



## FROM THE DESK OF MR. MCPEAKE

Well, here we are at Spring Break, and hopefully, the worst is behind us. When I say the worst, I mean Covid, snow, absenteeism, tardies (to school and class), rude and disrespectful behavior, vapes, and all the other things that students do that get themselves a free visit to my office.



All jokes aside, I have been very pleased with how our students have handled all the changes that we all have been through this year. We must finish strong. Please do not let up and continue to conduct yourselves the way that you did in the first semester.

We will all get through this together, and we will be stronger for it.

Respect, Trust, Honor,



## SPECIAL EDITION

Due to the "snow-cation" last month and Spring Break this month, we have combined the February and March issues of The Wingspan. This month's issue includes Black History Month, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Spring Break, snow days, and more. We are also featuring twice as many student Spotlights AND **the chance to win a dress-down day**. We hope you enjoy this special edition!

## CCHS CLUB NEWS



**Project LIT** met during January and February. Students and teachers who participated enjoyed donuts and juice as they discussed the monthly books. January's book was Dear Justyce, the follow up to October's book, Dear Martin. Last month's book was They Both Die at the End, which brought

out some very different opinions. While at least one Project LIT member did not enjoy the book at all, Freshman Emma Gilbert says, "I loved this book so much. The characters had so much depth, and there was a fairly diverse cast. At times, it was hard to keep up with some of the background characters, but all of the main characters were easy to differentiate and love. The dry humor in the midst of impending doom was perfect." March's book is I'm Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter. Copies are available in the library. Project LIT would love for you to join the conversation!

Nine of the CCHS **FBLA** students recently qualified for this year's State competition, which will be held virtually. Congratulations to the following 1st Place Finishers: Nicholas Gleason (Computer Problem Solving), Caraline Rogers (Accounting II), Ethan Termuhlan (Cyber Security), and Austin Vest (Journalism). Three students placed 2nd in their areas: Emma Clayton (Business Law), Aja Stovall (Agribusiness), and Solomon Smith (Entrepreneurship). Dylan Arnold placed 4th in Economics and Carley Hughes placed 7th in Healthcare Administration. Best of luck as you compete at State!

As their service project this year, **FCCLA** has baked and delivered treats such as cookies, brownies, and cupcakes to different groups, including the CCHS faculty and staff, other local schools, the Board of Education, the Henderson Fire Department, and Head Start.



## CCHS CLUB NEWS (CONTINUED)



**FFA** recently competed in their first 4-H poultry and meat judging competition. There were nine schools represented, with 11 senior high teams. CCHS placed 2nd and 3rd overall and the following students placed in the top ten: Tanner Fowler, Lucas Tucker, and Tyler Wilbanks. Other competitors from CCHS included Colton Hopper, Paul Jones, Will Kemp, Hunter Mims, and Madison Woolfer.

## 2021 GIRLS STATE DELEGATES



Congratulations to Kara Pipkin and Caraline Rogers for being selected as the 2021 Girls State Delegates! This program is offered annually to more than 575 of Tennessee's rising high school seniors and is centered on citizenship, teamwork, and fostering a love of God and country.

## CCHS BAND STANDOUTS

Seniors Edmund Brumback, who plays tuba, and Solomon Smith, who plays trombone, were recently selected for All West Regional Honor Band. This is a huge honor and a reflection of their hard work and dedication to their craft.



## ISAAC GREGORY: CANCER FREE!

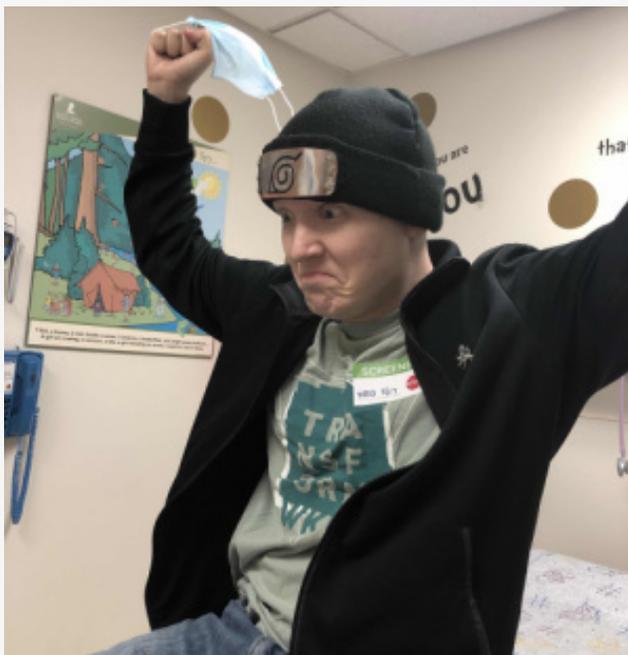
### BY JADEN FRAME AND AMBER GARNER

Last month, The Wingspan featured an article about Isaac Gregory, a senior at CCHS and member of the CCHS Marching Band. Last summer, Isaac was diagnosed with a rare type of cancer called Ewing's Sarcoma. Surgery was not an option because of where the tumor was placed. On June 25, he was admitted to St. Jude for his first round of chemotherapy. He recently completed his 13th round of chemo, and on March 17, Isaac received the wonderful news that he is officially CANCER FREE! Isaac hopes to return to CCHS soon and finish his



senior year with his friends. He has not been able to attend school since we dismissed last March due to the pandemic.

Our newspaper staff decided to hold a fundraiser for Isaac and his family to help out with the many expenses they have had. A "Dress Down for Isaac" day was organized where students could pay to wear jeans and hoodies. Our goal was \$500. On the day of the fundraiser, so many of our students, faculty, and staff donated extra money and some who didn't even dress down still made



generous contributions. By the time the 8:00 bell rang, \$918 had been raised. An announcement was made asking everyone to help raise \$82 to reach \$1,000. The donations came pouring in and by lunch, the total had grown to \$1,433!

Thank you to everyone who gave to the Gregory family! It was a great day to be part of the CCHS family! We look forward to seeing Isaac in the halls of CCHS soon!

## HOSA COMPETES AT REGIONALS BY BROOKLYN RUSH

Last month, eighteen members of the CCHS HOSA Club competed in the Regional HOSA Competition. Even though there were some restrictions due to COVID-19, everyone still had a great time and did extremely well. Twelve students are going to compete at the State level.

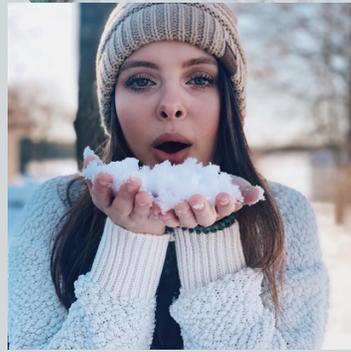
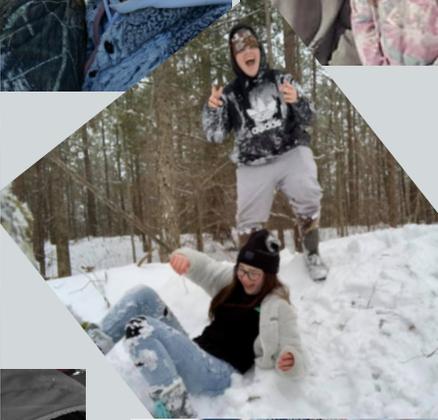
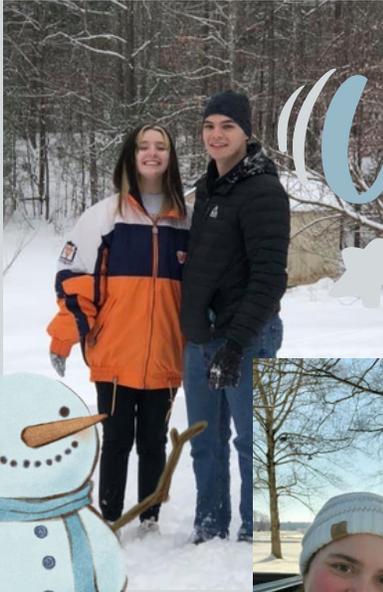
Congratulations to the following: Melina Alexander and Addison Summars (1st Place Health Education), Ireland Knight (1st Place Clinical Nursing), Kaitlyn Greer (1st Place Nursing Assisting), Raamiah Pattenaude (2nd Place Biomedical Lab Science), Maggie Huckaby and Elizabeth Duck (3rd Place CERT - Certified Emergency Response Team), Cassie Newman and Madelyn Wilson (3rd Place CPR/First Aid), and Molly Connor, Riley Haltom, and Rilee Kat Vest (3rd Place Biomedical Debate Team).

Senior Cassie Newman said, "Madelyn and I placed 3rd in regional competitions, which involved much studying to prepare. We are excited to continue onto State, in hopes for the best as we strive to study and work harder to prepare." Senior Kaityln Greer added, "I have never experienced a HOSA competition before. I feel like a lot of the enjoyment was taken out because of COVID restrictions. I still think it was a great experience to have even though it was very limited."

State competition will be held virtually this year and will take place next week during Spring Break. Good luck to everyone, especially Wingspan staff member, Elizabeth Duck.



# Winter Fun



## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT - COLBY KING

BY KATIE NORTHAM

Even though Covid-19 restrictions have affected or cancelled many activities of his senior year, Colby King still had a great time going on FBLA trips. He says, "It was amazing because you get to see all of Chattanooga, eat at amazing restaurants, and meet many people." Colby is also a member of the CCHS tennis team. In his free time, he likes to go hunting. When Colby leaves CCHS he says, "I'll miss the teachers, my friends, the fun classes and all the things the school had before Covid." He will especially miss seeing his "homie," Mr. Harpole. After graduation, Colby plans to attend Jackson State and University of Martin for his business administration degree.



## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT - MARY GRACE BOLTON

BY AMERIAH ROSE



"Participation is a huge part of high school. Join all the clubs, go to all the games, be involved as much as you can." That's Senior Mary Grace Bolton's wise advice to underclassmen. Not only is Mary Grace the Vice President of her class, she is also an Honors Scholar and is a member of Student Health Council, Yearbook Staff, Coding Club, Beta Club and National Honors Society. As her time at CCHS draws to a close, she says, "I will miss seeing people I've grown up with everyday and having classes with them, but I think I will miss lunches with my friends the most." After graduation, she plans to attend Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas and major in Interior Architecture & Design. Mary Grace wants to thank Mr. Johnson and Señor Moore for being her two favorite teachers.

# SENIOR SPOTLIGHT - LUKE NOLES

BY MK MILLER

Senior Luke Jackson Noles has been involved in theatre every year of his high school career and is one of the founders of this year's Eagle Eye News, which he co-hosts with Trenton Sweeney. Luke is also in the Coding Club, which relates to the major he wants to pursue in college. He plans to study computer science as well as theatre at either Harding University or Freed Hardeman. He's unsure of his plans after college, but he says, "I want to go into public relations, and I want to get a pot belly pig."



He shared some rather unique memories from high school: "Melting mannequin heads in the boys dressing room at Williams Auditorium and jumping through windows to avoid makeup." Those definitely need a backstory. Luke was getting ready for his big debut as Crutchie in Chester County's production of Newsies. Sarah Porter, the makeup artist, called Luke over to get his stage makeup for the show, something that everyone, including the boys, is expected to wear. When he resisted, she chased him around until he flung himself out of the window to escape the terrifying cosmetologist.

Luke says that he's going to miss performing at Williams Auditorium, but he may not have to miss his friends since most of them are coming with him if he decides to go to Freed. He says he'll also miss hosting and putting together Eagle Eye News every week.

Luke offers some advice for the underclassmen: "You guys need to find a way to get involved and form relationships with your classmates. High school may be your only chance to get to know the people who go or work there. For me, it was theatre, but it doesn't have to be school related. It could be something as simple as hanging out with friends on a weekly basis." Luke, however, is much more than his wisdom. This is the same man who, when compared to a psychopath, responded, "I prefer the term 'eccentric.'"

# TREASURE'S LOVE BEARS

BY BRIANNA ARROYO

You may have heard of Treasure's Love Bears, an organization that donates bears to children who are in the hospital. But what you may not know is that this charity is named after CCHS's own Treasure Thaxton and is run by Treasure and her family.

Treasure, who is a senior, was born three months premature. Friends and family members sent stuffed bears to her. The family decided to pay it forward and help brighten the day for children who are in the hospital. According to their Facebook, "Treasure's Love Bears' uplifting mission provides sick children in the local hospital and children in need with the unconditional love of a teddy bear." Treasure and her family deliver bears to children who are sick and spend time visiting them.

Volunteering is important to the Thaxton family. Treasure says she likes visiting the children in the hospitals and seeing the smiles on their faces. "It is important to volunteer," she says, "because it is good to help other people and make their day."

Though COVID-19 restrictions have required changes in delivery this year, that hasn't stopped Treasure and her family from working on their mission. Treasure says, "You can't go into the hospitals, but there have been people who get the bears for us and give them to the kids."

For her service, Treasure has been recognized on several occasions. She has received letters of commendation from Tennessee Governor Bill Lee and U.S.



Senator Marsha Blackburn, She was a semifinalist for the 2021 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards for which she received a bronze medallion. Later this year, she will also receive a Volunteer Service Award on behalf of President Joe Biden.

CCHS is fortunate to have such a "treasure" representing us.



## ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT - CORDAISHA REDDICK

### BY GRACE INGRAM

Cordaisha Reddick is already making big plans for her future. She hopes to someday attend the University of Tennessee at Martin. She says, "Plans for my career are yet to be decided, I'm stuck between law or medical school."

Fortunately, she has plenty of time to make her decision since she is just a freshman here at CCHS. Cordaisha is a hard worker who manages to maintain a 3.5 GPA while also participating in the band, playing basketball, and cheering with the CCHS squad.



Cordaisha looks forward to band each day and says, "This is something I've been doing since I was in the 6th grade, and I've just kind of fallen in love with music since then." Band is also one of her most challenging classes because she is learning new material like rhythms and beats everyday. She enjoys the challenge, though, because she wants to continue improving. She also enjoys Algebra since she is good at it. She says, "Mr. Arnold makes understanding it fun."

Cordaisha believes success in high school is obtainable for anyone, "as long as you're focused on your priorities." And while she doesn't think hanging out with popular people is most important, she does warn against hanging out with the "wrong crowd." "Stay out of the mix with bad people," she advises. "They'll throw you off more than anything else could. Stay on top of your work as best as you can and just keep working toward your goals. The days you feel you don't have any motivation to keep going, don't stop. I promise it'll be worth it."



**CCHS Test Window:  
April 26 - May7**

# ACADEMIC SPOTLIGHT - HANNAH RICH

BY PEYTON GRISWELL



Freshman Hannah Rich's life is a balancing act. While she keeps up with her extracurricular activities such as being in HOSA and playing volleyball and softball, she still somehow manages to maintain an impressive 4.0 GPA despite challenging classes like Algebra.

Hannah especially enjoys her Health Science, World History, and Art courses. She says, "Health Science gives me valuable information for the future and also gives me basic health knowledge. Art

has helped me develop my artistic style and appreciate how hard the artists worked." She also credits Mr. Caz Williams for making World History entertaining. Hannah enjoys math, although it doesn't come to her as easily as other subjects.

As for her short-term goals, Hannah says she hopes to improve in volleyball with the help of her coach and teammates. In the future, she plans to attend college to possibly become a doctor and specialize in sports medicine. "But then again," she says, "I'm only a freshman so none of this is set in stone."

Hannah encourages others to try their best at everything "even if the results don't come out the way you want." She continues, "There is always room for improvement and don't be afraid to get help. You also need to branch off and try new things because you never know what will come of it. Don't be scared to rely on others and provide support to those who need it. Mistakes are inevitable and failure is okay."

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# MY PLAYLIST - VALENTINE'S EDITION

## BY JHA'KYLA BUCHANAN

In honor of Valentine's Day, this playlist is dedicated to love...well, more like falling out of love or wishing you were in love. Here are some great songs to listen to after a breakup or if you're looking for love.

**"Since U Been Gone by Kelly Clarkson"** - The lyrics of this Grammy-winning song make it clear that it's about a boy who completely screwed up. Plus, the song is very catchy.

**"Irreplaceable" by Beyonce** - I chose this song about dumping a bad boyfriend because it is one of my favorites. I can relate to every one of the lyrics.

**"Love Songs" by Kaash Paige** - I listen to this song on a regular basis because I relate to the lyrics. Plus her voice is so soothing.

**"I Wished You Loved Me" by Tynisha Keli** - I chose this song because it's really catchy. She has mixed feelings about the guy she wants to love her.

## YOU MAY NOT BELIEVE THIS...



January's story was shared by Ms. Brittney Bennett who was charged by a moose on her 9th birthday! Life in Alaska is much different than here in Tennessee!

Can you figure out which faculty or staff member shared this month's fun fact about their life? Email your correct answer or guess to Mrs. Amber Garner and win a **DRESS-DOWN DAY!**

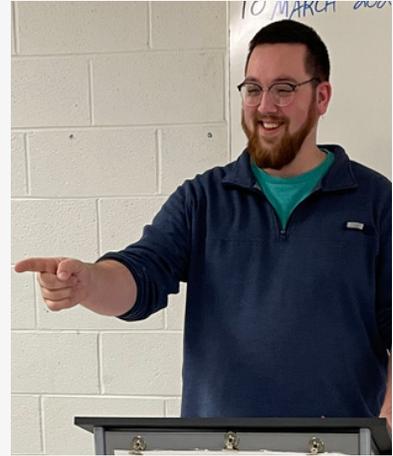
Who said: "When I was in 7th grade, I had to jump from a second-story window of our house because of a fire! I survived with a broken foot, which still gives me problems all these years later."

# TEACHER OF THE MONTH - JONATHAN PATEL

## BY HUNTER PERRY

When it comes to his students, Mr. Jonathan Patel is a kind and thoughtful teacher who is passionate about learning. He says, "When students enter my classroom, I want them to feel that they are the most important people in my world doing the most important thing in the world."

Mr. Patel is in his 4th year at CCHS and currently teaches 9th grade English teacher. He also has two credit recovery classes he works with.



Like many teachers, Mr. Patel was inspired to teach by his own high school teachers. At first, he actually thought he would go into the medical field and possibly pursue a career in occupational therapy. But his strong passion for learning, reading, writing and performing led him in a different direction. He credits his English teachers for encouraging his passion in literature and planting the seed of teaching. "One day, while I was in the library helping a fellow student with English IV," he says, "the librarian, Mrs. Smith, commented, 'You really love teaching and helping people don't you?' A realization struck me like a thunderbolt." Mr. Patel realized he did enjoy teaching, and Mrs. Smith told him that he was good at it. "This compliment provided me with the epiphany that I had been called to teach," he says. "Since then, I have never relented in my pursuit of teaching literature and writing."

Mr. Patel graduated from University of Tennessee in Martin with a degree in Secondary Education-English, and he's currently working on his Masters and Doctoral degree in English Pedagogy from Murray State University.

For Mr. Patel, it is not the students that present his biggest challenge, but rather the state-level testing and standards that he feels sometimes get in the way of learning. But the challenges are worth the hard work. "The most rewarding part of teaching is watching students get excited about what they are learning, and finding the students who share a common interest and passion for learning," he says. "That spark in the eye, and the burst of creativity or intellect, makes the whole day worth it."

# TATTOO TABOO - INK IN THE WORKPLACE

BY ANNA HOWELL



Many in society are judgmental about tattoos and tend to stereotype the people who have them. Some people have meaningful tattoos while others have fun characters or intricate designs. For the longest time, tattoos have been somewhat taboo. Many places of work, including some schools, have strict policies about visible tattoos because it has traditionally been considered “unprofessional.” With time, these mindsets have changed somewhat, as it’s much more common to see someone with tattoos today. It's now estimated that around 145 million Americans have at least one tattoo.

Tattoos are often seen as irresponsible and unprofessional, or even as a sign of rebellion. Some employers will choose to not hire someone based on their tattoo, which is discriminatory. Tattoos are a form of self expression and should not be a reason to not hire someone, unless the tattoos are vulgar or offensive in nature. Tattoos are not a reflection of someone's character and having one tattoo--or even ten--doesn't affect someone's ability to properly do their job.

At CCHS, the tattoo policy for both students and teachers is to keep them covered. Danielle Wilkerson, who has several tattoos, is one of at least a dozen CCHS faculty and staff with ink. In a recent interview, she said, “I feel that there is still a stigma associated with having tattoos, that you are a 'bad' person if you have them. So in turn, if you have tattoos you must not be a good example. The stigma seems to have lessened over the past ten years or so, but it is still present, especially in more conservative areas.” The stigma around tattoos does seem to be more predominant in areas such as the Bible Belt since many churches do not approve of tattoos.

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One teacher I spoke with said, "I understand why I have to keep my tattoos covered. However, I do not necessarily agree with it. I feel that just because I have tattoos does not make me any less of a teacher. My tattoos do not define my skills, my intelligence, or my strengths. Tattoos hold no bearing on my ability to do my job."

Some jobs are very strict on their policies for tattoos, Julie Young-McKee, a local nurse, said her tattoos must be covered for work and that she may not use a bandage. Instead, she has to use makeup and clothing. Many jobs have rules prohibiting visible tattoos. Amanda Doss is the general manager for a hotel. The official policy is that tattoos are not to be visible, but she said that the company is pretty lax with the policy.

Doss, however, is mindful as to how her tattoos may be perceived. "If I am representing the hotel to the public or others, I tend to keep them covered." she said. "But that's just a personal decision."



Other workplaces, including some school systems, have a much more relaxed policy. Jonathan Clayton, an elementary school teacher in Memphis said, "I honestly don't know the written policy, but both myself and the administration have visible tattoos. I also have several ear and facial piercings, stretched ear lobes, and my hair is currently purple. None of these have proven to be a problem."

Whenever workplaces cease to reinforce the stigma surrounding tattoos, then hopefully at some point the rest of society will start seeing it as more acceptable. Tattoos are not a direct reflection of someone's ability to do their job, nor are they a reflection of character. Tattoos are just another form of self expression and should not be reason enough to judge or discriminate against an individual, especially one who is trying to work and be a productive member of society.

## CTE SPOTLIGHT - IRELAND KNIGHT



According to Mrs. Ginger McPherson, senior Ireland Knight is an exceptional student. "Not only does she excel academically," Mrs. McPherson says, "she also demonstrates the characteristics needed for a healthcare provider such as teamwork, dependability, and trustworthiness."

According to Ireland, Mrs. Jessica Emerson influenced her to change her course of study during her junior year. She now excels in the CCHS nursing program and recently placed 1st in Clinical Nursing at the Regional HOSA competitive events. She will advance to State at the end of this month. Her experience in the nursing program will prepare her for the future. Ireland says, "I enjoy learning about all the ways we can help people and really understanding the body." During the COVID 19 pandemic, Ireland started working at a long-term care facility in order to gain patient knowledge and skills.

After graduation, Ireland plans to attend Jackson State Community College. "I plan to get my RN by the time I'm 20," she says. "Then I would like to get my BSN. I may go on to be a nurse practitioner, but I haven't decided yet."

Ireland offers this advice to other students who wish to be successful: "Do dual enrollment. It may be hard, but you can get done with your prerequisite classes and go straight into whatever course you want to be in."



### DID YOU KNOW...

Since 1962, part of the Chicago River has been dyed green every year in honor of St. Patrick's Day. The endeavor involves 40 pounds of powdered dye!

## CTE SPOTLIGHT - HANNA MALONE

### BY DEVIN AUSTIN



Junior Hannah Malone has proven herself to be an excellent choice for CTE Spotlight during her tenure here, both academically and otherwise. Mr. Derald Swain says, "Hannah is my hardest working student this year. Over the past three years, she has exceeded the standard in Criminal Justice and sets the example for her classmates."

Hannah says that what she likes most about her program is "the hands on activities and classroom atmosphere." She also says that Mr. Swain, is a big inspiration to her: "He has done an amazing job creating a fun criminal justice learning program."

According to Hannah, she has learned skills that will benefit her in all areas of her life. She says, "I've learned how to think outside the box, how to obtain the information I need."

In addition to excelling in the criminal justice program, Hannah is also a member of the CCHS soccer team. She plans to continue her education after graduation and attend a university to study forensics. Mr. Swain says, "Hannah will definitely succeed in the Criminal Justice field if she chooses."

## TEEN THEATRE RETURNS TO CHESTER COUNTY

After a one-year hiatus thanks to COVID-19, CCHS students were back on stage this month in the Henderson Community Teen Theater's production of Anatomy of Gray, directed by Mrs. Mary Hicks.



# WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

BY DANIELLE BREWER

Valentine's Day is the most notorious holiday for inspiring couples to be lovey-dovey, while crushing the hearts of singles everywhere. When you hear Valentine's Day, you probably think about chocolate, candy hearts, and all things romantic, but is the holiday really romantic? While the traditional concept says yes, one needs to really know the history of Valentine's Day to understand the question.



The Roman Emperor, Claudius Gothicus, was a very ambitious ruler that sent his men away from home for long periods of time. This lowered the soldiers' morale as they missed their wives dearly. This weakness angered the emperor and he banned marriages to prevent people from being in love. Saint Valentine, a Roman priest, refused to obey such a rule and married the young couples in secret. When the emperor discovered this "treachery," he imprisoned Valentine and sentenced him to death. The story goes that the young couples he had blessed visited the preacher in his holding cell. Valentine ended up falling in love with a woman and exchanging letters through the bars. He signed his letters, "Your Valentine." In the end, Valentine was executed, but his efforts have exceeded his life span.

So, is Valentine's day romantic? Literally? No. It was a day meant to celebrate a rebellious preacher. Figuratively and emotionally? Yes. It's a day that celebrates a man who sacrificed his own life to defy the cruel bearings of an emperor so that others would hopefully live on after him with their spouses. No matter who you are or how you perceive relationships, you have someone or something in your life that you love. Valentine's story shows that love has always been able to win, even in the darkest times, and that in itself is a very romantic ideal. We may not be rushing into battle for our beloveds or opposing an emperor, but we still find ways to express our feelings through gifts or just showing our loved ones that we care in our own little ways.

# CCHS SHINING STARS

## BY HALEY SIMPSON



Nice and caring; these are the two words I would use to describe **Carsha Woods**. In fact, she says she hopes everyone knows she is a good person.

Carsha is also a typical teen and her friends are important to her. She enjoys spending time with them at school and going on rides with them.

She also likes to watch television when she has free time.

Carsha's favorite teacher is Mrs. Irwin. She says, "Mrs. Irwin is good at helping and her class is fun." This particular class, which is cooking, is also Carsha's favorite.

After she graduates from high school, Carsha would like to become a hairstylist. know that she is a good person.

**Marico Palmer** is a friendly guy who says he makes a point to stand up for others and tell people when they're wrong.

Marico says his favorite part about coming to school is the drive. Once he gets here, he enjoys history class. He says his favorite teacher is Mrs. Hatch. "She is funny and helpful," he says.

In his free time, Marico likes to hang out with his friends. After he graduates from high school, Marico would like to be a truck driver.



# A SADDLE'S JOURNEY

## A SHORT STORY BY DANIELLE BREWER

The scent of old leather and grain fills my senses as I open the door to the old shed. I flip the light switch and my gaze immediately moves to the saddle stands towards the back of the shed. My favorite saddle is neatly placed upon its saddle rack with a bridle lazily hanging from its horn. Its black and red leather shines brilliantly after it was cleaned and polished.



The old saddle is the link between an old world and the new. A world that treasured horses as companions or a means of transportation. A world before iron horses won the hearts of all the former riders. A history that only the saddle can retell with the scratches, scuffs, and the places along the leather where pieces of silver were lost over the years.

Its history tells of a boy who ran away from home because of the hatred and anger he felt from the very man who was supposed to love him at age sixteen, with the old saddle in tow. He carried the old saddle with him when he fled from his old home on the mountain tops of West Virginia. He did not know where he would go and made many mistakes along the way.

His anger festered and built up as the years went by. He became cold and though he was lonely, he would not stay in one place for long. A hot headed young man would soon find himself in trouble with the law and would spend a few years in the military. He did many things while enlisted, including; jumping out of airplanes, traveling to other countries, and getting to keep a sword that was given to him during his enlistment. A sword that today hangs above a mantle as a memoir to the days of his youth.

The man found himself a suitor, or so he thought. This union would not last long as the pair only clashed. Two children were the only evidence that a relationship ever even existed. A son and a daughter. Grief would find the man when his son dies in a motorcycle wreck. The daughter would plant her roots in the marshes of Louisiana. **(continued)**

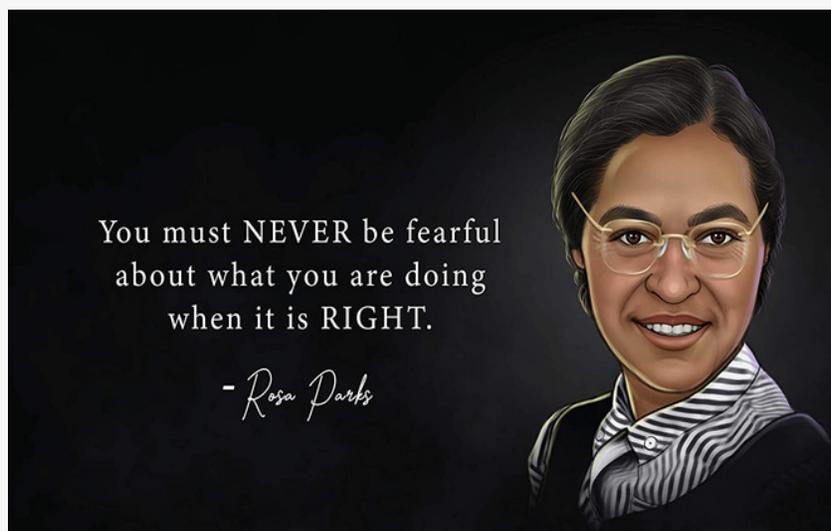
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Another marriage, another mistake. Once again, the man found himself in a relationship that he did not favor. The woman was not the nicest as she only looked for ways to torture the man.

He was nomadic for years before finding his way to Tennessee where he met the woman who would end his search for a place he could call home. The saddle made many journeys with the man, even when he taught his daughter how to ride for the first time with the same passion that he had developed during his youth.

That man is eighty now and spending his twilight years tending to a garden and occasionally swearing at the dog for tearing something up or watching old westerns with a tortoiseshell cat curled up in his lap. The man can no longer ride, so the saddle was retired to the old shed where it would rest until the next generation pulled it from the clutter.

I run my fingers across the hard and slick leather that falls down to the side of the rack. I cleaned it and spent many hours restoring the old saddle to its former glorious form. The saddle has become a personal treasure for me, because of the history it has to tell. The day I pulled it out of the shed, my grandfather told me about the stories he had with the old saddle. His memory was not the best, but that day he was able to retell the stories of his youth. At some points, you can hear the gritting sound his teeth made when he mentioned his father.



## TAKE PRIDE IN CCHS

Custodian Appreciation Day is on October 2, but we shouldn't wait until then to show our school custodians that we appreciate all of the hard work they do to keep CCHS looking good. And while they would undoubtedly appreciate a kind word or card of thanks, the best way to show appreciation is to do our part in keeping our school clean.

Sweeping and mopping floors, emptying garbage cans, and cleaning bathrooms are all part of their job descriptions, but our custodians often find themselves cleaning up messes that were made deliberately or are the result of students' carelessness. There is no reason that we should make their jobs harder and add additional tasks to their daily work.

Please be considerate and help keep CCHS looking good. Here are some areas where you can help:



Parking Lots - When visitors arrive at CCHS, one of the first things they see is the parking lot. If you arrive at school early, you have probably seen some of our custodians picking up garbage that students have tossed from their vehicles. Regardless of the weather--hot or cold or even rainy--they make sure that the

exterior of our school makes a good first impression by keeping the parking lot free of trash. You can help by keeping garbage in your car until you find a trash can. Don't be lazy and inconsiderate (or just gross!). The ground is not a dumpster and our custodians should not have to clean up the mess you leave behind when you leave each afternoon.

Bathrooms - Students often complain about bathrooms being locked between classes. What they may not realize is that sometimes it is necessary to lock them so that the custodians can clean up after students have trashed or even vandalized the restrooms. Custodians' duties include keeping toilets, sinks and floors clean and refilling toilet paper and paper towels in multiple bathrooms. Students trashing bathrooms hinders our custodians from working on their assigned responsibilities and also shuts down much needed stalls and bathrooms during class changes. When you go to the restroom, do your business and leave things the way you found them. **(continued)**

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General - Whether you're sitting in class, walking down the hall, or eating in the cafeteria, take care of the spaces around you. Pick up your garbage. If you spill something, clean it up or notify an adult if you need a mop. Don't leave food in the floor or on desks. And if you see something that needs to be thrown away, pick it up--even if it isn't yours. Be part of the solution, not the problem.

Our custodians are such an important part of our CCHS family. There are so many things they do that many of us don't even think about. Challenge yourself to do more to show them your appreciation, both by your words and your actions. Be considerate to these men and women who take care of us on a daily basis.

Thank you to our custodial staff: Jeanette Arnold, Julius Cole, Bob Dempsey, Melissa Murley, and Andrea Murley. We appreciate you and all that you do each and every day!

## DID YOU KNOW?

St. Patrick's Day began as a celebration of the patron saint of Ireland and has been observed for almost 1,000 years; however, St. Patrick wasn't actually Irish. He was brought to the Emerald Isle when he was kidnapped and enslaved. Though he eventually



escaped, he returned and spread Christianity throughout the island. Legend says he drove snakes from Ireland but it's believed the country never had the reptiles

Because of immigration, St. Patrick's Day is now celebrated worldwide, with participants eating corned beef and cabbage, attending parades, and, of course, wearing green. But why green when St. Patrick was actually associated with the color blue? Well, it's not to make you invisible to leprechauns so that they can't pinch you. Green is one of three colors in the Irish flag and represents Irish nationalism and loyalty to country.

# TEACHER OF THE MONTH - JEFF HALTOM

BY HALEY HEENAN

Albert Einstein once said, "It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge." It would not surprise me (aside from the obvious time difference) to find out that this quote was written with Mr. Jeff Haltom in mind.

Mr. Haltom, who has been teaching for 23 years, is the CCHS Visual Arts I and II, Media Arts II, and Photography teacher. He has a Bachelors in Arts and a Masters in Education. But degrees

and a good education are not the only thing that make him an effective teacher. Students love him because he is dedicated to both educating his students and helping them grow. He says a good teacher has "a genuine love for your subject and a desire to see younger generations gain confidence in the skill you're teaching them." As a student of his, I can't help but concur that that is something he embodies in his classes everyday.

What inspired Mr. Haltom to be a teacher? Well, it began in college with his instructor, Terry Thatcker, "He just had the best time teaching, and he was super cool about it," Mr. Haltom says. "He was so laid back and relaxed and he truly enjoyed spending time with us." Mr. Haltom says that he decided he would be like that, too. Personally, I think he accomplished that goal.

However, like everything, teaching has its highs and lows. He says the most challenging part of teaching is "overcoming the self-doubt that sometimes creeps in when you feel you're not doing enough for your students." Although there will inevitably be hard days and moments of insecurity, like two sides of the same coin, there are equal moments of reward and triumph. The most rewarding of those moments he says is "seeing a student achieve something that they never thought they could achieve. It's a moment that you can see in their eyes, and it is easily the coolest feeling in the world."

In his spare time, Mr. Haltom enjoys acting (he's been in several movies and a TV show), collecting comic books, and vacationing with the family unit, including his wife and their three sons,

Luckily for us, Mr. Haltom ended up here, at his alma mater; this school certainly wouldn't be the same without him, and we could not appreciate him more.



# AMANDA GORMAN MAKES HISTORY

## BY MIA DYER

Amanda Gorman was born in Los Angeles, California in 1998. She was raised solely by her mother, Joan Wicks, and she has two siblings. Gorman describes her younger self as a “weird child” who found a passion in reading and writing. What many may not know; however, is that she has an auditory processing disorder and is hypersensitive to sound. She also had a speech impediment during childhood. She participated in speech therapy as a child and has said that she doesn't view her impediment as a crutch but rather as a gift and a strength



because experiencing those hardships helped her improve her reading and writing skills.

Amanda Gorman, like Robert Frost and Maya Angelou before her, was chosen as President Biden's inaugural poet. She was assigned with writing a poem about unity and produced, “The Hill We Climb.” This is significant because Amanda is the youngest inaugural poet in history and was also named the first National Youth Poet Laureate. She also has had to speak in a time like none the country has seen in several years, a no doubt arduous task, especially with the added pressure of countless eyes watching her.



“The Hill We Climb” is an amazing and inspiring poem, and one the country needed to hear. This poem is admirable in that it does not sugarcoat or gloss over the issues we are facing in America. After all, this poem was not even finished until after the riots on the Capitol. She discusses the flaws with our nation and spares no detail. However, there is also a hopeful message in this poem about righting our wrongs together as a nation. She talks about leaving the nation better than we had found it and about how this is an era of redemption. I have no real critique of this poem, in part because I am

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not experienced in the world of poetry, but also because this poem is of such great quality that anything I would criticize would take away from the work. Overall, I think this poem is phenomenal and believe it to be the perfect poem that America needed in the times we live in now.

Since her reading of, "The Hill We Climb" Gorman has received praise from all around the world which has helped earn her huge presales to her three upcoming books. She also has been contacted by IMG for a modeling contract and received a reading spot for the Superbowl in January. Lastly, Gorman plans to run for president in 2036, the year in which she will be the minimum age required to run. She had always dreamed of being president, but Kamala Harris's win as vice president helped solidify her plan.



## **FAST FACTS - BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

### **COMPILED BY JADEN FRAME**

- Nine months before Rosa Parks, fifteen-year-old Claudette Colvin refused to give up her seat at the front of an Alabama bus.
- Thomas L. Jennings (1791-1859) was the first African American person to receive a patent in the U.S. for his process that led to modern day dry cleaning.
- Halle Berry was the first African American to win an Academy award for Best Actress in a Leading Role for her role in Monster's Ball. That was two decades ago!
- Aretha Franklin was not only the first African American woman inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, but the first woman, period.
- Cathay Williams became the first and only female Buffalo soldier in 1866. She would pose as a male for two years until a doctor discovered that she was a woman, which led to her immediate discharge.

## GOOD HUMAN AWARD

BY HAYLE BATLES & ELIZABETH DUCK

We have some students here at CCHS who are admired by both their peers and their teachers. These students have positive attitudes and are hard workers. They are often involved in different aspects of school life and in their community. They are what we at The Wingspan simply call a “good human.” This month we'd like to recognize two members of our CCHS family: Maggie Huckaby and Evan Eads.



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Sophomore **Maggie Huckaby** has a 4.0 GPA and is a member of HOSA, NEHS, BETA, and the CCHS soccer team. Outside of school she is active in the youth group at n Faith Baptist Church.

Maggie says, “My favorite class is medical Therapeutics. Mrs Coates is a great teacher and I love learning about my future career field.” Maggie’s most challenging class is geometry,, though she feels the challenge is beneficial. “He [Mr. Beaver] makes us

think and pushes us to do our best and grow,” she says.

Maggie's teachers think highly of her. Mrs. Ginger McPherson, her golf coach and HOSA instructor says, “Maggie is one of the most respectful students that I have met. She is studious and always willing to help others. She likes to be involved in organizations and just recently she placed third in the Certified Emergency response team for HOSA. She also plays on the golf team and is always willing to help her teammates out and show good sportsmanship qualities! She definitely deserves this award!”

After graduation, Maggie hopes to go to college and become a veterinarian; however. she says she has one main goal in life: “I want to honor God in everything I do.”

Senior **Evan Eads** also has a 4.0 GPA, to go with his very busy schedule. Evan has shown leadership as a captain on the CCHS tennis team, a board member of the Student Health Council, and a Healthy Living Ambassador for 4-H. He is also a member of HOSA, BETA, and NEHS and a member of Englewood Baptist Church, **(continued)**

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Mr. Mike Showers, CCHS tennis coach, says, "Evan is the kind of person that makes everyone around him, student or adult, feel important. He always has a smile and a positive attitude. He is always the first to jump at the opportunity to volunteer. Just an all around good human."



As far as his favorite classes, Evan says, "All in all it's hard to nail down all my favorite classes because the teachers have made my time in high school enjoyable." He says he enjoys Mrs. Jessica Emerson's Anatomy and Physiology class, especially the dissections. He also admires Mr. Andrew Johnson for his desire to see all of his students succeed and Mrs. Teresa Crouse for making her class fun and interesting.

Despite his excellent grades, Evan says there have been challenges along the way: "Mrs. Williams in Honors English III made us all think outside the box. Mr. Brown from World History exposed us to a lot of concepts that challenged our understanding of history."

Not only is Evan involved in school activities but he's also involved in his community. He helps with food bank distributions, the annual Back-to-School Bash, Red Ribbon Week, Donuts with Dads, and the Henderson Barbecue Festival.

After graduation, Evan plans to attend college and study either the medical field or education. He says his philosophy on life is the Bible verse Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." He believes this applies to him and "everyone who walks this planet."

Just Be a Good Human



Help wherever you can  
Love as many as you can  
Give as often as you can

## CCHS STAFF SPOTLIGHT - LIBERTY BAILEY

### BY SCARLETT WEBB

If you pick up your breakfast from the Grab & Go cart near the gym each morning before you begin your school day, you've probably been greeted by a small woman with a big smile...and an even bigger heart. Her name is Mrs. Liberty Bailey.

Mrs. Liberty was born and raised in the Philippines, where she was the second youngest out of five children. She says they were a poor family but that they were happy which was most important. After high school, she went to college; however, she couldn't finish her degree due to financial hardship. She eventually immigrated to America. She says she is thankful for her husband and all that she has.



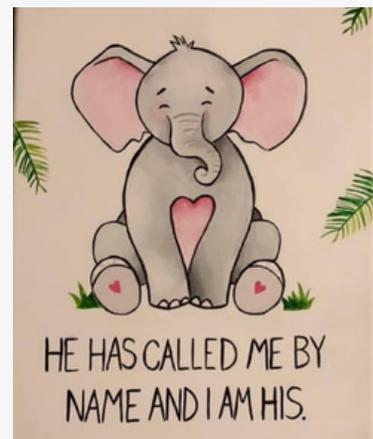
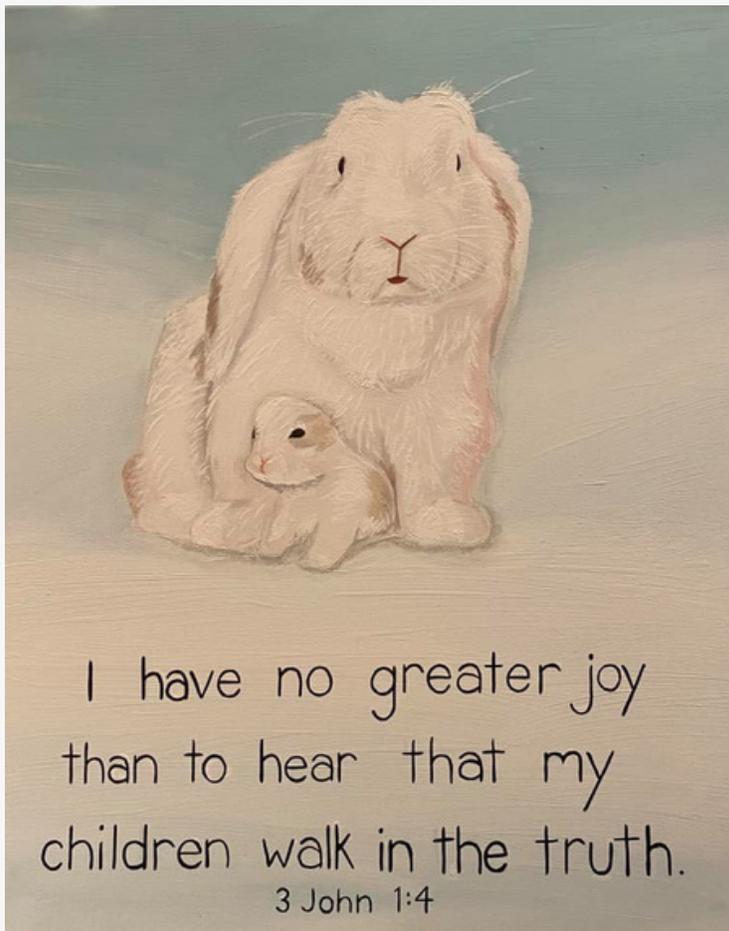
Mrs. Liberty works in the CCHS cafeteria. In addition to her breakfast duties, she is also the vegetable chef for lunch. She says what she likes most about her job is the fellowship and teamwork with her co-workers and her manager, as well as getting to know others in the school such as the students, faculty, and staff. "It's very rewarding to see the smiles and hear the compliments on the service we provide," she says. The challenging part of her job is trying to make sure each meal is "tasty, satisfying, and ready to serve on time."

Mrs. Amber Garner says that she appreciates Mrs. Liberty's kindness and her dedication to serving our teachers and students. "Honestly, there are mornings when I arrive at school in a grouchy mood," Mrs. Garner says, "Mrs. Liberty always greets me. Her cheerfulness reminds me that I need to adjust my attitude before I greet my students. I leave her cart with both breakfast and a smile."

Mrs. Liberty is thankful to be a part of the CCHS family. She says she feels privileged to have the opportunity to work with what she calls "an amazing group of people." and thinks of the CCHS family as a second home and her own, extended, family. We here at CCHS are certainly happy to call her one of our own.

## ARTISTIC LICENSE

Last month, The Wingspan featured an incredible drawing of Vice-President Kamala Harris, created by CCHS senior and Wingspan staff member, MK Miller. Over the past several months, she has also provided the paper with editorial cartoons and has shared her business endeavors, including personalized Christmas ornaments. Recently, MK was commissioned to create the paintings below for two nurseries.



Not only is MK a talented artist, she is also involved in theatre, both on stage and behind the scenes. She has worked with the Eagle Eye news show this year and created the faculty/staff Christmas video year, a fun montage set to Mariah Carey's "All I Want for Christmas (Is You)."

MK was recently awarded the 2021 Artist Award in Theatre by Freed Hardenan University, where she will attend school in the fall.

# COVID AND BASKETBALL

## BY STEPHANIE GUTIERREZ

COVID-19 has affected almost every aspect of our lives, and sports have not been exempt. Though the Governor lifted restrictions in February, which allowed spectators and cheerleaders to attend basketball games, the first part of the season was much different--and quieter.

When interviewed earlier in the season, CCHS girls' basketball player Daisy Mcmanus said, "Basketball has definitely felt different with and without restrictions. Although the actual playing of the game has not changed, the



atmosphere at games has evolved as the time has gone on. When restrictions were added, only parents and immediate relatives were allowed to come to the games. Initially, we were disappointed, which is to be expected. This eliminated a lot of

the excitement that comes along with having fans to cheer you on and the adrenaline of hearing a cheering fan section. We played well without fans, but with an audience to cheer us on, we are able to thrive under the pressure."

The original restrictions for basketball games were that everyone had to wear a mask and practice social distancing. Student sections were not allowed. In order to enter the gym, spectators also had to get their temperatures checked. However, the rules changed in mid-January. The Governor's new restrictions did not allow any spectators outside of immediate family members to attend games. Cheerleaders were also not allowed to attend.

Fortunately, once the new guidelines went into effect last month, spectators and cheerleaders returned and a student section was finally allowed. Everyone, including cheerleaders, is still required to wear masks and get their temperatures checked before entering the gym, though.

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McManus said, "It was invigorating to see the community be excited to see us play once the fans were welcomed back, while we can play the sport we love."

Players and cheerleaders tried to make the best of the season, especially those seniors who were playing and cheering their last year.



Last month, senior cheerleader Briley Thomas said, "This year's season has been very hard since we haven't been able to cheer in many games, but I guess me, along with the other seniors, just have to try and make the best of what we have left of our high school cheerleading career."

CCHS basketball player Jariyah Williamson said that even when the season was going pretty good, the games were "kind of boring since there was basically no one there to watch us." She added, "I'm glad we get to finish off our last games with our supporters."

The restrictions also presented challenges and frustrations for coaches. Mrs. Diane Stewart, CCHS cheer coach, said, "Cheering this year has been very challenging with the pandemic going on. We had several schools that didn't allow cheerleaders to come because their gyms aren't big enough. And then of course everything shut down and we had several weeks when we could not cheer at all. We were very happy to get to cheer those last few weeks. Especially for my seniors, I liked for them to finish their senior year out in a positive way."

Hopefully, next season will be more normal and less eventful, at least as far as COVID restrictions go.

# ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

## BY KATIE LOVELACE & BROOKE THOMAS

Many sports have been impacted by COVID restrictions this year, including cheerleading. Fortunately, senior basketball cheerleader **Kasha Hodge** had the opportunity to cheer for part of the season when the Governor lifted restrictions in February. Kasha, who has been on the squad for four years and is a flyer, says that their main goal was to continue to support the basketball teams. "With restrictions, we wanted to be able to enjoy what time we had to cheer."



When asked what qualities she has that make her a good teammate, she says, "I work well with others." To Kasha this most rewarding part of cheering is getting to watch the teams win. "You become very involved and invested in the games through-out each night."



Hardworking, determined, and unselfish. These traits are what make freshman **Jariyah Williamson** a good teammate. Jariyah is a point guard for the girls' basketball and goalie for the girls' soccer team. She has played basketball for eight years but has only played soccer for two.

COVID-19 has presented many challenges for the team this year. "Our [basketball] season has been full of everyone working together to perform the best we can. We have learned it is a 'team' sport and not everyone for themselves."

Jariyah wants to go to state this year for basketball and is looking forward to the next soccer season. "The most rewarding part is making memories with my teammates, just having fun while playing. And winning is always a rewarding part."

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT - ASHLEY JACKSON

BY TANAYA BROOKS

Whether she's working with students one-on-one or handing out tardy slips, Mrs. Ashley Jackson is a busy lady. She has been a paraprofessional at CCHS since October 2017.

Mrs. Ashley is assigned to different classrooms throughout the day to assist with learning. "I give additional help to any student that may need it," she says. "This helps the students keep up without the teacher having to stop in the middle of a lesson." She says she loves every aspect of her job. "It is so hard to just pick one thing. I love being able to get to know the student and watch them as they grow and mature through the years."



Since she works with so many different students, she has to approach her job in different ways. "The most challenging part of my job definitely has to be having so many different personalities and trying to find the best way to connect and help each of them learn in the classrooms," Mrs. Ashley says.



Mrs. Ashley loves being a part of the CCHS family. She says, "I get to be a part of something amazing. Seeing how each person in this school connects with and reaches students on different levels just warms my heart." She believes that the CCHS faculty and staff work together to help each student succeed in all aspects of their life.

In addition to her duties at school, Mrs. Ashley is also pursuing her teaching degree. During her free time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, who is a full time firefighter, and their two daughters, Alyssa and Maddie. She says they love to hunt and be outdoors.

Mrs. Ashley has a great outlook on life and it positively affects her students. "I absolutely love life and try my best to always have a positive attitude, no matter what is going on in my life. I hope that all of my kids--my students--know I will always help them any way that I can."

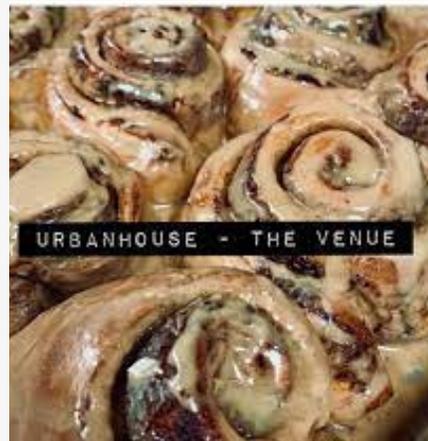
# URBANHOUSE

## REVIEW BY MADISON BREA



UrbanHouse is a small, unique coffee house in Henderson that is known for hand-crafted espresso drinks, cold brew, coffee and special eats and sweets such as tacos and cinnamon rolls. Owners Robin and Matt Bernard opened UrbanHouse in 2018 and have since been providing Henderson with both a delicious menu and a great place to meet friends.

The UrbanHouse menu includes a wide variety of drinks, including coffee, espresso, tea and smoothies. Their "handcrafted eats" menu features everything from bagels to salads to sandwiches like the gourmet grilled cheese and an Italian sandwich called "The Godfather." They also have incredible cinnamon rolls. Prices range anywhere from \$2-5 for drinks and \$3-9 for food.



I had to try out this small business for myself. When I went, I didn't really know what to order, so the woman at the counter made suggestions. I ordered a grilled cheese sandwich and a latte with Mojo. It was absolutely delicious, especially my drink! The people working were kind, and the energy in there was really good. I definitely recommend UrbanHouse to anyone who likes coffee, good food, and a unique atmosphere.

UrbanHouse is located at 113 South Washington, behind the Wifi park. Their dining room is open Monday through Friday from 7 AM to 6 PM and Saturday from 9 AM to 3 PM. The drive thru is open at 6:30 AM during the week and at 8:30 on Saturdays. While they do not provide delivery, they do offer carryout.

# WHY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH IMPORTANT?

BY EMMA GILBERT

In 2013, in response to the acquittal of Trayvon Martin's murderer George Zimmerman, Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors, and Opal Tometi created the movement #BlackLivesMatter to combat systemic racial oppression. This movement is particularly inclusive of black women and black LGBTQ+ individuals, as they have his-



torically been disproportionately persecuted. Since its founding, Black Lives Matter has been used to amplify black people's voices in their fight against racism and the fight for justice for the thousands of black people killed throughout the years.

Black History Month isn't just about people and events from long ago. History is being made in this country every day, with each person who fights injustice. The Black Lives Matter movement has sparked more conversations about racism and reform, conversations which are important in making widespread change.

So why is Black History Month important? For centuries, black people have been oppressed. They've been enslaved, beaten, murdered, dehumanized, and then silenced when they've tried to speak out about their struggle. Although resources are available year-round and should be thoroughly used, the month of February provides a special spotlight for this community to share life experiences and for others to educate themselves.

This month is also a time for black people to celebrate their culture and heritage, similarly to Kwanza (the pan-African holiday dedicated to celebrating African history and its many cultures). Due to the conditions of slave trade, many black Americans today don't know their lineage and therefore can't trace and connect with their roots like most others can. This has contributed to the development of a new culture: African-American culture. The Harlem Renaissance, occurring during the 20s and 30s, was the first major recognition of black culture in America. During this period, many black artists, poets, and musicians flourished, and black people became more involved in politics. **(continued)**

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However, many people believe that these movements and this month aren't important. They believe that since things are "better," we're all equal and we can move on, but this is not the case. Firstly, the 13th Amendment, which abolished slavery, had an exception: someone can be enslaved as punishment for a crime. Immediately after being freed, previously enslaved people had nowhere to live, and many states made homelessness illegal in order to arrest and re-enslave freed slaves. There were also laws called "Black Codes," which directly targeted black people. Secondly, black people, especially women, are systemically put at a disadvantage from white people. According to the National Partnership for Women and Families, for every dollar a white man makes, a black woman is paid 63 cents, which is an average difference of \$24,110 per year.

During Black History Month, these issues are highlighted, which is why this month is so important. We all need to be aware of history and how it affects people today, and this month should be dedicated to educating each other and ourselves. Of course, these conversations are always happening and should continue to be had.

**Meet Robert Smalls**

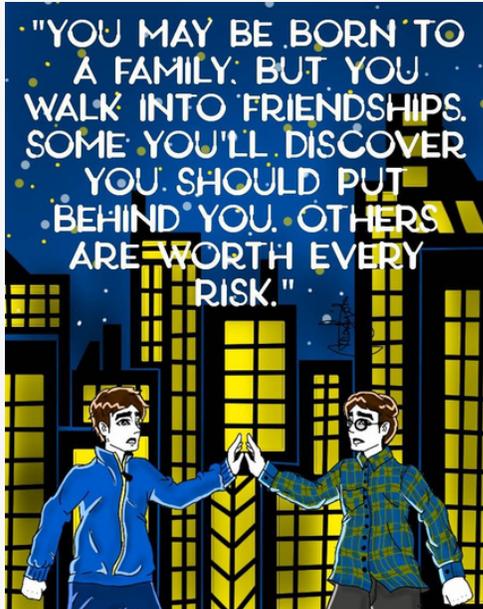


- Born into slavery in 1839
- Steals a Confederate military ship in 1861
- Disguises himself as the captain
- Uses the secret code book and hand signals to pass Confederate guard ships
- Rescues more slaves and their families
- Escapes to freedom
- Works as military advisor to the Union until war ends
- Buys a house
- Runs for Congress
- Wins
- Lives happily ever after

BRUCE FENTON

# THEY BOTH DIE AT THE END

REVIEW BY KALEIGH HODGE



Last month's Project LIT book was Adam Silvera's They Both Die at the End. This story is told from the point of view of many different characters. The two characters who are mostly talking in the story are two teenagers who only have one day left to live. Mateo is socially anxious and has spent most of his life inside. His father is in a coma, so Mateo is alone on his last day. Rufus's parents and sister were killed in a car accident when he was a child. When DeathCast calls and informs them both that they are going to die in 24 hours, they are connected through an app called "Last

Friend." They decide to run away together from the problems in their lives and spend the day trying to make the most of the time they have left.

I really liked this book because it shows how fast a friendship can grow if you help others instead of just yourself. It gives the saying "birds of a feather flock together: a new meaning. I would definitely recommend this book for anyone else with an interest in reading. Copies of the book are available in the CCHS library.

## FRIENDS

REVIEW BY MIA HALL



Friends is a 90s television comedy based in Manhattan, about six friends who go through just about every life experience imaginable together: love, marriage, divorce, children, heartbreaks, fights, new jobs and job losses and all sorts of drama.

Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, Matthew Perry, Lisa Kudrow, David Schwimmer, and Matt LeBlanc play the main characters in overall great performances. The main characters were astonishing, but the secondary characters could have been better. The ratings are 8.5 out of 10. You can watch this on TBS and NBC or Netflix. All of these episodes keep you engaged and can be a good rainy day show.

## WHAT DOES IT REALLY MEAN TO LOVE OTHERS?

You've probably heard at some point that you should love others. But you may have wondered, what does that look like? What does it really mean to love others? And what does it look like to love your enemy?

The answer to that question, is that love looks different. It looks different than what you see on TV or in the movies. It looks different than what you hear in the hallways at school. It may even look different than what you've witnessed in your own home. True love, the way God meant it, looks way different than the way we see it portrayed. Many times, the philosophy people have about love goes something like this: I'll love you if you can do something for me, or if you can give something to me. However, this isn't the meaning of loving others that the Bible describes.

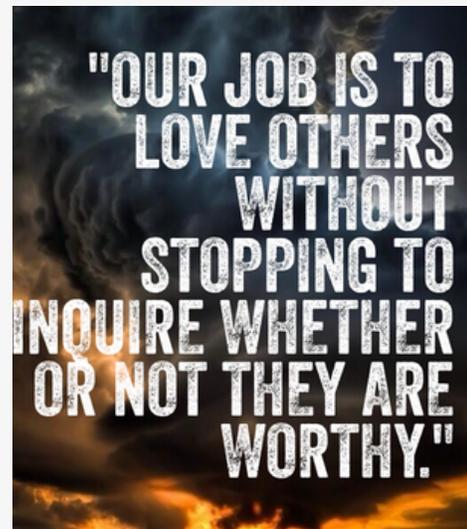
*This is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the payment for our sins. – 1 John 4:10*

This verse shows us that God defines love differently. God didn't wait for us to be able to give Him something for Him to love us. God loved us first. He loved us and gave before we even knew Him. Then God challenges us to take the love He gave to us and show that love to others.

Loving others isn't based upon how others treat us. It's based on God's love and grace which empowers us to then love others. We are to love others and value them, not because they have done anything to deserve it, but because it's the example God showed us first.

So choose to love others. Treat them with respect and love, not based on what they can do for you, or how they treat you, but rather based on how God treated us!

*(from StudentDevos.com)*



# CCHS SPEAKS - WHAT ARE YOUR SPRING BREAK PLANS?

fish Netflix  
 paint my bedroom  
 hangout go to the river  
 mow yards go on vacation  
 nothing new puppy  
 fix my truck hang out  
 HOSA competition what mom says  
 Disney!  
 babysit get Tiktok famous  
 work go to Gatlinburg  
 go to the beach  
 sleep



Everyone here at The Wingspan hopes you have a great Spring Break! Be safe and see you soon!

