# THE ROCKETEER

100 Years of Graduates

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## **HAPPY HARVEST!**

Be thankful for family, friends, and community.



It's finally the beginning of the holiday season and Thanksgiving day is arriving soon! Get ready to sleep in, prepare a nice juicy turkey for dinner, and watch the parade in your pj's. Thanksgiving will be the 24th of this year and is a time for prayer and for families to celebrate giving thanks to one another. The first Thanksgiving took place on the fourth Thursday in November and is recognized as the day the settlers and Native Americans joined together for a feast. Whether or not you and your family celebrate, the Rocketeer staff wishes all families a blessed and delicious Thanksgiving!

### DISTRICTS

The girls finished in third place overall at Bridger's 2022 district volleyball tournament. The team went into the tournament in fifth place and first faced off against Park City who went into the tournament in fourth place. The Lady Rockets were able to pull off a three-set win and move on to play the 6 p.m. game against Bridger where they lost in three sets. After the deficit to Bridger, the team had to go through the loser's side of the bracket and play Absarokee. The Rockets were able to secure an easy three set win to Absarokee on Friday at the 11 a.m. game and then moved on to play for fourth place against Park City again at 8 p.m. They then won and were set to play the consolation game Saturday morning. Unfortunately, the team lost the consolation game in four sets to Custer-Hysham. Still, they were able to take third place which gained them another trophy and a trip to the divisional tournament in Lewiston.

By: Bentley Bertolino

#### DIVISIONALS

First round of the divisional tournament for the Rockets was against Melsone on the evening of Thursday, November 3rd. There the team narrowly beat the Broncs in five sets to move on to play in the quarterfinals against the Bridger Scouts at 8 p.m. However, the team tragically lost in three sets and was forced to play through the loser's bracket. They then played on Friday, November 4th at 2 p.m. in loser-out action against the Denten-Geyser-Stanford-Geraldine (DGSG) Bearcats and luckily won in three sets which advanced them to the 4th place game against the Roy/ Winifred Outlaws at 8 p.m. that night. Sadly, the Lady Rockets suffered a heartbreaking season-ending five set game loss to the Outlaws. The Journalism team would like to say how proud they are of the team and everything they

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT	
ROBERTS VS. PARK CITY	25-17, 25-14, 25-19 (W)
ROBERTS VS. BRIDGER	11-25, 14-25, 10-25 (L)
ROBERTS VS. ABSAROKEE	25-21, 25-15, 25-6 (W)
ROBERTS VS. PARK CITY	25-22, 25-12, 25-13 (W)
ROBERTS VS. CUSTER/HYSHAM	25-22, 22-25, 28-30, 20-25 (L)

#### **BOX SCORES**

DIVISIONAL TOURNAMENT	
ROBERTS VS. MELSTONE	25-22, 18-25, 25-14, 22-25, 15-9 (W)
ROBERTS VS. BRIDGER	11-25, 11-25, 13-25 (L)
ROBERTS VS. DGSG	25-17, 25-18, 25-21 (W)
ROBERTS VS. ROY/WINIFRED	25-21, 19-25, 22-25, 25-21, 8-15 (L)

have accomplished this season! Go Rockets!!

# Veterans Day • Recent Additions

By: Bentley Bertolino

Veterans Day is remembered on November 11th of every year since President Woodrow made it a national holiday in 1919. The day is celebrated on the 11th because on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour Germany signed an agreement to end fighting in WWI. Originally named Armistice Day, it is a time when everyone across the nation reflects and shows their gratitude towards others who served our country.

#### Little Veterans Day Poem

Veteran's Day is one to commemorate and celebrate With our flags, the town of Roberts likes to decorate

For the many generations of heroes and loved ones We thank you for your service and everything you've done

Your courage and bravery has inspired us all Liberty and honor withal



Recently, the school has added new shot clocks in the gym, lunch tables in the cafeteria, every student has a Chromebook provided by the school, a shooting machine, and we received a van for transportation.

MHSA had approved the proposal to add a 35 second shot clock which will slightly change the way high school basketball in Montana is played. The addition of the clocks was made possible by generous donors in the community.

The funding for the new lunch tables were paid for by the school through additional funds from the federal program that allowed students to have meals provided for them free of cost the last few years. There were also a few changes made in the kitchen from the funds.

The Chromebooks were specifically provided so students had access to technology and their classes at home in the event there is another quartantine similar to the one during COVID-19. They were able to be provided through a grant sponsored by E-Rate.

The shooting machine the school has recieved for basketball practice was paid for by the Roberts Community Foundation.

Finally, the new van has been added to transport students specifically for after school programs and was provided by a literacy grant. High Honor Roll

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### Honor Roll

3.75 - 4.0**Bentley Bertolino Connie Cooper** Naomi Joyce Zoe Larson Hailey Croft Laynee Holdbrook Jozelyn Payovich **Emily Smith** Elizabeth DeVries Nate Webber Molly Mitchel Carlota Schoendorff-Sicilia Adrienna Bertolino **Taylor Crane** Charlotte Kosel Faithlynn Pitts Abigail Swansborough **Piper Filkin** 

3.25 - 3.74Joseph Allen **Kyle Young** Angelina Franklin Madi Koch Kaleb Kroll Garrett VandeSandt Timmy Cooper Zach Fetz Thommy Howard Lilly Hyvonen **Taylor Koch Bobby Neil** Owen Wallila Maria Castro Karmen Garica Emma Harris Colt Holdbrook Chloe Peterson

### Junior High

3.75-4.0 Robin Baird Reese Cooper Gus Kosel Daryl McIntosh Brooklyn Nelson Luella Wallila Cato Langager Kelby Langager 3.25-3.74 Roman Bertolino Kallie Garcia Mary King Americas McCrone Savanna McCrone Lexi Boslet Rachel DeVries Keegan Wentworth



from November 10th through November 12th, a group of 22 ffA members competed in Bozeman against 1,700 other ffA members at the John Deere Ag Expo. Members competed in various events called CDE's (career development events) and LDE's (leadership development events). On Thursday, November 10th we left the school at 5:30 am to head to Bozeman. When we arrived in Bozeman, a group of members went to the Milk Quality competition while the rest of us studied for other events taking place throughout the rest of the weekend. At the end of the day, we went to a banquet dinner where the State Officers had opening ceremonies. We listened to a quest speaker with Tourette's Syndrome talk about mental health and how we can impact the lives of others. On friday, November 11th, we went to the Student Union Building and competed in more events. The Quiz Bowl team went on to compete in finals, a group of members competed in the Livestock Judging contest and a group competed in the Ag Sales event. After a long day, we went back to the hotel and ordered pizza for dinner. following dinner, we all prepared for the dance. On Saturday, November 12th, a group went up to the fairgrounds early to compete in the Horse Judging competition while the rest went to the Student Union Building to wait for awards. During awards, the top three teams were recognized in each event and the top ten individuals were recognized for each event. In the Quiz Bowl competition Roberts's team placed first, in Horse Judging, Roberts was 9th out of 60 teams with Colt Holdbrook being 13th for individual scoring. Roberts did well in other events that they competed in. This year's John Deere Ag Expo was a success all the way

# State Student Council Convention

On Sunday, November 5th, Mrs. Blankenship took eight kids to Great falls for a State Student Council Convention. On Sunday when we arrived, we checked in and listened to Joe fingerhut talk and explain his journey to where he is now. following that, we did a few leadership workshops and ate dinner, went to more workshops, and did another session with Joe fingerhut. Monday the convention started at 8 am. After breakfast we went to the conference room where there was a speaker presented from Ukraine who spoke about his "Eleven tips to success". We went to lunch at Black Bear Diner. When we came back, we listened to a family speak about the help they received from Make-A-Wish. The Make-A-Wish foundation volunteer explained the process of applying for a Make-A-Wish grant and how members of your community can help. We then went to the Lewis and Clark Museum and stayed there for about an hour looking at Maps that Lewis and Clark made on their expeditions through Montana. Later, we had a pasta dinner at one of Great falls high schools and then attended a hypnosis show, and dance. During the Hypnosis show, we watched several attending students be hypnotized. One student couldn't remember the number 6, one was Tarzan, and another one could smell a disgusting smell (it was beans). We then helped clean the chairs up and danced until 10:15. Tuesday morning we took a picture before heading into the conference room where our final guest speaker was waiting. The guest speaker was an ex-NBA player named Josh Huestis. He discussed the goals he set for himself to play in the NBA and spoke to us about the doubts himself and others had about his abilities. After a quick closing ceremony, we

headed home.



## Word in the Halls By: Lilly Hyvonen

This month is for the turkeys if you know what I mean. I asked five random candidates a couple of questions, and this month they are senior Bentley Bertolino, junior Angelina Franklin, sophomore Bobby Neil, Freshman Karmen Garcia, and Teacher Mrs. Larson.

The first question was what's your favorite thing about Thanksgiving. Our first candidate was Senior Bentley Bertolino she said because she doesn't have school. Junior Angelina Franklin said being with family. Sophomore Bobby Neil said eating mashed potatoes and gravy. Freshman Karmen Garcia said being with

family. Teacher Mrs. Larson said the food. The second question was what do you think flibbertigibbet means. Bentley said a small squishy frog. Angelina said that she doesn't have a clue. Bobby and Karmen said some kind of turkey species. Mrs. Larson said a nonsensical word. I know you guys are all wondering what it means. It's referring to someone who is silly and incessantly.

# IMPORTANT!

### Seniors

The Senior Class is selling sports buttons during basketball season for \$5 per button. Forms can be found at the front office. Also if interested please contact one of the senior class members or Mrs. Shoopman.

### School Pictures

On December 7th school picture retakes will he held. Also, there will be team pictures for the basketball teams.

### **Events**

Fall sports banquet will be held on November 29th in the lower gym at 6 p.m.

The Roberts annual Christmas Tree lighting will be held on December 4th from 4-7 p.m. in the school parking lot.

### Basketball

High school basketball season begins on Thursday November 17th. The first game of the season will be on December 1st at the tip off tournament in Lockwood.

### 4-H

The Rock Creek Ranchers 4-H club will be selling wreathsfor the holiday season. If interested please contact a member of the club.

### Roberts Booster Club

The Roberts Booster Club has apparel available for purchase. They will have a table set up during home basketball games, and order forms will be sent out again. Also if interested, contact Melissa Bertolino.

# SLICE OF LIFE

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