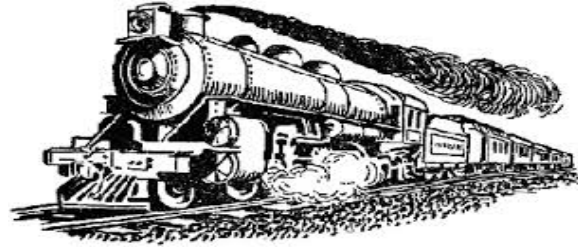


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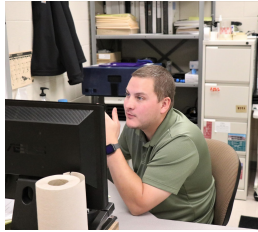
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New Staff: Cody Hartzell

By: Macy Bubeck

Cody Hartzell, Bradford's newest Director of Technology, says he enjoys the work he puts forth for students here at Bradford. With



16 years of experience in the IT field, he finds his motivation through the constant change of equipment, with the incentive of constant new and improved devices to learn about.

Cody loves being outdoors, whether it involves hunting, fishing, or riding dirtbikes. He advises students here at Bradford to not take the easy route, but to put in time and effort. He finds that the harder you work, the more you will learn and grow.

December Senior Spotlight: Abby Fike

By: Molly Clark

I asked Abby what her plans were after high school and she said she planned to attend IUE and study elementary education. She plays volleyball, basketball, softball, and cheers. She is part of the publications' class and yearbook.



I asked her for advice for the younger grades and she said, "my advice would have to be make yourself known, put yourself out there, get involved. It's the best thing you could ever do." Abby's favorite thing about Bradford is the community. "just what they do is amazing!"

December Freshman Spotlight:

Kaylin Richard

By: Sarah Beckstedt



One of the spotlights this year is a Freshman named Kaylin Richard. Being her first year in high school, Kaylin has approached many obstacles in her journey as a Freshman at Bradford. So far, she has "learned a lot from (her) teachers and other students." Richard obtains a 4.0 GPA here at Bradford, and also enjoys playing volleyball as well as club volleyball.

Her at home life consists of doing things outside and watching Netflix. Kaylin has four siblings, she included that she "fights with them occasionally, but (she) wouldn't trade them for the world." She explained that being in high school has been quite a learning experience, and at times it's been a little overwhelming, but overall, she wouldn't change a thing.

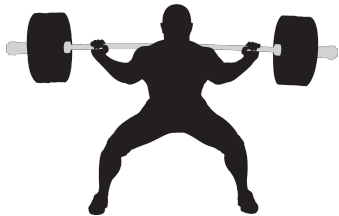
Powerlifting

By: Sarah Beckstedt

Powerlifting is starting back up after taking home a state title last year. The girls ended the year with a win at the state meet and the boys came out in seventh place.

So far this year, they've had one meet at Madison Plains, the girls placed second and the girls and boys combined placed third overall. They have eight meets coming up in the next three months, four of them being every Saturday in January. The first is this Saturday at Kenton Ridge, next week they travel to Northeastern and the week after is the regional meet at Kenton. The following two weeks after regionals, they will be holding their push-pull meet as well as their full meet here at Bradford.

If you plan on attending their full meet make sure to bring your appetite because the Lions Club will hold a pancake breakfast the morning of. Hoping for another great year during this Powerlifting season.



January Senior Spotlight:

Alexis Barhorst

By: Isabella Hamilton



I had the senior spotlight, which was Alexis Barhorst. I asked her some questions about senior year and her plans, and this is how she responded.

My plans after high school: After I graduate high school, I plan on attending the University of Toledo and then pursuing a BSN in nursing.

Where do I see myself in ten years: In ten years I hope to be working in a children's hospital, working with children who are sick.

What has been the biggest highlight of my senior year: One of my biggest highlights is getting accepted into Toledo University and getting straight admission into the nursing program. Another big highlight is being able to stand in the student section on the floor with Ramse, and Austy for the boys' games.

What is the most challenging task as a senior: The most challenging task is being able to do school work while also filling out scholarships that will help me when I go to college.

Are you ready to leave high school: I am excited to graduate and I'm also sad because I do not want to leave all my friends because of all the memories I have made with certain people. But I am excited to take the next steps in my future.

What is some advice for underclassmen: Take in everything you are handed in high school because you are a freshman walking the halls and then next thing you are a senior in high school.

***Happy New Year!
Ring out the old,
Ring in the new,
With heaps of luck
And joy for you.***

January Freshman Spotlight:

Owen Canan

By: Abby Fike



Owen Canan was picked for the January Freshman Spotlight. Owen is a three sport athlete that consists of Football, Basketball, and Baseball. He is very dedicated to his sports. He is always

playing his heart out every time he steps on the field or court. Owen has three sisters, Emma, Rylee, and Lilly. Parents are Casey and Kim Canan.

I asked Owen what he loves about Bradford and he said “What I like the most are the people. I like our teachers and my classmates. They are all good people that make my day better.” I also asked if he could give any advice to the upcoming freshmen, what would that be and he stated “My advice would be to give your best effort in everything that you do even when you don't feel like giving any effort at all. Because, in the end you won't regret giving it your all.” Owen doesn't have a plan for after high school just yet but he has plenty of time to figure that out.

We will open the book

It's pages are blank

We are going to put words

On them ourselves

The book is called

“OPPORTUNITY”

And it's first chapter is

NEW YEAR'S DAY

New Staff: Larry Barger

By: Isabella Brewer



Continuing to highlight new Bradford staff, Larry Barger was next up on the list. Larry is a new member of the Bradford custodian staff, working long hours to keep the

school as nice as it is. He has a son and daughter, Bill Barger and Betsy Baugh, and has been married to Debbie Barger for more than 30 years. He has been involved in the Bradford community for a long time and continues to further that involvement.

When asked about his normal work activities, Larry said that most days he cleans classrooms and dust mops the halls. He also cleans bathrooms and stays to clean the stands in the gyms after basketball games. He is often at the school from around 2:30 in the afternoon until around 11:00 at night.

Larry is a smiling face in the hallways to students leaving school, coming and going for practice, and getting ready for games. He is always very friendly and strikes up conversations, showing just how much he truly cares for the school and the kids in it. Larry commented, “I like our school because everyone is upbeat and great to be around.” He is a positive influence and example in his position at Bradford Schools and is greatly appreciated for everything he does.

HS Boys' Basketball

By: Alexis Barhorst



Fall sport seasons have come to an end at Bradford High School but it is now time for the winter sports team to shine. The boys' basketball team is coached

by Mr. Hall. This is his third year here at Bradford. His assistant coaches include Nick Rank, Alex Swabb, Eric Swabb, and Jeff Byram. He has 17 boys out this year for the 2021-2022 basketball season. This number is right in the range of players we are looking for. I asked him how he is expecting the seasons to go. He expects the boys to be successful each time that they take the floor. I then asked him if he has any expectations for the boys and he said to prepare themselves and compete. These are the two areas that they emphasize on for the team.

I finally asked him what the competition would look like for the new league. He said the new conference is not all new. Preble Shawnee is the only team that has not been on the schedule for the past years. While competitiveness among the teams is expected in the past seasons. There are a few teams expected to be at the top of the standings, a handful in the middle and there are a few who will struggle this year as they build for the future. Make sure to wish the boys good luck in the season.

Below is the link for more information about the Cold and Flu Season.

<https://answers.childrenshospital.org/cold-flu-2021/>

HS Girls' Basketball

By: Abbygail Fike



High School Girls' Basketball is looking forward to a successful season. Seniors, Austy Miller, Rylee Canan, Abby Fike, and Alexis

Barhorst; Juniors, Isabella Hamilton and Maddy Timmons; Sophomores, Brooklyn Crickmore, Faith Gray, and Savannah Lingo; Freshman Megan Wood. Coached by Chris Besecker, Jeff Wirrig, and Crystal Yingst. After losing two starter seniors, Cassi Mead and Emma Canan, the Lady Roaders are looking to fill their voids with upcoming underclassmen.

With joining the new conference "Western Ohio Athletic Association," adding Dixie and Preble Shawnee, we are confident with wins during these games. The Lady Roaders are looking forward to a winning record this season. Good Luck to our Lady Roaders!

2022 Cold and Flu Season

By: Isabella Hamilton

It's been a concern with many that this year's cold and flu season will be higher than previous years. With everyone actually being in school for the 2022 cold and flu season, experts say that there will more likely be more cases this year. It's just the normal cold and flu season everyone had before covid. Though it's kind of hard to predict this year as researchers usually look at the previous year's data to determine what it will look like the next year. Last year's data had a huge drop in cases. We aren't exactly sure what to expect, but they state that it will most likely just be like how it was pre-covid.