

TASKER BROWN WINS SPELLING BEE

Spelling BEE

By: Teyjah Beeks

CHARLO, MT — On Wednesday, the annual Spelling Bee kicked off. This competition is designated for fourth graders through eighth graders. We saw some familiar faces as last year’s placers Xander Courville (3rd) and defending champion Emma Brill returned to the stage. This year’s contest was moderated by Mrs. Rasmussen. Mr. Cottet was also involved in the officiating and organizing of the Bee. As it winded down

the final three remained: Donovan Beeks in 7th grade, Tasker Brown in 8th grade, and Jaylyn Buxbaum in 6th grade. They made it all the way to the 8th round before Jaylyn misspelled her word to take 3rd place. Donovan Beeks made it to the 9th round with Tasker Brown, but unfortunately misspelled the word “Lariat” to take 2nd place. Tasker Brown ended up in 1st place, for spelling “Fiesta” correctly. Congratulations Tasker!



SPORTS

Varsity Sweep!

By: Teyjah Beeks

A recent article about Lady Vikings Head Coach, Hayley Voegele, was published. Her first year has brought the 13-1 Lady Vikings to #9 in the state. They had a tough matchup against Superior on January 25th, and were out scored in the first half, but worked hard in the second to leave the court 47-42.

There was a big varsity sweep this weekend for the girls, winning 58-13 against Noxon at their home court on Saturday. The Lady Vikings beat the Arlee Warriors 42-22. The boys had an intense game against Arlee, going back and forth every point until the final minutes. The Vikings played hard but ended up losing 50-54. On Saturday, they played the Noxon Red Devils and won 53- 26. This weekend there are scheduled games against Hot Springs and Superior, whom the Vikings have beat this season. The girls Varsity will be playing at 7:00 p.m. in Charlo, and on Saturday the game at Superior will begin at 6:00 p.m. at their home court. The boys Varsity game will be at 5:30 p.m. in Charlo on Friday, and on Saturday their game will be in Superior at 4:30 p.m. Senior night will be during the Friday games. The seniors are as follows: Kassidi Cox, Katelyn Young, Jessica Shenyer, Colt Hovet, and Coyle Nagy.

STUDENTS

Aim-Higher

By: Tucker “Iceman” Love

On Tuesday, a group of juniors were sent to a MHSA leadership workshop that goes by the name of Aim Higher. This workshop happens about seven times throughout the state every year. How it works is that MHSA will send a representative to conduct the workshop and invite certain schools to attend the program. The schools then select the students they deem as potential leaders or those who have leadership characteristics. The program focuses on sports leadership and highschool activity leadership like speech and debate. Aim higher also touches on the subject of drugs and alcohol prevention. The students chosen from Charlo this year include: Sidney Bauer, Hayleigh Smith, Mila Hawk, Stetson Reum, Keaton Piedalue, and Tucker Love. Keaton Piedalue, a junior football, track, and basketball athlete said, “It was a pretty good experience, yeah, I learned some good stuff. It was cool to talk to other athletes from different schools and classes to get their point of view.”

It’s great to see Charlo High School’s students benefiting from these programs, so hats off to the Administration. Hopefully, the students will use what they learned and apply it to their scholastic careers as well as their athletic careers.

OPINION

Is Tik Tok Bad?

By: Aida Cote

Tiktok is a teens favorite way to waste time. We spend hours upon hours scrolling through videos perfectly tuned to our interests. The app is designed to be addictive, but is spending too much time on Tiktok the only problem with its usage? Instead of sleeping, teens spend their time watching 15-second clips to keep them entertained. Lack of sleep can be attributed to other mental health issues that Tik Tok users seem to romanticize, making them almost a “trend.” Although Tik Tok may not be a completely evil app, deleting it wouldn’t negatively impact you. Previous users that have deleted Tiktok have reported spending less time on their phones, a better body image, and an improved state of mind. I recommend a Tik Tok detox if you feel the app negatively impacting your life.

Weather

Six more weeks!

Punxsutawney Phil, everyone’s favorite four-legged weatherman has seen his shadow. Groundhog day was February 2nd and unfortunately we are in for six more weeks of winter weather. On the plus side, this upcoming week’s temperatures are reaching the 40’s with no snow in the forecast. Let’s hope for an early spring in Charlo!