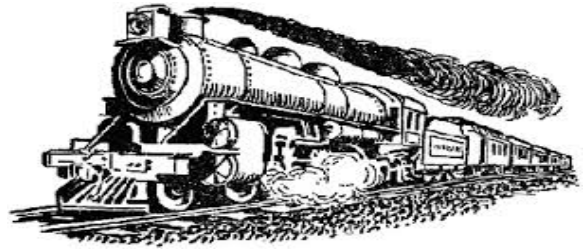


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Athletic Boosters
By: Alexis Barhorst

For the month of November, we interviewed the Athletic Boosters. The Athletic Boosters is an organization that supports the sports programs in any way they can by helping purchase new uniforms and also equipment. The officers consist of Brian Crickmore, Shawn Cotrell, Evie Hudelson, and Kayla Seman.

With COVID last year, they had to make a lot of changes and change some things up. I asked what are some things they could do during COVID. They said with the restrictions we had, we were only able to have the Pie Peddler sale which was still big. I asked them what were some of the obstacles they faced during COVID. They said some obstacles we came across were they had to scale back on everything we did without taking too much away. They also had to shut down a lot of things and the economy has been slower to recover. It has been hard to find or to keep in stock a lot of things we have in the concession stands. They have had to use different resources than normal to find and get what they need in the concession stands.

I then asked them something they are planning on doing this year for sports. They said some things they are doing this year is not only the Pie Peddler sale, but they are hoping to bring back the Sports Blitz fundraiser as well. They are also looking into selling Roader apparel.

New Staff: Cory Canan
By: Sarah Beckstedt

One of our new teachers this year at Bradford is Cory Canan. He has taken over the job as music director for the elementary, junior high, as well as the high school. Prior to moving jobs, Canan worked as the music director for New Knoxville. There, he was able to add onto a program that is continuing to grow, even after his departure. The big question everybody had for him when he made the decision to change scenes is, why did you decide to move schools? He answered with, "It felt like the right time to make a move." He also added that he has an opportunity to rebuild a program that has meant so much to him throughout his life. Canan was a 2002 Bradford graduate, he is also an inductee of the Bradford Hall of Fame. Those things help to make his time here at Bradford much more enjoyable, as he "has many fond memories of when he went to Bradford." Canan has enjoyed getting to know all of the kids here, as well as getting to know all of the staff members. When asked what future plans he has for the music program, he stated that he "wants to get us on the Amazon flights to space." After a laugh, he added that he would like to create more opportunities for the students within the program, and that he wants to grow the program and "eventually take over the world."



New Staff: Ms. Rachel Meiring
By: Macy Bubeck



Coming from Sidney with 7 years of teaching under her belt, Mrs. Meiring, our 7th & 8th grade ELA teacher, is enjoying her first year here at Bradford. She loves the close-knit, small-town atmosphere. Mrs.

Meiring is from Minster, located about 25 minutes north of Bradford. Aside from teaching, she enjoys hanging out with friends and family, watching movies, acting and singing on stage, and reading. She finds motivation from her parents, as they support her through all of her endeavors. Lastly, Ms. Meiring's best advice to students is to be encouraged by failure, not disappointed. She finds that many people criticize, fear, or mock failure, while her best learning experiences come from it. As cheesy as it may seem, Meiring concludes that failure makes a person stronger.

PTO
By: Isabella Hamilton

I asked Mrs. Canan the following questions about PTO and all they do. Here is how she responded:

Can people still join the PTO this time of year? Yes, anyone can be a part of PTO.

Who are the officers?

President: Amy Weaver

Vice President: Evie Hudelson

Secretary: Stephanie Bailey

Treasurer/Coordinator: Tabatha Canan

Assistant Coordinator: Stacy Hocker

What exactly does the PTO do?

“PTO is a non profit organization. Here are a few things we do.”

-Provide fundraising for Washington D.C. Trip

-Staff Luncheon

-Academic Banquet

-Provide Nicky Folders for all the Elementary Students

-Provide pizza for the staff during the Teacher Conferences

-Give two Scholarships at Senior Breakfast

-Secret Santa

-Funding for Field Trips

-Father/Daughter Dance

Thanksgiving
By: Isabella Brewer

Going into the month of November, people from all over the world are getting excited about a favorite holiday to many... Thanksgiving, a day celebrated since 1621. The first ever Thanksgiving was established by the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Native Americans, who cooked and ate food together. It wasn't until 1863 that it was declared a national holiday by former president, Abraham Lincoln.

The major association with Thanksgiving is to make and eat tons of food: turkey, mashed potatoes, hashbrown casserole, green beans, mac and cheese, pumpkin pie, and many other foods. Although this is an amazing part of the day, it's important to not forget the true meaning and importance of the day. Thanksgiving Day is true to its name, it's a day to give thanks for family, friends, and many other things. Many families use this holiday as a way to get together and back in touch.

Although a lot of families share similar traditions, many also have traditions specific to them. My family always gets together at my grandma's house for

Thanksgiving and we get a huge chocolate turkey that we smash for all of us to share. A student at Bradford High School, Alexis Barhorst, shared that she always goes to visit relatives. Another student, Isabella Hamilton, shared that she and her family watch football together. Molly Clark's family tradition is making a trip to Gatlinburg every year around Thanksgiving time. Abby Fike shared her family gets together and eats food.

Many students explained they are grateful for their parents, grandparents, good health, and friends. There are many ways to express thanks for the people around you. You could get them gifts (big or small), ask them if they need anything, give them words or a note of encouragement, and spend time with them throughout the day. November 25th falls on a Thursday this year, so mark your calendars!

Pumpkin Show Highlights

By Molly Clark

Some of Bradford's Best winning:

Abby Fike, Miss Pumpkin

Rebecca Sowers: 1st Runner Up

Alexis Barhorst: 2nd Runner Up

Ainsley Yingst: 2nd Runner Up of Little Miss Pumpkin Pageant

Cori Bates: Princess

Brady Szilagyi: 1st Runner Up of Prince Pageant

Savannah Beachler: Pumpkin Bread Winner

