

Hazleton Area Cyber Academy NEWSLETTER

February 17, 2023

VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION

Hazleton Area Cyber Academy held its first annual Valentine's Day Celebration. We danced, we played games, and we even watched a movie. Be sure to check out the pictures below.



SUPER BOWL LVII

For some people the Super Bowl is not about the game. It is about the commercials and the half time show. This year, Super Bowl LVII was also known as the Kelce Bowl. With brothers Jason and Travis, squaring off against each other. Rihanna (with a special guest,) soared to great new heights, while every celebrity you have ever known popped up in commercials. There was J-Lo, Ben Affleck, and Bradley Cooper to name a few. Chris Stapleton brought Eagles coach Nick Sirriani to tears with his rendition of National Anthem. In the end, Kansas City Chiefs took home the Vince Lombardi Trophy winning the game 38-35 over the Philadelphia Eagles. Patrick Mahomes, quarterback for the Chiefs was awarded the MVP.



Need some help with Microsoft Team? [Click here](#) to watch a short orientation video as well as how to access Microsoft Teams from a laptop, tablet or your phone.





Teacher SPOTLIGHT

Maria D'Amato



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Lexion Cruz



Lexion was nominated by his teacher Miss George. She said that Lexion shines like a star in her class. Lexion is always ready to learn and exceeds all expectations. His assignments are always sent in on time, he attends each class, is always prepared, and participates all throughout the day. Not only does Lexion work hard, but he also brings a positive attitude to class each day. He is always smiling and helpful to his classmates as well as his teacher. Lexion is always motivating his peers to do their best! I am so grateful to have Lexion as a part of our second-grade class; he will soar high during his academic journey.



My name is Maria D'Amato and I have been a Cyber teacher for a few years now. I started my teaching career as an adjunct professor at Luzerne County Community College where I taught for 5 years. After making the transition to Cyber, I really enjoyed working with students in the cyber setting both synchronously and asynchronously. Currently, I teach Middle School World History.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my husband and our children. We travel a lot as a family, and I also take a trip abroad once a year to somewhere I have never been. Other than traveling, I enjoy visiting coffee shops and bookstores. The last book I read was *Hopeless* by Colleen Hoover.

If I had to choose to have dinner with someone who has passed, I would have to say it would be my grandmother. My favorite food is french fries by far, although I don't eat them very often. Choosing between a dog or a cat, I easily would say that I love dogs. If I had to choose a favorite artist, I would have to say that it would be Whitney Houston (R.I.P. Queen). As for my favorite TV show, I do not watch tv much, if at all. I much prefer to read.

Lastly, a fun fact about me would be that I received a presidential award from the White House for my volunteer work while I was a military spouse. Oh, and I am a huge fan of the Royal Family. :)



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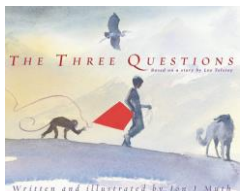
GOOD NEWS

Reading together is much more than entertainment. When families read together, kids learn important life lessons. It helps develop language, creates listening skills, broadens creativity and also strengthen their bonds with the parents and their siblings.

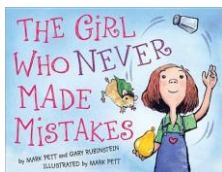
If you are looking for some great books for family time, look no further.



The Dot, by Peter H. Reynolds is about a little girl named Vashti who learns to unleash her creativity when a teacher encourages her to simply make her mark.



John J. Muth's, The Three questions follows a young boy name Nikolai as he embarks on a journey to figure out how to be a good person.



The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett and Gary Rubenstein. Beatrice never makes mistakes. She is perfect in every way. Until she isn't.

All books are available on Amazon.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Today we look at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. As a Civil Rights leader, Dr. King never backed down in his stand against racism. He was a courageous hero who inspired millions of people. He experienced racial prejudice from the time he was very young, which inspired him to dedicate his life to achieving equality and justice for Americans of all colors. King believed that peaceful refusal to obey unjust law was the best way to bring about social change. He was arrested several times during his lifetime due to his protests. Presidential candidate John F. Kennedy interceded to have King released from jail. Dr. King and his wife, Coretta Scott King, lead demonstrators on a historic march in 1965. Starting in Selma, Alabama, where local African Americans had been campaigning for the right to vote, King led thousands of nonviolent demonstrators 54 miles to the state capitol of Montgomery. He is also known for giving his now famous "I Have A Dream" speech in Washington DC in which he boosted public support for civil rights. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated on April 4, 1968. We honor him the third Monday of January each year, Martin Luther King Day.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donate Life Month



The Hazleton Area Life Savers is a group whose goal is to educate about and promote organ and tissue donation awareness within the Hazleton Area schools. We also organize blood drives and CPR trainings for students and adults. Money raised will supplement grant money received from the state to do more within the walls. Get your own Life Savers shirt to show your support for organ & tissue donation. [Click here](#) to purchase.



KING'S WOMEN'S LACROSSE CLINIC



CLINIC INFORMATION:

Who: Grades 6-12
Where: Betzler Field
When: March 11, 2023 @ 3-5 PM
Cost: \$35 per player

Come meet and hangout with the team at the King's College men's lacrosse game against Lebanon Valley College at 1 PM!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 2:30-3 PM - Sign In
- 3-3:20 PM - Welcome / Stretch
- 3:20-3:50 PM - Fundamental Stations
- 3:50-4 PM - Water Break
- 4-5 PM - Games!

**SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY!
GO MONARCHS!!**



2023 REGISTRATION FORM

All girls from the ages of 5 years old to 18 years old (as of 1/1/23) can join the league regardless of their address. All games are played at a 4-field complex with a fully equipped concession stand and restrooms. The complex is in Freedom Park on W. Butler Drive, Drums. (Park is located directly behind the Butler Community Center.)

The registration fee is \$60.00 for the first girl and \$55.00 for each additional girl. Make checks payable to VRGSL.

MAIL REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT TO: VRGSL, PO BOX 369, CONYNGHAM, PA 18219
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 18, 2023

(There is a \$25 Late Fee for all Registrations received after the Deadline. Those players will be put back into the draft.)

[Link to the form can be here.](#)



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Ordering Closes on Sunday February 19th at 11:59pm

The Hazleton Area Golf online store has been launched. The direct link for the store is: <https://vas.chipply.com/hagolf/>

McAdoo Mustangs Cheerleading presents:

TRICKY TRAY AND BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

*All proceeds directly benefit the McAdoo-Kelayres
Elementary/Middle School Cheerleading team*



***Sunday, March 19th 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

***Tricky tray sales end at 1:30PM & winners announced**

***Many quality baskets/gift cards to win and plenty of
homemade, delicious items at our bake sale as well!**

***The event will be held at the Hazleton
Integration Project / HIP Center, in the gym:**

225 E. 4th St, Hazleton PA 18201

CASH ONLY



2023 Valley Chiefs Flag Football



[Link for the form can be found here.](#)

Save The Date



SAVE THE DATE: Gap and Gown Orders
We will be placing cap and gown orders together in class meetings.

HACC: February 22 during period 1/2

HAHS: February 22 during period 8/9

STEM: February 23 during period 8/9

HACA: You may attend any in-person meeting or a link will be posted for you to order online.