

Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin

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H&R BLOCK®

BUDGET CHALLENGE®

For the past 10 weeks, juniors and seniors taking Personal Finance had the opportunity to compete nationally in the H & R Block Budget Challenge. The H & R Block Budget Challenge is an online simulation tool that replicates real-world budgeting and personal finance decision-making. By simulating an adult's financial life – paying bills, investing in retirement, utilizing credit, managing loans and more – students take a personal financial “road test”. This learn-by-doing educational approach allows high schoolers to make real-world mistakes without facing real-world consequences.

In Tolland High School's first year participating in this challenge, Mrs. Bridge's class finished in the top 2% nationwide with 2,350 classrooms participating and 51,460 students competing for scholarship money. Special recognition goes to ***Megan Enman, Anna Garow, Hayden Rublewski, and Alana Ward*** who each placed in the top 5% in the country and received a **Certificate of Achievement** for their exceptional knowledge and superior performance in the simulation. ***Anna Garow*** was our highest placing participant (1685/51460) followed by ***Alana Ward*** (1858/51460) placing both of them in the ***top 3rd percentile*** in the country. Congratulations to all the THS participants for a job well down!

THS ENTREPRENEURS

Two Tolland High School juniors, Kelsey Leach and Meghan Myles were featured in a recent news clip on Fox 61 News: The online news clip is featured below and click on the following link for a look at the [video clip](#)

HARTFORD — The [Kelghan Soap Company](#) has evolved into a successful business for two entrepreneurial juniors from Tolland High School. Tasked with researching any topic of their choice for a 7th grade school project back in 2014, Kelsey Leach and Meghan Myles stumbled upon soap making and were hooked. They first started selling their handmade soaps, made with natural, eco-friendly ingredients in milk carton molds, to friends, classmates and teachers before school with great response.

Since 2014, they have continuously improved their product and grown their business. Naming their company the Kelghan Soap Company (the combination of their names Kelsey and Meghan), they registered for a sales tax licence, launched a web store, and also began to sell their expanding line of product at local conventions, salons and shops.

In addition to soap, the company now sells “a product for everyone” including lip balms, room sprays, bath bombs, lip scrubs and sugar scrubs with a focus on using natural oils, fragrances and ingredients free from phtalates and harmful chemicals. They even produce some vegan products as well.

Learning great money management and a business skills throughout the process so far, Kelsey and Meghan plan to continue to grow their company during their senior year in high school and into college.

Celebrate Small Business Week and shop local! You can currently purchase Kelghan Soap Company products at the [Tolland Red & White](#) on the Tolland Green, or from their web store at kelghansoaps.com.

For more information on their products, contact kelghansoaps@gmail.com

CHALLENGER BASEBALL

Tolland Challenger Baseball is still looking for buddies. If you are interested, please complete the following [form](#) and meet at Lion’s Field on Tuesdays and Thursday from 5:45 - 7:00. If you have any questions, contact Laurel Leibowitz at (860) 870-6750 X 30215,

THS STUDENT RESTAURANT - SPRING 2018

There are still seats available for our Culinary II student’s restaurant this Spring. Lunch begins at 10:30 a.m. and costs \$7 per person. If you are interesting in making a reservation, please email Sandy Cimino at scimino@tolland.k12.ct.us. Upcoming menus are as follows:

May 10th

Focaccia Bread

Quinoa and Pomegranate Salad

Mediterranean Baked Sweet Potatoes w/ Bean Salad

Chocolate Chip Cookie Ice Cream Sandwiches

May 17th

Cheese Topped Garlic Bread
Oven Fresh Seasoned Potato Wedges
Chicken Pot Pie
Apple Crisp with Vanilla Ice Cream

May 24th

Focaccia Bread
Caprese Salad with Balsamic Glaze
Three Cheese Chicken Pasta Bake
Greek Yogurt & Cranberry Orange Pound Cake

June 1st

Focaccia Bread
Adobo Salad
Garlic Lemon Green Beans
Caribbean Chicken over Basmati Rice
Peach Cobbler w/ Vanilla Ice Cream

June 8th

Focaccia Bread
Caesar Salad
Beef Enchiladas
Mexican Rice & Beans
Mascarpone Cheese and Berries Parfait

IMPORTANT DATES

May 7 - May 18 - AP Testing

May 7 - Parent Advisory Council - 6:00 p.m. - Main Office Conference Room

May 8 - NHS Induction - 7:00 p.m. - Auditorium

May 11 - Early Release - Teacher In-Service

May 18 - Prom

BOOSTER CLUB

The next meeting of the year will be held on Monday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the THS main office conference room. Please join us and learn more about the exciting events planned for the year. If you have any questions, ideas, or comments, please contact Co-Presidents Diane Clokey at dbclokey@gmail.com or Jenn Dineen at jneccidineen@yahoo.com