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Bowl for Kids' Sake

Written by **Breanna Bowling**



Editor-in-Chief

Every year a significant number of junior and senior students sign up to volunteer with a national program called Big Brothers Big Sisters. This program is a way for high school students to connect with elementary aged students and help them learn and grow inside the classroom and outside of it. As further evidence towards the impact of this program, the Big Brothers Big Sisters website states that after 18 months of being in the program, Littles were "46% less likely to begin using

illegal drugs, 27% less likely to begin using alcohol, 52% less likely to skip school, 37% less likely to skip a class, 33% less likely to hit someone." Being a relatively small town in the Bluegrass, this program has impacted the community in numerous ways, and has paved the futures for both the Bigs and the Littles who have participated in this program. Bowl for Kids' Sake is one of the most significant fundraisers that help Big Brothers Big Sisters raise funds to continue changing the

lives of children and to continue having an impact on communities. Bowl for Kids' Sake is going to be hosted here in Montgomery County, at Sterling Lanes on April 17th, and Big Brothers Big Sisters encourages everyone to come and have fun! Anybody can sign up to participate in this event by typing in the link below this article, and registering their bowling team; each team may have up to five participants, and must set a fundraising goal! There will also be other activities at the fundraiser such as a silent auction, and each bowler gets a free t-shirt, along with a chance to win a prize drawing. Tonya Witt, the Regional Program Manager of Big Brothers Big Sisters, elaborated on the fund-

raiser requirements by saying, "As a 'thank you' for your support and enthusiasm, Big Brothers Big Sisters host a celebratory party at Sterling Lanes. No bowling expertise is required, only the willingness to share in our heartfelt and sincere thanks for helping us transform the community." Since the program operates only on donations, the money raised goes toward conducting background checks on volunteers and continuous support towards all costs the program requires. Tonia Witt urges, "Your role in this effort to help local children cannot be over stated: We need your help to raise community awareness of the challenges faced

by local children and to ask for the financial support needed to help change the trajectory of a child's life." Right now, the Bowl for Kids' Sake donation goal is \$30,000, a small feat if everyone in the community comes together and chips in whatever amount they can afford. All it takes is a little bit of effort, a lot of fun, and much heart to ensure that this opportunity for our town's youth remains functional. If you have any more questions about the fundraising event or Big Brothers Big Sister please contact Tonia Witt at twitt@bbbs-bluegrass.org.

To Register a team, type in this link: <http://donate.bbbs-bluegrass.org/campaigns/1488-bowl-for-kids-sake-mount-sterling>

CTE Month

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CTE Month is a public awareness campaign that ACTE (Association for Career and Technical Education) holds each February to celebrate Career and Technical Education and the achievements and accomplishments of CTE programs across the country. CTE Month 2016, with its theme of "Opportunities for Career Success," gives MCHS the chance to tell stories of leadership and excellence to raise awareness of the crucial role that CTE plays in readying our students for careers.

This year's CTE Month club participants are: FBLA, FCCLA, FFA, HOSA, and Skills.

FBLA is preparing for

their annual Regional Competition and preparing students for their industry certification exams through the Microsoft Office Specialist Certification Worldwide Competition. Greyson Cox and Isaiah Vanderwater both qualified for the Fall qualifying round in the 2016 MOS State Championships.

FCCLA participated in their own week with themes to promote FCCLA. The rest of the year FCCLA will continue to do monthly community service throughout the school year and will end the year with a banquet to induct new officers. This banquet will be hosted on May 12th.

FFA hosted their annual banquet on February 25th. CTE month contest achievements were awarded.

HOSA is attending a conference in Louisville, March 17-19. Candle sales raised money for the competition where awards for HOSA testing will be given.

Skills club attended a regional competition on February 27th. Welding, Carpentry, and Automotive were all included. Carol Snyder won a job interview with Autozone in the Autotech category and will be competing for state in April.

CTE month is important to get students ready for their careers. Make sure you don't miss out next year by getting involved now and contacting one of these clubs for more information. Be involved and get ahead with the help of ACTE and their annual CTE month campaign.

All-State

Written by **Parker Poulos**
Editor



"Music is always doing something." Edith Copely, director of the 2016 All-State Women's Chorus said. This statement resonates with all musicians, old or young, beginners or experts. "Music is a big part of the world," Roman Wood, member of the All-State Symphony Orchestra said, "Music is a big part of me. It helps me become a better person and relieve my stress."

While music invokes strong emotions in the musicians, it also brings out feelings in the audiences. "Music is always doing something, whether it's affecting the musician or the audience." Tyler Browning, member of the All-State Commonwealth Orchestra, said, "It's always developing some kind of emotion or thought or idea."

The students had at least 15 and a half hours of rehearsal over the course of three days, but all the students said it was well worth the time. "It's a group of people who not only love music, but they have devoted a lot of their time to music," said sophomore, Jackson Campbell, who went on to say, "They're all there for that reason." "It was a completely different experience than what it is like

here," senior Sam May said.

Although most of the students' time was spent in rehearsals, they had more freedom than what they were used to at school. "Usually you don't have very many freedoms in school."

junior Victoria Toy said. "At times you are just on your own, and it's good so you can learn independence because you're gonna be on your own in college."

Freedom often translates to respect, and the students at All-State recognized that.

"I liked that they respected us enough to give us our own responsibilities," senior Zach Toy said.

In addition to the freedoms the students received, they also gained the performing experience of a lifetime.

"The concert was my favorite part because you really get to see all you've worked for come together in the concert." Wood said.

Whether the concert was the highlight, or if the whole experience was the highlight, anyone involved in All-State can agree that it is the experience of a lifetime.

"It's memorable, and it's something that doesn't happen to very many people," Victoria Toy said. "It's something you need to cherish."

TRIBAL ARTS

Written by **Breanna Bowling**
Editor-in-Chief



Art is a valuable tool that anyone can use; it's a tool that can unite people, give a message, and create feeling, all in the one moment of looking at it. Our community recognizes the potential of its youth and their talents in art, which is why our school participates in Youth Art Month.

Youth Art Month occurs in the month of March, as a way to promote the arts and art

education nationally. The Council for Art Education oversees Youth Art Month, encouraging all schools, museums, and civic organizations to take part in art activities such as the flag contest and other art exhibitions, to make a statement about the importance of art in our everyday lives.

For the past two years, Montgomery

County High School Art program has participated in the flag contest hosted by this event. This contest requires that a student creates a design that represents their state, has the Youth Art Month logo on it, and portrays the idea of that year's designated theme.

The 2015-16 theme for the flag contest was "The Power Of Art," and our very own students were able to encompass this idea well enough to earn their place in the top ten winners.

The winning

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STUDENT LIFE

Distinguished Young Women State



Written by
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Montgomery County's very own, senior, Jerryn Jones, participated in the Kentucky State Distinguished Young Women program on January 15th and 16th. Jerryn departed from Montgomery County for a fun filled week with her host parents Susie and Mark Prater, on January 10th in Lexington, Kentucky. Mark Prater was even a Mount Sterling Native before

moving to Lexington. Jerryn stayed with her host family and one other Distinguished Young Women participant, Sydney Page from Christian County, for the whole week before the scholarship program on that Friday and Saturday at the Singletary Center for the Arts in Lexington, Kentucky. During that week while taking a break from exhausting rehearsals, Jerryn and the other Distinguished Young Women visited a hospital in Lexington and gave young children toys in spirit of a young boy that once did the same. Jerryn also shared one of her favorite moments while participating in the program that week, "My favorite part of the week was one of the days at practice. We were all super stressed out and you could feel it in the air," Jerryn explained. "We turned on the stereo and the song

"True Friend" by Hannah Montana came on and we all got in a circle and sang it together. It became the 2016 Distinguished Young Women theme song."

Jerryn received the "My Town" scholarship at the Distinguished Young Women Program. To earn this scholarship Jerryn had to speak in a video about Montgomery County and why she is so proud to represent it. In Jerryn's video she speaks about her hometown and what makes it so special to her. She mentions Ruth Hunt Candy Shop, Ruth Hunt supplied the candy displayed in the video and gave Jerryn a personal tour of the chocolate factory, showing her how the chocolate and candy is made.



Jerryn Jones preparing for her 10 minute interview with a panel of judges before the remaining of the scholarship program that night.

Jerryn's experience at the state level was outstanding and she encourages other girls to participate in the local program as well. "Even though the local program was with girls I've known my whole life, I feel like we all got much closer through the program." Montgomery County is proud to call Jerryn

Jones the 2016 Montgomery County Distinguished Young Woman and encourages all juniors to participate in the program this coming August.

STUDENT LIFE

Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds



Written by
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What does it mean to be healthy? Our community is trying to teach young women what this means in a fun and interactive group that will encourage them to keep these healthy habits for their entire lives. The Montgomery County Health Department, the Montgomery County UK Cooperative Extension Office, and the Mt. Sterling Clinic have joined together to create a welcoming and supportive group for high school girls. This program, called Healthy Bodies Healthy Minds, is directed

towards teaching healthy habits that can help personal goals to be reached, leading to an overall healthy lifestyle. The program focuses on three main segments: nutrition, physical activity, and social and peer support. Every meeting will incorporate activities concerning these subjects, though participation is always voluntary. The nutrition part of the meeting will be concentrated on teaching students how to make healthy and appetizing recipes. During physical activity, girls will be participating in exercises such as zumba, yoga, and strength training, focused on raising their heart rate. While the physical part of the process is very important, the program also wants to unite the girls together through peer support. The program will provide a time for the participants to talk about any problems or challenges they may be facing, as well as share in the achievements and satisfaction they feel as their goals continue to be

reached. Along with personal success, students will be presented with the opportunity to receive prizes. These can include items such as a fitbit, water bottle, or workout equipment. Carmella Fletcher-Green will also be available to perform free physicals for any participant interested. This physical will include a test of blood pressure, heart rate, height, and weight. This program is completely free for young women, but students must have their own transportation after the meeting. A permission sheet requiring a parent/guardian signature is necessary before participation is allowed. Comfortable clothing, as well as tennis shoes, are advised for the meetings. Meetings will be held up until April 27, 2016, every Wednesday in the JROTC room (Room 105) of the High School from 3:45 - 5:00.

Y-Club Clothing Drive



Written by
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At Montgomery County High School, the Y-Club decided to sponsor a clothing drive for the local homeless. At the end of February, the Y-Club gave out the clothing collected at the community homeless dinner. While they were in desperate need of adult clothing, the Y-Club appreciated any clothing students and teachers were able to donate, including

shoes! Comments go to Allison Whaley, coordinator of the Y-Club and the students that made the clothing drive possible. The thoughtfulness and efforts were well regarded and there were many people that received clothing, whom, without the help, would have potentially been without clothes. Madison Cline said that "the donations we received were really successful, and the items went really quickly. Everyone at the dinner was very thankful for the donations, and Maja and I were happy to help who we could. There is a toiletries drive next month for the homeless coalition, with a dinner on the 26th, shampoos, soaps, and conditioners are the most needed items, but we appreciate any donations!"

Competing for a Seat



Written by
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Students everyday strive to be competitive and good at what they do. That's what the academic team does everyday to teach students to be quick, accurate, and intelligent. In January, students competed in the 40th District Governor's Cup Competition. Rebecca Swartz placed second in Written Composition; Lexi Swartz, fifth in Arts and Humanities; Dawson Jones, fifth in Science; and Isaiah Hill, fifth in Language Arts. Swartz went on to place first in Written Composition, in the Regional competition. On March 19th - 21st, Swartz will compete in the upcoming State Academic Team Competition. The competition will take place at the Galt House in Louisville. Academic Team Coach, Ginny Muse said, "Rebecca is a great writer, I expect her to do well." In order to get Rebecca prepared, Muse has

been giving practice prompts to aid in Swartz's quickness and writing skills. In the future students are encouraged to join academic team, the opportunity for students is open in a wide array of choices. If students are interested in a category where teamwork, cooperation, and speed is needed with a team filled of students with a general knowledge, Quick Recall is for you. In similar ways, Future Problem Solving is a 4 man team working together to solve everyday issues. If you work better alone and enjoy writing on the spot about a huge span of prompts, written composition is for you. If writing isn't for you then you have the option of written assessment, where you compete individually taking multiple choice assessments under pressure. If interested in joining consult Ms. Muse or Ms. Bartlett.

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design is then made into a flag, and is hung in the Youth Art Month Museum at the National Art Education Association National Convention for the entire month of March. The first place winner from our school was Junior, Emily Workman. Other MCHS top ten winners include: Destini Chenault placing 3rd, Lauren Donithan placing 4th, Hannah Fulks placing 5th, Morgan Donaldson placing 7th, and Larkin Danis placing 9th. The overall winner was Abigail Hughes.

Mrs. Billings, the art teacher here at Montgomery County High School, said of Youth Art Month, "We do community events that bring together this town; we bring positive fellowship and bring about the importance of art in

everyday life." This year, during the last week of March, the school will be participating in a themed week to celebrate Youth Art Month and to congratulate the winners of the flag contest, whom we are all very proud of.



The overall winning art piece by Abigail Hughes.

Cox and Vanderwater Recieve Microsoft Certification



Written by
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Staff Writer

A Microsoft Office Certification authorizes an individual's qualification in specific Microsoft Office Programs. People have the option of certifying in one or more programs by passing the offered tests corresponding to that program. Recently, Grayson Cox, a junior at Montgomery County High School, and Isaiah Vanderwater, a

sophomore, completed and passed the available test. Cox passed six of the eight tests, certifying him in Microsoft Programs such as Word and Excel. Individuals are given a time limit of 50 minutes to complete each test. Before taking tests, participants can study on their own or study through computer courses with others. Cox studied mostly on his own with the help of some textbooks, he did receive some guidance and instruction from Mrs. Barker in the Area Technology Center. While he spent a couple weeks studying for certain programs, he didn't spend as much time preparing for others such as Word, since he was more familiar with these programs. A Microsoft Office Certification also comes with many benefits. When an individual passes and certifies in a test, it becomes a part of their formal transcript. This

transcript can become available for possible employers to consider. Since these certificates are acknowledged worldwide, they provide individuals with many extra job opportunities. College students can also benefit from this, as these certificates also provide possible scholarships. The American Council of Education has approved for certain qualifications to receive college credit in any college in the United States. Cox plans to continue taking test in order to obtain some scholarship money. Tests are also offered on a national and world level, which Cox also plans to continue working towards.

STLP Technology is Our Future



Written by
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According to The Kentucky Department of Education, Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP), uses project based learning principles to empower student learning and achievement through the utilization and creation of technology to solve school and community needs. After a yearlong hiatus Mr. Thornsburg, STLP sponsor, would like to lay the groundwork for a stronger program. "Many former members have moved on to the exciting career in the technology field after graduating Montgomery County High School. I would like to continue the

tradition of excellence," explains Thornsburg. One of the big goals for STLP is to use technology to aid both the school and the community. Thornsburg says, "At this moment all of our current projects are focused on helping address needs within the Montgomery County School system." One project focuses on using video games to educate students about the dangers of bullying and the other project focuses on preparing students for the ACT. STLP members meet weekly throughout the school year to work on projects and solve school and community technology needs. Since presentation is a large part of their showcase projects, they

spend the last few weeks before a competition finalizing their projects and working on their presentation boards and speeches. "Technology is the future. As the technological needs of the world keep growing, it is our job as educators to prepare students to take an active role in this future. STLP isn't just about technology, the focus is on using technology to solve problems," adds Thornsburg. STLP allows students to have a chance to pick a particular need within their school and community and use technology to address it. STLP is a great program for students to get involved in and learn skills for the future. You do not have to be taking a technology class in order to be a member of STLP. The club meets every Wednesday, so come out and try it!

Happy Club



Written by
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Tests, homework, and after school activities lead to a lot of stress for students and teachers. This led to the idea for spreading positivity through the school. Jackson Campbell and MacKenzie Green, both sophomores, decided to create Happy

Club. They decided to "give the school small moments of happiness peppered throughout the year," Campbell explains. "We noticed a lot of stress last spring, and thought it would be nice to alleviate it intentionally and collectively," Green said. Happy Club is intended to relieve stress throughout the school while encouraging positive thoughts for everyone. Meetings are held for all members after school every Monday and officers meet on Tuesdays. Club officers include Jackson Campbell and MacKenzie Green, Co-Presidents; Jacob Miracle, Vice President; and Isaiah Vanderwater, Treasurer. Mr. Carver is the club sponsor.

No official membership is necessary, but around 15 people actively participate in the club. There is no fee for this club, and everyone is welcome to join. "Students who participate begin to see the world in such a way that encourages them to think about others as well as themselves," Mr. Carver said, "Ultimately, the effect of caring is internal, external, community-based and holistic. Caring is all-encompassing."

Indian Style Fashion Show



Written by
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Staff Writer

Monday, February 1st, Mrs. Cora's Fashion Design class visited a fashion boutique along with a furniture and fabric store. The boutique the class first visited, Just Plain and Fancy, is located in Stanton, Ky. It is owned and operated by Anna Kisner. Ms. Kisner is a native of Powell county. During the class's visit, Kisner shared her experiences within college and what students might expect going to college to pursue a degree in fashion. Ms. Kisner also explained steps she took to becoming an entrepreneur and how she developed her marketing strategy. Her strategy eventually led her to reach consumers-women as far away as Florida. Kisner also informed the design class of the challenges she faced obtaining and sustaining her own busi-

ness. Mrs. Cora's class also visited a major furniture store, Lexington Furniture. Then they visited a fabric store, also in Lexington, by the name of Hancock Fabrics. Each of these stores offered an opportunity for the students to experience the latest fabrics and furniture styles that are available in the market to assist a client as a designer. About eight students attended this field trip, including Morgan Donaldson, Katie Norman, Bethany Hudson, Britney Sain, Hunter Jaison, Ashley Watkins, Kayden Kline, and Brooklyn Morton. What a way to explore the real world to see what can be possible with a little hard work and some determination.

Novelist Club



Written by
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Writing a novel is hard. Writing a novel in a month's time? Some may call that impossible. MCHS's new Novelist's Club has set out to prove the exact opposite. A group of students, led by English teacher Mr. Grayson, attempted to write their own entire novel during the month of November. Taking part in NanoWrimo, a writers program that unites novelists all over the world to take part in this one month challenge, the participants in this club set word count goals between 10,000 and 30,000 words. Last year nearly 90,000 students and educators took part in this activity around the globe, and this year MCHS added to that count. The members of this club include: William Artrip, Gabriel Goodpaster, Abby Robinson, Chloe Tuttle, Billie Slone, Tamara

Fonteles, Deziree Marksberry, Jamie Beckner, Karly Hoskins, and James Williamson. Comprised almost entirely of underclassmen, this group of students took the creative impulse to a whole new level. Freshman Karly Hoskins set a personal goal of 30,000 words for her romance novel, and she met her goal the very last day of November. Karly said of the club, "I think it's really fun that a bunch of creative people can get together and write novels and be able to generate all the creative ideas into one thing and be able to be part of something while doing it." Perhaps the best part of this club may be the vast differences between the ideas of the group members. Mr. Grayson decided to tackle the complex idea of time travel and the logistics behind the nature of it; meanwhile, most of the students wrote coming of age stories that we could all likely relate to. McCo Novelist's Club

plans to return creativity and imagination to the school and encourage more students to participate. Mr. Grayson commented, "Any club, I think, is about making the school smaller than the 1400 students here, and getting a small group around you of students that are interested in the same things you are. I think what makes the Novelist Club unique is that it gives this extra creative outlet." The club plans to do another project in April as equally big as this one, and hopes to get the community involved and raise money towards a local charity, possibly with donations for every word count goal reached. Karly Hoskin's advice to any student looking to join is "to not give yourself a limit or a specific goal because you can do whatever you want to do," something that all ten students learned because of this club. Sharing stories is something that can unite us all, and that is what Montgomery County High School aims to do.

SPORTS

Diving into Swim



Written by
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Staff Writer

Gooding and Bryce Gooding in the 50m freestyle. Although the team seemed disappointed about their close loss, the team went on to another meet to face Model head-to-head, where the Indians eventually won, devastating Model's team.

As the swim team geared towards the end of the season, they headed off to regionals in Corbin to compete in the fastest of the districts in Kentucky High School swim. Swimmers with the fastest times, or the "top sixteen" at regionals return back to the finals where they compete and have the possibility of going to state if they finish in the top eight for relays, or top three or four in individual

ing 4 points ahead. Head coach, Lainey Neal, mentioned some of the team's big players for the meet, one of these being junior, Noah Covington. Neal went on to say that he was amazing in the 500m freestyle and the 100m breaststroke, as well as the 200m medley relay and the 400m freestyle relay. More stand out members were Klae Wilson in the 100 breast, Hayden

Toy, 100 Back 1:01.29 (team record and top sixteen); and Jackson Caudill 500 Free (top sixteen). The team's relays also made some new records, including the Girls 400 Free: 4:15.01 (Benton Patrick, Cameron Reddix, Julianne Williams, Madison Penix), the Girls 200 Medley: 1:02.13 (Benton Patrick, Cameron Reddix, Julianne Williams, and Madison Penix), the Boys 200 Medley: 1:50.99 (Cameron Coffey, Noah Covington, Sam May, and Carson Akers), and the Boys 400 Free: 3:35.79 (Hank Neal, Travis Toy, Noah Covington, and Marc McGinnis). All of the boys relays placed for state, but for the first time, the girls relay placed as well with the 200 Med-

ley. Individuals who also qualified for state were Noah Covington with the 500 Free and Jackson Caudill with the 500 Free. The team traveled to Louisville to compete at the state level in the KHSAA Championships on February 26th. The Boys 200 Medley Relay placed 34th, and the Girls 200 Medley placed 34th as well. The boys placed 24th in both the 200 Free and the 400 Free. Overall, for a swim team that practices without an indoor pool in their county, the Indians become stronger each year and continue to impress.



Flying High:

MCHS cheerleaders compete on the National Level



Written by
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Staff Writer

Our high school cheerleading squad recently competed at the regional, state, and national level. They beat GRC's cheerleading squad at region on November 7. They competed on the state level at the Kentucky horse park on December 12. They received runner-up at state beating Paul Laurence Dunbar

and Bowling Green, two teams that have a long running tradition of doing good at this cheerleading competition. They traveled to Disney World on February 5 to compete at UCA nationals. They placed thirteenth out of twenty-eight teams. While in Disney World they enjoyed many of the parks and rides of-

ferred there. They also had a team dinner at Rainforest Cafe their last night in Disney. "UCA nationals in Disney World was a great experience and I am so happy that I was able to experience it my senior year," senior Makenzie Shrout said. "To compete on this level takes a lot of dedication, but the

work is well worth the experience." The cheerleading squad will be graduating 7 cheerleaders this year including, Katie Crouch, Cierra Overstreet, Macey McKenzie, Katelyn Thomas, Makenzie Shrout, Jerryn Jones, and Madison Collins.



Pictured above is wrestler Colton Miller.

Photo courtesy of Mike Hanson

Hope and Chances



Written by
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The wrestling team had an excellent season last year with a score of 19-0 and ended 23-5 as a team. The team only lost one senior last year; the team is expecting 9 returning state qualifiers, and is also hoping for five places in the top eight state tour. The biggest rival that the Montgomery County wrestling team has ever faced was Johnson

Central, Montgomery beat them the first time around and at the end of the season Johnson Central beat the Montgomery County team leaving the record at a 1-1 between the two schools, and Johnson Central only lost one senior as well. The rules and regulations to be a state qualifier was put up in the arena on January 16, and the first wrestling

match was on December 2 at 6 p.m. at Dunbar high school with the season having its last match on March 1. It is a winter season sport. The wrestling team has these events and each one leads to higher event like regional or state but it starts off as a Tri-match. The schedule of the wrestling team will be Dunbar, Boyle, Johnson Central, Lafayette, Woodford, Simon Keeton, Henry Clay, Huntington W.V., Union co. Ohio, and at the Ky Horse park from December 3 through February 21. A quoted from current wrestler Alex Holt "it has been a really good experience this year, win or lose I still have fun."

Striking For the Team



Written by
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"This year we started off the season with a smaller roster than any previous year," Jason Crouch, the Boys Bowling coach stated about this seasons improvement so far. He continues, "This in turn made the younger players step up and become leaders." The current rank is seven wins to six losses. Their last game, which was senior night was on January 27th; at home, against East Jessamine. To improve their performance during a match, each teammate relies on the other for support. "We always support our teammates and try to provide the best analysis of the lane conditions to give advice" said Coach Crouch.

Continuing with, "We absolutely support one another. When Someone does great and picks up a spare or gets a strike everyone always congratulates them and cheers them on," on the issue of the team's support system. Upcoming matches are, the team tournament, that play on Saturday, January 30th and individuals on Sunday, January 31st. The team's goal is to always represent MCHS the best way possible rather they win or lose. Coach Crouch explains that his favorite thing about this seasons boys bowling team, "We all are a family. If someone needs a ride, doesn't have a piece of equipment or needs

something we all pitch in and take care of each other. The team's progress this season is describes as "...striving to be region champs once again," Coach Crouch said, continued with, "We are a young team and I believe in every one of these young men and believe we are going to do great." Coach Crouch also would like to add, "Thanks again for your time! We just really want to thank all the parents and fans that come to almost all the games whether they are home or away so we always have a cheering section. We would also like to thank the Booster club and the Sterling Lanes for always trying to accommodate us." So far this season is going well and the team is more than eager to improve their skills and support one another for another great bowling season.

Continue The Legacy Girls Bowling



Written by
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As the 2015-2016 academic year is on the final stretch, Girls Bowling team is beginning to spread throughout more and more students. When senior, Haleigh Ralls, was asked how the team was looking this year, she responded with, "the team is com-

ing together. Bowling is a fairly new sport to the school and I believe our team is starting to get the hang of it." Many of the girls on the team are attending college, and with academic scholarships outweighing the sports scholarships, their focus is on school work. Haleigh asks the teams and members in the follow-

ing years to continue the "#PartyCardi" and work very hard to achieve a 300 score in a game. Haleigh, along with many other teammates would like to say, "thank you to Mike Manley for helping us out for the past couple of months. We really appreciate him and a huge shoutout to Whaley for being the best coach

ever." Haleigh also says if she was given the chance, she would "have learned how to throw a hook a couple years ago." With the Senior team members leaving, Montgomery County High School would like to say thank you for representing our school so well at matches, and continuing to represent us in your endeavors in college. You will always be remembered for all of your accomplishments and wonderful representation in the state.

Taking It To The Hoop



Written by
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Staff Writer

The boy's basketball team has had a great regular season with a record of 19-10. This includes defeating Bourbon County, Madison Southern, and our biggest rival Clark County twice. In the fourth quarter of our home Clark County game Art Walker hit three three point baskets to help us get the win. In the away Clark County game we lead almost the entire game. The boys basketball team is losing five seniors including, Caswell Fuller, Art Walker, Shelby Combs, Cody Parsley, and Hunter Bentley. Caswell Fuller, senior point guard, was named player of the month for December. He says, "Our team has played great all season and I hope we can end my high school career with another trip to the state tournament

at Rupp Arena." Caswell Fuller also broke Bryan Holley's record for most assists. Shelby Combs was named player of the month for January. The boys basketball team is second on our district and beat Clark County for the third time on February 24. They will compete with Paris Independent on Friday, February 26 to get another district championship win. Beating George Rogers Clark High School on February 24, qualified the Indians to make it to the regional tournament which we will be hosting this year. The Indians are currently ranked in fourth place in the 10th region. The regional tournament took place the first week of March, where MCHS lost their final game to Augusta.

Spencer Holder (pictured 3rd person from the left on bottom row) signs with Georgetown to play soccer.

Cory Carpenter (pictured 3rd person from the left on bottom row) signs with Franklin College to play soccer.

Marissa Forrest (pictured 2nd person on the bottom row) signs with Georgetown College for Cross Country and Track and Field.

Mason Gooch (pictured bottom middle) signs with Galludet University for football.

Winter Stars



Written by
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Montgomery County's Winter Guard has been working hard this year with tons of practice, and after major changes in preparation and show routines, they had their first competition January 29th in Campbell County placing in 4th out of 6. Seniors, Amber Ackerman and Cayna Kidd have been putting forth tons of effort to help their team by co-writing show routines with their new coach Kenya Manley. For performances, teams must have an overall theme for their routines. This year Winter Guard has chosen Miley Cyrus's song "When I look at you" to convey their theme, "Something that brings you happiness."

The Winter Guard team is very passionate about what they

do, seniors Precious Walker and Amber Ackerman have both been in Winter Guard for a total of 7 years. "Guard has been a sport where I can be myself, perform and tell a story through dance and equipment, and meet amazing people!" Amber Ackerman said, expressing her love for her team and sport. Precious Walker says that, "guard has become her second family," and that they are a "group of friends she'll keep a lifetime." Winter Guard has a huge championship competition March 26 at Larry A. Ryle High School in Union, Kentucky, which will be their final show. They've had a very successful season this year, and they hope the best is to come for the

Lady Indians



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The Montgomery County Lady Indians finished another heart-filled season on February 22, 2016 at the district tournament hosted at George Rogers Clark's Robert D. Campbell gym. This season was a season of building for the Lady Indians.

With a whole new coaching staff, including a new head coach and two new assistant coaches, the team pushed forward throughout the season. The Indians are losing only one senior, Team Captain Sarah Arnett; while there are many up and coming underclassmen

to fill her shoes. The Ladies finished with a final record of 12-17 and were 5-6 in district play. They beat, rival George Rogers Clark, Bourbon County, and Paris Independent, all formidable opponents. Senior Sarah Arnett lead the team averaging double digit points and rebounds. "Although this year did not end in the way we wanted, it was a blast, and a learning experience with a whole new coaching staff," Arnett said. "Our team is actually just one big family, win or lose we

stand together." Ashlyn Robertson, a supporter of the Lady Indians Basketball program, said, "My favorite moment this season was when the whole Blue Crew stood up and cheered the girls on to a huge win against Bourbon County at home." The Lady Indians ended their season in a thrilling game against Bourbon County, losing by just nine points. The Lady Indians played their hearts out this season and our school has loved supporting them.

Running To Success



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Runners train hard! They train to improve their times from the beginning to the end of the season. In Track and Field they have sprints, re-

lays and distance runs. They also have events such as long jump, triple jump and high jump. People that are strong have shot put

and discus, and lastly there is pole vault. The girls team captain is Marissa Forrest and the boys Co-captains are Dustin Townsend and Chris Price. One goal for the team, Coach Edward Step-anchuk says, is to "Do well at regions, take as many people as possible." Saturday, March 21, members will compete in the Varsity Mayor's Cup at home. Friday May 1, MCHS will host

a Varsity Invitational. Saturday, May 14th will be the 3A Regional (Region VI) Varsity Championship at Henry



Pictured above are players Caswell Fuller and Brennan Canada.

Photo courtesy of Mike Hanson



OPINIONS

Snow Day or No Day?



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issued Chromebooks, may complete work online through the Google Classroom. In order for a tribe day to count, the county must have 92 percent of students complete their work. Montgomery County High School seems very confident that its students will complete their work and achieve this high percentage of completion that is required. Based upon the results of our tribe days so far, their confidence seems to have been well founded, with each having a completion of over 95%. Students are being very strongly urged by both teachers and administration to complete their work, through both their grade-books and potential consequences.

These methods will most likely succeed in getting the more responsible students who care about their grades to do the work, if they weren't going to do it anyway. However, those students who do not care about their grades, or the potential consequences that they would be subjected to, will probably continue not caring about them. It seems to this humble reporter that it is a simple example of Newton's First Law, the object at rest is a student who could not care less about their work and does not do it, while the object in motion is a stu-

dent who is motivated to do their work and, therefore, does it. Teachers and staff are attempting to apply just enough force to the objects at rest to get them moving, pressuring students into doing their work. While this may seem a little harsh, it is ultimately the right thing to do, as no one (whether they be student, teacher, or administrator) wants to go to school during the summer. Tribe Days are an amazing opportunity that Montgomery County has been granted; allowing it to be squandered by irresponsible or nihilistic students is simply foolish. Whether the administration here in Montgomery County

fully succeeds in convincing students to do their work or not has yet to be seen; however, they are certainly doing their very best to make sure that the potential benefits of Montgomery County's new opportunity is not rendered mute by its own student body.



Montgomery County has recently implemented a new system allowing students to complete work on snow days; these are known as Tribe Days and they allow the school to count snow days as school days and therefore be made immune to making them up at the end of the year. Students, using their school

Voice of The Tribe

How do you feel about tribe days?



Symantha Elliot
"Staying home was nice."



Gavin Arnett
"I liked them because I could stay home."



Hunter Frazier
"I don't like them, but they are a necessity."



Sean Greer
"I liked staying home while doing my work."



Madelyn Johnston
"Tribe days have changed my life."



Christian Halcomb
"Tribe day can be helpful if people actually did it."

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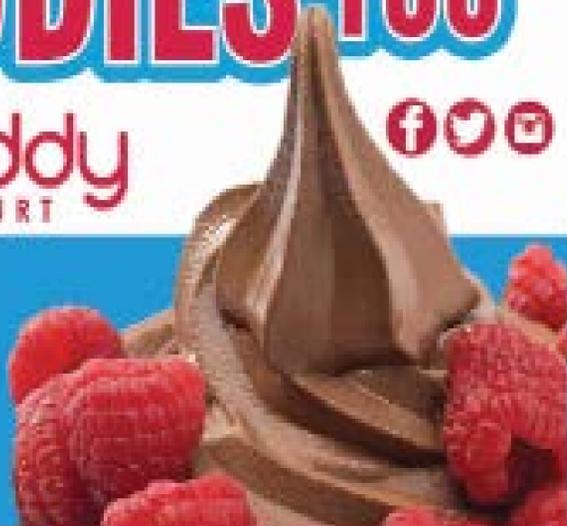


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