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Mr. Lewis welcomes new students and faculty.

Ashley O'Neal,
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Mr. Lewis eagerly welcomes this year's new faculty and freshman class. Mrs. Heather Prince, art teacher, and Mrs. Tracey Hedrick, science teacher, join the Fort Hill faculty for the 2011-2012 school year. Mr. Lewis stated that he is excited to have Ms. Prince, the new addition to the art department and knows that her excitement and enthusiasm will inspire students in her classes. He further stated that he is thankful that we have Mrs. Hedrick to join the science department to take Mr. VanSlyke's classes.



Heather Prince

Kayla Watts,
 Sentinel Staff Writer

We welcome Ms. Heather Prince to Fort Hill High School. She is the new art teacher in room 131. Ms. Prince has taught for 8 years traveling from Georges Creek Elementary, Westernport Elementary, and Braddock Middle School. When asked about her teaching career, Ms. Prince said, "I've always wanted to work in a place where I can make a difference in the world." She decided to be a teacher because she wants to help children find an outlet for expressing themselves. She enjoys seeing children exceed their own expectations and experience success the most. She dislikes when negative behavior disrupts fun and learning. Ms. Prince describes herself as an understanding teacher, but also a tough teacher. She said, "I have high expectations for all of my students, but I will also help them in any way that I can to succeed." Ms. Prince likes Fort Hill so far. She said, "Every single member of the faculty, staff, and administration have been fantastic to work with!" She earned her AA degree from Garrett College and earned her K-12 teaching certification and BFA from Frostburg State University.



Band

Emily Goldsworthy,
 Sarah Reed,
 Rylee Hamilton,
 Sentinel Staff Writers

The Fort Hill High School Marching Band is very excited to perform its 2011 show, "Gangsta Jazz." This entertaining show acts out a group of 1920's gangsters. Their performance is lead by the head gangster and drum major, Ashlan Thompson.

Each of the three movements consists of exciting events that lead up the bank robbery and eventually the capture of the gangsters.

The first movement begins as gangs from two pool halls are fighting. The second movement includes solos by Harley Kuhn, Rebekka Spano, Clayton Heath, and John Clark, who perform at a "night club." This movement focuses on the setting of the story at a night club and what transpires within each gang. In the third movement, five sentinelettes, known as the John Dillinger gang, act as criminals in a bank robbery. They are arrested at the end of the third movement.

During the two weeks of band camp, all the band members enjoyed learning the halftime show. The band had the pleasure of having a professional choreographer, Marc Moss, who was also a band member and director, come in to town for two weeks to help with the show. He helped the band with their technique and drill. His talents will hopefully assist with the success of the band's performance.

Our two time state champions hope to qualify and take home a victory this year once again at states. The band is excited to thrill and entertain the crowds at every Fort Hill game this 2011 football season.



Jacob Beal,
 Sentinel Staff Writer

The students at Fort Hill High School welcome Mrs. Tracey Hedrick, who is currently a long term substitute for Mr. VanSlyke. Mr. VanSlyke is currently filling an assistant principal's position at Mount Savage Middle School. Mrs. Hedrick has taught at multiple schools and was inspired to teach because of her love for science. Some of the schools she has taught at before include Washington Middle School and Mt. Ridge High School. She decided to become a teacher because she believes it is a rewarding job. Mrs. Hedrick describes herself as an understanding teacher, but she dislikes carelessness and students being unprepared. Mrs. Hedrick will be teaching physics, AP chemistry, and chemistry. We hope Mrs. Hedrick enjoys her year at Fort Hill.

Congratulations to the homecoming queen and her court for the 2011-2012 school year! The homecoming queen is Alyssia Twigg. Her attendants are Sarah Harvey, Ashley O'Neal, Mollie Mandell, and Rebecca Pannone. The theme for this year's homecoming festivities is Cirque Du Sentinel. We congratulate the girls once again and are very proud to have them as representatives of Fort Hill High School. Hope to see everyone at the Homecoming game and the dance on November 5, 2011!



Spirit Week Days:

- Monday- October 31st: CharacterDay!
- Tuesday- November 1st: Twin Day!
- Wednesday- November 2nd: DecadeDay!
- Thursday- November 3rd: Color Wars!
- Friday- November 4th: Spirit Day!



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Volleyball

Danielle Smith,
Sentinel Staff Writer

The Lady Sentinel volleyball team opened its season on top by winning its first match against Bishop Walsh. Danielle Smith and Alyssia Whitacre led the team to a victory. Danielle had 17 points and 5 kills. Alyssia had 16 points. Together they both had 33 service points for the opening match win. They won the match 3-0.

After the win against Bishop Walsh, the ladies once again proved their talent by defeating Hampshire. Unfortunately, the team was defeated by Mountain Ridge 3-1, but proved themselves again as they defeated Allegany. Overall the ladies hold a 8-2 record with its other loss against Frankfort. They will have an opportunity to defeat both teams again this season.

The Lady Sentinels hope to have an extremely successful season as they continue to work hard and win matches as the season progressed.

Freshman, Maddi Stepp, reported that she enjoys the team atmosphere and the great chemistry between this year's Lady Sentinel volleyball team members. The Lady Sentinels have put on excellent performances so far. Both the JV and Varsity teams won their last games against Southern and Keyser, and they continue to improve. Freshman, Danielle Hershiser, explains her first homecoming experience, "Although Allegany won off of our errors, it was an exciting and a memorable game. Hopefully we will be successful next year." As defensive specialist and primary passer, Rebecca Pannone and Katelyn Covey lead the varsity squad into an outstanding season. They had an amazing game against Allegany leading them to another victory. We wish the Lady Sentinel volleyball team best of luck in the rest of its season!



Soccer

Leah Yurko,
Sentinel Staff Writer

Sentinel soccer is off to a great start for the 2011 season. Each team has had fulfilling practices to get ready for their opening games. The boy's team opened against Hampshire with a 4-0 win. Their next game, against Bishop Walsh, was another win for the Sentinels. The game winning goal was scored by Hunter Tipton with just 6.4 seconds left in double overtime to end the game with a 3-2 score. Zach Steckman had the other two goals. Two senior captains, Hunter Tipton and Zach Steckman, expressed to us, "The team just works together this year. That will be what will bring us to being winners."

The Lady Sentinels started off a great season with a clean sweep in the tournament against Musselman and Northern. It was the Sentinels' first time win against Northern and a great team accomplishment. Alex Marini had one goal, and Leah Yurko had two. Unfortunately, the ladies were defeated by the Southern Rams and the Hampshire Trojans. However, they redeemed themselves by defeating Allegany in the both JV and varsity games. Freshman, Emily O'Neal scored a goal against Allegany during the JV game, and Jessie LaGratta also had a goal.

Leah Yurko led the varsity team with two goals against Allegany, and Mariah James and Madie Wilson also scored a goal to seal the 4-0 win. Ashley O'Neal, Ashley Parker, and Britney Lamb assisted Ashlee Stumbaugh on defense with the shut out against Allegany.

The Sentinel men also proved themselves over the Allegany campers with a 1-0 defeat on Tuesday, September 20. Hunter Tipton scored with 2:53 remaining in the second half to clench the win. Although the campers had a chance to score earlier in the game due to a Fort Hill penalty, James Johnson made the save.

According to the team, the lady sentinels are expected to be one of the top teams this year. Coach Rowan explains that her highest hopes for the season is that her girls will give 100%, since that is really any coach for ask for. Coach Rowan explained, "This team plays with more heart than any other team I have ever coached, and that's something that can't be taught or coached. That's our biggest strength!" Now the next thing to be excited for, homecoming. Coach Rowan predicts, "Victory! We need to bring the trophy back for the third straight year!"

These soccer teams are showing high hopes for this year. The teamwork and the heart in our teams will secure a hopeful win for homecoming on the 15th for the girls and 20th for the boys. We wish best of luck to both teams!



Golf

Brian Lutton,
Sentinel Staff Writer

On August 15, 2011, the Fort Hill golf team began its 2011 season on a high note with a second place finish against Mountain Ridge, Keyser, Frankfort, and Bishop Walsh. Team members are seniors: Brian Lutton, Nick Meneghini, and Andrew Yost; juniors: Brett Rinehart, Kaleb Grabenstein and Michael Mallow; sophomore: Peter Jackowski; and freshmen: Connor Poole and Josh Lutton.

The team celebrated five first place finishes and five second place finishes. Fort Hill finished eleventh at Regional's in Hagerstown, Maryland. They also won the city championship against Bishop Walsh and Allegany. The team finished the season with a 49-23 record.

Cross Country

Carlin Baker,
Sentinel Staff Writer

So far this season, the boys and girls' teams have both done very well at their meets. The season opened with a meet at Clearspring High School. Jaredun Twigg, junior, led his teammates, placing eleventh overall and running a personal record. Sophomore, Jacob Moore, and freshman, Josh Cooper, followed behind. Other boys which include Derek Joe, Shakur Neff, and Dawson Driver, helped the team's score.

Chelsea Reikie placed fifth overall with a personal record, finishing first for Fort Hill's girl's team. Carlin Baker followed her, placing sixteenth.

Both teams were very happy with their times and places after this meet. The second meet of the season was held at Mountain Ridge. Twigg placed first for our boy's team again with eleventh place. Moore also placed in the top fifteen at this meet.

During the girls', Reikie placed third, and Baker placed fourth leading the team with an excellent finishing score. The third, and most recent, meet was held at Frankfort High School. Twigg, again, led the boys to a victory by placing eleventh overall. Baker came in first for the Fort Hill ladies and her freshmen, Jensen Twigg, Rebecca Wharton, Sarah Johnson, and Elizabeth Lowe, following her. The coach explains that this season is off to a good start and that both teams will need to keep up the good work in order to make it to states on November 13.



Football

Grace Bauer,
Hailey Orndorff,
Sentinel Staff Writers

As the 2011 football season began, the Sentinels opened with a winning victory over Silver Oak 43-0. Next, the Sentinels slammed Keyser with a 42-0 win. During the game with Silver Oak, Garrett Clay and Ryan Briner each scored two touchdowns to help with the Sentinel win. Nick Greise and Cody Dolly held off the Rams offensive line posting the shut-out.

During the Keyser game, Garrett Clay had an amazing game scoring 3 touchdowns, and Dylan Clay and Ryan Briner each scored one. On defense, Cody Dolly and DJ Jolley lead the team with numerous tackles which prevented the Golden Tornado from scoring.

Next the Sentinels pounced on the Perry Traditional Panthers with a 50-13 win. Garret Clay and Ryan Briner each scored 3 touchdowns, and Garret Clay had over 200 yards rushing to secure the Sentinel win. Lance Fullwood led the defense with multiple devastating hits, and Nick Greise was a contributing factor to the big win over the Panthers.

Although Coach Appel is adamant that the team focuses on one game at a time, when asked about this year's Homecoming, senior Jaron Watkins feels that this year's Homecoming is going to be a win for the Sentinel team. According to Jaron, the Sentinel team is preparing for an undefeated season. Austin Lee expects everyone on his team to do his best to make the team better, and he feels that anything less than a State Championship is a disappointment for the team.

Team member Zach Wilson says that he prepares for each game by "getting grub and listening to music." Lance Fullwood prepares for each football game by "bonding at Lindy's Restaurant with the team and preparing for any possible outcome the game has in store for them." Sentinels Overpower for a 6-0 record

With the games continuing, the Sentinels take on difficult opponents including Southern Garrett, Carrick, Mountain Ridge, and Allegany. Garrett Clay feels "The seniors will lead the team by thinking positively, aiming high, and staying together" to achieve multiple victories. After last year's record of 9-4, Dylan Clay expresses, "This year's team has a higher level of team chemistry and is focused on the same goal." Zach Wilson says, "there are no weaknesses this year," along with Jaleel Moore who states, "Size has been a key factor in previous years. That is absent on this year's team, but we have team speed to help us succeed."

As the final moments of the seniors' last high school football games occur, the team prepares themselves for an "unforgettable" season. When the team takes its final run down the fifty-two steps before the opening kickoff Garrett Clay says, "I feel like a little kid standing on the sidelines of the stairs reaching out to touch a professional football player's hand." Kaleb Miller says as he is running down the fifty-two stairs, "My adrenalin is pumping, and I am ready to tackle someone."

As the varsity football team works hard every day at practices, we know that they will come out on game nights to show off all of their speed, endurance, and hard work. The students of Fort Hill are proud to have the previous mentioned players represent them on the field, and we hope to get the chance to see them play later this season at the M&T bank stadium.

Pictured below: Garrett Clay #4, Dylan Clay #5.



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Tickets Locations: Fort Hill, All home football games, from any committee member
- November 3, 2011** - Bob Evans Community Fund Event
And
November 9, 2011 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- November 5, 2011** - Homecoming Tailgate Party
Olive Branch Catering
(Old Memorial Hospital Campus)
After Homecoming Game to 6:00 p.m.
Ticket Locations: Fort Hill, Allegany Main Offices, FH Home Football Games, The Book Center, FHSF Members
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