THE BERKLEY BEAT

BERKLEY SCHOOLS

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BHS MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY NOV 8

INVITE MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

On November 8th, the United States History students and the faculty of Berkley High School will be honoring the men and women of the military. The day will be filled with excitement, entertainment, good food and great conversations.

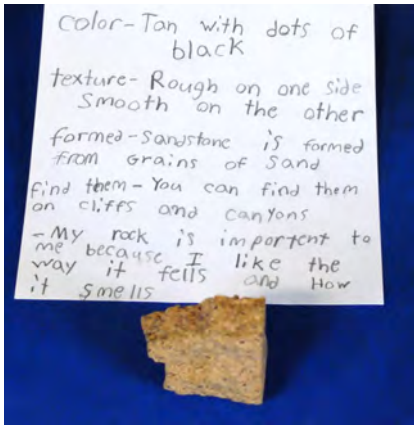
We need your help! Please invite members of the military to our event and register them online at our event site:

Register online here:
https://bhsmilitaryappreciation.eventbrite.com/

Deadline to Register: November 4

At the site you will find the event agenda, instructions for military members, and location/contact information. We need all of your help to make this event as successful as possible. Thank you in advance!

Please see the flyer here for more details: *http://www.berkleyschools.org/NorthstarMedia/download/121503?token=OCaRojCyVwc%3d*



PATTENGILL 4TH GRADE STUDENTS HOST ROCK & MINERAL MUSEUM

To finalize the study of rocks and minerals, Pattengill's fourth grade classes attended the Greater Southwest Michigan Rock and Mineral show earlier this month. While at the show, students had the opportunity to meet with geologists from around the world, admire beautiful rocks, and purchase the perfect rock for them.

Upon return to the classroom, each student was asked to record observations about their find, such as color, luster, texture, type, and use (see above). Then, to share what students learned, the fourth graders assembled the first ever Pattengill Rock and Mineral Museum! During lunch on October 18, students from Pattengill had the opportunity to see all the fourth grade students hard work on display, and speak with class docents to learn more about each rock or mineral sample.

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ANTHONY IANNI PRESENTS TO AMS STUDENTS

FORMER MSU BASKETBALL STAR SHARES AUTISM AWARENESS & ANTI-BULLYING MESSAGE

Anthony Ianni and the Relentless Tour visited Anderson Middle School this week to share the message to students that everyone should "Live Your Dream." AMS was the second school that the Tour visited, on its mission to reach 659 middle schools in one year.

Anthony shared his life story, of being diagnosed with autism as a young child, and being bullied all through school. His parents were told by doctors that he wouldn't be able to amount to much, probably wouldn't graduate high school and definitely wouldn't go to college. When Anthony was in 9th grade, his parents shared this information with him, and it lit a fire inside. "Every time someone doubted me, the more motivation I had in my life," he said.

Ianni went on to graduate high school and college, and while at Michigan State University, he played for Coach Tom Izzo and was a member of the 2010 Big Ten Championship team—and he has a ring to prove it.

Anthony's message to AMS students centered around inspiration. "People doubted me every day... but my father always said, 'The harder you work, the more you earn' and that was my motivation to keep going."

He shared that 65-90% of students with autism are targets of bullies, and that his goal of the Relentless Tour is to eradicate bullying. He wants middle school students to be champions against bullying, and even challenged AMS students to raise $750 towards the cause. If AMS students raise the funds, Anderson Middle Schools' name will go on the outside of the Tours' bus.

After the presentation, students swarmed Anthony for autographs and hugs. The warm reception continued when he visited the ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) classroom at Anderson. Students with autism had a chance to talk to Anthony and ask him questions in a more intimate setting.

Learn more about the Relentless Tour at *www.relentlesstour.com* or follow Anthony on Twitter: @AI44LYD

Read more in the Detroit News article *here*, the South Oakland Eccentric *here* and look for a story in next week's Woodward Talk *here*.

THE INCREDIBLE HUMAN MACHINE STOPS AT ANGELL ELEMENTARY

On Wednesday, Angell students enjoyed the Incredible Human Machine program from COSI, a nationally-recognized children's science museum. The event, sponsored by the Angell PTA, taught students how the body is similar to complex machines, such as engines. The day was filled with hands-on activities and real life learning experiences about the skeletal system, exercise, and making healthy choices. In addition to all the learning happening, each station that the students visited was manned by PTA volunteers.

VISITING TEACHER FROM ENGLAND FOCUSES ON MUSIC

Robin Norman, the head of the music and performing arts department at Ken Stimpson Community School in Peterborough, England visited Berkley this week. Mr. Norman spent time with Berkley High School, Anderson Middle School and Norup International School music teachers, observing choir, band and orchestra classes.

The Ken Stimpson school is a sister school to the Berkley Schools, and when Mr. Norman heard there was an opportunity to come visit, he put his name in right away. In England, the music curriculum is mostly limited to music history and theory, and a little bit of keyboarding, Norman said. He elaborated that no one does performance based groups inside of a high school class time, and that programs like choir and band are all extra curricular. Many students take private lessons for performance during the school day. Mr. Norman, a band teacher, was happy to share that for the first time in 12 years he has a group of 14 students who are in the band, which meets at lunch time.

Mr. Norman was incredibly impressed by the extensive class offerings at BHS, AMS and Norup. He is hoping to take ideas back to Ken Stimpson, and increase the opportunities for students to participate in performance based music programs.

ROGERS STUDENTS STEP BACK IN TIME

First grade students at Rogers got to step back in time to experience life as a pioneer child this week. The students took a field trip to the Troy Historical Museum. During their trip, the presenter, dressed as an early settler, explained how things were different than they are today and what chores children helped with around the cabin. Students gathered kindling, made butter, carved wool, and shouldered a yolk.

Then, they were able to attend school and learn some lessons in a one room school house. They learned using the McGuffey Reader and used chalkboard slates. Students took on names of students that really attended Poppleton School in the year 1880 and were taught by "Mr. Norton," the teacher's name who taught there the same year. A wonderful, educational experience was had by all!

PROTECT CHILDREN ONLINE

Are your children safe while online? Michigan families, especially minors, are becoming inundated with advertisements from alcohol, tobacco, pornography and gambling marketers through different internet and cell phone inboxes. Thankfully, the State of Michigan offers a free program to stop adult advertisements from reaching e-mails, mobile phones (text messaging ads) and instant messenger IDs. The Michigan Child Protection Registry is a free do-not-contact service for Michigan's families and schools and can be located at *www.protectmichild.com.*

A Message from Oakland County Executive – L. Brooks Patterson

Month or more behind in your mortgage or know someone who is?
Help is available NOW to keep most families in their homes.

Contact Oakland County's Community & Home Improvement Division:

- Call 248-858-1891 for a confidential appointment.
- There is no charge or fee for this service.
- Oakland County certified housing counselors will find the right solution for your individual circumstances.

See how they have helped residents already:

- A family from Rochester fell behind on their housing payments due to job loss and received $20,000 to bring their mortgage and property taxes up to date.
- A retiree living in White Lake got a loan modification with a lower interest rate and longer term that reduced their monthly mortgage payment from $1,100 to $700.
- Half of a Hazel Park's family's monthly mortgage payment was covered when the head of the household was unemployed, and continued for six more months after employment began again.

Oakland County's Community & Home Improvement, a division of Economic Development & Community Affairs, has been helping residents with their housing needs for more than 30 years. Its counselors are certified by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Michigan State Housing Department Authority. They provide FREE counseling on housing matters like Preventing Mortgage Default, Reverse Mortgages for Seniors, Tenant/Landlord Issues, and Fair Housing Practices.

Contact: ***http://www.advantageoakland.com/CPHA/CPHAHousing/Pages/CPHACounseling.aspx***

COMIC BOOK ENTHUSIAST VISITS ANGELL

Edwin Keahey, a comic book collector visited Angell fifth graders to talk about comic books. Mr. Keahey has been collecting for 40 years and talked to students about the timeline of comics and history of super heroes. Students had an opportunity to ask questions, and were very engaged with the presentation. Mr. Keahey also was able to have a local comic shop to donate 60 comic books to the 5th graders.

HOST FAMILY NEEDED FOR BHS STUDENT

The Berkley School District partnered with Educatius International to bring exchange students to Berkley High School this school year.

One student is still in need of a host family for this year-long high school study abroad program.

Educatius International is seeking a family to host an international student that is already attending Berkley High School. The young man is from Taiwan, and needs to be placed with a host family as soon as possible. A host family would provide a bed, meals, a means to get to and from school and activities and most importantly a loving family home. The students come with their own spending money to pay for personal items, school supplies, school fees, etc. and they have their own medical insurance.

Educatius International offers a $300 per month stipend in addition to a $100 per month hosting bonus to help offset the cost of hosting. The student will complete the school year at BHS.

Host families must reside within the boundaries of the Berkley School District.

If you are interested in hosting, please contact Betty Sims, Regional Manager with Educatius, by email at *Betty.sims@educatius.org* or cell at 303-809-7821.

ALUMNI NEWS

Know a BHS alumni with a great story to tell?

The Berkley Schools Communications Office is looking for alumni stories to publish in the 2013-14 weekly Berkley Beat editions.

Send the story to Jessica Stilger, Communications Supervisor, (*jstilger@berkleyschools.org*) and it may be published!

Make sure to include what year the alumni graduated, and a photo (if possible).

FREE photos for Berkley Schools Families

Check out the Berkley School's Picasa site online where we will upload photos of events and families can download the files for free - enjoy!

New Galleries!

Building Blocks Fall Festival • Angell Fun Run • Rogers Fun Run • Pattengill Fun Run • Burton Fun Run • Rogers Septemberfair

Visit the site here: *https://picasaweb.google.com/100816275528881588772*

Like us on Facebook!
www.facebook.com/berkleyschools

Follow Us on Twitter!
twitter.com/berkleyschools

Upcoming EVENTS

Friday, Oct 25.....	NIS Book Fair
	Pattengill Trunk-N-Treat, 6-7 pm
Saturday, Oct 26	National Prescription Drug Take Back Day: *Rid your home of potentially dangerous expired, unused, or unwanted prescription drugs. Collection sites are open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. local time. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. Locally, citizens can drop off their drugs at the Huntington Woods Public Safety building located at 12755 W. 11 Mile Rd in Huntington Woods, the Oak Park Public Safety Building 13800 Oak Park Blvd in Oak Park or the Michigan State Metro North Post located at 14350 W. Ten Mile Road in Oak Park.*
Monday, Oct 28	BOA Mtg, 7:30 pm
Tuesday, Oct 29	BHS/AMS/NIS Halloween Orchestra Concert, Auditorium, 7 pm
Wednesday, Oct 30...	BHS Marching Band Concert, Auditorium, 7 pm
Thursday, Oct 31.....	Halloween Parade Schedule:
	Building Blocks (Tyndall & Avery): 10 am
	Burton: 12:30-1 pm
	Angell: 1-1:30 pm
	Rogers: 1:30-2:30 pm
	NIS PYP: 2-3 pm
	Pattengill: 2:30-3 pm
Friday, Nov 1.....	1st Card Marking Period Ends
	All Schools-Half Day, AM only. BHS all classes meet
Sat/Sun Nov 3.....	Daylight Savings Time Ends, Set clocks back 1 hour

INTERN IN MICHIGAN AND BERKLEY SCHOOLS

The Berkley Schools is happy to share the Intern In Michigan portal for Berkley! This site will connect interns to employers and employers to interns all for free. Any BHS alumni, current students or businesses in the community can sign up through the portal and start matching people to jobs. *http://berkleyschools.interninmichigan.com/Public/Home.aspx*

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CELEBRATE MY DRIVE® powered by State Farm® is a chance for our school to win a grant of $100,000 or $25,000 – and maybe even a concert by **Grammy Award-winner Kelly Clarkson**!

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- 1 OF 2 GRAND PRIZE CONCERTS with Kelly Clarkson

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go to **www.celebratemydrive.com** to make your safe driving commitment daily from Oct. 18-26 to increase our chance of winning! Encourage your friends and family to commit to safe driving, too!

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parent nights
presentations
videos on demand

The Berkley Schools Communications Office video records many district events - if you see us at an event, the video will appear here in the Berkley Beat, and on the district's school tube channel. Videos are also for sale - learn more below. Enjoy!

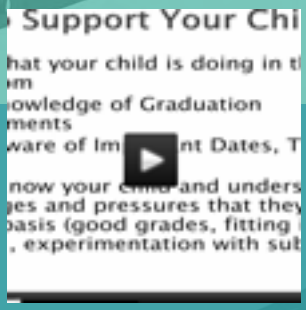
Berkley School District Events Now Playing on Video onDemand!

The Berkley Schools offers videos of many district and school events for all to see on our SchoolTube channel. All videos are also available for purchase from the Communications Office:
(*http://www.berkleyschools.org/pages/51042/store*)

Videos are now being recorded in High Definition - check them out today!

To view the events listed to the right, visit:
www.schooltube.com/user/BerkleySchools

BHS 9th Gr Parent Night
October 10, 2013



BHS 10th Gr Parent Night
October 8, 2013

BHS 11th Gr Parent Night
September 26, 2013

BHS Homecoming Game
September 20, 2013

BHS Little Theater - 4th Fridays of the month
7:00 - 9:00 pm

$5.00 admission, refreshments for purchase from local restaurants!

ALL students, parents and alumni welcome to perform,
simply sign up with the M.C. when you arrive.

All proceeds go toward the restoration of the Little Theater

Please use the Sunnyknoll entrance by the Student Center.

open mic nights

Berkley/Huntington Woods Youth Assistance presents:

There Are No Lazy Students

Presented by: Judith E. Lipson, M.A., LPC

Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2013

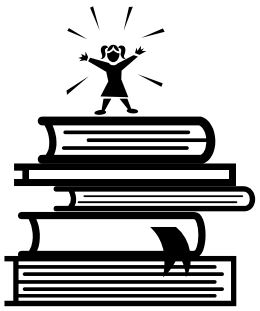
Time: 6:30-8:30 pm

Location: Berkley High School Auditorium

Complimentary Admission

Academically underachieving or unmotivated students?

- Learn realistic techniques to improve homework completion, organization, time management, study skills, reading and writing.
- Understand the impact of anxiety and perfectionism.
- Recognize the inherent gifts of those who have been considered difficult or challenging.
- Restore self-esteem, peer relations, empowerment and motivation.
- Helpful for parents of students with ADHD and ASD.



This workshop is intended for parents, teachers, and special education staff/administrators.

Judith E. Lipson, M.A., LPC

Judy is a Licensed Professional Counselor with 30 years experience in all levels of public education, including teacher consultant and crisis counselor. Her specialties include individuals with anxiety, ADHD and ASD. As an educational strategist, she believes There Are No Lazy Students.

For more information, please contact the Berkley/Huntington Woods Youth Assistance Office at 248.837.8110 or by email at lscheel@berkleyschools.org

OFF TO THE RACES

SAVE THE DATE

5th Annual *Off to the Races*
Berkley Education Foundation Fundraiser
for the Berkley School District

Saturday, February 8, 2014
7-10 pm

Emagine Theatre/Star Lanes
200 N. Main Street, Royal Oak

Hors D'Oeuvres, Horse Racing,
Silent Auction & Cash Bar

$25/person

Become a sponsor,
purchase a horse,
attend the event!

Visit *www.berkleyschools.org*
and click on Berkley Education Foundation for more details or call 248-837-8018

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