



## Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle

By: Francesca Nolen

Imagine helping the environment and having fun all at the same time! This is what the ecology club does in the mornings before school starts. Ms. Berglas, one of Moody's art teachers, is the sponsor for the ecology club. Ms. Berglas would describe the ecology club in one sentence by saying, "The club helps recycle all of the school's waste products."

In her everyday life, Ms. Berglas helps the environment by eating healthfully. Ms. Berglas says, "I try to eat more vegetable products. I also try to avoid meat and plastic bottles. My main goal is to reduce waste and reuse." Many people don't realize that other activities help the environment just as much as recycling does. Ms. Berglas first found her love for ecology by watching the club in action in previous years. She said, "I always saw Señorita



Mitchell helping with the ecology club." Ms. Berglas thought it was a great club to be a part of so she "agreed to take over". Ms. Berglas has only been the club's sponsor since the beginning of the year, so she and the students are constantly thinking of new ideas to improve the club and the environment around them.

The students who participate in the ecology club are a major part of the club as well. In the mornings, students go around the school collecting the recycling from each and every classroom. Students were asked what made them want to join the ecology club. Juliet

Herbert, a member of the ecology club said, "I wanted to join the ecology club because my brother did it last year and he enjoyed it, so I thought it would be a fun way to help out around the school and to get my service hours." Many of the members like the ecology club for different reasons.

Xinhui Wen, another member of the club said, "I like how we get to have fun with our friends while we recycle the world." By the end of the year, all of the members will be balanced because of the various activities they participate in. The majority of the members said they didn't know

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**Autumn, the blissful weather and vibrant colors that catch your attention!**

**What color do you think Autumn is?**

**Crimson, orange, sunrise yellow, brown, pink, green, blue, or purple. The options are endless and this is your opportunity to share it with us! Click on [this link](#) to take the poll!**

much about ecology club before joining but now they know more about the environment and the club. Overall, the ecology club is a great choice for someone who wants to make new friends while helping the environment.

# Dance! Dance! Dance!

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**"5, 6, 7, 8!"** chants Isabella Kenney, one of the captains of Moody's dance team. "I have been dancing for around 10-11 years," says Isabella. With this much experience she and the two other captains were ready to create a dance team at Moody. In order to be a successful captain, Isabella says, "I have to choreograph and teach dances with the other captains, communicate with teachers, in addition to our sponsors, for practices and performances, and take care of other logistics." She and the co-captains also have to overcome many obstacles throughout the season.

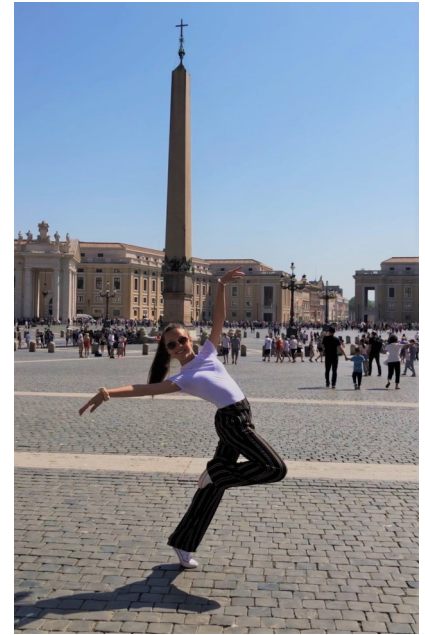
For example, she says, "I have to work through disagreements among members of the team, scheduling issues, and other obstacles that come with running any type of club or team."

***"...this year will be even better than last year..."***

This is the second year Moody's dance team has been in session, and Isabella was only in 7th grade when she and the other captains started the team. Throughout the year, they perform in pep rallies and half times of the girls' soccer games. Both years the dance has received interest from all skill and grade levels. On October 22nd and 29th, auditions were held for open positions on the dance team. Isabella said, "We accepted 11 dancers in addition to the three captains."

To prepare for the audition, Isabella and the other captains choreographed a short dance routine that the dancers had to perform in front of the judges.

Isabella said, "I am inspired by other dances I have seen in the past and the lyrics of the music I choreograph to." This is how she and her co-captains create stage ready routines for the mem-



bers of the dance team. Until a pep rally or girls' soccer game is held, the dance team is practicing every week on Tuesdays after school to prepare for their performances. Isabella says, "I am really enjoying doing the dance team for the second year, and I believe that this year will be even better than last year because we have learned from our past mistakes and can improve our process." In all, Isabella and the whole dance team is excited to start this season off with a bang.

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## Teacher of the Month - Mr. Bull

By: Shreya Ambekar

Congratulations to Mr. Bull for being nominated to be the Raider Review's very first Teacher of the Month!

Now, if you don't know who Mr. Bull is, he teaches history to sixth and seventh graders. When he is not teaching, Mr. Bull enjoys coaching, hiking, exploring new places, and going to concerts and festivals. He went to Godwin High School and Radford University. The most important thing he has learned as a teacher is that it is more important to be respected than to be liked.

"It's a different world that takes a lot of patience, planning, and Red Bull to survive," he says as he explains how it feels to once be a student and now teaching students. "It can be very stressful at times, but also very rewarding. I was inspired to teach by my 7th-grade history teacher, so teaching mostly all 7th-grade history, I think is pretty cool."

Thank you, Mr. Bull, for being a great teacher and keep on doing what you're doing!

*Every issue, the staff of the Raider Review will choose one member of the Moody faculty to spotlight. If you have a suggestion for next month's "Teacher of the Month" please let us know!*



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## Student of the Month - Emma Libon

By: Sydney Colton

Tennis, what is it? "Tennis is one of the sports that you can play for the rest of your life," says Emma Libon. Emma was a member of the Moody Tennis Team this year. The tennis team lost their match against Tuckahoe 7-2. "We were really looking forward to beating them because when we played them last year the match was so close, but unfortunately, we didn't." Emma plays tennis outside of school along with softball. She plays for Moody Softball in the Spring. "I play softball too, but not travel." Emma



would also like to go to Freeman High School. "All the kids that go to Tuckahoe Middle School are going to the high school [Freeman High School] I want to go to,"

said Emma. Emma loves playing tennis. "It makes you work harder to change your game or solve a problem." This is very true considering many people when playing tennis have to work around the problem using a different method. Emma also says that there are two strengths used during tennis. "It uses mental strength as well as physical strength." You have to use both of them during a match. She also says that she has improved since the beginning of the year. "I've gotten better because I play

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**D**o you love fall and winter? Are you super happy for this cold weather? Are you obsessed with National days? Then this quiz is for you! Ten questions of web-searching, fact-filled, national-day trivia! Enjoy questions about Halloween, Christmas, and more! Click on [this link](#) to start. Best of luck!

If you want to learn more about national days, [this website](#) will help you, scroll down until you see November, December and January holidays.

November 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Author's Day	2 Devised Eggs Day
3 Housewives Day	4 Candy Day 	5 National Love Your Red Hair Day	6 Stress Relief Day	7 National Men Make Dinner Day	8 Cappuccino Day 	9 National Louisiana Day
10 Vanilla Cupcake Day	11 	12 Chicken Soup for the Soul Day	13 National Indian Pudding Day	14 Spicy Guacamole Day	15 National America Recycles Day	16 National Indiana Day
17 National Baklava Day	18 Mickey Mouse's Birthday	19 National Play Monopoly Day	20 Absurdity Day	21 National Red Mitten	22 Cranberry Relish Day	23 National Cashew Day
24 Sardines Day	25 Shopping Reminder	26 Cake Day	27 Bavarian Cream Pie Day	28 	29 Day of Listening	30 Personal Space Day and Mason Jar Day

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against people at a higher skill level than me and it has pushed me further."

Emma also said that Tuckahoe's tennis team is "deep". "Their team is very deep. A deep team is when all of their team is good, not just the singles or top doubles." This is good and bad. Bad for teams to

beat them, but good for the team to keep winning. According to Emma, this is one of the reasons why Moody lost to Tuckahoe. She says to win, the team could have played more aggressively. "We kind of held back, I played against a girl I play outside of school and I thought I knew her weaknesses."

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