



# Backpack Newsflash



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## Total Boomerang Nominations for April



Congratulations to all of the Boomerang nominees for April. CB students definitely love to Read for Pleasure with this record amount of nominations received. Butler and Warwick Elementary both received 100+ nominations and Tamanend MS received 91 in total.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to nominate a well-deserving student for April's Asset. CB Cares knows the importance of every Developmental Asset. April's "Reading for Pleasure" has become notably special in the community.



This month will be the last monthly Asset for the school year, **#37 Personal Power –Young person feels he or she has control over "things that happen to me."** May's nominations are due by May 26th to your school.



Sunday  
May 31st  
5pm  
  
Doylestown CC

It DOES take a village...Nurture our village by supporting CB Cares' annual fundraising event on Sunday, May 31st. Make an investment in your community that will yield a healthy return for everyone who considers Central Bucks "home." Now, more than ever, CB Cares needs to expand available resources, tools and solutions for families in Central Bucks. The data continues to show that the commitment to provide youth and parent programs and ATOD prevention resources does make for a healthier community. This year's proceeds from the Celebrity Chef & Waiter Gala will allow us to continue our work to provide our Developmental Assets-based programs for the youth, parents and educators in the community.

**Help US help ALL of US!**

It's simple math...\$125/ticket  
divided by 12 months = \$10.41/month  
or \$2.41/wk to support CB Cares!

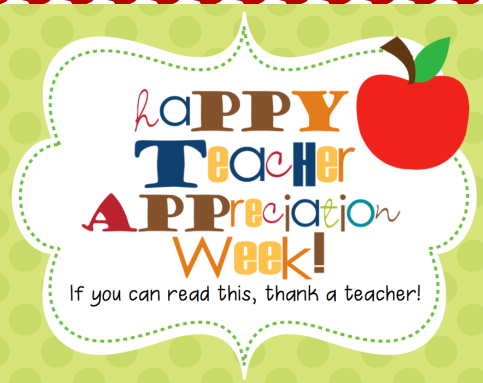
## MAY'S BOOMERANG ASSET # 37 PERSONAL POWER

### Hip Hip Hooray for CB Teachers!

Stephani Thomas, an Art teacher at Pine Run was named the 2015 Bucks County Teacher of the Year by Inspire Federal Credit Union. Ms. Thomas received a beautifully engraved plaque and \$1,000 check.



Celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week May 4 –8th. CB Cares appreciates all of the wonderful CBSD teachers 52 weeks a year!





## BOOMERANG YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARD

The following students represent the Boomerang Youth Recognition Award recipients for April's Asset #25 Reading for Pleasure. Young person reads for pleasure three or more hours per week.

# Boomerang Youth Recognition Award

**Elementary:**  
**Laila Murray,**  
2nd grade,  
Pine Run ES



While other kids are outside running around and riding bikes, Laila will be curled up on the couch with a chapter book and won't budge until her book is finished. Laila always wants to go to the library for new books. She owns over 300 age appropriate chapter books and has read every one, some multiple times. She loves to search for a bargain book at the thrift shop or library. Laila's favorite spot is the \$.25 shelf at the library. Laila also gets excited about book signings. When heading out for an appointment, errand, restaurant, the pool, most kids grab an iPad to play a game; Laila will grab books to read during the down time. Instead of waking her parents at 6AM when Laila wakes up, she'll choose a chapter book off her shelf and begin another book!

**Middle School:**  
**Cameron Wagner**  
9th grade,  
Tohickon MS



Cameron enjoys all types of genres; fantasy, science fiction, classics and more. His love of reading has developed into a similar enthusiasm for writing, and he has posted many fan fiction pieces online which have garnered strong support from the fan fiction community, including some well-regarded fiction authors therein. Cameron has been working with his teacher to develop an online literary magazine to share with the Tohickon student body. Best of all, he has passed his love of reading to his 9-year old sister. He enthusiastically encourages her to read, and shares many of his favorite books with her. Cameron has been nominated every April for Reading for Pleasure since elementary school.

**High School:**  
**Evelyn Boland**  
11th grade,  
CB West HS



Evie reads at a breathless pace, and it's always something fascinating. She'll read books about science, books about adventure, fiction books, non-fiction books, historic works, bestselling current works...the list goes on. The most fascinating part of her reading comes from her family's involvement. She gets excited about the fact that she and her father will often read the same book, and that way they can have conversations about something they'll have in common. It comprises an important part of her life. More remarkable is the fact that Evie has an AP schedule loaded with curricular reading. Most students get overwhelmed by that work, but Evie still finds time to dig into a good book. She is a brilliant young woman, so she remembers all of the works that she reads, and thus she can start a conversation with nearly anybody because she has likely read a book about something that the other person enjoys.

**Congratulations to these students and all of those students who were nominated.**

May's Asset is #37 Personal Power. Young person feels he or she has control over "things that happen to me."

Nominations will be due to your school by Tuesday, May 26th.

*Special thanks to our Boomerang partners:*



## Youth to Community Program



Singer/songwriter  
Madison Charnigo  
performs at YogurTree in  
Warrington.



**Parent Connections**  
Comcast channel 28  
FIOS channel 40

Our guests for May's Parent Connections are two talented CBSD students; Nick Mason (11th grade CB South) and Madison Charnigo (7th grade Holicong). Nick and Madison both actively participate in the Youth to Community program throughout the school year. The topic of Asset #37 Personal Power is discussed and how they both tap into this Asset for performing and songwriting. May's Parent Connections includes highlights from Nick's ROLI Seaboard performance and it spotlights two videos of Madison performing her original songs. Tune in for all this talent!

## Holly's Heart



Last September CB Cares appealed to Bucks Beautiful to ask if they would plant daffodils along the 611 bypass in honor of Holly Huynh at her memorial site. CB Cares would like to thank Christine Gale, Gale Nurseries and Bucks Beautiful for the 4800 bulbs they planted in the shape of a heart to honor this very special girl. May this daffodil drenched vision every spring be a reminder to; slow down, hugs your kids and know together we care for each other.



**Mark Your Calendars ★ June 4-7th**  
Y2C is partnered with Doylestown Art Days.  
For a complete schedule of events visit:  
[DoylestownArtDays.com](http://DoylestownArtDays.com)

## INNOVATIVE LEARNING GRANTS IN THE CLASSROOM!

### Project: Artist in Residence with Jean Burdick

This spring, students in Mrs. Ritter's 7th Grade Visual Arts classes completed a collaborative project with the Michener Art Museum. Thanks to funding received from an Innovative Learning Grant sponsored by the CB Cares Educational Foundation, it was possible for local printmaker and artist Jean Burdick to visit the students at Holicong for multiple class periods and lead the students in the construction of botanical themed collograph prints. Ms. Burdick gave a presentation of her artwork and prints and then led the students in a demonstration of silk screen and collograph printmaking techniques. Students were then challenged to create their own collographs based on similar nature themes that Ms. Burdick uses in her artwork. The students' collograph prints, on both construction paper and fibrous papers, and the cardboard plates used for printing are displayed here.

As a culmination of the students work, they also had the opportunity to travel to the Michener Art Museum for a tour and hands-on workshop. On their field trip, the students produced two other pieces of artwork. Students drew from observation in the gardens of the Michener and are now displaying their drawings with the photographs they took during their field trip. Also displayed are the relief sculptures the students produced during their workshop at the Michener Museum.



# Community News & Events



**GOOD LUCK!**  
**ALL CBSD Middle School**  
**TEAMS!!**  
**Relay for Life**  
**12 years STRONG**

The 12th Annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Central Bucks Middle Schools will be held on **Saturday, May 16, 2015**. Middle schools in the District began their fundraising efforts this year in February and March and continue to add to over the 2.5 million dollar fundraising total since 2004. To learn more about how you can show your support visit: [cbsd.org/relayforlife](http://cbsd.org/relayforlife)

**Congratulations**  
**RUHY PATEL**  
**CB West**

**4-Way Test Essay Winner**  
 On April 29th Ruhya was recognized by the Doylestown Rotary Club for her winning 4-Way Test essay.



The 4-Way Test has been used by Rotarians for over sixty years as a guideline for moral and ethical standards in business, community, and personal affairs. The test asks four questions of the things we think, say or do: Is it the Truth? Is it Fair to All Concerned? Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships? Will it be Beneficial to all Concerned? Way to GO Ruhya!

**Special**  
**Thanks**  
 to our  
**Prom**  
**Partners**

at  
**Ventresca's**  
**Formal Wear**

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 A CB Cares partner who cares about our kids!  
 These flyers accompany every tuxedo that goes out the door for Prom Season!



**PROM**  
**PARTNERS**



**BUSINESSES THAT CARE**  
**LOOK GOOD**  
**CHOOSE WELL**  
**GET HOME SAFELY**

## Doylestown Health

Join us for the grand opening of "Hospital" by Doylestown Health, a new, interactive exhibit at the Bucks County Children's Museum in New Hope.

Saturday, May 30  
 10 am to Noon  
 Bucks County Children's Museum  
 500 Union Square Drive, New Hope, PA

Enjoy FREE admission from 10 am to Noon!  
 Check out the exhibit, enjoy kids' activities, games, face painting, giveaways and more!

Tour Dates and Hours  
 April 26 – May 30\*  
 Monday\* – Wednesday 10 am – 4 pm  
 Thursday & Friday 10 am – 7 pm  
 Saturday 10 am – 4 pm  
 Sunday Noon – 4 pm  
 \*excluding Memorial Day, May 25

To purchase tickets visit:  
[www.buckscountyledesignerhouse.org](http://www.buckscountyledesignerhouse.org)

### *Our Mission Statement:*

CB Cares Educational Foundation, in partnership with Doylestown Health, the Central Bucks School District, local businesses, and the community, is dedicated to enriching the experience of students through learning grants and 40 Assets-based programs which promote responsible and resilient youth.