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Homecoming: Avon’s Next Step to Becoming A Real High School

By Allison Isaksen

Ah, homecoming. Drama, dresses, and dancing. A special night in the minds of high schoolers. Granted, not as special as prom, but the pressure is still on to make the most of it. November 20th is the date of this dance, it costs \$20 per ticket, and for those of you who go, you’ll surely be *glowing* afterwards, if that gives any hint as to what the theme will be. (For those of you who don’t care enough to think about it, the theme is “glow in the night”). Thrown by Boosters with plenty of blacklights and glow sticks to go around, you can be as formal or informal as you please, though you’ll probably be covered in neon body paint as the night draws to a close. And unlike the many kid’s sitcoms that have shown us just how important it is to have a date to these kinds of events, the apocalypse won’t begin when you don’t show up with the hottest girl/guy you can find. Besides, it’ll be hard to compare to my date anyways, so you might as well just show up with a few of your best friends and have a *bright* time.

Did you know that 1 out of every 10 people in Massachusetts goes hungry? But you can make a difference and possibly win two free movie tickets!

**3rd Annual
Can-Nonperishable
Food Drive
Advisory Showdown
Grades 10-12**

Please bring in can-food and nonperishable foods to your advisory on Dec. 4th! Not only will you help to feed hungry families but earn bragging rights for your advisory. The advisory which brings in the most donated food will be entered into a raffle to **win two free movie tickets** to the Randolph Movie Theater.

One School, One Book!

A Celebration of Summer Reading!



The result of the collective efforts by the students in grade 7-12: giant tetrahedrons!

Special thanks to Ms. London, AMHS Librarian, for planning such an awesome day.

Eye of the Panther

Do you enjoy writing? Have something to share with the school? Eye of the Panther is the place for you! We accept articles about that interests you, from school events to fictional works of literature. We can publish works of art and share it with the rest of the school! Share your work with eyeofthepanther@apps.avon.k12.ma.us or see Ms. Howe, Bhamini Shah, Nikyla Vines or Allison Isaksen for more details!

Come to Chess Club!

Are you competitive or just enjoy playing board games like chess? Then, Chess Club is perfect for you!

When: Mondays & Thursdays
2:10-3:00
Where: Room 234

IT'S NOT TOO LATE...
...to join **the Middle School Math Olympiads!**



Our first contest will be mid-November. **See Miss Wasserstein in room 128 if you are interested in joining.**

Avon Middle-High School Interactors Fall Into Leaves

On Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11, the AMHS Interact Club will be performing a *Fall Into Leaves* service project for the citizens of Avon. Working in teams, with the help of friends and family members, Interactors will rake leaves, bag them up, and take them away. This is a donation of service, and is completely free of charge. **Any Avon resident who needs help with leaf removal may contact Avon Middle-High School at 508-583-4822, or email eyork@avon.k12.ma.us**, and leave the address to be raked and any special instructions. You may also leave your address at the Council on Aging.

AMHS Interact is a club for young people ages 12-18, or in grades 7-12, who want to join together to tackle the issues in their community that they care most about. Interactors carry out hands-on service projects, make international connections, develop leadership skills, and have fun! We meet every other Thursday from 7-8pm. New members, families, and friends are always welcome. Our upcoming meetings are on November 5 and November 19. AMHS Interact is sponsored by the Randolph/Avon Rotary Club.

A.C.E.S. AVON COALITION for EVERY STUDENT

ACES is a leadership development group focus on drug free and alcohol free kids. ACES started in 2008 and we have had a lot of progress since then. What we do at ACES is we go to conferences and have meeting on how to show kids how bad drugs and alcohol are for you. We do a lot of fun things to show this. We have videos. We have another group called SALSA who go to the Butler and share to them about drugs and alcohol and how bad they are.

Middle School ACES meetings will be held on Monday's.
High School ACES meeting will be on Wednesday's.

If your ACES meeting falls on a half day you will be notified of new date.

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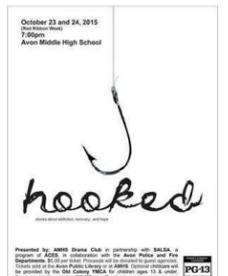
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Allison Isaksen, Jahaira De Jesus, Jodee Frias, Kaitlyn Duncan, Fabienne Dessalines, Lyliaanna Barnette, Faith Chege, and Sabine Etienne performing *Hooked*, an original series of monologues promoting awareness about substance abuse and addiction.



What Makes an Athlete?

By: Bhamini Shah

What does it mean to be an athlete? From having the passion and love to play a sport to the bonds we build with our teammates to the feeling of sweat on your forehead and your heart racing. That feeling of accomplishment you feel when all your hard work pays off. The sweet taste of victory after you win a big game. Supporting your teammates and creating new memories worth looking back on. All these factors add up to being a good athlete. **Go Panther Pride!**

Have You Seen **STRAIGHT OUTTA COMPTON** ?

By: Nikyla Vines

If you haven't, anticipate its release on DVD. If you're not sure what the movie is about, here's a quick overview: it follows the story of the first major rappers from the West Coast (Ice Cube, Eazy E, Dr. Dre, etc) that formed a group by the name of N.W.A. The N.W.A. movement was a game-changer, as the east coast, mostly New York, was the home of rap. At first they weren't taken seriously, they had to build a name for themselves and put their music out there. It wasn't easy though, they encountered their share of struggles. Being from Compton didn't help. This movie also does an excellent job of portraying how poorly the black kids in their neighborhood were treated, both by black and white cops. Whether you are a fan of N.W.A. or not, this film is great to see. It's interesting to see the rise and fall of this group, as well as the struggles each member encountered on the journey, and how they changed music culture forever. Not to mention the actors were almost too convincing. This movie is a must-see.

Team Rival Peer Leadership Conference

By: Lylianna Barnette

On October 4, 2015, nine AMHS students traveled to Gillette Stadium for the Team Rival Peer Leadership Conference held by Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey. Almost 300 students from schools in Norfolk County met to compete against their school's rivals to collect community service hours. Avon Middle High School will be versing Randolph High and Holbrook High in various activities later on in the year. At the conference, the students heard personal stories from people whose lives were affected by substance abuse and participated in seminars lead by Hockomock Area YMCA trainers. Up until January 15, AMHS students will be working on a Public Service Announcement entitled "It's Not Worth It," about risky decisions and behavior. As the year goes on, students will be acquiring community service hours to go towards the final count for Team Rival.



Left to Right: Michael Morrissey, Jodee Frias, Allison Bessette, Ginger Blackburn, Kaitlyn, Parm Kaur, Lylianna Barnette, Nick, Donovan Potemri, Sandy Ngo

Welcome to the League

By: Nickeles Desire

Welcome to the League of Legends. League of Legends or LoL others may call it is a MOBA (Multiplayer Online Battle Arena) made by Riot Games and was released on October 29, 2009. It is the most played online game of all time ahead of Counter Strike Global Offensive (CSGO) and World of Warcraft. With this popularity comes with a devoted fan base on tons of social media such as Reddit, Facebook but mostly on Youtube. League is a game that combines Real Time Strategy (RTS) with Role Play Games (RPG) elements on a fast paced competitive level. Gameplay contains a 5v5 battle royale with unique greatly designed characters known as Champions from the world of Runeterra and takes place on the Fields of Justice. These games take up to 20-40 minutes or sometimes even 1 hour in some cases.

League has a constant competitive scene that is able to be seen on esports (electronic sports). These competitions come with great opportunities to win rewards in cash and or scholarships which schools can get involved in like High Schools and Colleges. LoL is a entirely online game with multiple game modes such as the Classic, Dominion (aka the gamemode no one plays) and ARAM. There are also other modes that appears as once a year events such as Hexakill, One for All and Ultra Rapid Fire or U.R.F mode. The game has great graphics (if on a high enough settings), decent servers to be able to play online and tons of Champions with unique play styles and a huge and fun competitive community.

No game is without their flaws and League has a negative side in game which players easily border. With a lot of gaming communities there are people who takes things too seriously and make things unfun and hostile in game, these people are referred as toxic and there is a somewhat a big majority in MOBAs which you should look out for. Might seem like a small problem but it really isn't at time but Riot is aware of these types of players and created a system to report and punish those who rude, cheating throwing games, being verbally abusive and or rage quitting. Other than that this is a fun game which i would like to see more people I know play and team up to win some matches. You could come to play it yourself since this is a free to play game and enjoy it.

We Block Cancer!

By: Shannon Sinclair

1 in 8 people are diagnosed with breast cancer according to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. The girls volleyball team wanted to help find the cure. They had their first dig pink game EVER! It was on October 9th and they played against South Shore Vocational. They wanted to go all out by wearing pink and decorating the gym. The volleyball team wanted the money that they raised to go to the Susan G. Komen fund. The girl's volleyball team sold Gowell's chocolate pops in the shape of the breast cancer ribbon. They raised a total of \$148. The girls would like to say their first dig pink game was a success. They hope next year gets bigger and they would like you to help them find the cure and help **Block Cancer!**



School Spirit!



Pictured: Brooke von Ehrenkrook and Gina Earley-Ashby



Pictured: Brittany Jean-Jacques



Pictured: Mr. Donovan and Faith Chege



Pictured: Jasmine Torres



Pictured: Allison Isaksen



Pictured: Monique Alejos and Daniella Dias



Pictured: Josue Charles



Pictured: Maryanne Gomes-Baptista and Courtney Hall-Rhodes



Pictured: Samantha Vicente

