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Tragedy Strikes Indonesia

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This natural disaster is one that won't be easily forgettable

A natural disaster you would only find in your worst dreams has struck Indonesia. First an earthquake, then a tsunami, then a volcano. These events have left the people of Indonesia devastated and people around the world feel it too.

While this event happened on Friday, September 28th it still feels new to the people around the world. The earthquake first hit at 5:02 pm on September 28th when it claimed 1,234 people. This earthquake was a 7.5 on the richter scale which is worse than the earthquakes that seem to frequently devastate Haiti. A 7.5, when put next to the other numbers on the richter scale, is pretty bad.

This earthquake alone triggered a tsunami that hit around 6:07. With the tsunami added onto a massive earthquake I bet you can only imagine how much the damage furthered. To top everything off in the most dramatic manor possible, a volcano erupted. This was not an immediate reaction (thankfully), this actually occurred on October 3rd. The volcano erupted just before 8 in the morning, what an interesting way to wake up... This caused a major dent in the rescue efforts of the various groups willing to help the people of Sulawesi.

The rescues that are to be taking place in Indonesia on the Sulawesi island are going to take longer than expected. The groups that offered to help Indonesia knew they would have a lot on their plate when they started but since the volcanic eruption it has only intensified. Thankfully police stations have been turned into hospitals for the recovering Indonesians. The Indonesian military has even been helping their people along with natural disaster rescue teams. According to local journalist, Ical, "Bodies are everywhere." An Indonesian news reporter says a stench has even begun to take over. The death toll has since passed 1,234 and has gone into the 2000's.

There is no way of knowing how truly extensive the damage is and how many lives have been taken.

Surprisingly, this isn't the first very devastating natural disaster to happen to Indonesia, even in recent years. Just in this decade they've had two tsunamis and six earthquakes. This is due to them being inside the pacific ring of fire while being in between four tectonic plates. When an earthquake does occur it also sets off the multiple volcanoes in Indonesia and triggers tsunamis. This is because they are in what is known as a subduction zone. You can never truly know when the tectonic plates will shift and when the next tragedy will strike.

Indonesia was hit with yet another crisis that will take time to recover from. An earthquake, a tsunami, and a volcano in just a short amount of time. To reconstruct the affected areas will take a lot of time and money, as will the rescues. This is something that people in our day and age most likely won't forget. I doubt the people of Indonesia will either. We can only hope and pray that things get better for them and everyone can get back on their feet.



Fortnite, Skeletons, and Pineapples?

By: Bill Carpenter, Molly Robinson, and Justice Neal

Join us as we jump into the wonderful world of costumes!

Are you excited for Halloween? Maybe you're planning on going trick or treating in your neighborhood? Halloween is just around the corner, but you may not have a costume idea yet. Lucky for you, these six costume ideas will be perfect, whether you're trying to impress your neighborhood, or just trying to have fun.

The first costume idea is a Fortnite character. Since we are doing popular costumes first, we thought Fortnite would be a good place to start. Fortnite is a huge game right now, and it seems like everywhere you go, people are talking about it. With that being said, it is an easily recognizable costume, which will spare you the embarrassment of having to explain your costume to everyone you come across. So if you're looking for an easily recognizable costume, or maybe you're just a big Fortnite fan, we can guarantee that this costume will be successful for you.

Recently, the new Incredibles movie came out. And even though this costume could still fit into the category of group costumes, going as the Incredibles is still very popular and recent. And since it's so popular right now, actually finding the costumes shouldn't be too hard, either. You could gather a group of friends and go as the whole family, or just go as your favorite character. Either way, this costume is perfect if you want to be something popular. But even if you have the best popular costume on the planet, Halloween is no fun without friends.

Group costumes are a great way to bond with friends and look great for Halloween. One group of 6th graders did a group costume of a bunch of fast food mascots such as KFC, McDonalds, and Wendys. Group costumes can be very creative and unique. You can find plenty of group projects online, but we gathered some here for you to take a look at for some ideas.

Halloween is all about being spooky. Everywhere you go you see ghouls, monsters, ghosts and skeletons. So having a group of spooky scary skeletons would be the perfect group costume for Halloween. You can even throw in some instruments and be an undead jazz band. Being an undead goofball is a great way to show off your Halloween spirit.

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Age Limit on Sweets?

By: Gannon Knox, Zachary Davis, and Josie Redmen

What do you think should be the age limit for Trick or Treat? This and many other topics like horror movies, spooky attractions, and of course the delicious treats, have been gaining traction ever since October has begun. Not only are these questions beginning to boil in our brains, excitement is too! Halloween is an exciting time for a lot of people, or rather you like the bone chilling horror movies or the entertaining pumpkin carving, there's a bit for everyone! With all this talk, I think it's about time we go deeper into Trick or Treat.

Trick or Treat is an event to remember for kids, teenagers, and even adults alike, but how long has our society enjoyed this tasty night of the year? For starters, here's a quote; "*Today I Found Out* discovered that the practice began with the Celtic tradition of celebrating the end of the year by dressing up as evil spirits. The Celts believed that, as we moved from one year to the next, the dead and the living would overlap, and Demons would roam the earth again. So dressing up as Demons was a defense mechanism," (Eveleth 2012, Oct. 18. [Read more](#)). To put it in hopefully more digestible words, Celtic traditions would have people dress up as Demons so that they would be more safe from them during the years passing. The religion/rumor stated that if the Demons saw you dressed as a Demon, they would most likely leave you alone. But then eventually the Catholic church adopted the idea and changed it into more of a fun, dress up as an Angel sort of day. The norm was to dress up as a holy figure, but the majority of the Celts still dressed as Demons. Due to the popularity of the Catholic church, it grew in popularity to the point of kids and even adults (obviously the standards were not as developed than) would use it as an opportunity to beg for something. In the past though they would repay with songs or prayers. Over the years media became larger and larger, and people stayed away from just religious figures and candy was exchanged more and more.

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Doghouse: The New Routine!

By: Jeremy Stuller, Lydia Fish, and Cloey Phillips

As you may know, the doghouses have changed quite a bit since last year. Different times, different groups, and different topics altogether. Last year, we had dog houses such as music, gym, and computers. But now, our amazing school has decided to focus on the seven habits of highly productive people, now being focused on every single week!

You are probably asking why the school has decided to go through with such a big change. Well, the reason for this change is that, in this school, we are at the point where we either shine as leaders, or be a follower, and we need more leaders in this school. These new doghouses give everybody a fair shot to do what they love to do and be a leader while doing it. In life beyond school, you need to be a great leader to get anywhere in life, and this new change gives all of us the perfect opportunity to do so. The new doghouses give students a chance to find their inner leader and act on it.

One of the better changes the middle school made was to add even more variety in the doghouses, giving students a new introduction to what they love to do, but creating even more reasons to be a leader in those subjects.

The new doghouses include, but are not limited to, Living as a Leader, Healthy Body, Healthy Life, Community Connections, Student Recognition, Staff Recognition, School events, School Spirit, Book Club, Performance, Lego League, Peer Connections, STEM/ Technology, Yoga and Life Management, Decor Inside, Decor Outside, and Yearbook.

In the School Spirit doghouse, they are working on being a leader by spreading school spirit, like wearing Heath clothes and buying Heath supplies. They are having a school wide pink day for breast cancer awareness on Wednesday, October 17th. Wear your favorite pink clothes and show your support free of charge! On Thursday, October 18th wear your orange, brown, and white to show your support for the football team since their last home game is on Friday, October 19th. We don't have school on Friday, so show your school spirit on Thursday the 18th, free of charge! This doghouse is ran by Mr. Warren!

Another major doghouse is Yearbook. In the Yearbook doghouse, they're working on setting up the layout of this year's yearbook. They've assigned students jobs and tasks to focus

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Kings, Queens, and Other Things

By: Courtney Kugel, David Link, and Sydney Werner .

Once upon a time in the far away land of Waynesville, Ohio there is a place full of jousting, markets, and yes - smoked turkey legs. Now you may be wondering, 'Where do I sign up?' well you can attend the Ohio Renaissance Festival from September 1, 2018 - October 28, 2018 this year during the weekends from 10:30 am to 6:00pm. The Ohio State Renaissance festival is the only one of it's kind so check it out while you still can! Also, its not too expensive! For children ages 5-12 ticket prices are \$9.50, and for adults 13 and up the price is \$23.00 dollars. The festival also has a ton of sponsors to pay for the event. A lot of them are brands you know like Coke and Kroger. And maybe some you don't know like Valley Vineyards and Woodchuck Cider. But enough about the boring stuff, let's take an adventure into the past!

The Ohio state renaissance festival is home to one of that largest selections of shoppes. All of the crafts are handmade that the shop owners sell. Over 150 masters of their craft have shoppes filled with the most eccentric arts. There is list of very highly skilled artisans trying to get in the festival. They pick the artisans by how good their handmade objects are and also if the object is in the time period. Some of the shoppes at the festival are "Ear Art, Wax Flowers, and Silver Squirrel". There are also different roads that the shoppes are on, a couple of them of them are Bards Lane, Market Square and Wanderer's Way. So if you're artsy enough, just visit here to get your art on!

The festival is home to many items to fill your growling stomach. One of the most iconic staples of the festival is their giant smoked turkey legs. You can buy one of these scrumptious beasts at "Rose & Crown" or "The Pleasant Peasant"! If you find yourself in a pickle in a search of something sour, you can check out the "Pickle cart". This man sells giant seasoned majesties of green. He wheels his dill filled barrel around all day, so if you'd fancy yourself a dill pickle go find him walking around main events. Another prevalent food item at the festival is grilled corn. You can find the golden hot goodness at "The Corn Crib" or the "Earl of corn". Another delightful food you can find at the festival is macaroni and cheese, it can even be found in a rare form of a "mac and cheese cupcake". If you find these items appealing you can go check out "The Bread Bowl" and "Rose & Crown". If your feeling in the mood for something quick and easy, go to "Bourbon Chicken". If you were wondering what you could get there (The shop is actually the name of the food) You can find hot and fresh bourbon chicken. If your in the mood you can get the chicken with some "gassy beans". If you are looking for some sweet treats you can go to all sorts of shops such as "Jack frost's ice shack" and "Fat Friars". They both have vast selections from fruity pineapple treats to funnel cakes. Now that you're hungry we are going to settle your stomach down with talking about some fun events!

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BULLDOGS IN ACTION!



Bulldogs... Back in Action

Five seconds left on the clock. Subconsciously aware of the cheering crowd and the ball in your hand, you once again check the scoreboard. The last game of the season. Down by one. You take a dribble surveying the court as you prepare to make your move. Three seconds. You crossover and go for the jump shot. The clock ticks once more. Two seconds. Just as the buzzer sounds, the ball banks into the net and the crowd goes wild!

Will you be playing a sport this year and experiencing the thrill of competition? In this article we will be addressing all current fall sports and all upcoming winter sports. Along with each sport there will be an exclusive insight and/or general information from the teams' very own players. This means that with each sport we will talk with someone who has played either this year or last year. This way our information is coming from students who know first hand information about what it is like being on the team. Although some of these sports have already passed or are nearly over we will still provide information for anyone interested in participating next year. As far as winter sports which have not taken place yet, interviews have been taken from previous team members. The sports we will touch on in this article are football, cheerleading, cross country, volleyball, golf, basketball and wrestling.

We will be starting with the Fall sports before moving on to the Winter Sports. Our first focus will be on the Heath middle school football team. As we all know football season is nearly over and the Bulldogs have not had too much success this year with a record of 0-8. We have spoken with Mr/Coach Russell to hear what he has to say about the team. Mr. Russell has said that we have a very young team this year. Though there is great talent what some players lack is the exposure and experience to a real game atmosphere. Some players are having to adapt to two years about their level of play. There are no cuts at tryouts meaning that anyone interested in playing can join the team. It is best to get involved early for summer conditioning which takes place three days a week through June, July and August. Conditioning is geared towards strength, agility and stamina. Mr. Russel states that it's a great way to get involved with the school and enjoy a sporting event! We also spoke to Brant who is on the football team. Brant told us that it is a very fun atmosphere, but takes hard work and commitment. The second topic of conversation will be cheerleading. Cheerleading tryouts take place in May and typically last for around a week. Whether or not you make the cheer squad is based upon your cheer ability and performance in tryouts.

Cross country is another fall sport and takes a lot of commitment. This is a Co-Ed sport which means both boys and girls are welcome to run. You commonly run three to four miles each day in practice which are held every week day. Cross country does not have tryouts and anyone can be on the team! The volleyball team has had a successful season this year with a record of 12-4. Volleyball practices are held on every weekday after school. Drills consist of serving, receiving, defense, hitting the floor and hitting. Some practice days will be focused on conditioning. Josie Redman said that she enjoys being on the team and you hangout in and out of volleyball. When there's an away game you get food and it's fun representing the team. Golf is the last Fall sport we will address in this article. There is lots of talent on the Golf team and the team has had quite a year with a record of 23-2. On the golf team you will learn all of the different clubs such as putters and irons. David Link has told us that it is fun being on the team and there are lots of jokes.

Moving onto winter sports and starting with basketball. Basketball open gyms have already started and take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from six to seven pm. Once the season officially starts there will be tryouts and cuts. Wrestling is our next winter sport and starts on November fifth. Wrestling is a co-ed sport so both boys and girls can wrestle! Wrestling is one of the more contact sports offered at Heath Middle School. Wrestling does do conditioning and will utilize the weight room on occasion. Practices typically take place from five to six thirty pm.

Hopefully this article has provided you with useful information in regards to Heath Middle School's fall and winter sports. If none of these sports have sparked your interest please don't forget that spring sports are offered as well! In the event that you are left with unanswered questions or would like more information on a specific sport remember that you could always talk to the the coach themselves as I'm sure they'd be happy to help. Last but definitely not least, don't forget to check out our future articles and stay up to date on everything sports at Heath Middle School!



Be Our Guest at Dogtoberfest!

By Hayden Lee, Ben Ridgeway, Hannah Yantis, and Elizabeth Bradford

October is an amazing and jam-packed month. With the arrival of fall, candy corn, and the spookiest of all the holidays - Halloween - October is a month with many things to look forward to. And don't get us started on Pumpkin Spiced Lattes! Here at Heath Middle School, the PTO is bringing you one more event to put on your calendar this October.

The Dogtoberfest is a fun and family-friendly fall gathering for the community to participate in that is filled with fun games and activities. It's set to take place in front of the Heath Middle School on October 20th from 12PM until 4PM.

Some of the activities planned include inflatables, various games, face painting, touch-a-truck, and many more. If there is no cross country meet, the Rapid Jagz will be playing from 3PM to 4PM. When you're tired, hungry, or thirsty from running around with your friends, you can enjoy some refreshing food, drinks, and even some delicious candy from the many food trucks that will be at Dogtoberfest. There will even be some adorable dogs and cats from the Licking County Humane Society that you could bring home!

Along with the games and food, there will also be several vendors selling their products at the Dogtoberfest. And if you don't want to spend a lot of money, then there's something for you too! There will be free raffles at every vendor where you can win many different prizes, including a nail and manicure set, homemade jam and jelly, items from Scentsy (a company that sells everything from wickless candles to bath bombs), a Bulldog/Ohio wood plaque, and many more.

Each activity costs \$2 to participate in, with the exception of the the face painting, which you pay for separately. These \$2 tickets grant you one go-through of one activity. A \$10 wristband can be bought that allows you unlimited access to all of the events and activities that you can buy a \$2 ticket for.

To learn more about Dogtoberfest, we reached out to Candy Shoemaker, the president of the HMS PTO. She answered several of our burning questions about Dogtoberfest, including the following:

What will the PTO do with the money gained from Dogtoberfest?

"Any profits are earmarked for specific class room needs. Some of those include new reading books for the English teacher's classes, new science and lab equipment and updated historical posters."

What new activities will be added to the Dogtoberfest lineup?

"We will have horse drawn wagon rides, a cow milking game, a Pit Stop challenge game and the Chrysler Drive 4 Classrooms event will be here."

What is the Chrysler Drive 4 Classrooms event?

"For every driver that takes a test drive in one of their cars, they will donate \$10 back to us. For every 6th or 7th grade student that brings in a driver, PTO will pay that student \$5 for each driver towards their DC account."

What old activities will be returning this year?

"We will be bringing back 2 of the favorite inflatables including the Wrecking Ball and the Obstacle Course. We will also have food trucks returning, fire truck, police cars and military vehicles. We will also have back the Balloon Artist that everyone enjoyed so much. "

Do you have anything else you would like to tell people about Dogtoberfest?

"I would personally like to invite everyone to come out this year. It's a great time to spend with family and your local community members. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy a family meal from any of the delicious food trucks then walk around and explore all the vendors and entertainment. There will also be free photo ops to take some great family and friend photos. We'd love to see everyone there."

She also added that the event would be annual, so you can expect to enjoy this event for many years to come.

Whether you are young or old, a student of HMS, or just a bored person looking for some fun, Dogtoberfest is the place to be! So come on down to HMS for a spectacular time playing games and having fun with your community on October 20th!

Sources: <https://www.lchspets.org/event/dogtoberfest-2018/>

Candy Shoemaker - President of the PTO

Teacher Feature: Mrs. Maynard

By: Jeremy Stuller, Lydia Fish, and Cloey Phillips

You could possibly be wondering, "Who are the new teachers at our school?" Well, one of them is Mrs. Maynard, she teaches math for the 7th grade. Luckily, we got a chance to talk to her and ask her some questions. Here are the responses from our interview with her:

Q: What did you do prior to becoming a bulldog?

A: I was a high school math teacher in Canal Winchester.

Q: How long have you been teaching?

A: "This is my third year."

Q: What do you like about being a teacher?

A: "I love helping students go from confused to understanding."

Q: What's something you want the students to know about you?

A: "I would like the students to know that I can help them."

Q: What's your favorite part of being a bulldog so far?

A: "I love *Leader In Me* and how the students are taking responsibility."

We are so happy that Mrs. Maynard has become a bulldog and gets to see what a wonderful school Heath is! A special thank you to her for being so kind and being willing to do this interview! We hope she remains a bulldog for years to come!

We are so excited to welcome Mrs. Maynard to our school!

BULLDOGS IN ACTION!

The HMS Girls Choir

Need an extra curricular? Well, choir is a great one to join! Choir is an organized group of singers, typically one that takes part in different or performs regularly. Even if you think you can't sing, your voice is like an instrument, you can learn and get better at singing. Choir can help boost your self confidence by putting yourself out there. At our school, choir is a safe and fun place for students to be, throughout the year, students develop bonds where they don't judge each other for mistakes, and help each other.

Our Heath Middle School choir is a very good environment for students to grow. There are many girls and boys that enjoy choir. Most choir students have found a passion in music and have developed a love for it more and more. In our choir there are many different people that love this extracurricular. "Choir is a great place to be!" says Hannah Yantis. "In choir you are almost like a family." Hannah includes. There is an upcoming concert for both HMS and HHS choir, It will be on October 25th.

You may know the choir director, **Benjamin Marteney**. Mr. Marteney has influenced many students that joined the choir with his great personality and love for music. We interviewed Mr. Marteney and this is what he had to say;

Why are you so passionate about choir? : "Choir was a big influence in my childhood. I like to express myself through music. "

Why should students join choir? : "Children can express themselves using music. The things you learn in choir can also be used in all aspects of life."

The HHS Vocal Music Program encompasses 25% of the student body and is made up of three choirs - Hymn & Her, Belle Voci, and Major Influence. The Heath Choirs are a rising music program in Licking County, receiving superior ratings at Ohio Music Education Association state contests. Our students also participate in honor choirs, OMEA Solo & Ensemble adjudicated event, OMEA Large Group adjudicated events, and musical theater productions. The HMS Vocal Music program is made up of 2 choirs- MS Girls and MS Boys.

Joining choir is great! It is super fun for everyone. If you want to express yourself without talking, take choir! There is an amazing environment, songs, people and much more. Please take time to think about joining choir, it's an amazing choice!



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The next doghouse is inner and outer decor. This doghouse focuses on mixing up the decorations inside and outside of the building, to make things more appealing to the students and faculty here. This doghouse helps people become leaders by decorating the school. The doghouse is in charge of what we see inside and outside of the school.

Our last big doghouse is life management. This doghouse focuses on one of the biggest things in our life, our body of course. These leaders will learn how to manage their bodies and help other people with their body and mind. By taking charge in your body, you are taking control of lots of things, and as a leader, you need to take control.

There are many more dog houses that focus on many different things, and here are just the big ones. These dog houses will make leaders out of everybody. We need leaders to take charge in our school and life, and the doghouse this year will definitely do that.

The doghouse schedule has changed for the better, adding so many more amazing activities and super cool leadership opportunities. The school hopes to find the leaders in everybody, and this is just the first step in doing so. Leadership is happening everywhere in our world today, and our school is just adding to these many leaders in our society. We hope everybody has or will become a leader, even if it is just something small every day. We are so lucky to have amazing teachers and staff members that help us do what we love doing, and help us be leaders while doing it! Good luck in your new doghouses, and start the road to become an amazing leader, bulldogs! Change starts with you, so become a leader



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of these job categories consist of, sales and marketing, editing, photography, design, and more. All of which, contribute to the making of the yearbook. This doghouse is ran by Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Boulard.

Another big doghouse is Peer Connections. In this doghouse, you focus on getting to know people better and making friends. This doghouse is about being a leader by meeting new people and getting to know them. This doghouse is ran by Mrs. Changet!

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Week 7 College Football Rankings

- #1. Alabama 8-0
- #2. Clemson 7-0
- #3. Notre Dame 7-0
- #4. LSU 7-1
- #5. Michigan 7-1
- #6. Texas 6-1
- #7. Georgia 6-1
- #8. Oklahoma 6-1
- #9. Florida 6-1
- #10. UCF 7-0
- #11. Ohio State 7-1
- #12. Kentucky 6-1
- #13. West Virginia 5-1
- #14. Washington State 6-1
- #15. Washington 6-2
- #16. Texas A&M 5-2
- #17. Penn State 5-2
- #18. Iowa 6-1
- #19. Oregon 5-2
- #20. Wisconsin 5-2
- #21. South Florida 7-0
- #22. NC State 5-1
- #23. Utah 5-2
- #24. Stanford 5-2
- #25. Appalachian State 5-1

#11 Ohio State 7-1 Football Schedule

Schedule:

W vs Oregon State 77-31

W vs Rutgers 52-3

W vs #15 TCU 40-28

W vs Tulane 49-6

W @ #9 Penn State 27-26

W vs Indiana 49-26

W vs Minnesota 30-14

L @ Purdue 49-20

11/3 vs Nebraska Win Odds: OSU 95.3%

Nebraska 4.7%

11/10 @ Michigan State Win Odds: OSU 69.2%

MSU 30.8%

11/17 @ Maryland Win Odds: OSU 84%

Maryland 16%

11/24 vs #5 Michigan 12:00 PM Channel: FOX

Win Odds: OSU 52.9% Michigan 47.1%

OSU Season Leaders:

Passing Leader: Dwayne Haskins

2801 Yards

224/315 Completions

30 Touchdowns

5 Interceptions

Rushing Leader: J.K. Dobbins

521 Yards

120 Rushes

4 Touchdowns

Receiving Leader: Parris Campbell 1

600 Yards

52 Receptions

7 Touchdowns



Continued from page 1. Fortnite, Skeletons, and Pineapples? So, let's say you're sitting at home thinking about the Halloween, when suddenly it dawns upon you that you have yet to buy a costume! No worries! We're here to tell you how to make some awesome DIY (Do it yourself) costumes that you can create out of things at home! So let's jump right into the two we have planned! Let's dive right on into the amazing world of DIY creations!

All right, for our first costume it could cost you around eight dollars. The costume in question will make you the fruitiest person in town! All you have to do is buy some green poster board, or if you have some at home even better! Cut the card stocks into pineapple like leaves and glue them together like how pineapple leaves look. Keep doing this until you run out of poster board. This costume also requires for you to have a yellow shirt! Then you want to place them upon your head, using something to keep them straight for the duration. Alternatively you could also just tape pineapples over your body and call yourself the pineapple man. Just don't run into people. For our next costume, we present to you a costume that will make you the spookiest person around!

Our next costume a twist on a classic! A simply Do It Yourself costume requires different things, depending on your abilities. You want to get a black sheet, or maybe a black cloak. You want to find a black material large enough to fit over your entire body, then you want to make sure the fabric is thin enough to allow for you breathe through the nostrils. You could also cut holes near your nose in order to avoid you suffocating as a skeleton. Ironic, isn't it? You could also just get a black long sleeve T shirt, and black sweatpants and put them on. This part depends on your abilities as an individual. You can sew, paint, draw, marker, or even cut white fabric on top of it. The important part is that you make sure there in the patterns of bones, for this you could look for a picture of a skeleton to get the look and feel of it. With this costume, we guarantee you that you will one of the spookiest lady or gentlemen around! This costume barely takes anything an can be assembled using a variety of sources.

So, now you officially know some DIY costumes you can create on the fly! Make sure you follow the instructions and create them carefully. Remember, it's Spooktober, not badly made costume January. These are not meant to tell you what to create, they are simply ideas for you to get your creative juices flowing. By all means if you wish to create one of these, do so! We wish you a very nice Halloween dance, and Halloween night!

Trick or treating, and the Halloween dance will be a blast with these cool costumes. No matter what kind of costume you chose to do, with these cool ideas, you'll be sure to impress everyone around you. So, when you're out on Halloween, trick or treating, you will have some very special and unique costume ideas!



Cont. from pg 2 (Kings, Queens, and Other Things) The festival isn't just food and shoppes though, it also consist of major events. This includes the weekend themes as well. In the time that the festival takes place the weekend events are Time Travelers weekend, Pirates weekend, Fantasy, Feast of Fools, Highland weekend, Barbarian Invasion, Romance weekend, and Trick or Treat weekend. Each of these weekends have their own theme so people that go to the festival every weekend can dress up differently each time they go. Also special events happen on specific weekends. Other events that occur is there is a "mime" that is called MooNie the MagnifCent that is a silent comedian that juggles. There is also Christophe the Insultor, the Mudde show, the Swordsmen, Full Armored Jousting, Kamikaze Fireflies, the Davinci Bros Comedy Opera, and so much more!

Another event that can potentially happen at the Ohio Renaissance Festival is that people can get married! The most expensive wedding that you can have there is \$5,500!!! That includes 4 parking passes, 50 admission tickets, a ceremony in St. Peters Chapel, a wedding cake, and more. The cheapest wedding that you can have there is only \$500. This packet includes 1 parking pass, 4 admission tickets, a Calligraphy Keepsake certificate, a ceremony in St. Peters Chapel, a service performed by an ordained minister, and the choice of Festival Goblets or a Bridal Bouquet. Those are just two of the options upon many though, so you pay for what you desire, whether that be more or less.

Now, there's more than just food, events, weddings, and shoppes. The Ohio Renaissance Festival also has a selection of games and rides that you can choose from. Some of the games that you can choose from are test of strength, mug slide, ballista, pong bows, darts, and drench a wench. The most popular games are archery, axe throwing, and knife throwing. The rides are also very popular at the festival. Some of the rides are Sea Dragon, Crows Nest, Barrel of Bedlam, and many others. They have some thrill seekers, but they also have some rides for the kids. This festival has a lot of different things for a lot of different people.

When visitors come to the Ohio Renaissance Festival they will see a full day of entertainment including full-armored Jousting the way it was done over 400 years ago by real Knights in shining armor. Queen Elizabeth I presides over the festivities as dozens of Renaissance musicians, dancers, comedians, jugglers, sword-fighters, storytellers and hundreds of costumed performers entertain patrons of all ages on 14 stages in nearly 100 shows daily. So as you can see this festival is no joke. The festival gets about \$165,000 per year and that's just the start of it. The Festival just got sold to a different company and will continue to improve in the years to come!

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A painting of the festival



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Did you know one Canadian town took extreme measures to stop people who are over the age from Trick or Treating? In the town Bathurst, New Brunswick the law states that "No person(s) over the age of 14 yrs. Shall take part in door to door soliciting(Trick or Treating)," (BBC 2016, Oct. 31. [Read more](#)). Many people think that this is too far for the kids and can possibly even ruin the festivity of Trick or Treating. "I think we can achieve the same goal in order to have public safety and still have kids have fun." said the mayor, but on the other hand Deputy Lee Stever said that it was enacted because of the older population complaining about kids bothering them at night. Deputy Lee Stever said "I noticed that after 7 pm most kids are off the street, so I think that most people are aware of it. So I'm not in favor of changing it." Based off on online survey, ([View here](#)) we found that a whole 83.1% of people say that 16 is too young to quit trick or treating, in fact the survey at hand worded it in a way saying that there should never be an age limit. This would mean that most people in Bathurst would agree to change or even get rid of this law entirely. Do you think that this law should be changed in some sort of way, or the keep the law as it is?

No matter what the talk is, I think we can all still come back to the excitement of Halloween. Rather you like the horror and tasty frights, or your afraid of the atmosphere and don't like to Trick or Treat, it's always nice to have a holiday over the horizon. If you remember what we said at the beginning, what's your opinion now? Do you think should be the age limit for Trick or Treat, if really a limit at all?!

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A NOTE FROM YOUR EDITORS

Are Battle Royales Really Rated Rightfully?

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Many of us have heard of the well-known video game Fortnite, or other games like PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds. But how many people *actually* enjoy this game? That's what we, your editors, are here for! This article will showcase the two extreme opinions, and one middle ground opinion, that come with the games! Avery will be your 'hater', Jonah the 'supporter', and Sadie the 'neutral' one in this case. Our opinions are just that-opinions! So please do not take any sort of offense to the following. Without further delay, let's begin!

When people first saw Fortnite, they thought that the game was lackluster and not that good, as it was more of a survival game. However, Epic Games tried to salvage the game by giving it a Battle Royale mode, and all of a sudden people *loved* the game. One of the main features in Fortnite is the building feature, which many believe is good, but I feel that this feature is a bad one. In the game, people always use the same building whenever they get shot at. Whenever they're getting shot at they always decide not to fight, but to build themselves a miniature castle. When I played the game to check it out, I played a few matches and saw that everyone used the same building pattern because it's part of the game's 'meta' (Basically the strategy that everyone is using because it is an effective strategy.) Once you see the flaw in the buildings, it's easy to adapt and eliminate your enemies. That's one of the reasons the game gets very old easily, people never build anything else. Another reason on why I dislike the game is that the game is very luck based, as the weapons and items dropping from chests are randomized. Why not give people the option to buy their choice of weaponry before a game, and have the option to upgrade it during the match? Plus, the weapon spread on your weapons is random, meaning you can shoot either everywhere and land a hit on nothing, or get lucky and land the final blow. Something else that Fortnite has is the third person view. I don't get why you would have a third person view in a shooter, as that seems like it would make your accuracy less... accurate. Plus, they could easily fix that by giving players the option to change their point of view, for the people that enjoy first person shooters and can't get into Fortnite because of the third person.

When it comes to the 'neutral' zone, I believe that battle royales can be both a good and a bad thing. A bad thing, for example, would be that players spend hours staring at screen at a time. A good thing, however, is that friends that live a ways away from each other can play and have fun together. There are very many good things, and very many bad things, both with too many to list. It is almost like if someone were to get a C on a test, it could be better, it could be worse. I know that many people religiously play this game, which I don't agree with, but I don't see anything wrong with playing it for an hour a two, just not everyday of every week of every month of every year. This could really lead to long-term health issues, as many studies have shown. Damage to kids' brains is not okay, especially when it comes to a game. However, the smiles on these kids' faces are priceless, when they win or have something good happen, and they become so, so happy. Overall, these kids can have an incredible air about them, such a happy mood, when something good happens. They also could lose brain cells, which is usually is just some meaningless parental threat, yet is really plausible. Just watch your time on your game, and don't stay on too long. Then you will have a good time, and keep your brain cells while you are at it.

I enjoy battle royales because I think that they are fun. I believe that they are fun, because I like to play a lot of different types of video games. Sometimes I feel like playing racing games, shooting games, adventurous games, or just playing any game with my friends. Usually, when I want to play games with my friends, it tends to be Fortnite. I think that Fortnite is fun because I like to complete the weekly challenges. Some of them seem easy, yet they end up being really stupid hard. However, others are fun and easy. With Fortnite, these challenges help me to explore the map more, which I find more enjoyable. Another reason why I like Fortnite is that it is fun to mess and play around in what is called 'Playground mode'. Playground mode gives you a chance to do certain things that you can't do in a regular game. I got into Fortnite because I decided to try it one time, and at first I thought, "This game is so dumb," Then I saw the season 5 battle pass with Norse items, then I wanted to get the battle pass. I am surprised that my opinion changed so quickly.

Overall, Battle Royales seem to have upsides and downsides, and very strong opinions on both. They are entertaining and unique, but also addicting and mind-numbing. Some love it, some hate it, and some are in between. Opinions are strong and plentiful, and this is quite the topic when it comes to a slight debate. But is this royale really rated rightfully? That's for you



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<h1>SALLY THE SHAPESHIFTER</h1> <p>By: Josie Redman</p>			
<p>Sally is in the middle of it ALL</p>	<p>she gets an up close view of the game but she doesn't like it.</p>	<p>she realizes they are too rough with her.</p>	<p>she later finds out she would much rather be a pom pom.</p>