

## Coming Home Week Recap



*King and  
Queen  
of Hearts  
Alonzo Trent  
and  
Katie Gordon*

By Rachel Bailey, picture by E-P Vermont

February 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> was Coming Home Week at Waccamaw High School. This week was dedicated to supporting our winter sports, wrestling and basketball, while also raising school spirit and class pride. The events of the week consisted of dress up day competitions, Stud Muffin games, King and Queen of Hearts voting, and three varsity basketball games.

The high school students participated in a different dress up theme each day last week. Monday was Decade Day, Tuesday was America Day, Wednesday was Super Hero Day, Thursday was Class Color Day, and Friday was Warrior Pride Day. The senior class had the most students dress up every day except for Monday, which was won by the freshmen. The other class competition of the week was the Stud Muffin games. Prior to Coming Home Week, boys from each grade level signed up to play in the volleyball games representing their class. However, the freshmen and sophomores did not recruit enough players to be able to have their own teams, so they had to combine for this year's Stud Muffin. The boys played six minute halves with the freshmen/sophomores and juniors facing off first. The juniors won with a final score of 20-10. Next, the juniors played the seniors in the final game. The juniors once again came out victorious, defeating the seniors 20 to 14 and becoming the 2016 Stud Muffin Champions. In addition to the competitions between classes, during the pep rally last week the King and Queen of Hearts were crowned. The student body voted Alonzo Trent King and Katie Gordon Queen. Congratulations Alonzo and Kate!

Overall, WHS's Coming Home Week was a huge success! It was filled with fun, friendly competition between classes and lots of school spirit. Thank you to everyone who helped make this week possible and to all the students who participated and showed their school pride!



## Upcoming Events

### Black History Month

**February 12-13:** Competitive Speech Competition @ Eastside HS in Greenville

**February 13:** Varsity Baseball @ Conway - DP Showcase (Scrimmage)

**February 13:** Boys JV and Varsity Lacrosse @ Socastee 10:00am (Scrimmage)

*February 14: Valentine's Day*

**February 15:** President's Day - NO SCHOOL

**February 16:** Varsity Baseball Vs St. James (Scrimmage-Home) 5:30pm

**February 16:** Boys Varsity Lacrosse @ St. James (Scrimmage) 6:00pm

**February 16:** Varsity Girls' Basketball - 1st Round Class AA Playoff Game - T.B.D.

**February 17:** Boys JV and Varsity Soccer Vs Georgetown (Scrimmage-Home) 5:30/7:00pm

**February 17:** Varsity Boys' Basketball - 1st Round Playoff Game - T.B.D.

**February 18:** Girls JV and Varsity Soccer Vs Georgetown (Scrimmage/Home) 5:30/7:00pm

**February 18:** JV Baseball @ Andrews (Scrimmage) 5:30pm

**February 18:** Varsity Softball @ Carvers Bay (Scrimmage) 6:00pm

**February 19:** Boys Varsity Soccer @ Ashley Ridge (Scrimmage) 6:00pm

**February 19-20:** Wrestling - Lower State Individual Qualifying Tournament @ Marion High School

## Field Trip to MUSC

By E-P Vermont

Ms. Stephenson's Anatomy and AP Biology classes had the opportunity to tour MUSC on January 27<sup>th</sup> and February 3<sup>rd</sup>, respectively. Students were able to learn about careers in health-related fields and gain information about the requirements for entering MUSC. Guided by Ms. Sharlene Atkins, students were given a walking tour of MUSC and of the different historical sites that are still on campus. Next, students were shown the Pathology Museum where Dr. Evelyn Bruner spoke to the students about the various items in the museum. From there, students were given a brief tour of the MUSC Hollings Cancer Center and the College of Nursing Simulation Lab, which featured many of the latest technological advances in medicine. Finishing up the field trip, students were given a tour of Ashley River Tower. The trip was great as students had a wonderful time visiting and learning about MUSC.



## Anatomy Food Day

By Jed Parreno

On Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Stephenson's Anatomy class had a feast containing only healthy foods and drinks. The Anatomy class is currently studying the digestive system and the basic necessities like vitamins, daily calorie intake, etc. Some of the nutritious items on the menu were Maddy Crowe's on-the-spot made protein shake, Jack Sander's special bean dip, and Sydney Cooper's whole wheat cheese quesadillas. It was a fun and revitalizing food party.



# CONGRATS TO SPEECH TEAM FOR SOUTHSIDE SUCCESS!

Article provided by Coach Lawson, picture provided by former WHS graduate Ross Lindsay

On Friday and Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, the Waccamaw Windtalkers Competitive Speech and Debate team traveled to Greenville to compete in the Southside High School Speech and Debate Tournament. The following team members received individual awards:

- Sara Ness: 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Dramatic Interpretation.
- Zeke Phelan: 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Informative Speaking.
- Stephen Russell: 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Dramatic Interpretation.
- Olivia Britt: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Novice Reading.
- Damion Patterson: 6<sup>th</sup> Place, Declamation; 5<sup>th</sup> Place, Humorous Interpretation.



Sara, Zeke, Stephen, Olivia, and Damion

The students competed against 30 schools from three different states. The team was joined by Alumni Ross Lindsay, Kristen Nelson, and Jamie McNair, who assisted in judging and chaperoning the team. Parents Kristie Baxby and Nick Rollins also lent a hand to the team. The Windtalkers are coached by Ree Lawson.



## WHS SIA Team attend Leadership Conference

Article and picture provided by Mrs. A. Graham

The WHS Students in Action (SIA) team attended the Winter Leadership Conference on Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at the College of Charleston. The SIA team have been collaborating with school service organizations to collect data about the services provided by our school. The SIA team will be competing with other teams in the region to show the impact on community service. The team will submit the entry into a competition on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Semifinalist teams will present at the Youth Leadership Academy on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

## ALL COUNTY BAND AND CHORUS

Article by Lora Gahagan Eddy

On January 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, band and chorus students from around the county gathered at Andrews High School for the annual All-County clinic. To start off the two day event, chosen members from the band and chorus auditioned and were put into their spots among students from Georgetown, Andrews, and Carvers Bay. All day Thursday and half of Friday, the musicians practiced for the concert taking place on Friday night. The chorus was led by Dr. Jones and the band was directed by Brian Grant. On Friday night, the chorus performed first, followed by both the middle and high school bands. Lyric Wigfall and Julia Ammons received special recognition as the Most Outstanding All-County band and chorus participants. Congratulations ladies and great job Waccamaw bands and chorus!



# Decade Day



# Coming Home Week



# America Day





**SUPER  
HERO  
DAY**



**Class Color Day**



# Warrior Pride Day



# STUD MUFFIN CHAMPS!

