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## FFA takes once-in-a-lifetime trip

BY Danci Dunkelberger

On October 29th the Huron Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter went to the National FFA convention. They make the trip to Indianapolis every other year as a reward to the upperclassmen for their years of hard work. They started their journey at 5:30 AM and drove to Le Claire, Iowa, where they toured the American Pickers shop, then continued to Peoria, Illinois. "The drive there went really fast because we jammed out and slept," said Brooklyn Boetel. She was one of seven students who went on the trip.

After their night in Peoria, they continued their trip to Indianapolis. Once there, the group toured the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and stopped to kiss the bricks of the original track. This is supposed to bring good luck. After that they went to check into the house they rented through Airbnb. While the girls got ready for the Old Dominion concert, the

guys took naps. The concert seemed to lighten everyone's mood after a long drive.

The next morning they went to the Lucas Oil Stadium for a meeting and then walked to the convention center. There, every agricultural college was represented along with a wide variety of businesses. After that, the group watched "The World's Toughest Rodeo", in which competitors vied for a few of the final spots in the National Rodeo.

The next day FFA got up bright and early to drive to Kentucky. They went on a tour of the famous Churchill Downs during which they learned that there were going to be some races that day. The group decided to stay and watch them instead of going to the Louisville Slugger Museum. After watching two races, they headed back to the house and got ready for "Hanna's Haunted Acres", which is one of the largest haunted acres in the country. Some of the group was scared

way before they got there.

At the acres, the group enjoyed how much effort was put into making it possible. They went on the "Haunted Hayride", multiple haunts, and a corn maze. Some of the actors had to put their skills to the test to scare some of the group members like Bree Gose who talked to a zombie and axman for 15 minutes, whereas some, such as Elle Hoops, only experienced two of the haunted mazes.

Chapter President Ryan Smith was dubbed "Nerves of Steel" due to his brave leadership skills even though he hit a couple notes that most people can't. After the Haunted Acres, they went to their rental house for one last night.

The next day, the journey home began at about 6:30 in the morning. On the way, they stopped at "The World's Largest Truck Stop". After that stop, they began to think about the trip and miss Indiana, but were also excited to be home.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL POSTMA

FFA members Ryan Smith, Marty Boetel, Elle Hoops, Brooklyn Boetel, Bree Gose, Leah Pyle, and Danci Dunkelberger sit on an Indy Racecar in Indianapolis, IN. This was an exciting experience for the seven members as it was once used in the Indy 500.

## Trends or dead ends:

### Teens face difficult and possibly dangerous choices in every-day lives

BY JAMEE KATTNER

Teenagers look up to people older than them, whether that may be siblings, parents, teachers or their peers. What they gather from their actions, words, and thoughts helps guide them through their own life decisions. Instead of helping to guide them, society is making it harder for youth to make good choices.

Two very prominent examples of this are texting while driving and vaping. These things are supported through the advertisements that catch teens' eyes, and through the peer pressure that youth may feel the weight of.

Driving by itself is hard enough, but when the extra stressor of texting is added, it causes their brain to overload. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, texting behind the wheel takes a drivers eye off the road for an average of four point six seconds. Now that might not seem like an awful amount of time, but it is compared to the same amount of time it takes to get from one end zone to the other.

Also, texting and driving has now surpassed drinking and driving as the number one cause of death among teenagers. Taking all of that

into consideration, here are some more disturbing statistics: more than three thousand teens die each year in crashes caused by texting while driving; cell phones are involved in 1.6 million auto crashes each year; and forty eight percent of young drivers have seen their parents text while driving.

In addition to texting and driving, among the youth there is a rise in vaping. Now, this is not necessarily caused by one solitary thing, but the more teens look around and see their friends doing something, wouldn't they want to try it too?

Vaping's original purpose was to help cigarette smokers quit their addiction; instead, what it has caused is an epidemic in youth usage for fun.

Vaping has now become an addiction for many, and it's causing some major concerns. There have been thirty-six vaping-related deaths, while the CDC reports as of October 22nd, there have been 1,604 lung injury cases related to e-cigarette products. More than 150 teens have fallen ill from vaping.

Teen usage is climbing the charts-how long before the dangers of vaping equal or even surpass the dangers of drinking and driving?

## Life without liberty

### Hong Kong fights for rights

BY JACKSON TRANDALL

Democracy is something that we seem to take for granted here in America. Fortunately, thanks to the checks and balances in all levels of our government, with things like initiative, referendum, and recall, politicians at both the state and federal level can't do something idiotic and expect to go off scott-free.

We can hold them accountable because of our representative democracy, we can do this because we live in America. However, as recent events have shown, it's not so easy in countries that aren't democracies.

Hong Kong was founded by the British during their "Sun Never Sets" high of the 19th-20th centuries, where they tried to collect colonies on every land mass possible like they were collecting baseball cards.

China agreed to lease Hong Kong to Great Britain for a period of 100 years, and for awhile, Hong Kong was a democracy akin to the UK.

Once that lease was up, China, the UK, and Hong Kong agreed to a plan for reintegration, making Hong Kong an official part of China but allowing it autonomy.

Now that everyone's on the same page, how exactly did the protests begin? It all started in early April with a new Chinese extradition bill.

This bill would allow Hong Kong

citizens accused of a crime to be taken to China for prosecution. This is problematic, to say the least.

China is a communist country, and they have no obligation to treat the accused with anything close to due process, so if someone is arrested for robbery, regardless of innocence or guilt, he could get shipped off to China for prosecution (and possibly never be heard from again).

Again, China is extremely authoritarian -- the government employs facial-recognition cameras and even monitors internet access.

China doesn't care about democracy or the opinions of its citizens--imagine what it would do to an accused criminal. Which is why the population of Hong Kong proceeded to get very angry, sparking the first protests.

Eventually the bill was rescinded, but the Hong Kong people weren't appeased. Instead, the protesters continue fighting for democracy, waving American flags while wearing gas masks.

There's a lot more to talk about when it comes to the Hong Kong protests, including ramifications in the U.S. A full-length version of this article will be posted on the *Tiger Stripes* Instagram or Twitter accounts: @hhstigerstripes.

## Hunting: helping or hurting



BY LOGAN WEIDNER

Hunting is more than a family traditions passed down from generations. It is an activity that has numerous beneficial incentives. For instance, wild game populations can fluctuate wildly year to year, causing ecosystems to destabilize. Hunting can be used to control populations by limiting the number of game can be hunted. Animal populations are controlled by individual state Game Fish and Parks, who are also responsible for distributing hunting licenses.

Most of us take for granted how easily we get our food, but for some folks that live in more remote areas they don't have that kind of luxury. For these individuals, hunting is considered a bare necessity. States such as Alaska, have millions of remote acres that some people call home. If these people were unable to hunt, their lives would be put in danger.

A third but overlooked, and possibly misunderstood, positive reason for hunting is for a financial gain. Felt traders do still exist and are a good way to make a quick side buck (pun intended). Meat and other bits can also be sold, either locally or to a butcher shop.

BY HAYLEE PETERSON

Hunting was once used as a necessary means of survival. People hunted only what they needed to provide food for themselves and their families. It has since grown into an unnecessary and harmful sport that does more damage than it does good.

While legal hunting may not be a leading cause of animal endangerment, poaching is the second largest threat to wildlife after habitat destruction. Illegal hunters kill tens of millions of animals per year.

People argue that a benefit of hunting is population control. This is a false claim. A majority of hunted animals, including waterfowl, upland birds and mourning doves do not require population control. In addition, population control occurs naturally in nature. If a region is overpopulated with deer, numbers will reduce naturally through starvation, disease and low fertility. This process may occur over a more extended period of time, but nature will run its course. Not all hunting may be unnecessary and immoral, but there are many factors that can lead to it harming the environment. The cons simply outweigh the pros in a large number of cases.

## Perils of missing school

BY AUBREY RUTLEDGE

Getting sick can be one of the worst hardships in a highschooler's life. I remember in elementary school being so excited to miss school. Now, as a junior, I find myself pushing pretty far past my physical limits in order to make it to school to not be drowned in massive piles of make-up work. Make-up work is the bane of my existence. Homework is a far more daunting task when you've been sick. The worst part though is having to do twice the amount of work with less than half the amount of energy because of the sickness that has fallen upon you.

The current change in seasons is no help. The air is becoming dryer, the sky is becoming gloomier, and I am cold all the time. Seasonal depression is also playing its part. I am consistently losing the motivation to work hard on what I normally care about, let alone on what I'm not so passionate about. It is incredibly difficult to not be in class to learn new concepts and also to not have the energy to teach them to myself.

Another big issue is not always knowing what homework you're supposed to do. However, MyHomework is an app that

lets teachers tell students what happened during a school day and what homework needs to be done. It is an incredible resource when used correctly. I greatly appreciate it when I go into MyHomework and see a detailed run-down of the day's events and what needs to be done at home. However, this is a rare occurrence. What happens most of the time is I open MyHomework and see the most minimal description of what happened in class. I, a miserable, congested, and stressed out student, am left with no idea what to do. In theory, I should be able to email my teachers and get a clearer explanation. However, the teachers who are not so proficient in MyHomework are often the teachers who aren't so great at emailing me back!

It's a lot easier to go to school when sick and sit through class instead of recovering at home and stressing about homework. Being sick and suffering through the curse of makeup work is one of the greatest tragedies in my life, and I can only hope to survive this year by not getting sick again.



PHOTO BY AUBREY RUTLEDGE

Junior Lah Khu Paw stresses over her massive pile of homework. She missed a few days of school because she was sick with the common cold.

## Thai Cuisine restaurant: New Huron restaurant reviewed by Tiger Stripes Staff

BY BETHANY LARSON AND AUDREY RUBISH

### Food

The dishes we tried were the drunken noodles and the pad thai. Both dishes were very good and the pricing was very reasonable, anywhere from seven to twelve dollars. Our personal favorite was the pad thai. This version was made with more sauce and was less tomato based than traditional pad thai. The drunken noodles were also quite tasty! We suggest ordering an egg on top.



### Appetizers

There were multiple appetizers. We tried the spring rolls, fried dumplings and crab ragoon. The spring rolls were anime perfect, but they might be a no go for anyone who is wary of rubbery rice paper texture. The fried dumplings were a 10 out of 10! We suggest getting the pork filling. The crab ragoon were also very good. But keep in mind these are not meant to taste like the Chinese buffet crab ragoon.



### Customer service

We arrived during lunch hour, were seated at a clean table and were brought water and menus right away. The waitress was very helpful in deciding what to order and made sure we knew whether or not something was going to be too spicy. However there was only one waitress who also doubled as the cashier.



### Drinks

The water was impeccable, very clear and watery. We also ordered Mango Boba Tea. It was definitely worth trying! The flavor was great but the boba in the tea is an acquired taste.



### Decor

Decor was sparse, consisting of tables and chairs. This is understandable however considering they just opened! Maybe they will decorate more in the future once they have things settled.



## Band geeks, orch dorks, choir queens

Behind the scenes and in the halls of the Huron music department

BY EMMA LITTLEFIELD

Many students have watched a marching band performance during halftime, or have attended a Huron High School music concert. What many haven't seen is the amount of planning and preparation that happens behind the scenes.

Music students and their teachers work together to put on a well rehearsed and well planned performances. The first step to success starts in the classroom.

During marching season, Mr. Stueckrath and the Huron Tiger Marching Band spend early mornings running through routines and warm-ups before moving on to either drills, sets, or practicing their music. They typically meet before school every day until concert band starts in late October.

Concert band runs from the end of the marching band season until the end of the school year. It begins with chair auditions to determine each musician's placement among the other members of their section. After that, the band students will begin their school days at 7:55 a.m. They continue by starting class

with warm ups, and then they practice for upcoming events and contests.

At 8:45 a.m., in the same room, Ms. Kruse leads her symphony.

First they tune their instruments, then they run through bow exercises, scales, chorales, and vibratos.

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After that, the ensemble practices their songs. "Rehearsal very rarely involves a full run-through of a piece of music. More often, rehearsal means dissecting a piece of music and teaching students to listen," said Ms. Kruse. "The tremendous benefit of orchestral music is the window that it provides into history. It is important that students get a glimpse into this."

Next door, in the choir room, Mrs. Stueckrath follows a strict routine. "We always, always, always start with

warm ups. They last five to ten minutes. After that, I say announcements, and then we rehearse our songs," she explained. If the students are learning a new piece, they will run through that song several times, but as they continue to improve, Mrs. Stueckrath only has them practice certain parts. "We finish off class with a final song," she said. "I like to end class on a high note."

The music department works together to make sure every student has the opportunity to be a part of as many music classes as they want without conflict. "Good communication is a big part of it," said Mr. Stueckrath. "We have to be flexible." Teamwork between the music staff and students ensures that everyone can continue their love of music all four years of high school.

Orchestra and Choir performed at their Fall Choral and Orchestra Showcase on November 12, and now rehearsals are focused on the Holiday Extravaganza Concert on December 16, at 7:00 P.m., in the HHS auditorium.

## Easy "W" at ESD

BY HAYLEE PETERSON



PHOTO BY SDPB

The cheer and dance team with their second place plaque at ESD. They would go on to place fourth at state.

The cheer and dance team finished their season well this year by earning fourth overall at their state competition in Aberdeen.

They have placed 4th at state for four years in a row, which is a great accomplishment. Despite how well they performed at state, the team and coaches all agree that ESD, where they placed 2nd overall, was the peak of their season. Coach Megan Smith says that all three routines had their best performances of the season. Hip hop and jazz placed 1st, and Pom placed 2nd. The team also beat Brandon Valley, which they have never done before.

Coach Whitney McDonald says that the team's greatest strength is growing as a team. "We have new athletes

every year, and the girls adjust very well to change. They work together as a team to make things work."

Senior Chloe Flolo says that she will miss performing, turning, and tumbling. "I won't be able to do any of those things again, and it makes me sad thinking it." Flolo says that her favorite part of cheer and dance is how nice the team is to each other. "I can honestly say that I love every single person on my team this year," she says.

Chloe Flolo's advice to anyone considering joining cheer and dance is to just give it a try. This year has been huge success, and the seniors were happy to end it the way that they did. The underclassmen look forward to next season.

## Huron bowlers roll into season

BY BRANDON RENNER

The bowling season has started again and is rolling into full action. The traveling team has attended two meets so far. After the first two meets the boys are sitting in first place, tied with Madison, with 85 points, while the girls are in fourth place with 73.5 points.

The first meet was in Aberdeen on October 26th. While there the boys' team won by a staggering 56 points to secure first place for the week. The team is comprised of Brandon Renner, Ashton Trowbridge, Parker Berg, Isaac Steilen, Luke Eckhardt, Jered Steilen, and Bryson North. That weekend Trowbridge, Steilen, and Eckhardt all threw a 600+ series. That means they had a three game series in which they bowled over 600. On the girl's side they earned 39.5 points, which landed them in third with only 2.5 points needed to take second. Their



BY JULIE JOHNSON

The Huron travel bowling team takes their team picture for the year. They hope to bring back another first place plaque this year. It should be a good fun year for the team.

team includes Malorie Matke, Lisa Englehart, Kailynn Eggleston, Morgan Eggleston, and Abigail Harrington. Matke had the highest series for the girls with a 541.

Next the bowling team

traveled to Chamberlain on November 2nd and 3rd. The girls bowled on the 2nd and they had a hard time getting the ball rolling. A girl from a different team threw up on the lanes and

on Matke's shoes. However the girls bowled decent enough after the catastrophe. They took 34 points at this meet. There were a few outstanding games for the girls. Harrington threw a 203

and Matke threw a 196. The following day when the boys bowled, lanes were breaking down left and right, but they still had a decent outing. They totaled up twenty-nine points, which was enough to keep them in that first place position. A few notable things from this meet were Trowbridge's high series of 692, which included a 263 game. Eckhardt had to show him up though with a 267 game and a series of 645. There were also many other 200 games thrown by the team. It was also North's, the youngest member, first meet ever.

The boys' team captain is Renner who is also Sergeant of Arms over the league, and the Matke is the girls' team captain. Their next meet is in Huron on November 16th.

The team has a lot of potential to build on, and are excited for a great season.

## Hit it with your best shot: hunting photos

BY HEI SAY AND MACEY KLINE



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Brooke Schiltz poses with a big pheasant in her right hand and a flashy pink shotgun in her left. Schiltz loves to show off her swaggy gun and bird.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Brooklyn Boetel, Audrey Rubish, Bree Gose, and Leah Pyle group for a picture with the dog that helped them hunt. They love hunting together.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Reilly Hoops holds his duck while posing in the water. Hoops is happy to have been given the opportunity to hunt this season.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Kobe Busch proudly holds his game he got while hunting. Busch bears the cold to go hunting because he loves it so much.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Hayden Kane shows off the duck he got hunting this season. Hunting season is his favorite time of the year because it is a good way to enjoy his weekends.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Roger Puterbaugh smiles big with the game he retrieved using his favorite shotgun. Puterbaugh goes hunting with friends often.

## Pheasant recipes

BY HEI SAY AND MACEY KLINE

**Pheasant Parmesan-** submitted by Nathan Gauer

- 1 pheasant
- 1/4 C. flour
- 3/4 tsp. Salt
- 1/8 tsp. Pepper
- 2 Tbsp. Paprika
- 1/4 C. Butter
- 1/2 C. Stock (dissolve 1 chicken bouillon cube in 1/2 cup hot water)

Mix seasonings with flour in large ziplock bag. Coat pieces one at a time in a bag. Place coated pieces on a rack to dry about 1/2 hour. Brown slowly in butter in skillet at 340°. Allow 15 minutes per side. When golden brown, add stock and cover. Simmer about 25 minutes or until tender. Uncover and cook 10 minutes longer to re-crisp.

**Pheasant Curry Casserole-** submitted by Mr. Brock

- 2 Cups of pheasant
- 1 bag of Uncle Bens Insta wild rice
- 2 cans cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup mayo
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons curry powder - to taste
- Shredded cheddar
- Bread crumbs

Slow cook pheasant in chicken broth for 24 hours on low. Shred pheasant. Layer the rice and 2 cups of pheasant in a pan. Mix together chicken soup, mayo, lemon juice, curry powder then layer. Top off with shredded cheddar and bread crumbs. Bake 350° For one hour.

**Pheasant Strips-** submitted by Mr. Stobbs

- 1 pheasant
- Bowl of flour
- A few eggs
- Bowl of cracker crumbs
- Garlic salt to taste

Cut pheasant breast into strips. Whisk eggs until yellow. Roll strips in flour, then roll into the whisked eggs. Finally, coat the strips with cracker crumbs and sprinkle with garlic salt. Warm up cooking oil of choice in a deep fryer until 350°. Place strips into oil. Fry until strips are



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Blake Larsen poses with ducks and his favorite truck in the background. Larsen still hunts even in the frigid South Dakota temperatures.



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Havyn Heinz poses with the duck she shot while hiding in her camouflage blind. Heinz proves that you can still look like a model while hunting.