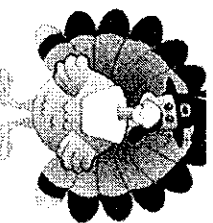


Fun and Games



Thanksgiving Word Search

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Sugar Cookie Recipe!



- Ingredients:**
- 1 cup of granulated sugar
 - 2 1/2 cups of all purpose flour
 - 1/4 teaspoon of baking powder
 - 1/2 tablespoons of unsalted butter
 - 1 large egg
 - 1 tablespoon of vanilla extract

Directions:
-Add flour and baking powder and mix until combined

-Add the butter until mixture becomes sandy, then add the egg and vanilla

-Mix until comes in clumps

-Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 min

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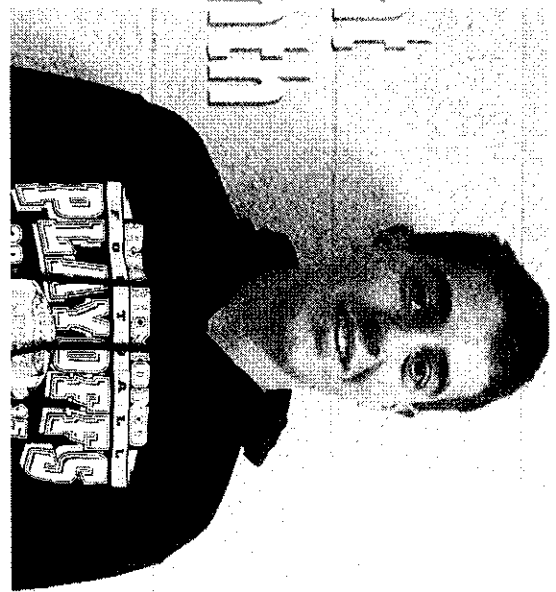
Jessica Weaver



Star Student
of the Month

1. Role Model: Amanda Gorr
2. Greatest Accomplishment in High School: Did good on exams last year
3. Favorite After School Activity: Volleyball
4. Favorite Class: Art

Austin DeBuck

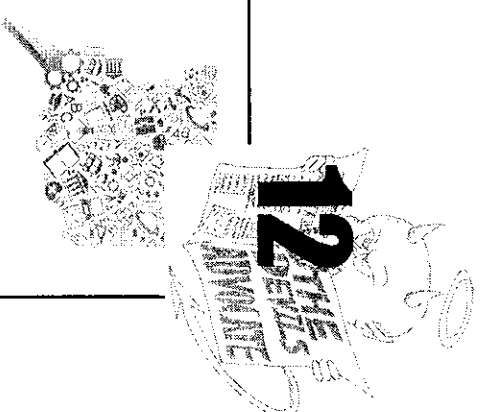


1. Role Model: Dad because he works hard
2. Greatest Accomplishment in High School: All A's sophomore year
3. Favorite After School Activity: Basketball
4. Favorite Class: Chemistry

Features

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CREATIVE CORNER



I am Prey

By: Heidi Elizabeth Dailey

I am standing alone, lost and afraid in the forest
The snow creating a new layer of powder around me
I blend in well, but not well enough
My ears perk when I hear their steps
I can already picture their baseball glove sized paws
Carefully treading through the snow
Slow and stealthy is how they move
I look around me for any place I could wiggle through
So I could try to avoid the death looming over me
But all around me are trees and snow
I cannot tell which way I am facing anymore
Out of the corner I spot one
Its black tip ears stand out

I spot another,
Then another
Before I realize it I am surrounded
I wonder if they can smell my fear like gasoline
If they can hear my heart racing like a drum
If they know they have cornered me
And I have no way out
The first one makes a move
Four times my size
I could fit in its paw
Their golden eyes look so fierce and protective,
That I almost miss their underlying hunger
I try to run but wherever I turn they are there
They are in the snow
In the trees
In my head
I know I have no way out, so I accept my fate
With a few more backwards

steps, I submit
It has been my purpose to become the prey that feeds them
I am the food for the lynx
I don't know why I thought I could be different
I'm not
They were built to destroy me
And I will let them because
I am Prey

Brushing of Teeth

By: Stephanie Schmitt

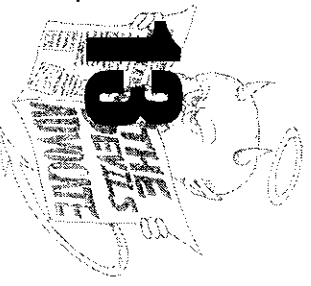
Bad breath is cured by brushing. Toothbrush needs water
Toothpaste neatly placed on bristles
Bathroom faucet turns on with a turn of a blue knob
Flowing water runs onto toothpaste
Place into mouth, onto teeth
Brush back and forth
Front teeth, back teeth
Scrub circles upon circles
Toothpaste foams in mouth
Spit out the foam
More water on toothbrush
Keep scrubbing
Cold, wet, water
Green handled toothbrush
Soft bristles
Blue, white, and red toothpaste stripes
Early morning to late at night
Repeat twice a day
Keep teeth clean
Floss, mouthwash, and repeat

How to write a recipe poem with writer's block

By: Johnnie Chesney

How to write a recipe poem with writer's block
Stare at the paper
Stare at it some more
Stare at it a bit longer
Do not procrastinate
Have a brainstorm
Stare at the paper once again
Write about your writer's block
Stare at it a slight bit more
Debate on deleting it
Save it just in case of bad ideas
Laugh at how stupid this idea was
Show your teacher even if you don't use it
Type the first thing that pops in your head
Take a coffee break
Read what you have

Take a drink of coffee
Enjoy the coffee
Forget about your writer's block
Remember your writer's block
Ponder ideas once more
Stare at it again
Develop a staring problem
Become aware of your staring problem
Get rid of your staring problem
Take a swig of your cup of hot joe
Admire how long the poem is
Realize it has no literary devices
Assume you can't turn this trash in
Think about sharing it with your teacher
Share it with your teacher



Dub For the Cubs

By **Brendon Jacques**
Sports Co-Editor

In front of one of the largest crowds in World Series and even American history, a 108-year drought was broken.

Many people called it a curse of the Billy Goat. The story began in 1945, a man named William "Billy Goat" was looking to enter World Series game four with his pet goat Murphy. He had brought the goat in which he believed was good luck for the cubs.

Although, he was stopped at the gate and was denied access into the game because pets were not allowed. According to the legend, Billy Goat announced that the cubs will never win another World Series unless the goat could enter into the stadium. From that day on the curse stayed with the Cubs and they went on to lose that series and many more. It seemed as if the Cubs would never win a World Series ever again.

Regardless, on November 2, 2016 the curse was finally over and the World Series title was brought back to Chicago.

Not only were they able to overcome the 108-year drought, the Cubs accomplished something that hasn't been done since the 2004 Red Sox in the ALCS. Down 3-1 in a series that seemed impossible to come back from, the Cubs overcame adversity by winning two

games in a row bringing the game to a Game Seven in Cleveland.

The Cubs continued to fight through that adversity even after tying the series at 3-3 apiece.

Heading into Cleveland for Game Seven was tough enough. Blowing a 3 run lead with your top pitcher on the mound, with only six outs to go is even tougher. With their backs against the wall and the momentum had completely shifted to the home side, many thought the curse was with the Cubs for an eternity.

Yet, the Cubs continued to fight. It could easily have been a game changer and many teams wouldn't have been able to recover in any sport.

Then rolls around the bottom of the ninth. After the Cubs went down 1-2-3, many thought for sure the Indians were going to end a drought of their own. The Cubs powered through once again, and tied it 6-6.

Now comes extra innings in an event I believe was the most important 20 minutes of the entire MLB season. A rain delay occurred, which could either make or break a team. The Cubs needed a leader in that locker room and that's exactly what they got in starting pitcher Jason Hammel.

When his team was down and needed a spark of inspiration, he did exactly what you need in a leader. Hammel

fired up the Cubs, kept their heads in the game, and made a speech that many

players in the clubhouse believed was the reason they were able to overcome the eighth inning meltdown and win a World Series.

The Cubs went on to beat the Indians two innings later with an eleventh inning rally, bringing across two runs and silencing the packed crowd of over 40 thousand. Then finally ending the game with a ground ball -runners on first and second - as MVP Kris Bryant picked up and threw the ball to first with a huge smile on his face.

Cub's fans all over the country showed the similar smile with a sigh of relief.

The Chicago players showed something that series that many people could learn from. Not only the World Series win but the way they did it.

Overcoming every obstacle they were faced with.

Never giving up when many were curtail their season was over.

And being able to rally a team, a city, a nation together while accomplishing their goal on the biggest stage.

Trip of a Lifetime McKiernan visits Fiji to make a difference

By **Brendon Jacques**
Sports Co-Editor

While many students were excited to finally put down the books and enjoy their summer by just lying in the sun, senior Raechel McKiernan had other ideas.

Unlike many other kids, Raechel was looking to spend three weeks of her summer learning, teaching, and also making a difference in a community. She traveled 7,000 miles away to a village called Gunu in the Yasawa Islands. "The Yasawa islands are a chain of very small communities off of mainland Fiji that suffer from drought, with a 9 month dry season and 3 month rainy season, and regular cyclones," said McKiernan. "It was our job to help the people in the villages especially as they go through those tough times."

Raechel and 34 others across the United States went through an organized called Global Leadership Adventures. The mission of the program is to promote globally aware teens and understand a different way of living while assisting in community improvement projects in their village.

McKiernan said, "We planted mangrove trees to protect their coasts from erosion, planted coral, installed water catchment and filtration while also just getting to know the people and their culture." Raechel also taught children from 5th to 8th grades in many different subjects while building their English skills.

The trip was a huge benefit as she learned many things. "I Learned about global issues such as ocean acidification, the effects of pollution in the water and overfishing," said McKiernan.

Although kids in the United States briefly learn about these things in the classroom, Raechel was able to get a better understanding throughout her experience. "Another benefit was that I was able to build

lasting friendships with people who have a similar mentality to me, as well as people from Gunu with a culture completely different from mine," said McKiernan.

She still stays in touch with many of the friends she made on the trip by talking on the phone. Her closest friend named Ayla, who lives in Grosse Pointe, has plans with her to go on a camping trip next summer.

Raechel expressed that kids in Gunu show many similarities to kids in the United States.

"The kids there are a lot like us, goofy and just wanting to have fun. They're thinking about the same things such as where and whether or not they wanted to go to college," said McKiernan.

While showing many similarities, life in Gunu also has a lot of differences as well. McKiernan said, "They live a lifestyle that's much more simplistic and in tune with nature. They don't have television or internet, so they get most of their entertainment from playing instruments, hiking, or playing volleyball. It's a much healthier lifestyle in my opinion and the people are much happier, more genuine, and less materialistic."

However, the main issues that these people have are that they lack access to healthy food and clean water. McKiernan said, "We mostly ate fish and chicken that they grow and catch over there but it's not very appetizing. They also had a lot of bread based foods such as noodles and corn cakes because it is easy for them to ship flour."

Raechel has always wanted to get involved with community service and helping others.

While reading about the Peace Corps, she came across the Global Leadership Adventures website and knew this was something she wanted to do.

"I thought it would be a great mix of service and a way to explore a new place," McKiernan said. A problem she was faced with was being able to pay for the expense of \$4,000 without using

her parents' money. She turned this problem into a goal, determined to pay for the trip all by herself. "I set up a big poster board on my wall that showed the plan on how I was going to pay for the entire trip," said McKiernan.

She applied for a scholarship from the Global Leadership Website that she ended up earning. Then she got her first real job at Ken's Country Kitchen and started working as a busser at 45 hours a week.

McKiernan said, "It made it very tough to keep up on grades especially during my junior year, as I was taking AP classes and preparing for the SAT."

She raised a lot of money while still holding a high grade point average. Raechel even did the little things by returning bottles and saving every dime she had. When her story really got out was when over 30 people from friends, family, and even strangers started to donate money into her GoFundMe account.

"All the support was awesome. My grandma and the Barton family both gave me huge donations along with many others. There's no way I could have done it without them," said McKiernan.

This experience has influenced Raechel to do much more. She's hoping to attend Central Michigan University in the upcoming fall where she plans to do even more traveling while still learning and helping others.

McKiernan said, "I'm absolutely studying abroad. All I want to do now is travel and experience new things, even if it's just across the state."