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# The Varsity Warriors vanquish their opponents in the Slamtastic Volleyball Tournament

by Warrior Weekly Staff



The BRHS varsity volleyball team, from left to right: Jordan Wheeler, Kate Smith, Caitlin Laraux, Ava Lieb, Allie Alexie, Isabel Lieb, Vjosa Pellumbi, Kendal Herron, Haley Sundown, and Bryn Garrison.

The flickering lights in the Warrior Dome plunged the gym into absolute darkness several times last weekend, but that didn't stop the BRHS varsity team from claiming 2nd overall in the annual Slamtastic Volleyball Tournament, as their energy and teamwork on the court led them to victory.

On Friday evening, Oct. 22, the Warriors went up against the Houston Hawks. From the start of the first set, the BRHS team displayed incredible enthusiasm, with multiple players completing consecutive serves. It was an intense game with many volleys between the two teams, and ending with a 25-11 score.

In the second set, the Warriors continued setting the ball up for one another. They blocked many shots from the Hawks. Junior Bryn Garrison slammed several shots over the net. This game ended with a 25-23 score. Senior Jordan Wheeler said, "I think that one of our strengths is that we are a mentally strong team. Even if we get down several points, it doesn't mean that the game is over. We have a drive to win and the ability to pull ourselves out of impossible situations."

Going into the third set, the BRHS team was determined. Several players hit multiple serves again, including Jordan Wheeler, who hit 11 over. The team kept the ball in play, allowing them to win the match.

On Saturday afternoon, Oct. 23, the BRHS team played Palmer JV Moose. This was a close matchup; Palmer JV won the 1st set 25-20. The Warriors rallied back to win the next two sets.

The fourth set ended in overtime with a score of 25-27 to Palmer JV. Both teams went into the 5th set highly motivated, as they had each won two.

The vollying between the two teams was incredible. Jordan Wheeler said, "A stand out moment to me was when Haley got three blocks in the Palmer JV game. The Palmer girls were hitting the ball so hard, and when Haley blocked them, you could hear the ball slam against her hands. Then it fell straight down to the floor, which was really cool to watch!"

Next, BRHS honored the senior volleyball players, with Principal Miner explaining each Warrior's future goals and bringing out their families for support. They also acknowledged other teams' seniors.

The BRHS senior volleyball players from left to right: Jordan Wheeler, Kate Smith, Ava Lieb, and Haley Sundown.



The final match for the BRHS team was against the Eielson Ravens As both teams had each won a matchup, they were vying for 2nd place. The excitement in the gym was palpable as the audience cheered on the Warriors. Bethel won the first set 25-14, with a lot of great set ups, blocks and volleys. Eielson then won the 2nd set 25-18. Bethel came back to win the 3rd set 25-15, and Eielson took the 4th game 27-25. The Warriors kept up the intensity to win the final game 15-13! Great going Warriors! Next up is Regions at the Warrior Dome.



Warriors Bryn Garrison and Ava Lieb earn All-Tourney awards.

## Warrior NYO team competes in the Gladys Jung Virtual NYO Meet

by Coach Tommy Bayayok



The BRHS NYO team poses, along with the Juneau team after the meet. Photo courtesy of Coach Bayayok.

The following BRHS students competed in the Gladys Jung Virtual NYO meet. Gracie Hooper, Kaylee Moses, Dalyn Nelson, George Lee, Amanda Isaac, Larissa Berlin, Gustoff Erickson, Oskar Erickson, Mason Beans Polk, Bryan Nicholai, Eliana Tikiun, Rhea Kanuk, and Dawnielle Patterson.

BRHS, Gladys Jung, and Juneau competed in person at the GJE gymnasium. Chefornak and Toksook Bay NYO teams competed virtually through Zoom. At one point there was a tie breaker and Ms. Bacus of BRHS was going back and forth on the zoom. It was very interesting and cool to compete this way due to Covid restrictions.

We could see more virtual meets in the future due to Covid or if a site can't travel due to weather. The BRHS NYO team did great for having only practiced for three weeks. One surprise was Dawnielle Patterson who pretty much just learned the Scissors Broad Jump a week ago and ended up winning the JH Girls Scissors Broad Jump. All others did well and had fun.

Mason Beans-Polk ended the meet with 7 ribbons, six-1st place and one-2nd place, in the JH Boys.

BRHS NYO
Coach Tommy
Bayayok and
Coach Jennifer
Bacus before the
meet. Photo by
Warrior Weekly
Staff.



Oskar Erickson and Bryan Nicholai also placed in JH boys events. Dalyn Moses did very well in the high school boys division. He placed 2nd in the 1 foot high kick, seal hop, and wrist carry. He also placed 3rd in the kneel jump and 5th in the Alaskan high kick.

Rhea Kanuk was the stand out for the HS girls. She place second in the 2 foot high kick, kneel jump, and seal hop. She also placed 4th in the Alaskan high kick and the Scissors Broad Jump.



The Juneau NYO team from left: Kaytlynne Lewis, Kyle Abbott, Ezra Elisoff, Terrel Lee, Tria Bowers, Jordan Bennett, and Kyle Worl. Photo courtesy of Kaytlynne Lewis. The Juneau team practiced with the BRHS team in the days leading up to the Virtual Meet.

#### **HS Wrestling**

By: Hilary Oscar



BRHS wrestler Cadence Cedars declares victory in a match at the Hutchison Meltdown. Photo courtesy of Cady Cedars.

Last weekend the High school wrestling team travelled to Fairbanks for wrestling meets. One group wrestled at Lathrop High School. The other wrestled at Hutchison Meltdown.

#### Hutchison Meltdown results:

#### **Boys 112**

Alvino Vasquez - 4th place and 9.0 team points **Boys 130** 

Shawn McIntyre - UNKNOWN and 4.0 team points **Girls 103** 

Emilie Madson - 1st place and 7.0 team points

Girls 112
Cadence Cedars - 4th place and 11.0 team points

Girls 125

Briella Herron - UNKNOWN and 0.0 team points **Girls 130** 

Fiona Phelan - 1st place and 18.0 team point

#### Girls Lathrop results:

Lathrop High School 1st Palmer High School 2nd Redington High School 3rd Bethel High School 4th

North Pole Patriots 5th

#### Boys Lathrop results:

South Anchorage High school 1st Lathrop High School 2nd Palmer High School 3rd Wasilla High School 4th

Bethel High School 5th

Eagle River High School 6th North Pole Patriots 7th West Valley Wolfpack 8th Redington Sr. Jr/Sr High School 9th Students Wrestling Development Program 10th. Emilie Madson said, "My wrestling matches were alright, I only wrestled a few matches. I think I did alright. My goal is to be more prepared for my matches."

Fiona Phelan said, "My matches were really fun I had 8 and won all of them. I took first. My goals for this coming weekend is to to place top 3."

Briella Herron said, "My matches were pretty good, I did alright. Always could be improving. My goals are to work on moves that I could've done better on, and improve on them."

Last weekend for their second meet the Warriors did pretty well. The girls' next meet is this weekend in Anchorage, and the boys wrestle in Nikiski.

## JV volleyball team plays Houston JV at the Slamtastic Tournament



The Warrior JV volleyball team, from left: Amber Chase, Morgan Wuya, Kendal Herron, Vjosa Pellumbi, Caitlin Laraux, Kenlynn Watson, Anna Howard, Malinda Simon, Maya Ayagalria, and Kiley Twito. Photo by Warrior Weekly Staff.

The Warrior JV volleyball team played two matches against the Houston Hawks, one on Friday evening, the other on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 22-23.

The games were intense, with a lot of volleys, great serving and teamwork. Bethel JV had the lead several times in multiple sets both days. During the games, the Warriors kept a positive energy on the court, supporting each other. They lost both sets, but kept up a great hustle throughout. Great going Warriors!

Warrior Malinda Simon serves during one game.



### Junior high LA students solve mysteries by Ms. Deem



7th grade LA students watch a suspenseful film based on a radio broadcast they had read earlier. Photos by Katherine Deem.

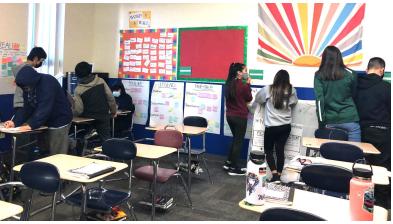
Here are some spooky things we have been doing in 7th grade English class—my 1st & 2nd period became detectives to solve the *Mountainview Murder Mystery* using their inferencing skills.

All of my classes read the suspenseful radio play mystery *Sorry, Wrong Number* by Lucille Fletcher. We listened to the original radio broadcast and then watched the black and white film from 1948. Many of my students said they enjoyed reading the play more than

watching the movie!







Katherine Deem's students discuss questions using inference skills in their language arts class.

### **High school students navigate an escape room** by Warrior Weekly Staff



LA III students Adilyn Jung and Mathew Fredericks work on a task in the escape room.

LA III students completed various mysterious tasks this week in order to escape a gothic dungeon and an impending death as a review for the short story *The Pit and the Pendulum* by Edgar Allan Poe.

In order to achieve success, and a key to freedom from the "horror," students worked in pairs, moving from one station to another. Senior Billy Howell said, "The best chance of survival is to get along with our teammates. One mind is strong, but two minds are stronger. "The tasks included a quote puzzle, a plot diagram, vocabulary, and responding to questions after a close reading of the story.

Right: The mask "hides" the inquisitor's face in E. A. Poe's story and the task. Below: Students had to read questions through the bloody handprint in this task.



After completing each assignment, they had to unscramble letters to form a code word. They then received a "key" to move onto to the next activity. The students worked well together in the escape room simulation; they all got out "alive" before Poe's sharp pendulum reached the dungeon floor.

### BUBONIC PLAGUE DOCTOR MASKS

by Ms. Hanson

As part of our unit on the decline of feudalism, students learned about the Bubonic Plague and how this disease affected Europe in the Middle Ages. Students re-created the type of masks doctors used at the time when entering sick people's homes.

My students used construction paper and card stock for their masks. The original masks would have been made of various materials, such as leather, glass, and/or waxed cloth. They also would have contained dried herbs and oils, which were thought to protect doctors from the disease, as well as cover up the odors of sick and dying patients.



#### Winter

By Capriana Aloralrea



The author of this essay snapped the photo while traveling over the winter tundra landscape.

Winter is a beautiful period as well as the coldest time of the year. The days are short and the nights are long. Nature starts to become a beautiful white stretch of wonderland. It is desolate of most plants and most animals in the region. There are occasional hibernating trees and beautiful lush dark green evergreen trees.

Everybody starts to bring out warmer clothing for the nice cold weather, such as fluffy coats, warm snow pants, cozy toasty winter boots, snug scarfs, hats, and gloves. These are to keep warm in the cold weather and to be able to shovel or play outside with their children. People who have winter machinery are able to whip them out and take them for a drive as well.

Everybody is able to go on fun adventures with snow machines and look at different views at different places, like along the rivers or outside of Bethel during the night to see the beautiful stars. If there are large hills or snow mounds we can go sledding and have a blast trying to see who can go the fastest down the hills. With everything being cold and frozen we are able to break out the ice skates and go skating on frozen lakes or rivers that are in good condition. We can build cute little snowmen if the snow is in snowball condition and we can have snowball fights with friends and neighbors.

During this time of the year when my uncle is able to bring out his snowmachine he likes to take me hunting. We mainly hunt for ptarmigan. One of my aunts who loves to fish loves to go out ice fishing when the river is fully iced over. My brother just likes to ride along the river. It doesn't matter where he is going, but if he has enough money to pay for gas he goes on long rides outside of Bethel just to enjoy the views. Another one of my aunts like to stay inside and snuggle into warm clothing and drink hot cocoa with whoever will join her. These are just some examples of what you can do during winter.

#### Mr. Hall

by Melissa Engebreth

Mr. Hall is a Language Arts 1 and Native American Language Arts teacher. This is his 1st year teaching but he student-taught for three years.

He became a teacher because he had all good instructors who inspired him to be a teacher, he likes helping and interacting with people.

A fun fact about Mr. Hall is that he's been to four of seven continents. Outside of school he likes to travel, be with friends, play the guitar, and learn new things.

Mr. Hall is known as very understanding, patient, awesome, and nice. Other students like him because he helps them with missing assignments, and is good at

explaining work.



**Mr. Feind** by Malinda Simon



George Feind teaches high school chemistry, physical science, and ecology courses. He is from a town in Wisconsin called Belgium.

Mr. Feind became an instructor because he had really good teachers throughout high school and he finds it as his way of helping others.

All throughout high school Mr. Feind played college rugby and took third place in the nation in 2019. He took 7th in 2017,

and in 2018. He enjoys going hiking, fishing, camping, and he likes to watch movies and play video games. Students think he's very good at making class fun, he's cool, and they like doing labs in ecology. The project that they were doing was a flame test. They tested ionic salts. According to Mr. Feind, when you place the salt into the flame it demonstrates how electrons can go from low to high energy, and when it goes back down it produces light. Copper turns green, sodium becomes yellow, and potassium changes to idigo.

Mr. LaValle and Mr. Wheeler.







The BRHS admin team show their school spirit! From left: Mrs. Miner, Mrs. Sweet, Mrs. Bernard,

