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Cheer Teams' Relentless Drive Leads Them to States!

By: Eden DeMuth



HUGE congratulations for our Ambridge Bridger Cheerleaders who at the beginning of the month became your WPIAL 2A Small Champions and Overall 2A Champions!

The girls are now heading to the PIAA States in Reading, PA!

The students showed their Bridger Pride and excitement for the squad at the Pep Assembly. It is our turn to rally behind them and show just how proud we are! Let's cheer loud and proud as they go for the win - we believe in you!

**Congratulations
and
Good Luck!**

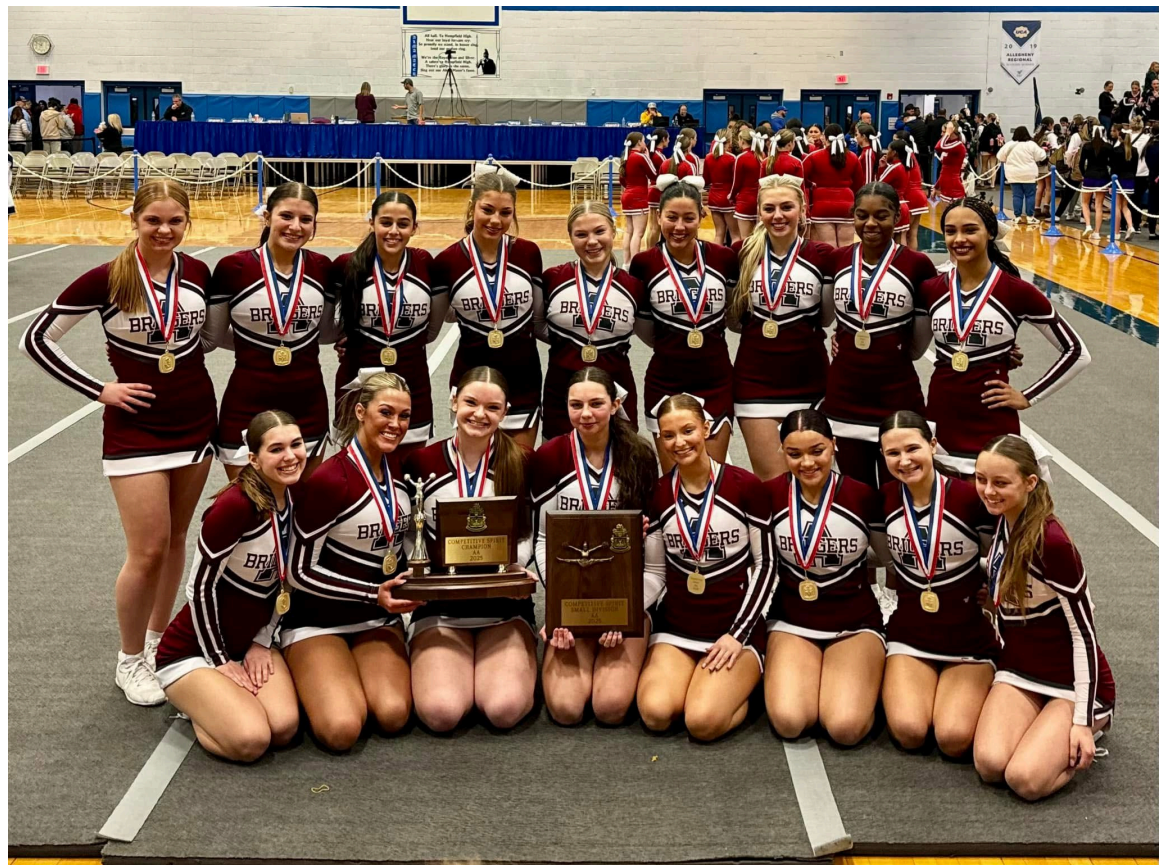


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GUIDANCE REMINDER:

Starting on January 27, 2025, the Infinite Campus Parent and Student Portal will open for Parent/Guardians and students to review the Teacher Recommended Courses and begin Elective Selection Process.



California Wild Fires

By: James (Pudge) Wetzel

The recent wildfires in California have been devastating. The Hughes Fire near Castaic has forced over 31,000 people to evacuate and has burned more than 10,000 acres. Firefighters have managed to contain about 36% of it, but strong winds are making their job really hard. Other fires, like the Sepulveda Fire near Bel Air and the Laguna Fire in Ventura County, have also caused evacuations, but thankfully, they've been mostly contained. It's scary to think about how quickly these fires can spread and the damage they can cause. I hope the expected rain this weekend will help the firefighters and bring some relief to everyone affected.

EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES FOR RESOLVING CONFLICTS

By: James (Pudge) Wetzel

High school is a time of growth and change, but it can also be a period of stress, misunderstandings, and social challenges. Navigating relationships with peers can sometimes be difficult, but using positive coping skills can make a big difference in how students get along with each other. Here are some effective strategies for building better connections and resolving conflicts in a healthy way:

1. Practice Active Listening
2. Stay Calm and Breathe
3. Use "I" Statements
4. Seek Common Ground
5. Be Kind and Show Empathy
6. Ask for help when needed

Using positive coping skills in high school can help students manage stress and navigate the ups and downs of friendships and social situations.

SUPERBOWL LIX

BY: Kinn Korol

On Sunday, January 26th, we found out who would be playing in the 2025 Super Bowl.



The game on Sunday was against the Washington Commanders and the Philadelphia Eagles. The Eagles won against the Commanders with a score of 55-23.

Later on, the game against the Buffalo Bills and the Kansas City Chiefs had a score of 32-29 with the Chiefs winning.

Expect the 2025 Super Bowl game to take place on Sunday, February 9th, at 6:30pm. The halftime show to be performed by 17-time Grammy-winning rapper, Kendrick Lamar.

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Don't Forget:

**Valentine's Day is
Friday, February 14th.**

Rachel's Challenge

By: Joe Leseiko

Rachel's challenge started off by having an assembly for the students of the Ambridge Area School District. They explained what Rachel had gone through and showed a video to the students. They then chose a group of students to meet on days with activity periods to discuss some ways to help spread positivity. The students and guidance counselors handed out positive messages on January 16th with smarties on the backs of the messages during all lunch periods.



You can find the Rachel's Challenge Instagram page under the name @FORAMBRIDGE.

New President, New Changes

By: Riley Davis & Noah Fabrizio

As of January 20th, 2025, Donald Trump takes office once more as the 47th president of the United States. These are some things he has already got done in the first week:

- He has halted all federal aid in his second week back in office.
- Trump signed executive orders, eliminating DEI initiatives in the military.
- Executive orders, though carrying legal weight, will be easily overturned.
- Trump signed an order to build a missile defense shield.
- He enacted moves to reshape the United States military.



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"My decision on TikTok will be made in the not too distant future, but I must have time to review the situation," said President-elect Trump. (Getty Images) (foxnews.com)

Our favorite facts about: VALENTINE'S MGIC

about **8 BILLION** conversation hearts are produced every year
-Source: National Confectioners Association

11 of the Worst Valentine Gifts

1. Novelty toilet paper
2. A scale
3. A roll of quarters
4. Gym membership
5. Roses made out of duct tape
6. Key-chain that says "I love you more than bacon"
7. Heart-shaped pizza
8. A mop with a bow
9. A cactus
10. A vacuum cleaner
11. Acne cream

-Source: MGIC Marketing staff

GIFTS most given on Valentine's Day

Candy	47.5 %
Flowers	34.3 %
Cards	52.1 %
Jewelry	17.3 %
Dining Out	34.6 %
Clothing	14.4 %
Gift Cards	12.6 %
Other Gifts	11.2 %

-Source: Statista.com

180 Million cards are exchanged on Valentine's Day
-Source: Statista.com

ROSES are the most popular **FLOWERS** on Valentine's Day.

63% Red
27% Pink
26% White
20% Mixed
18% Purple
15% Yellow
13% Peach
11% Orange

-Source: aboutflowers.com

58 MILLION pounds of chocolate candy are sold during Valentine's week & more than **36 million** heart-shaped boxes

TEACHERS receive the most VALENTINES CARDS

-Source: aboutflowers.com

On average, humans spend **\$26** on their **PETS** for Valentine's Day
-Source: BNO

1868 The first Valentine's Day box of chocolates was introduced by Richard Cadbury
-Source: History.com

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