

# Shumate Squawk

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## UFO'S ARE REAL!

By: Joslyn Ferguson

Do you believe in UFO's? On November 27th, 2016, there was a UFO sighting in Turkey. Many people who do believe and many people who don't believe that it was real. However, there are many facts that say it's real. According to the article from HNGN, "A new fleet of UFOs spotted over Turkey was commented upon by hundreds," Many people were shocked on Twitter. According to Inquisitr, "Mysterious objects, which were very similar in appearance to the famous Phoenix Lights incident back in 1997, have been lighting by witnesses all over the middle eastern country, result-

ing in the hashtag #ufoattachtoturkey immediately trending on Twitter." Shumate students will want to read about this because not everyone may believe, it's informative about our world, and it makes your think about other life in the universe.

Some 7th graders that go to Shumate had some comments they liked to say about UFOs. Ben Witkowski said, "People will think UFOs are real if people keep viewing them." Adhav Rajesh said, "Aliens and UFOs exist but have not gone to Earth." According to HNGN,

"There were a number of similar UFO sightings in Denver and Texas too, showing the mysterious lights just like those in Turkey. There are people out there who vary on believing but with the world changing, anything is possible.



## Castro Dead

By: Taylor Viers

Long time Cuban dictator Fidel Castro has died on November 25<sup>th</sup> 2016. He led the Cuban revolution and took power in 1959, he was 90 years old and was in very poor health. He will be remembered for making Cuba the first communist country in the western hemisphere, caused thousands of Cubans to live in exile in southern Florida, and helped in the Cuban missile crisis (The Soviet Union hiding medium range Nuclear Ballistic Missiles on the island for a better point to attack the U.S.A). He also gave every citizen free Healthcare/Schooling even though it

was very poor quality. Some Cubans are celebrating Castro's death and others are mourning his passing.



Now you know a little bit about Fidel Castro now hear what the public thinks. 8<sup>th</sup> grader Richard Kamin commented on what Castro's death means for the future of Cuba. "Helps secure a good future." Also another 8<sup>th</sup> grader Ryan Slusarczyk gave his two cents on what Castro's death means for the world. "Castro's death means that there could possibly be trade between the U.S and Cuba now." Another fellow 8<sup>th</sup> grade student Jack Morission commented on the same issue. "Good because Castro was a bad dictator according to Cuba." In your eyes did Castro save a nation or ruined a nation you decide?



## COMEBACK WEEK?

By: Joe Calus

Your 8th grade boys basketball team started off very strong 2-0 but these last two games they've been in a slump, first they didn't come out as well as they wanted too in their game vs Woodhaven, they started off well keeping it a two point game. But then in the second quarter everything came crashing down as Woodhaven couldn't miss and your Seahawks couldn't catch a break as after the second they never lead again. In their previous game against Allen Park they played a good game but made mental mistakes at the end which cost them. Brent Willis wasn't too

pleased with the losses stating. "I'm dis-



appointed because I know we can all play a lot better than we have." With these

two losses they're getting a little frustrated as they thought they should've picked up the win in at least one of the games.

This week your Seahawks take on Southgate Wednesday, and the Thursday after they take on Taylor Hoover. Ben Tjernlund had some intense words about the Southgate game saying "I think we will make Southgate become Northgate and destroy them." those were some very intense words from the Shumate guard but it shows that he has confidence in his team and his teammates. Another guard Ryan Slusarczyk added "I think we're gonna execute well, and start up another win streak," Hopefully the Seahawks can do so and get back over .500 with their record.

## Southgate On The Clock

By: Sidney Tolstyka

After a loss against Allen Park, the 7th grade boys basketball team is ready for their next home game against Taylor. They're all ready to make their record 2-3. Not only are the players ready though, Coach Jablonski is ready too. Jablonski has been coaching for seven years of basketball. Catch the 7th grade boys in the Shumate gym and watch them take on Taylor Hoover on Thursday, December 1st. Importantly, the players have a lot of confidence in themselves for their next

game. "We're definitely doing better than the football team," says Derrick Szucs, a 7th grade basketball player. "I do think we'll win our next game because we're getting better and we've been practicing our offence." Along with the players, Jablonski has a lot of confidence in his players. "I think my players are definitely improving as the season goes on. For some of them this is their first time playing basketball competitively instead of playing around in gym so it's quite an improvement," says Jablonski. The 7th grade boys

basketball team has Taylor Hoover next on the clock at home, don't miss it!



## Fan fair already?

By: Alexis Howe

Fan Fair already here and the Shumate girls gonna show off December 2nd, in the Carlson gym. At the Fan Fair the girls will be showing everyone, parents, friends, family and whoever else what they can do. They will be demonstrating a preview of what they are doing at competition, A time where someone who may not be able to make it to the competitions can come watch. The cheerleaders have been working up to this day to show everyone what they got. Come attend it this Friday December 2nd in Carlson gym from 8-9 P.M. In preparation for the f

Fan Fair the girls are very nervous so they're working as much as they can to do their best. Maguire Lindisch in 8th grade stated "I'm



nervous because we aren't as far in our cheer as we were last year but I know we will succeed." Chloe Dettloff also stated "I'm nervous to throw my full." We all know you guys will do great, with the crowd out there and all your friends supporting you such as Blake Davis in 8th grade "Of course I am going to be there, to cheer on my best friends Malia and Maguire and also a good luck to all the other cheerleaders." There it is, hoping you show up this Friday in the Carlson gym to watch the Shumate cheerleaders cheer it on.

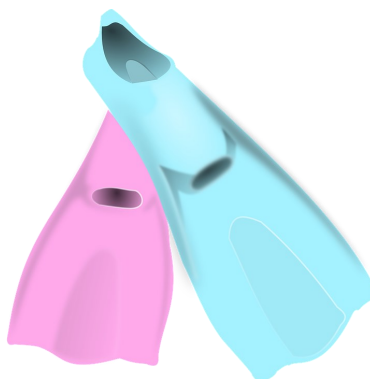


## 78 to 21 girls swim team pulls through with Shumate's first win!

By: Moriah Edwards

Shumate won against Lincoln Park 78 to 21, and now Shumate just beat Allen Park 89 to 62, 2-0. So far this swim season Shumate has worked hard and tries hard, and that has worked out for Shumate's in their favor. This just proves that if you work hard and push yourself to the max you can do anything. This last meet against Allen Park, they had one really outstanding hard worker, Shelby Ley, and some outstanding performances from Kendal Dunwoody doing a 100 free, Abbi Auler doing a 200 free, and Maddie Taylor doing a 50 butterfly.

Shumate Squawk asked some 8th graders, "How well do you think



we are going to do these upcoming meets knowing that we won the last 2 meets?" Rei Vincent said, "I think we are going to do good because we push ourselves and we are working as a team and that leads to success" and, "How do you think the swim season is going so far?" Samantha Guillory said, "I think we are doing good so far because we work hard at meets and we strive to win." Cheer Shumate on as they swim Wyandotte, then come cheer on your Shumate swimmers as they compete against Trenton at Carlson High School from 4:00 to 6:00 pm.

## SEAHAWKS TAKE HOME THE WIN. TWO TIMES?

By: Alyssa Koons

Shumate boys are 2-0 so far this season. Although the boys are doing fantastic there are some things the team need to work on. In practice this week swimmers worked hard on some of their known weaknesses. The boys have been working on their flip turns to speed up their times, their starts to help accelerate to start off the race and their breathing techniques to insure they don't run out of breath. Coach Hulderman and DeAngelo are hoping this will give them an advantage against Trenton who has proved to be tough competition this week.

Not only have the boys taken home a win but they have taken home two! On Monday September 21 the boys traveled to Lincoln Park coming home the victor against the Griffons 118-26. Eighth grader Lucas Kutty expresses his excitement about their big win and what it means for the team in the future. "I think the boys and I did exceptionally well, blowing Lincoln Park out of the water. We have a really great team this year, if we keep it up I think we can have a really good season." The boys did just as well against Allen Park only a week later, September 28, beating the jaguars 110-53 at the Carlson Pool. Although the team did really well

some students at Shumate speculate the reason we won was only because Allen Park doesn't have that great of a team. Ricky Kamin shows his speculation towards the Allen Park win, "I'm not saying the boys didn't do well because they did, but I think that Allen Park was not that hard of competition. But that being said I still think the boys will have a great season this year, even playing tougher teams than Allen Park." We will all keep our fingers crossed that the team will take home another win this week against Trenton, leading into the season undefeated.

## THE PISTONS HAVING TROUBLE!

By: Ryan Slusarczyk

The Detroit Pistons have dug themselves quite a bit of a hole and are now stuck with a losing record of 9 wins and 10 losses. How, you may ask? Well, first, the Pistons have had trouble pulling down offensive and defensive rebounds. This has become a huge problem for the Detroit team. With low rebounding numbers and a difficulty scoring, The Pistons have had some trouble winning against higher ranked teams as well as average teams. Taurus Wilson, an 8th grader here at Shumate, commented on the

Pistons most recent performances and stated, "The Pistons need to work on their defense to improve their game." He is right, defense is a major priority in the sport of basketball and the Pistons have been struggling with this part of their game. Another thing that hasn't helped them is second year Small Forward, Stanley Johnson, has struggled with his game lately and was recently benched for two games in a row. Joseph Calus told us that, "It was a good decision by a good coach to bench him because he needs to do what is expected of him but has for some reason not been able to get

it done". Hopefully he can pull himself out of this phase and get his head back in the game. Although their record has more losses than wins, it is only by one and they are still at the beginning of the season and can easily come back. But until then, Pistons fans will be on their toes, waiting to see if their newest Bad Boys can get back on top and back into everyone's good graces



## Bears Chances Are Lost

By: Gavin Kongeal

The Bears were fed another loss, what does that mean? Well after two more losses in a row, one to the Tennessee Titans with a score of 27-21 and another loss to the New York Giants with a score of 22-16 there record becomes 2-9. With nine losses it is impossible for the Bears to take first, thus leaving the fight for first between the Lions, Vikings, and Packers. The Lions have won another 2 games keeping them in first, one game against Jacksonville with a final score of 19-26 in favor of

the Lions, and the other against Vikings on Thanksgiving Day as the Lions won by Matt Praters field goal giving the final score of 16-13 making their record 7-4. The Vikings evened it out with a win against Arizona with a final score of 30-27, but a harsh loss against the Lions 16-13 showing their record as 6-5. The Packers had a tough game against Redskins as they were blown out again 24-42, but on Monday the Packers broke their four game lose streak as the Packers won against the Eagles 27-13 finally giving them a close record of 5-6.

With the season almost coming to a close, the division is almost determined. Ricky

Kamin a 8th grader believes that the final records for each team will be "Lions will win the rest of their games becoming 12-4, The Vikings Will lose 2 and end up 9-7, Packers will win 4 of their next five and tie with the Vikings with a record of 9-7, and the Bears will win 2 more giving them a sad record of 4-12." With the fight coming close for first, Will Fort a NFL fan in 8<sup>th</sup> grade thinks the final ranks will be "Lions in first, Packers in second, Vikings in third, and the Bears clearly in last." With the Bears out of the run, who will take first?

## PLAYOFF CHANCES RUINED FOR MICHIGAN?

By: Ben Tjernlund

The Game. Michigan vs Ohio State. Old time rivalry. The showdown in Columbus, Ohio. Playoff hopes on the line. Last Saturday, the third ranked Wolverines went to go play the second ranked Buckeyes. Michigan struck first in the opening quarter, jumping out to a 3-0 lead. But, in the second quarter, Michigan QB, Wilton Speight, who played coming off a collarbone injury, threw an interception that was returned 16 yards for a Buckeye touchdown by Malik Hooker.

At this point in the game, Ohio State had a 7-3 lead. But, right before halftime, Khalid Hill for Michigan scored the go ahead touchdown to lead the Wolverines into half, winning 10-7. Ohio State got the ball first after halftime,

and in their first possession of the half their QB, JT Barrett, threw an interception that was picked off by Michigan's star, Jabrill Peppers. Michigan drove down to Ohio's 1 yard line, where QB, Wilton Speight, made a critical mistake. He fumbled the snap and Ohio State recovered.

Yet, the Wolverines D help up, and OSU faked a punt and failed, to give Michigan great field position where they took advantage and went up 17-7. At the end of regulation, the teams were tied 17-17, so they were heading to OT. At the end of OT, they were tied again at 24. In double OT, Michigan got the ball first and scored a field goal to put them ahead by 3. Now, Ohio State had the ball. On 4th down and 1, Ohio State's QB, JT Barrett kept the ball and looked to have the first down on a very controversial call.

When asked about the first down, 8th grader, Brent Willis said, "No, I don't think it was a first down, the refs were unfair." Jacob Wood, a 7th grader responded with, "No, he was behind the first down marker and I think it was called a first down because the referee was an Ohio State fan." The very next play, Ohio State's running back, Curtis Samuel, scored a 15 yard TD, to win the game. The referring in this game was a problem, and definitely held back the Wolverines. When asked if the refs missed any calls, an 8th grader, Gavin Kongeal, responded with, "Yes, lots, they missed a pass interference and the first down in 2 OT." Alyssa Koons, a 8th grader, said, "They missed the first down in 2OT." Looks like the playoff committee will have a tough decision whether to put Michigan in the playoffs or not.

## WILL MICHIGAN STATE BEGIN TO WIN?

By: Madison Wiseman

The Michigan State Spartans have a 4-4 record so far. Not playing the best they can, they have lost 4 games in the short season. They have lost to Arizona (65-63), Kentucky (69-48), Baylor (73-58), and Duke (78-69). Beside the losses, Michigan State has had some good wins including Mississippi Valley State (100-53), Florida Gulf Coast (78-77), St. John's (73-62), and Wichita State (77-72). The next game the Spartans have is Saturday December 3, playing Oral Roberts. Miles Bridges known to be the best player/freshman on the 2016-2017 Michigan State basketball team, has shown his

pride in basketball and his team throughout the season. Bridges' hometown is your very own Flint, Michigan. He is 18 years old, and averages about 17 points and 2 assists per game. Bridges' is a small forward who graduated from Huntington Prep last year. Other people who has contributed greatly to this basketball season are Eron Harris and Nick Ward.

The season so far hasn't turned for the Michigan State Spartans, but fans are hoping that they get more wins and less losses for the rest of the season. 8th grader Chelsea Bell had a lot to say

about the recent losses against Duke and Baylor. She expresses her thoughts about the season so far, "I think that they have a lot of improving to do. Also, they should have different plays other than shooting 3-pointers." Michigan State's season is going to take a turn when Ben Carter (senior) and Gavin Schilling(senior) come back to play the great game of basketball with the Spartans. With these two seniors Michigan State would have had a better chance at beating Baylor, or even Duke. Tom Izzo the coach of the 2016-2017 Spartans has coached 22 years for MSU. He says to ESPN "I don't like my freshman, I love them." If Izzo has hopes for the season MSU fans should too. Michigan State plays Tuesday December 6, against Youngstown State.





## GREEN PARTY WANTS RECOUNTS

By: Sareena Newsome

Do you think we should get a recount on the presidential election? Right now in the US the Green Party is asking us to raise money for a recount. Jill Stein, Head of Green Party believes that Trump didn't actually win the election and believes we should get a recount. So far, she has had contributions of at least 6.5 million dollars so far. Apparently the reason why she wants this is because Jill wants to ensure that It's fair voting. The three states that she wants recounts on are Wisconsin, Michigan, And Pennsylvania. Those three were won over by Trump. They were having a bit of a

delay during the election which made us waiting to know who won. So far Donald Trump will be our next president. A girl named Lia Stith in



6th grade was asked if she would like Trump to be the next president and why. She replies " Yes but I don't really like both of them but if I had to choose it would be trump because I know he will be a better president than Hillary. " Do you think we should get a recount on the votes? " No because so far Donald Trump has been doing great things for us. " Angelina Bodner 8th grade responded. What do you think about us voting to get a recount on the election?

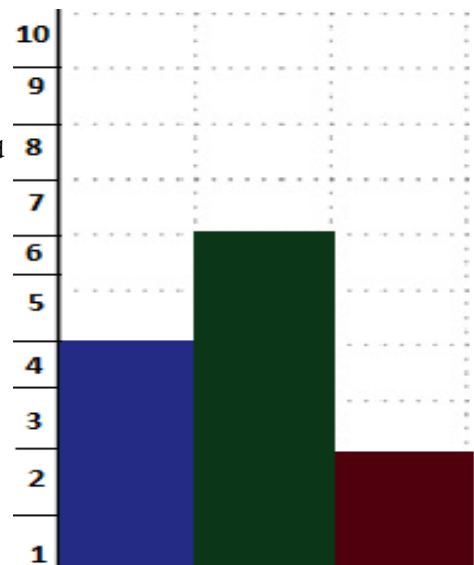
## Animal time

By: Liliana Rushlow

The world is full of wonderful animals from exotic to common that are everywhere. I asked a couple people which animal they liked most; a bunny, chinchilla, and a chipmunk. Most people choose chinchilla because they are one the cutest animals on earth and have soft fur. Some picked the bunny because bunnies can be colored differently and can be in any size. Only two people choose Chipmunks because they can be cute but can be dangerous creatures.

The chinchilla is ranked a genus animal and can live up to 10 years. The bunny has multiple breeds and can live up to 3 years. Chipmunks are also

ranked a genus animal and can live up to 6-10 years. To be ranked a genus animal means the the animal is smarter and can understand better.



## Lights, Camera, Action!

By: Karina McCullough

Have you ever been the center of attention? This week, Shumate Middle School's own 6<sup>th</sup> grader, Ben Witkowski, is exactly that. Ben was asked a few questions about himself and his day to day life in and outside of school. At the start of the interview he was asked questions about his family. Ben has one sister who is nine years old and is in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. He also has one black lab. Everyone has a favorite place to go with their family. When Ben asked that question he replied, "I like going to the store because I get

stuff." Wow, it must be nice to be Ben!

After answering questions about his family, he was asked questions about school. Ben's favorite subject is gym and his favorite teacher is Mr. Hoover. Ben was then asked a question about what subject was the hardest for him. He answered with the simple statement, "Probably science."

Lastly, he was asked about some of his favorite things. Ben's favorite animal is a giraffe and he noted his favorite book is Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Old School. After, he was asked what his favorite food is. Ben responded,

"Pizza, because it tastes good." Ben Witkowski is a very interesting person. He was put in the spotlight this week. Who will it be next?

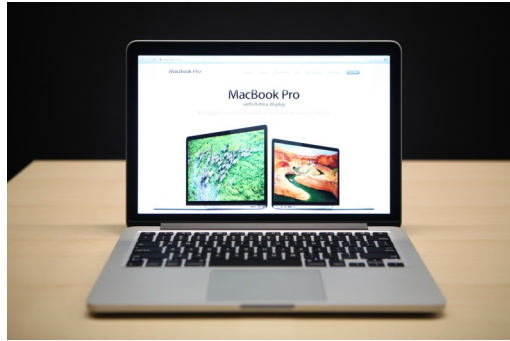


## THE NEW MACBOOK PRO

By: Maya Bailey

Have you heard about the new Macbook? If you like the Apple products keep reading. The Apple products were found by Steve Jobs, and the co-founder of it was Steve Wozniak and Ronald Wayne. The Macbook should be out late 2016, they are made in California but shipped from China. The new addition is a touch screen tap that has a spotify button, call and decline button. The cost of the Macbook is \$2,399.00 and you can get them at any electronic store. The Macbook pro is a pro because its 67% brighter and it's up to 17% thinner.

Angelina Bodner in 8th grade at Shumate



Middle School said, "The cost is way too

much it's a great way to push away customers. If that's what they are trying to do they are doing a good job." Chloe Smith in 7th grade also put her input she said, "I think they should lower it because they won't make any profit because it's way too expensive." The computer would be an awesome gift for christmas or a birthday but that's really it, no one needs a 2,000 dollar computer

## Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them

By: Sara Rasmussen

Magical Beast and Spells are all in the new movie, "Fantastic Beast and Where to Find Them" by J.K. Rowling. Fantastic Beast, which is directed by David Yates, was released November 18<sup>th</sup> and has already made more than \$474.8 million as of November 27th. The magical movie is about Newt Scamander who is a man who travels to document and help magical creatures. Newt comes to New York, for a brief stopover, where he runs into a No-Maj named Jacob who misplaced Newt's brief case (which contains magical creatures in it) for his. These creatures get

out of the case which causes trouble for both the wizard and No-Maj world. Shumate students were asked what they thought about the movie and Jess Montemayor, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Shumate replied with, "It was very unique and was a good spin off of the Harry potter series. I also really liked the setting." Reyna Macabebe, another 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Shumate agreed with Jess by saying, "I really liked it because the special effects and the graphics were great." We also decided to also ask who student's favorite characters were and Reyna responded with, "Newt, because Ed-die's acting was great and he fit the

character very well." Jess also agreed with Reyna by adding, "Newt, because he is adorable." If you want to experience magic before your own eyes head down to Emagine theater, which is on Allen Rd. Have a magical time!



## BIG BALL OF TIMEY WIMEY

By: Sophia Runyon

Do you like sci-fi, aliens, and traveling through time, then Doctor Who is for you. Doctor Who's is a UK show that aired some time in 2005. This show is about a alien from a planet called Gallifrey, that looks human traveling through time and space in a T.A.R.D.I.S (time and revivent dimensions in space) with is companion. The doctor is played by Matt Smith, David Tennant, and Christopher Eccleston. Rose his companion is

played by Billie Piper. Ranging from mannequins to Daleks The Doctor can get through it.



Many people like Doctor Who including Lucas Hummermeister, " I like the sci-fi aspect of it." Some characters are popular like Rose. "My favorite character is Rose because she symbolizes women and how strong they are" according to Jadyn Eastom. Truly Doctor Who is a good show. So if you want to watch an interesting show this is for you! Go watch Doctor Who on thursday 10 o'clock, BBC America or BBC



## MOANA BEST MOVIE OF THE YEAR?

By: Adrianna Light

Moana the \$81.4 million dollar animated movie by John Musker and Ron Clements. Moana is a Disney movie that is based on a Hawaiian princess that is going to be the chief of her land. Moana does want to be the chief but she loves the ocean so much it gets in the way of everything. Moana is played by Auli'i Cravalho, Maui is played by Dwayne Johnson, and many more.

Jamie West in 8th grade said "...the movie looks cute and the animations are amazing". Hailee Donovan said the same thing "It looks cute and the ani-

mations are the cutest thing ever". Some 8th graders had the same favorite character, Madison Kimbler 8th grade said "I'm so excited to see it I know it's gonna be amazing because the chicken Hei Hei looks so funny it's the best movie ever". Reyna Macabebe 8th grade said, "The chicken Hei Hei is so funny and I relate to him". But the characters aren't the only thing that will attract people "All the Disney movies were great but I think this one will be better because it won't be directed to little kids it will attract any age" said Jamie West, 8th grade. So make sure to watch Moana at

the movie theaters or buy it on dvd in March 2017.



## EVOLUTION OF TECHNOLOGY

By: Angelina Bodner

What was it like without modern day technology? When thinking of technology you think phones, cars, computers etc. but back then they didn't have those things, what did they have? A Floppy disk a disk storage composed of a disk thin and flexible magnetic storage. Which is a modern day thumb drive. A Ford Model T or the "Tin Lizzie" a car made by Ford invented by Henry Ford constructed by an assembly line. Today you can buy a lawn mower with the same horsepower (20 horsepower). Cassette tapes, made by Hasselt Belgium,

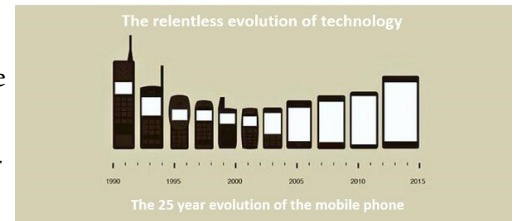
were a magnetic tape recording format audio recording and playback. 32 Cassette tapes hold about 480 songs while just one small iPod holds the same amount. Last but certainly not least the 1946 computer weighs 3 tons occupies in a 30X50 foot room.

It's crazy to think how much we've evolved since the 1900's. Maya Bailey a 8th grader puts her input to how her life would be like without a phone and these technologies we have today.

"It would be horrible, my phone is my life." how would you feel if your car had only 20 horsepower? "I'd be

sad and long distances would take 10X longer than they already are."

Say's Sareena Newsom. Try and limit your time on your phone and go outside before the beauty is gone and has been overcome by technology and pollution



## "Burglary Safe Zone" In Rockwood

By: Gunnar Dochnal

The FBI says the Rockwood area has the 6<sup>th</sup> fewest burglaries in the country. The population has not changed much since the past 15 years. Rockwood is downriver's smallest community and has a tradition of looking out for each other. Reported on November 14, 2016, there has only been one burglary the whole year. "There have been a couple of garage break-ins, but very few 'true home invasions and breaking and entering'", According to Rockwood police chief Stephen Rowe. According to Rowe the

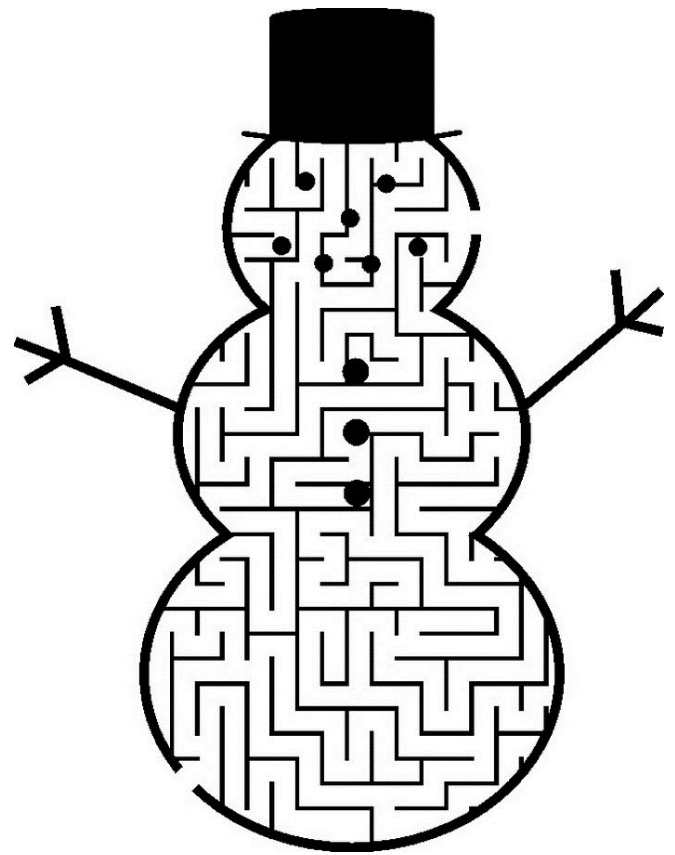
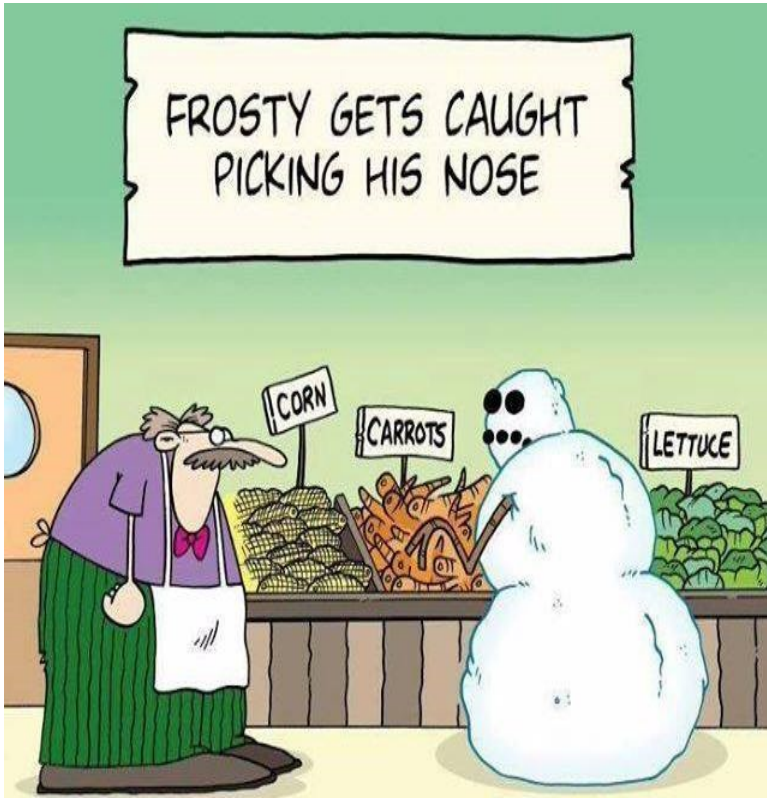
tolerance of break ins are extremely low. The more involvement from the residents the safer the area will be.

Why does the Rockwood area have so few burglaries? "There are so many police around to make the area safe." Said Jess Lakos an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student. Another view from Richard Kamin also an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student, "Everyone looks out for each other because it's a nice area." How do you think the area can continue to be on the list? "Continue to keep the police around and well trained." Is Jess's view." Ricky thinks that they need to

keep doing what they're doing. This upcoming year Rockwood police are trying to have zero burglaries and hold on to it.







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