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EAST VS. WEST by Billy Kofron

Central Bucks West football prevailed over Central Bucks East 14-13 in an emotional game. East now sits at a 4-5 record overall. The game came



down to the final seconds when a field goal that would've given East a 16-14 lead over Central Bucks West was kicked low and hit a lineman's helmet. A true heartbreaker, this game will still be remembered as a classic East-West football game; as senior wide receiver Logan Pettigrew stated, "It was a wellfought game." Although it was not the East homecoming game, this was the most important game of the year.

Junior quarterback Evan O'Donnell cuts around the CB West players.

Sophomore Patrick Volko

hauled in a 33-yard touchdown courtesy of Junior quarterback Evan O'Donnell. In addition to passing for 160 yards and a touchdown, O'Donnell also rushed for a touchdown. Senior Chad Guzzi was sidelined due to an injury, making

Sophomore Jake Ventresca the leading rusher with 14 attempts for 58 yards. Defensively, Senior Tyler Ellixson had a crucial interception while Junior Joey Haug forced and recovered a fumble which put the Patriots in a great position to win the game.

It is unfair to blame the loss on the officials or the kicking, but there were controversial calls. There was a late holding call on an East touchdown resulting in the touchdown being erased, as well as what may have been a missed pass interference call in the end zone, which would have all but assured a Patriot win. Losses always hurt; however, losing to West always stings quite a bit more. Despite the loss, the Patriots delivered a tremendous performance, and students must not forget the recent success the football team has enjoyed over the past few years in addition to all Senior Jake Grube and Junior David the great memories.



Moyer make a tackle.

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Field Hockey

by Tara Harper

The Central Bucks East Field Hockey team is the SOL Continental Champions for the second year in a row. The team finished 11-1, beating both CB West and CB South twice. The team goals set at the beginning of the season were to beat West twice, and to win the league. They have been working hard since the middle of August and it has paid off. Led by Captains Mackenzie Boyle, Riley Donnelly, and Isobel Mannino, the team looks to continue their great season in the District playoffs. As the season comes to an end the field hockey team says goodbye to a number of valuable seniors, who will be missed in seasons to come.



Senior Riley Donnelly makes a strong shot past the Souderton goal keeper.

Soccer

by Lauren Patrick The boys' and girls' soccer teams have just wrapped up two very successful seasons. After lots of hard work and determination, both teams have earned themselves a seeding in Districts, where they will compete for a spot in the State Tournament. The girls finished with a record of 7-2-3, allowing them to take third in the league. Captains Delaney Kennedy, Katie Bloom, and Riley Kane are very excited to enter playoffs; they believe that with the right attitude and extreme focus, the team will go far. "Staying side on is key," said Bloom.

Highlights of their season included beating CB West at



Senior Delaney Kennedy jumps up for a head ball to beat her CB West opponent.

home, and completing a very successful fundraiser called Kick For Pink. Here, the girl's soccer teams of East and West worked together to raise money for breast cancer research. The boys also had a great run; they finished with a record of 9-3-0, which helped them claim the second-place spot. Senior Captain Brenden Leasoff commented on behalf of the boys, saying, "We need to score. As long as we put the ball in the back of the net, we will find success." The best of luck goes out to both teams as they hope to continue their seasons for as long as possible.

Volleyball by Morgan Beakley

The Lady Patriots started their season strong with a winning streak against Truman, CB South, and Neshaminy. The team is led by their captains Morgan Beakley, Jenn Krzeminski, and Ysabelle Minschwaner. Their team chemistry has grown throughout the season and has allowed them to work better together during the games. They ended their regular season with a record of 13-9 and look forward to making an advance in playoffs. The girls will miss their seniors in the returning season as they are key players in the team's success.



Varsity girls volleyball huddles before the big match.

Cross Country

by Sophie Curtis

East cross country had a very successful running season. Top runners for the boys' team include Seniors Declan Earles and Owen Zila; Juniors David Endres, Alex Bardwell, Cole Sands, Cade Sands, and Sean Lahetta; Sophomore Andrew Conte. For the girls' team, Top runners include Senior Paige Renneisen; Juniors Cameron Billingsley, Grace Carpenter, and Claudia Eder; and Sophomore Makenna Brophy. The season came to and end with a 4-1 record on both the boys and girls side.



Senior Declan Earles races his North Penn competitor, passing him at the finish.

Tennis by Sasha Wilson

The CB East girls' tennis team had a long hardfought season. They clinched the Suburban One League (SOL) title with a 5-2 victory over North Penn. On October 2nd, East took on North Penn and were tied up 3-3 but had to call a draw in the final match due to lack of sunlight. The varsity team finished off the regular season with a 13-1-1 record and went undefeated in their conference. In districts they took on their first competitor, Radner High School, and fell short with a 2-3 loss. In SOL singles, junior Sydney Lund came in second place in the league to qualify for singles districts. She also went on to play in the SOL doubles tournament alongside senior Haylie Laff where they beat CB South 6-4 5-7 6-4 to claim the title. They will move on and play in doubles districts to continue representing the Central Bucks East patriots.



Senior Haylie Laff gets ready to hit her passing shot down the line.

Golf by Bailey McManus

This season, the Lady Patriots succeeded on both individual and team levels. As a team they were able to make it to the Suburban One League Championship with a team consisting of Sophia Mancuso, Sarah Scarpill, Loren Harper, Liv Sala, and Sabrina Irey. From there they advanced to play at the PIAA District One Team Championship held at Gilbertsville Golf Club. Senior captain Sophia Mancuso finished third overall in districts. This finish allowed to her to go on to regionals where she also finished third and eventually led her to states. "Being on this team for all four years was such a fun experience. It is cool to see how much I improved over the four years, being able to make it to states my senior season," said Sophia. She will continue her golf career at Elon University where she will compete on the Division One level. Congrats to the 2017 girls' golf team for a extremely successful season.



Senior Matt Becker tees off the first hole.

Fall Sports

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Senior homecoming court: Kevin Navarro, James Gillen, Lewis Scaliti, Gabe Gomez, Evan Dorsey, Madison Bitting, Riley Donnelly, Liv Ruddell, Katie Bloom, and Kennedy Farrior.



The marching band performs at the halftime show during the Homecoming game.



Senior Bella Melito cheers at the game.



Senior captains Evan Dorsey, Ty Tracy, PJ Szymanski, and Dylan Badger link arms before the big game.



CB East mascot The Patriot salutes before the game.



Sophomore Kat Brumer twirls the flag during the halftime show.



Junior Steph Wengler is in the air during a basket toss.



Freshman cheerleader, Lindsey Freeman holds the pride sign.



The student section hypes up for the game in their tropical gear.



Junior Ryan Eife leads the team through the banner.



Sophomores: Blair Benoksy, Mary Duffner, Katie Powell, and Erin Schick .



Seniors Luke Schloeffel, Sean Enama, Erin Chalifoux, Marshall Duncan, and Nate Pennizotto.



Sophomores Gillian Snyder, Mollie Schibel, Courtney Rowland, Olivia Newman, Olivia Black.



Juniors Makayla Horvath, Katie Fox, Brooke Martin, Rachel Martin, Sam Beagleman, Claudia Eder, Cameron Billingsley, Kyleigh Talomie, Molly Eron, Julia Wiegers, Natalie Daley, Julie Rebstock, and Anna Sacchetti.



Seniors Jess Greene, Caroline Quigley, Audrey Wilson, Kippe Powell, Erin Chalifoux, and Isobel Mannino.



Front Row: Sofia Lapiere, Leah Greene, Jackie Unami, Vanessa Miranda

Back Row: James Gillen, Maggie Mershon, Sierra Wolk, Lauren Ballew, Annie Verbeck, Lindsey LaBarbera, Ryan Steinley.



Sophomores Lizzie Shewbrooks, Olivia Newman, Gillian Snyder, Courtney Rowland, Alexandra Smallwood, Olivia Black, Mollie Schibel, Katie Hagerich, Emma Donnelly, Ariana Trabachino, Allison Gallant, Mkenna Brophy, Makayla Romanus, Maddie Yetter.



Homecoming queen, Katie Bloom and king, Evan Dorsey.



Senior Bailee Plotnick and her date Jack McCausland.



Juniors Grace Murray and Katie Kennedy.

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Patriot Players Presents Cinderella

by Jillian Troth

Patriot Players is one of the largest clubs at CB East. As a member, one must be willing to dedicate a serious amount of time, hard work, and determination in order to contribute to its success. "[We are] one of the only clubs that keeps everyone running year-round," says club director Sasha Eisenberg. Being a part of this group is an experience unlike anything else.

Consisting of almost 100 students, each one offers creative ideas and positive energy that further the excitement that the productions contain. The constant collaboration allows friendships to quickly form, while everyone can still express their individuality. Sophomore Lindsey Lewis said, "I knew about [Patriot Players] before because I already knew people who were a part of it. The great things I heard turned out



to be true, and I want to be in it for all three years."



While one of the biggest components of Patriot Players is the acting, the responsibilities stretch way beyond what the crowd sees on stage. A whole panel of crew members and set designers work behind the scenes to make sure everything runs smoothly. The group tirelessly works to perfection, making the entire process efficient and effective.

The Patriot Players prepare for their showing of Cinderella.

Producing four shows a year is no simple task; only a few months is allotted to learn, rehearse, and perform each piece. In addition to Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella, Patriot Players has also been working on the play

12 Angry Men, which will immediately follow the performance of Cinderella.

While the schedule is nothing short of rigorous, becoming a member of this club is an incredible opportunity for any budding actor or actress. James Gillen, cast as the Prince in Cinderella, recounts, "I started [acting] in seventh grade because I liked choir. After ninth grade, I was so in love with it that I decided to join Patriot Players."

The members are incredibly excited to share their hard work with the community, and the rehearsals are buzzing with enthusiasm. Cinderella premiers in less than one month; with schedule show dates of November 17th through November 19th. Starring Colette Mahar, James Gillen, Julie Byrne, Emma Iverson, and many more, the show is sure to be the performance of a lifetime.



The Patriot Players rehearse in costume.

National Art Honor Society

by Sophie Curtis

If you are an artistic student looking to take high school art courses and complete some community service projects, you may qualify for the National Art Honor Society (NAHS). NAHS is an organization that directly parallels National Honor Society. Members of the art society will complete a minimum of fifteen hours of art related community service projects that will not only benefit a variety of different causes, but will also help to better them as artists.

Last year, NAHS students teamed up with The Memory Project, a nonprofit charitable organization that provides youth with challenging backgrounds from around the world with their very own portraits. Through the program, pictures of Syrian children were mailed to the artists of



NAHS members pose with their portraits for The Memory Project



Elementary students hold up the art supplies that NAHS donated.

NAHS who created outstanding replicas which were then sent back to Syria for the children to cherish forever. If that isn't rewarding enough, NAHS also raised money to provide a title one school in Philadelphia with art supplies, along with participating annually in the Doylestown pumpkin festival.

To be eligible for NAHS you must carry a 90% average in two art courses. One of which must be Art 1, 2, 3, or 4 or Drawing and Painting 1 and 2 combined. If you meet these requirements and are interested in applying visit Mrs. Moriarty in room D105.



IT Movie Review by Nicole Schmauk

With the Halloween season here, scary movies are back and better than ever. To no one's surprise, *It*, directed by Andrés Muschietti and based off of the book by best selling author, Stephen King, has made \$605.8 million worldwide in the box office. This movie is creepy enough to make your skin crawl. It is about Pennywise the Dancing Clown, played by Bill Skarsgård, who menacingly terrorizes the small town of Derry, Maine. The clown feeds on the fear of the children, scaring them by making their worst nightmares come to life.

A band of misfit children called the Losers Club come together in an attempt to find Georgie, (played by Jackson Robert Scott) the boy who is pulled in the sewer in the most recognizable and memorable scene of the movie. Georgie's brother Bill Denbrough, (played by Jaeden Lieberher) is the leader of the group as they try to unravel the mystery of the disappearances and the un-explainable events. With realistic special effects and vivid intense scenes *It* lives up to its R-rating. You will be on the edge of your seat for the entire 2 hours and 15 minutes of the movie. The part that really made the hair on the back of my



neck stand up was when the boy's friend, Beverly Marsh (played by Sophia Lillis) was covered in blood but her father couldn't see it. The jump scares in this movie were out of this world terrifying. If you're looking for a truly horrifying movie experience to kick off the holiday season, you need to see this masterpiece of horror.

What is your favorite scary movie?



"The Conjuring" -Morgan Funk



"Insidious" -Kyleigh Talomie



"The Purge" -Blake Ravkin



"I don't watch scary movies." -Katie Kennedy



"The Grudge" -Jason Voytek

What are you going to be for Halloween?



"A cow because milk is my favorite beverage." -Scott Benosky



"A vampire" -Abby Burton



"A pirate" -Courtney Adamson



"Fidget spinner" -Connor Murphy



"Blockhead" -Pat Volko