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Season Greelings

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 16

6:00pm Varsity Basketball Vs. Georgetown @ Georgetown High

6:00pm WHS Winter Band Concert in the WHS Auditorium (see ad on pg. 5)

December 17

7:15am FCA in the WHS Media Center 6:00pm Wrestling Vs. Georgetown and Myrtle Beach

December 18

6:00pm J.V. Basketball Vs. St. James 6:00pm Wrestling Vs. Conway @ Conway High School

December 19

Waccamaw Chorus Performance at the Lakes of Litchfield

6:00pm Varsity Basketball Vs. St. James @ St. James High School

Last day of school for all students until 2015!

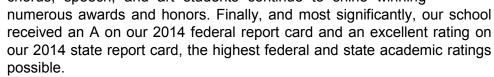
<u>December 20—January 4</u> <u>WINTER BREAK</u>

January 5

Classes Resume

Principal Talk

On behalf of Waccamaw High School's faculty, staff, and administration, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy, relaxing, and blessed upcoming Christmas season. We have had an outstanding first semester with many accomplishments our school and community can be proud of. Our fall athletic season was truly exemplary and our band, chorus, speech, and art students continue to shine winning



As we close 2014, I would like for you to start thinking about your New Year's Resolution for 2014. Make a resolution to visit your child's teachers and school at least once a month to discuss their academic progress and furthermore, make plans to come and attend an athletic event, academic competition, or arts event at least once monthly as well. Your participation and involvement will make a world of difference in the life of your child.

Finally, thank-you for all of your continued support and encouragement of our children at Waccamaw High School! Let's make 2015 even greater for our young Warriors!!

Sincerely,

Dr. David Hammel





Will Brock, Karl Strittmatter, Matt Simon, Max Senarslan, Jed Parreno, Davis Eddy, Matthew Trowbridge, Zach Trzop, Maddie Giarratano, Sam Windham, Danielle Mallon, LeeAnn Ray, Jamie Rodriguez, Josh Stafford, Josh Player, Hannah Wolf, editor-in-chief



Tis' The Season to be Jolly

This holiday season, different WHS clubs and organizations decorated artificial wreaths to hang in the atrium, representing the type of group they are. Thank you to the groups that participated in creating a wreath!





Key Club



Student Council



WAVE













Film Club

Newsletter Staff

Administration

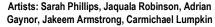
WASA

Yearbook



Science Club







Artists: Seanna Rushing, Skylar Jewell, Hailey Hazzard, Kiera Hannon



Artists: Kelly Cheah, Kelvin Cheah, Chase Daniels, Hunter Hardee



Artists: Dalton Dixon, Hunter King, Nicholas Zdanio, Emily Eades



Artists: Paul Dorman, Alex Floyd, Douglas Wendel, Noah Feeney, Benjamin Mazyck, Mekhi Robertson

More holiday artwork... Page 3

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Artists: Lillian Hardee, Dylan Howard, Kassidy Green, Jack List, James Kochie, Kinley Cooper, Meaisha Myers



Artists: Sean Graham, Hannah Hierholzer, James Williamson, Jack Graham, Brenna Fanning



Artists: Lees Williamson, Miranda Julian



Artists: Matthew Trowbridge, Tim Pence, Tamara Simmons, Jesse Koenig, Ruthie Guthrie, Dustin Crider

HOLIDAY CARD CONTEST WINNERS

Article by LeeAnn Ray, pictures courtesy of Jackie Broach

Art students from Mr. Bethea's and Mr. Peterman's classes created Christmas cards for the Georgetown County 2014 Parks and Recreation Holiday Card Contest. Two WHS art students won first and second place in the annual Georgetown County Christmas Card Contest. Congratulations to sophomore Alex Sanders on winning 2nd place and to senior Kelly Cheah on winning 1st place. Kelly's card will be used as the Georgetown County Holiday Card. The two students attended the council meeting in Georgetown and were recognized for their outstanding artwork.







Mr. Austin Beard, Georgetown County Councilman District 5 presents awards to Alex Sanders (left) and Kelly Cheah (right).

Windtalkers Ranked Top in George Mason University Tournament

By Coach Lawson



Sam Averette, Amani Huell, Aaron Lampe, Kenzie Confer

The Windtalkers Varsity Speech Team competed in the George Mason University Speech tournament December 5th-8th. Over 3000 coaches and students were in attendance. Kenzie Confer was ranked as a quarter-finalist in both Dramatic Interpretation and Children's Literature, Amani Huell was a quarterfinalist in Poetry interpretation and a semi-finalist in Dramatic Interpretation, and Aaron Lampe was a semifinalist in Humorous Interpretation. With nearly 130 competitors in each event, it's wonderful to see so many Windtalkers ranked towards the top!

Radio Control Demonstration

Editorial by Mr. Pritchard, media specialist and WASA advisor

In October, Anne Marie Marozas, a technology support specialist for the Georgetown County School District, contacted me, knowing that I'm the advisor to WASA - Waccamaw Association of Space and Aviation club. She asked Bill Pritchett, a flying Radio Control (RC) enthusiast, to contact me. I emailed Bill Pritchett and found that he is the Director of Education for the AMA - Academy of Model Aeronautics. AMA is an organization promoting safe and responsible RC flying, bringing students

> and adults together through memberships and AMA sponsored events. Pritchett and his son



Pictured left to right: Ashley Gaddy, Danielle Mallon, Jamie Rodriguez, JD Tucker, Andrew Hansen, Sarah Bloedel, Mr. Bill Pritchett, Rashad Anderson, Alex Whipkey, Jourdan Valderrama, Greyson Pritchett, Mr. Alan W. Pritchard, Ian Sovine, Gabe Kohler, Rose Steele



Greyson Pritchett with his electric RC airplane

the AMA and NSRCA-National Society of Radio Controlled Aerobatics sponsored event called the "Green Sea Precision Aerobatic Contest" held on October 18th and 19th. This consisted of four AMA classes that include sportsman, intermediate, advanced, and masters, where Greyson was entering advanced for the first time. On October 16th, before the event, Pritchett and his son

Greyson, who is also a flying RC enthusiast, just happened to be heading toward our coast to participate in

Greyson visited WASA and performed an RC demonstration for the club. Coach Jeff Gregory was kind enough to let us use the baseball field which made a wonderful flight field allowing plenty of room to fly.

In the back of Pritchett's SUV were several RC aircrafts. They got out an airplane, a helicopter, and a drone for the

WASA demonstration. Greyson started out with his E-flite aerobatic electric airplane. The little stunt plane took off in what seemed to be less than seven or eight feet on the dirt baseball field; he flew almost straight up and rolled over level. After a moment of maneuvering, he started to fly upside down. Not long after that, he flew the stunt plane on its side for some distance. Greyson then landed the airplane in the grass in about three feet of space. I would not have thought any RC aircraft would take off and land in such a short distance powered by an electric motor.

Greyson flying his aerobatic electric RC airplane and Greyson picked up his helicopter, costing over a thousand dollars, and used his his aerobatic electric RC helicopter. remote control to fly it over the baseball field; he hovered it in the air awhile and then flew it around the field, turned the helicopter upside down while flying it around the field, and brought it in for a landing while his dad talked about the helicopter and RC flying.

After impressing WASA with all kinds of trick-flying stunts, Greyson got out his RC drone. He took his transmitter flying the drone straight up, hovered for a moment, flying it all around the field just a short distance, flipping the drone several times, and landing. As Greyson was flying, his dad was speaking to WASA about each aircraft that his son was flying and added some RC tips. Pritchett warned WASA members not to let their hands get caught in the propeller of an RC; he said a gas powered propeller would strike you and stop if your hand wondered in its path, but an electric powered propeller would not stop and would continue turning, damaging your hand. He warned WASA members to stay clear of turning propellers powered by gas engines or electric motors.

Just before the pair left, Pritchett gave me some handouts allowing all WASA participants to join the AMA for free; the membership entitles WASA members to go to any AMA approved field to fly RCs. All in all, it was a great day to experience RC flight with such a talented young person and listen to a great speaker.

Oh, if you're wondering who won the Green Sea Precision Aerobatic Contest in the advanced category, Congratulations, Greyson!



Greyson Pritchett after his win in the advanced category **Green Sea Precision** Aerobatic Contest.

WHS CHORUS SPREADS HOLIDAY CHEER THROUGH SONG

Article by Ms. Warr, Choral Teacher

Waccamaw chorus presented a beautiful concert on Thursday, November 20th, with the theme: *Gifts of Beauty*. Each selection portrayed a different facet or hint of beauty from J.S. Bach's "Honor and Glory" and the 16th century canon setting of "Dona Nobis" to an audience sing-a-long on Irving Berlin's "White Christmas." Each selection brought a message of beauty

to the Waccamaw stage. The women sang two pieces entitled "Beautiful Savior" and "This Lamp in My Window." After the Waccamaw Middle School Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Drew Trautman, presented three lovely selections for the holiday season, the WHS Choralaires took the stage and presented a beautiful jazz arrangement of "America the Beautiful" with another excellent visual background created by Ian T. Kelly. They also sang "In a Silent Night" and "Baby It's Cold Outside." As they sang "White Christmas," the full chorus returned to the stage and together they closed with several selections from the Disney Candlelight Processional music which was to come as they traveled to Disney on December 4th. The evening closed as all students from WHS and WMS surrounded the auditorium singing "Stille Nacht" ("Silent Night") with the audience, in their own candlelit closer.



From December 4th-7th, 38 of our chorus members, along with 8 chaperones, traveled by coach bus to Disney World in Orlando Florida to participate in two performances of the Candlelight Processional, narrated by Whoopi Goldberg. These students have worked for months to prepare the many selections for this event. It was an incredible performance opportunity to be a part of, demanding great effort, excellence, and discipline from our students. With their hard work, students were able to spend two days enjoying the holiday beauty and fun of the Disney parks. Thank you student body, parents, teachers, and staff for supporting them in so many ways so that they could have this experience.

On Thursday, December 11th, WHS Chours took the stage once again at the Carolina Opry. On Thursday, December 18th, our Choralaires will represent our school and chorus as they perform for the local Optimist Club at Applewoods and for the Rotary Club at the Litchfield Country Club. On Friday, December 19th, the full chorus will once again, as it is our tradition, sing at The Lakes at Litchfield to bring a final gift of holiday beauty to the people living in this facility. This is, in my opinion, our greatest opportunity of the year. Such joy and appreciation is shown from this audience and the students are so delighted to have the opportunity to share with them. Thank you, Waccamaw, for your support.

DAR GOOD CITIZEN AWARD



Hannah Bezdek has been selected to represent Waccamaw High School with the Good Citizen Award through the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens program. DAR Good Citizens exhibit dependability, service, leadership, and patriot-

ism. Hannah will be recognized at the DAR chapter meeting on February 18th, 2015. Her essay has been entered into the scholarship program as well.

Congratulations, Hannah!



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Where: Waccamaw High School

auditorium

Who: Middle school and high school bands

Come and support our bandl

DREAMLEARNERS



Article by Davis Eddy, pictures courtesy of Boeing

On Thursday, December 4th, both of Ms.



Banks Lucas and Caroline Lalla observed the manufacturing floor.

Graham's AP Calculus classes traveled to The Boeing Company's plant in North Charleston, South Carolina. The students participated in the Boeing DreamLearners program, which included a guided tour through the company's Tour Balcony overlooking the production floor where new 787 Dreamliners are being manufactured. The guide explained that the Dreamliners are



composed of a carbon fiber composite rather than aluminum and use state-of-the-art wing design in order to greatly reduce fuel consumption. Various other features of the manufacturing method were explained through a short video and interactive models. Then, the

students competed in a ten-minute challenge to build the best paper airplane, emulating the processes in which a real plane is made. The group members were each assigned a specific role, which they could not work outside of, and each plane had a specific budget to work within. The planes were flown for the greatest distance and the winning group received a few Boeing souvenirs,



Wes Lee and Davis Eddy pose next to the 787's rotors

such as a poster and Dreamliner medallion. The final part of the tour consisted of short informative sessions with two employees who explained how they came to work for Boeing and the careers they now hold. The students left the complex around mid-day and travelled to King Street for lunch. After a few hours to relax in downtown Charleston, everyone returned to the bus and headed back to Waccamaw.

Students travel to Water & Waste Treatment Plant

Information and pictures by Mrs. Graham, WHS guidance counselor

On November 25th, three of our juniors toured the Water & Waste Treatment Plant in Georgetown. Aubrey Gauthier, Alani Scott, and Lyric Wigfall are semi-finalists from Waccamaw High School for the Apprenticeship and Dual Enrollment opportunity for credit through Central Carolina Technical College. Congratulations! Finalists will be named in the upcoming weeks.







Sports Action

Basketball Update

Varsity Girls and Boys

By Maddie Giarratano and Matthew Trowbridge

On Friday, December 5th, our Lady Warriors Varsity Girls' Basketball Team defeated the Lady Bulldogs 52-42. Kadijah Smalls led the team with 18 points. The boys' game was a heart-breaking loss of 45-49. With less than a minute in the game, Jack Dwyer was fouled and made his shots to close the gap to two points. Unfortunately, the Bulldogs answered with a two-pointer to seal the game for the Bulldogs. Leading the team in points were Justin Busby and Rob Ferraro, each with 9 points.

On Tuesday, December 9th, the Lady Warriors were defeated 37-64 against the Carvers Bay Bears. The Bears took a quick 18-point lead in the game that Waccamaw couldn't recover from. Leading in points were Alexis Grove with 14 points and Kadijah Smalls with 8 points. The boys' team defeated Carvers Bay 55-48. Waccamaw led at halftime by 6 and kept the lead throughout the game. Justin Busby and Rob Ferraro led the team with 13 and 11 points.

On Saturday, December 13th, both the girls' and boys' team suffered a loss against Socastee. The girls' team lost 19-55. Socastee outscored Waccamaw with an average 12 points a quarter. Alexis Grove and Brianna Brooks each led with 6 points. The team record is now 4-3. The boys' team lost 37-42. It was a hard-fought, close game with the Warriors never trailing more than 2 points in a quarter. Rob Ferraro led the team in points with 16. The team record is now 5-3.

Come out tonight as varsity girls and boys play county rival Georgetown. Girls play at 6:00pm and boys at 7:30pm.

JV Boys Win the Georgetown County Invitational

By Karl Strittmatter

Picture courtesy of Waccamaw Athletics Booster Club Facebook page



The Waccamaw Warriors first played Georgetown in the Georgetown County 4-team Invitational at Andrews High School on December 6th. The Warrior JV boys' team defeated Georgetown in the first round to move on to the championship game against Andrews where they defeated them as well. Congratulations to all of the players and coaches on a great job!

On Monday, December 8th, the JV boys' team faced the Socastee Braves. They came up with a great win against the 4A Braves as they defeated them 41-38. Freshman Sam Woods contributed greatly to their win; he was their leading scorer with over 20 points and had multiple rebounds and blocks.

"Driven to Give" Fundraiser - a HUGE success!

By Hannah Wolf, picture courtesy of Waccamaw Athletic Booster Club Facebook page

On Saturday, December 6th, the Tidelands Ford Lincoln "Driven to Give" fundraiser was held in the front parking lot of Waccamaw High. The event was held to raise money for the Waccamaw sports teams. Lincoln donated \$20 for every test drive to a sport of the driver's choosing. Each test driver also received a goodie bag with a free tub of Palmetto Cheese, a meal card for Chik-fil-A, a McDonald's coupon for a McCafe, \$5 in Warrior Bucks, and the chance to win a \$75 gift certificate from Bistro 217. To sweeten the pot, the sports team with the



most donations also received an extra \$250 "bump" from the Booster Club along with a matched \$250 from Palmetto Cheese. The event was a huge success with over 240 Lincoln test drives. All teams were winners on Saturday with every sports team registering at least one test drive, raising over \$4,900 for Waccamaw Athletics. The team with the most donations ended in a tie; girls' soccer and boys' basketball both had 26 test drives. Since both teams did an awesome job, the Booster Club and Palmetto Cheese decided not to split the win, instead, awarding BOTH teams a \$500 bump. Each of the two teams generated \$1,020. Rounding out the top five were: football, cheerleading, and girls' tennis/volleyball (also tied).

Congratulations to all of the sports teams and a special thanks to Platinum Sponsor Lowes Foods for supporting the Tidelands Ford Lincoln "Driven to Give" event and donating hot wings and bottled water to the volunteers and test drivers.

Sports Action







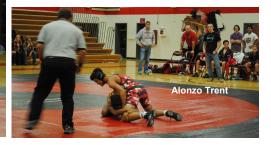
Information by Coach Cook, pictures by Danielle Mallon

On Wednesday, December 3rd, Waccamaw opened the season with two victories over Academic Magnet 35-24 and county rival Georgetown 48-33. Senior captains Arman Singh, Bobby Walters, and Shea Burke each led the team with two victories. Tyler Davis went 1-1 losing in the last second against Georgetown's defending state AAA champion.

On Tuesday, December 9th, Waccamaw defeated Loris 51-22 bringing their early season record to 3-0. Shea Burke, Gape Pope, Arman Singh, and

Bobby Walters all earned victories. Burke, Pope, and Walters each pinned their opponent.

On Wednesday, December 10th, Waccamaw hosted Marion. The wrestling team dropped a tough home match to a top state ranked Marion with only Gabe Pope, Arman Singh, and Shea Burke coming out victorious.



The Warriors bounced back this past weekend despite forfeiting three weight classes in addition to being without two starters. Participating in the St. James Shark duals, the Warriors came out 2-2 on the day. Dropping the first match to tournament winner W. Brunswick then losing by just two points to host St. James. Waccamaw rallied to defeat

Waccamaw wrestlers cheer on their WMS teammate

Myrtle Beach and Bishop England. Highlights on the day were Shea Burke remaining undefeated at 8-0, Jackson Clemons earning his first two varsity wins and Jordan Carnahan earning his first.

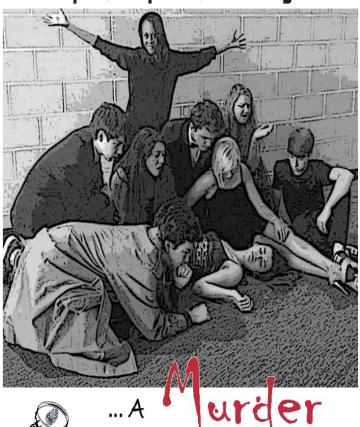


Hallie Butler signs with Columbia College

Congratulations to
Hallie Butler who signed with
Columbia College
on Thursday, December 11th.
Hallie will be attending school
on a softball scholarship. She
has been playing softball for
WHS since the 8th grade and
moved up to the varsity team
her freshman year.

Congratulations, Hallie!

Triumphs, Trophies, and Tragedies



Mystery Dinner Theatre Presented by the

Waccamaw High School Competitive Speech Team

Saturday, January 31st, 2015

Advanced Ticket Sales Only • Ticket Price: \$30.00

Contact mlawson@gcsd.k12.sc.us or any cast member for tickets.

Show & Dinner Begin at 6:30 PM

At the Mitney Center • 610 Hawkins St, Georgetown

Rashynne Knowlin Nicholas Hughes **Kelton Grant** Segwan Deas Robert Crosby

December 17

Tyanna Washington Nicholas Van Nest Tucker Thaggard Sam Insignares Sean Graham Jack Graham

December 18

Jaz Torrance Jada Torrance

December 19 Marshall Perry

December 20

Roger Wigfall Jonah Maro Zema Burns

Mykell Jefferson

December 22

Paige Russell Price Rowland Mackenzie Confer Anthony Chacon

December 23

Cierra Smith Jessica Mohan Justin McCabe Lizzy Assey

December 24

Brianna Wright Kayron Singleton

December 25

Barbara Wachtler Turia Keith Tariq Keith

December 27

LeeAnn Ray Mary Kathryn Brown

Hannah Phairas Brian Okun Javne Mahon **Emily Heimberger** Nicholas Edwards

December 29

Lara von Bylandt-**Baronees** Shir'Mel McCullough Trey Hart Trevon Franklin Parker Finley

December 30

Tatum Tarte Shelton Rutherford Minger Nesmith



Mrs. Diamond

December 21 Coach Quinn

December 22 Mrs. Villamizar



On Thursday, December 18th,

Balfour will be on campus delivering class rings during both lunches.

Balance will be due at delivery.

Cap/gown orders will also be taken.

CLASS RING DELIVERY



100% ID **Participation** Winners

Congratulations to Ms. Stephenson's first period and Mrs. O'Neill's sixth period for winning cookies and brownies for 100% ID Participation during the week of December 1st-5th.

Tuesday, December 16

Holiday Celebration

Baked Turkey w/ Dressing Brown Rice w/ Gravy Green Beans WGR Yeast Roll Cranberry Sauce Fruit Cup Cake w/ Chocolate Icing

> Choice of I % Plain or Flavored Skim Milk

Wed., December 17

Lunch

Vegetable Beef Soup Chicken Noodle Soup Cornbread & Crackers w/ String Cheese or Toasted Cheese Sandwich WGR Corndog Tossed Salad Corn on the Cob Garden Peas Mandarin Oranges Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of Milk

Thursday, December 18

Lunch

Chicken L'Orange Brown Rice Grilled Chicken Sandwich* WGR Corndog Sweet Potato Patties Oriental Vegetables Field Peas Pineapple Chunks Seasonal Fresh Fruit Brownie Choice of I % Plain or Flavored Skim Milk

Friday, December 19

Lunch

Hotdog w/ Chili on Enriched Bun Chicken Fillet on WGR Bun* Turkey & Cheese WGR Sandwich* **Baked Beans** Cole Slaw French Fries **Applesauce** Seasonal Fresh Fruit Choice of I % Plain or Flavored Skim Milk

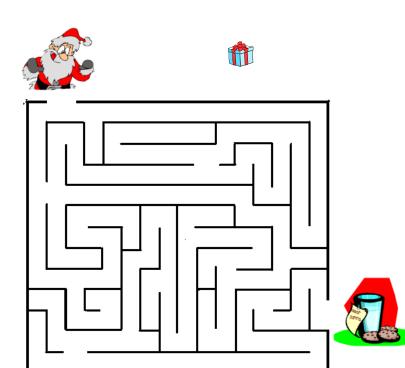


Holiday Fin Page

Away in a Manger Choir of the Bells Dominick the Donkey Frosty the Snowman Holly Jolly Christmas Jingle Bell Rock Jingle Bells Let it Snow Little Drummer Boy Little St Nick O Holy Night Rudolph Santa Baby Silent Night Silver Bells The Christmas Song The First Noel Winter Wonderland Chicken Scratch NY

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"...Where do we keep the spare reindeer?"

