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The New School in the Heights provides an alternative educational experience and social-emotional support for bright children.

NSH Pays a Visit Hanna Perkins

By Erin

Hanna Perkins is located in Cleveland, Ohio. It is the oldest and first school like The New School in the Heights. Every year the parent-helpers from our school go to Hanna Perkins to learn how to better their skills. The people from our school that went this year are Dr. Farley, Dr. Manning, Adrianna Crane, Monica Atamirano, Dr. Powell-Williams and Dr. Schwind. These people not only work at our school but they also go to schools throughout the city helping children and teachers, Since our school is also a training center for teachers. So, these visits help them with their important work. Last year Hanna Perkins came to visit us.

There are only 5 schools like ours in the whole United States. They are located in Cleveland, Washington D.C., Michigan, North Carolina and our school, of course. You may think that Hanna Perkins is named after one girl named Hanna Perkins, but in fact, it is named after two families.

One other cool thing about our school is that ours is the only one that has grades from K-9!

NSH Gets a New Face

By Rachel

The New School in the Heights has a new face...Adrianna Crane, MSW. She works here at the school, and I sat down with her to ask her a few questions about her role here at our school.

Rachel: "What do you do here at the school?"

Adrianna: "I work as a parent-helper and a therapist."

Rachel: "Do you like working here?"

Adrianna: "I love working here. It is the most exciting job I've had."

Rachel: "What is the best part of working here?"

Adrianna: "Working with the students here is the best part of working here!"



Historic Decision 2008

By Greg

In this year's election the candidates are the following: For the Democratic Party it is Senator Barack Obama. For the Republican Party it is Senator John McCain. It would be historic if either candidate won.

If Barack Obama won he would be the first African-American elected President of the United States. If John McCain won, his Vice-President Sarah Palin would be the first woman vice-president of the United States.

You should not, however, vote for the candidates just because you want an African-American President or just because you want a woman as Vice-President. You should vote for a candidate because of their political views, what they believe in and what they want to do to help America.

The Economy

By Patrick

The economy of the United States is not doing very well. What I mean by that is that stocks have dropped and banks have failed and of course, the 700 billion dollar bailout package. The Stock Market has had its two biggest single losses since the Great Depression and combined those drops equal 1550 points in two days and all the financial stocks have dropped.

The banks are also not doing well. Several banks have failed such as Lehman Brothers and Washington Mutual which means they have run out of money and can no longer operate. The 700 billion dollar bailout package was passed by Congress, and it is supposed to help the economy. So far no money has been handed out.

Sarah Palin

By Erin

Sarah Palin was born Sarah Louise Heath in Sandpoint, Iowa. Palin attended Wasilla High school in Wasilla, Alaska where she was the head of Fellowship Christian athletes at the school. She was also the point guard of the schools basketball team. Palin attended Hawaii Pacific in Honolulu for a semester in 1982 majoring in Business Administration. She transferred in 1983 to North Idaho College.

Fast forward to the future where she went from being Governor of Alaska to being candidate for Vice President of the United States! Palin has strongly promoted oil and natural gas resource development in Alaska in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) where such development has been the subject of national debate.

One of the many admirable things she has accomplished is being a mom to her children, one of which has Down Syndrome. Personally, I think McCain made an excellent choice in choosing Palin as his running mate in this election. She is a wonderful woman, and she will make a big impact on our country.

Joe Biden

By Rachel

Joe Biden is the Democratic vice presidential nominee in the November 2008 presidential election. He was selected as Barack Obama's running mate on August 22, 2008. Obama chose Biden as his running mate because of his foreign policy and national security experience. Other observers noticed Biden's appeal to middle-class and blue-collar voters. Biden was born on November 20, 1942 in Scranton, Pennsylvania. He has a lot of experience as a politician with his time as a Senior Senator from Delaware, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary, and as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. He also served as Chairman of the International Narcotics Control Caucus and was a member of the New Castle County Council.

World Food Day

By Christopher

World Food Day is to help malnourished children in Darfur, Chad, South Sudan, Central Africa, and Uganda who are malnourished. One program that helps out is International Medical Corps. International Medical Corps is a global, humanitarian, non-profit organization dedicated to saving lives and relieving suffering through healthcare training.

October 16, was World Food Day and many people helped out with the cause by donating food and money. World Food Day was established by FAOs Member Countries at the organizations 20th general conference in November 1979.

Since 1981, World Food Day has adopted a different theme each year in order to highlight areas needed for action and provide a common focus. This year's theme was World Food Day: The challenges of Climate Change and Bio Energy.

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The World Series

By Austin

For baseball fans, it is that time of year... The World Series! The World Series is the championship of major league baseball. It is played between the champions of the American League and The National League.

The New York Yankees of the American League have won 26 World Series championships, the most of any major league franchise.

This year it is The Tampa Bay Rays vs. The Philadelphia Phillies.



Science in the City

By Brandon

Science is very interesting. If you want to learn something interesting like how the body works, there is a new exhibit at The Houston Museum of Natural Science called Body Worlds 2.

One of the NSH teachers has gone to see the exhibit. Ms. Erica says, "It was very interesting to see how the body works together and that kids would probably like it because you learn how to keep healthy."

So check it out!



The Liberty Bell

By Nicholas

The Liberty Bell has been a symbol of patriotism for 200 years. It was first rung in 1776 to announce the signing of the Declaration of Independence announcing America's freedom. The Liberty Bell has also been called the old state house bell, the bell of revolution and old independence. The last time it rang was on February 21, 1846 and it stopped ringing on February 22, 1846 on Washington's birthday. The Liberty Bell is now housed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



The Titanic

By Taylor

The Titanic was the largest luxury passenger steamship in the world. It had a swimming pool, gymnasium and libraries. It was decorated with expensive furniture and art. It was considered to be unsinkable.

In 1912 the Titanic hit an iceberg; it was halfway to New York after leaving England across the Atlantic Ocean.

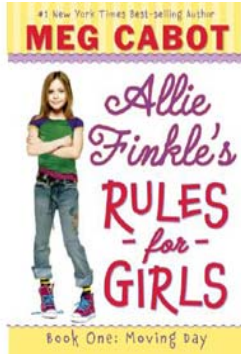
Only 1/8 of most icebergs are visible above water and the remaining 7/8 are under water. 1,517 people died just from one sheet of ice. I know it may seem cool, but it is not. While many people died, some survived. It is the deadliest sea disaster in history.



Allie Finkle's Rules For Girls

By Baylee

Allie Finkle is a nine-year old girl whose life is changing because she is moving. Allie thinks that her new house, which is 100 years old, is haunted. I have enjoyed this book, because it has a lot of rules for girls that I use, and it is very entertaining. The author, Meg Cabot, wrote the Princess Diaries series.



Oceanographers

By Jordan P.

Oceanographers are people who study things in the ocean. They study things like plankton, krill, or fish or anything living in the ocean basically.

There are certain types of jobs oceanographers have, like diving 500 feet deep to study a certain fish. They study fish to see certain reactions to things like food, or how they would react to certain fish, because they want to find out the types of reactions they would have.

Oceanographers have very interesting jobs, but they can be very dangerous, like if they are scuba diving 100 feet deep and you run out of air, well, let's just say that could be bad. Or you get to close to an animal with sharp teeth and don't look like they're too friendly and want to invite you to lunch, well that could hurt. So even if its fun and pays good money, its not all just peaches and cream. So next time you go scuba diving beware of your surroundings.

So if you want to be a oceanographer when you grow up, go for it. You won't regret it, trust me!



The Irish Wolfhound

By Jacob W.

The Irish Wolfhound is the tallest dog in the world, and the national dog of Ireland. Bred to kill wolves, it is thought to be descended from dogs brought by the Celts as they spread across Europe from Greece, which they invaded in about 279 BC, to Ireland.

The Irish wolfhound is a breed that many people would choose to own if only their lifestyle and house size enabled them to. However, the Wolfhound does not need more exercise than an average sized breed. Although it can be kenneled outdoors, it has a calm temperament, and many of these giants have a place by the fireside.

