

Hives Highlights

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Bartow High School, 1270 S. Broadway Ave., Bartow Florida

What's the Jive:

Nov. 1

Homecoming Dance

Nov. 4

BESTT Meeting

2:15 PM

Nov. 6

Distribute Report Cards

Freshman Experience

6:30 PM Cafeteria

Nov. 7

Boys Golf

Vs. Winter Haven/
Lakeland

Nov. 8

SAT

Nov. 9

Boys Golf

Vs. Tenoroc/Auburndale

Nov. 13

Mega Media Montage

5:00-8:00 PM

Nov. 17

Girls Basketball

Vs. Auburndale

Nov. 18

Girls Basketball

Vs. Tenoroc

Nov. 20

I.B. Pinning Ceremony

6:30 PM BHS Auditorium

Nov. 21

"Tow Fest"

Downtown Bartow

Nov. 24-28

Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 25 SAC Meeting

7:30, Media Center

Opening The Lines of Communication

By Sha-Vera Myrick

As children become teens, their ways and attitudes often change. Communicating with your child during their teenage years could be a problem. Foster W. Cline, a psychiatrist, states, "When kids become teenagers they think differently than children do. There's a massive shift from concrete to abstract reasoning." All of a sudden, teens look at and think about things differently. The parents can no longer tell them what to do, and they do it right away. Teens do what they want when they want. There are ways you can go about communicating with your teens: 1) pick a time when you are both in a good mood, 2) tell your child that you want to know about his/ her life and that can talk to you about anything, 3) and set things up so when your child makes a mistake it won't be your fault, but at the same time you are teaching them to learn from their own mistakes. These are all strategies to help you and your teen communicate better. To learn more about helping your teen stay on task in life and in school, you can log on to www.revolutionhealth.com

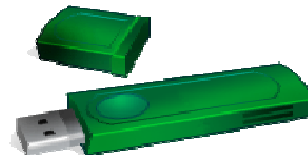
Work In A "Flash"

By Bianca Velez

During the past few years schools have changed the way assignments are completed and turned in. Pencils and paper are hardly used in English and many other classes. As students find it easier to type their notes, essays and papers. Today many classes are requiring that students have a flash drive. Of course, when an assignment is complete you have to save it, and the most convenient way to store and transfer work is through a flash drive. Flash drives have many

purposes and because they are now in high demand they can be found at affordable prices. The recommended size of a flash drive is at least 2GB as this size holds a reasonable amount of information. They vary in prices; with the 2GB running about \$12.87 at Wal-Mart. There is also the 4GB which runs for about \$20.00. Flash drives can be convenient for more than just school. They can hold music, movies, games and more. It is a safe way to work on documents "on the go". You can take work from a desktop to a laptop

"in a flash" so to speak. Flash drives need to be taken care of, so just remember when you insert a flash drive into a computer, and you are finished with your work, hit the "safely remove" button so no information is lost, and you can be sure that all the information you just completed is saved correctly.



What is Project Aesthetics?

By Keyontaye Williams & Rina Hardin

Bartow High School has needs, for instance the school needs cleaner hallways, bathrooms and better plant beds around the school. BHS has established a club to meet all of those needs. The club is called "Project Aesthetic". It all began when a couple of students called Ms. Smith (the club advisor) over the summer asking about starting an aesthetic project. They wanted to pick up trash, and develop landscape. They asked the Assistant Principal, Mr. Douglas, about it and he said it would be better to do it for BHS. The students in the club will earn C.A.S. hours. (community service hours) which students need to graduate. Mrs. Smith and the students really want our student body to have pride in our school. Mrs. Smith said, "It's a win-win situation". When they had their first meeting there were 30 students. They meet the second and fourth Thursday of the month. "We want to help make our school look better than it already does." Mrs. Smith would love for more students to get involved with this worthy project!



Student of the Month

By: Michael Bonnie and Joe Black

The Student of the month, 9th grader, Mitzi Kowalski, is a newcomer to the Bartow High School family. Even though she's surrounded by new people and a new environment, she proves that she can handle any obstacle that presents itself. We had a chance to talk to Mitzi and this is what she had to say. We asked her how she felt about high school and she replied, "It's fun and it's different from middle school." We wanted to know how she became a success as a student and she simply commented, "I'm diligent in my studies." We found out the thing that made her diligent in her studies, was her study habits. For instance, she always finds a quiet place to concentrate away from all noises and distractions.

Her extracurricular activities include gymnastics, which happens to be her favorite sport. Besides gymnastics, Mitzi says that her favorite high school event is going to volleyball games. A student who has a great mind and great interests, Mitzi discussed how her hardest class was her AP Human Geography course. And that her favorite subject is Biology. We left Mitzi with one final question, "Is it difficult to maintain your All A's and high GPA?" She confidently exclaimed, "Not really, I just do my work and study." Mitzi was nominated for "Student of the Month" by Mrs. Burkey, in the Ninth Grade Center. Keep up the good work Mitzi, we can't wait to see all the great things you accomplish!



Mitzi Kowalski

APA Announces Scholarship

By Josh Crosby

This is an essay challenge sponsored by APA, where a student could win a 5,000 dollar scholarship. There will be two first place winners, one public school winner, and one private school winner. The student with receive the scholarship for a University of their choice and have recognition of APA (American Planning Association). There will also be 10 gift cards given away to be used at APA's www.PlanningBooks.com. This year's theme is "100 years of the American Planning Movement". To help celebrate this landmark, the winner will develop a historic preservation plan for your community. The deadline to enter is January 15, 2009. This scholarship is open to students who meet the following criteria: (1) high school juniors or seniors during the 2008-09 academic year; (2) enrolled in a public or private high school, in a high school equivalency program, or in home schooling program recognized by the local school system; and (3) are residents of the United States or a U.S. Territory, or who are U.S. citizens living abroad. So if you are interested in this scholarship sign up on the website at <http://www.planning.org/essay/index.htm>.

MEGA MEDIA MONTAGE

WHEN: THURSDAY, November 13, 2008

WHERE: BHS MEDIA CENTER

WHAT TIME: 5 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

WHO: Families, Students, Staff, and Community Members

WHY: Opportunity to LEARN and have FUN!!!

ACTIVITIES:

Mini lessons on Destiny, FCAT Explorer, College Financial help, PIV, Pizza, Door Prizes, TV Production Videos, Book check-out, Sheriff Crime Prevention Booth, Yearbooks

Teacher of the Month

By: Amanda Kleyla & Jaelyn Haygood-Perkins

For the month of November, Mr. Giles has been chosen teacher of the month. Mr. Giles teaches carpentry and cabinet making. He enjoys riding horses, hunting, and spending time with his family. He was given the opportunity to work in the field of carpentry from his teachers Steve Voytowich at Travis and Steve Bracker from Bartow High School. The advice that Mr. Giles gives students who want to pursue their career in carpentry and cabinet making, is to work hard, be persistent, care about what you want to do in life, set high goals, and if you put your mind to it, you can succeed. Past projects that Mr. Giles and his class have worked on are the Art Foundation and building cabinets for group homes. This year's projects are working on the Women's Club in Alturas that was damaged by fire and working on getting our wonderful, mascot Dawn-Marie Oesterreicher at BHS in air conditioner in her bee suit.



While Mr. Giles has been here he has taken on a lot of service projects. He is not only helping our school, but also the community. Just remember the next time you are sitting on one of the picnic tables at our school, go and thank Mr. Giles and his classes. Thanks for all your hard work!

Spike Of Victory

By Adrain Brackins

Bartow High School's Volleyball team is having an awesome season says Coach Cobb. I had the great chance of interviewing Coach Cobb about the Lady Jackets, who are tied for first in the district with a record of 17-4. To me, that sounds pretty astonishing. Last year Coach Cobb lost only 3 seniors so she knew that this season would be better than last. This year she has five seniors, two of the five are captains Claessa Brekke and Alexa Newton. The other three seniors are Brandice

Brown, Emily Helm, and Terah Tagaca.

Coach Cobb says, "One weakness our team has in some games is that they sometimes play too slow." Coach Cobb is addressing this problem by practicing her team every-day of the week from 2:30 -5:30 on days that they do not have a game. The biggest opponent that her team has faced are the Haines City Hornets. I am sure that the team won't have a problem with Haines City because the team has a lot of support and fans to cheer them on. Good Luck in District's ladies!

Finding A Course

By Alaina Barnhart

What is a course code? A course code is the number that corresponds with the name of the class. It is used to issue credit. The course code is needed to fill out college applications. The code consists of eight numbers, but only seven numbers are needed to fill out a college application, so drop the zero at the end of the code. Another way to find the course code number is to go to the BHS Website and click on Curriculum Guide, or go to the "Course Directory" found at the Florida Department of Education website. The site address is www.fldoe.org/articulation/CCD0809.asp and the information is under section 3. Career and Tech class numbers can be found under Section 5.

Community Corner

By: Michael Castro



Good Measure Coffee Shop

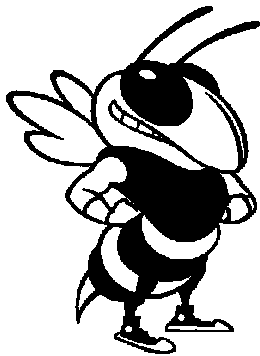
Good measure is one of the newest businesses to open up along Main Street. It's a little coffee shop that's perfect for a quiet lunch and to get some coffee with a variety of types and flavors. Their business has been going well since they've opened up, often to a large lunch crowd. The location of this coffee shop is perfect for the surrounding work places to

go to lunch as it is located directly in the middle of Main Street. Good Measure has a great environment with many selections of food and drinks. This coffee shop is doing a great business and is going to continue to give the Bartow community another great place to eat and relax!

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Helpful Sites for Parents

By: Keyontaye Williams


There are a lot of helpful websites for parents, and www.fldoe.org is one of them. It is a website designed to help answer parents' most common questions. The website also helps students choose the best college for them to attend. On the website it tells you what your children are learning, the rules and policies affecting your children and their school, and the kind of support you can give your children to help them out with their work. By clicking on the icon STUDENTS there is information that can help them with testing, student rights, financial aid, and scholarships. The most important subject parents want to know about is what your child is tested on, and their scores which you could find on Parent Internet Viewers. Other sites that are helpful:

<https://facts23.facts.org/navigation/home.do>

<http://family.go.com>

<http://www.polk-fl.net>

Scholastic Book Fair
Bartow High School Media Center
Dec. 8- 12, 2008
Open daily: 7:10 AM to 3:30 PM
Open Tuesday, Dec. 9th until 6:00 p.m.

A simple line drawing of three books standing upright on a surface. The books are of varying heights and thicknesses, with their spines facing the viewer.

Native American History Month

By Latosha Jones

Anishna niigee? How are you? It is the month of November and that means that it is American Indian History month. After a century of struggling, American Indian History month was first recognized through joint resolution by Congress in 1990. Finally being recognized annually, November is the perfect time to learn about the history of American Indians due to the first Thanksgiving. "As I walk the trail of life in the fear of the wind and rain, grant O Great Spirit that I may always walk as a man." This was a great Cherokee prayer that the men would say before they would go on an expedition, or into war. It is believed that the first Native Americans arrived during the last ice-age, approximately 20,000 - 30,000 years ago through a land-bridge across the Bering Sound, from northeastern

Siberia into Alaska. These original



Americans once inhabited the present United States from coast to coast. If you want to learn more about the Native Americans and how they founded America go to:

www.nativeamericans.com

www.sonofthesouth.net/american-indians,

www.readwritethink.org.

*"If my warriors are to fight
they are too few, if they are to
die they are too many"*

Hendrick Mohawk