

By William B.

collected over 1000 books!

The Council developed a library and

The Council promotes PBIS values

The Council meetings are open to all

What does the student council do?

FALL, 2013 Student Council Officers elected!

Election was held on Nov. 14 for Student Council officers.

Most of the school participated in voting. <u>Results:</u>

Janay-President

Saequan-Vice President

Connor-Public Relations

Alana—Secretary



Student of the Month for October is Jay P. Jay attended the *Student of the Month* Luncheon with Mrs. Fishberg and Mrs. Berg, at Christo's in Poughkeepsie. Jay received an award recognition at this prestigious event. He was recognized for his exemplary attendance and behavior at school and in the community.

Jay is a member of **BOCES School-to-Work program** and works in the food industry to gain experience for his dream of becoming a chef. Jay is proud to be a member of the PBIS Student Council and the Helping Hands Club. Jay said, "most of all, I enjoy helping people."



World Kindness Day

was Nov13th. Poster displays a list of kind comments about students!





BETA students and teacher Hands are already helping in the community! The <u>Helping Hands Com</u>mittee consists of students and

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Students and staff volunteers assist with food services at the **Lunch Box** at Family Partnerships in Poughkeepsie. Food service includes preparing, serving, and cleaning while providing comfort to the many needy community members.



Presently, students and staff are

stuffing envelopes for a massive mailing for *Dutchess Outreach*.

Holiday Shoeboxes are being filled with personal goods to benefit homeless members of our community.

Those are a few of the projects that the Helping Hands Committee has planned for the community.

Volunteers are welcome and every hand is appreciated.





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Police Chief: As a recruit, you'll be faced with some difficult issues. What would you do if you had to arrest your mother?

New Recruit: Call for backup!

A young man comes running into a store and says to his buddy, "Bubba, some body just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot.!"

Bubba replies:"Did you see who it was?"

The young man answers: "I couldn't tell, but I got his license number."



Beautiful World

By Stephanie G.

Such an old house on a very old ranch

Such an old tree with only so many branches

She's the third child in her family how many more yet to come?

What's the most important thing in their lane? A family member,

a dog, or maybe even some of both

They call her Grandma Moses who knows why

She painted the Earth, Sea and the Sky.



THE MOTHMAN BASED ON A TRUE STORY

By Connor M.

Some things in this world are mysterious and vague, things like the Mothman. The Mothman was a creature that was seen at Point Pleasant, West Virginia from November 15, 1966 to December 15, 1967. On November 15, 1966 two young couples from Point Pleasant told police that they saw a large flying creature who had glowing red eyes who followed their car to an abandoned dynamite factory.

In the next few days other people reported similar sightings, and they kept becoming more and more frequent. Two volunteer firemen reported a "flying thing with



glowing red eyes" to authorities. On December 15, 1967 the silver bridge, which was located at Point Pleasant, collapsed. After that tragic event, no sightings of the Mothman were never seen at Point Pleasant again.

People thought of him as a creature that tried to warn everyone of the coming collapse and a prophet who tried to save everyone. People say that they see him before other tragedies, such as sightings at Chernobyl and other sites of disasters.

So remember everyone, if you see the Mothman, be prepared!



Depression Is...

They say to "just get over it" "I wish I could" I say Living with depression day by day The memories just won't go away

Depression is medication not helping in any way

It makes my heart decay All my feelings gather up in my heart And I just wanna fall to the ground and cry

Depression is being tired, But never being able to sleep It feels like your dying inside All you ever wanna do is cry

Depression is feeling lonely, In a room full of people Longing to be with others But not being able to cope with the company

Depression is sorrow in your heart Knowing your best isn't enough Living it day by day And night by night

Depression is a thief of happiness Like all thieves, Depression has to be fought, And defeated

Depression is not wanting to eat Cutting and scratching at your skin Being alone in your room 'till the morning And sleeping all day when you get home.

Depression is arguing with Your family every single day Not being able to ever say "I love you" with meaning.





アニメクラブ

The Anime Club is a huge success!

Students formed the Anime Club after learning about the Anime Society at Marist College. Weekly meetings are led by Lindsey B., the Anime Club President. The Anime Club has about 15 active members.

Students discuss Anime, have drawing contests, play anime games, and more! Every month, on the 3rd Friday during 5th period, the club watches an Anime movie!

The first movie was *Inuyasha* on October 11 and the movie on Nov. 22 was *Naruto Shippuden 4.*

Anime is Japanese cartoons, which come from the stories of Japanese comics, Mangas. Some popular Anime are: Bleach, Naruto, Fullmetal Alchemist, Black Butler and Inuyasha.

The meetings are open to the entire school, with permission by your teacher. *Warning:* anyone using phones, or computers for other than Anime, or disrupting the club will be dismissed.

Youth Forum



William, Lindsey, Connor, Saequan and Janay attended the Dutchess County Youth Forum. Students had breakfast and lunch at the event. Students were assigned name tags a with colored dot and each table was also assigned a color; a strategy for everyone o meet new people. Many people spoke to the audience about stress and ways to cope with it. Organizations had tables displaying information about resources for teens, such as yoga and exercise to relieve stress. All in all, the time was great and we met many teens from other schools, which showed that we have a lot in common.

PEACEFUL POSTURES



Lindsey won the Anime drawing contest for November. Competition was fierce with drawing from William, Kyle, Nicole and James.

Drawing contests are held on the same day as the monthly Anime movie.







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GOLD STAR TEACHER—Mrs. Babb

Congratulations Mrs. Babb -who was recognized and honored by the Children's Home students as a Gold Star teacher.

Mrs. Babb earned the gold star by an essay written and selected by students, which told of her ability to make a positive difference in the lives of her students.



Library Center will be in Room 131 Collection of over 1000 books!







Students held a badminton tournament to decide a school champion. The tournament was formatted in a double elimination style, therefore players must lose twice before being eliminated. Six students played in the finals and the championship match was played between Ricky and Josh BETA's badminton champion is Ricky C.

The Walkway Over the Hudson Field trip was not only beautiful but also counted towards gym credit! A bus filled with BETA staff and students enjoyed the crisp fall air on the world's longest pedestrian bridge known as The Walkway Over The Hudson. These beautiful photos were taken by Connor, William, and Alana.





This issue was created by:

Alana—Drawings and some Photos Stephanie– Poetry Caliegh—Poetry Kyle—Jokes William– Student Council article Connor– Mothman, Walkway, Youth Forum and some photos Ryan—Badminton article Lindsey—Anime article <u>IMPORTANT!</u>

Writers will be meeting every <u>Thursday 4C</u> to develop a book of original stories.





When you enter the building, one of the first things you will see is a table with boxes. It's the Green Team collection station where you can dispose batteries, eye glasses, newspapers, cell phones, and ink cartridges. The Green Team placed boxes in each classroom to collect bottles and paper.



The BETA Bingo was FUN!!!

Over 25 students participated. Prizes given included gift cards and shirts. Everyone received a "goody bag" filled with candy and prizes!!! Everything was donated and everyone had fun.



Thirteen students from Mrs. Babb's class went to the movie "Catching Fire" only two days after it's opening!