

# Tiger Tales



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## St. Patrick's Day

By: Monica Mann

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St. Patrick's Day was originally a religious feast day for the patron saint of Ireland celebrated on March 17 every year. Now it is an international festival celebrating Irish culture with parades, dancing, special foods and a whole lot of green. Green is associated with St Patrick's Day because green is one of the three colors in the Irish flag, Ireland has lush, green landscape, Ireland is known as the "Emerald Isle," green is the color of spring, and green is the color of the shamrock. If someone does not wear the color green they will be pinched. This is an American tradition that began in the 1700s. According to an old Irish legend, those who wear green are invisible to leprechauns, the fairy creatures who randomly pinch people no matter what color they are wearing. People started pinching anyone who did not wear green as a reminder of the leprechauns and their sneaky ways.



## Easter Traditions

By: Tyler Keller



With Easter fast approaching, many people are stocking up on their plastic Easter eggs for scavenger hunts and their food dye for little kids to color their eggs. While we all know that the Easter Bunny is to Easter what Santa Claus is to Christmas, not very many people know how the Easter Bunny came to be. To start, the tradition of Easter eggs started because in olden times Christians would stop eating eggs during Lent. Because they didn't want the eggs to go to waste, they would hard boil them. When Lent was over, people began the tradition of coloring the eggs in celebration for feasts. Just like Santa Claus, the idea of the Easter Bunny came from Germany, as a figure that would bring little children gifts before their respective holidays. So as you get ready to celebrate Easter Sunday this year, remember that the traditions that you've followed for years haven't always been around.





### **HOT OR NOT**

By: Brittany Atkinson  
& Andrea Weirauch



#### **HOT:**

- Warm Weather
- March Madness
- OGT Week
- The Dugout Opening

#### **NOT:**

- Bracket Busters
- Prom Dress Shopping
- Inconsistent Gas Prices
- Wind

### **Quiz Team**

By: Conner Strauss

On Friday, March 6th the LCHS Quizzers had their final matches of the year. These matches were at THE Northwest State University. This meet actually had all of the teams from the NWOAL there as well as Pettisville. Liberty Center did not come out on top of everyone else, however, there are a lot of positives to be discussed. The biggest plus from this event was the fact that Liberty Center beat the league champions at this meet, Evergreen. They always fight close with them and the fact that they beat the team that won is a little ironic that they did not just take the championship themselves. They also beat several other league teams that were there including Archbold and Wauseon. Congratulations to the Quiz Team on another tough, but good season. Work hard to improve for next year!

**Mystery Person****By: Conner Strauss**

He/She runs fast

He/She likes  
fish tacosHe/She has a  
cat named Piper

He/She has blue eyes

He/She wears head-  
bands

March 1, 1912- The first parachute jump is made from a moving airplane.

March 2, 1933- King Kong, the motion picture, premiered in New York March 7, 1876 -Alexander Graham Bell is granted a patent for an invention he calls the telephone.

March 9, 1959- The first Barbie doll debuts.

March 14, 2000 B.C. - Pi Day originated

March 15, 44 B.C. - Julius Caesar was assassinated in the Senate chamber in Rome by Brutus and fellow conspirators.

March 22, 1882- Congress outlawed polygamy

March 28, 1990- President George H. W. Bush posthumously awards Jesse Owens the Congressional Gold Medal.

**Tiger Wrestling****By: Sarah Yaney**

On March 6th two Liberty Center matmen were sent to districts. Alex Hoffman at 132 pounds and Jake Cox at 138 were these two men. Being that the two were both 4th place finishers at sectionals, their first matches were against a first place finisher from the week before. Both of these men also wrestled returning state qualifiers, so these were not easy matches to say the least. Alex lost his opening round bout by pin at 3:21, but he came back with a second round win by a 9-1 decision. Jake also lost his opening round match to an Arcadia wrestler. Coach Sam Carrizalez was quoted saying, "We did not wrestle bad today". The top four wrestlers got out, and neither Alex nor Jake did so, but it is easy to say both had successful seasons.

## Debate

### Summer?

By Levi Wiechers

I think having summer in between school years is better than going to school year round. Having a summer break allows students to wind down for a while after a long and stressful year of school. If school was all year long, students would give up much faster since they do not have a long break, like summer, to look forward to. Teachers also agree that having a summer in between school years helps them get ready for the next one. Having the summer season off of school also allows both students and teachers to have a summer job and make some money on the side. Having the summer off of school is beneficial for both students and teachers alike.

By: Tyler Keller

Yes

Even though most high school students love having the relaxation and freedom that comes during summer break, there are many reasons why it would be better to switch to a year round school schedule. For one, many school systems in other countries have switched to a year round system, and the average test scores have not been any lower than those of students who have a summer break. Another reason year round school would be better is because students would still get two to three week breaks periodically through the year. This way students still get all of their vacation time, just in smaller chunks. The final reason why year round school would be better is because not having a three month break in between school years would make it easier for students to remember things that they would've otherwise forgotten over the summer.

# Sports

## Tiger Baseball

By: Paul Clawson

The Liberty Center Tiger baseball team has had about a month of practice now. The group started on February 22nd. They have had good practices the past couple of weeks. The practices have plenty of competition between players in each drill. The team is preparing themselves for a scrimmage against North Baltimore on March 26th. This scrimmage will be a good test for the experienced LC team. A few days after the scrimmage, the team will head to Napoleon for a double header in the ALS tournament on the 28th. The LC Tigers will face the Napoleon Wildcats for the first game of the season. The Tigers will also be playing the Holgate Tigers for the next game of the day. After the double header at Napoleon, the Tigers will travel into Defiance county to take on the Tinora Rams. The Tigers will have their hands full with the returning Division IV State Champions on the 30th. The team is up to the challenge. The team will be back on the road the next day, heading to Williams County to play the Edgerton Bulldogs. The team is ready for the challenges ahead of them for this year. Go Tigers!

## Boys Basketball

By: Olivia Kundo

After a tough loss in the post-season tournament, the season has ended for the Liberty Center boys basketball team. The tournament journey for these boys began on March 3, at Wauseon High School when the Tigers faced off against the Tinora Rams. The score remained close throughout the game with the Tigers barely coming out on top in the last few seconds of the game with a score of 51-50. After this exciting victory, the boys came back only three days later to battle with the Paulding Panthers for a chance to continue on in the tournament. The Tigers fought hard but ended up falling short of the Panthers with a score of 60-40, ending the season for the Liberty Center Tigers. The Tigers had a great season with a strong finish in the OHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament.



# Sports

## Tiger Softball

By: Hailey Ley

Softball will rely on Amelia Gilson, Jenna Jeffers, Lexi Noll, Hailey Ley, Rachael Culler, Libby Ball, Olivia Leatherman, and Sydni Altman. Most likely they will be starters in games. This year will hopefully be a good and proud year. Everyone is getting used to not having many players this year. The Tigers start league play on April 6th with a home game vs. Montpelier.

Date Opponent Home/Away Start Time

Sat. 3/28 Maumee Away (Rolf Park) 1:00

Sat. 3/28 Perrysburg Away (Rolf Park) 3:00

Mon. 3/30

Defiance Home 5:00

Tues. 3/31

Ayersville Home 5:00

## **Tiger Bowling**

By: Rita McLaughlin

The bowling season has officially ended for the boys and the girls. Although the season was not as successful as they hoped, the teams had remarkable seasons. The girls had a 12 game winning streak and finished out with an incredible record of 14-2. The boys had an equally impressive season with a record of 12-4.

Districts did not have a the happiest ending for the boys or the girls. The girls finished in sixth place. The boys got fourth, with a score only 16 pins away from third place. The light at the end of the tunnel appeared when sophomore Taylor Snyder qualified for state.

Taylor and a couple of friends travelled to the state match on Friday, March 6. She bowled her heart out on Saturday March 7 and came home with a respectable finish. Taylor finished 53rd out of all of the bowlers in the state of Ohio. Congratulations, Taylor!

# Teacher Spotlight ft: Señora Soto

By: Hailey Ley

## **What made you want to become a teacher?**

-I enjoy working with young people and sharing my culture.

## **What is the best part of being a teacher?**

-Every day is different and taking my students on trips that reinforce Spanish.

## **The worst?**

-Grading papers.

## **Favorite memory as a teacher?**

-2014 Homecoming when they dedicated "I Will Always Love You" by Whitney Houston to me.

## **If you weren't a teacher what would you be?**

-I would either want to be a your guide somewhere hot or be the proud owner of my own taco truck.

## **What did you do in high school?**

-I was voted best dancer my senior year, I did cheerleading, went to Four County my junior and senior year and won the cosmetology trophy my senior year.

## **Favorite movie?**

The Color Purple and Selena.

## **Favorite singer?**

Daddy Yankee, Juanes, and Mark Anthony.

## Spring Musical

By: Abbi Barnes

As the time winds down, time means everything to the drama department. There is still so much to be done, but so much that we all have accomplished as a group and individually. We would like to inform you that the dates of the Spring Musical are April 9th, 10th, and 11th. We would also like to invite you to come and support your fellow classmates as they put on this show. Along with Brooks Hinton, Mahala Haughn, Jason Hadley, and Kayla Murrey, there are many other individuals who have big parts, too. Please contact someone from the drama department about tickets and we hope to see you all there!

## Puerto Rico Trip

By: Monica Mann

The Puerto Rico trip for Spanish III students is getting close. The group leaves on April 15 for the airport at 3:30 in the morning. They are estimated to arrive in Puerto Rico around 3:50 p.m. Once they arrive, the group has a week planned ahead of them filled with many different activities. These activities include visiting various beaches, banana boating, a boat tour of the bioluminescent waters, a fisherman show, visiting Cabo Rojo's Lighthouse, going to a farmer's market, walking through El Yunque Rainforest, snorkeling, folk dancing, and touring Old San Juan. The students will have the opportunity to see and try new things. Along with the activities, the group will be visiting a head start program to do a service learning project. The group will depart for Ohio on April 21 and be back in Liberty Center around 1 a.m.

## World News

By: Logan Vicars

There has been a lot that has gone on in the month of March. There was a shooting in Gothenburg, Sweden. The person that committed this crime was said to be using an automatic weapon, there have been several fatalities and numerous people that had been wounded. There was also a shooting that occurred in Tunis, Africa. It caused 23 fatalities and 20 of those were foreign tourists, and caused 40 people to be injured because of it. Nine people were arrested due to them having some connection with the shooting. Obama has also said that a nuclear deal can help the Iranian, he wants them support the compromise between them to settle things.



### Brain Teaser

By: Chole Knapp

Q: What can travel around the world while staying in a corner?

(Answer on page 11)

TRUE  
LOVE

## Couples Corner

TRUE  
LOVE

By: Abbi Barnes & Jordan Smith

The next cute couple in couples corner is Bailey Diemer and Paul Clawson. Throughout the few months they have been dating, they have done quite a bit. They first met in the 8th grade, when they had class together. Their first date was at the Wauseon movie theater. For fun, they like to go out to eat, and watch movies. Their idea of a "perfect date" is to go to a baseball game together. You can find this couple mainly at Bailey's house watching movies. If you see this cute couple, make sure you stop and say hey!

### **Would You Rather?**

By: Chloe Knapp

#### **Ski down Mt. Everest or snorkel in shark infested waters?**

32 students would rather ski down Mt. Everest opposed to the other 14 who wouldn't mind snorkeling with sharks.

#### **Vacation in the Caribbean or sight-see in Italy?**

Both sound amazing, so that explains why the count was so close. However, the Caribbean comes out on top with 25 votes. Italy trailed close behind with 21 votes.

#### **Live in the Kardashian's world or Harry Potter's world?**

This seems to be a no brainer for students as only two would want to live in the Kardashian's World. That leaves 44 votes for Harry Potter.



## Answer to Brain Teaser

Answer: -A stamp

## **Potholes in LC**

By: Vinny Pospisil



Recently around the Liberty Center area there has been a menace destroying cars and ruining people's days. This menace is the pothole. There has been multiple potholes scattered throughout the town and they have been making driving miserable. These potholes come in all shapes and sizes. Some are big, some are small, some are circular, some are rectangular but no matter the size and shape they are still extremely dangerous. Paul Clawson, a student of Liberty Center that drives back and forth to school every day said, "some of those things could swallow my truck!". Clearly these potholes are not good and could cause some serious problems. On the plus side, some of them are starting to be fixed and filled so that people can drive in safety. Although the potholes are in the process of being filled there are still some that haven't been filled yet, so take caution when driving and hope they will all be filled soon.

# **SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**

By: Chloe Knapp

Name: Logan Vicars

**Plans for after graduation?:**

\* Going to College

**Favorite part of being a senior?:**

\* Being almost done with high school

**What is your most memorable high school moment?:**

\* Sectional finals at Lake

**Who are you seen with most and where?:**

\* Matt at school

**What will you miss the most after graduation?:**

\* Baseball

**Who is your favorite teacher?:**

\* Mr. Miller

**What was your favorite year of high school?:**

\* this year

**What advice would you give to the underclassmen?:**

\* Make it fun, or be bored for 4 years

**Describe high school in one word:**

\* Lame

Name: Candace Sayers

**Plans for after graduation?:**

\* attending Kent State and being a part of their pre-veterinary medicine program

**Favorite part of being a senior?:**

\* having a lot more freedom with teachers

**What is your most memorable high school moment?:**

\* painting the mural in Mrs. Soto's room

**Who are you seen with most and where?:**

\* Cassie McHugh, anywhere and everywhere

**What will you miss the most after graduation?:**

\* spending time with people I wouldn't ordinarily be around

**Who is your favorite teacher?:**

\* Mr. Bryan/ Mr. Miller

**What was your favorite year of high school?:**

\* Junior year

**What advice would you give to the underclassmen?:**

\* make a lot of friends with people in your grade so you graduate with friends

**Describe high school in one word:**

\* interesting

# SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Name: Terra Bergeon

**Plans for after graduation?:**

\* getting a job to save for college next year

**Favorite part of being a senior?:**

\* knowing you're going to graduate

**What is your most memorable high school moment?:**

\* when everyone sat down at Homecoming

**Who are you seen with most and where?:**

\* Candace, Clare, Brie, and Kris probably at lunch

**What will you miss the most after graduation?:**

\* seeing all my friends everyday

**Who is your favorite teacher?:**

\* Ms. Mericle

**What was your favorite year of high school?:**

\* Junior year

**What advice would you give to the underclassmen?:**

\* work hard and don't get involved with drama. It's a waste of time

**Describe high school in one word:**

\* stressful

Name: Jenna Jeffers

**Plans for after graduation?:**

\* going to John Cabot University, Rome

**Favorite part of being a senior?:**

\* getting to tease the freshmen (mostly my freshman sister)

**What is your most memorable high school moment?:**

\* playing sports

**Who are you seen with most and where?:**

\* with my hedgehog at 4-H meetings, FFA meetings, my house, on snap chat, Instagram....wherever you can take a hedgehog

**What will you miss the most after graduation?:**

\* not having to pay for my own things

**Who is your favorite teacher?:**

\* Mr. Kern

**What was your favorite year of high school?:**

\* Kindergarten

**What advice would you give to the underclassmen?:**

\* high school will not be the best 4 years of your life so don't stress yourself out

**Describe high school in one word:**

\* educational