October of last year, with meetings and school visits taking place throughout the school year.

The lab stations in the chemistry rooms have been outfitted

with new gas, water, and electrical lines, along with a water neutralization system to reduce chemical waste.

Mr. Scott Regan, the head of the science department, says, “New fume hoods, safety stations and ventilation provide us with some of the safest labs available in high schools today.”

The chemistry labs have been completely upgraded with some of the newest technology available for teacher and student presentations, including new sound systems with cordless microphones.

The physics lab has been outfitted to meet all of the needs of physical science programming, with full electric throughout the lab portion of the room with portable lab tables, allowing flexibility in lab designs.

Mr. Regan notes that “the rooms were designed with the purpose of providing a



A brand new science lab on the third floor. Athen Hollis photo

forward-thinking laboratory space, not just looking at our current needs, but what we felt we would need for the next 25 years.

The second project the school took on was upgrading the boiler/HVAC system. The school’s entire heating system has been replaced over the last two years. There are new ventilation units on the ceilings of many classrooms that will help improve heat and air flow throughout the building.

Along with the boiler over-

haul came air conditioning. Students know the struggle of having gym or a class on the third floor in the warmer months. Now there is AC in the science labs on the third floor and in the gymnasium. It is a small improvement, but hopefully the start of incorporating air conditioning into more parts of the school.

Mrs. Napolitano says she is “really excited about the work that has been done and is still being done.” She expects more improvements in the future.

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pain and discomfort,” Zeke said in describing his experience.

Hand, foot, and mouth disease is a virus that can be as mild as the common cold, but is very contagious because it is spread by touching the rash or the saliva of the infected person. The disease is common among young children. The best way to stop it from spreading is through washing hands and washing surfaces where saliva may be present. It was named hand, foot, and mouth disease because that is where the blisters usually occur. It

is very painful because of the blisters. It can be accompanied by a fever and a sore throat.

Massabesic was the first school to report a case of hand, foot, and mouth. Its Sept. 28 football game was cancelled because of the outbreak. Bonny Eagle had played at Massabesic the week before, suggesting that BEHS players were exposed to the virus there.

“On the same day as we found out about Massabesic, our first player came down with the rash and blisters from the disease,” said Coach Cooper. “It has been hard because you never know

who is next, and for a couple of guys it has been a week before they could return to action.”

Hand, foot, and mouth disease has had an impact on the team’s games. The Scots ended the regular season 5-3 after winning its first five games.

“We have been without key players for the last couple of games,” said Coach Cooper. “Last Friday against Oxford Hills we were missing two players that would have seen significant playing time. That is always hard to overcome.”

During the outbreak, players were warned to take extra precautions to wash their hands and use hand sanitizer. The locker rooms were disinfected

to try and kill the disease.

Athletic Director Mr. Eric Curtis was also sure to inform the team’s next opponent before their game, because at that time there was one confirmed case of the disease. A message was sent home to parents that gave information about ways to prevent the spread of the disease. He and Coach Cooper hopes the disease “has run its course with our team.”

“We will continue to educate,” says Mr. Curtis. “But bottom line, the only way to prevent the spread of germs is to make sure we wash our hands and continue to disinfect surfaces that we come in contact with on a daily basis.”

Life with an exchange student can be challenging and rewarding

Editor’s note: Junior Zoe Peters is one of the BEHS students hosting an exchange student this fall. She shared her experience so far with Eagle Times editor Athen Hollis.

I wanted to host an exchange student because I love languages and learning about different cultures. I thought it would be a great experience to become close to someone from another country to be able to experience those things.

Many people read through application after application looking for someone whom they feel is a good fit for their family. However, the way my family and I chose to host a long-term student was very different.

We got involved with Greenheart Exchange through its two-week program that brought a group of students from France to BEHS last spring. The local coordinator, Judy Farwell, who is in charge of all Greenheart host programs in this area, came to my house to interview my family about hosting one of these students.



Zoe Peters, on the right in both photos, has had fun sharing experiences this fall with exchange student Ilenia De Lucia, who is from Verona, Italy.

Photos courtesy of Zoe Peters

At some point, she began talking about long-term hosting, and even though my parents were not fans of the idea, she wanted to show us what a student bio looked like anyway.

She skimmed through the names and quickly chose a girl that she had been trying to place for a while. My mom and I started reading all about her and were shocked at how similar she and I were. Our grades, interests, hobbies, and



favorite subjects in school were all exactly the same. My mom looked at me and said “How would you like to host an exchange student?”

Once we discussed it with my dad and told Judy our final decision, the process went quickly. There was a lot of paperwork, along with background checks of the adults in the house, a home visit for Judy to see where Ilenia (my exchange student) would be

sleeping and to take pictures of the house for Ilenia. We had to write a host family letter, which is a letter from the host family to their student so they can generally get to know the family. Host students write one into their applications too, before their families choose them.

Living with an exchange student has definitely been an interesting experience so far. I grew up as an only child, so I really like living with someone who’s my age; in some ways it’s like having a sister.

But there’s definitely a challenging side to it too. It’s a challenge learning to live with someone new, especially because of the different cultural norms.

Sometimes the language barrier can get in the way as well. Trying to communicate expectations, classes, or again, cultural norms can be difficult, but it’s nothing that can’t be solved.

Nevertheless, the most fun part is having a best friend that lives with me. It’s like having a year-long sleepover. I look forward to continuing to build

our friendship. It’s so much fun getting to travel with Ilenia, and learning all about her culture.

To anyone thinking of hosting an exchange student, I suggest doing it! Take your time with choosing the right student. Find someone whose interests match up well with your family’s.

Remember to contact them long before they arrive, so you can get to know them, and make them feel like they’re a part of your family!

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Bonny Eagle welcomes new teachers and staff

Telling stories through art

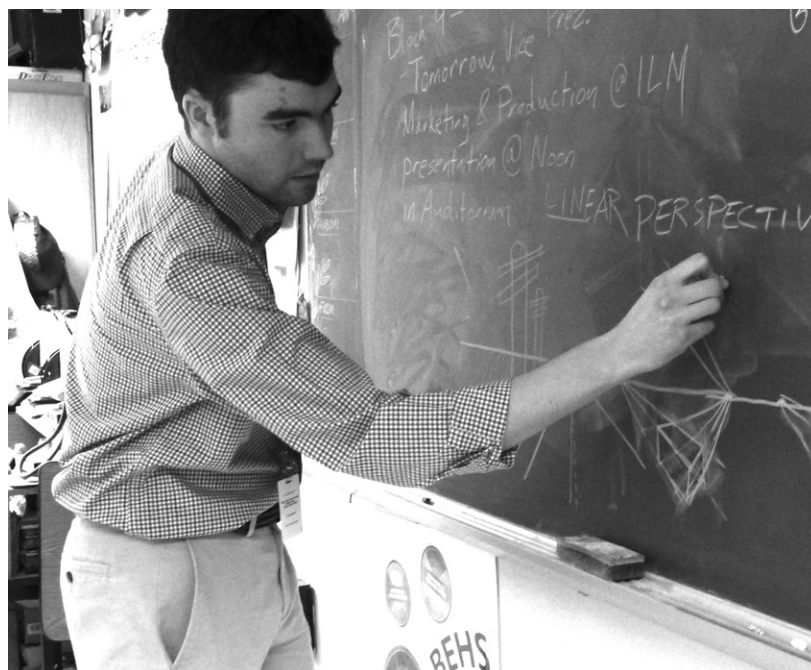
By Mr. Dan Murphy

Moving from the quiet galleries of the Colby Museum of Art to the hectic hallways of Bonny Eagle, Mr. Patrick Meunier has quickly made himself into an important contributor to the BE Fine Arts program. This trimester he teaches three sections of Art I and one section of Video Production.

While he enjoys all of his classes, he has a particular affinity for Video Production where he notes that students “get to tell a story.” He has been “a lover of movies for all of [his] life, and ... wants to show students how important visual story telling and literacy are as skills in a media-driven culture.”

In addition, he and his students get to use a lot of fascinating technology.

Outside of the classroom he has jumped right into the Performing Arts program as technical director of this fall’s play: Shakespeare’s *The Tempest*. When not preparing for classes or building sets, he enjoys hiking in Acadia and



Mr. Patrick Meunier writes on the chalkboard in his Art I class

Staff photo

other scenic venues in Maine.

A graduate of Erskine Academy in China, Maine, he started out at the University of Maine as a Computer Science major. He considered seeking a career in

video game design. However, he maintained a keen interest in the Fine and Performing Arts.

Friends urged him to consider a job as an art teacher, where he could con-

tinue to create and share his talents with others. He enjoys working in a variety of media, including painting with acrylics, sculpting with steel, and developing video and animation productions.

Mr. Meunier graduated from the University of Maine at Orono in 2017. He spent last year as a Curatorial Fellow in at Colby College. There, he helped coordinate visiting exhibitions and produce *The Lantern*, the museum’s magazine. He fondly remembers meeting contemporary artists such as Yoshua Okon and Torkwase Dyson.

An actor himself, he appeared in a one act play titled “Almost Blue.” Now he’s on the other side of the desk as a teacher and the other side of the curtain as a technical director. He’s keeping quiet about this production of *The Tempest*, but he has promised that his “video skills will not go underutilized.”

To see the production you can attend Opening night on Nov. 2. If you want to pry out any information before then, you can say hello to Mr. Meunier in Room 108.

As Journalism teacher, Mr. Murphy will be writing with his students this year.



Li Jing demonstrates with one of her teaching tools
Photo by Macey Cabral

Starting a new year in a new country

By Marie Ross

Last year, Bonny Eagle began offering a new language: Chinese. This year Li Jing is here to teach it. She’s replacing Mrs. Ji Wenhua, who was the first Chinese teacher for the exchange program last year.

“The teachers have been very kind to me ... I think this is a good school.”

Li Jing

Before Li Jing came to Maine, she taught English in Sichuan Province. So far, in her year in the United States, Li Jing has visited many museums in Washington D.C. She’s also been to Mt. Washington in New Hampshire, and has visited a farm in Maine. She plans to visit Disney Land before the year is over.

In her free time Li Jing enjoys watching movies, although she hasn’t seen any movies in this country yet.

Li Jing has noticed a big difference from the

schools here and in China. At Bonny Eagle High School, students have the right to choose courses, and if they don’t like a course they can drop it. In China, the students’ classes are all settled for them.

The length of the school day is also different. There, the school day starts at 7:25 a.m. and ends at 10:40 p.m. In between classes there are 10-minute breaks. The students get a 2 and 1/2 hour break and can leave the campus or take a nap during that time.

The teachers change classes and the students stay in the same room all day; they can decorate the room any way they like.

Currently, there are about 6,000 students in her school, she says. The most on record has been 10,000.

Li Jing has also noticed differences in food. Whereas here in the states, we enjoy cold food and drinks, along with hot meals, in China the food is always warm or hot. Her favorite food here in the U.S. so far would have to be steak, she says. Overall, her first impressions of BEHS are positive.

“The teachers have been very kind to me,” she says. “I think this is a good school.”

Marie Ross is a freshman journalism student this trimester. This is her first article.

Ms. Waters has finesse and an ‘interesting style of teaching’

By Macey Cabral

Ms. Diana Waters has always known she was going to be a teacher. She had always loved English and thought it was fun to read and write. She enjoyed her teachers and decided in third grade that she would be one.

Following through with this promise, Ms. Waters graduated from Saint Joseph’s College of Maine, majoring in English and minoring in Education.

After working in the Oxford Hills school district for 13 years, she changed pace and came to Bonny Eagle, much closer to her home and an area she’s familiar with. Ms. Waters says that she likes working at Bonny Eagle because “the staff is really friendly and helpful.”

She says that her favorite part of the job is “students being accepting of creative ways of learning.”

Students seem receptive to her style. “She’s a great teacher,” says Valerie Lind, a junior. “She has an interesting

style of teaching so that students can... better understand what she’s saying.”

Among Ms. Waters’ favorite books as a student were *Lord of the Flies*, *The Great Gatsby*, and books by Roald Dahl such as *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *Matilda*. Her current favorites include *Of Mice and Men*, and *Jurassic Park*, by Michael Crichton, her favorite author. Her favorite genres are sci fi and apocalyptic fiction.

Outside of school, Ms. Waters spends time with her son at the beach, hiking and just being outside. She likes to read, write personal letters, and cook. She also bakes custom cupcakes for weddings on occasion. She’s a dog person, but Ms. Waters has a cat called Miss Kitty.

Let’s all give a warm welcome to Ms. Diana Waters, the new English teacher.

Macey Cabral is a freshman on the staff of the Eagle Times this year.



Ms. Diana Waters speaks with a colleague about the junior curriculum.

Photo by Macey Cabral

BEHS welcomes more newcomers this fall!

Not her first go-round in medicine

By Elise Ruona

Even though this is her first year working as a school nurse, this isn't Ms. Jennifer Dow's first rodeo in the medical field.

Ms. Dow worked in the emergency room of Mercy Hospital in Portland for a year after working as an EMT (emergency medical technician).

During her experience in the ER, she "met a lot of people and really built a foundation of nursing knowledge."

She soon realized she wanted to become a nurse, and went to the University of Southern Maine (USM) for a Bachelor's degree in nursing.

Ms. Dow spent her childhood in Skowhegan, and then decided to go to Suffolk University in Boston. She originally went for

a degree in biochemistry, but in her junior year she decided she wanted to do something in the medical field.

After her schooling, Ms. Dow, now living in Standish, decided to look for jobs in the area.

"After having my second child, Oliver, I started thinking more about having a schedule that allowed me more time at home with my family," she explained. "So, I started looking for jobs ... When I saw this job posted I knew I had to apply!"

When she walked in the doors of Bonny Eagle High School for the opening day of school, her first impression was nostalgia and memories brought back from her experiences as a student at Skowhegan High

School.

She says that the students and faculty at our school have treated her well, and have helped her adjust to this new environment.

Outside of school, Ms. Dow says she enjoys being in the outdoors, doing things like swimming and walking her dog, Macy. She is also kept busy by her two toddlers, three-year-old Elliot and one-year-old Oliver.

Here at school, though, Ms. Dow would like students to know that she'd be happy to help with anything she can, while she is adjusting to her new life as a school nurse.

Elise Ruona is a freshman journalism student.



Ms. Dow is adjusting nicely to her role as school nurse. She replaced Mrs. Elaine Conant, who retired in 2018. Staff photo

If you don't like math, Mr. Diamond knows how you feel

By Brenna Finn

Michael Diamond is part of our mathematics department, teaching Precalculus and Algebra 2. The subject was far from Mr. Diamond's favorite in high school.

"In high school, I did not like math," he admits. "I had people tell me I was good at it, but I didn't believe them."

Mr. Diamond says the math classes in his high school were awful and that he only took them for the credit. However, he decided to keep taking math in college because he thought the applications were cool. With so much to explore, he began to enjoy the subject.

Mr. Diamond received his



Mr. Diamond strives to make math more enjoyable for his students at BEHS than it was for him in high school. Staff photo

education at the University of Vermont. He was undeclared until he began tutoring at his university and thoroughly enjoyed it. Once he was forced to choose a major, he decided to pursue his growing interests in education and math.

Mr. Diamond's least favorite aspect of teaching is the lecture format and having to get up and talk to the whole class. His favorite aspect of teaching is working with students one-on-one. He enjoys hearing what students have to say.

"Not everyone likes to learn about math, but getting to learn something new is the best part," Mr. Diamond says

Mr. Diamond enjoys teaching, but he has other interests and hobbies outside of school as well. He considers himself a big skier, while also enjoying hiking and kayaking. Mr. Diamond also likes playing soccer, although he doesn't consider himself very good at it.

So far, Mr. Diamond's experience at BEHS has been a good one. He doesn't necessarily love the feeling of being a new teacher, but he says the teachers at Bonny Eagle have been very helpful in his transition. Mr. Diamond is excited to get to know everyone, both teachers and students.

Brenna Finn, a junior, is an editor with The Eagle Times.

Teacher returns to scene of her high school years

By Aaliyah Paul

Megan Wallace, our new business teacher, started at BEHS last year as an Ed Tech before accepting the position of Financial Awareness teacher this year. She enjoys the course because it "absolutely has real-world practical applications and is something that everyone will need to know how to do," she explains.

Although she enjoys teaching, Ms. Wallace considers her personal life equally important. To relax, she enjoys reading and crocheting. An avid runner, she has competed in 10K races and is working her way up to being able to do a half marathon.

Ms. Wallace grew up in Buxton. She graduated from Bonny Eagle High School along with her sister, and her parents still live in the district with their dog.

Many of the teachers Ms. Wallace had as a student are still here. She was surprised at



Ms. Wallace is enjoying her return to Bonny Eagle. Staff photo

how easy it was to adjust from thinking of those faculty members as her former teachers to thinking of them as co-workers.

Ms. Wallace says that her favorite thing about teaching is "knowing that [she] is helping people ... learn something that they didn't know before and ... that they will be able to have and use outside of school as well."

Aaliyah Paul is a freshman journalism student.

Speech pathologist wears many hats

By Elizabeth St. Arnaud

For new speech and language pathologist, Mrs. Cathy Pease, it all began when she was in high school.

She and a friend ventured to an elementary school to shadow a speech/language pathologist.

As they watched her working with the kids, they both decided that this was what they wanted to do when they grew up. She says she feels lucky to have discovered her calling so early.

"Making a career decision is daunting when you are young because there are so many choices," she says.

In college Mrs. Pease studied speech pathology, and she has been working as a speech/language pathologist since 1983.

Through the years she has worked in different schools and clinics. Today she still works two days a week at a pediatric clinic with occupational therapists, physical therapists and other speech therapists.

She says the clinic has



Mrs. Pease spends two days a week at BEHS. Diane York photo

swings, trampolines, and activity tables; it's no wonder she enjoys her job.

In addition to her job as a speech and language pathologist, she spends her spare time in her role as a field hockey umpire and softball umpire. She recently traveled to Florida to umpire a national women's slowpitch softball tournament.

Mrs. Pease only spends two

days a week at the high school. So far she has found our school, along with the district and the people in it, very helpful and welcoming.

"It is not easy to get familiar with a new job when you are only here two days a week, but the staff and students have helped me feel at home!" she exclaimed.

Mrs. Pease and her husband are parents to two daughters, Sarah and Julie. Sarah works in Cambridge, Mass; Julie works in Texas.

Mrs. Pease describes herself and her husband as 'empty-nesters' since her children have grown and left the nest.

Mrs. Pease has come to Bonny Eagle on a mission to finish out the rest of her work life where it all began: in high school.

Elizabeth St. Arnaud, a sophomore, is a reporter and columnist with The Eagle Times.

Almost a two-hour drive but 'worth the distance'

By McKenzie Allen

Sometimes surfing the internet isn't always a bad idea. Mr. Mark Heels found this true while surfing "school-spring.com." By searching the site, he landed his job at Bonny Eagle as an automotive and small engines teacher.

Before his teaching career began, Mr. Heels was in the army stationed at Fort Devens, Mass. from 1988 to 1990.

"I was an officer and served as a Combat Engineer Platoon Leader. We built bridges, obstacles, and bunkers, and worked with West Point cadets during their summer training in the field," Mr. Heels explained.

This is also where Mr. Heels earned his degree in automotives.

After finishing his degree and his army time, he moved to Woodville, NH, in 1991, where he taught at the high school for six years. The school had roughly 260 students.

Coming from a school of roughly less than 300 total students to a school

of about 300 in each grade was a big change, but Mr. Heels says he is getting used to it.

Mr. Heels has to commute one hour and 45 minutes to come to work every day, but he says, "It's worth the distance I have to travel."

When Mr. Heels came to Bonny Eagle for the first time, he thought the school felt very diverse, and he felt like the students wanted to be at the school, which meant a lot to him. As a teacher he wants his students to leave his class knowing how to problem solve in the real world.

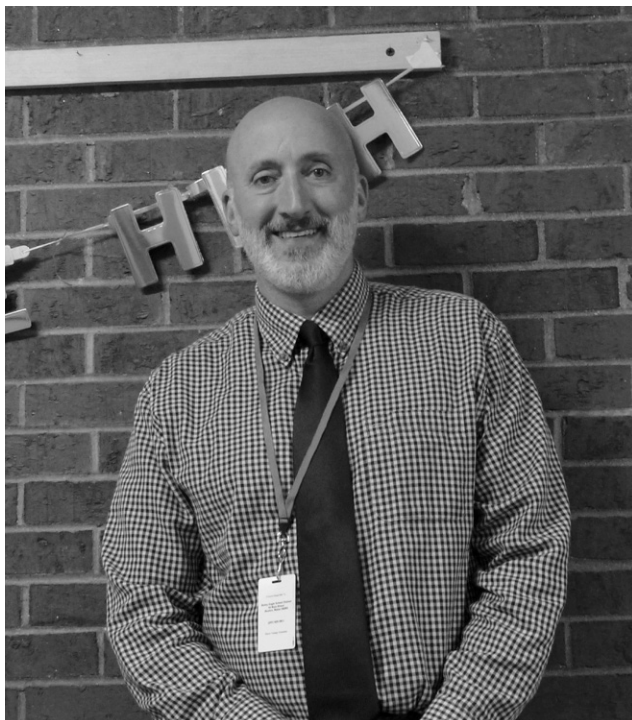
He says he cares deeply about his students and wants them to understand that problem solving is something that will never go away, and they all need to learn.

"No matter what, we all need to know how to problem solve," he says.

McKenzie Allen is a freshman journalism student.



Mr. Mark Heels is still smiling from his spinning chair at the end of a school day. Staff photo



Mr. Thomas Noonan takes a break from tracking down students in the hallway of BEHS. Staff Photo

Back to the future for Mr. Noonan

By Samantha Walker

On the first day of school, at the senior assembly, Bonny Eagle's new Dean of Students, Mr. Thomas Noonan, assured the seniors that, "You can't bribe me with Aroma Joes."

In an interview a few days later, though, he admitted that he might be tempted by Mr. Skipper Geanangel's favorite diet: pepperoni pizza, Diet Coke, and whoopie pies.

The hardest part of his new job is "trying to figure out who didn't come to school, and who is just skipping class."

Mr. Noonan knows all about Mr. Geanangel's food quirks because he was an English teacher at BEHS for 12 years from 2000 to 2012. He left Bonny Eagle for a position at Windham High School, where he spent the last six years. Now he's back as Dean of Students, feeling grateful to be closer to home. Mr. Noonan has two daughters in the dis-

trict, so BE has always had a place in his heart.

"It was easy to come back," he says.

Mr. Noonan says he enjoys being out of the classroom, able to roam the halls, interacting with students he might not have gotten to know if he were an English teacher.

The hardest part of his new job, he says, is keeping track of the attendance of 1,200 students, "trying to figure out who didn't come to school and who is just skipping class."

When he's not at BEHS, Mr. Noonan enjoys running, camping, and traveling. He's run 10 marathons, including the Boston Marathon. He also likes to travel. A memorable trip he has taken was to Canada and the St. Lawrence River.

Mr. Noonan also plays bass guitar and you might see him at a future assembly strumming chords along with other student and teacher musicians.

Mr. Noonan says his biggest reason for coming back to Bonny Eagle was that he felt he "wasn't where I was supposed to be." In many ways, coming back to BEHS feels like coming home.

Samantha Walker is a senior journalism student.

He's back where he started, but in a different role now

By Audrey Ricker

Mr. Joshua Conley, a 2014 Bonny Eagle graduate, has returned to fulfill his long-time dream of teaching.

Mr. Conley attended the University of Maine in Farmington and has come back to Bonny Eagle High School to teach Earth Science and Science Island.

He feels fortunate to be here and calls his new role "like two for the price of one", since he loves both science and working with kids.

Mr. Conley can't imagine what else he would do if he weren't teaching.

"It's hard for me to really answer that question because I've known that I want to do this job for a while," he says.

If he absolutely couldn't be a high school teacher, he knows that he'd still want to teach something to someone.

Outside of work, Mr. Conley enjoys playing table and card games with his friends. He also enjoys ultimate fris-

bee. This is a club here at BEHS that Mr. Conley helped Mr. Dustin Droggitis with in the past. He says they hope to continue the club next spring.

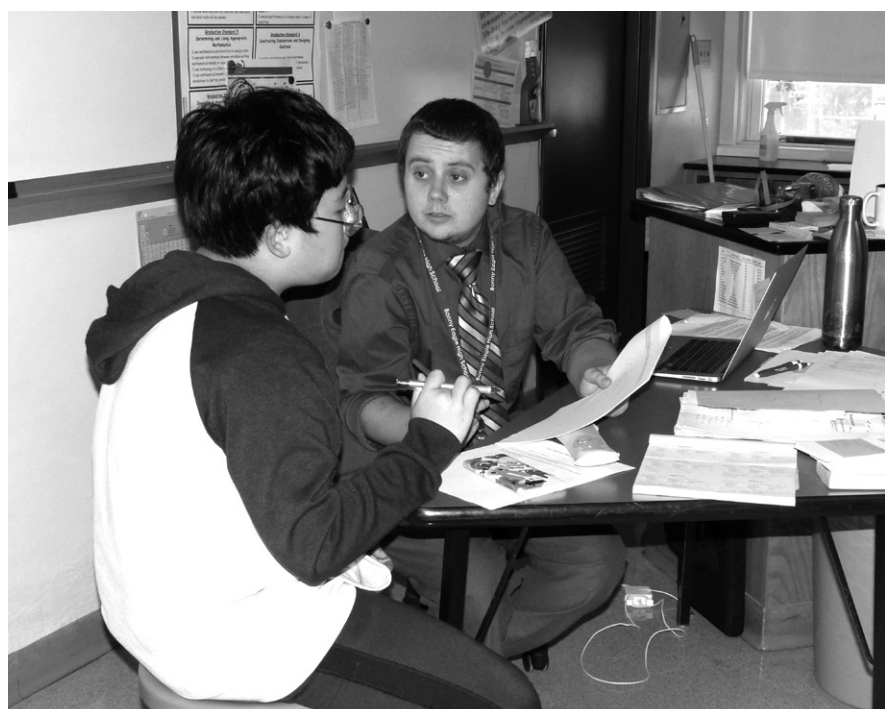
Mr. Conley teaches in Room 225, which used to belong to Mr. William Briggs when Mr. Conley was a student. This year, Mr. Briggs has moved to one of the new 3rd floor science labs.

Aside from some of the physical changes, Mr. Conley says Bonny Eagle hasn't changed much since he was a student here.

"There are some new faces when it comes to the teachers," he says. "Other than that, it still feels pretty similar in a lot of ways ... I was kind of coming back home in some sense."

He describes the school as welcoming with a lot of friendly individuals that are willing to help him. Because of this, returning has been quite the nostalgic and unique experience for Mr. Conley.

Audrey Ricker, a freshman journalism student, is on the staff of the Eagle Times



Mr. Joshua Conley enjoys explaining math concepts to his students. Staff photo

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Venom chase scenes worth the price of admission

By Dillon Hiltz

The highly-anticipated *Spider Man* spinoff *Venom*, which is centered around the talented reporter Eddie Brock (played by Tom Hardy) and the supervillain Venom, swung into theaters Oct. 4.

Overall, the movie was not Oscar-worthy material. It was sloppily made, lacked deep character development, and felt like it was cut short.

Some inconsistencies were fairly noticeable in the film, and looking at the reviews in which critics panned the movie, it may seem like *Venom* would

simply be a movie to pass on seeing this fall. However, I actually recommend seeing this movie.

Sure it was sloppy; sure it felt short, but it was a whole lot of fun. I'll start with the humor aspect of the movie. In all honesty, this film was hilarious. The trailers and interviews associated with this movie made it seem like it was going to be a dark, deep, violent thriller. In reality though, it felt like a PG-13 version of *Deadpool*. We see Venom develop a bromance with Eddie Brock, (which was really entertaining), and discover his love for tater tots.

The action scenes in the movie were really well done too. I don't want to get into spoilers, but there was a motorcycle chase scene in the first half of the movie that may have become my favorite movie chase scene of all time.

There was car flipping, sliding on the ground, and multiple explosions. The fight scenes were good as well.

Overall, I rate this movie 7.5/10. It was a blast to watch because it was action packed, funny, and you didn't have to think about it to enjoy it.

Stay tuned for my next review in the upcoming issue of the Eagle Times!



Photo courtesy of @Venommovie

Was Serena Williams punished too harshly at U.S Open?

By Brenna Finn

The U.S Open Final on Sept. 8 between Serena Williams and Japan's Naomi Osaka caused much controversy and debate.

Williams was aiming to achieve her 24th Grand Slam victory. But the match did not turn out how the American athlete planned when she was punished for three violations and ultimately lost to Osaka 6-2, 6-4.

In my opinion, Serena Williams was treated unfairly in this situation. Yes, her behavior included some furious rants and raves, but many men have lost their tempers and did not suffer the same consequences Williams did.

The first violation the umpire, Carlos Ramos, spotted was an alleged attempt to coach Williams from the sidelines by her coach Patrick Mouratoglou. This earned Williams a warning and a fine of \$3,000.

When this first violation was announced, Williams wasted no time in approaching the U.S Open Finals umpire, stating, "I did not get coaching, I don't cheat. You need to make an announcement. I have a daughter and I stand for what's right for her. You owe me an apology."

Williams then slammed and broke her racket in a fit of rage, which led to a second violation: loss of a point and a fine of \$4,000. When she found out about the second violation, she proceeded to advance towards Ramos, calling him a "thief."

The final violation, which Ramos called verbal abuse, resulted in her losing a game, putting Osaka ahead 5-3. Osaka went on to win her first major, 6-2, 6-4. Williams refused to shake hands with the umpire, waiting for an apology that never came.

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Williams' coach, Patrick Mouratoglou, did reveal in an interview shortly after the match that he was trying to get Williams' attention, something Williams said she wasn't aware of at the time.

Williams was fined another \$10,000 the day after the tournament, for a grand



Above, Serena Williams yells at the umpire during the U.S. Open. Below, Williams returns a serve during the match. Photos from @CNN

total of \$17,000. The money comes out of her prize money of \$1.85 million as the runner-up.

Williams could have handled it more professionally; her outbursts and her "verbal abuse" showed a lack of class. But while I don't think she set a great example for the many people looking up to her, I feel sexism played a big role in her punishment, which also sends the wrong message to girls who play sports.



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This spooky tale says that only someone who is looking for a ship or waiting for a ship can see it. The ship can be seen getting ready to crash into a dock, but it vanishes before ever making contact. The scary part of the story is that the ship is a sign of death, a bad luck charm.

Around this time of year, organized ghost tours take place all over Maine. So, if you are up for being in an eerie, dark, chilly place in hopes for answers, I suggest Fort Knox on the Penobscot River in Prospect.

East Coast Ghost Trackers led the group I was a part of through a chilling night. Fortunately I and a friend were lucky enough to be chosen to lead the group, along with cool gadgets you see on TV called EMF readers.

The tour started out with naming the two ghosts we might find and contact: Mike, who gets real touchy I was told, and Elizabeth, a three-year-old with a doll collection.

The theory is that they read the radio waves as we hold the EMF's in hand. Out of the white noise, the ghost, Mike, would tell us what we were thinking. I was really just there for the fun of it, but when I heard the word "pony" when



These witches are among the sights you may see at Fort Knox this Halloween.

Photo by Kate England, courtesy of Friends of Fort Knox

I was thinking "horse," I was pretty spooked. It happened with my friend also, but with the word "fish." (Who thinks of fish?)

We sat in Elizabeth's room with her dolls, and next to the dolls were orbs

that would detect the invisible waves as well. As the tour guides talked, the lights would pulse. Now, I was really into it; I truly didn't know what I thought at this point. They ended up picking me to sit in a chair blindfolded with white

noise headphones on to see if Elizabeth would interact. Being blindfolded in a stone cold room alone while everyone watched me on a camera in another room wasn't on my bucket list, but, hey, who can say they did that? Nobody really ended up contacting me, but apparently they said the little girl gets nervous when another unnamed spirit a bit older and not approving of her contact arrives in a room.

This could have been an ordinance sergeant looking out for the grounds of Fort Knox, Leopold Hegyi. He was part of the cavalry for 13 years, and he spent them alone. He also became a caretaker for the fort from 1887-1900. So maybe he doesn't like messing around.

Even without ghost interaction, Fort Knox is filled with spooky turns and twists, rooms with huge heavy metal doors, and long sinister hallways: a perfect place for a haunting. Tickets are \$20 per person for three hours of touring. They do have a camping out ghost tour in the courtyard, but I'll admit I was too spooked for that.

Whether you go to find answers to questions your siblings have so rudely disturbed, or even if you think it's all talk, go for the excitement of going. You might just get what you're looking for.

Highlights of the fall 2018 sports seasons



Members of the girls cross-country team, left to right, Coach Ryan Dyer, Coach TJ Hesler, Hannah Stevens, Emma Pendelton, Delaney Hesler, Emma Abbott, Kayla Raymond, Ami Beaumier, Abigail Nelson, and Coach Michael Burseson. Photo courtesy of Cory Abbott

Girls x-country team having stellar season

By Athen Hollis

During fall sports season, the girls cross country team often gets overlooked, but this year they are proving to be a force to be reckoned with. They are currently ranked first in the state of Maine after their win at the Regionals at Twin Brooks in Cumberland on Oct. 20.

Co-captain, Emma Abbott, a junior, says she believes “that this year we are a very strong team and our talent goes deep, even past our top seven. We have gained three very fast freshman this year who have brought a lot to the team.”

In fact, Bonny Eagle has the

fastest freshman in the state in Delaney Hesler. Earlier this season, they won the Southern Maine Classic Meet as well as the 17th annual Festival of Champions in Belfast. They competed against 58 teams from Maine and nearby states. Their overall score was a 96, 34 points better than the second place team.

While this season has been remarkable, it has not been the team’s only good year. In 2015 and 2016 they took home the state championship.

They hope to end this season with another state title and a place at the New England in November.

Hall of Fame adds 2 during Homecoming



Michelle Delcourt-Muckstadt and Andy Martel were inducted into the BEHS athlete’s hall of fame. Photo by Shelley Barrows

From staff reports

Two stellar, former BEHS athletes joined their Hall of Fame Oct. 28.

Michelle Delcourt-Muckstadt was a three-sport athlete at BEHS, but made her mark in field hockey as the goaltender for the 1985 state championship squad as a sophomore.

She earned first team Southern Maine Athletic Association (SMAA) honors her senior year and had the best goals against average in the conference.

In softball, Michelle was a three-time SMAA all-star and varsity co-captain. In her senior year, her batting average was .444. She scored 26 runs,

had 34 RBI and only struck out once.

According to softball coach Jan Corliss, who spoke on her behalf at the induction, “Michelle was one of those rare softball players that every coach hopes to have the opportunity to coach She was the player against whom I measured all my future players.”

Andy Martel also was a three-sport athlete and made a name for himself in football. A 1993 graduate of BEHS, he made first team All-SMAA in both his junior and senior years. He won the Gerry Raymond Award his senior year as the league’s outstanding lineman. He also was runner-up for the Frank Gaziano offensive lineman award. He was a Maine Shire Lobster Bowl Selection in 2013. Lastly, he was named a National Football Foundation Scholar Athlete his senior year.

Andy also participated in wrestling, and track. He came in fourth in the state wrestling championship in his weight class in his senior season.



Above, Will Whyte breaks away from a tackle during an early-season game. The Scots football team earned the third seed in the playoffs with its 5-3 regular season record. Lisa DeMarco photo



At left, freshman Remy Levin came in 7th in the girls golf championship this fall. The golf team had its best season in 27 years, finishing 7th overall, with Ian Jarvis and Colby Sanborn leading the way. Shelley Barrows photo



The girls field hockey team, under new coach Vonde Saunders, made it to the playoffs but were eliminated in the first round by Gorham in a hard-fought, 1-0 game. Staff photo



The girls soccer team made the playoffs, thanks to solid defense led by, left to right, Cassidy Koons, Sydney Gillingham, goalkeeper; Laura Libby; and Randi Lee Robinson. The girls ended their season 9-4-2, with a loss to Windham in the state quarterfinals. Staff photo

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WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE FALL FOOD?

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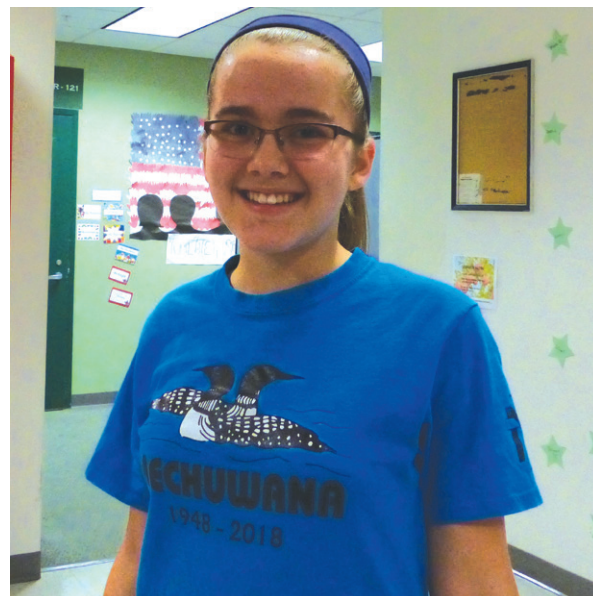
*"Hot soup, like potato soup
or a good chowder."
- Mia Kovacs*



*"Cold apple cider."
- Abel Sullivan and Zeke Sturgeon*



*"Apples!"
- Mrs. Burnell*



*"Probably pie."
- Marissa Falkner*



*"Probably pumpkin pie more than anything."
- Breanna Currier*



*"Vegan pumpkin pie is
my favorite."
- Mr. Phillips*