

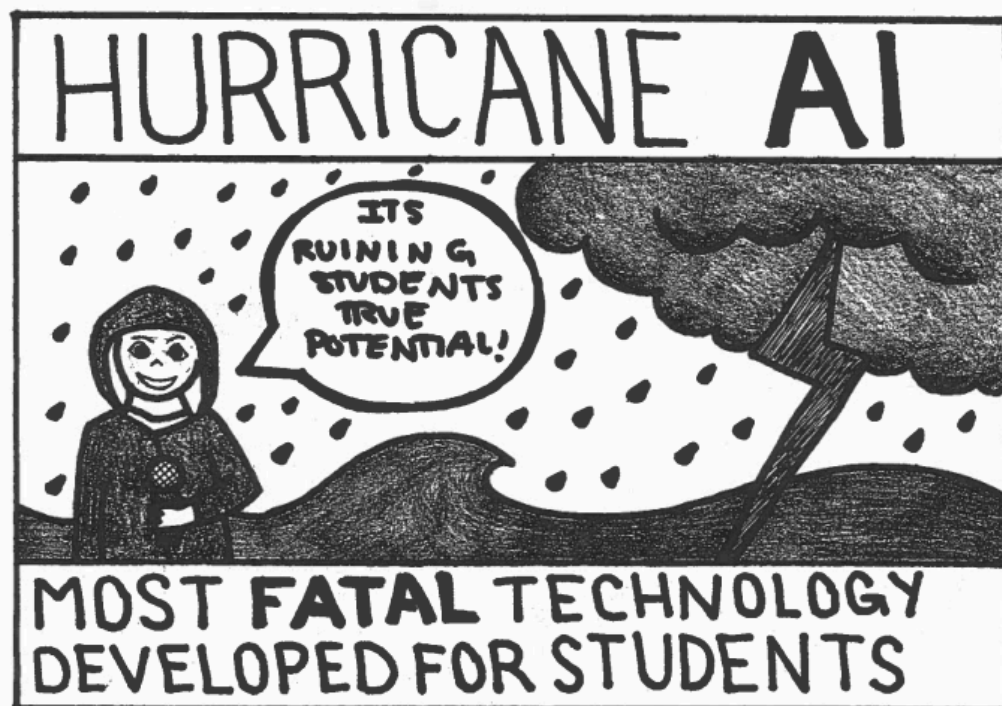
KNIGHTLIFE

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Kuhar & Yusko

PSPA STATE QUALIFIERS

As the school year continues to move steadily along and the Spring season nears, Knightlife's Mollie Kuhar and Janaya Yusko begin preparing to compete at Penn State University at the Pennsylvania School Press Association State Competition. In early January, Kuhar and Yusko received their scores from the regional level that they participated in during the Fall. The outstanding performances from both Knightlife competitors awarded them their ticket to states in April. This Spring will be Yusko's first time competing at State College, while Kuhar competed and won last year's competition in her category of editorial cartoon.



Kuhars editorial cartoon she drew at regionals at Bloomsburg University last fall that displays the increasing amount of high school students that depend on artificial intelligence to complete school work.

The Fight for Freedom of Speech & First Place

Mollie Kuhar, Senior

Last April, I had the incredible opportunity to compete at Penn State University at the Pennsylvania School Press Association State Competition in the category editorial cartoon. After qualifying at regionals at Bloomsburg University, I was very excited to compete again. But my experience was entirely different, and it opened my eyes to the importance of the press (like Knightlife) in schools today.

A departure from regionals, states begin with a press conference hosted by different figureheads at Penn State University. At Bloomsburg, I arrived and almost immediately began competing. However, the importance of this press conference at States was that it highlighted students' First Amendment rights to the freedom of speech and press in school journalism. After the conference I went into a nearby classroom and opened my prompt, beginning the competition. My prompt was to draw a cartoon about a topic spoken about during the press conference. While there were many different topics touched upon, I chose what was most important to me. Students' rights to freedom of speech in school journalism.

I drew a cartoon detailing a student asking to write an article, but a principal refused to send it to print. A month later, I was awarded my plaque for first place—State champion in Editorial Cartoon,

Although the silver frame of the plaque says my name, it is Knightlife and all of its members that truly represent my win. I drew for them, I drew for myself and drew for every student that has ever had their writing censored. I believe journalism is incredibly important in schools, and a student's Freedom of Speech should never be denied. When I compete again this April, my fellow Knightlife writers will be supporting me through whichever fight for journalism I decide to draw this year.

During regionals, Janaya Yuskos competed in the category feature story and highlighted the importance of students involvement in extracurricular activities. An excerpt from Janayas article:

"Passion beyond high school is achieved through experiences and opportunities given at the high school level."

The judges commented on Yuskos the three page article stating "Good information in your news feature article. The flow sounds solid." Janaya Yusko looks forward to the challenging competition that awaits her at Penn State in the Spring.

LEHMAN COMMUNITY

SAT-Preparatory Courses Are a Must

Stephen Martin, Junior

There are a variety of materials available to students who choose to take the PSAT, ACT, and SAT; but how much can independent studying using online resources benefit test takers? At most schools, standardized tests are optional, however, it is extremely possible that, post-COVID, we will see more emphasis on these exams. In recent years, the ELA section has focused on grammar and vocabulary, while math focused on Algebra 2 and precalculus concepts. Many of these topics align with our regular classroom curriculum. Still, the extent of the coverage solely depends on how much class time can be allotted to the concepts standardized testing focuses on. The goal of the teachers in the Math and English departments is to teach their curriculum which doesn't always cater to the needs of standardized test takers. Lehman needs to be the next school to jump on the train of offering standardized test-prep classes.

Mrs. Ruddy, our 10th English teacher, concurs that the class would be beneficial because of how important it is for students to take advantage of studying for standardized tests. After seeing the recent spike in colleges re-requiring the SAT, she's made it a point to stress the importance of preparation in her own 10th-grade classroom. "I saw that even with my own son, now in the college application process, so many kids have that 4.0 GPA range. So, the SAT is a very important factor in how colleges set students apart. It's another filter for colleges to choose the right students."

She, as well as many other staff, students, and parents, would like to see an SAT-prep course be offered as scheduling is right around the corner. This course must be only offered to those who are interested, as many students will never take a standardized test as a part of the college application process. Likewise, with so many electives that are put in front of students every year that never get filled, a rotational period that alternates with a lab or study hall could be the easiest solution. By the time junior year rolls around, SATs are in full swing with test dates through the fall months and into spring. Lehman must send students into these tests with full preparation in order for our Knights to shine in the college application process and make an impact on universities.

Year of the Snake

People born in the years 1929, 1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989, 2001, 2013, and 2025 are celebrating their Chinese Zodiac animal.

Typically, people born in the Year of the Snake are idealists. On the outside, they may seem cold, but deep inside they are warm and enthusiastic. Their desire for exclusive ownership is fierce. It irks them if they can't fully understand someone. Snakes are devoted and determined, but their worst enemy is laziness.



Notre Dame Vs. Penn State

Jonny Sassi, Senior

Referred to as the game of the year for sports fans, an old rivalry was totally renewed. Both teams have some of the largest and most passionate fans out there, and this game was considered by some to be historic. Thursday, January 9th, students were encouraged to wear white in school to support Penn State for the Orange Bowl game later that night. The two teams Notre Dame & Penn State met in the college football semi-final games in a clash of two spectacular defenses. Although Penn State arguably was the overall better team than Notre Dame, the Nittany Lions lost on a walk-off field goal with a final score of 27-24. The rivalry has a record with both teams winning a total of 9 games against each other. Notre Dame has advanced and will play Ohio State in the National Championship. Furthermore, the playoff system was a huge success for its first year.



Teacher Predictions: Groundhog Day and Super Bowl LIX

Mr. Sobocinski

Phil will see his shadow.

The Eagles will win the Super Bowl 27-23 and Saquon Barkley will be MVP.

Mrs. Dyrli

I think Phil will see his shadow because it's been such a cold January.

More winter seems inevitable. I have no idea who to expect to win the Super Bowl.

The Chiefs have been unbeatable, but the Eagles' win over the Commanders was impressive! Eagles, 35-32.

Mr. Yankoski

Phil will absolutely see his shadow. There are far too many tv lights and flashing cameras for there to not be a shadow.

Super Bowl: Chiefs: 27, Eagles: 24. Mahomes MVP.

Kelce retires

Mr. Yankoski

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Mr. Shaul

No shadow (I hope)

23-17 Eaglets

Mrs Whitesell

No shadow- EARLY Spring

EAGLES win 31-24

Mr. Venetz

NO SHADOW

CHIEFS 27 EAGLES 24

Mrs. Honeywell

Shadow

Her beloved BIRDS 33 - Chiefs 27



The E-sports Team received their plaque for first place at the PIEA E-Sports State Championship!



Best Wishes to Mrs. Roberts-Pohonche as she moves to a new district. We will miss your smile and style!

LL ATHLETICS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Betsy DiGiovanni, Sophomore

The girls basketball team is currently undefeated in their conference, ranking 1st. Ella Wilson is leading the team in assists, three pointers, and scoring, with an average of 17.5 points per game. Kathryn Morgan leads the team in rebounds with 119, and Kinley Purdy leads the team in steals with 71 total. Their next home game is Senior Night against Tunkhannock on Monday. Come support your Lady Knights!

BOYS BASKETBALL

Betsy DiGiovanni, Sophomore

After a big win against Tunkhannock, the boys basketball team is currently 5-12 overall and 3-7 in their conference. Their next home game will be on Friday against Berwick. High performers on the team include Spencer Smith, Alex Smith, Ben Dowling, and Hayden Evans. Coach Mo is leading these boys through a great redemption season!

KNIGHTLIFE MVP:

Kathryn Morgan
Stephen Martin, Junior

Kathryn Morgan is on fire this season. She was truly given her chance to shine on last week, scoring 25 points against rivals Holy Redeemer, a personal best. Morgan missed one shot the entire first half. She was named Citizens Voice Athlete of the Week as result of her incredible game, setting her mark on LL Girls Basketball history. Aside from her accolades on the court, Morgan is a 2-time District champion; she's the starting goalie for the 2024 District Champion girls soccer team and the District 2 2023 High Jump Champion. She told Citizens Voice that she's extremely team driven and this can be seen in Morgan in the classroom and on the field. Knightlife wishes our latest MVP and the rest of the Lady Knights good luck on the rest of their incredible season.

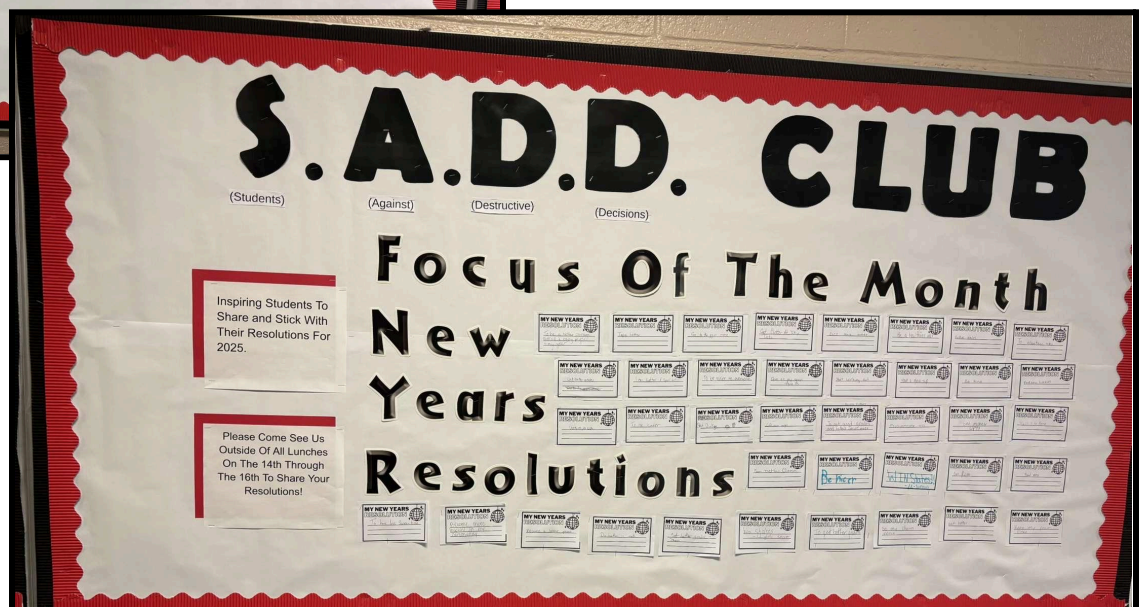
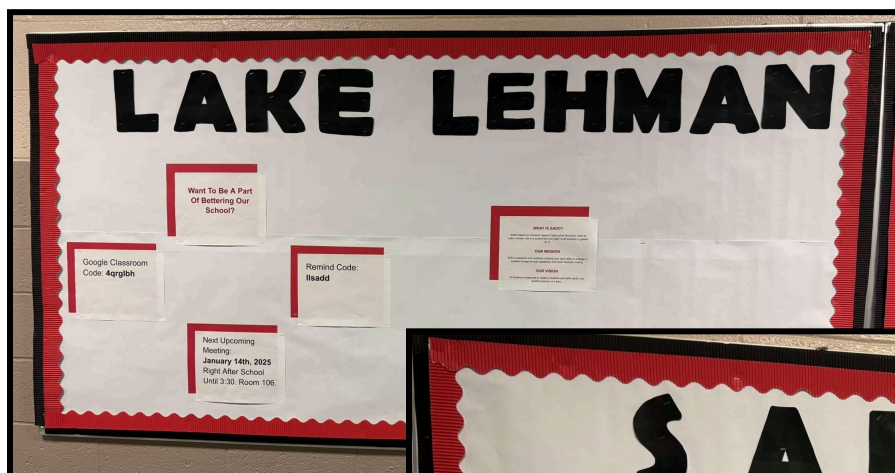


CLUB NEWS

S.A.D.D. Club

Grace Martin, Sophomore

There is a new chance for LL students to help out your community. SADD Club, Student Against Destructive Decisions, is a re-established club that our sophomore Ella Artiz has brought back, with the help of Mrs. Cave-Mattie. In honor of a former student who passed away over the summer, Ella has decided that it would be a great idea to educate and empower individuals by displaying knowledge they will take with them and remember for the rest of their lives. The club just recently had the "Tree of Light" outside the new gym to remember those we have lost in the form of tree lights. It was a way to honor the life they lived and their everlasting impact on others. SADD aims to empower and mobilize students and adults to partake in positive change through leadership and smart decision-making. The club invites all students 9-12 grade to collaborate to create a healthier and safer world, by making one positive decision at a time.



THE LAKE-LEHMAN
INTERACT CLUB
PRESENTS...

DOLLAR DAY

in any way

Join us on February 6th by bringing in a dollar in ANY way to help give back to the North Carolina Community Foundation in efforts of helping those affected by the natural disasters.

Donations of cash or coins will be collected during 2nd period!

**CAPTURE YOUR MEMORIES
IN THIS YEAR'S**

LAKE-LEHMAN HIGH SCHOOL
YEARBOOK!

Order before May 2nd for
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**L-L STUDENT COUNCIL &
KEY CLUB PRESENT A..**

2 DAY BAKE SALE

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 5TH &
THURSDAY FEBRUARY 6TH

**ALL ITEMS WILL BE SOLD FOR
\$1-\$2 DURING ALL LUNCHES**

All proceeds will be given to the California Red Cross and Pasadena Animal Shelter to aid fire victims


**COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR
LAKE-LEHMAN CLUBS**

GOT BOOKS?

L-L Key Club is holding a book drive

Division 11 Key Clubs will be participating in a book drive for the Reach Out and Read program at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

From January 15- February 15 drop off books by the front office or in front of room 104



The Lake Lehman Interact Club Presents...

New Year, New Start!

Breakfast food drive

We are collecting Breakfast items to donate to the Back Mountain Food Pantry

**Accepting donations
until February 5th!**





ROSSETTI DATES FOR 2025

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025 BY 6:00PM

OPENING RECEPTION & AWARDS CEREMONY
SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025

THE EXHIBITION WILL CONTINUE THROUGH APRIL 9, 2025
(EXHIBIT WILL HAVE SPECIAL SATURDAY HOURS ON MARCH 15 & 29)

PICK-UP OF ARTWORK - THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025



L-L Student Council presents the...

MR. KNIGHT PAGEANT

February 14th

Show off some of your skills and claim the Mr. Knight title!

The categories are:
Formal Wear
Beach Wear
Q&A
Talent
Dance

This pageant is only open to Seniors!
Sign ups are in Mrs. Cave-Mattie's room, 106
If you have any questions stop in and ask!

All forms must be submitted by 1/24. Grab one in room 106!



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