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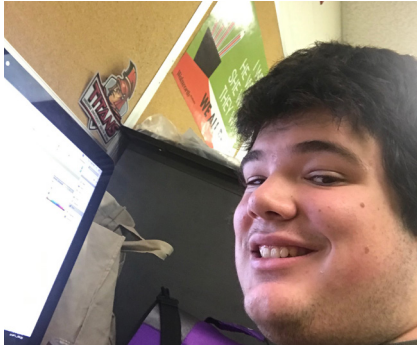
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*Happy Holidays*  
*from the Colonial*  
*Staffers*



# Editor's Note



Happy Holidays, Colonials! As always, we would like to thank you for taking the time to read the paper, as we always put a great amount of time and effort into each issue. We would also like to hear some feedback from you all. If you have a story you would like us to talk about, say so! If you hate my reviews of the latest films and you think I'm a disgrace to the movie viewing community, say so! Bottom line, we're here for you and your feedback helps us greatly. Thanks everyone!

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# Counselor's Corner:

## *Things for Seniors to Know*



BY MS. KATHRYN BUDA

If you are a senior, there are many things to take care of before you walk out of this school for the last time in June as a high school graduate. It's time to make a plan!

**Are you going to college?** If so, complete the following, and if you need help, see your counselor immediately.

- 1) Take the SAT or ACT (if you haven't already)
- 2) Apply for colleges on their respective websites. Apply to colleges that you know you'll have a shot at getting into!
- 3) Send in your high school transcripts to colleges at [parchment.com](http://parchment.com)
- 4) File your FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

**Are you going into the workforce?**

- 1) Look at what jobs are out there
- 2) Build your resumé
- 3) Ask for references from adults

**Are you joining any of the armed forces?**

1) Head to a recruiting center and get the information you need.

And always, check your credits and graduation status with your counselor.

Make sure you haven't missed anything and that you are ready to go come June.

IT GOES BY FASTER THAN YOU THINK.

## WHO'S MY COUNSELOR?

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# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

By KALI BURKS '20

**M**organ Frasier is the current valedictorian of the senior class. She has been a student at Clay High School for four years and previously went to LaSalle Intermediate Academy. She plays basketball and softball and is the secretary of the National Honor Society.

Frasier says that her favorite part of Clay is the sense of community within the school. "I'm very grateful that I have had the opportunity to spend these past four years surrounded by such welcoming and kind people."

Frasier states that her biggest influence was her basketball coach from freshman year, Joe Huppenthal. "He pushed me to my limits and taught me the benefits of hard work." Frasier says she has "worked very hard and tried my best to balance her studies with extracurricular activities."

And after all of her hard work, she feels a sense of accomplishment. "All these years of hard work and stress have finally paid off."

Morgan plans on attending Purdue University to pursue nursing and later attend medical school to become a physician.

Frasier's GPA is 4.1739



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Photo by: Livia Jastrzebski

Michael Dukes is currently one of the top students in the senior class. He has been at Clay all four years having previously attended the LaSalle Intermediate Academy. He played boys tennis this year, participated in Quiz Bowl his sophomore year, and is a member of the Youth Leadership St. Joseph County.

Dukes says that diversity is his favorite part of Clay. "I like the fact that I'm around other 'weird' people like myself. I love video games and nerdy stuff practically more than anything, and it's cool to share that with others. Most people that I have classes with are nice as well, which I really appreciate."

Even though he has mostly just relied on himself, Dukes says that Mr. Kasper has "affected me the most in terms of education." Although it was the hardest class he's ever taken, his AP US History class was also the one he learned the most from. "His (Kasper) notions of questioning everything and being curious in life have shaped my thought processes in a way that I haven't

experienced before. I didn't know him personally, but he still had quite the impact on me."

Dukes says he thinks he made it to the top because his nature is that of being a diligent student. "My parents have always told me to do well in school and that it would pay off in the long run. So I grew up with that mentality. Honestly though, I procrastinate a lot, but I always end up finishing my assignments to the best of my abilities. I feel proud of myself. I knew that I had good grades and everything, but I never expected to be the top student in my class or anything like that."

Michael is not sure about what he wants to do in the future but he is currently in the Emergency Medical Services CTE class and is thinking that he wants to be an informatics nurse or something else in the medical field that is technology-based. "Maybe I won't like any of it and become a passionate pizza maker? It's always a possibility. I want people to know that they should do what makes them happy; it's the purpose of life in my opinion, if you really think about it," explains Dukes.

Michael Dukes is currently ranked fourth in his class with a 4.111 GPA.

Next month's Student Spotlight will highlight our salutatorian and another high achieving Colonial.



Photo by: Livia Jastrzebski

# Teacher of the Year

BY SOPHIE RIDENOUR '20

This year's Teacher of the Year is Mr. Ben Murray. Murray is Clay High School's Career and Technical Education teacher who specializes in Graphic Design and Interactive Media. Juniors and seniors are eligible to earn up to nine dual-college credits in this CTE class. In Murray's class students focus on turning design creativity into a marketable commodity.

"I would love to think that it's because I teach the most amazing subjects. However, when it comes down to it, I think it has a lot to do with respect. It's not unlike a magical potion. I give my students 100% of my respect and don't mind

working at earning theirs. Their only job is to keep that level of respect at 100%. I'll just do me, you do you, and we'll get along fine! Then, sprinkle in a little levity, add a pinch of positive encouragement and stir three times. Voilà! It's not magic but when it works, it's magical," said Mr. Murray.

In addition to his teaching duties, Murray is also the girls assistant swim coach for Mrs. O'Brien. And Murray sponsors the Clay Spirit Club that hosts the Halloween Dance and the Mid-Winter Semi-Formal. Additionally, Spirit Club organizes two spirit weeks and pep-rallies. Murray also volunteers as a co-sponsor to Clay's GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) with fellow teachers Mr. Greg Harris and Mrs. Dakota Foster.

Murray is also responsible for producing the morning news (with help with from his students) and keeps the scrolling announcements updated throughout

each school day. When asked about what makes him proud about being a teacher he said, "Easy: you guys!!! I'm constantly surrounded by love and encouragement. The faculty/staff are the family I've never had and the students just give me LIFE! Vangee."

Here's a fun fact about Murry: "When I was your age, in Australia, I accidentally joined a cult. I was searching and found some people who seemed nice and shared my passion for inner peace. Come to find out that they orchestrated a bio-terrorism attack that poisoned 751 individuals in Oregon. It was all very American Horror Story!"

Ben Murray is first generation Australian. He was born and raised in Adelaide, South Australia to an Argentine mother. He is currently a permanent resident working toward his U.S. Citizenship.

This is Murray's third year of teaching.

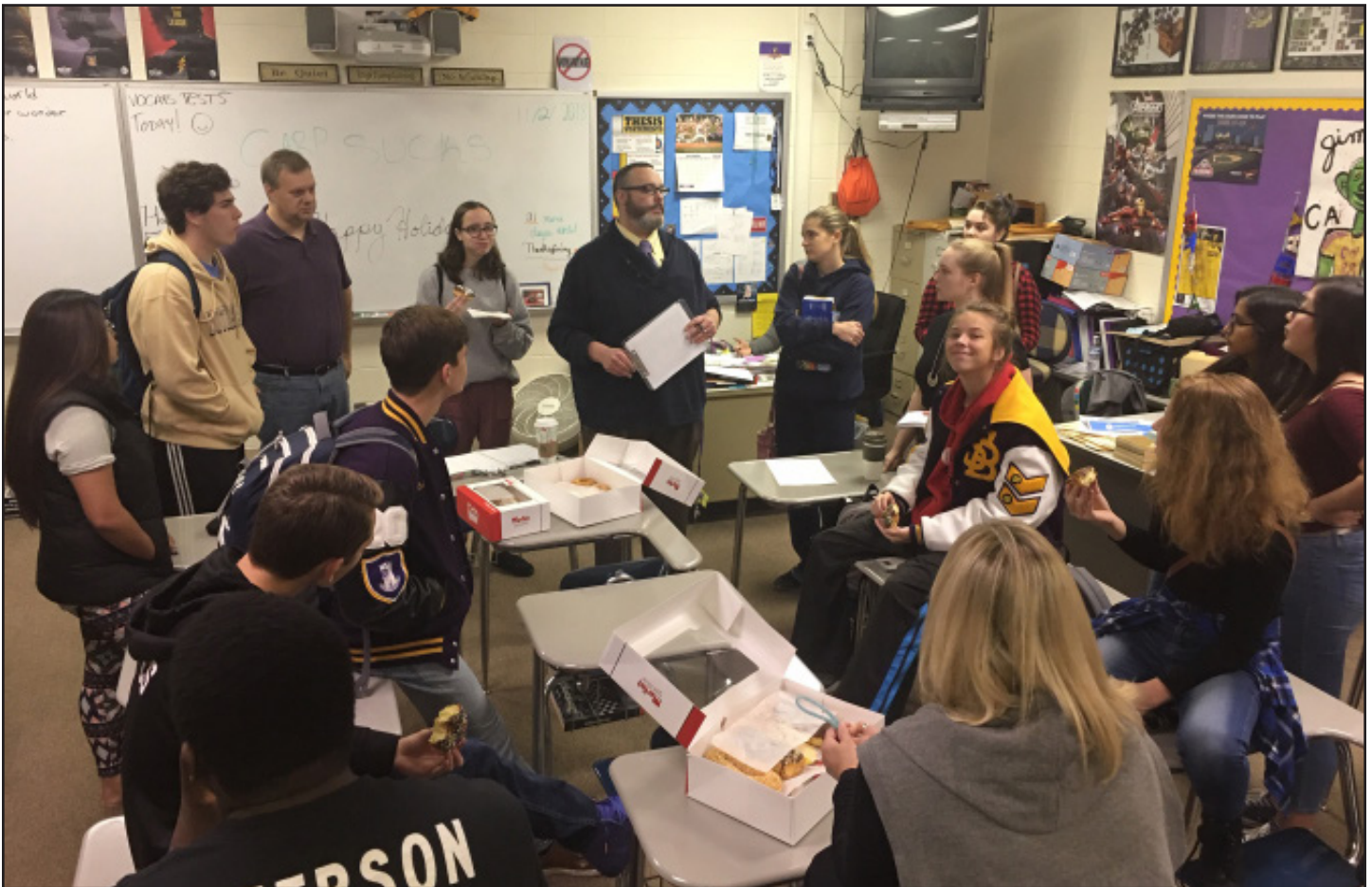
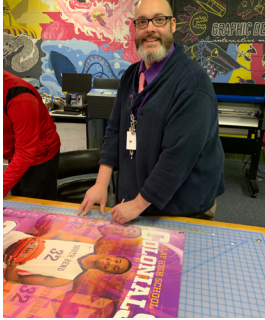


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# Stopping for Buses

BY KYLA ANDREWS '19

Tuesday, October 30th, 2018 started as any other day for the parents of Mason and Xzavier Ingle, 6, Alivia Stahl, 9, and Maverik Lowe, 11. They had no idea what was to come. While on their way to school, these children were struck while crossing the road to get to their bus.

Mason and Xzavier Ingle, twins, along with their sister Alivia Stahl, attended Mentone Elementary School in the Tippecanoe Valley School Corporation. Maverik attended Tippecanoe Valley Middle School.

Siblings Mason, Xzavier, and Alivia died in the accident.

Maverik, unlike the others, survived the accident with many injuries including multiple broken bones. He has since been released from the hospital and continues to recuperate at home.

Clay principal Mr. Tim Pletcher states that "it is extremely tragic to lose a child, let alone three at one time." Speaking from the standpoint of a school principal he said that school will need to be a place of healing and community pride. "Students will be impacted for quite some time, and the school will need to think about how they can best provide its students with support as they cope with unexpected loss and grief."

The morning of the accident, the kids were crossing the countryside two-lane highway to catch their bus. The bus was stopped with its lights flashing and the stop sign arm extended. Police cannot confirm how fast the pickup was

traveling, but the speed limit on Indiana 25 is 55 mph. The bus driver said he saw the oncoming truck's headlights. Because the truck was far enough back to have time to



stop, the bus driver waved to the children to cross. When it was clear the truck wasn't stopping, the bus driver honked the horn, letting the driver know to stop. A witness behind the truck says they were both traveling 45 mph. This witness also says that the truck's headlights illuminated the children and started to freak out when she realized that the truck wasn't slowing down.

Clay sophomore Kimberly Downey says "it makes [her] feel unsafe going to the bus stop and on edge because parents trust these drivers to keep their kids safe on the way to school."

Stella Yeakey, also a sophomore, believes that incidents of disregarding buses happens a lot more than you would think. "Cars focus more on their destination instead of the safety of kids," she said.

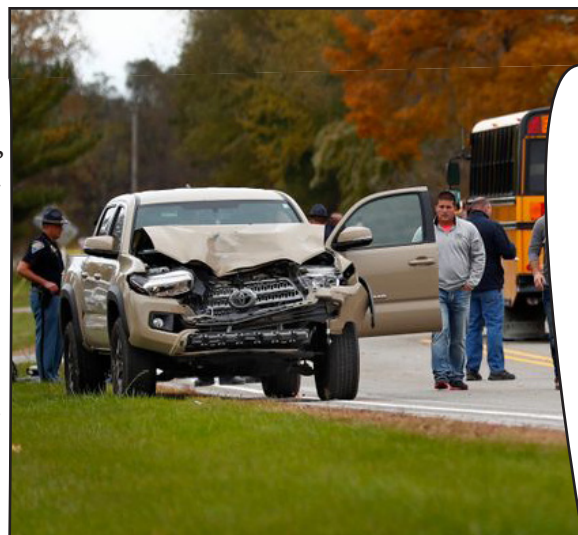
The driver of SBCSC bus #145 said she is scared for children. "The South Bend Community School Corporation has a new policy where the student has to look at the bus driver and the driver has

to wave the child to cross with one on one eye contact between the bus driver and the student."

Mr. Pletcher adds, "As children and adults work through the grieving process, they may need access to additional counseling. It is important to take care of the children, but the adults will also need to remember to take care of themselves."

The name of the truck driver is Alyssa Shepherd. She is charged with three counts of reckless homicide and a misdemeanor count of passing a school bus when a signal arm is extended. Shepherd works as a children's director at Faith Outreach. She remained at the scene after the crash and cooperated with investigators. She was given a blood test, but police determined alcohol or drugs were not considered factors.

Mr. Jim Carpenter, parent and teacher, says he is still upset. "It's your worst nightmare. You don't expect your kids to needlessly die on the way to school."



## CRITICAL ANALYSIS:

# MAYBE, THE GRINCH PERHAPS, MEANS A LITTLE BIT MORE

**SCORE: 78/100**

BY SION SHEPLEY '19

Chances are, if you were a child, you knew who Dr. Seuss, or Theodore Geisel was. He created many wonderful stories for families to enjoy. His visual style was all his own and his characters are timeless, leading to many wonderful shorts in the 1960s, the most famous of which was the Chuck Jones film of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." The short film was released in 1966 and starred Boris Karloff as the menacing Grinch and it continues to be a classic that families watch every year.

Making movies out of these timeless characters was practically inevitable, but it hasn't really worked out. One of the worst offenders, in my opinion, was the 2000 film of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" starring Jim Carrey in the titular role. Many really enjoy it, but I just don't. I find it loud, obnoxious, dirty, and totally in distaste of the book and the animated short.

When I saw the trailers for the newest version of "The Grinch," I was scared and downright disgusted. Illumination (the studio behind it) is known for making films that make a lot of money, but lack greatly in quality. One of those included an adaptation of Dr. Seuss' "The Lorax" that took away what made the original book so powerful and haunting. With all this knowledge going in, I was really ready to tear this latest adaptation to shreds. However, I actually came out kinda...pleased.

Most know the story, but if you don't, it's about a Grinch (Benedict Cumberbatch) who lives up above the small town of Whoville, a joyous town that especially loves Christmas. The Grinch despises Christmas because of the obnoxious joy that it brings and he decides one day that he has had enough and he is going to steal it. However, the Grinch learns that Christmas isn't about the stuff, it's about coming together to be joyous and enjoy spending the holiday with loved ones. Because of this, his icy heart is warmed. Spoiler alert?

In many respects, the 2018 movie and the 2000 movie don't need to exist. The 1966 film perfectly captures the book and



it doesn't have to fill up a certain allotted time with excess that doesn't need to be in it. The main problem that Seuss movies typically have is that they tend to complicate something that should be so simple. While the latest version of "The Grinch" is kind of pointless, the additions that it includes and the moments where it perfectly captures the story make it work, despite of a lot of the stupid moments in it as well.

There are some really dumb and weird choices though, like having not one, but two separate Grinch-themed raps that are horrible. In addition to those, there is a scene where the Grinch starts working out in hot pink 80's yoga gear. Needless to say, there was a lot of cringing going on in the front row of the theatre. It's the dumbest scene in the movie that ironically follows the best scene in the movie.

Despite those scenes being as bad as they are, there are plenty of things that are really good. The two best scenes are when the Grinch gets the idea to steal Christmas and when he actually does it. Both of these scenes prove why Benedict Cumberbatch was a great choice for the Grinch, why Danny Elfman was a perfect choice for the score, and why animation is the best medium to get across this story. All three of these elements are at their best in these two scenes. If they remained that way throughout, I probably would have liked this even better.

The movie also adds some stories that aren't needed, but they actually are kind of nice. Like the 2000 version, this also goes into the back stories of the Grinch and Cindy-Lou, the who whom he meets when stealing Christmas. But while they were painfully drawn out and hit too hard on

the head in that film, they're actually okay in this version. The Grinch's back story is simple, he has always been alone. It's something relatable, but not something that is shoved down our throats. Cindy-Lou on the other hand is kind of awesome.

In the 2000 version, the writers spent too much time on Cindy-Lou and the whos. And in doing so, they abandoned the notion of them being good people. Cindy-Lou was the only decent who in Whoville in that version, and I found her bland and lifeless. She didn't act like a real kid. But in this version, the writers know who the whos are in the story and they keep them nice throughout the whole thing. And they got a great child actress to voice Cindy-Lou by the name of Cameron Seely. She brings an energy to the character that actually is an improvement on both the 2000 version and even the 1966 version.

Instead of a generic motivation like trying to feel the true spirit of Christmas, her goal is to get Santa to help her single mom. It makes her unbelievably kind without feeling packaged. It really was a good update.

I suppose I should take some time to talk about Cumberbatch as the Grinch. While I thought his casting was genius, I wasn't a fan of how the trailers were depicting him. I couldn't recognize him, but I wanted to recognize his deep almost menacing voice. It's why he was a perfect choice to begin with. But when I saw the movie, his character grew on me. His voice actually did allow some really slimy deliveries that worked great as the Grinch, despite animation not really serving him. In that way, Jim Carrey was actually a little better, but the animation team didn't give Cumberbatch any favors.

My biggest problem with this movie sounds worse than what I mean by it. It really doesn't need to exist. The story has already been told perfectly in both the book and the animated short. But if you were going to make a full length version of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," I think that this was a valiant attempt. This wasn't a mean one after all.

# Friends in Irish Places

BY JESSICA ALDRIDGE '19

On a cold October night in South Bend, Indiana, country music artist Garth Brooks lit up Notre Dame stadium for the first time in the stadium's history. Over 84,000 fans from near and far gathered to enjoy the famous tunes of the legend's music.

The concert took place on October 20, 2018. Concerts were held on campus on a more regular basis in the 90's. More recently, The Chainsmokers performed on campus in April of 2018.

Notre Dame stadium first opened its gates on October 4, 1930. At the time, the stadium could only hold 54,000 people. Now, 88 years later, the stadium can hold 80,795 people. One of the famous features of the stadium is "Touchdown Jesus." The mosaic's actual name is "The Word of Life" by Millard Sheets and is displayed on the Hesburgh Library. The mural depicts the resurrection of Jesus Christ, but fans gave it a fun twist based on Jesus' hands being in the traditional "touchdown" signal pose, hence the nickname.

While Garth Brooks is the first to perform a stand-alone show in the stadium, he is not the first to ever perform in the

stadium. Various artists have performed a few songs during halftime shows, but never a full show.

The day before the concert, Brooks performed a sound check, which was sort a mini concert of sorts according to concert-goers. Notre Dame students

were able to attend for free. Faculty and staff had the opportunity to purchase tickets for \$10.

All proceeds benefited a scholarship program at the university.

Clay senior Madison Woolley attended. "It was cool because we got really close to the stage and super close to Garth Brooks. It was cool being involved with the first sound check he's ever done for an audience," Woolley said.

Approximately 300 Notre Dame students and about 3,000 faculty and staff attended the sound check.

A tradition for Notre Dame fans every home game is tailgating. Thousands of fans come out to campus on any given game day to mingle and have fun before the actual game begins. The Garth Brooks concert was no exception. Country music star Trisha Yearwood, Brooks' wife, held her own tailgate before the show. The tailgate featured Trisha's own cocktails and recipes, as well as furniture from her home collection.

Some fans did forego the tailgating tradition because of the extreme weather circumstances. With temperatures dropping below freezing, concert-goers were in for a rather cold night. A mixture of snow and rain accompanied the cold, coming

in alternate waves of each other. Strong winds delayed the concert by 30 minutes, as the sound team did not feel it was safe to hang the speakers.

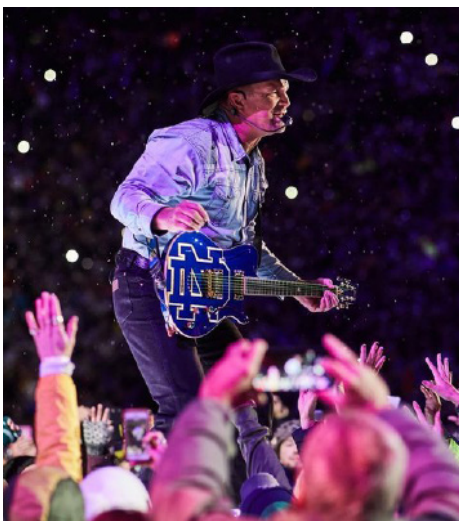
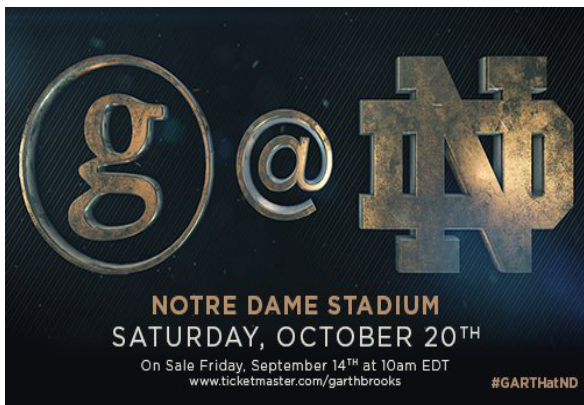
This did not stop fans from being a part of the history, though.

Super-fan Mr. Jim Carpenter exclaimed, "The show was excellent! It was cold, wet, and snowy but Garth Brooks is an amazing entertainer!"

The concert lasted approximately two and a half hours, with the first two hours being filmed for a TV special. This isn't Brooks first rodeo with TV specials, with his first being filmed in 1992. The artist has had six TV specials. "Garth: Live at Notre Dame!" aired on CBS on Dec. 2.

Numerous times during filming, fans were asked to sing-along to songs by themselves, and asked to give "fake" cheers for the sake of the recording. The crowd was also asked to do retakes during filming. This created sort of a movie set feel, instead of an actual concert atmosphere according to many in attendance.

Despite the cold-weather, fans seemed to genuinely enjoy the show. Brooks even announced the last stop of his stadium tour will be right back at Notre Dame Stadium once again in two years.



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# A Nation Mourns

BY KYLA ANDREWS '20

George Herbert Walker Bush was our 41st president, an American statesman, and a Republican party politician. He died on November 30th, 2018.

Bush had also been a representative of Texas, an ambassador to the United Nations, and was formerly the director of Central Intelligence Agency. Bush was referred to as "George H. W. Bush," "Bush 41," or "George Bush Sr." when his son, George W. Bush became the 43rd president to avoid confusion.

"Since we've known for months that he [George H. W. Bush] wasn't doing well, [his death] was anticipated," says Mr. Dan Kasper, Clay history teacher. The arrangements for Bush's funeral were already orchestrated. "Invitations were already written," Kasper said.

While listening to people talk about Bush, historians got different views on him. Mr. Kasper believes, "some of my criticism was wrong."

George H. was "incredibly humble and sincere" in the words of Mrs. Dianna Christopher, English teacher.

Kasper believes that George H. W. Bush was not arrogant. In Kasper's mind, Bush "was uplifting because he didn't talk down. [It is] such a relief from what we have now."

Kasper believes that "His son had listened to him" in the way of making de-

cisions. George H. didn't let his vice president orchestrate his decisions." A notable part of his presidency was "his environment efforts and his efforts on the disabled. He wanted to put a softer edge to Republicans," according to Kasper. It seems as though he has done just that. Kasper also noticed that George "didn't govern by the seat of his pants."

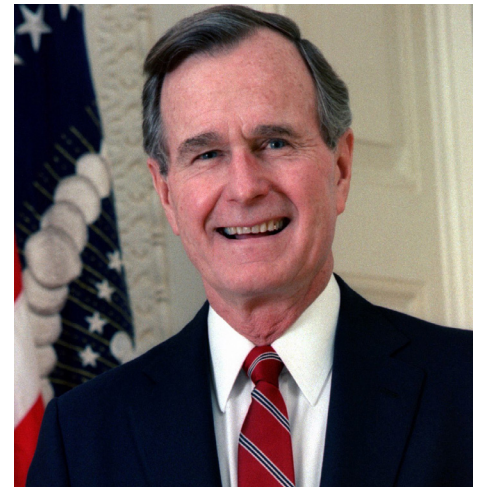
Although he had many good points in his presidency, there is always low points to follow. Mr. Kasper says that "(he) thought (George) was wrong on several rights. (He) thought (George) was wrong about taxes. They had to be raised and eventually (Bush) changed his mind." Kasper also thought George Bush "was wrong on gay and lesbian rights and marriage."

Both Christopher and Kasper said that they loved his sense of humor and it showed throughout the funeral too. Kasper describes the funeral as sad, but a celebration of life. He said, "Sadness wasn't the main emotion."

Christopher wishes more people, and not just presidents, could follow his lead when it comes to "making relationships important to each of us."

Kasper also noted his (Bush's) relationship with former president Bill Clinton. He said, "You can somewhat tell a man by who he marries. If you look at Barbara Bush, she was quite a woman. Barbara Bush would not have married a jerk, and she didn't."

The legacy that George H. W. Bush left was impeccable. To describe his presidency and Bush's overall reign left in America, Kasper says "He was a kind and gentle republican. This liberal doesn't see too many of those."



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# Foreign Exchange

By KALI BURKS '20

Clay High School prides itself on its diversity. We have a variety of students from different ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds. Clay also has been home for many foreign exchange students. Let's introduce five students that come to us this year from different countries. The students would like to share with us their thoughts and feelings about being at Clay and how this "new" is different from life back home.

## Yixiang Huang

Yixiang Huang, also known around school as James, is from a city in China called Kunming. They call it the "Spring City" because of the beautiful weather. There is tons of history there and according to James, tons of great food! His host family has taken him to many places in South Bend including; parks, shopping malls, and supermarkets. While the food in his hometown is pretty good, he really enjoys what we have to offer as well. "The biggest difference between here and home is the weather and food. The weather here is colder and there is a great difference in temperature between the morning and evening," says James. His favorite part of Clay



Yixiang "James" Huang

High is the classrooms. James says that "Chinese schools are particularly tiring, here is more suitable for learning and time allocation is better because I have more time to do what I like." Fun facts about James: his favorite color is black, he loves to swim and he did it every day when he was in China, his favorite subject is math, and his favorite teacher is Mr. Jim Carpen-

ter. James says, "It's a brand new experience for me and I especially enjoy the life here."

## Dong Young Jeong

Dong Young Jeong, aka Alex, is from a city in South Korea that is very densely populated so they can move to various places like the mall without having to use the car. He has never been to the United States before other than being here right now as a foreign exchange student. Alex doesn't know Indiana that well as of right now but there are a lot of new things and many people of different races where it's not as diverse in his hometown. The main



Dong "Alex" Young Jeong

difference between his hometown and here is the population and the laws. In his city, you can't drive as a teenager because you don't need to be able to use the car because everything is so close. Also in the United States, every state has a different education system, laws, etc. The high schools in South Korea focus more on education than sports and Alex says that "Clay High School seems to have excelled in everything including facilities and coaching staff. Some sports that you can play here are hard to access back home." Alex also says that "Most of Korea's schools are finished at 9:00 p.m. because we have to do self-study after the classes, if you choose not to self-study, you leave at 6:30. Also in Clay students are moving to each of their periods but in Korea, the teachers move for each period." Fun facts about Alex: His favorite colors are black and white, he played soccer in middle school but had to quit because of his studies until he came

here, his favorite subjects are physics and history, and he enjoys all of the teachers.

## Alexsander Aasen

Alexsander Aasen is from a small town in Norway called Bø. It has a population of approximately 6,000 people and enjoys a very beautiful landscape. Even though it's a small town, many people still visit because of the natural attractions. He has yet to see much of Indiana but enjoys down-



Alexsander "Alex" Aasen.

town South Bend. The biggest difference between his hometown and here is the environment according to Alex. South Bend is very industrial where Bø has a lot of mountains, rivers, lakes, and wooded areas. Alex's school back home is much smaller than Clay. His school has approximately 400 students. Different classes meet each day and depending on the day of the week, they are dismissed at different times. He has yet to choose his favorite part of Clay because he enjoys all of it. Fun facts about Alex: His favorite colors are blue and red, he played football for the first time this year and really enjoyed it even though they didn't win any games. He also tried wrestling but he decided that that wasn't really his thing. His favorite subjects are business and economics because he wants to start his own business one day (however he's not sure what for). His favorite teacher is Mrs. Darcia King-O'Brien.

## Jayson Leem

Jayson Leem is from a town in South Korea that is very industrialized and every-

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# Four Upcoming Movies for 2019

By Owen Conyers '20

## Toy Story 4

As many fans of Pixar films may already know, Pixar is finally producing a fourth installment for their beloved series, “Toy Story,” despite “Toy Story 3” supposedly being the final film in the series.

The story will involve Woody and Buzz Lightyear looking for Bo Peep, a character who was written out of the story earlier in the series. As for the people working on the film, all the voice actors of the major characters will be reprising their roles. However, John Lasseter and Lee Unkrich, the directors of the previous films will be writers instead, with Josh Cooley being the director. This is particularly interesting because so far Josh Cooley has only directed two short films. However, this most likely won't affect the

overall quality of the film since all of the writers have impressive resumes.

As of right now, there are two more things we currently know besides the release date, cast. Firstly, Pixar seems to have embraced their infamous tendency to make their films sad and did their best to make the ending of “Toy Story 4” even more emotional. Tom Hanks and Tim Allen, the voice actors of Woody and Buzz Lightyear respectively, both stated that the ending is so sad that it was difficult for them to even record lines for it. And secondly, in the trailer that was recently released, there will be a new character in the main cast. Not much is known about this character, but it's likely that it's there for comic relief considering it's personality. Unfortunately, this is all we currently know about this movie, but be sure to check this movie out once it releases on June 21, 2019!



## Avengers: Endgame

If you're a big fan of the “Avengers” series, you've likely already seen the new trailer and countdown for the fourth film in the series. For those who haven't already seen “Infinity War,” the movie ended with the main antagonist, Thanos, successfully wiping out half of Earth's population. So unlike the previous films, “Avengers: Endgame” will be a direct sequel to “Infinity War” rather than a film with a separate plot. And despite the fourth Avengers film having been announced for months, Marvel has released more information to the public, including a new trailer, title, and release date.

On December 7, a new trailer for “Avengers 4” dropped with the new title “Avengers 4: Endgame.” The trailer itself shows the aftermath of “Infinity War's” ending with half the living creatures on Earth gone. The trailer doesn't show much of the overall plot, but it heavily implies that the Avengers are planning to fight Thanos again. The plot will also likely involve the Avengers rescuing Iron Man, who is currently lost in space. Plot aside, the release date is now set for April 26.



## Detective Pikachu

On November 12, Warner Bros released a trailer for “Detective Pikachu,” a nearly forgotten film that was announced two years ago. The trailer amassed almost thirty million views on YouTube within the first two days of it being uploaded. However, the style and mix of live action and realistic 3D animation has left some fans polarized. As for the style in particular, some find it deeply disturbing while others aren't particularly bothered by it. But whether you like the style or not, plenty of people on the internet seem to be excited.

The film will be directed by Rob Letterman and star Ryan Reynolds as Pikachu.

These choices may surprise some viewers since Rob Letterman is mostly known for directing films with mediocre reviews like “Goosebumps,” “Shark Tale,” and “Monsters vs Aliens.” The voice actor for Pikachu, Ryan Reynolds, was also somewhat surprising since he is known for starring in the two “Deadpool” films. As for the plot, “Detective Pikachu” will be a buddy cop film about Tim Goodman, played by Justice Smith, working with the titular character to find his missing father. So if you like buddy cop movies and creepily realistic 3D animation, be sure to check out “Pokémon Detective Pikachu” when it gets released on May 10, 2019.

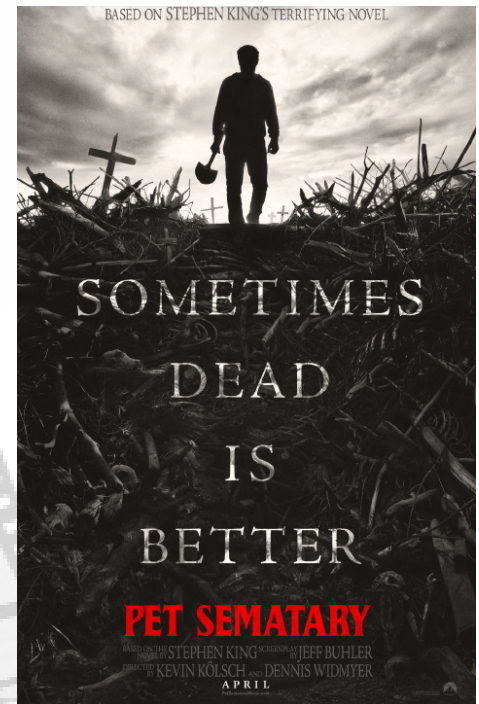
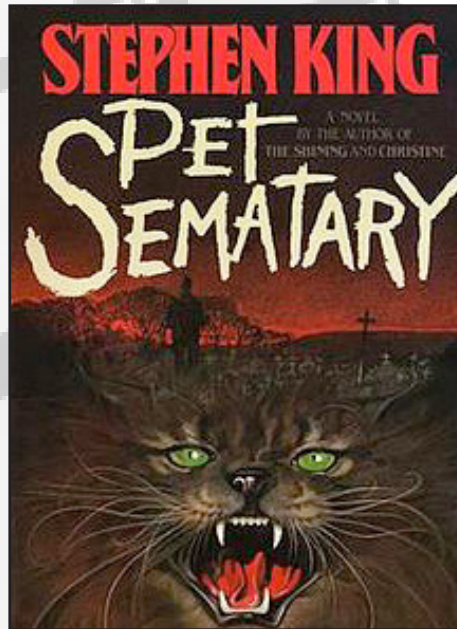


# Pet Sematary

After the success of "It" in 2018, it looks like Paramount Pictures and Di Bonaventura Pictures have decided to capitalize on renewed interest in Stephen King and his books. While it's not as well known as "It" or "The Shining," a new adaptation of "Pet Sematary" will likely be appreciated by fans once it's released on April 5 2019--- thirty years after the original "Pet Sematary" film was released. The only problem with this choice is that the original 1989 film was poorly received by critics, so Di Bonaventura Pictures will likely have to work hard to make this adaptation comparable to "It." But judging by the directors and writers working on this film, this will be easier said than done. The films that the directors and writers have worked on have received mediocre reviews from IMDB and Metacritic.

For those who aren't familiar with "Pet Sematary", the story is about a father named Louis Creed who moves to a new town with his family and is told about an ominous pet cemetery. And after the cat

Louis buries in the cemetery is reanimated, the family soon realizes that their lives are about to take a turn for the worse. But even if you are already familiar with the book or the original 1989 film, "Pet Sematary" is one of the few horror films being released in theatres during Spring of 2019.



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## Foreign Exchange (Cont.)

thing is very close together. He hasn't discovered much of Indiana yet but he loves the natural beauty here. The biggest difference between his home and South Bend would be the fact that Indiana is considered very rural, unlike his big city. When Jayson was back in South Korea he was pushed to



Jayson Leem

study constantly. Jayson says he gets way more slack at Clay, which he says he enjoys. Fun facts about Jayson: His favorite color is black, he enjoys music, his favorite subject is ceramics and his favorite teachers are Mr. Steven Romans and Mr. Milt Cooper.

## Maaïke Van Delzen

Maaïke Van Delzen is from a small town called Sleeuwijk in the Province of



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North Brabant in the Netherlands. Van Delzen says that "since it is not so big we don't have any places like McDonalds or Starbucks (you'd have to drive 20 minutes to go to anything like that) but we do have a mall, pool, tennis courts, soccer courts, and four schools. It is a very safe town and that is why a lot of people let their kids walk or bike to school from a young age." She has yet to see much of Indiana but she believes that the people are really nice and she also likes the fact that you don't have to go far

whenever you need something. She's not a huge fan of the cold weather but she enjoys the way the snow looks. The biggest difference between her hometown and South Bend is that Sleeuwijk is pretty small with a population of 10,000. It also looks quite different from Indiana as most houses are made out of brick and all power lines are underground. South Bend has more activities in the community than her hometown. Van Delzen says, "We don't have any after-school activities and it is really just about the academics so we also don't really have many electives. At Clay people have a lot more school spirit. Back home you would never see anyone walk around with a shirt with the school's name on it."

Her favorite part of Clay is that people are typically very nice when you talk to them and she loves the school spirit here. Fun Facts about Maaïke: her favorite color is green, she used to play a sport called korfbal (a sport related to basketball), her favorite subjects are ceramics and history, and her favorite teacher is Mr. Steven Romans.

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