



The Royal Report

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GD Middle School News

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Welcome To Gardner Dickinson!!!

Story and photo by Abby Boomhower

This year GD was lucky to get 4 new teachers in Middle school- this issue we meet Miss. Cawthon.



- What Inspired you to start teaching?

I used to have unkind teachers and it made want to change teaching for future children.

- What did you think of the faculty and staff when you first started teaching here?

The staff were super welcoming and supportive and made me feel like I was a part of a family.

- What's it like teaching in a new school?

I loved it from the moment I started and the students made me love teaching from the start.

- Do you like students you ended up with?

100%. I love all of you. The students are helping me come to work each morning and they are brilliant and very supportive..

Teacher of the Issue

By Bailey Vincent

*******Mrs. Ryan*******



Our TOI award goes to none other than Mrs. Ryan! Mrs Ryan is a 7th and 8th grade science teacher. She stays in room 120, her homeroom. Mrs Ryan is very well known and well liked for her relaxed and fun personality. Not to mention, she gives stickers to kids on occasion! Mrs Ryan also supervises the newspaper. She is the one who prints, supervises and brings you the middle school newspaper, so thank her for this article. Mrs Ryan is a sports fan. Her favorite teams include, Boston Celtics, Red Sox, Patriots and the New Jersey Devils. Surprisingly Mrs Ryan has a lot of patience and manages to put up with all her classes. Believe me, we get into a lot of weird and confusing conversations that weird out Mrs Ryan sometimes! Well that's all for this issue, find out who wins next in the next issue of the Royal Report!

Good-Bye Miss Rounds!!!! By Jesse Graiff



Is it nerve wracking teaching in front of the whole class?

I wouldn't say it's nerve racking. In the beginning I was really nervous. I was scared because I have never taught in middle school before. I had always only taught in elementary. So I was really nervous teaching in front of you guys. But now I feel really comfortable.

Is it easier to teach elementary or middle school?

It's so different it's hard to compare them. I think I am able to be a little more laid back cause you guys are older and you're able to be more independent. Whereas in elementary I need something for them to do at all times or else they'll be wild. So I guess you can say it's easier for me to teach middle school. I think I have more fun teaching middle school.

Where are you going once you leave?

I will be teaching 4th grade at Union Street School in Springfield Vermont. And I am really excited.

Will You ever come back to Gardner Dickinson?

I want to come back for 8th grade graduation in June.

How has it been working with Mrs. Delaney?

I love that woman. I've learned so much from her. She has been very welcoming for me to come into her room which I have appreciated. I loved working with her. We got along very well.

When you become a tenured teacher would you like to have a student teacher?

I would love to have a student teacher and pay it forward. I would want a student teacher to come into my room and do what Mrs. Delaney has done for me.

Miss Rounds continued:

What is one huge thing that you think all teachers should do?

The most important thing is making connections and relationships with your students. When you do that it makes your classroom a safe place to be.

What age were you when you decided you wanted to be a teacher?

I've always known I wanted to be a teacher. I really decided when I got into 8th grade that this is what I wanted to do.

Is there anything you would say to middle schoolers reading this?

I would like to thank you for being so welcoming to me and for letting me learn with you throughout all your classes. I loved getting to know you guys and I had a lot of fun with you.

March Mammal Madness Winners!!

By Bailey Vincent



The Winners have been announced for MMA, better known as March Mammal Madness! 6th grade winners consisted of Liam Kern and Nick Scifo! 7th grade winners were Justin Bragg, Skye Sage and Lucas Geise. Saving the best for last 8th grade winners are, Logan Ackerman and Blake Hallenbeck! Great job to all our winners! The total number of possible points from the bracket was 138 and Blake had 130!!

QUOTE OF THE ISSUE

“ A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new ”

Albert Einstein

Next issue- Teacher of the issue, Meet Miss V., More totally useless information, a new food column from Chef Andy and more!!! Let our reporters know what you would like to see in the paper or email Mrs. Ryan mryan@wynantskillufsd.org

Albany Tulip Fest by Mrs. Ryan



Mother's Day weekend every year (except during the pandemic) the Albany Tulip Fest has taken place in Washington Park in Albany.

Some of the attractions were

- Over 100,000 Tulips in Bloom
- Musical Performances
- Street Scrubbing on State Street
- Tulip Queen Coronation
- Vendors
- Children's Activities

This year the weather was perfect and fun was had by all- along with some delish fried dough!! If you didn't get to go- shoot for next year and bring Mom, she will love it.

Music, Music, Music at GD

By Jayden Denny and Sarah O'Brien
Photo by Abby Boomhower



Band

Our GD band which consists of 7th & 8th graders are going to have a spring concert. We have been practicing so hard for this concert and we are doing some more challenging pieces for us but we have them down pretty good.

On may 19th

Our 6th grade band is also going to have a concert and I know they are excited because it is their first concert they will have. I hear they have been practicing really hard.



Music Club

With the help of some 6th, 7th, and eighth graders, along with of course the music teacher, Mrs. Van Maastricht, middle school has created and been running a music club, where they sing various songs, and do a dance choreographed by music club students.

Concert schedule:

May 18th 3-5 Concert

May 19th 6,7,8 band and music club

Cute and Cool Pets You Can Own

By Ben Apple

This issue-

THE Hedgehog



The Hedgehog is a small, but prickly mammal. The reason why Hedgehogs are good pets is because they will rarely bite and they don't eat anything gross. Hedgehogs are super cute and nice. The Hedgehog's diet is carnivorous so that means that it only eats meat. These are some reasons why you might want to get a hedgehog.

Totally and completely USELESS Information

by Jesse Graiff

The world record for cycling backwards while playing a violin is 37.5 miles in 5 hours and 8 seconds.

There are 1007 people in America named James Bond.

It is illegal to sell peanuts in Lee County Illinois after sundown on Wednesday.

Owls are the only type of bird that can see the color blue.

Both Charlie Chaplin and Dolly Parton entered look alike competitions of themselves and lost.

Eggs are falling!!! By Bailey Vincent

So the 7th grade egg drop has come to an end, and after a big mess, only 2 people managed to not break their egg. Those people were Juliana Dinardo, and Lily Pulcher. Their designs were very smart, however, some honorable mentions for great designs go to: Freya Seebald and Emme Blaubour. Both had brilliant designs, Emme had an air pocket made of a ziplock bag to help cushion her egg. Freya on the other hand had her egg suspended in a ziplock bag. Unfortunately, the repeated falling made Emme's bag break and not have a good enough cushion for the top level, however that is not how emmes eggs broke. You see her lander flew into the stairs causing an epic break! Freya Seebald's egg also broke from the third height, but because I'm not in her class, I'm not sure how it went. However, our own Andy Williams is. According to him, the egg cracked from hitting the railing causing double impact. However the design would have been perfect, as the egg would have never made impact with the floor, making it never crack.

Now to the winning designs. Both Lily and Juliana had crumbled paper to act as a cushion on the bottom. However, what sets these two designs apart, is that Juliana, like most, used a parachute. However Lily decided against it, instead, she added more paper in the top and bottom to help cushion the egg when it fell. Julianna's design incorporated a lot of string to help lower her lander to stop it from crashing into the stairs. Both of these were great and they really shined bright!



Top- Emme Blauboer
Bottom- Gianna Palmer

Austin Oliver
Juliana Dinardo

Freya Seebald
Juliana and Lily Pulcher

NBA Playoffs by Cam Tokarz And Mrs.Ryan

The NBA playoffs are in full swing right now. Are you watching do you have a favorite team?? Here are the standings right now-

The Warriors are leading the Grizzlies 3-1. The Celtics are tied with the Bucks 2-2, as are the 76ers and the Heat. The Suns are tied with the Mavericks with at 2 wins each too. Four really exciting series!!

DAD Jokes by Jesse Graiff



Q: Why don't eggs tell each other jokes?

A: They're too afraid they'll crack up.

Q: What do you call a factory that makes okay products?

A: A satisfactory.

Q: What do the Eiffel Tower and a tick have in common?

A: They're both Paris sites.

Q: What did the one wall say to the other?

A: Meet you in the corner.

Chef Andy's Weekly Concoctions 1st ed.

Surprisingly Edible Ramen by Master Chef Andy Williams

Most people love the flavor of ramen. From the beef flavor, to roast chicken, everyone loves the flavor of the cheap food that costs 99 cents. However people don't know there is an alternative way to eat it. Raw! As I have experienced for myself the exquisite taste of raw ramen, it is a savory dish that requires only a single ingredient: a pack of ramen noodles. I will include instructions towards the end of this article. Credit goes to Johnny Wang for giving me the idea of trying it. Here are some reviews of raw ramen: "It was extremely crunchy and flavorful." -*Bailey Vincent* "Extremely dry, but still delicious." -*Johnny Wang* " Haven't tried it, but I want to!" -*Liam Casey* "Very delicious and a perfect snack for when you are at baseball and heading home." -*Justin Jones*
Raw Ramen Recipe

Ingredients: Package of Ramen (NOT cup of ramen)

Steps:

1: Open Package

2: Take out the flavoring package and the ramen.

3 : Eat brick of ramen

Pro tip: Add the flavoring to the brick of ramen and eat it like that.



April was Autism Awareness Month

An interview with Mrs. Keane and Emme Blaaboer.

What is Anthony's kindness box? We made a kindness box to collect hygiene products and food for kids with autism. All the hygiene products and food went to Anthony's Kindness Closet for kids who don't have money for food or hygiene products. Emme Blaaboer states "Anthony would have been honored and proud to know that his legacy was passed on and that people were getting food and hygiene products because of him." The box is not at the school anymore but we have hope for the future that we will be doing this again. We hope for years to come Anthony and his loving family will be remembered forever.

Why did the school participate in the Autism awareness walk?

We did the autism awareness walk in honor of Anthony Blaaboer who has passed on. The students and teachers wore blue for Autism awareness month and we walked around the circle together to support people with autism.

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Anthony's Kindness Box

By Abby Boomhower

