

THE ALDERAAN



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The ALDER word of the month is **INTEGRITY**. Please recognize students who are demonstrating **integrity** with giving Jedi Tickets. Praise referrals are a also a good way to do this. Click [here](#) for the praise referral.
- Please consider nominating a staff member for Ewok of the Week. Each Ewok of the Week will go into a drawing for the Jedi Master of the Month, and the winner will receive a bigger prize.
- Morning music requests are always welcomed. Send them to Ms. Perone. In honor of Black History Month, we will be celebrating Black Artists. March is Women's Month.
- Renaissance will again be selling Morey's Pier tickets. Tickets go on sale beginning February 1st for \$40, 50, or 60. See a Renaissance advisor for details.
- February 16 will be a Professional Learning Day for staff at the high school. It will be an EdCamp format, so bring your ideas for discussion. For more information, watch this video on EdCamp. <https://youtu.be/I7DwCI7j0Bg>
- Student Council, Chorus, and Band have teamed up for a FUN-raiser! It will be held at the Little Water Distillery on February 18 from 6-9pm. (We have off the next day, for those thinking it might be passed your bedtime.) See the attached [flyer](#) and return to Ms. Eichinger.
- Renaissance is looking for chaperones for the dance on Thursday, February 15 from 7-9pm. Coupon books will be given to anyone who helps. Any help you can give, even it's not the whole time, will be greatly appreciated. See an advisor if you are interested in helping out.

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Special Recognition and Thank You :)

- ◇ Congratulations to our Ewok of the Week, Ms. Griffiths and Ms. Guerrina! These ladies seamlessly organize our subs and coverage every day and keep the main office operating smoothly every morning. Thank you both for all you do for the students and staff!
- ◇ Thank you to all who participated in our Super Bowl Cook-off. All dishes were delicious and greatly appreciated! Congratulations to Ms. Eichinger for winning 1st place with her Cookies and Cream Cheese Football, and to Ms. O'Brien for taking second place with her Southwest Egg Rolls!
- ◇ Congratulations to all the Eagles fans! #flyeaglesfly #phillyphilII



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GET TO KNOW THE ALDER FAMILY — Library

MS. JANEEN YACOVELLI — Media Specialist

Mrs. Yacovelli has been in the field of education since 1994. She graduated from Richard Stockton College with a Bachelor of Arts in History. Mrs. Yacovelli taught at Pleasantville High School from 1994-1998 and Buena Regional High School from 1998-2000, while she was working on a Master's Degree in Library Science at Rowan University. After receiving a library media specialist certification, Mrs. Yacovelli started working in Egg Harbor Township in September of 2000 as the Librarian at Slaybaugh Elementary School - which was a big jump from her previous teaching experiences which were all in high school. After 14 years at Slaybaugh, Mrs. Yacovelli came to work at Alder Avenue Middle School in 2014 and is happy to be back to her secondary education roots. The Alder Avenue Middle School Library is a busy place, with over 1400 books circulated and 1000 walk-in students served every month! Mrs. Yacovelli lives in Egg Harbor Township with her husband of over 20 years, Dominick and her two sons, Phillip who is 16 and Vincent who is 11. In her free time, Mrs. Yacovelli loves to cook, travel, spend time at the beach, hang out with her family, and of course read!!!

MS. CATHERINE CRISTALDI — Library Aide

Hi, I grew up in North Jersey, attended Ramsey High School, and graduated from Saint Joseph's University with a B.S. in Psychology. I love literature, writing poetry, and being surrounded by books in our awesome AAMS Library. I am married, and blessed with 2 wonderful children. Adriana is a freshman at E.H.T. High School and Sal is a 7th grader at Fernwood Middle School. In our free time we love long walks with our rescue puppy Auggie and the beach. Please stop by the Library circulation desk anytime I always enjoy helping people find a great book!

MS. KATHI CLAYTON — Technology (7/8th Grade)

I have been teaching in EHT since 1993, beginning at Slaybaugh as a BSI instructor and then as a first and second grade classroom teacher. In 1998 I became a computer teacher and have taught technology to students from kindergarten through eighth grade at Slaybaugh, Miller and Alder.

My husband, Dan, and I were both raised in EHT. We have two grown children, Sami and Ben, and also a daughter-in-law, Kimberley.

Danny and I are also Admissions Partners for the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. We spend a week there every summer working with high school juniors who show an interest in applying to the Academy and also assist local high school students through their application process.

I love going to Disney and most importantly, I am a big fan of the Philadelphia Eagles! E-A-G-L-E-S!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 2/16 — *Teacher Professional Learning Day*
- 2/19—*NO SCHOOL— Presidents' Day*



Happy Birthday to you....

- ◆ Sorry we missed you...
 - Melanie Charlton — February 1
 - Stacey Swisher — February 5
- ◆ Coming up next week...
 - Jennifer Martin — February 14



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In SPORTS ACTION...

- ⇒ Click the link below for the Winter Sports Schedules:
http://www.capeatlanticleague.org/g5-bin/client.cgi?cwellOnly=1&G5statusflag=view&schoolname=&school_id=7&G5button=13&G5genie=344&vw_schoolyear=1&vw_aql=75-2-1055,75-3-1055,83-1-1055
- ⇒ The Girls' Basketball team won their first game on Monday against Lower Cape May, Bridgeton, Middle Twp, and Pleasantville. Good luck girls!
- ⇒ The Boys' Basketball team won their first home against Lower Cape May on Monday, Bridgeton, and Middle Twp this week. Come out and support the team. Good luck, boys!
- ⇒ The Wrestling team is currently 2-2, and Keeran McGreevy is undefeated on the season! Come out support the team in their last couple of matches.

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- The Valentine's Dance will be held on Thursday, February 15 from 7-9pm. Admission is \$5. Snacks will be served and students can also purchased pictures from the Selfie Station.
- Student Council will be selling Valentine Candy Grams for from February 6-13 during all lunch periods. Let that special someone know you're thinking of them!
- Renaissance will again be selling Morey's Pier tickets. Tickets go on sale beginning February 1st for \$40, 50, or 60. See a Renaissance advisor for details.
- ◆ Mid-week Mindfulness will be held on Wednesdays with Ms. Kirch during 6th grade lunch (12:40-1:10). See [flyer](#) for details.
- ◆ Mr. Spence is organizing a viewing of the Olympics and March Madness during 6th grade lunch.
- ◆ The Alder Musical, *Lion King, Jr.*, will be on February 23 and 24 at 7pm, and February 25 at 2pm in the Fernwood Auditorium. This includes a sensory friendly Character Hakuna matata!



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Alder Jedis of the Month — January

Blue Team

Madelyn Genovese
Samiul Kazi

Orange Team

Richmond Ruby
Lauren Buritica Usaga

Red Team

Paul Restrepo
Kai Ichinaga

Cobalt Team 1

Josh Miller
Katie Carlos

Cobalt Team 2

Nicole Keen
Katie Keenan

STEM

Erin Maegerle
Rylee Garrett

HEALTH

8th: Mohamed Soumaworo
7th: Ashley David Moya
6th: Ash Pyzdrowski

Green Team

Dominick DeGraw
Nicole Zimmerman

Purple Team

Gavin Peterson
Julianna Velez

Silver Team

Maiya White
Christopher Mercedes

Emerald Team 1

Madison Dollard
Abdul Jabbar

Emerald Team 2

Cassidy Brown
Diego Gonzalez

ELL

Lyandel Luna Perez

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