

# THE MIRROR

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## SCHOOL NEWS

### Interview with Mr. Tantillo

By Reminy Bacon

Mr. Tantillo is the new assistant principal for NPMS. *The Mirror* interviewed him on November 16 about his new job.

*The Mirror: Where did you work before coming here?*

Mr. Tantillo: I worked in Greeneburgh, near White Plains, and also in New York City.

*The Mirror: How do you like your new job here as compared to your earlier job? Which do you like better?*

Mr. Tantillo: I love it. There is no doubt about it. I like it here so much better.

*The Mirror: What exactly does an assistant principal do?*

Mr. Tantillo: We wear many hats; I help out with the discipline, help with scheduling, substitutes, and new teachers.



*The Mirror: What do you think could be improved with our system?*

Mr. Tantillo: I really don't think anything can be improved. If I have to think of anything, then turn the heat down, it's too hot in this building.

*The Mirror: How do you get along with the office staff, the teachers and the students?*

Mr. Tantillo: They're great. If it wasn't for the students and teachers this job would be so much harder for me.

*The Mirror: What's your favorite thing about the middle school?*

Mr. Tantillo: Definitely the students. I love talking to them. This is the best age group. They're funny, but mature.

*The Mirror: What made you want to teach?*

Mr. Tantillo: The students, I love interacting with them. It's great.

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*The Mirror: What do you like best about teaching?*  
Mr. Tantillo: Everything happens so fast, there's always something going on.

*The Mirror: Do you have any other hobbies?*  
Mr. Tantillo: I play tennis, I've coached it. I play a guitar. I was in a band.

*The Mirror: Do you think most of the teachers do a good job?*  
Mr. Tantillo: They do an awesome job. I've worked for three school districts, and these teachers are the best by far.

## Rip Van Winkle

By Nicole Schofield

On November 18, the whole sixth grade went to see the play *Rip Van Winkle* at the high school. The High School Drama Club, inspired by Mrs. Owens, performed the play for students as a dress rehearsal. They repeated the performance later that evening for the general public.

The students first heard the short story, *Rip Van Winkle* by Washington Irving, in reading class to celebrate One Book, One New Paltz. This story was picked this year to recognize the 400th anniversary of Henry



Hudson sailing up the Hudson River.

The outstanding cast was all girls. Their names are as follows:

*Rip Van Winkle* was played by Frances Eckles  
*Young Judith* was played by Sara Elizabeth Clark  
*Grown Judith* was played by Ciara Vesely



*Young Rip* was played by Adrian Hekking  
*Dame Van Winckle* was played by Laura Suits  
*Mayken* was played by Katelyn Welch  
*Gretchen & Master Van Bummel* was played by Lilli Litton  
*Wouter* was played by Mercedes Rosado  
*Dame Van Bummel* was played by Lauren Kossover  
*Dame Doolittle* was played by Samantha LeVine  
*Dame Vedder* was played by Audrey Linn  
*Henry Hudson's ghost crew included:*  
Daniela Russo, Melissa Samaroo, Katelyn Morabito, Kelly Downes, and Tifani Ramic.

"The actors showed a lot of emotions. I liked seeing the play instead of just reading it," said Michael Paino, a student.

## Guys and Dolls

By Julia Cohen

*Guys and Dolls* is a fun, exciting musical show! It is about two couples, one who has been going out for 14 years, and they are not married. Adelaide the girl is a funny and crazy woman.

Her fiancé, Nathan Detroit, bet Sky Masterson \$1000 in the game of craps that he could not pick up a local Salvation Army girl, Sarah Brown, and take her to Cuba.

In Cuba Sky ends up falling in love with Sarah, but Nathan and Adelaide still are fighting, because



Adelaide wants to get married. She already told her mother that they have five kids. When Sarah and Sky get back, Sky decides to limit his playing of craps, but he does bet all the guys that if he rolls the number that he said with the dice and it lands on that number, then all the guys must go to church and repent, but if he loses he will give each guy \$1000. He won, and all the guys had to go to church and repent. This musical is fun and exciting and is full of singing and dancing.

On November 23, there was a meeting in Ms. Holmes room after school. Auditions were held be December first and second.

There are always plenty of girls who audition, but the show needs guys! Don't be afraid to perform, and have a good time. Don't think that acting is just for girls, because it is not! You don't have to be amazing to audition; you just need to know how to have a good time. This play is really half girls and half guys! So guys come out and join drama club. It's so much fun. Girls, don't worry. This play needs a lot of girls too.

This will be a wonderful and fantastic production, and the more people who audition, the better the play will be.

## Slabsides

By Michael Paino



*Mr. and Mrs. Rifinberg*

The sixth graders and their teachers of the New Paltz Middle School went on a field trip in October to Slabsides. They learned all about the life of John Burroughs. The sixth graders went to John Burroughs's cabin to figure out how he lived his life. John Burroughs was an inspiration to the sixth graders.

The sixth graders did a lot of events at Slabsides. They hiked through the woods and they took a tour through his cabin.

Evy Rifinberg, the tour guide, showed the six

grade students the home of John Burroughs. Ms. Frampton led a nature hike. She showed the celery farm and Julian's rock to the students. Then students hiked through the woods to Sanctuary Pond, where they saw pictures of John Burroughs and letters to and from him. The students ended the day with lunch.

The sixth grade students learned a lot about John Burroughs on the Slabsides field trip. "I learned a lot about John Burroughs because we went into his house," said Vincent Aurigemma, one sixth-grader.

The Slabsides trip was a great experience for the students to learn first hand about the life of John Burroughs.

## Thanksgiving Food Drive

By Brendan Morrison



*Photo by Brendan Morrison*

There was a lot of food donated this year to the Thanksgiving food drive. This year people competed to get the most food for their homeroom to get a free breakfast, thanks to the Student Council. Many people tried to get the most, but in the end the biggest total was 60 items collected by homeroom 9.

Student Council members had to bring in boxes to put the food in. The students brought in canned vegetables, pie crusts, cookies, mashed potatoes and even turkeys. Students brought in whatever they could.

In the end, Student Council made thirteen baskets of food that was donated to local families and the remainder went to The Family Of New Paltz, a New Paltz food pantry.

The Student Council thanks everyone for the donations.

## NEW PALTZ CROSS COUNTRY

By Darren Tsai

The school's cross country team is a group of hard working, dedicated students. The team is made up of 20 students that run 3-5 miles every day after school, and on Fridays they play Capture the Flag. Most days they start practice at the New Paltz Middle School and run to SUNY New Paltz or the apple orchards. You don't have to be fast to be on the team, you just have to work hard.

This season the team entered 5 races and each race the team improved its times greatly. The season culminated with the MHAL Championship. The boys placed 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 9 teams and the girls finished 5<sup>th</sup> out of 9 teams.

"It's really fun. You should all join," said one team member, Bryn Eckert.

**ROSTER :** Doaa Khalifa, John O'Connor, Simon Deschamps, Adam Comi, Owen Desmery, Camila Ferguson, Adin Gold, Seb Pannuto, Tal Schwartz, Lilly Vargus, Martin Desmery, Mark Milhaven, John Gavin, Miranda Charter-Carpenter, Bryn Eckert, Valerie Blaha, Kristen Chiriani, Kristen Rosario, Megan Mastro and Kaitlyn VonAhnen

## Halloween at the Middle School!

By Robby Mercogliano

On October 30<sup>th</sup>, students and teachers alike came to school in their costumes. It was a very interesting day!

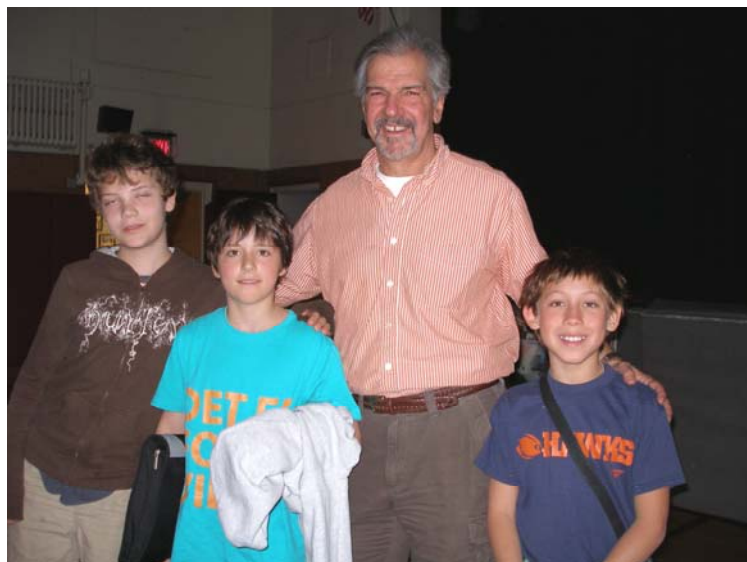


The Halloween Co-Rec was at night on October 30<sup>th</sup> this fall. It was a lot of fun, with good music, and soda for one dollar at the concession.

There were about 400 people doing the Cha-Cha Slide! Some people wore their costumes to the dance.

"It was very fun" says fellow mirror member Eric Lasko, a 6<sup>th</sup> grader.

Has Jackson returned?



Hudson Talbott with students

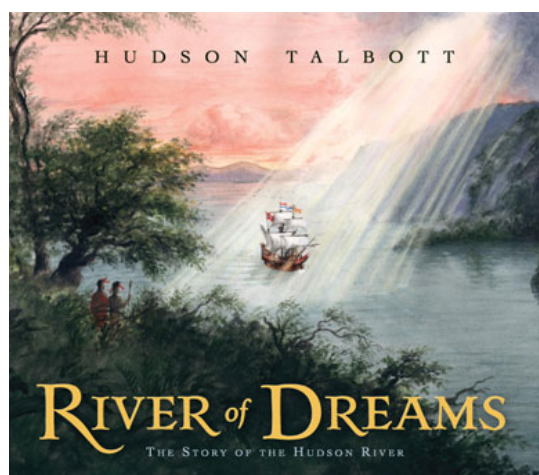
## The River Of Dreams

By Elyssa Feshold & Elena Ingenio

The author (and artist) Hudson Talbott wrote the book, *The River Of Dreams*. He came to the middle school on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The book showed timelines, history, dreams, and most of all, wonderful pictures of the Hudson River!

Everyone attended an assembly for a presentation hosted by Talbott. He told students about his dreams and he showed some pictures from his book that he painted. He also had a workshop and he told people more details about his book and pictures.

Some history he told the audience during the assembly was about Henry Hudson, The New World, how the river was polluted and then cleaned, and how it developed. The pictures from the book (below) are beautiful with water colors and detail. Most of the pictures were of the Hudson River but some of them were of Henry Hudson and his boat.



# Student Council

By Sarah Rubin

I am writing to you on behalf of the Student Council to tell you what goes on during our meetings, the purpose of Student council and many more activities we do.

First off, let me introduce you to the New Paltz Middle School's Class officers. Our president is Assief Khan, our vice president is Brianna Klinger, our secretary is me, Sarah Rubin, and our treasurer is Christopher Bravo. These people attend every meeting and are a big part of what goes on at the school. The rest of Student Council members also play a big part.

The purpose of Student Council is that everyone here wants to make a difference and to have a say in what the school does. Whether it's thinking of new fundraisers, new school events or even just new ideas for school spirit week, every single person counts. These are just some of the things we do at Student Council meetings, but there are other ways we contribute to help the school and there are different things we do at Student Council meetings.

One motto for Student Council is "Together we will accomplish." At Student Council everyone shares ideas and in the end we come up with something great. But first we have to get the word out. We make posters, tell our friends and we might even put something on the morning announcements.

Student Council is a great group at the middle school but it wouldn't be possible without Ms. Grey. She puts so much of her time into Student Council to make it possible. Student Council is a great group to take part in and everyone contributes to make it happen.

Advice column

Ask E

Hi E,

I'm in the seventh grade, and I have a major problem. People keep going into my locker and taking things from it, it makes me SO MAD!!! It's not that they keep taking things from my locker, because the things that they take are useless to me, sometimes they don't even take things, it's just that I try to stop them, and I keep coming to my classes late. I either get marked absent, or -5 points. It's really annoying, and I'm a straight A student.

I didn't tell anyone my combo, except my best friend, not to say any names or anything, but you should know that I trust her. She would never do anything like that, but I did make her mad the other day. Oh no, do you think it could be my friend? Should I yell at her? Should I *not* be her friend anymore? Should I make her mad again, tell everyone her locker combo? What should I do? Essence, please write back ASAP!

-Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

Since you are not so sure that it is your friend, and since you "trust" her, I wouldn't be mad at her just yet. If you connect with her enough, I would go to her and tell her what you have just told me, that you have this problem and you think that it is her. Hopefully she tells the truth, so be serious when you tell her, believe her and don't ask her if she is sure. That is about the biggest mistake any girl can make. Be her friend. Still it seems like you guys have been friends for a while, and you probably told her other things as well, and if you're not her friend anymore, she might just tell everyone those secrets. After that, go to the office and get your combo changed, or just tell them that you have this problem and ask them to keep an eye on your locker for you. YEAH! That would work! ☺ Let me know how that works out for you. ☺



## New Paltz Middle School Modified Football

By Essence Coxum

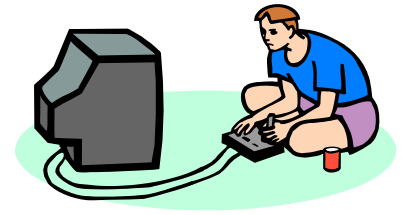
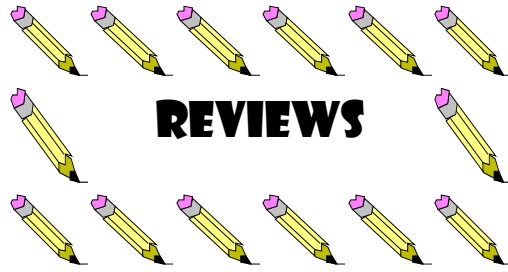
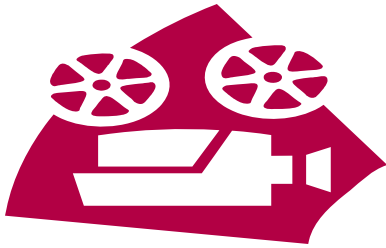
"Go team go!" At the New Paltz Middle School, there are modified teams. But most importantly there is a modified football team. The modified football team practices everyday after school. There are only middle school students on the team. There are two teams. The B team and the A team.

The following students are on the New Paltz Middle School Modified Football Team:

Andrew Albrecht, Brendan Copeland, Chris Backer, Sean Cramsie, Devin Taylor, Jacob Davis, Brandon Boehm, Nick Dimacro, Steve Branche, Deron Dixon, CJ Burke, Ryan Drosdowich, Jared Clark, Sean Copeland, Ernest Figueroa, Taylor Digilio, Austin Hekking, Matt Eriole, Assief Khan, Brett Fitzpatrick, Khariff

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### Game:

## Star Wars the Force Unleashed (wii)

By Eric Lasko and Robby Mercogliano

Storyline: You play as the secret apprentice of the Dark Lord, Darth Vader. You go on missions to hunt Jedi and a few others, leading up to a final confrontation with either Darth Vader or Darth Sidious.

Game play: To use force Lightning you press the C button. To swing the lightsaber, swing the Wii remote. You can use force push by pushing the nunchuck. To use force grip hit the Z button. Other techniques can be used with various button combos.

### Characters:

The Secret apprentice (A.k.a. Brendan Starkiller): All about him is unknown except his dad is a Jedi.

Juno Eclipse: The Apprentice's new pilot. She led an attack on her own home planet.

Proxy: The robot of the apprentice. His primary programming is to kill the apprentice.

Rahm Kota: The first official boss of the game. He survived order 66 because he used militia instead of clones.  
Hint: When he is charging energy, hit him quick.

Darth Desolous: The second official boss of the game. He fights with a shield and is very easy to defeat. You fight him in a Jedi trial.

Kazdan Paratus: The third official boss. First you fight him while he is in a robot. He is a mentally insane person and made a junk temple.

Darth Phobos: The fourth official boss of the game. She turns into Juno when you first see her. She uses a double bladed light saber and can replicate. She is a very annoying boss to fight. Hint: When she turns into Juno she hits her with force lightning.

Shaak Ti: The fifth official boss of the game. She can summon allies to help her fight you. She is a Jedi master.

Captain Ozzik Sturn: When you go to a planet, you fight him. He has a force field generator which makes him

very annoying.

Cheat codes:

Grandmoff- All costumes

Kataran-Surprise code

Tyrannus-Surprise code

Speeder-Surprise code

Overall rating: 10/10

## Adventure Quest Worlds Review

By Eric Lasko

(Username Zenrais Starbane) (aq.com)

Story: Good and Evil are warring. In the final battle between King Altea, The Lord of good, and Sephulchre, the Lord of evil, a man named Drakath who used to be evil appeared now on the side of chaos. Drakath attacked Altea and Sephulchre killing Sephulchre. Later, the first of his Lords of Chaos named Escherion appeared. Then Vath (3<sup>rd</sup> lord of Chaos) and we are currently fighting Chaos Shogun Kitsune (4<sup>th</sup> Lord of Chaos).

Items: There are a variety of items and the better ones are for people who upgraded only. My current equip set:

Weapon: Golden Starsword

Armor: Solaris Knight

Class: Healer

Gameplay: By clicking around you hit monsters, walk around, play minigames and talk with other players.

My favorite bosses: Black Knight (VERY VERY hard) (At least 4 friends recommended)

Basilisk (semi-easy) (1 friend recommended)

Protosartorium (VERY Hard) (AT LEAST 3 friends recommended)

Mithril Man (Hard) (2 friends recommended)

To go to me or my player house:

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Overall rating: 10/10

# Percy Jackson and the Olympians

By Eric Lasko

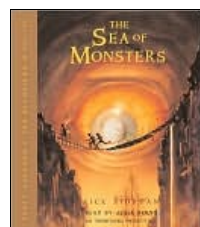
Story: This series by Rick Riordan takes place in modern day New York. "Demigods" or half god, half human hybrids exist. All of Greek mythology is real. That's right. The Titan Lord Kronos is rising and Percy Jackson, the son of the Ocean god Poseidon, and all his Demigod friends must fight him.

Individual stories:

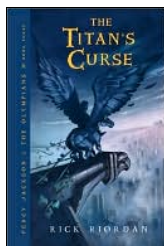
Book 1 *The Lightning Thief* story: 12-year-old Percy Jackson lives a normal life until one day on a field trip his teacher turns into a Fury and assaults him. Then his other teacher Mr. Brunner gives him a ballpoint pen which turns into a bronze sword called "Anaklamos" or Riptide. Zeus's master lightning bolt is stolen and Percy, along with Annabeth, Chase and Grover Underwood go to retrieve the bolt and uncover that Kronos is rising.



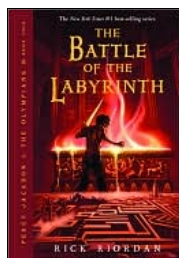
Book 2 *The Sea of Monsters*: The Pine Tree protecting Camp Half Blood is dying so along with Annabeth and Percy, Percy's Cyclops Half-Brother comes along through the sea of monsters in order to defeat another Cyclops, Save Grover and retrieve the Golden Fleece to save the tree. At the end something shocking happens.



Book 3 *The Titans Curse*: Percy, Thalia and Annabeth go to Westover Hall and find two more Half Bloods named Nico and Bianca Di Angelo and they meet Atlas and they must rescue not only Annabeth but Artemis as well. Then Thalia becomes a Hunter of Artemis.



Book 4 *The Battle of the Labyrinth*: Percy goes to orientation at Goode High School and gets attacked by two Demon Cheerleaders and meets once again, Rachel Elizabeth Dare. Then Percy, Annabeth, Grover and Tyson go into the Labyrinth. Many events



happen leading up to another eruption of Mt. Saint Helens and Nico on Percy's birthday offering him a deal.

Book 5 *The Last Olympian*: The final installment in the Percy Jackson Saga, the Olympians and the Demigods are facing the titan lord Kronos' army. Percy bathes in the River Styx just like Achilles, and he became invincible except for one spot leading up to a final confrontation against Luke/Kronos.



Author: Rick Riordan

Some memorable quotes from the books:  
 "The band played an out of tune fight song that sounded like someone hitting a bag of cats with a metal baseball bat" –Percy Jackson  
 "In your dreams Seaweed brain"–Annabeth Chase  
 "I am with Goat Boy on this one"–Tyson  
 "I don't like going underground"–Grover Underwood

## Students' Thoughts on Food

By Nicole Shofield

Fifty students were asked to choose their favorite food and dessert from a list of possibilities. The following are the results.

### Food

1st place	28 people liked pizza and garlic knots.
2nd place	10 people liked cheese burgers and fries.
3rd place	6 people liked spaghetti and meat balls.
4th place was a tie!	4 people like popcorn chicken and home fries 4 people also liked grilled cheese and soup.
	That was all of the food

### Dessert

1st place	21 people liked chocolate lava cake.
2nd place	13 people liked brownies.
3rd place	7 people liked strawberry shortcake.
4th place	4 people liked cupcakes.
5th place	3 people liked ice cream any flavor.
	That was all of the desserts

## *Chasing Redbird* *By Sara Lutz*

*Chasing Redbird*, written by Sharon Creech, is a book about a girl named Zinnia or Zinny for short and she is 13 years old.



She discovers a mysterious trail. But there is a catch; the trail is all covered up with roots, vines and a fence that is blocking off private property. Zinnia asks permission from her family to go clear the trail.

Zinnia's goal is to pry roots, vines and barbed wire and to cut open the fence. She finds different places to sleep every night and gets up extra early to work. It's a lot of hard work for a 13 year old girl to do in such a short time.

Zinny shows her family the trail and they all want to see where it goes. Zinny doesn't like that because she wants it to be her trail, not anyone else's. She notices that her Aunt and Uncle are very mysterious and secretive about the trail. Read on in the book and you will find out what happens next!!!!

## *Red Ribbon Week* *By Melissa Jo Brutto*



Red Ribbon Week was October 26 - October 30. Red Ribbon Week was a week to celebrate staying drug free. During the week, students participated in various activities such as a poster contest and a co-rec. Each day of Red Ribbon Week, there was something different to wear. Here is what students and teachers wore: The week began with students wearing red, Then on Tuesday they wore a crazy tie. On Wednesday students

and teachers wore a sports jersey, followed by red white and blue on Thursday. The week ended on Halloween, so students wore their Halloween costumes.

Red Ribbon Week was a lot of fun for everyone, and it had an excellent purpose: STAY DRUG FREE!

## *Student Recognition Breakfast*



On November 19, at 7:00 in the morning students, teachers, parents and administrators gathered in the cafeteria to recognize students for their achievements this year. Dr. Wiesenthal handed out the awards and Katie Magarity, the school counselor, made the closing remarks.

The following students were recognized for their outstanding behavior:  
Caroline Aurigemma, Tyler Black, Kenrick Cai, Julia Cohen, Jonathan DeJoy, Morgan DeSimone, Owen Desmery, Taylor Digoio, Meldies Estrella, John Gavin, Rachel Goland, Ally Hartmayer, Angelica Hernandez, Michael Hull, Alexandra Jacone, Asyiah Kalantary, Amanda Katz, Gabriela Keefe, Paul Knoth, Jonathon Mendez-Tomas, Orchidia Mumford, Jerome Milton, Heidi Morgan, Cinthia Navarro, Sergio Nazaire, Timothy Otis, Brian Pesavento, Jerrell Prtoer, Thomas Rizza, Cesare Silvestro, Kelly Vinett, Shelby Vitarius, Roselina Williamson, and Dylan Young.

Congratulations to all the students for having the courage to do what is right.



# Holiday Recipes

By Brendan Morrison

## Cranberry-oatmeal Crunch Cookies

(Makes 2 dozen)

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 (1-lb) package almond bark
- 1 cup dried cranberries
- 1 cup crunchy peanut butter
- 1 1/2 cups mini-marshmallows
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts (pecans or almonds)
- 1 tsp cinnamon (optional)
- 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg
- 1/2 cup plain shredded coconut (optional)
- 3 cups rice crispy cereal

### DIRECTIONS

1. Place bark in a microwave-safe medium bowl. Heat for 30 seconds, then stir and scrape. Continue at 10-second intervals until fully melted.
2. Mix in the cranberries, peanut butter, marshmallows, nuts, and optional ingredients, if desired. Slowly add cereal 1 cup at a time, until evenly coated. You can add a little less or a little more, depending on how crunchy you want the cookies.
3. Dollop mounds of the mixture onto wax-paper-covered cookie sheets.
4. Place in refrigerator or a cool place for 20 minutes to set before eating. Store between layers of wax paper in the refrigerator, or freeze up to 3 months.

## Cranberry-Orange Oatmeal cookies

(Makes 4 dozen)

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cups white flour
- 1/2 cup whole-wheat flour
- 2 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg
- 1/4 tsp ground ginger
- 1/8 tsp ground cloves



- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 3/4 cup unsalted butter "softened"
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 eggs, room temperature
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 2 tsp vanilla extracts
- Zest of orange
- 2 1/2 cups old-fashioned rolled oats
- 1 1/2 cups dried cranberries, coarsely chopped
- 1 1/2 cups toasted pecans, coarsely chopped

### DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. In a medium mixing bowl, whisk together flour, spices, baking powder, baking soda, and salt.
2. In a large bowl, cream the butter and dark-brown sugar together until light and fluffy. Mix in eggs. Then add maple syrup, vanilla, and orange zest.
3. Add flour mixture into butter mixture. When almost incorporated, stir in the oats, cranberries, and pecans.
4. Place tablespoon-size dollops on a buttered baking sheet; bake for 12 to 15 minutes.
5. Let cool on baking sheet for 5 minutes before transferring to a wire cooling rack.

## Easy Fudge

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 14oz can sweetened condensed milk.
- 1 12oz package semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 1oz unsweetened chocolate
- 1 1/2 cups chopped nuts (optional)
- 1 tsp vanilla

### DIRECTIONS

1. Butter an 8 by 8 inch square pan.
2. Heat milk, chocolate chips and unsweetened chocolate, over low heat. Stirring constantly until chocolate is melted and mixture is smooth
3. Remove from heat.
4. Stir in nuts and vanilla.
5. Spread in pan.
6. Refrigerate until firm.
7. Cut into 1 inch squares 64 candies  
50 calories per candy



Directions: Complete 1-64 so the numbers follow a horizontal or vertical path. No diagonals. Write one number in each box to complete the sequence.

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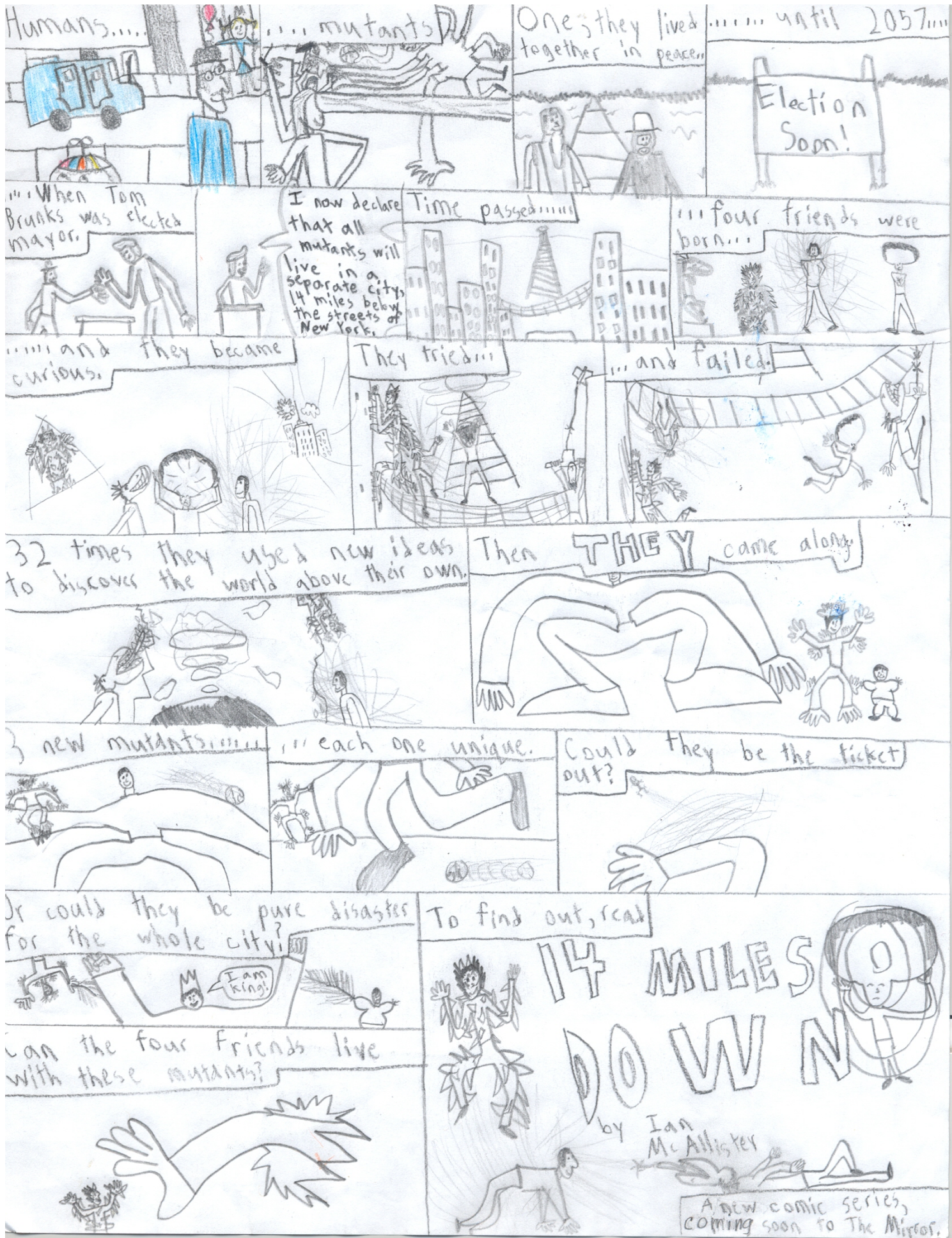
By Nicole Schofield

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V	N	X	A	M	C	F	D	E	C	E	M	B	E	R	U	X

December	reindeer	Santa
	dreidel	sled
	gingerbreadman	snow
blizzard	gumdrops	snowman
candles	Hanukkah	winter
candycanes	Kwanzaa	
Christmas	menorah	
cookies	presents	







# Club Events

**Art club:** meets on Mondays and anyone that likes art can join. They are presently making unique room signs that will hang on the door or outside the door. Advisor: Ms. Sturgis

**Drama club:** Guys and Dolls Jr., will have a meeting every day after school. Advisor: Ms. Holmes

**Geo Bee:** meets every Thursday in Mrs. Naclario's room. Advisors: Ms. Naclario and Ms. Bruntl.

**Reflections:** meets once a month on Wednesday in room 38. New members are always welcome and they serve refreshments. They need people to read, write, edit, do layouts and art work. Advisor: Ms. Rosen

**Student Council** meets on Mondays in room 22. Advisor: Ms. Grey

**Science Olympiad** meets on Wednesday in the tech room. There are different events varying from biology to engineering. In March there will be Regionals. If we win that, we go to States. If we win that, we'll go to Nationals. This year New Paltz is going all the way! Advisor: Mr. Pizzarello

**The Mirror** meets on Thursdays in room 3.

## Football

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Laboy, Michael Hull, Julian Mackinnon, PJ Hunter, Brock Miller, Dillon Johnson, Chavon Lawrence, Justin Newman, Tom Reynolds, Nate Mcpherson, Alex Rubin, Todd Mullins, Chase Sarvis, Dakota Murawa, Ed Sganga, Jimmy O'Donnell, Mike Stripoli, Ray Pacella, Dan Tozzi, Nick Piscotta, Travis Wolfe, Joeny Quezada, Joey Saladino, Nick Savosh, Harrison Zraly, Jackson Beveridge, Joe Powell, Joe Summer-son, Avery Sells, and Hern Dumas.

Sadly now the football season is over ☹. The team had a great season. They only lost one game. The football players were very dedicated and worked extremely hard at every game. The team also went through a hard season as well. There were some injuries and sicknesses, but that didn't stop the team! ☺ They still pushed forward.

## The Mirror



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**\*Important:** If your club, organization or sports team is having an upcoming event, please let a Mirror staff member know, so that he or she can cover the event.

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