

April 29, 2022 Volume V Issue IV

TORTURED SCREAMS OVERHEARD DURING PRE-ACT - SOPHOMORES TRAUMATIZED

By Abby Hagos

On April 22nd, at exactly 8:00 am, the sophomore class was kidnapped. I remember it vividly; walking into school and looking forward to my first cell, a smile on my face. The next thing I knew, I was grabbed from behind and chloroformed. I then woke up in the library with the rest of the class of 2024. Confused. we tried to guess why we were taken there. The possibilities were endless: secret society initiation, cult meeting, murder scheme. However, the answer was clear when we were strapped to the library's wooden chairs with bubble sheets laid out in front of us: it was Pre-ACT day. A synchronous sigh rang through the library as we filled out mundane information about ourselves such as our address and educational background, all wishing that it had actually been a murder scheme. After a cell's worth of time spent on pregaming our test, we were finally ready to start.

From a completely neutral standpoint, the test was extremely draining. Our souls were leaving our bodies little by little through the English and math sections and said goodbye to our human forms completely for the science section. One particular occurrence stood out



during the uneventful three and a half hours spent on this exam: the distinct screaming from Mr.

Snyder's room that traumatized the majority of the test-takers. After establishing that it was not Mr.

Snyder himself screaming as he often does on Thursday mornings, those who heard the sounds realized that it was coming from a movie that he was showing in his American History Through Film class. When asked to describe these horrendous screams, students gave the following testimonies:

"Very loud . . . it sounded like someone was dying."

Ava Brooks

"Annoying, high-pitched, brutal . . . it made it difficult to pay attention because all I could hear was screaming."

Eli Jeffers

"Honestly, I just thought it was annoying."

Anna Dawkins

French Students Have the Thrill of a Lifetime at Crunch Hockey Game

By Naomi Meyers

Last Friday, the HCS French program got the opportunity to go to a Syracuse Crunch game to celebrate French culture. The sport of hockey has strong roots in the French speaking parts of Canada with many players speaking French.

Continued on pg. A3

April 29, 2022 A2

Bulletin Board

What's inside:

- A1 Screaming at Pre-ACT
- A1 French Night
- A3 Money Man
- B1 Horoscopes
- B2 Dear E. Knight
- B2 In the Knight Light
- B3 Tier List + Games
- C1 Wheels of the Week
- D1 Question of the Week

Today's Lunch:

Hamburger or Cheeseburger

Baked Beans

Tater Tots

Fruit

Milk

What country is this?



WANT ANONYMOUS ADVICE?

Write an email to the Dear E. Knight column: e.knight.advice@gmail.com

PUT YOUR AD HERE!

Contact Emilija Morkevicius or Noa Stahlberg at the following emails:

24emorkevicius@hamiltoncentral.org

24 n stahlberg@hamiltoncentral.org

WANT TO WRITE AN ARTICLE FOR THE EP?

Contact Emilija Morkevicius or Noa Stahleberg. Thanks in advance!





The Syracuse Crunch, a minor league team, created this event to bring French students together to experience French in the real world.

While I have been on some entertaining field trips, this one definitely took the prize. The atmosphere in the rink was contagious. Everyone was screaming and dancing the entire time, filling the arena with chaos. Additionally, there were two activities for local French students during half time. The first, and tamer of the two, was French trivia where a few students went on the ice and would answer French related questions by moving to a specific spot on the ice. This was a nice opportunity to learn more about France and the French language in a non-academic environment. The second activity was on-ice bubble soccer. In this game, students got into bubbles protecting their abdomen and tried to kick a ball into a hockey goal. This game got crazy very fast. It was hard to stay on your feet in the bubbles so the players were falling on the ice even without contact. This combined with the fact that it was almost impossible to kick the ball in the bubbles meant that there was very little goal scoring

occurring. Even though this was not French related, it was still a highlight of the trip. At the end of the night, every French program got the chance to take a picture on the ice.

Overall, the Crunch French night was a good experience to see the French language applied to the real world. When we are learning French in school it is easy to see it as something we learn in highschool only to forget everything once we graduate. Hopefully this night will help students to realize that French is a widely spoken language applicable to many careers.

Money Man

By Wes Ziemer

There has been some talk among the seniors about the stock market: buying, selling, trading, and investing. Unfortunately, many of us have been excluded from this opportunity, likely due to the greedy hands of Hamilton's higher ups. Namely Jeffery D. Snyder, who silenced my attempts to take advantage of this grand chance to

get more money. Each student has been allotted 200,000 dollars to invest in the stock market from the deep, dirty pockets of HCS. I don't get why I, as a sophomore, would be excluded from this, considering my great business skills. My only conclusion is that the senior class is capitalizing on all of this for their own selfish-gain.

More importantly, why are Madison county tax-dollars going towards such an unreasonable, half-baked scheme to make the senior class money for their end of the year trip? I can't emphasize enough how greedy the seniors are being right now, especially their leader, Mr. Snyder. I wouldn't have a problem with it if they let the rest of us invest as well, and get our financial feet wet. I even went the extra mile and personally asked him, only to get stonewalled by the guy. If this is how I can expect to be treated by the seniors then I don't want them to graduate. This is a violation of the trust between the school and its students and I will not stand for it until I get my fair share.

Continued on pg. B1



April 29, 2022 B1

The Emerald Press

The materials published in this paper are the efforts of the Emerald Press Staff and are not intended to represent the opinions or values of any school official of the Hamilton Central School Board of Education. All materials published in the Emerald Press are protected by the copyright laws of the United States.

Featured Reporters

Abby Hagos, Naomi Meyers, Emilija Morkevicius, Jonah Rood-Creel, Noa Stahlberg, An Xin Zheng, Wes Ziemer

Featured Editors

Emma Crespi, Emilija Morkevicius, Noa Stahlberg

Photographers

Abby Hagos, Ingrida Morkevicius, Noa Stahlberg, Wes Ziemer

Faculty Sponsor

Dr. Astrid Helfant

Meeting Supervisor

Beth Amir

Money Man cont.

Imagine if the money was used to pay for tutors, or buy paper towels so we don't have to use the disgusting air dryers, which spread fecal matter all over the place when you use them. Nasty. Tax-money should not be used for personal gain, especially in an exclusionary manner like this. Fairness is important in upholding respect among our students.

If you agree with me, sign my petition to put the senior class behind bars, just write your name down on your copy of the emerald press and put it into Locker 1225 in the senior hallway, you'll know it's the right locker if it smells like yomit.

Horoscopes

By Emilija Morkevicius

Aries: There's no need to be so paranoid. All is well. Or is it?

Taurus: Comfort your friend after they read ATYD. Sure, you will never understand what they're going through because you're uncultured, but this is the most traumatic thing that will ever happen in either of your lives.

Gemini: Lost your favorite socks again? Or did your seemingly innocent best friend take them? Tell everyone to take off their shoes.

Cancer: You are what's called a traitor. Watching Hadestown without a good ol' Sagittarius by your side? That's just low.

Leo: ROOOOOOOAARRRR

Virgo: Read ATYD. Do it. You won't. No balsamic vinegar.

Libra: Listen- strange women lying in ponds distributing swords is no basis for a system of government. Supreme executive power derives from a mandate from the masses, not from some farcical aquatic ceremony.

Scorpio: Drink milk!

Sagittarius: Let's be honest here, you're the only zodiac sign worth giving a horoscope to because, quite frankly, you're the best.

Capricorn: Second best zodiac sign out there, mostly because it just rolls off the tongue. Speaking of rolling, the hills are alive.

Aquarius: Don't. Eat. The. Goldfish.

Pisces: Please stop smelling your toes. Thx! <3



Wesley Ziemer <24wziemer@hamiltoncentral.org>
to.leffrey ▼

Hey Snyde daddy, yo would it be good if I joined the stock club thing alright





Dear E. Knight

Dear E. Knight,

I can't stand the English class I'm in rn!

From,

Beast with Two Backs

Dear Beast with Two Backs,

Every student feels this way at some point in their high school careers, so know that you are not alone. I regret to inform you that it probably won't get better. However, you can always turn to napping. It will refresh your mind and body for your next classes, increase your motivation and productivity, and be thoroughly enjoyable.

Yours truly,

E. Knight

Dear E. Knight,

MY FRIEND IS A HUGE GOSSIP, what should I do?

In distress,

Amie de la Grande Bouche

Dear Amie de la Grande Bouche,

Tread carefully.:)

Yours truly,

E. Knight

In the Knight Light: Bergen Linden

By Jonah Rood-Creel

Favorites:

Movie: Doctor Strangelove

Book: Gone with the Wind (but not

the racist parts)

Actor: John Cleece

Artist: Don't know

Song: Don't know (hates music)

Food: Chicken Piccata

Condiment: Lemon Juice

Season: Summer

Color: Red

Place: Block Island

Ice Cream: Chocolate Cookie

Monster

Phrase: "And now for something

completely different"

Web Site:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v

=UyhqLpijcZg

Store: Don't know

Article of Clothing: Watch

Sport: Tennis



What would you bring to a Deserted Island:

The hit board game, Forbidden

Island.

Biggest Pet Peeve:

When people are unreasonable.

Awkward High School Memory:

Losing the ping pong tournament to

the seniors.

VS:

Nike vs. Adidas: Nike

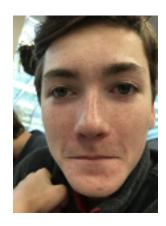
Slices vs. Oliveri's vs. Pub:

Oliveri's

Coke vs. Pepsi: Hates both

Cow juice vs. Milk: Milk





April 29, 2022 B3

S	Tater tots, the will to live
A	French Night ft. the Syracuse Crunch
В	Tall glass of ice water
С	"Was Othello hot???"
D	Twitter becoming Muskier
E	AP Exams, cheese in the boys' bathroom
F	Movies at the theater rn

6		9			7			
	3			9	4	6	7	2
8			1				4	9
4	9		3				5	
								6
7		3		1		2	8	
9	6	2		3				5
1	8					7	6	
	7	4	6	5	1			

April 29, 2022 C1

Wheels of the Week

By An Xin Zheng

You just received your driver's license. You have a couple of dollars to spend on a performance car as your first car. What cars do most people think of as cheap power? There are infinite answers to this question. Many young drivers drive a Nissan 350z, Ford Mustang, Volkswagen GTI, Subaru WRX, or three series BMWs. Out of all of these options, most people would say that the most unreliable car would be the BMW three series. I believe that the Volkswagen GTI has the worst reliability issues out of all of them. First of all, Volkswagen GTIs, newer than the Mk5 GTI, have a terrible engine design. It is so bad that many owners complain about oil consumption and burning. The worst issue is carbon buildup. In basic terms, it is the buildup of carbon occurring from the inside of this engine caused by incomplete fuel combustion. Lots of oil consumption and oil burning is also very bad. If you do not check your oil periodically and have this issue, your engine may blow up or have serious damage. These oil-related issues will not be the



worst since other cars like the Nissan 350z have similar issues depending on their engine model. However, the carbon buildup in this engine is so horrendous that it is actually funny. Talk about a nice car that screams performance and luxury while providing awful engineering and quality control issues. According to reviews online, most of these issues are somewhat fixable. It is unfortunate how a German car screams performance and perfection but lacks the basic principles of reliability that most car brands follow. One of these German car brands is BMW. They have done great work engineering and manufacturing their motors. They also have a long racing heritage and a reputation for building fast, reliable cars. Inexperienced car

buyers may see BMWs as piles of garbage because of stories of boiling coolant, head gaskets, burning oil, and holes through engine blocks, but let me tell you something; most of these cars that have these issues are neglected or poorly maintained. Basic things like oil and other fluid changes are crucial to every car engine's functionality. BMWs with six-cylinder N54 motors and the newly released B58 motors have been able to handle lots of boost through forced induction, increasing the power of these cars up to 600 wheel horsepower from 200 and 300 horsepower. This action is done reliably with simple bolt-on mods that increase power output and a tune downloaded from a professional tuner. Sure both cars have engine problems, but one car comes with issues from the factory and maybe even the drawing board compared to the BMW that has been abused and misused. The next time you want to buy a German go-fast car, consider the problems with Volkswagens, or do yourself a favor and buy a BMW to make some sweet, reliable German power. will embrace the smiles per gallon that you will yet experience.





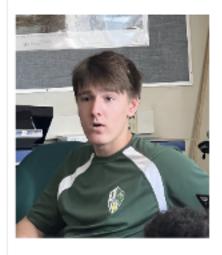
"Being in New York City" - Will C



"Earth Science Regents last year."
- Abby H



"It's going to be the AP exam this year" - Nick C



"A random guy came up and tried to talk to me" - Wes Z

What's the most stressful thing you've ever done?

By Emilija Morkevicius



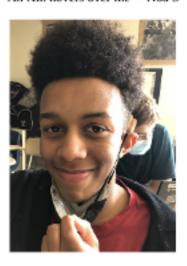
"Talking to Michael Mansfield while An Xin hovers over me" - Noa S



"I witnessed an old guy pass out in an ice cream shop and his head started bleeding" - Klara BS



"Being bullied because I didn't update my phone" - Owen A



"Studying for the French final in January" - Tinsae C