

January/February, 2017

The Achiever



Event

Calendar

March 8, 2017

Deadline for the Operation Helping Hand Food Drive

March 15, 2017

Dining for Dollars
At Bertucci's
11 a.m to 11 p.m.
2190 County Line Rd.
Huntingdon Valley, PA
19006

March 16, 2017

ATG OPEN HOUSE
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

March 17, 2017

Half Day for
Students

April 7, 2017

ATG Spring Beef &
Beer
6:30 to 10:30 p.m.
@ Roman Delight
255 E. Street Road
Warminster, PA 18974

**April 10, 2017—
April 14, 2017**

**No School
Closed for
Spring Break**

ATG Participates in “Art on the Move”

For the remainder of the school year, the students at ATG will be working on art projects for Art on the Move.

The project, which was designed to promote art education within the school, displays painting in interested schools around the county. The Bucks County Intermediate Unit (BCIU), who leads the project, has professional movers bring classic artwork to the chosen schools and displays them in a classroom. The students are then invited to observe the artwork. Art on the Move was made possible for ATG through a grant from the BCIU. The grant money will be used to acquire art and crafting materials for the students to use.

ATG students are now in the process of making their own artwork to display using a medium of their choosing,

So far, students have expressed interest in painting and mixed-media collage. Both staff and students are excited about this opportunity, and have already begun drafting their ideas.

For example, Alex Williams, a senior at ATG, is interested in making a painting that represents one of his favorite scenes from the novel “Frankenstein” by Mary Shelley.

“I think that this is a fun opportunity,” says Williams. “It’s going to be cool to see how my painting of one of the scenes from the book turns out.”

After students are done with their work, there will be a showing at ATG for parents, and representatives from the Intermediate Unit. The IU will then choose some of the pieces to display in their building.



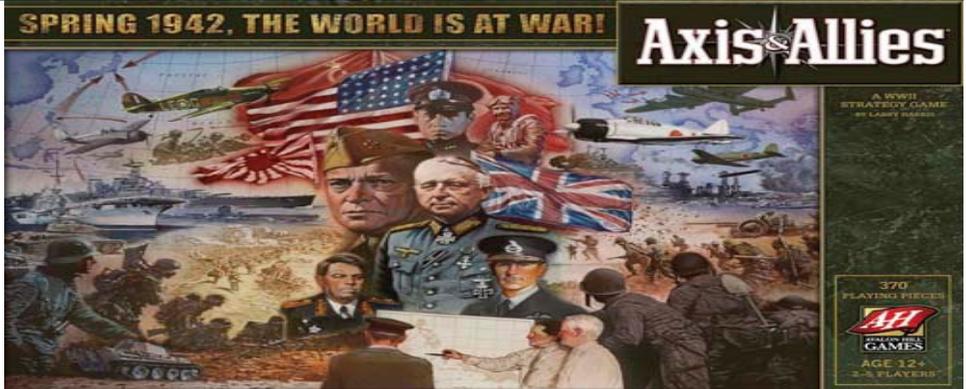
Some of the paintings that are currently being observed at ATG.

The Tabletop Titan Presents: Axis and Allies, Spring 1942

By Ayden O'Donnell

It's a World War II strategy game that is just like risk, only a lot more historically accurate.

You start out by picking which country you want to play as, and then place the troops on the appropriate spots on the map. You then roll to see who goes first. The object of the game is to defeat the enemy armies and claim



victory over their territories. Players can do this by building factories and infrastructure, which then boosts their economy. With the “points” that you earn from having a strong economy, you can train troops, build tanks, and make planes and ships.

Each piece of your army

has its own movement speed and attack and damage. You can determine if you win a fight by rolling dice and beating the roll of your opponent.

It took us a couple weeks to play this game. But it was worth it. And no, the Axis powers didn't win this time either...

Did You Know?

TRIPS (Technology, Research, information, and Public Speaking)

By David Howell

Reading and Writing have always been indispensable to the academic curriculum. Over the course of the past several decades, a new environment has emerged wherein these fundamental skills are applied. We, at ATG

Learning Academy, recognize that the internet has become indispensable to society. So much of what we do on the Internet is based in reading and writing. For a number of years now, in order to prepare our students for the world, we have offered a special English course called TRIPS: Technology, Research, Information and Public Speaking.

TRIPS is a course that provides students with the tools to make the most of the Internet, while also teaching the skills of research composition. In the first tri-

mester, students work with Inspiration; a computer program that allows students to graphically organize research from the Internet into outlines and diagrams. In the second trimester, the students begin to craft research compositions. Students also learn important skills in academic integrity and how to avoid plagiarism. In the final trimester, the students; plan, develop and deliver a slideshow presentation to the class about a topic of his/her choosing. The TRIPS course gives our students the tools to make the most of the wealth of information that is the Internet.



Private, Nonprofit By Alex Williams 2/16/17

The Last Word

“Love takes off the masks that we fear we cannot live without and know we cannot live within.” —James Baldwin

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