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4-Hers' Fun-Filled Weekend

By SAVANNAH HOPKINS

When November rolls around, almost every 4-Her is looking forward to one of the best trips of the year: Fall Conference. While being reunited with friends and taking a fun-filled trip to Ober Gatlinburg, the Eastern Region 4-Hers also take part in what they do best--making the best better.

After arriving for this year's conference on Friday afternoon, we got split into groups. Our new initiates, Skylar Ramsey, Allie Dossett, and Katie Harrison, went to learn more about the history of 4-H.

All of the All-Stars went to what we like to call "team bonding." During this time, we played lots of games, which included my favorite, circle of chaos. The next day, we all participated in a variety of service projects. The service projects included making picture frames for nursing home residents, Sole Hope, making chew toys for animals in the



shelter, Fantasy Of Trees, and even signing Christmas cards for the service men and women who are fighting for our country. After this, we took over Ober Gatlinburg, where many activities such as ice skating and snow tubing were furnished.

After checking back in at the hotel, everyone started getting dressed up for

the All Star initiation banquet. Then, my favorite part, ended the night at the dance. Skylar Ramsey, a new initiate, says that "My first Fall Conference was amazing. I couldn't have asked for a better experience. My favorite part was getting to meet new people and learn more about the responsibilities of 4-H."

Serving Our County's Veterans

By ANGELA SINGLETON

On Thursday, November 9th, Student Council put together a breakfast and program for Hancock County's beloved veterans. The program was held in the high school cafeteria. The lovely ladies from the cafeteria served sausage, biscuit, and gravy; coffee was also provided, as well as sweet and tasty desserts made by student council members.

Once the veterans had finished eating, the ceremony began with Tyler Mullins leading the opening prayer and Walton

Collins leading the pledge. Cameron Dawson then played The National Anthem on the guitar, and did an amazing job if I do say so myself. Deana Mathis read a poem titled "Veterans Day". Following that, Angela Singleton sang Travelin' Soldier by the Dixie Chicks. Cameron Roper read a poem titled "Thank A Veteran" which was very heartfelt and meaningful. Once Cameron had finished reading, Mr. Brian Greene gave a touching speech thanking our county's veterans. Each veteran had the option to speak and tell of their experiences and a little about themselves.

Afterwards Josh Helton ended the



ceremony in a closing prayer. The student body was then allowed the opportunity to come up to the cafeteria and meet the veterans as well as thank them for their service.

All in all it was an amazing ceremony that I was glad to be a part of. It was an

absolute honor to meet the amazing people who have fought for our country, because, without them, who knows where we would be today? I look forward to participating in next year's veterans program.

Sneedville FFA Parli Pro Team Takes Precedence at Sub Region-als

By TORI MARION

On November 30, 2017, Walton Collins, Jasmine Ramirez, Jeremiah South, Savannah Collins, Savannah Hopkins, and Victoria Marion competed in the sub-regional parliamentary procedure contest at South Greene High School. In this competition, teams conduct a mock chapter meeting to demonstrate their knowledge of basic parliamentary law and the correct use of parliamentary procedures. This is the second year

the team has worked together and competed at various levels, but this is the first year they have won first place in the sub regional competition. Member Savannah Hopkins was elated about the team's win.

The following Tuesday the team traveled to Walters State to compete at the regional level. They finished fifth place concluding their winning streak.

This will be the last year seniors, Savannah Hopkins and Tori Marion will be able to compete in the Parliamentary Procedure Competition.

Saudi-Iranian War

By THOMAS ELLISON

Saudi Arabia's prince Mohammed Bin Salman accused Iran of direct military aggression by supplying missiles to rebels in Yemen. According to BBC News' article, "Saudis accuse Iran of 'direct aggression' over Yemen missile," the prince states, "This may be considered an act of war." Saudi Arabia and Iran might actually go to war over Iran sending missiles to Yemen.

What other countries might get involved in a war between Saudi Arabia and Iran? This, along with the issues between the United States and North Korea, could start a third world war if the United States decides to back one side, or if our

allies back one of them. If North Korea backs one of them, they will try to get Saudi Arabia or Iran to bomb the United States. BBC states: "Houthi-aligned media reported that the rebels had fired a Burkan H2 ballistic missile at King Khaled International Airport, which is 850km (530 miles) from the Yemeni border and 11km north-east of Riyadh. Saudi missile defences intercepted the missile in flight, but some fragments fell inside the airport area." This could be considered an act of war by Iran and Yemen towards Saudi Arabia. This could be the cause to a Saudi-Iranian war. If this turns into a war, there is the possibility of many other countries to be involved in, and maybe escalate into World War III.

The Meaning of Christmas

By: MADISON HATFIELD

What does Christmas mean to you? To some, Christmas may be a big family gathering, or just a big feast. Instead of telling you what I think is the meaning of Christmas, I've decided to interview some of our own here at Hancock County High School with the question, "What does Christmas mean to you?"

"Christmas to me, first and foremost, means celebrating **"I have a very large, close, amazing family, so Christmas is one time of year when we're always together"**

--Ms. Megan Hurd

the birth of Jesus Christ. I have a very large, close, amazing family, so Christmas is one time of year when we're always together. We spend the day eating, playing games, and spending time with the four babies who are in the family. My family is very musical, and they always end up playing and singing on Christmas. Christmas is a time for celebrating the birth of our Savior and appreciating all the many blessings I have been given," says Ms. Megan Hurd.

"Christmas to me is getting together with my family and celebrating the birth of our Savior. On this day we spend the day eating Christmas dinner, we watch Christmas movies such as The Grinch Stole Christmas, we

put a lighter to marshmallows and heat it. Christmas is a wonderful time of year, for spending time with your family and celebrating the birth of Christ," says Hanna Kerley.

"Christmas means honoring Jesus' birth. I sleep in and I get up and open my presents. I put on some clothes, start the motor up, put her in gear, slap it in second and drive to my Aunt's house and eat dinner. After I eat, I put her back in gear, take her to the river bottom, call one of my buddies up and say, 'Aye come down here with me,' and we just have a good time. Christmas is time spent with the people who mean the most to me." -Ethan Short

9 Questions With 9 9th Graders

By: ANASTEY SEAL

Having completed their first semester of high school at the same time my classmates and I completed our very last first semester, I felt as if I needed some insight from this group of freshies. Inevitably, they will experience their Senior Year before they even realize what is happening. So three years from now, they are going to be happy that they have things like random interview questions to look back on. We all have dreams of someday, and eventually someday will be today. So now, as pressures of college and a career come about for my class and me, I wish the best for these guys. I sincerely hope their freshman year of high school will be much, much better than mine was. If it isn't, fear not little ones! Your next few years will reveal so much to you about the people around you and more of who you are. Those old, cranky teachers really only want to see you succeed. The coach who works you to death at practice only wants you to be ready. The family members who are pushing you really want to see you go to college. The upper-classman who is always on you about doing good in school and coming to practice only wants the best for you. That little thing inside of you that keeps you alive--it wants you to do good and believe in yourself. I am a big believer in "You can do whatever you set your heart and mind to," (shoutout to my mom for that inspirational quote). Now that my little emotional spill is over, here is what the freshmen had to say:

1.) What are your plans for the future?

"I'm determined on going to college but as of yet, I'm undecided about my career."

-Lanie Dalton

2.) If you could change one thing about high school what would it be?

"I would like a longer snack break."

-Makenzie Greene

3.) What is your favorite song to jam to?

"Perfect by Ed Sheeran."

-Madison Strange

4.) Best and worst subject in school?

"My least favorite subject is algebra, and my favorite is world history."

-Gracie Short

5.) What's the first thing that comes to mind when you think of your class?

"Eh, were okay."

-Angeleah Poston

6.) If your class had to make a superlative especially for you, what would they choose?

"The 24/7 Smiler."

-Skylar Ramsey

7.) What is your favorite/least favorite school lunch?

"Chicken tenders and vegetable soup."

-Ashlyn Crawford

8.) If you could change our school colors and our mascot, what would you pick?

"I would change our colors to black and orange and white and our mascot would be a chief."

-Devon Blevins

9.) What has been your favorite class from this semester?

"Agriculture because Steve Howerton is my hero."

-Morgan Fleenor

Senior Spotlight

This month The Tom-Tom Staff will be shining the Senior Spotlight on the students of Dr. Dodson Composition I and II classes. In order to participate in this jam-packed English course, students must receive a minimum score of 18 on their ACT English test. This semester the class featured fourteen students; each of which have been dedicated to the long hours and late nights this course requires. We sat down with each of these students to find out what exactly Comp I and II were like as well as what they've taken from the experience.

Question: What has been the most important lesson you've learned in Comp I and II?

-Tabitha Dykes: The most important lesson I've learned in Comp I & II is that life is hard. While you've got all these things going on in your life, you still have priorities and tasks that you have to tackle regardless.

Question: What is it like having a teacher twice in one day?

-Anastey Seal: It has definitely been a challenge keeping up with two difficult classes, but now that it's over, rewarding.

Question: Do you feel like Dr. Dodson has better prepared you for college?

-Savannah Hopkins: Yes definitely. I feel like the skills I have learned from Dr. Dodson will benefit me greatly in my future classes.

Question: What has been your favorite subject to write throughout the course(s)?

-Peyton Murrell: The poems are for sure my favorite to write about, specifically Shakespeare.

Question: What was your longest paper?

-Madison Brewer: My longest paper would probably be my last one. I wrote about Queen Elizabeth and Mary Queen of Scots. It was over 2500 words...

Question: What is the estimated number of nights you lost sleep over a paper?

-Sarah Moore: About 10.

Question: In comparison to other dual enrollment courses you have taken, was this one more or less difficult?

-Amber Estes: It was definitely more intense and more grueling, but I don't think it was actually harder as far as comprehension or ability to complete the assignments.

Question: Would you suggest this course to the rising Seniors?

-Peyton Murrell: I would definitely recommend this class not just because it gives you a head start in college but also because Dr. Dodson is great to be around.

-Amber Estes: For sure. I recommend taking Comp on campus because you can begin to get a feel for what college will be like with live professors rather than emails.

-Victoria Marion: Absolutely. Not only has this course helped me shape new study and work habits, but it has also taught me the importance of committing to excellence. Dr. Dodson pushes her students to be the best they possibly can, and by the end of the semester I can guarantee your writing skills will improve by about 300%.

There is "Snow" Way You'll Forget These Ornaments!

By: SAVANNAH COLLINS

With Christmas right around the corner and everyone getting in the Christmas spirit you should try these DIY ornaments. These ornaments are just a couple of ways to put a little bit of yourself and your own touch into decorating for Christmas!

Popsicle Stick Sleds

First off you need to get all of your materials. The materials you need are as followed:

- Popsicle craft sticks (2 Regular and 5 Small per sled)
- Wood Glue
- Wood Stain
- Paint
- Twine
- Glue Dots
- Embellishments (If desired)

Directions

Glue 4 of the small craft sticks together staggering the end stick on each side slightly lower.

Paint all of the small craft sticks whatever color you would like. Allow them to dry. Then, stain the regular sized craft sticks with a rag.

Glue on the stained sled runners to the smaller popsicle sticks.

Glue on the cross stick to the front of the sled.

The last step is to add any embellishments that you would like.

Tea Light Snowmen

I think this one is especially cute and it is so easy that anyone could make them.

Materials

- Battery operated tea lights
- A black sharpie
- Red ribbon (1/4 inch wide)
- Red ribbon with polka dots (1/2 inch wide)
- Red pipe cleaners
- Red pom poms (small)
- Orange sharpie
- Glue gun

Directions

The first thing you want to do is draw a simple face on your light with your sharpie. Make two dots for the eyes and draw it a mouth. Make sure the curved part of your tea light is pointed up to make it look more like a carrot nose.

Next, take a pipe cleaner and cut off a piece that is approximately 2.5" long.

Curve this around the top of your tea light and glue it on both edges, but make sure to not glue the entire thing to the light.

Then, add to dots of hot glue at the ends of the pipe cleaner; add the pom poms on top of the glue dots. This should make it look as though your snowman has earmuffs!

Cut a piece of the dotted ribbon that is approximately 4.5" long. Fold the ribbon so that a piece of it is laying over the other; add a dot of glue so that it will stay in place. This should create the "scarf" for your snowman.

Add a small line of glue to the top of the ribbon and glue your "scarf" onto the back of your light. The "scarf" should naturally pop back into position.

The next step is to cut a piece of the thin red ribbon so that it is approximately 11" long. Slip this under the pipe cleaner and tie it in a knot at the top so that it makes it to where you can hang it on your tree.

The final step is to color the "flame" of your light orange so that it represents a carrot. Then, hang it up on your tree for everyone to see.



Christmas Treats

By: HANNA KERLEY

Butterscotch pie

Ingredients:

- 1 cup of light brown sugar
- 4 tablespoons of cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon of salt
- 2 cups of milk
- 2 egg yolks, beaten
- 1 tablespoon of butter
- 1 teaspoon of vanilla extract
- 1 (9 inch) pie crust, baked

Directions:

In top of double boiler, combine brown sugar, cornstarch, salt and milk. Stir and keep stirring until it thickens. Mix in egg yolks, stir and keep cooking until thickens. Remove from heat and add butter and vanilla keep stirring. Pour into cooked pie crust. Bake at 400 degrees F for 5 minutes or until brown.

Chicken casserole

Ingredients:

- 1 can of Campbell's condensed cream of celery soup
- 1 can of campbell's condensed cream of potato soup
- 1 cup of milk
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme leaves, crushed
- 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 4 cups of cooked cut-up vegetables
- 2 cup of cubed cooked chicken
- 4 cups of prepared pepperidge farm herb seasoned stuffing

Directions:

Stir the soup, milk, thyme, black pepper, vegetables and chicken in a 3-quart shallow baking dish. Top with the stuffing. Bake at 400 degrees F for 25 minutes or until the stuffing is golden brown.

2017 Hancock Co. Indians Washburn Football Awards Banquet Win

By ASHLEY SMITH

Thursday, December 14, 2017, the Hancock County Indians High School Football Team hosted their annual awards banquet in the high school cafeteria at 6 o'clock p.m.. All who attended enjoyed baked spaghetti, salad, and rolls provided by Michael's Family Diner in town. Desserts were brought by the parents and coaches. After enjoying the meal, different players received awards for their participation, efforts, and positions during the 2017 season.

Freshmen:

#10 Devon Blevins

Nathanael Seal Freshman of the Year Award

#72 Sam Tabler

Nathanael Seal Freshman of the Year Award

Commitment Award

Sophomores:

#3 Austin Seal

Defensive Back of the Year

#13 Ethan Short

Receiver of the Year
Class A/ Region 1 All Conference
Commitment Award

#53 Stetson Collins

Commitment Award

#56 Preston Hatfield

Linebacker of the Year
Most Improved

Juniors:

#7 Hayden Stewart

Commitment Award

#17 TJ Poore

Coach's Award
Commitment Award

#34 Seth Hipshire

MVP

Offensive Back of the Year
Class A/ Region 1 Outstanding
Linebacker

Seniors:

#22 Logan Sellers

Defensive Back of the Year
Special Teams Player of the Year
Class A/ Region 1 All Conference
Commitment Award

#51 Andrew Parson

Class A/ Region 1 All Conference

#54 John Ross Wilson

Offensive Lineman of the Year
Dakota Blevins Leadership Award
Class A/ Region 1 All Conference

#61 Ethan Lawson

Defensive Lineman of the Year

By ETHAN SHORT

The Hancock Indians JV boys basketball team met the Washburn Pirates on their home court on December 5th, 2017. The coach put the starters in and they brought about a 22 point lead. The rest of the game the eighth graders played mostly and ended the game with a terminating 49 point win of 70-21.

Next, the Lady Indians faced the Lady Pirates. After a hard fought battle with our girls the Lady Pirates managed to pull off a 30 point lead, defeating the Lady Indians with a score of 51-21.

For the final game of the night, the Indians Varsity boys challenged the Washburn Pirates. They managed to pull it off and won with a final scoreboard of 61-36.

2017-2018 Indians Basketball

Junior Varsity Girls

11-20 Providence Academy W 31-27
12-4 Thomas Walker W 34-10

Junior Varsity Boys

11-14 Cherokee L 19-36
11-16 Cloudland L 48-72
12-1 Jellico W 72-37
12-4 Thomas Walker W 38-24
12-5 Washburn W 70-21
12-12 Cosby L 48-56

Varsity Girls

11-14 Cherokee L 35-62
11-16 Cloudland L 24-62
11-20 Providence Academy L 37-68
11-27 Clinch W 50-49
11-30 TSD W 65-43
12-1 Jellico L 48-66
12-4 Thomas Walker L 48-55
12-5 Washburn L 21-51
12-12 Cosby L 32-71

Varsity Boys

11-14 Cherokee L 24-72
11-16 Cloudland L 52-68
11-20 Providence Academy W 48-34
11-27 Clinch W 65-49
11-30 TSD W 62-35
12-1 Jellico W 69-52
12-4 Thomas Walker W 65-62
12-5 Washburn W 61-36
12-12 Cosby L 50-83

Yellowjacket Stings

By ETHAN SHORT

On Friday, November 3, 2017, the Indians made their way to the first round of the playoffs for the 3rd year in a row. This year they were up against the Coalfield Yellowjackets. The Indians were set to kickoff. The Yellowjackets took over the first half with total of nine touchdowns and five successful extra points, but a first down, 20 yard reception by #13 Ethan Short got things going. The Indians' #34 Seth Hipshire put up a fight with several great runs. Again, #13 Ethan Short caught another first down reception to gain the Indians some ground. After all the struggle, the Indians and the Yellowjackets headed into the locker rooms with a halftime score of Coalfield 59 and Hancock 0. Coming out into the second half the Indians defense picked up the pace and shut down the Yellowjackets; leaving them with an entirely scoreless second half. Again #34 Seth Hipshire drove the team down the field and this time was successful in an attempt for a touchdown. The Indians left with a hurtful score of Coalfield 59 and Hancock 6.

Spotlight on Nolan

By SAVANNAH HOPKINS

This time of year things can get a little hectic. With all of the EOC's, studying, basketball games, and homework us students are doing, we can be a little stressed; however, this can be hard on the teachers as well. Along with all of the tasks of a teacher, Nolan Campbell has stepped up and takes part in every basketball team. Mr. Nolan Campbell has made an extraordinary difference here in our highschool and we would like to acknowledge him for that.

Q. How does it feel to now be the head coach of the Lady Indians?

I count it an honor, a privilege, and a blessing to be the Lady Indians head basketball coach.

Q. How many sports do you coach / help coach?

Currently I am the Lady Indians head basketball coach, the Indians varsity assistant and jv boys coach, and I also help with the middle

school boys basketball program when time allows me.

Q. How do you manage to do all of those at once?

A. A lot of prayer, patience, time management, and wisdom from family and friends.

Q. Does it ever get overwhelming?

A. At times it truly does, but that is just part of life. Between teaching 7th grade social studies, coaching duties, and working on my master's degree it has been overwhelming at times. However, God promises us that he would not put more on us than we could bare and I have found that to be true. I truly love what I am doing and thank God that He chooses to bless me even though I don't deserve it.

Q. What do you do during your spare time?

A. Spare time? What is this spare time that you speak of? I'm just kidding. When I get time I like to hang out with family and friends.

Rise Of Life

By LAUREN LINDEN

The book, *Three Rivers Rising*, by Jame Richards, is a fictional story about the real, tragic flood that occurred in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. This book is an encouraging story that teaches readers that the tragedies which people encounter throughout their lives should not define them nor be seen as the end, but that they should continue on remembering that going through the hard times has made them stronger. Many characters in the book go through a horrible event that forever changes them. It takes place in 1889, when the South Fork Dam on the Little Conemaugh River catastrophically fell, causing the water to rush through three cities, but Johnstown got the worst of it. There were 2,208 people who were killed in the Johnstown flood. The story is told from many different points of view.

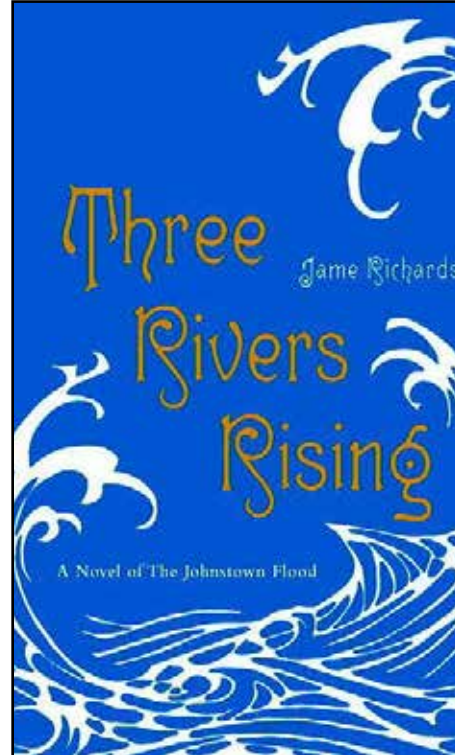
One of the main characters in the book, Celestia, lives in Pittsburgh but goes to an elite resort in Pennsylvania at Lake Conemaugh every summer because her dad does business with the resort owners. Another character in the book is Peter, who was hired at the resort and lives in the city of Johnstown. Another is Kate,

a nurse that was unfortunately included in

the Johnstown flood. Two other characters who have their point of views in the story are Maura, who has five children, and her husband, who works on the railroad. The other character is Celestia's father, Whitcomb, who was not in Johnstown when the flood happened, but returned to find his daughter as soon as he found out the dam fell.

In the beginning of the book, Celestia and Peter had just met, Kate was in medical school, and Maura was only seventeen and had three children. Later in the book, Celestia and Peter fall in love, but Whitcomb will not allow Celestia to be with man that has less money than her. Celestia loves Peter, but her dad forbids her from talking to Peter, so she goes to live with Peter in Johnstown. In Richard's story Celestia thinks to herself, "In Peter's world I will not have carriages, so I walk. Instantly drenched and cold in the predawn fog, I am relieved to reach South Fork, where South Fork Creek meets the Little Conemaugh, and board the train" (Richards 127). While the dam was falling, Kate was on the train that went through Johnstown, which led

her to get stuck in the horrific incident. Maura had heard a warning from her husband, who works on the train, that something was wrong, so she grabbed her children and left her home. What happens next in the book is awful, but you have to read the book to find out. I encourage you to read this book; you will not regret it.



My Top 10 Favorite Christmas Movies

By SAVANNAH HOPKINS

Christmas is my favorite time of the year. I love the trees, the lights, and all the joy it brings, but there is nothing I love more than sitting around the Christmas tree watching Christmas movies. Here are some of my favorite Christmas movies to watch during the holidays.

1. How The Grinch Stole Christmas
2. Elf
3. Marry Me At Christmas
4. It's a Wonderful Life
5. Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer
6. Frosty The Snowman
7. The Santa Clause
8. Home Alone
9. Switched For Christmas
10. A Royal Christmas

I Hear Rumours

By AMBER ESTES



It is one of the best-selling albums of all time. It is a tribute to life, love, loss, and lack of communication. It is a tragic love story, an ode to love that simply cannot survive. It is the heart of a group of people who, above all, want to make rock n' roll music for the world to enjoy. It is *Rumours* by Fleetwood Mac.

In 1977, the band released the most popular album of their entire musical career. *Rumours* became an international mega-success, topping all the charts, and being certified Gold, Platinum, and Diamond in eleven different countries. Not only did it enthrall listeners back in the day, but it remains one of the most downloaded, purchased, and streamed albums since music could be shared. It resonates with every single person who hears it, so how could it not stand the test of time?

The power and emotion that went into the writing of *Rumours* is based entirely on real people, events, and situations. The members of the band themselves all had intermingled relationships, sometimes good and sometimes bad, but, ultimately, every romantic thing ended between the band members; thus, each of them were left disappointed, lonely, and frustrated enough to write lyr-

ics and riffs and rhythms. Despite their conflicts and struggles with one another, they maintained Fleetwood Mac and did not let anything hinder their productions. The only thing that can be accurately credited with holding the band together against all odds was the music, though the song "The Chain" accredits John Fleetwood, the drummer. When recording *Rumours*, the band was in such a state of emotional turmoil that, if it had been any other group of people, the album would never have made it onto shelves, but, because the members were so driven by their music, they managed to work through the pain and produce something wonderful.

Instrumentally, the album is centered on rhythm and groove. Vocally, it is focused on harmonies and blending the voices of all three singers. When everything comes together in the recording studio, the sound is simply phenomenal. Each track is beautiful and captivating in its own unique way while still tending its marriage to the theme of the album. Fleetwood Mac's *Rumours* is truly one of the greatest productions of musical history and will remain so for ages to come.

The Dead Are Rising

By THOMAS ELLISON

This month's video game review will be about *Dead Rising 4*, which is an open world survival horror game. This game was released on December 6th, 2017, and will be having a new version of the game coming out for the Playstation 4 called *Dead Rising 4: Frank's Big Package*, and will come out December 5th, 2017. The game is set in the year 2022, where you are a professor, and one of your students, who is named Vicky Chu, comes up to you and ask you to help her investigate a military compound. This military compound is the site of the first zombie outbreak. When you and your student get there, you realise that they are using the military compound to research zombies,

and you are discovered by one of the employees and labeled as a fugitive. Brad Park (a ZDC agent) comes up to you and ask you to help research the events of a zombie outbreak during the Black Friday sale, and in exchange will clear your name, making you no longer a fugitive.

You arrive in Willamette, but all of a sudden, your helicopter is shot down by a missile. This forces you to crash land in a shopping mall. When you get out of the helicopter to start investigating, you realise that the zombies have been infected with a new strain of the parasite that makes them more violent and the previous cures are ineffective. An organization called Obscuris is looking for a creature they created which they call Calder. Are you excited to join the fight against the Calder and other undead abominations?



Real Talk

By ANASTEY SEAL

Music is a way of life for many of us, so I thought I would share some of the songs that I listen to a lot. This playlist will also be available on my Spotify! Hope you jam to these songs as much as I do:

- Breathe In, Breathe Out, Move On: Jimmy Buffet
- Suspicious Minds: Elvis
- Somewhere in Paradise: Chance the Rapper
- Aaron Burr, Sir: Hamilton Soundtrack
- Summer Girls: LFO
- Tell Me You Love Me: Demi Lovato
- The Middle: Jimmy Eat World
- Atlantic City: The Band
- Machine: MisterWives
- Adios to California: John Hiatt
- End of the Line: Traveling Wilburys
- Life Changes: Thomas Rhett
- 1985: Bowling for Soup
- Cleopatra: The Lumineers
- In the Blood: John Mayer
- Of the Night: Bastille
- Cover of the Rolling Stone: Dr. Hook
- Sedona: Houndmouth
- Witchy Woman: The Eagles
- Santeria: Sublime
- Keep on Rockin' in the Free World: Neil Young

December and January Birthdays

December

12/1
Olyvia Hill
Jennifer Short
Hailey Winstead
12/3
Tori Marion
12/4
Bessie Glover
12/6
Allison Collins
12/7
Judy Rose
12/10
Logan Kenner
12/11
Matthew Barton
Madison Garland
Sarah Hopkins
12/14
Preston Hatfield
Ruby Livesay
12/15
Ashley Bell
Logan Parks
12/17
Jillian Carroll

12/18
Jason Collins
12/19
Shannon Meade
Gabriel Turner
12/21
Brooke Stewart
12/22
Megan Brooks
12/25
Josh Webb
12/27
Hannah Kimbrough
Jadon Royston
12/28
Kylie Mullins
Jamey Wallen
12/30
Dara Holt

January

1/2
Samuel Kerley
1/3
Cameron Dawson
Blake Mahan

1/4

Tyler Harrison
1/6
Logan Bailey
1/8
Bailey Hopkins
Parker Rasnic
1/10
Eric Danenhower
Glenn Dickens
1/11
Haley Kimbrough
T.J. Poore
1/12
Makayla Jackson
Jasmine Ramirez
1/13
Gage Leabow
1/15
Angeleah Poston
1/16
Viktoria Shepherd
1/17
Joce Ferguson
Skylar Ramsey
1/18
Casper Depew

Joshua Johnson

1/19
Taylor Bunch
1/22
Lathan Fletcher
Ethan Wolfe
1/23
Sarah McCoy
1/24
Deana Mathis
Ashley Smith
1/25
Makenzie Hensley
1/26
Jeremiah South
1/27
Jaylon Riggs
1/28
Tyler Mullins
1/30
Kendra Jackson
Hanna Kerley
1/31
Sierra Christian

Notes from Guidance

- Seniors, please remember the FAFSA deadline on January 16 for all Tennessee Promise students.
- The next deadline for ACT is to register by January 16 for the February 9th test.

Jokes and Puns

By ALEIGHA NEELY

I know a whale joke...
It's a real killer

What did the quarter say to the penny?
You don't make much cent's

Yesterday I swallowed some food coloring
The doctor says I'm okay, but I feel like I've dyed a little inside



Sophomore, Lillian Bunch, celebrates the season

Christmas Outfits

By ALICIA SEAL

White Shirt: This gives you a warmth and fashionable look for the Christmas season.
<https://shop.nordstrom.com/s/volcom-cozy-dayz-sweatshirt/4729136?origin=category-personalizedsort&fashioncolor=WHITE>

Red Skirt: This provides a flowy option for you. It is very functional so you can have room to move around, and yet still have fun.
<https://www.target.com/p/women-s-pleat-front-skirt-a-new-day-153-cherry/-/A-52632282#lnk=sametab>

Black Heels: These heels will show everyone that you have that hollywood look, even though you may be from a small town. Which is one of the best things.
<https://shop.nordstrom.com/s/vince-camuto-destilly-2-bootie-women/4684387?origin=category-personalized-sort&fashioncolor=BLACK%20SUEDE>



Juniors, Deana Mathis, Leah Harley, and Breanna Shults show their Christmas spirit

**HCHS staff and students spreading some holiday cheer
Merry Christmas, everyone!**

