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**GREAT START TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

**2018 CROSS COUNTRY DISTRICT CHAMPIONS**

**Cesareo Arriaga**

This year's cross country started off a little bigger than the past couple of years. The cross country team, this year, consists of 9 athletes: three Seniors, two Juniors, two Sophomores, one Freshman, and one 8th grader. Some newcomers this year are siblings Hannah and Luke Binfet and another Andrews member: Haylee Andrews. Last year, Michael and Christian were the only runners to make it to state and this year Coach Venema, the Cross Country coach, was optimistic about the whole boys' team making it to state, which is always the goal. The Cross Country team finally got a girls team adding more diversity this year and making the meets more enjoyable. This year's Cross Country team won the District 5 Championship, which had not happened in several years. Michael, Christian, Luke, and Haylee made it to state this season, most of them improving their PR's. This year's Cross Country season has definitely been one to remember, filled with laughs and a lot of running. We hope to see the team return next year for another amazing season.

**VETERANS DAY  
ASSEMBLY**

Bickleton School District is honoring our Veterans

**November 8th** (Thursday) at 11am

Attending Veterans will have the opportunity to speak to the student body and attending community

Snacks will be provided to the public

**WELCOME MR. HATCH**

**Haylee Andrews**

James Hatch is the 7th and 8th grade teacher this year. This will be his 22nd year teaching. He became a teacher because he wanted to help kids and enjoys seeing kids understand problems. Mr. Hatch decided to come to Bickleton because it's a very nice, quiet place. He also believes that kids work hard in Bickleton and he wanted to be a part of it. Civics, 7th and 8th grade math, and pre-algebra are what he's teaching. He lives out in the country between Grandview and Prosser with his three sons. Welcome to Bickleton and have a fun year!

## MUSEUM EXPANSION

Hayden Andrews

The museum is currently undergoing an expansion, adding another area for people to explore more things about Bickleton. The added area is a 134 by 85 foot area that is going to have 4 rooms, including a museum area, and history room. The new expansion will be connected to the older building and have a door by the parking lot. More room means more area for historic items to be viewed and enjoyed by the community. So the museum that all of Bickleton knows, is going to be even bigger, which means more for all of Bickleton to love.

## THANK YOU JUDY

Michael Gannon

Judy Naught retired this year after 38 years of working in Bickleton. Judy has been the business manager of Bickleton School District for almost every year she worked here. The first few years she came to Bickleton she was a secretary and then became the business manager a couple years later. Judy graduated from Sunnyside High School and has worked under 6 different superintendents at Bickleton School. Her dedication and integrity are unmatched in school. Now, her daughter Kim Clinton has replaced her as business manager and she hopes to live up to the integrity and standard of excellence her mother set during her career at Bickleton School District.



## BICKLETON 2018

### CAR SHOW

Dakota Riggs

This year the car show was amazing. Both sides of Market Street were filled with people and cars. The cafe was full, and all of the employees said that, "This was the busiest day of the year". The atmosphere was ecstatic, very lively and all the cars looked amazing. They ranged from as old as 1920 to as new as 2017. This year's car show was one of the biggest yet, and is expected to be even bigger next year.



## NEW DISTRICT BUS DRIVERS

Christian Arriaga

Steven Seng and Peter Mercer are two new bus drivers for our school. They are both substitute bus drivers. When asked what made them become bus drivers, they said they did it to help out their community. It's not easy to do their job sometimes. When I asked them what is the hardest part about being a bus driver they said it's hard to handle some of the energetic kids on the bus. Most people don't want to become bus drivers because they find it very stressful. So big thanks to them for supporting the community and getting the students home safe.



# VOLLEYBALL IS BACK!

Leyla Gonzalez

After two years without a volleyball team, the Bickleton girls have managed to put a team together. Consisting of only seven girls, every member on the team has to put more effort into every game. The girls are improving with every game they play. Not only have they learned how to play together, but they have also learned how to trust each other. Shelby Ingram, Kylee McBride, Adriana Gonzalez, Mandy Roberson, Leyla Gonzalez, Jazmin Ayala and their captain Rosalinda Molina, have done a great job representing Bickleton High School. When Rosy was asked what her favorite memory for the season was, she said “the time when we played the ball off of Adriana’s face.” It was moments like this that brought the girls together and encouraged them to keep fighting. With the communities’ support, and Coach Katie Moore by their side the girls have battled through every game. Making memories and sharing laughs along the way, the girls have fought hard to play volleyball this season.

## TRIVIA

Answers found on the backside

- 1) Which sea creature has three hearts?
- 2) Which traditional children’s rhyme was about the plague?
- 3) Name the American actress famous for her violet eyes and gained fame as an Egyptian.
- 4) What is entomophobia?
- 5) Paul Newman ate fifty eggs in which film?



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 29th—Nov 1st

Book Fair

November 1st

Picture Retakes

Conference Day (Early Release @ 12:30)

November 7th

Fall Sports Awards @ 6pm

Basketball Parent’s Meeting to follow

November 8th

Veterans Day Assembly @ 11am

## COACH MOORE

Adriana Gonzalez

This year, Katie Moore is the Bickleton volleyball coach. She has had some experience playing volleyball from her junior high and high school years. Although she didn’t play volleyball in college, that’s where she met her husband. They have two loving children that are currently attending Bickleton school. Some of Coach Moore’s favorite things to do are play volleyball, hike, camp, and travel. Coach Moore has traveled almost all over the country and has tried a lot of different food. When she was asked what her favorite food was she said “I like to try everything.” Even though this is Coach Moore’s first year coaching volleyball, she has done a great job coaching.

# WANTED

The ASB is looking for pictures of the interior of the “old” high school, the one we were in from 1960 to 2011. The ASB would prefer pictures that don’t have people in them, but they’ll take what they can get. Let us know if you can help us out.



# ASB JOKES

Haylee Andrews

**Joke:** What’s thin, white and scary?

**Answer:** Homework

**Joke:** What has four wheels and flies?

**Answer:** Garbage Truck

**Joke:** What do you call a fat psychic?

**Answer:** A four chin teller

**Joke:** What is brown and sticky?

**Answer:** A stick

**Trivia Answers:** 1) Octopus 2) Ring a Ring o’Roses (Ring Around the Roses) 3) Elizabeth Taylor 4) An irrational fear of insects 5) Cool Hand Luke

# SUPERINTENDENT’S NEWS

This first quarter started out with a fantastic group of students and staff. We welcomed James Hatch to our junior high teaching position, Mark Baughan (last year’s junior high teacher) is now our high school math teacher and Alicia Seng is teaching one period of junior high English. We also have the welcomed addition of Alejandra Leon teaching our 14 first graders.

We are looking forward to meeting with parents at conferences on November 1. We have a full schedule, so we are encouraging our staff to keep the conference times on track. Elementary conferences (grades K – 6) are scheduled for 20 minutes each and 7 – 12 grades are 10 minutes per conference. If you are here for conferences, please stop by my office and say “hi” if you have time.

We have 114 students in grades K – 12. We are posting upcoming events on our web page ([www.bickletonschools.org](http://www.bickletonschools.org)) and our Facebook page. We will also be posting changes in our schedule this winter, on our Facebook page, if the weather becomes too bad to start school on time or if we have to have a school closure.

Thank you parents for keeping your children home when they are sick. We have been fortunate so far to miss out on most of the illnesses that have been going around because we have healthy staff and students in school. Attendance is still a priority for our district, especially with our 4-day student schedule. Our high school attendance is at about 99%. Our elementary and junior high attendance is around 95.5%. Our students have made some great gains this quarter because of their commitment and effort and the support they get from their parents and our staff. It’s a great combination. Keep up the good work.

The Bickleton School District has an open board position. Anyone 18 years of age or older and living within the Bickleton School District boundaries can apply for this position. This will be a board appointed position to be filled for a one-year term starting from the time of the appointment until December 31, 2019. The position will then be up for re-election in November 2019. Applications will be accepted until January 1, 2019. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact Tom Whitmore at 509-896-5473 or email your interest to [twhitmore@bickletonschools.org](mailto:twhitmore@bickletonschools.org).