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CONNECTIONS

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BHS Ensemble VT Voices Performs for Annual COTS walk

BHS Choral Ensemble, Vermont Voices, sang in front of Burlington First United Methodist Church to COTS Walk walkers on Sunday May 5th. It was beautiful!

Thanks, VT Voices, for being there!



Thursday, May 9th—Early Release All Students

Block 4 8:05-9:00am

Block 1 9:05-10:00 am

Block 2 10:05-11:00 am

Block 3 11:05-12 pm

Friday May 17th—NGSS testing Grade 11 8:00-10:30

Block 2 11:05-11:55am

Block 3 12:00-1:15 pm

Block 4 1:20-2:10 pm

Block 1 2:15-3:05 pm

Block 3 Lunch Schedule

Lunch 1 12:00-12:20

Lunch 2 12:27-12:47

Lunch 3 12:55-1:15

MANDATORY SENIOR MEETING at 10:30 AM

Everyone else in at 11:00 AM.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Drama Production of The Government Inspector

WHEN:

May 16, 17, &
18,
At 7:00PM

WHERE:

BHS Auditorium
Only \$5!!!



*Come support the
BHS Drama Club!*

*You will love the
show!*



**Follow us on
Facebook!**

Girls Go CyberStart

Over the last three weeks, over 11,000 high school girls have registered to play Girls Go CyberStart! Spread across 27 states, these incredible numbers show the amount of young women who have participated and have taken their first steps to become the next leaders in cybersecurity.

Alan Paller, Director of Research at the SANS Institute, said:

"I'm thrilled to see that so many schools across the country joined in with Girls Go CyberStart and empowered the next generation of young women to become leaders in an industry where they can make a real difference. I want to congratulate the schools who engaged huge numbers of girls with the program — we are glad to have you onboard and hope you enjoy your prizes."

At the end of CyberStart Assess, the three Clubs in each state with the most girls registered (who have engaged in at least one challenge) will win prize money. In Vermont — 99 girls participated in Girls Go CyberStart!

1st: Woodstock Senior UHSD awarded \$1,000

2nd: Randolph Technical Career Center awarded \$750

3rd: Burlington Senior High School awarded \$500

Burlington had 17 female students participate in this challenge. Our school has been selected to continue to the next round of competitions and has also been awarded 50 additional license codes for CyberStart Game for **any** student at BHS to be able to use. If you are interested in trying some of these challenges, please contact Ms. Skoglund to receive instructions and an access code.

Unified Basketball Had An Amazing Season!

Congratulations to BHS Unified Basketball team for making it to the Semi Finals!! They had a great season this year. Not to mention the fun that they had working as a team!

Unified Team, you make us
Seahorse Proud!!



Student Parking Issues—IMPORTANT, Please Read

The BHS Admin team wants to be sure that you all know the rules for student parking. Students, there is a form that you need to fill out to be parking at BHS. Your parent needs to sign it and there is a \$30 fee to get the pass. You should be parking in the **Student Lot Only** (closer to North Ave), not the lower lots closer to the school; those are the teacher lots. We will be more diligent about ticketing and towing from this point on due to some incidents that have happened recently.

If your car gets towed, call Handy's towing at 802-862-0656. Thank you for being responsible BHS citizens!



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Information about our 2020 Japanese Exchange Program

Tottori-Vermont Environmental & Cultural Exchange 2019-20

INTEREST MEETING WEDNESDAY 5/15 @ 3:15

-3:30 in D203 - Parents welcome!

TRAVEL to Japan next spring 2020!

HOST a Japanese student for a week in October 2019.



Spend 20 days making close friends with Japanese students in Vermont and in Japan!
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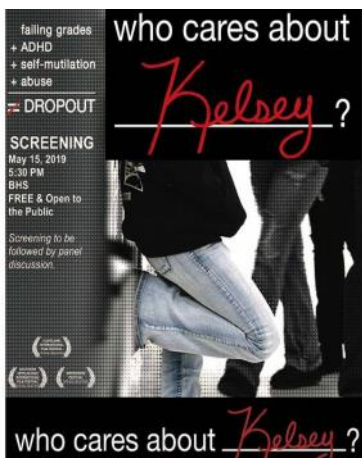
Who Cares About Kelsey?

May 15th 5:30pm— 8:30 pm at Burlington High School.

Please join BSD's District Equity and Access Leadership Team (DEALT) for a special screening of this powerful documentary, followed by a panel discussion.

'Who Cares About Kelsey?' is the story of Kelsey's transformation from a defiant and disruptive "problem student" to a motivated and self-confident young woman.

Come joins us in this important discussion about how we can help each other become confident and motivated.



Monday, May 20th—Assembly Day Schedule

Block 1	8:05-9:20
Assembly	9:25-10:50 (Jazz Concert!)
Block 2	10:55-12:25 Lunch Time
Block 3	12:30-1:45
Block 4	1:50-3:05

Lunch 1 10:55-11:20

Lunch 2 11:25-11:50

Lunch 3 11:55-12:25



UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Hey, students!

Volunteer at BHS

Track Meet

**Saturday, May 11th
from 8:30am—1pm at
BSD help direct cars
Email Jeff Hayes if you
are interested.**

**The YMCA is hosting
Kids Day on Saturday,
May 11 on
Burlington's
waterfront.**

**Volunteers are
needed from 11am -
3pm. If you are
interested, then
please let Ms. Dupuis
know.**

**Click the link for more
info.**

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Oakledge Changes Happening! Inclusivity for All

There is a meeting **on Saturday, May 18th, from 10:00-12:00 PM** at Oakledge Park in Burlington (rain date is May 19th, same time!). [Oakledge for All](#) is a volunteer initiative, in partnership with [Burlington Parks Recreation & Waterfront](#), to create a playground that is inclusive and accessible to people of all abilities and ages because we believe everyone deserves to play.

Our mission is to foster inclusion and strengthen community by improving the accessibility of our community's playgrounds and parks so that they are welcoming and fun for anyone who wants to enjoy them.

Come enjoy live music with Mr. Chris and Friends and have fun. Check out the new swings and glider purchased with a grant from the Disney Foundation last fall. Fuel up with tasty treats, explore, have fun, play games and learn about future plans to finish this exciting playground.



This celebration is free and all are welcome. To learn more about this exciting initiative and to get involved, please visit oakledgeforall.org.

Will you help us? Interested in volunteering for events or fundraising? Please get in touch at oakledgeforall@gmail.com.



Oread Looking for Group Photos!

The yearbook is looking for group photos for this year's publication. We are looking for photos with at least two people per image and all people in the image must be in the same grade. Please send high quality image (nothing downloaded from Instagram, VSCO, or FB) -- we need the original in its largest size - to Hawa Abdi abdi@bsdvt.org - for consideration. Please identify your grade and the people in the photo. Photos from school (classes, sporting events, clubs, performances, dances, dance prep, etc.) are most desired, however we will accept and consider all photos that are school appropriate.

Champlain Café Closed for the Rest of the School Year

Thank you all so much for your continued support throughout the year for our culinary arts students as patrons of our Champlain Café. We could not do this without the loyalty of our guests. The students learn so much from this experience. We look forward to seeing you next year!

<https://www.diginvt.com/blog/eat-at-a-culinary-arts-cafe/>



BHS Digital Sign is Broken Beyond Repair

We wanted to let you all know that the Digital Sign by North Ave is totally dead. We are considering our options at the moment and will update you when we know our next steps. We are keeping in mind the generosity of the family who donated the sign 10 years ago and want to do our best to uphold the memory, so that is being taken into account as well. Thank you for reading it and inquiring about it!



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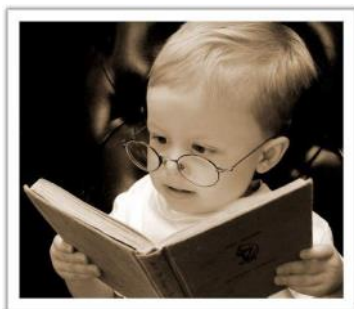
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Get Ready to UNPLUG!

Did You KNOW?!?!?

- Multi-tasking reduces productivity by as much as 40%, increases stress, and causes a 10 point fall in IQ. ([Harvard Business Review](#))
- Increases in depressive symptoms, suicide related outcomes, and suicide rates among U.S. adolescents were seen after 2010 and link to increased new media screen time. ([Clinical Psychological Science](#))
- Students waste about one-fifth of class time on laptops, smartphones, and tablets, even though they admit such behavior can harm their grades. The average student uses those devices for “nonclass purposes” (texting, social media, etc.) 11.43 times in class during a typical day. ([Journal of Media Education](#))



Finding balance in our and our children’s “media diets” requires intention and effort. See <https://www.screenagersmovie.com/tech-talk-tuesdays/which-of-these-8-hacks-decrease-screen-time-take-the-hack-challenge> for inspiration and ideas!

On May 20, we are hoping that students, teachers, families take some time off from their devices. Join BHS in our effort to Unplug for the Day! Stay tuned for more info.

BHS Prom A Smashing Good Time!

BHS Juniors and Seniors had a wonderful night at the Prom at the Echo Center! The After Party at Spare Time was a huge success! Kids had a wonderful time dancing the night away and then playing laser tag, bowling, and winning tons of awesome prizes!

The biggest and warmest THANK YOU to Brian Williams and all the chaperones at the prom and to our Seahorse Pride Parents who dreamed up and made the After Party Happen! You all helped our students create memories that will be with them forever!!!



Summer of Science Camp Opportunities

Introducing 4-H’s Summer of Science! Registration is now open for these activities. Open to youth in grades 7-12.

- GIS Camp (June 24-28, 9:30AM—3:30PM daily)
- Farming, Climate Change & Water Quality (July 11, 9AM—12:00PM)
- Natural Resources Management Academy (July 19-21, overnight camp) - Registration is open!
- Science on Lake Champlain (July 25, Full or Half Day, 9AM—12:00PM or 1:00—4:00PM)
- The Science of Maple (July 31, 9:00—11:30AM)

Applications are now being accepted from students who are interested in joining the VTeen 4-H Science Pathways Café Leadership Team.



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Read Here for Great Things Happening at BTC

Congrats to Bob Church and Automotive Science and Technology student, Colton Poulin (BHS). Go, Colton!

Colton is a recipient of the Golden Wrench Award given by the [Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts](#).

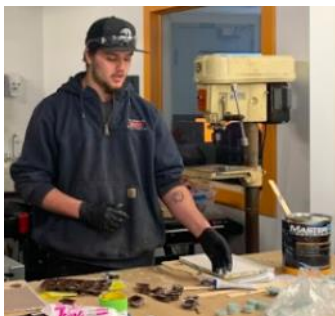
He penned an essay that outlines his commitment to service and his love of engines! Please take a moment to read [his essay](#).

Students in automotive technology programs are honored for their hard work, dedication and knowledge in the field and receive:

- top of the line Mac Tools valued around \$600
- letter of commendation
- marble trophy in the student's name
- 2 copies of the book by Diandra Leslie-Pelecky "[The Physics of NASCAR, The Science Behind the Speed](#)" (One copy for the student and one for the instructor)
- 4 free admission Stow Show Tickets for the student and 10 for the instructor
- 1 year membership to the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts



Check Out BTC Students Engaged in Work-Based Learning!





SCHOOL NEWS AND OTHER INFORMATION

*What do you
want to do
after
school? Want
to learn /
make / do
something
new? Let's
talk! Stay
tuned for the
weekly email
to see what
activities are
happening
each week.*



City Hall Internship Opportunity this Summer

We are spreading the word about the **City Hall Summer Internship Program**! This year's program features **entry-level internship opportunities** targeted at **high school and college students** looking for exposure to local government and its related departments! As part of our Equity Strategy and in congruence with the [My Brother's Keeper](#) initiative, CEDO is dedicated to addressing barriers for **1st generation and youth of color** in educational and professional settings. To foster this **professional development**, we are also developing programming throughout the summer to guide interns through their internship experience and help them get the most out of their summer. In the past, this has included intern orientation, an introduction to state government structures, Department Head presentations, Pizza with the Mayor, and more!

We also offer a **\$500 stipend** for all full-summer interns who complete the program.

For more information and to apply, please visit:

<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CEDO/City-Hall-Internship-Program>

Do you know a Young Creator Who Wants to Make Video Games?

Rad Magpie Studio is thrilled to share our summer 2019 youth programming: game jams and jam camps! Game jams are themed game development events that challenge creators to combine their skills and make games together in a short period of time. This summer, we are hosting three week-long jam camps and five weekend jams as our pilot program, bringing unique young voices to Burlington's blossoming game development scene.

Our jams and jam camps are for youth 14-18 years of age who are from diverse demographics, primarily young women, LGBTQ+ and youth of color.

Youth who come to Rad Magpie camps and jams will have a unique opportunity to jump in and make video games, guided by counselors skilled in their disciplines -- who can teach them everything they need to know about game development as they go! **Jammers create their own teams, choose their roles, and work together to make a radical game of their own conception.** This program is developed and run by game industry professionals with tons of experience in the field making great games. Sign up now!

Information is here:

<https://radmagpie.org/campsnjams>

Signups are here!

<https://radmagpie.org/radjams2019>

Contact Kel Bachus with any questions.

kel@redmagpie.org

Flyers are Included at End of This Newsletter!

The BHS Drama Club

presents



THE GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR

By Nikolai Gogol, adapted by Jeffrey Hatcher

May 16, 17, 18, 2019 curtain at 7:00pm
in the Burlington High School Auditorium

General Admission: \$5.00

When the locals in a small Russian hamlet learn that an undercover government inspector is coming for a surprise visit, an unfortunate case of mistaken identity sends the whole village spiraling into a world of panic and greed. Witty, smart and wildly satirical, this timely and spirited adaptation of Nikolai Gogol's classic play exposes the corruption of a provincial town with biting hilarity.

The Government Inspector is presented by special arrangement with THE DRAMATIC PLAY SERVICE
440 Park Avenue South New York, NY 10016 (212) 683-8960

BHS Unplugs on May 20!

We hope you will join us as we encourage our students to unplug for the day (and night!) on May 20, 2019!

Of course, technology offers many benefits, but when overdone, we can miss out on connecting with ourselves, our loved ones and our community!

So please join us as we unplug together!

Here is how it will work:

On May 20th, we will ask our students to take a break from all things digital (no Snapchat, no YouTube, no Instagram, no emails, no surfing the Web etc.). We are also asking that families and caregivers take a digital break!

Although this is a volunteer effort, we hope our students (and their families) will participate.

To encourage unplugging, any student who fills out the "I Unplugged Score Card" and turns it in the week of May 20th will be entered in to win one of 50 awesome prizes!

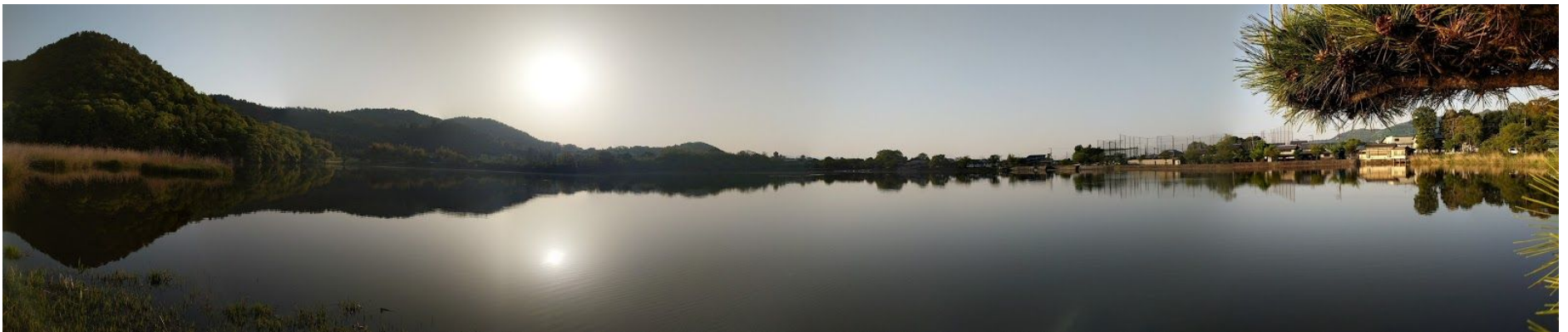
(Think -- Five Guys, Crow Books, Advance Music, Ben and Jerry's, Chubby Muffin etc.)

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Project ♥ Linus



"Providing Security Through Blankets"

PROJECT LINUS MISSION STATEMENT

First: Provide love, a sense of security, warmth, and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "blanketeers."

Second: Provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

If you knit, crochet, tie fleece blankets, or quilt, you can share your talent by donating to the new Vermont Chapter. For more information, please contact:

Chapter Coordinator: Joyce Irvine

Phone: 802 238-3995

Email: Jmirvine53@gmail.com

Website: ProjectLinus.org

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Chittenden, Lamoille, & Franklin Counties VT Chapter