

Upcoming Events

PHMS Food Drive Oct. 19 - Nov. 12

Halloween dance Oct. 28 @PHMS 7:00- 9:00pm

Last day of the 1st quarter Nov. 2

Election Day - No Classes Nov. 8

Turkey Bowl Nov. 16 @TJHS 6:00pm



When is it too old to trick-or-treat?

By: Jenna Fox and Nick Muffi

Halloween is a time that many people look forward to. Some people like it because of the parties, some like it for the haunted houses, and some like it for the opportunity to go trick-or-treating. Every year thousands of children go trick-or-treating with hopes of getting plenty of candy. That begs the question, "When is it too old to trick-or-treat?" Some students were asked this question, these are their responses:

"I think 15 years is the age to stop." **Cody Karcher**, 6th grade

"I think at 16 you should stop." **Delaney Concannon**, 6th grade

"High school, maybe." **John McCann**, 7th grade

"After 14." Cami Fast, 7th grade

"I think 9th grade." **Lexy Wagner**, 8th grade

"After 9th grade." **Ian Hansen**, 8th grade

There is no rule that says when to stop trick-or-treating, but many people stop at around 8 or 9th grade and go to parties instead. So what do you think? When do you think kids should stop trick-or-treating?

PHMS Flood

By: Kyler Bender

If you were in 6th or 7th grade last year, you probably remember the flood that affected PHMS late last year. The flood forced the entire PHMS middle school to the auditorium of the Thomas Jefferson High School. Water had leaked from a pipe near the girls locker room across from the library and flooded several classrooms, the library and the entire cafeteria.

The library was completely renovated as a result of the flood damage. When asked about the new design of the library, Mr. Zunic sad, "The renovations of the library came from input from Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Virgin, Mrs. Hilf, and Mr. Como."

When asked if there have been any on-going expenses for the Library, Mrs. Davis responded, "No, everything has been taken care of well. Few books from the library were damaged, no more than 20."

Mrs. Mellinger commented, "I lost some novels, books, and posters that were exposed to the water. There was about 1 inch of water."

Sports Reports

Cross-Country
By: Kyler Bender

As the cross-country season progressed, PHMS was unbeatable. With a solid 8th grade team, new runners, and a much appreciated coach (Coach Paull... who is new to PHMS Cross-Country this season) the team looked great! Coach Paull explained the main goal of this season, "To get better every day was the main goal of this season. Yes, the team far exceeded what I expected."

"I believe that everyone is now much stronger mentally. At the beginning of the season many of our athletes were just trying to finish a race and now we have individuals



focused on their times and places each time they compete," coach Paull continued

When asked if he was pleased with the outcome of the season, Coach

Paull replied, "Yes... Extremely happy, our boys pulled together an undefeated regular season and our girls just took 1st overall in the last invitational."

He also commented, "We have a lot of young runners which will be to our advantage next year's season."

Volleyball

By: The Prowler Staff

PHMS Girls Volleyball has had an amazing 2016 season! The 7th grade girls were undefeated for the entire season! Way to go 7th grade girls!

The 8th grade girls aren't undefeated like the 7th grade team but have fought hard to obtain a winning record, winning 11 games out of their 15 total matches. Great season, 8th grade girls!

Football By: The Prowler Staff

The PHMS boys football teams have spent this season growing together as a team, enjoying playing every game and coming away with many victories along the way.

The 8th grade boys have had a winning season coming away with a final record of 5 wins and 2 losses. The 7th grade boys have had a more challenging season only winning 1 of their 6 games.

Emerging Technologies

By: Kyler Bender

Have you ever wondered who's going to come out with the next big thing in technology, well look no further, we keep you up to date of what emerging technologies are spreading throughout the nation and the world!

Each issue of The Prowler, we will review a new piece of technology.

Fitbits, Apple watches, and other portable devices are rising in popularity and becoming more affordable. If you have one of these devices and would like to write a review of the product (positives and negatives about the product, favorite features, things you'd like to see improved), please submit your review to somebody on the Prowler staff (listed on the back of this paper)

Help your students choose their technology wisely and write about your experiences with emerging technologies!

Feature Teacher

By: Barret McAuliffe

Mrs. Miller

"Milla the Killa," aka "Chiller Miller" aka Mrs. Miller, is beloved by many students. Recently, I asked Mrs. Miller some questions to learn more about her.



Mrs. Miller graduated from Edinboro University many years ago, knowing she wanted to become a teacher. Fortunately for us, Mrs. Miller is PHMS's team 7-1 reading teacher. She has been teaching here since 2001! Always enjoying a good meme, Mrs. Miller is quite hilarious.

When she's not teaching, Mrs. Miller can often be found shopping at her favorite store, Kmart. She has a family which includes two former PHMS students, Stephanie & Nicole.

"I really enjoy teaching middle school students! Reading is my favorite subject," Mrs. Miller said when asked about her role here at the middle school.

In conclusion, I think we can all agree that Mrs. Miller is very important to our school!

Book of the Month

By: Kyler Bender

If you like post-apocalyptic books with lots of action, I recommend the Maze Runner series by James Dashner. He has recently come out with the prequel to the series, The Kill Order.

My pick for the **Book of the Month** is another post-apocalyptic book - The Fifth Wave by Rick Yancey. The author of this science fiction book does an accomplished job of writing this book in a suspenseful way. In my opinion, the main context of this book is very well done, including how the author introduces characters and events.

Cassie, the main character of The Fifth Wave, finds herself caught up into the alien apocalypse and loses her brother to the military and finds a truly hidden secret of the supposed "saviors." When she meets a peculiar man later on in this story, she needs his help badly but is afraid of what may truly lie in him.

Cassie's brother, Sammy, otherwise known as Sams, is being held in an

eerie military camp to be trained to fight off the incomprehensible aliens who inhabit human hosts. The people of this camp think they are fighting ghosts because there is really no way to tell.

But as the Fifth Wave rolls in, will Sammy be able to stop it, or will he be the cause of his own demise?

Read the book to find out!

Citizen of the Month



By: The Prowler Staff

The Good Citizenship award is presented each month to one PHMS student that has been nominated by a faculty member or fellow student. To be selected to receive this honor, each nominee must demonstrate one or more of the outstanding qualities in the following categories:

Community Service

The student volunteers time and services to members of the community

Character

The student performs random acts of kindness, maintains a friendly rapport with peers and faculty, and is a positive role model

School Spirit

The student participates in extracurricular activities and exhibits pride in being a Jaguar

For more information and/or to request a nomination form, please see our school resource office (Officer Porupsky) in Room 209, across from Computer Lab 206. Nomination forms can also be picked up at the nomination boxes which are located near the counselor's office, lunch room and library.

Video Game Review

By: Riley Beach & Nick Muffi



ARK: Survival Evolved

Your character wakes up on an island, with almost every dinosaur imaginable: T-rexes, Raptors, and so much more. Don't forget about the Dodos! The game is an open-world

survival game where you try to tame any dinosaur you need in order to defeat bosses. The bosses include The Broodmother, a giant spider, The Megapithagus, a giant white ape, & The Dragon. All have their own servant animals to attack you. Recently the game designers added the Scorched Earth Expansion Pack that adds a new map and dragons you can tame along with other weapons and dinosaurs, it adds the fourth boss: The Manticore the only boss with no Minions to help it.

We highly recommend this game, especially if you're up for a challenge. 9.5/10 rating

Inspirational Quotes

Compiled By: Kyler Bender & Nick Muffi

Students & teachers were asked to share the quote they live by...

Andy Borneman

"Don't let others change who you are, let yourself be you. That's all you have to be..."

Bella Blosl

"Although you may be short or small, you can always still chase your big dreams..."

Luke Rayman

"If you can walk, it ain't broken."

Lola Houston

"If you're not first you're last..."

Angelo Volomino

"You can accept failure at your best, but you can't accept success not at your best."

Daniel Bonacchi

"Don't Stop..."

Mrs. Corsini

"Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul, and sings the tune without the words, and never stops at all..."

Alivia Ketterman

"Life is about trying, and trying is about life."

Kale Buckiso & Ben Eckenrod

"Do it light, do it right..."

Morgan Allan

"live life, it's the best thing you've got."

Ms. Zeimski

"Be the change you wish to see in the world."

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