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LETTER from the EDITORS

OLI HUPP & VIA LARGENT, 2022

Happy Holidays & Happy New Year from The Colonial! We have a whole edition filled with holiday cheer, and we hope that you enjoy! Have a great 2022, and start off the new semester strong!

A Colonial Christmas THANK YOU

Hey, everyone, we just wanted to give a big shout-out to everyone that has been reading The Colonial! We appreciate you all for taking time out of your day to give the paper a read, and we also want to shout out to the people that have been telling others about the newspaper. Better yet, don't think we haven't noticed teachers who have been advertising the Colonial (Mrs. Hartman and Mrs. Schreiber in particular). We love and appreciate you and thank you so much for doing so!

If you weren't able to join Newspaper at the beginning of the year, you still have time to join. You just get in contact with your counselor and tell them that you're interested; or contact Mrs. Groves at sgroves@sbcsc.k12.in.us. We would love to have you join us!

CHAMARIE GREER, 2024





JANAE, JUNIOR

"Winter Break."



BRANDY, SOPHOMORE

"Summer Break."



JASMINE, SENIOR

"Winter Break."



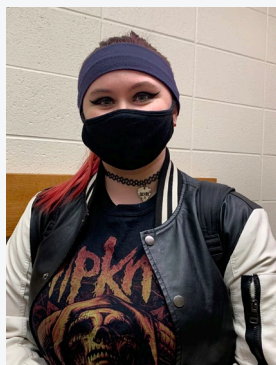
RANZEE, SOPHOMORE

"Christmas Break."



KEYSHARA, JUNIOR

"Summer Break."



SACHI, SENIOR

"Summer Break."



NELE, SENIOR

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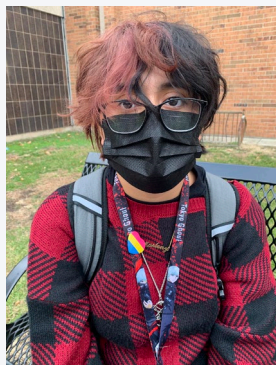
MRS. FOUST, DANCE TEACHER

"Summer Break."



PEACHY, FRESHMAN

"Summer Break."



MARLENY, FRESHMAN

"Winter."

**WHAT'S YOUR
FAVORITE BREAK?**

Ask A
COLONIAL

ABIGAIL TRAWICK, 2022
PHOTOS PROVIDED BY ABIGAIL TRAWICK



UPCOMING

Concerts

MARYAH HUDSON, 2024

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January 12th - The Clay High School Orchestra and Band concert. Due to COVID, it was delayed from its original December 9th date.

January 21st - 23rd state Thespian competition. The theatre troupe got 2nd place at regionals and now get to compete at the state level.

January 27 - 29th (as of right now) is The Birds performance (the theatre competition play).

January 29th - Winds, percussion, strings Solo and Ensemble at Northwood High School.

February 5th - Piano, Vocal Solo and Ensemble Contest at Penn High School.

March 5th - Jazz ISSMA Competition at Goshen Middle School.

April 22nd/23rd - ISSMA HS Choir & Band Organizational

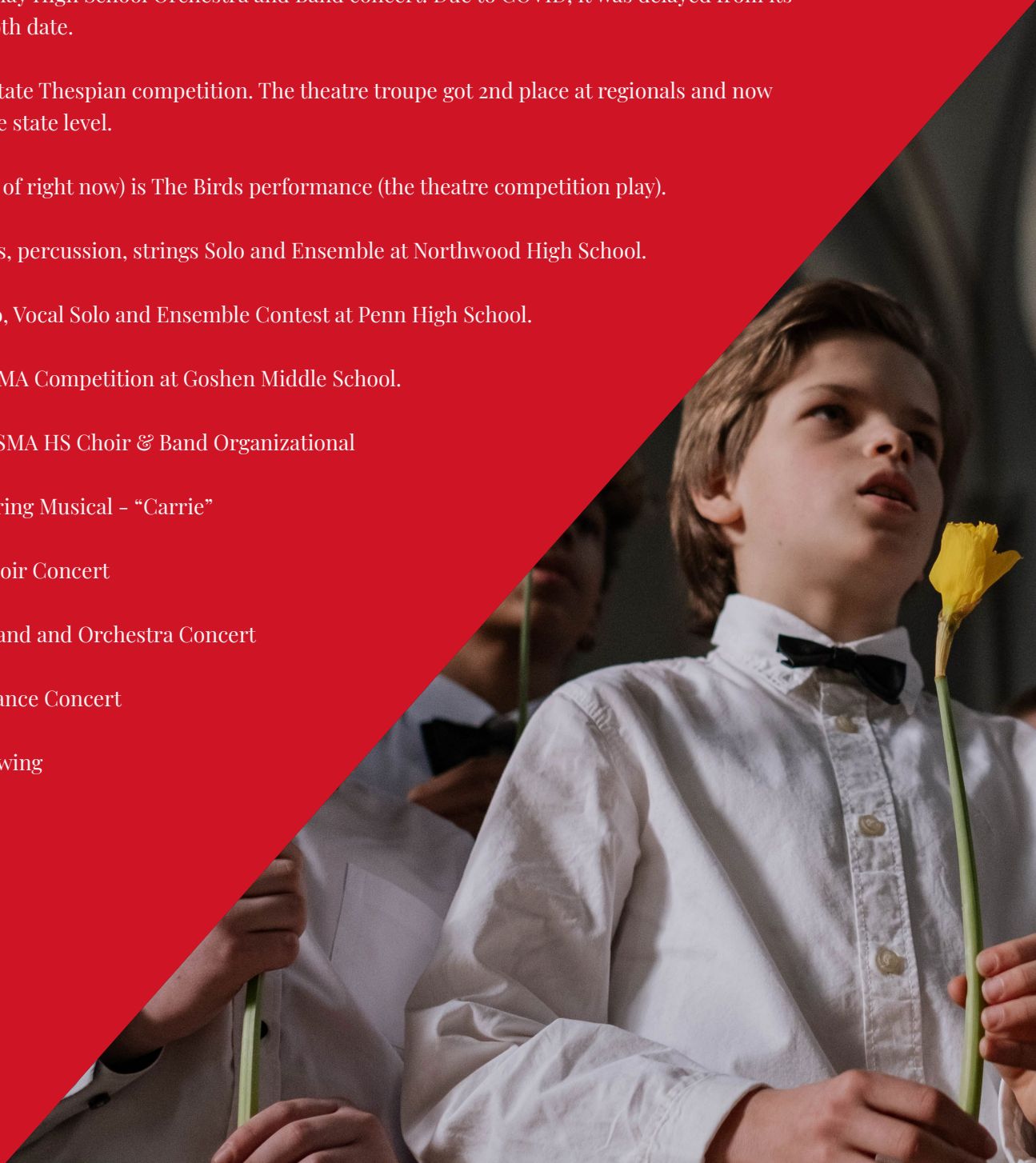
April 28th - 30th Spring Musical - "Carrie"

May 6th - Spring Choir Concert

May 10th - Spring Band and Orchestra Concert

May 13th - Spring Dance Concert

May 20th - Spring Swing



Mrs. Schreiber has been the principal at Clay for about 4 months now. Students and staff may have noticed some changes that have been made since she has been here. But before that, she was a principal at Washington High School.

She received her bachelor's degree from Ball State then went on to get a master's degree from Walden University. She has been working in schools since she graduated college. Her first position was as an art teacher at a school outside of Indianapolis. After that, she taught at a school in Merrillville for a little over ten years. In 2008, she came to South Bend as the magnet coordinator for Dickinson Fine arts Academy. By the time she left they won multiple awards and was growing to be a very successful school. After she left Dickinson she had a position downtown to be a district fine arts coordinator for a year. She ended up getting the opportunity to be an assistant principal, so she took the job at Washington High School where she stayed for three years. Now she's the principal of Clay High school.

When asked about her vision for the future of Clay, she stated that she wants to be known as one of the best schools in the region academically, as well as getting recognized for our fine arts programs. "I think we have amazing potential here with all of our teachers and our students to thrive in those areas." She wants to be able to market our school in a positive light to others.

The biggest change she would like to see from the students at Clay High School is to be excited to come to school and get an education. While getting an education and learning is important, she also thinks the experience that you get from self discipline, how to be engaged, and how to get along with people is also very important.

When asked about new rules that will be enforced, she said, "I don't want to make up new things that are just, [random] but we have a lot of rules that exist for safety purposes for us to have a positive community." The focus won't be to make new rules, but to enforce the ones that have not been applied in the past. Before she releases anything, it will go through students, teachers, and parents to make sure that things are put in place in a fair manner. Mrs. Schreiber would like everyone to know the expectations that need to be followed and the consequences you will receive if you don't.

CHAMARIE GREER, 2024

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Administration

UPDATES

WINTER SEASON DONATIONS

CHARLOTTE GRIFFITH, 2024

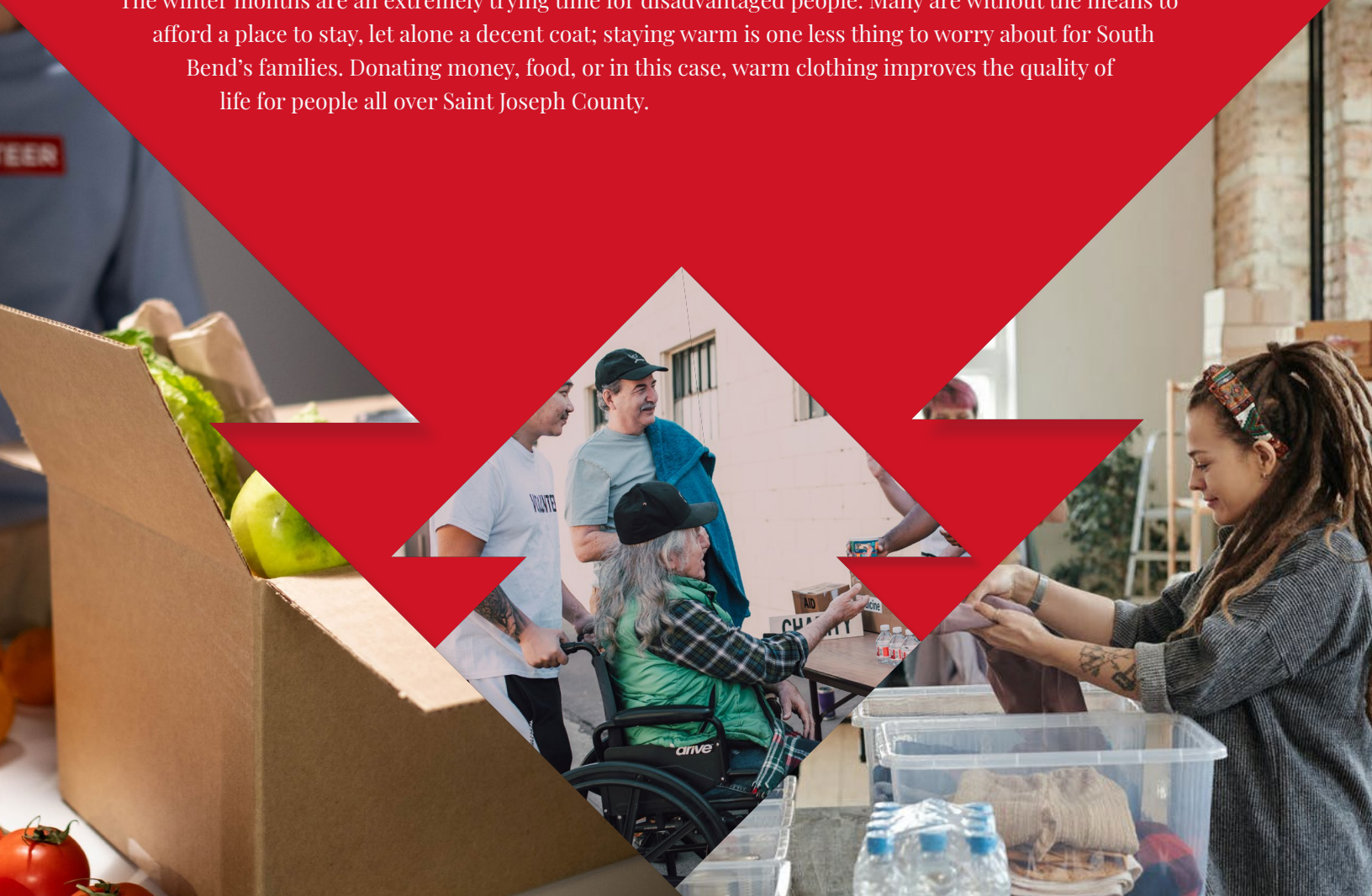
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In Michiana

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One finds that whenever charity is brought up, there is always one question that is asked over and over: Why? Why should you donate? Why should you help?

The winter months are an extremely trying time for disadvantaged people. Many are without the means to afford a place to stay, let alone a decent coat; staying warm is one less thing to worry about for South Bend's families. Donating money, food, or in this case, warm clothing improves the quality of life for people all over Saint Joseph County.



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What is Needed

- Women's, men's & children's winter clothing.

Where you need to go

- Contact the freshman class President, Skyy Chandler, or Mrs. Zahl to arrange a donation.

Within our community, there are many other organizations devoted to helping those in need. Below are some of their names, and what they need this season.

SAINT MARGARET'S HOUSE

What is Needed

- Women's & children's winter clothing.

Where you need to go

- The front desk at Saint Margaret's House between 10 am and 12 am and 1 pm and 2 pm.



CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

What is Needed

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Where you need to go

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So please, whatever you're celebrating this Holiday season, give the gift of service to our community, both at Clay High School and within Saint Joseph County.



STUDENT ALUMNI

Meet Leah Tribbett!

LEXI LARGENT, 2021



Class after class, year after year, Clay High School alumni have changed the community. Whether it be on stage or even out of the country, the people who went to Clay High School and have graduated are making a difference throughout the world. For example, Leah Tribbett is a Clay High School graduate from the class of 2011.

During Leah's years at Clay High School, she participated in many different extracurricular activities and clubs.

"I participated in soccer all four years of my high school career. I was also a part of the dance team, as well as student council, spirit club, SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions), NHS (National Honors Society), and peer mentoring." Tribbett said.

After graduating from Clay High School, Tribbett attended Indiana University Bloomington and graduated in 2015. Tribbett majored in Telecommunications and minored in Communications. Tribbett graduated with a bachelor's Telecommunications Degree.

After college, Tribbett started her own photography business called Leah Trib Productions. Her business is focused on photography and videography. If you are interested in looking at her work, check her website out: <https://www.leahtribproductions.com>.

Tribbett said that life was not at all how she imagined it to be during Clay High School.

"In my high school days, I was just running around with a camera having fun. However, having my Interactive Media teacher, Mrs. Lorch, recognize my creativity and her endless encouragement led me to believe I could grow into what is now the successful business I run. Don't forget to take time to thank the teachers who have had an impact on you."

Tribbett had a lot of advice to give to Clay High School students.

"Learn how to do your taxes. Remember to work hard and be kind. Most importantly, remember that everyone is making it up as they go. Don't be afraid to speak your truth."

Tribbett misses Clay High School Friday night football games, as well as many teachers who influenced her and the classes that shaped her career. Tribbett misses her photography days and having fun taking pictures and learning what she wants to do in life. She misses participating in sports, as well as all the teachers and staff who helped shape her high school career and shape her as a person.

These Spritz Cookies are a simple and comforting Christmas sugar cookie. The name comes from the German word "Spritzen" which means "to squirt". To make these you will need a cookie press that has spritz cookie stencils with it.

All you will need is:

A **Spritz cookie press** to shape the dough

About **2 1/4 cups of flour**

3/4 of a cup of sugar

1 egg

About **1 teaspoon of vanilla extract**

Teaspoon of almond extract

Sprinkles or colored sugar

A **hand mixer** or a **stand mixer**

A **mixing bowl**

Once you have gathered all the ingredients you want to preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Next, you'll want to get a mixing bowl that will fit your dough. Prepare your hand or stand mixer (I am going to use a stand mixer). Now, you'll want to cream the softened butter and the sugar together on a medium speed (about 4-5). Once the butter and sugar are combined, add the rest of the wet ingredients. Once all of those are fully incorporated, add in your dry ingredients and combine. Set up your cookie press and place the dough into your press. Press out your cookies with the desired stencil/shape. Once your oven is preheated, bake your cookies for about 8 minutes or until the cookies' edges are a light, golden brown.

MICHAEL SCHMANSKI. 2024

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Spritz COOKIES



Don Gerstbauer, also known as Mr. Gerstbauer, is a Junior English teacher as well as an AP Seminar teacher here at Clay High School. He was born and raised here in South Bend and has taken courses from 9 different colleges, but his degrees are from Indiana University, Bloomington. Gerstbauer is 52 years old and has 3 kids. Nick, who is 25, married, in law school, and is expecting a baby. Erica, who is 22 and in medical school. William, who is 8 and loves woodworking.

Mr. Gerstbauer didn't always want to become a teacher. It was only a backup plan and he didn't start to like teaching until he started taking education classes when he left the monastery, a house for persons under religious vows. He taught freshmen a while back and really enjoyed it. Mr. Gerstbauer was switched to junior level American Literature where he discovered many different levels of patriotism that he didn't know he had. Gerstbauer has an eventful life, therefore he has plenty of stories to share, he even says that he has enough to fill a book. A lot of his favorite stories tend to be when he runs into former students all around town after they have graduated. However, that isn't his most interesting story.

Mr. Gerstbauer lived and taught in New Zealand at some point in his life. He taught English, Social Studies, and P.E. He got very comfortable with walking everywhere he went while in New Zealand and that's where his story begins.

While walking through a park on Caroline Bay, Timaru, New Zealand, he met this 13-year-old boy, Robin, that he eventually got close with. He was a troublemaker and Mr. Gerstbauer was trying to help him out. After a month or so of working with Robin, he stabbed an 11-year-old boy called Leave Wolf 15 times. Robin was very known to be a "huffer," someone who sprays paint in a bag and inhales the fumes. Gerstbauer was a witness to this murder because Robin admitted to Gerstbauer that he would sell drugs and "stick" people for money and he even showed him a knife. He was also at the same park during the time of the murder. Months after Gerstbauer came back to the United States, the New Zealand government flew him back to testify.

During the interview, Gerstbauer also stated a quote by Mark Twain which was "I am an old man and have known a great many troubles, most of which never happened." and a quote he wrote himself which was "Someday you will be amazed at what was once important to you. Until then, I teach." Gerstbauer also stated that he has 2 role models: They were Mr. Bob VanGoey, his high school senior year English teacher, and Mr. Joseph Good, his predecessor as department chair here at Clay. Both of these men taught Gerstbauer many of his most valuable assets, but specifically, they helped him understand not just "HOW" to teach, but the more important "WHY" he should teach.

Mr. Gerstbauer **TEACHER SPOTLIGHT**

SELF DEFENSE

LEXI LARGENT, 2024
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WEAPONS

Self defense weapons are a hard and controversial topic. Some people believe you should be allowed to carry self defense items, while others don't.

What is self defense? Self defense is the defense of one's person or interests, especially through the use of physical force, which is permitted in certain cases as an answer to a charge of violent crime.

There are 5 elements of self defense: Innocence, imminence, proportionality, avoidance and reasonableness. These elements justify the use of self defense. Self defense weapons, however, are a completely different topic. Self defense items are items such as knives, pepper spray, and firearms.

The question is, are they allowed on Clay High School campus, or on any SBCSC school? The answer is no, you are not allowed to bring firearms into any SBCSC building.

Miss Kindelan, dean of students, spoke about self defense weapons. "Weapons, including self defense weapons, are absolutely not allowed on Clay High School grounds. Mace, guns, and knives will be confiscated. They are not allowed because our top priority is the safety of students and staff. I don't believe weapons should be brought by students or staff, they are not trained to use such weapons. If you are feeling unsafe and feel the need to bring a self defense weapon, talk to an administrator or trusted adult. You have no reason to feel unsafe, and we want you to feel the best you can in the building. If you are caught with a weapon or self defense weapon, the weapon will be confiscated. Even if you accidentally bring a weapon onto Clay High School grounds, it will still be confiscated and you may be suspended for 1-3 days."





In the SBCSC code of conduct, it states that possession of ammunition; possession of a knife, explosive, chemical agent dispenser, destructive device, or other object that can reasonably be considered a weapon can lead to a consequence. Possession of a loaded or unloaded firearm, taser gun, electronic stun gun or any weapon or device that expels a projectile by the action of an explosive, or having knowledge of another person's intent to violate or violate this rule and failing to report the information to a school administrator or teacher. The code of conduct also states that possession of a knife on school grounds is a criminal offense only if the knife is intended to be used as a weapon (butter knives would rarely fit this classification). Carrying a firearm (loaded or unloaded) on school grounds is considered a Class D felony. (Code of Conduct, page 38)

In the High School Code of Conduct, it states that the possession or display of any object which can be reasonably considered a weapon can lead to the confiscation of the weapon, 1-5 days of suspension, possible police referral, possible due expulsion. Knowingly bringing a weapon/knife to school can result in confiscation of weapon, 1-5 days out-of-school suspension, mandatory police referral, and possible due process expulsion. Possessions of firearms can lead to confiscation of items, 5 days out-of-school suspension, mandatory referral to police, and mandatory due process

Administrators and staff understand that students carry items sometimes when they walk to school or carry them at work and accidentally bring them into the building. However, please leave the self defense weapons at school. If you feel so unsafe to the point of bringing a weapon, please seek help from an administrator. If you bring a self defense weapon, administrators often don't know that it's a self defense weapon and may think you have ill intent. Administrators ask you to leave the items at home and instead talk with a trusted adult about your safety.

The semester will end on December 18th at 3:30 PM. Our finals this year will be on the 15th and 16th of December. The best way to pass your final is to ask your teacher a week before to get your review so you can start studying now. If you can't do that, start studying right when you get your review and make sure you're really studying. The best places to study are a library, at home if it's quiet, at school, and anywhere else that will help you. If you like to study with someone, ask a teacher or friend to help you if that's better for you. It's a lot of ways to study and get that credit for this semester.

Clay grades with a 40/40/20 grading system. Both quarters are 40% of your grade each, with your final being 20% of your semester grade. If you pass both quarters, you don't need to do well on the final, however, it would definitely tank your grade if you don't do well. You have to get 2 out of 3 to pass the semester. So if you did not do well this semester you have next semester to do better. Don't forget if you need help Clay still does tutoring during the week or ask your teacher so they can help you.

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TRINITI FENNESSE, 2023



End of Semester **PREPARATIONS**

Here are some movies that are newly released or coming out in late 2021 and in 2022 according to cnet.com, movieinsider.com, IMDB, & moviefone.com!

Upcoming MOVIES

MICHAEL SCHMAMSKI, 2024
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NOVEMBER 2021

"Ghostbusters: Afterlife" **Rated PG-13**

Coming out on Nov. 19. "Ghostbusters: Afterlife" is about a mom with her two kids traveling to a small town and discovering that they are related to the original Ghostbusters and have some similar powers.

"Encanto" **Rated PG**

Coming out on Nov. 24. "Encanto" is about a family that lives in a magical part of the Colombian mountains called the Encanto. The Encanto's magic is in danger and the main character, Mirabel, must save the magic of the Encanto.

"Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City" **Rated R**

Coming out on Nov. 24. It's a movie based on the popular "Resident Evil" video game series. A corrupt company has taken over and ruined a city. A small group of its citizens tries to reveal the secrets that this company has swept under the rug.



DECEMBER 2021

"West Side Story" Rated Pg-13

Coming out on Dec.10. Steven Spielberg's remake of the original West Side Story movie.

"Spider Man: No Way Home" Rated Pg-13

Coming out on Dec. 17. Peter Parker has his identity revealed and now has to deal with being recognized as a superhero.

"The Matrix 4: Resurrections" Rated R

Coming out on Dec. 22. Neo, the main character from "The Matrix" series finds himself in a challenge when he ends up back in the matrix.

JANUARY 2022

"Scream 5" Rated R

Coming out on Jan. 14. After 25 years, a new killer has started using the Ghostface mask and is starting another killing spree following the legacy of his predecessor.

"The 355" Rated PG-13

Coming out on Jan. 14. A group of 5 women try to retrieve a weapon from a corrupt worldwide company.

"Morbius" Rated Pg-13

Coming out Jan. 20. Michael Morbius, a chemist, tries to come up with a cure for his rare blood disease but accidentally gives himself vampire-like tendencies.

FEBRUARY 2022

"Death of the Nile" Currently Unrated

Coming out on Feb. 11. "Death of the Nile" is a murder/mystery about a murder on a cruise ship on the Nile river. An onboard detective named Hercule takes on the challenge of solving the mystery.

"Rumble" Rated PG

Coming out on Feb. 17. In a world where monsters are a part of everyday life, sports where monsters compete are pretty popular. One of the sports that the monsters of this world compete in is wrestling. One of the main characters, Winnie, attempts to train an amateur monster wrestler.

"Uncharted" Currently Unrated

Coming out on Feb. 18. This movie is also derived from the Naughty Dog/Sony video game series, Uncharted. This movie is a prequel to the game series meant to show how the main character Nathan Drake met his companions.

MARCH 2022

“The Batman” **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on Mar. 4. Batman discovers a string of corruption in Gotham that is linked to his own family. While all of this is going on, he faces trouble in the form of a serial killer who is called The Riddler.

“Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness” **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on Mar. 6. This movie focuses on Dr. Strange’s further study of the time stone.

“Turning Red” **Rated PG**

Coming out on Mar. 11. A 13-year-old girl named Mei Lee has a particular condition that makes her transform into a giant red panda when she gets too excited about something.

APRIL 2022

“Sonic the Hedgehog 2” **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on Apr. 8. It’s a sequel to “Sonic the Hedgehog” that came out in 2020.

“Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore” **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on Apr. 15. “Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore” continues the story of the prequel to the Harry Potter book/movie series. Newt Scamander assembles a team of witches and wizards to track and take down Gellert Grindelwald.

“Bad Guys” **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on Apr. 22. A group of animals: Mr. Shark, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Piranha, Mr. Snake, and Ms. Tarantula try to make up for their criminal history.

MAY 2022

“The Boys Burgers Movie” **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on May 27. A movie-length feature showing the usual antics that the Belcher family finds themselves in.

“John Wick Chapter 4” **Rated R**

Coming out on May 27, “John Wick Chapter 4” is yet another sequel to the previous John Wick stories.

“Top Gun: Maverick” **Rated PG-13**

Coming out on May 27. After about 30 years of experience as the navy’s top aviator, Pete Mitchell is tasked with training new aviators for a highly dangerous upcoming mission.

JUNE 2022

"Jurassic World: Dominion" **Rated PG-13**

Coming out Jun. 10. Description not yet released

"Lightyear" **Currently Unrated**

Coming out Jun. 17, "Lightyear" highlights the story of the astronaut that the Buzz Lightyear toys are based on.

"Elvis" **Currently Unrated**

Coming out on Jun. 24, "Elvis" is a biography of Elvis. The portrayal is similar to "Bohemian Rhapsody (2018)"



It's almost that time of year where we can find something to celebrate. As Americans, we all know about Christmas, and every family that celebrates it has its own traditions. But there are more holidays in December that are celebrated that we don't exactly keep in mind all the time.

Another well-known holiday is Hanukkah or Chanukah, it is the 8-day Jewish holiday that dates back to the second century B.C. Jerusalem, and it is usually celebrated in November or December. The tradition of Hanukkah revolves around lighting the menorah, playing games, and eating traditional foods. The traditional foods are fried in oil and are foods like potato cakes and jam-filled donuts. Another Hanukkah tradition is playing with a four-sided spinning top called a dreidel and exchanging gifts.

Another holiday is Kwanzaa which is celebrated on December 26th. It first became a holiday in 1966 after the Watts riots in Los Angeles and was created by Dr. Maulana Karenga who is a chairman and professor of black studies at California State University. The name Kwanzaa was taken from a phrase in Swahili that means "First fruits". It is celebrated differently from family to

family, but often includes a large traditional meal, song and dance, and storytelling. Kwanzaa is based on the seven principles and seven symbols that are emphasized each day of kwanzaa.

The last is Yule which is also known as the celebration of lights. The origins of Yule are from the northern regions of Europe. Yule is essentially the celebration of the rebirth of the sun. Yule starts on the winter solstice which is December 21st and it was when people rejoiced in the sun in the darkest days of winter. Yule is a pagan holiday where the earth's axis tilts away from the sun in the northern hemisphere and it is the greatest distance from the equator.

Let's also acknowledge the celebration of Christmas where "Santa Claus" comes to leave children presents under a Christmas tree on the night of the eve of Christmas, and it is celebrated on December 24th and 25th. Christmas is a christian holiday that celebrates the birth of Jesus. Everyone celebrates Christmas differently with their family and they have their own traditions. Whatever holiday you celebrate this year, have a great one and a happy new year.

Winter HOLIDAYS

GABBIE FLEMING, 2024

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The Somewhat Truth of **ST. NICHOLAS**

Santa Claus is the most iconic legend across the world, going under various names like Father Christmas, Kris Kringle, and Saint Nicholas. Now, while Santa Claus is up for debate on being real, Saint Nicholas was actually a real person, despite the lack of historical records. Before you read, do keep note that this is one of the several cases in history where the line between myth and actual history is a little fuzzy.

Even though there isn't very much detail when it comes to his life, St. Nicholas definitely had some stories to follow with him. A description of him came along as well, even though there is little similarity in between the saint and the legend. St. Nicholas was 5'6 with white hair and beard. His most identifying feature was his severely broken nose, which was probably the result of a passionate attitude.

Saint Nicholas was born around 280 A.D. in Patara, Lycia (An area which would be current Turkey). He was born with wealthy parents, and was a devout Christian throughout his life. However, thanks to an epidemic, his parents died when he was a young age. With his inheritance, he became a charitable man by helping the poor and sick. He allegedly traveled through Palenstine and Egypt.

St. Nicholas had his life centered around Christianity and Jesus Christ while he advocated for justice and cared for those in need. As a result, he was put as the Bishop for Myra, which is current day Demere, Turkey, shortly after he came back from his travels.

The saint was also involved in the first council of Nicaea. St. Nicholas defended the Holy Trinity in a heated Christian debate. It got so heated that Arius, who was stating his point, got punched in the face by St. Nicholas. There wasn't anything else on this, but the council had come to a decision where Christianity was basically saved because of it.

St. Nicholas was also a very charitable man. He helped those who were in need. For example, there was a legend where a father of three daughters struggled to get one of them married. Three times, St. Nicholas snuck into their house and left bags of money. On the third visit, the father caught him in the act and thanked him for his kindness. As a result, the father was able to get one of the daughters married.

There are several legends of St. Nicholas, from saving 2 men from being executed to dealing with the persecution of Christians to resurrecting 3 children from a pickle barrel, all are quite up to debate as to which are and aren't real. However, fact comes back into play when St. Nicholas died on December 6th, 343 AD. Thanks to his charitability, children were then given gifts on the 6th of December. Why was it moved from the 6th of December to the 25th? Like when St. Nicholas became a saint, nothing much could be found.

St. Nicholas' legacy doesn't stop there. He was buried in his church in Myra, and by the 6th century his shrine was well known. In 1087, Italian merchants stole his remains and brought them to Europe, where his popularity grew. Speaking of those remains, St. Nicholas' bones were said to ooze a substance, often considered holy. Many people would come from around the world to worship it. However, in 2017, it was debunked and said that it was just water from where he was buried (Underground of a port city).

With his popularity in Europe, there was no doubt that St. Nicholas' popularity would be world renowned. Thanks to the media that we've been surrounded with, his appearance changed into the Santa Claus that we know today. However, the benevolent, passionate personality that the saint had could never be replaced or changed by the media.