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NOVEMBER EVENTS

November 19

American Education Week 7:15am FCA in the Media Center 8:30am ASVAB Testing

November 20

6:00pm Waccamaw Chorus Winter Concert

November 21

Boys' Varsity Basketball Steel-Town Shootout (21st - 25th) (Schedule on pg. 6)

November 22

8:00am-12:00pm Saturday School Hawg Hunters Redfish and Bass Fishing Tournament

November 24

Girls' Varsity Basketball Sands and Hoops Invitational (24th—26th)

November 25

Chorus Pie delivery and pick-up

November 26-30

Thanksgiving Break - School Closed



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Georgetown County School District Report Cards

Article Release by Ray White, GCSD Public Information Officer

The release of the 2014 State Report Card on Friday, November 14th, has once again proven that Georgetown County School District is one of the highest achieving districts in the state. GCSD is one of only seven of the state's 83 districts to earn an "Excellent" Absolute Rating and an "Excellent" Growth Rating, and GCSD is the only district in South Carolina to register an improved Growth Rating in each of the past three years. Also, this is the third consecutive "Excellent" Absolute Rating for GCSD.

Superintendent Dr. Randy Dozier said the great report card is a reason for many people to celebrate. "Achieving Excellent/Excellent is a tremendous accomplishment by Georgetown County School District which only happened because of the hard work by many groups," said Dozier. "Students, parents, teachers, support staff, administrators, our school board, PTA's, SIC's, booster clubs, businesses, and community groups all played a role in making this happen. This is the result that can happen when many people work together for a common goal."

Also receiving "Excellent" Absolute ratings were: Carvers Bay High School, Georgetown High School, Waccamaw High School, Waccamaw Middle School, Waccamaw Intermediate School, and Waccamaw Elementary School; Carvers Bay High, Georgetown High, Waccamaw High, Waccamaw Intermediate, and Waccamaw Elementary also received "Excellent" Growth ratings. "Having experienced growth from 2006 through this year as we have migrated from Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test to Palmetto Assessment of State Standards. GCSD emerged as a district where hard work and professional development have worked hand-in-hand to achieve this goal," said Patti Hammel, Executive Director for Student Performance and Federal Programs. Hammel credited Professional Learning Teams as playing a major role in the district's success. "One of the greatest tools GCSD has utilized to bring our achievement to a high level has been the establishment of Professional Learning Teams," said Hammel. "Teams of teachers continue to work together to share knowledge and expertise in curriculum and strategies that they use to teach the content. They also peruse assessments together to see how effective the strategies have been in meeting students' needs. The power of more than one professional working together is profound. Our students have been presented the most engaging strategies, and our student achievement has grown markedly. We are so very proud of our administrators, teachers, students, and parents for doing such wonderful work."

Dozier emphasized the Excellent/Excellent report card grades could not have been earned without a group effort. "This achievement speaks as to how Georgetown County values the importance of a good education," said Dozier. "This excellent report card was achieved by the hard work and extra efforts of a larger team of a variety of people. This grade reflects how the district did as a whole, not just one school or area. I want to thank everyone personally who contributed to this success and we look forward to future successes and continued improvements."



The Chorus Winter Concert is November 20th at 7:00 P.M. in the WHS auditorium



Art Students Take Top Honors in the Fire Safety Poster/Essay Contest

By Zach Trzop

Sponsored by the Horry-Georgetown Fire Chiefs Association and The Sun News' Newspaper in Education Program, a poster/essay contest was held to promote Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme was "Working Fire Alarms." Several of Mr. Bethea's and Mr. Peterman's art students submitted a poster or essay related to the theme.

A banquet and awards ceremony was held Thursday, November 14th, at Inlet Affairs to honor the winners in each age division. WHS took top honors sweeping 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the poster contest and 3rd in the essay contest. Congratulations to Kelly Cheah (1st), Kelvin Cheah (2nd), and Dina Weiersmueller (3rd) for winning the poster contest and to Hunter Leigh King for winning 3rd in the essay contest; each received a plaque for their win.





Each year, the Georgetown County School District asks all schools (elementary, intermediate, middle, and high) to submit a holiday mural. The murals are delivered to International Paper and displayed along their entrance, making it a beautiful sight to see.

Mr. Bethea's art students did an excellent job on the mural!

Helping Hands Fundraiser—A Huge Success!

By Jamie Rodriguez

Helping Hands was first started in 1989, by 17 churches in Georgetown County who felt that they could help residents by supporting one organization that would exist to help the many people in need. For 25 years, Helping Hands has been a credible, dependable source of assistance to Georgetown County's residents in need. They are able to help because of

their support from individuals, churches, civic clubs, businesses, and through grants from private foundations.

Last week, November 3rd-7th, for the WHS freshman class service project, food was collected to feed less-fortunate families in Georgetown County for the holidays. Mrs. Humowitz said, "It was their first time putting together a project like this and I think they learned a great deal." Teachers and students worked with the freshman class to collect a variety of items to be donated to Helping Hands of Georgetown. The goal was to feed 400 families. "I think we came pretty close. We did have to stop counting at some point. Before we stopped counting we had 700 cans of veggies, 438 pie crusts, 700 cans of yams, 50 boxes of stuffing, 70 or so boxes of cornbread mix,

and 50 boxes of cake mix and frosting; the most collected in a food drive in school history," stated Mrs. Humowitz.

Mrs. Humowitz and the freshman class would like to thank the teachers, staff, students, and parents for donating to this project and making it a huge success!



What's Happening in Chorus?

By Mrs. Warr

We are so proud to report that eleven of our WHS Chorus students participated in All State auditions on November 7th in Columbia. These students represented very well and we have great hope for each of the sophomore and junior participants for the years ahead. All State is a highly competitive event and students are chosen from the hundreds of South Carolina High Schools on a scoring process for the 2014-2015 All State choirs at Winthrop University in February 2015. Of our eleven auditioning students, five scored in the range to participate in the All State

Choirs – Mac Atkinson, Stephanie Cook, Ashlyn DeLoach, Chris Holmes, and Ariana Senn. Congratulations to these students and we wish you an incredible experience at All State in 2015.

Thank you to all who supported WHS Chorus at our Moe's Spirit Night last Wednesday evening.

Chorus will bring a wonderful array of music this Thursday evening at the Winter Concert. The theme for the evening is *Gifts of Beauty.* We hope that you will join us at 7:00p.m. in the auditorium for an evening filled with beauty and the celebration of giving. The WMS chorus will join us in the event and we hope to see you there. Please invite friends, family, and community at large to come enjoy the concert.







EMILY HEIMBERGER SIGNS WITH THE BULLDOGS

By Davis Eddy

Last week, one of our fellow Warriors achieved her dreams. Emily Heimberger was signed Thursday, November 13, 2014, finalizing the process that will allow her to play softball on the collegiate level. Emily will be heading to Mississippi State, home of the Bulldogs, to play in the competitive Southeastern Conference. The journey leading up to this momentous occasion has spanned Emily's entire life, as she has been playing with a bat and ball since she was six. She began

making a name for herself in the Waccamaw Softball program during seventh grade when she won the state championship as a player on the 2010 Varsity Softball Team. Since then, Emily has been a key factor in the success of the Varsity, playing shortstop, centerfield, and pitcher. She was recently named Toast of the Coast Softball Player of the Year and has been a Class AA all-state selection twice for her performance throughout the regular season. As well, she has been highly active on her travel team, the Lady Lightning Gold Team Miken, competing on a national level against some of the best players across the U.S., pushing her to improve in skill and determination. Waccamaw Softball head coach Scott Streiffert attested to Emily's powerful presence on the team, saying she was the most talented defensive player he has ever coached.

Emily verbally committed to Mississippi State back in the fall of her junior year. Now she heads the list of early signings in the area, the only player to commit to an SEC team. Because of this, the signing ceremony was quite the affair, complete with Mississippi State decorations, catering, and a reporter from Channel 15. As well, a large contingent of Emily's peers showed up to support her as she took the next step in softball career. "I'm ecstatic! It's honestly one of the greatest feelings in the world," Emily remarked. "After years of hard work, it's finally paid off and I get to live my dream. I'm very excited to play at Mississippi because the program is outstanding and I feel at home there."

Congratulations to Emily on the incredible achievement. We wish our fellow warrior the best at Mississippi State. Go Bulldogs!

HAWG HUNTERS PLACE 1ST IN FISHING TOURNAMENT

Article by Max Senarslan, pictures by Coach Matthews

The Hawg Hunters Fishing Club competed in the Redfish

Tournament this past Saturday, November 15th, out of South Island Ferry Landing. Collin Newton and Daniel Rourk won 1st place in the tournament with two fish weigh-



ing 7.6 pounds. Daniel also won for biggest fish; both received a plaque and money. Congratulations to Coach Matthews and the Hawg Hunters!

On Saturday, November 22nd, the Hawg Hunters will compete in the Redfish and Bass tournament at Carroll Campbell Marine Complex. Good luck, Hawg Hunters.

ALI DESPAIN WINS 2A TENNIS SINGLES STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

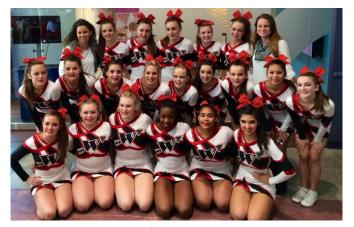
Article by Karl Strittmatter, picture courtesy of Bing

On November 10th—11th, Sydney Derrick and Ali Despain played in the 2A individual state tennis tournament. Waccamaw senior, Sydney Derrick, went 2-2 in the tournament while 8th grader, Ali DeSpain, won the tournament defeating Bishop England's, Jenna Vroman, 7-6, 6-2 in the 2A Class Individual Girls' Tennis State Finals in Columbia. Last year, DeSpain finished as the runner-up; but this year she felt comfortable and confident playing in the final. She had



already faced her opponent in the lower state finals a week earlier, and she won 6-4, 6-3. DeSpain won two matches Monday, and three on Tuesday to win the title. She is the youngest female in WHS history to reach this achievement. Congratulations, Ali!

COMPETITIVE CHEER TEAM PLACES 9TH AT STATE CHAMPIONSHIP



On Saturday, November 15th, the WHS Competitive Cheer team traveled to Greenville to compete in the SC State Championship. The squad included the following:

Seniors: Caroline Lalla, Kay Kay Getz, Meaisha Myers, Ronnesha Thompson, Jane Madison Sellers, Alli Ward

Juniors: Julia DiMaggio, Kristen Okun

Sophomores: Brenna Fanning, MayMay Henry, Jordan McNair, Hannah Nelson, Alex Sanders, Mackenzie Sodano

Freshmen: Emma Baumann, Danielle Gaddy, Calee McClellan, Lindsey Reid, Michelle Scumaci

The team performed for the final time this season placing 9th in the state championship. Coach McClellan said, "I'm really proud of the girls for making it to state. Winning the lower state title and being the region champs is something they will never forget. I'm already looking forward to next season." Congratulations to Coach McClellan, Coach Holmes, and the entire competitive cheer team on an outstanding season.

2014-15 WHS WRESTLING SCHEDULE "HOME OF THE WARRIORS"

Day	y/date	Opponent B	us Departs	Start
Tue.	Dec. 3 rd	@ Gtwn with Acad. Magnet	4:30	6:00
	Dec. 9 th	@ Loris	4:00	6:00
	Dec. 10 th	N. Myrtle Beach/Marion	HOME	6:00
	Dec. 13 th	@ St. James Duals	TBD	TBD
	Dec. 17 th	Myrtle Beach/Georgetown	Home	6:00
	Dec. 18 th	@ Conway	4:00	6:00
	Dec. 20 th	@ Hartsville Duals	6:00 am	9am
Fri.	Jan. 7 th	St. James	Home	6:00
	Jan. 9 th	@ Marion	3:45	6:00
	Jan. 14 th	Timberland/Georgetown	Home	6:00
Sat.	Jan. 17 th	@ St. James (Horry/Gtwn Championships)	TBD	10am
Tue.	Jan. 20 th	@ Myrtle Beach w Carolina Forest (JV also) 4:15	6:00
Wed.	Jan. 21 st	Loris	Home	6:00
Tue.	Jan. 27 th	@ Timberland with Stall and BE	3:45	6:00
Sat.	Jan. 31 st	Region championships	Home	10am

Playoffs

Fri/Sat	Feb. 6-7	Team qualifiers	TBD
Fri/Sat	Feb. 13-14	Team championships	TBD
Fri/Sat	Feb. 20-21	@ TBD (Lower State Indiv.)	TBD
Fri/Sat	Feb. 27-28	@ Anderson Civic Center (St. Finals)	TBD

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Steel-Town Shoot-Out Basketball Tournament

The boys' varsity basketball team will open the season by playing in the annual Steel-Town basketball tournament, one of South Carolina`s best in-state tournaments, held on November 21st, 22nd, 24th, and 25th in Georgetown. Individual awards will be given to each member of the winning team and a team trophy will be given to the first, second, and third place winners. Other individual awards include: Most Valuable Player, Most Outstanding Player, and ten players will be selected for the All-Tournament Team.

See tournament schedule on the right.

Friday, November 21 st	Game 1	5:30 P.M.	Waccamaw vs. Summerville
	Game 2	7:00 P.M.	Andrews vs. CE Murray
	Game 3	8:30 P.M.	Georgetown vs. Johnsonville
Saturday, November 22 nd	Game 4	5:00 P.M.	Loser GM 2 vs. Loser GM 3
	Game 5	6:30 P.M.	Carvers Bay vs. Crestwood
	Game 6	8:00 P.M.	Winner GM 2 vs. Winner GM 3
Monday, November 24 th	Game 7	6:00 P.M.	Loser GM 1 vs. Winner GM 5
	Game 8	7:30 P.M.	Winner GM 1 vs. Winner GM 5
Tuesday, November 25 th	Game 9	6:00 P.M.	Loser GM 6 vs. Loser GM 8 (3rd place)
	Game 10	7:30 P.M.	Winner GM 6 vs. Winner GM 8 (Championship)

2014-2015 WHS Girls and Boys JV Basketball Schedule

December 4	Waccamaw @ Georgetown				
December 6	Georgetown Schools JV Tournament TBA				
December 8	Waccamaw @ Socastee				
December 13-14	Charleston School of Science Tournament TBA				
December 15	Georgetown @ Waccamaw				
December 18	St. James @ Waccamaw				
January 5	Socastee @ Waccamaw				
January 8	Waccamaw @ St. James				
January 12	Mullins @ Waccamaw				
January 15	Waccamaw @ Loris				
January 21	Waccamaw @ Aynor				
January 22	Marion @ Waccamaw				
January 26	Waccamaw @ Dillion				
January 29	Waccamaw @ Mullins				
February 2	Loris @ Waccamaw				
February 5	Aynor @ Waccamaw				
February 10	Waccamaw @ Marion				
February 12	Dillon @ Waccamaw				
**Girls play at 6:00pm and Boys play at 7:00pm					

2014-2015 WHS Girls and Boys Varsity Basketball Schedule

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November 19	Christian Academy @ Waccamaw (Scrimmage)				
November 20—25	Georgetown Dental Shootout (Boys only) TBA				
December 2	Andrews @ Waccamaw				
December 5	Georgetown @ Waccamaw				
December 9	Carvers Bay @ Waccamaw				
December 13	Socastee @ Waccamaw * TBA				
December 16	Waccamaw @ Georgetown				
December 19	Waccamaw @ St. James				
January 6	Waccamaw @ Socastee				
January 9	St. James @ Waccamaw				
January 13	Waccamaw @ Mullins				
January 16	Loris @ Waccamaw				
January 20	Aynor @ Waccamaw				
January 23	Waccamaw @ Marion				
January 27	Dillon @ Waccamaw				
January 30	Mullins @ Waccamaw				
February 3	Waccamaw @ Loris				
February 6	Waccamaw @ Aynor				
February 9	Marion @ Waccamaw				
February 11	Waccamaw @ Dillon				
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FIRST TROPHY FOR WACCAMAW SAILORS

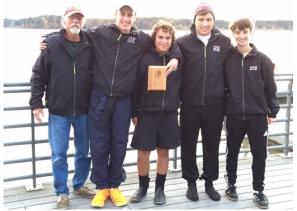
By Amy Jones

Waccamaw Sailing Club's Competitive Team traveled to Morrisville, NC for an Open regatta on Lake Crabtree this past weekend. Five composite teams from RTP (Research Triangle Park) Sailing and two SAISA high school teams competed. With



only four sailors on the water for two divisions, every sailor sailed the full rotation of six races.

The weather was a brisk 44-59 degrees. Wind speeds varied



Coach Bob Turner, Griffin DesMarteau, Matt Staub, Will Golden, & Noah Giltmier show off the teams 1st trophy.

substantially across the lake and during the day from 0 to 8 knots with gusts up to 10. Far from the freezing temperatures and high wind speeds of the previous weekend, conditions drove home the idea that sailing requires being prepared for all that Mother Nature delivers.

Waccamaw finished 3rd overall with a combined points total of 45 (A division 32 and B division 13). In B division, freshman Noah Giltmier (skipper) and senior Will Golden (crew) sailed four of six races and juniors Griffin DesMarteau (skipper) and Matt Staub (crew) sailed the last two races. B division finished 2nd overall earning the Competitive team their first trophy!



WILDCATS END WARRIORS SEASON

Article by Karl Strittmatter Picture by Josh Stafford

Last Friday night, the Waccamaw Warriors faced the Dillon Wildcats in the second

round of the AA playoffs. Last time the teams faced each other, Dillon won 47-7; this time, the Warriors looked to find their revenge and move on to the next round of playoffs. Despite the Warrior's motivations and their all-out effort, the Dillon Wildcats beat the Warriors 57-0. Dillon started out scoring early and left the score at 14-0 at the end of the first quarter. Dillon then had a big quarter, scoring 28 points in the second quarter. Dillon then scored one more touchdown in each of the remaining quarters to leave the score at 57-0. Waccamaw's season is now over.





A - J Guidance Counselor, K - Z Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Tucker

Mrs. Graham

Guidance Secretary, Mrs. Simmons

Guidance Assistant, Ms. Smalls



Article by Hannah Wolf, Pictures by Jed Parreno and Matt Simon

On Friday, November 14th, Waccamaw High School held its annual Career and College Fair from 8:30-11:30am for all students. The fair gave the attending students the opportunity to scope out possible career options for their futures and learn about the education requirements and skills

needed for each of them. There was a large variety of different tables set up to help appeal to the students. The participating organizations included: South Carolina Army Reserve National Guard, Alcoholic Anonymous, Horry-Georgetown Technical College, Georgetown Kraft Credit Union, Georgetown



County, Sheriff's Office, Johnson & Wales University, North Inlet-Winyah Bay, Horry-Georgetown Technical College Nursing, City of Georgetown Water, Georgetown Company of Department of Social Services, Department of Juvenile Justice, University of Alabama, University of South Carolina Palmetto College, Charleston Southern University, Cornerstone Counseling & Family Justice Center, Coker College, Pawleys Veterinarian Hospital, Paul Mitchell Charleston, Eye shadow Photography, Georgetown Times, and International Paper.

Thank you to the guidance department for all your help in setting up the Career and College Fair.





The ASVAB will be administered in the Media Center on Wednesday, November 19th, beginning at 8:30am.

	ACT TEST DATE	ES	SAT TEST DATES					
Test Date Registration Deadline		Late Registration	Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration			
December 13, 2014	expired	November 8-21, 2014	December 6, 2014	expired	November 21-24, 2014			
	expired		January 24, 2015	December 29, 2015	January 9-13, 2015			
February 7, 2015	January 9, 2015	January 10-26, 2015	March 14, 2015	February 13, 2015	February 27– March 3, 2015			
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April 18, 2015	March 13, 2015	March 14-27, 2015	May 2, 2015	April 6, 2015	April 17-21, 2015			
June 13, 2015	May 8, 2015	May 9-22, 2015	June 6, 2015	May 8, 2015	May 22-27, 2015			



November 19 Jayy Robinson Mekhi Robertson Joy Millane

November 21 Christian Hendrickson Jacob Fair Victoria Eggiman

November 22 Christian Magers-Strole

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November 25 JJ Sherman Jordan Carnahan May May Henry

Nevember 26 Emily Middleton Jasmine Hazel Naqueshia Grate Ora Eddy Lora Eddy Chase Daniels

November 27 Connor Crull McKenzie Lugin **November 28** Adam Linn

November 29 Tess Humowitz Riley Robino



Ms. Hossa

November 28 Mr. Bethea



Chorus Pie Sale

If you are interested in purchasing pies for Thanksgiving, the Chorus is selling them.



Cost: \$13 each or two for \$25 in the following flavors: Apple, Lemon Meringue, Pecan, and Pumpkin.

All pies are made by Carefree Catering and will be delivered to the school on Tuesday, November 25th.

See any Chorus member to purchase a pie!

All orders must be paid in advance! Make checks payable to WHS Chorus Booster Club.

WAVE STORE

OFFICIAL HOME OF YOUR WARRIOR WEAR OPEN EVERY THURSDAY 11:30–1:30pm





<u>CHRISTMAS SALE</u> Looking for that perfect gift for Christmas? Shop at the Wave Store and save big!

Thursday, November 20 Thanksgiving Meal

Baked Turkey w/ Dressing Brown Rice w/ Gravy Green Beans Whole Wheat Yeast Roll Cranberry Sauce Frosty Strawberries Cake w/ Chocolate Icing

Choice of 1 % Plain or Flavored Non-fat Milk

Friday, November 21

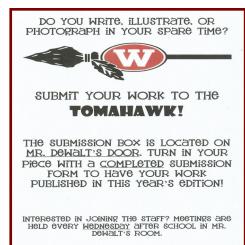
Lunch Popcorn Chicken w/ WGR Yeast Roll *Ham & Cheese Sub Corndog

Steamed Broccoli Sweet Potato Fries Mixed Vegetables Applesauce Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of 1 % or Flavored Non-fat Milk

Monday, November 24 Lunch Vegetable Beef Soup Chicken Noodle Soup W/ WG

Chicken Noodle Soup Cornbread & Crackers w/ String Cheese or Toasted Cheese Sandwich BBQ on WGR Bun Tossed Salad Corn on the Cob Peas and Carrots Mandarin Oranges Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of Milk Tuesday, November 25 Lunch Taco Salad w/ WGR Tortilla Chips

w/ work fortilia Chips *Grilled Chicken Fillet on WGR Bun Ham & Cheese Wrap Pinto Beans Spinach Salad Baby Carrots w/ FF Dressing Chilled Peach Slices Seasonal Fresh Fruit Chocolate Chip Cookie Choice of Milk





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