

# In The Middle

## *In the Halls...*

- English/Language Arts MCAS was held March 30-April 3
- April Vacation: April 20-24
- Math and Science MCAS will be held in May.
- Bring your old, extra keys to school for the Keys for Hope collection.
- Seventh graders love the Geography Balloon program .
- Students in all grades enjoyed learning about different cultures during Galvin Goes Global.
- Galvin Goes Green for April—Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Galvin!

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## Ways to Beat the Recession

By Brittney Hurley and Victoria Galanis

A recession is a period of reduced economic activity. Our country is going through rough time.

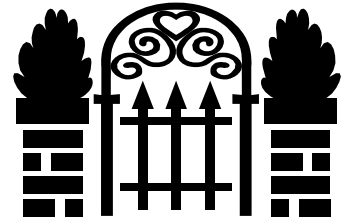
Here are some ways you can help your family save money: Don't buy jeans that cost \$70 at Abercrombie. Maybe you can find the same jeans at Marshalls. Carpool or walk so you don't waste the money on gas. Limit how many times you buy lunch at school and bring lunch the rest of the week. Don't have your family go out to eat every night, but make your meals at home. You can have some good leftovers for lunch. Instead of buying books at the store,

check them out at the library.

Parents can save money by paying you to do chores instead of hiring a cleaning person to do the chores. The whole family can work together and save money at the same time.

### Ways to make money

- Do chores around the house.
- Offer to do your sibling's chores.
- Have a yard sale or sell items on eBay.
- For kids who are old enough you can baby-sit or walk your neighbors'



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dog(s). If you are not old enough to baby-sit yet you can be a parent helper. A parent helper is similar to a baby-sitter, but there is no age limit to be a parent helper and the parent are in the house. If there is any trouble a parent is there to help you out.

Reference:

## Teacher Feature: Mrs. Gunning by Briana Cree

**Were you good at English when you were in Middle School?**

It didn't come easy. It took a lot of time and practice.

**What is your favorite lesson to teach?**

"Tuck Everlasting"

**Do you think this year's**

**version of "A Christmas Carol" was performed better than last year?**

They were different because this year the play was spooky and last years play was funny.

**Who is your favorite character in the play?** This year my favorite character

was Ebenezer Scrooge.

**How do you have time to correct all of the tests and quizzes?**

I come in at 6:30 before school and correct them until 7:35 and I also correct during my prep period.

## Movie Review: *Twilight*

By Brittney Hurley and Kaylee Taylor

We liked the movie *Twilight* because there was lots of emotion between the two main characters, Edward Cullen and Bella Swan. There was also a lot of action, which we loved. My favorite action scene was when Edward swoops Bella up onto his back and whisks her

away as fast as lightning. This movie has been in the theaters since November 21, 2008, but it still thrilling people. A review by [www.hollywood.com](http://www.hollywood.com) says, "Twilight sucks you in to its seductive world and keeps you there until you have consumed every last

drop." The movie is available on DVD and I recommend buying it.



Courtesy of [www.freeweb.com](http://www.freeweb.com)

## Oklahoma!

The play Oklahoma was performed two nights, each with a packed auditorium at Canton High School. The acting, dancing, and singing were great.

The lead male character of Curley was played by Dan Kazenel and the lead females of Aunt Eller and Laurey were played by Katie Kelleher and Rebecca Chism.

The colorful costumes were wonderful and the actors played the roles like professionals. All the actors looked like they were really in Oklahoma. Students in all the roles were great and the difficult accents sounded authentic.

The actors did a convincing job and a favorite part was the

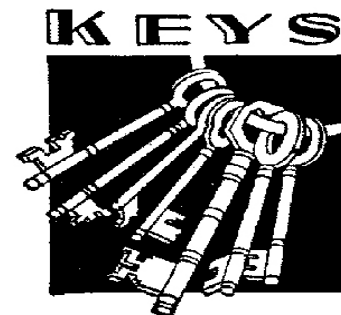
dream scene with lots of dancing and singing. The audience enjoyed watching the students and were impressed with all the hard work that must have prepared them for their time on stage.

Congratulations and thank you to all the actors, dancers, musicians, singers, faculty, and parents who helped made the school play a

## Keys for Hope by Brittney Hurley

Keys for Hope is a program in which you donate old keys you may have around the house. The keys will be sold for scrap metal and the money will be donated to the Canton Food Pantry. When you bring in un-

wanted keys, drop them in your grade's plastic container. During lunch, the containers will be at the front of the cafeteria. The grade with the most keys will have a picnic outside and a softball game against the staff.



## Geography Bee Winner By The Staff

Dylan Winchell won the Galvin Middle School Geography Bee. Dylan is a sixth grader and he outlasted contestants from both seventh and eighth grade to win the winning title.

Dylan said that he likes to learn about geography and that he has learned a lot by looking at maps and by traveling with his family.

Since Dylan knows a lot about geography, he was asked where he would like to travel

in the world and why he would like to go there. He responded that he would like to travel to South Africa because he finds that area to be interesting because of its wildlife and he is intrigued about South Africa because he aunt traveled there.

When asked if he would like to be the winner of the geography bee during his next two years at the Galvin, Dylan said that he would like the chance to try

again each year.

Congratulations to Dylan on his impressive win and good luck in next year's bee!



## Galvin Goes GREEN

By Allie Erk, Victoria Galanis, and Briana Cree

In the month of April, Galvin Middle School is going green. Students are learning about recycling. They learned what can and cannot be recycled, such as paper and Styrofoam. Styrofoam cannot be recycled and it is dumped and can cause problems for animals. Paper can be recycled and can be reused for many different things.

Each class is involved in Galvin Goes Green. In computers,

kids are making book marks to support our learning about going green. Morning announcements are involved, too! Daily tips and weekly trivia questions are given and students have chance of winning iPod gift cards.

### REMEMBER...

### GO GREEN!



## Intersection: Fiction or Not?

By: Allie Erk

It was a great morning and I walked into school with the newspaper staff. Then we walked past the office and saw queer outfits on the office staff. It was kind of weird that the outfits they were wearing looked familiar. They looked

like a fashion show of some of the outfits in my closet. When I got upstairs and it got even stranger. The teachers had their iPods and cell phones out and were not even in their classrooms working. As a matter of fact, they were running

in the halls, wearing hats, and yelling each others' names across the hall. The staff and I were looking at each other like we looked at our lockers on the first day of school.

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## Upcoming Events

*Math MCAS: May 11-12*

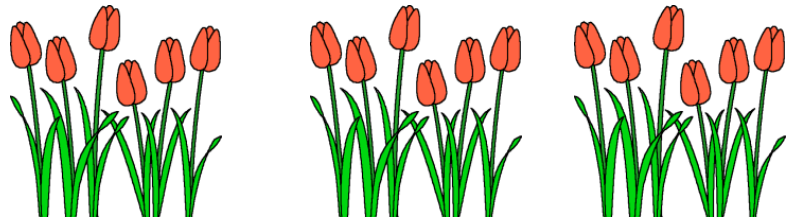
*Science MCAS: May 14-15 (Grade 8  
only)*

*Progress Reports: May 20*



**GOOD LUCK ON  
MCAS!**

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## Intersection (continued from page 3)

Once the school day had officially started, the teachers did not change. I went to ask my teachers a question and they completely ignored me and were listening to *Poker Face* and singing aloud. I felt like I had no desire to go to my next class if it was going to be as bad as the first .

To no surprise, it was the same the next class. They were texting and wearing outfits that looked like they were from our generation. They definitely were

not from Lord and Taylor or J Crew. When lunch came, the staff and I consulted and all said the same. This was officially the weirdest day of all my years alive. This day was a sluggish day that seemed to last forever. I wonder what will be next.....

