By: Hunter Bonaparte

Recently, we had the debate between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton. In the commercials, the event was advertised as a boxing match. All of America was riled up and ready to see who would roast the other.

The debate started off with Hillary talking about small businesses and clean energy, making good points about how the economy needed to be fairer, and cater more to the middle class, rather than rich people. After her time was up, it moved to Trump. He vaguely explained his plan for creating jobs confusing the American people. He stated that his presidential term would be much like Ronald Reagan’s. Trump also pointed out how our jobs and companies are being stolen from some unknown foreign entity.

Hillary explained how Donald’s plan was exactly like Trickle-Down economics, the one Reagan had. Trickle-Down economics is the idea in which money given to rich people will somehow trickle down to poor people. Later one in the debate, Trump talked about how 4,000 people in Chicago were killed during Obama’s run as president.

During the last debate, Trump attacked Clinton over her use of a private email server while she was US secretary of state, saying that if he was president she would be in jail. The Clinton said that she is glad that Trump is not in charge of the law in this country.

Clinton approached the debate trying not to lose, rather than going for the win. She passed up numerous opportunities to go after Trump. However, Trump couldn’t refuse going after Clinton.

In probably the most shocking moment of the night, Trump was asked if he would accept the result of the election. Trump has repeated that the election might be rigged due to the media. However, Pence and his daughter insist that Trump would accept the results of the election. When asked if he would accept the results, Trump responded by saying, "I will look at it at the time." The next day Trump said that he would accept the results of the election … if he wins.

In my opinion, it is sad to see how far America has fallen. Who knows what is in store for America. Obama, please come back.
Violence Prevention Week

Liberty Middle School recognizes the importance of fostering a positive school climate. Therefore, Mrs. Volpe and Ms. Nesbitt worked with the students to provide awareness and education through Violence Prevention week.

Top 20 on the Music Chart

1. Closer
   The Chainsmokers Featuring Halsey

2. Heathens
   twenty one pilots

3. Cold Water
   Major Lazer Featuring Justin Bieber & MO

4. Let Me Love You
   DJ Snake Featuring Justin Bieber

5. Cheap Thrills
   Sia Featuring Sean Paul

6. Treat You Better
   Shawn Mendes

7. Don't Let Me Down
   The Chainsmokers Featuring Daya

8. Broccoli
   D.R.A.M. Featuring Lil Yachty

9. We Don't Talk Anymore
   Charlie Puth Featuring Selena Gomez

10. This Is What You Came For
    Calvin Harris Featuring Rihanna

11. Ride
    twenty one pilots

12. Needed Me
    Rihanna

13. Send My Love
    (To Your New Lover)
    Adele

14. One Dance
    Drake Featuring WizKid & Kyla

15. Too Good
    Drake Featuring Rihanna

16. Gold
    Kiiara

17. Can't Stop The Feeling!
    Justin Timberlake

18. Side To Side
    Ariana Grande Featuring Nicki Minaj

19. I Hate U I Love U
    gnash Featuring Olivia O'Brien

20. Into You
    Ariana Grande

Thoughts From Mr. Klemt

As we approach the end of the 1st marking period, which closes on November 18th, I am hopeful all have put forward their best effort in all classes and are striving towards excellence. An age old saying of "every accomplishment starts with the decision to try" is something to continue to demonstrate for the remainder of the school year.

Who Will Win the Presidential Election?

Thanks to the history teachers, students were able to cast their votes for the next president of the United States of America. You voted and the winner is…

Hillary Clinton

Mrs. Clinton is the first female major-party presidential nominee. If Clinton does win, she will be the first female president of the United States of America.
Getting to Know - Mrs. Martino

By: Wilnica Destine

Why did you decide to become an assistant principal?

I taught English at the West Orange High School for 11 years. I managed a grant for a year. I worked at mountaineer academy, and decided that I want to be out of the classroom. I went for education administration because I wanted to work with teachers and students.

Where did you go to college? What was your major?

I went to Villanova University. My major was business administration. I went back to school, to Montclair State University where I got my masters in teaching and concentration in English. Then I went to Seton Hall for my supervisor ticket, and then I went to NJ Excel for my administration.

What do you like the best about your job?

I love the people at Liberty—the students and the teachers. I love to help the teachers through evaluation and the students through guidance.

What do you like the least about your job?

My commute because I live 1 hour away.

How long have you been working here?

I have been working in West Orange for 14 years and in Liberty, this is my second year.

What are your hobbies?

I like to read, workout and spend time with my family and my three children.

Do you speak any other languages?

No, but I wish I did.

What’s your favorite type of book to read and favorite book?

Novels/Fiction. My favorite book is A Tree Grows in Brooklyn because my grandmother told me to read it and I ended up loving it. It’s about perseverance and strong woman.

Since you are the disciplinarian for the school, how would you describe your disciplinary style?

By the book. Everything in the student handbook I follow. I am clear demanding and fair.

What do you like to do outside of Liberty?

I like to go to the beach, travel and most of all—spend time with my family.

What’s your favorite movie, tv show and food?

My favorite food is pie. I don’t watch tv. My favorite movie is Miss Congeniality.

Comics  By: Wilnica Destine

Do you like to draw? Submit a drawing & we will publish it in the next newspaper.
By: Chijioke Achebe

As Student Council president, I thought that writing a column in our school’s newspaper was a great idea to keep everyone posted on what has been going on in our very active Student Council. The rest of the executive board agreed, so here we are. We’ve been in school for about two months now, and we have already had some very successful events. Our first one, Family Day, was a huge success. Most of the students went out to eat, including your Student Council, and some families’ photos were posted on the school’s Twitter page. We had our PTA Car Wash, which raised a lot of money to support our school. Then we had the Powderpuff Football game, which was a hit among the students and staff, and raised money for breast cancer research along with our bracelet sale. In a few weeks, we have our first dance of the year. On November 4th we will have Glow in the Dark dance. Our dances are always the best. The music is great and everyone has fun. A lot of people show up, so don’t forget to get your tickets which are always $5. We hope you show up.

Until next time,

Your Student Council Executive Board

**Helping Hands**

By: C.C. Pictures by: Ms. Cardinali

On October 28th, the Helping Hands club, lead by Ms. Cardinali visited senior citizens at the Toby Katz Community Center in Degnan Park for a Halloween party. The students set up the tables, served the food and cleaned up. We also socialized and danced with the senior citizens. I think that this was an important trip to take because it showed students the importance of helping out others in our community. The senior citizens were very appreciative and said, “Thank you so much! You put a smile on my face. You made my day.”

When you get comments like these, it makes all your hard work worth it.
Dear Crystal Ball,

My boyfriend called another girl beautiful. What do I do?

From,
Confused In Love

Dear Confused In Love (you know who you are),

Maybe he was just trying to be nice. A relationship should be based on trust but if you're really concerned you need to ask him. But the best thing to do is to leave it alone until it gets out of hand for example every time he sees her he calls her beautiful. I personally think you should trust him unless he isn't trustworthy at all. I don't know how he will react. My name might be Crystal Ball but I can't predict the future but I can lead you in the right direction.

From,
Crystal Ball

On Wednesday, October 26th, we had a student faculty Powderpuff Football game to raise money for Komen for the Cure against Breast Cancer. The 8th grade girls played flag football against the female staff. The 8th grade boys and male staff cheered them on. It was a great turn out. The scored was tied 2 to 2.

During the month of October, the Student Council, lead by Ms. Zacarro, raised money for Komen for the Cure for Breast Cancer. The Student Council distributed pink shoelaces to students and staff. Everyone was encouraged to swap their laces for the month of October. Staff and students also purchased pink wristbands.

Student Faculty Powderpuff Football Game

Pictures By: Mrs. DeMeo

NEED ADVICE?

Crystal Ball is here to help! Put your problem in a letter and drop it off in locker 1170 or in Mrs. Villalobos's mailbox in the main office. You don't need to write your name down.
Gotham: T.V. Show Review

By: Hunter Bonaparte

Gotham, is a show that has been quite popular since 2014. It follows the life of Bruce Wayne, before he became Batman. The Penguin is still learning the ropes of crime, and Alfred isn’t as old as we depict him to be. The show started off interesting, keeping you waiting for the next episode. Each episode left us wondering why this happened, or what they were going to do next. It stayed that way for a few seasons. But recently, it hasn’t been the same.

SPOILERS: One issue on the show was Jada Pinkett Smith. Will Smith’s wife, is a horrible actor. Ever since her first scene on Gotham, I have had a deep disdain for her over acting, and annoying, sudo-British accent. If you live in Gotham, you don’t have a British accent! Every time she opened her mouth, I died inside. The plot was watered down by her lackluster performance, and every word she said could’ve been a cringe video on YouTube. When she faked her death a few seasons ago, I was happy to see that she was gone. But, oh, hooray! This annoying hack is back again for the next season. That’s why I was happy a few weeks ago, when Penguin scared her off into some forest forever.

Next on my list of issues on this show is this new Harry Potter trash their doing to it. Poison Ivy is now a little girl trapped in a woman’s body, and Bruce has some twin brother with special abilities. The show is like some creepy, Twilight Zone hallucinogenic, madness.

Other than these faults, Gotham is a pretty alright show, and despite these things, I’m still going to watch it, like how I hate the women in Love and Hip Hop: Atlanta, but I still watch it.
Pictures by: Mrs. Meyers

Character Day
Yellow Duck Tape
White Duck Tape
Neon Orange Duck Tape
(Or just orange)
Jewelry Pliers
Scissors
Jump Rings
Candy Corn Pattern
Thumb Tack

Step 1
Make a piece of Duck Tape fabric that is 4 in. by 4 in. and at least 3 layers thick.

Step 2
Cut out candy corn shape using your template.

Step 3
Cut a piece of yellow Duck Tape, adding a small arc to one side. Stick this on the edge of your candy corn shape.

Step 4
Repeat step 3 with white tape and stick this on the opposite edge of your candy corn edge.

Step 5
Use your thumb tack to put a hole in the top 2 corners of your candy corn.

Step 6
Add your jump rings to each one of the holes at the top of your candy corn.

Step 7
Repeat steps 1-4 to make as many candy corn shapes as you want.

Step 8
Link your candy corn pieces together with another jump ring. Then, attach your chain to the 2 candy corn pieces on the end.

Show us your DIY creations and we will publish them in the next newspaper.