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## News Nugget

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### Attention seniors!

Attention seniors! Don't forget service learning should be turned into Mrs. Goodwin as soon as possible. At least seventy-five hours are required to graduate, but if you turn in an extra 132 hours for a total of 207 hours you will receive the service learning medallion at graduation. Four seniors have already qualified for this medallion so far this year. Last year, a total of 27 seniors qualified for the service learning medallion. Mrs. Goodwin recommends participating in activities like Storybook Holiday, envirothon events, Beautify the 'Burg, and church activities such as dinners or bake sales. Students at any grade level can turn in service learning hours as far back as sixth grade.  
 — Destiny Warnick

### Spring Musical Is Coming Soon!

This year's Spring Musical is "Thoroughly Modern Millie," directed by Mrs. Hale and choreographed by Desiree Witt. The Drama Club has been rehearsing for this big production. The musical will be presented on April 6th, 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, and 15th. This musical is set during the Roaring 20's. Young, feisty, flapper Millie plans to find a job and marry a wealthy employer, even though she is in love with the penniless paper-clip salesman Jimmy. As she tries to find love, the evil landlady Mrs. Meers schemes to sell the orphaned women into white slavery. The leads will be Laurel Plitnik as Millie and John McConell as Jimmy.  
 —Emily Beck



1. Laurel Plitnik
2. John McConell

Pictures by Emily Beck & Jenna Green



### Dates to Know

- × February 26th– March 9th—class scheduling for 2018-2019 school year
- × March 3rd—Hooley Plunge
- × March 5th through March 9th— National School Breakfast Week
- × March 16th– Career Center Applications due
- × March 29th— PBIS Gold Rush
- × April 4th– Reality fair
- × April 6th– 15th—Thoroughly Modern Millie

### Senior Section

**SAT Dates— March 10, 2018**  
**Register by February 9, 2018**

**May 5, 2018**  
**Resister by April 6, 2018**

**ACT Dates— April 14, 2018**  
**Resister by March 9, 2018**

#### **Guaranteed Access Grants (GAG):**

- \* Resident of Maryland
  - \* Enroll at a two-year or four- year Maryland college or university
  - \* Demonstrate financial need
- Stop in guidance office for more information!

**Maryland College Aid Process System (MDCAPS):**  
 Apply - <https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us>  
 FAFSA must be completed first

**Kids' Chance Scholarship (ongoing)**  
 Apply after FAFSA

**2018 McCoolle VFW Post 6775 Men's Auxiliary**  
**\$500.00– March 20,2018**

**Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
**March 31,2018**

**Swing of Things Scholarship**  
**\$500.00– March 31,2018**

**The SoberTimes Scholarship**  
**\$500.00– March 31,2018**

**The CU Foundation Scholarship**  
**\$1,000.00– March 31,2018**

**The Frank H. Eberly, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**  
**\$1,000.00– April 1, 2018**

**Dr. Fred Sloan Memorial Scholarship**  
**\$500.00– April 8,2018**

**American Legion Legacy Scholarship**  
**April 9,2018**

## **Club & Sports Announcements!**

### **PBIS**

**This year, Mountain Ridge's PBIS program is holding a Gold Rush Thursday, March 29th, 2018. PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Intervention Support. Remember our three Ridge Rules: Respect, Responsibility, and Ready to Learn. The aim is to recognize students who are displaying positive behavior and reward them for their behavior. Don't miss this day of fun!— Abbi McKenzie**



### **French Club**

**French Club had a very successful Mardi Gras party filled with games and crepes! French club will meet 2 more times this school year. In March they plan to have a lip sync contest and in May they will be having a senior sendoff.—Emily Beck**



### **Mock Trial**

**The Mock Trial team has defeated the Fort Hill, Allegany B, and Northern Mock Trial Teams so far this season. —Jenna Green**

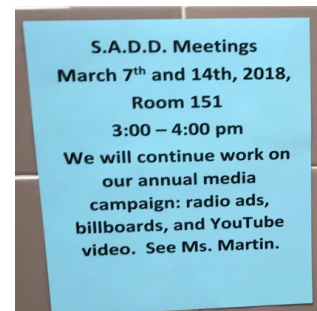
### **Football**

**Even though football season is over the team continues to train by weight lifting. Weight lifting continues after school for the football team Monday- Thursday from 3:00 pm- 4:30 pm. The lifter of the month for February is Trent Merbaugh! - Emily Beck**



### **SADD**

**The S.A.D.D. club is currently working on their e-cigarette campaigns. They will meet on March 7th and March 14th to work on their annual campaign: radio ads, billboards, and YouTube video. See Ms. Martin if you have any questions. —Emily Beck**



## Wrestling

The Wrestling team placed 2nd in the Bi-County Tournament. Individual 1st place winners were Jesse Fresh, Camren Ritchey, Jay Miller, Marcus Folk and Kenny Muir. Individual 2nd place winners were Jordan Kight, Jacob Renotas, Dustin MacDonald, Luke Vinci, and Nick Harden. These 10 wrestlers and Teddy Baker qualified for the regional tournament. The Regional Tournament will be held on February 24th at Boonsboro and the State Tournament will be held March 2nd and 3rd at Show Place Arena. Seniors, Marcus Folk and Camren Ritchey both hit the 100 career wins mark! - Emily Beck



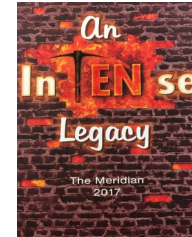
1. Marcus Folk
2. Camren Ritchey

Photos by  
Jamie Brehm



## Yearbook

The yearbook staff is working on their final deadline! Order yearbooks TODAY!!! -Jenna Green



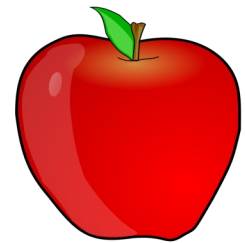
## Indoor Track



The indoor track team traveled to Hagerstown Community College on Saturday, February 3rd, to compete in the 1A & 2A West Regional Championship. Mia Diaz finished 14th in Shot Put, John Custer finished 8th in the Boys' 55m Hurdles, Marcus Singleton finished 6th in the Boys' 55m Hurdles, and Kate Baker finished 6th in the Girls' 3200m run. Justus LePrevost finished 5th in the Boys' 3200m run and Jenna Green finished 2nd in the Girls' 55m hurdles, making both of them State Qualifiers. Jenna Green also set a new school record for the Girls' 55m Hurdles with a time of 9.86. LePrevost and Green traveled to Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex on the 19th for the State meet. LePrevost finished 9th in the state for his event, while Green finished 13th.—Jenna Green

## Future Educators of America

Future Educators had a guest speaker, Katie Blank (who is a Mountain Ridge graduate), at their last meeting who is a Mountain Ridge graduate. She is now an education major at Frostburg State University and is completing her student teaching this spring.—Emily Beck



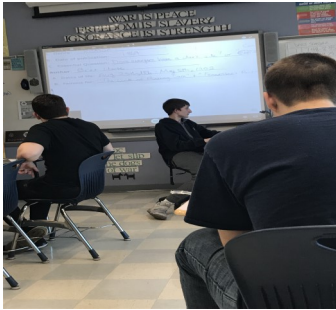
## Band & Colorguard & Orchestra

The All-County Orchestra concert will be held on March 8th and 9th at Fort Hill High School. Also, the band and choir will be hosting the annual Disney Character Breakfast at Mountain Ridge High School on March 17th from 9am-12pm.—Chyler Ravenscroft and Morgan Sgaggero

## **Academics!**

### **Entertaining with Food**

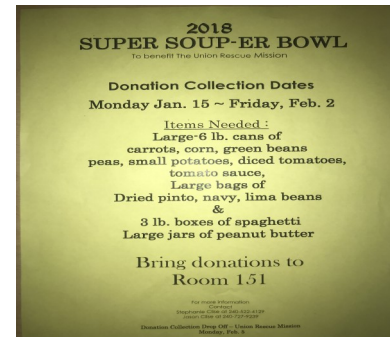
**On February 13th the entertaining with food classes enjoyed their Valentine's dinner. They had foods such as Lovely Lasagna, Hearty Mac & Cheese, and Valentine's Red Velvet cookie cake. The groups had a fun time preparing these foods and were very pleased with the results.—Gina LaManna**



### **English**

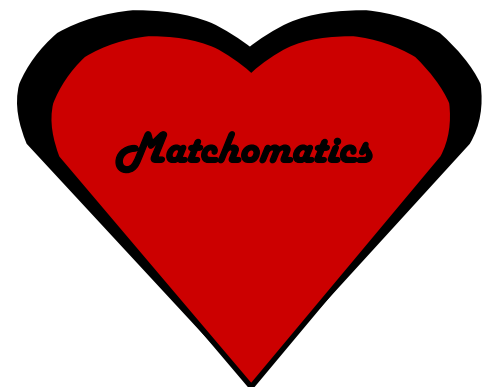
**Mrs. McGee's eleventh grade English classes have been working as teams to teach short stories to the whole class. Groups are responsible for providing information about the author, teaching a literary analysis of the text as well as vocabulary. The teams are working well together to teach their stories.—Emily Beck**

**Ms. Bonsell's ninth grade English class recently participated in the Union Rescue Mission's Super Bowl canned food drive. All 3 of her ninth grade classes gave a total of 208 cans to the Union Rescue Mission. Brandon Cutter brought in 12 cans, this was the most brought in by one student. Also, Ms. Bonsell's tenth grade classes are finishing *To Kill a Mockingbird* and will then be focusing and preparing for PARCC testing.—Gina LaManna**

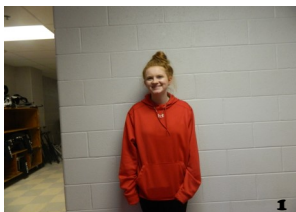


### **Matchmaking Event**

**Mrs. Ternet would like to thank Mrs. McGee for organizing and facilitating this year's Match-O-Matic surveys which allowed the students of Mountain Ridge High School to have a chance of finding a special match! Also, she would like to thank Mr. Cornmesser for his very generous gift card donation to the program for the special prizes.—Abbi McKenzie**



## **Student Achievements!**



1. Mia Diaz
2. Kaleb Tawney
3. Annie Moon
4. Paige Miller



Photos by Jamie  
Brehm and  
Savannah Galliher

**West Virginia University Honor Band will be took place from February 8—February 10. Students Annie Moon, Kaleb Tawney, Paige Miller, and Mia Diaz auditioned and were chosen to represent the Mountain Ridge Band at this event.—Chyler Ravenscroft and Morgan Sgaggero**



**Audrey Jones will be representing Mountain Ridge at the County Rotary 4-Way Speech Contest on February 27th. Other participants from Mountain Ridge were: Sarah Robertson, Chloe Wildman, Dillon Kaschenbach, Mackenzie Spradlin, and Kristen White.—Jenna Green**

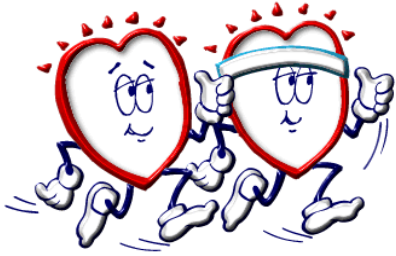


**Junior student, Draven Kidwell, has received Awardee designations for the World Artists Writing Project.—Emily Beck**

**Sophomore student, Madison Llewellyn, placed third in the Queen's Point Memorial Post 6775 VFW's Voice of Democracy essay contest.—Abbi McKenzie**



## **Faculty Fun!**



### **Sweetheart Shuffle**

Mountain Ridge faculty and staff are participating in the Wellness activity, which is the Sweetheart Shuffle. It is a walking challenge with other schools in the county. This event is a movement that the Board of Education has created to improve the health and well-being of our faculty.—Emily Beck



### **Paint Night**

The performing arts department at Mountain Ridge High School recently held a paint night as a fundraiser to help transportation costs. Each person was provided a carnival to create a painting to take home. The instructors were Mrs. Mowery and Mrs. Anderson. Many Mountain Ridge students and faculty members, including Mrs. Ternent, Mrs. Diehl, Mrs. Byson, Ms. Itzo, and Ms. Bonsell, were in attendance. —Chyler Ravenscroft and Morgan Sgaggero



## **Sports**

As of February 27 the sports records are as follows.

JV Girls' Basketball

19-1

Varsity Girls' Basketball

15-8

Freshman Boys' Basketball

JV Boys' Basketball

Varsity Boys' Basketball

Bowling

Wrestling

12-4

Unified Bocce Ball

Silver in Regionals

Indoor Track

No record

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The Snowball dance was to be held on February 17th, 2018; however, due to weather inconveniences, the dance was held on February 24th, 2018. Mrs. Bittinger and the members of the student council decorated the gymnasium, and the main lobby for this dance.—Savannah Galliher



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