# **MSMHS FISH TALES**



that are true from the desk of Dr. Spera

Week of February 29, 2016

## **BUSY DAY THIS WEDNESDAY WITH THE SAT & COLLEGE TRIPS**



GROTON, CT - This Wednesday will be a busy day for the students and staff at MSMHS. All Connecticut juniors will be taking the SAT which is the Connecticut State Department of Education's Standardized Test for the 2015-2016 school year. Since the rumor that this could happen last summer, our teachers have been preparing for this day by including SAT Prep into the curriculum and developing lessons to support student success on the SAT. Moreover, MSMHS has been encouraging students to utilize Khan Academy (who has the exclusive rights to the new SAT) for SAT practice. These SAT results will be used by the state to rank each high school in Connecticut. Since this four hours plus exam will occupy most of the classrooms and staff at MSMHS, we decided to utilize this opportunity to live our core values and beliefs by exposing our underclassmen to our higher education institutions in CT.





On Wednesday, all freshmen and sophomores will be boarding busses at approximately 8:30 am in route to different colleges. Freshmen students will visit the University of Connecticut at Storrs for a personalized tour and presentation. Sophomore students will be visiting the United States Coast Guard Academy and Connecticut College. All students will return back to MSMHS for a schoolwide lunch at approximately 12:30 pm.

While the juniors are testing and the underclassmen are at our local colleges, seniors will have the opportunity to come to school to work on their graduation portfolio with teachers and Dr. Spera. Good luck to our Juniors!!

## **Britney Detuzzi Named First Team All-State**



MSMHS freshman, Britney Detuzzi, Old Lyme, has had a tremendous first season for the Lyme-Old Lyme Wildcats Gymnastics Team. For most of the meets this year, Britney has finished at the top in most of her events and overall points which has led her to being named to the highest honor in high school sports: First Team All-State.

Britney becomes the first CIAC First Team All-Stater in MSMHS history! In addition, Britney led her gymnastics team to a 2nd place state finish this past Saturday!

Two other MSMHS students, Maranda Ealahan and Lizzy Heikkinen, received Second Team All-State honors and will compete at Individual Opens this Saturday in New Milford.

### Mary Frechette-Gregory Wins Gator's Got Talent!



It was a great night on Friday with all of the acts at this year's Gator's Got Talent! The talent was remarkable which made the competition fierce!

The event started with second place finisher, Jalen Moody, who sang *Accidentally in Love*. Next followed third place finisher, Luke Newfield, who played the piano and sang *In My Bones* and only lost second place by one vote!

Mary and her ensemble of friends performed an entertaining and fun act to end the night. Mary

received over 25% of the audience votes with her performance of *Dear Future Husband*.

The event which was sponsored by the senior class raised over \$600! These funds have been used to reduce the price of Prom Tickets. Congrats to all performers and thank you to our parents, students, and teachers who came out to support our students.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS**

## A/B SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 29th

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
B Day	A Day/	B Day	A Day	B Day/
	Advisory			Advisory

#### **Dog Watch Fund Raising Event**

CdLS: Monday, February 29th from 11 am to 9 pm

#### **MSMHS PROM**

Friday, May 20, 2016 at Water's Edge Resort
Westbrook, CT
Tickets will be sold at Lunch - \$65 per person

## **5th Annual PTO Spelling Bee**

Friday, April 29, 2016
Sign-up Your Team of Three Today!
We currently only have 2 TEAMS!!