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# 2015 Homecoming King and Queen Kevin Gasque and Lora Gahagan Eddy



Article by Berkley Lane, pictures by Newsletter Staff and Gael Tan

After a three week pause, Homecoming week picked back up last Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, even though it was only a half day for the students. The last hour of the school day was reserved for the Homecoming pep rally. At the pep rally, spirit week winners were announced and the Homecoming King was crowned.

Juniors Maddie Giarratano and Kaitlyn Harrison's Brazilian design won the Chalk Walk contest. The junior class won the float competition with their colorful and festive Brazilian flair. The seniors won each of the five dress up days, the Hallway Decorations contest, Penny Wars with a total of \$81.05, the 2015 Powder Puff championship, and the can tab collection contest. It was close between the freshmen and the seniors, but on the last day of the competition, the seniors turned in an incredible amount of tabs, securing their win. The last contest was during the pep rally, where the traditional spirit stick was awarded to the class with the most school spirit at the pep rally. It was close between the juniors and seniors, but the seniors won!

After the announcement of the spirit week winners, the five nominees for Homecoming King were announced and interviewed at center court. The nominees were Ian Becker, Jabbrel Drayton, Kevin Gasque, Chris Kaylor, and Forrest Powell. First runner-up was Forrest Powell and the 2015 Homecoming King was Kevin Gasque. Congratulations, gentlemen!



1st Quarter Grading Period ended Wed., Oct. 28th.

Parents can pick up their child's report card on Tuesday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> between 3:15pm - 6:00pm.

Teachers will also be available for conferences.

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At halftime of the football game, the Homecoming Court was introduced. Sophomore Prince and Princess were Nathan Green and Jade Malone, and Junior Prince and Princess were Justin Busby and Jabraya Brown. The five Homecoming Queen nominees who were escorted by family members onto the field were Lora Eddy, Katie Gordon, Paige Hutchinson, Jessica Preedom, and Kadijah Smalls. First runner-up was Kadijah Smalls and Lora Gahagan Eddy was crowned 2015 Homecoming Queen. Congratulations, ladies!

The football game, the last of the Homecoming festivities, was exciting. Students and fans were nervous during the last seconds of the game, but the Warriors persevered, winning 20-14. (More details of the game on pg. 9.) The Homecoming week, although spread out, was a success. Go Warriors!



King nominees (from left): Ian Becker, Jabbrel Drayton, Kevin Gasque, Chris Kaylor, Forrest Powell



**Sophomore Prince and Princess Nathan Green and Jade Malone** 



Junior Prince and Princess

Justin Busby and Jabraya Brown







Chalk Walk Winners:

Maddie Giarratano and
Kaitlyn Harrison



First Runner-Up: Kadijah Smalls



**Queen Nominee: Paige Hutchinson** 



**Queen Nominee: Jessica Preedom** 



**Queen Nominee: Katie Gordon** 





TADA and Delta GEMS Sponsors Mrs. Tucker Mrs. Stewart Ms. Smalls Ms. Simmons

Article by Mrs. Tucker, pictures by Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Stewart

On Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, Teens Against Drugs and Alcohol (T.A.D.A.) and the Delta GEMS participated in the Georgetown County Unity Day in honor of National Bullying Prevention Day. The theme for the walk was "Walking Together Against Bullying." Students wore orange to represent bullying and purple to represent violence. The walk began at East Bay Park at 4pm and concluded at Joseph Rainey Park in Downtown Georgetown. Community members watched from the sidelines as walk participants yelled anti-bullying chants throughout the town. It was an amazing and positive event for all students.



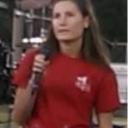
Article by Lora Gahagan Eddy, pictures by Mrs. Tester and Mr. Ryan Wright

On Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, FCA groups from Waccamaw, Georgetown, Andrews, and Carvers Bay High Schools gathered at Georgetown High School's football stadium for a night of fellowship, worship, and prayer. The program began with words of welcome and was followed by worship led by members of the community. Student leaders from each of the schools led energizers and gave short

testimonies. Jordan Brown, Peyton Johnson, and Katie Gordon were the representatives from Waccamaw that helped lead the event. Following this, the message was given by a student from Waccamaw High School and member of the WHS FCA leadership team, Jack McConnell. To end the night, everyone in attendance gathered around the field and held hands as they prayed for the community affected by the flood.



Jack





Jordan

Peyton



## Un fiesta de Español!

Article and pictures by Zach Trzop

Last Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Señora Aguilar's Spanish III Honors classes celebrated their first food day of the year. Both individuals and groups volunteered to create dishes on a list, which consisted of appetizers, dips, desserts, and other items.



Students who made dishes presented what they made to the class and set it out to eat. Señora Aguilar showed her students how to create quesadillas, and allowed the students to make their own. The food day was a way to bring more culture to the students and try foods made around the world.







## **Cat-natomy!**

Article and pictures by E-P Vermont

With the cats out of the bags, anatomy students in Ms. Stephenson's 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> period classes began their dissection of the cats last Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students named their cat since they were now familiar with them.

Ms. Stephenson went around to each table and demonstrated how to properly separate the muscles so students

were able to do it correctly. Students applied what Ms. Stephenson showed them and began separating the individual muscles of the cats' chest. As the year goes on,

students will continue to dissect their cats and learn more about the muscular, skeletal, digestive, cardiovascular, and reproductive systems of the cats.















Taylor Long, Jesse Girolamo, and Taylor Lyon with their pumpkin babies.

## Congratulations, it's a Pumpkin!

By Rachel Bailey, picture by LeeAnn Ray

Last Friday, Coach Eddy's psychology classes began an interactive activity to further their learning of a child's stages of development. His students paired off and were given a baby pumpkin to care for over the weekend and into the next week. After the first three days, students were allowed to exchange this pumpkin for an actual baby doll. The purpose of this exercise is to simulate stages of development and what to expect when raising a child. Each pair of students will theoretically raise their baby until he/she goes off the college, and create a scrapbook to track their progress.



Key Club Week is November 2-6. As part of its celebration of serving others, the WHS Key Club will again be promoting Koats for Kids. Please drop off new or gently used coats of all sizes in the front office all next week. The coats will be donated to The Well at All Saints Church, a nonprofit clothing closet that serves our own community. Thank you!

## KERKKKK A TINIANA

## Waccamaw Marching Season Ends

Article by Jed Parreno

On Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, the Waccamaw Marching Warrior Band traveled to West Ashley High School to attend the Lower State 2A/4A Competition. 2A schools from across South Carolina competed for a chance to win a spot to advance to the State Competition at Spring Valley High School. Unfortunately, the Waccamaw Marching Band did not place in the top seven bands advancing to the State Competition. Waccamaw missed the cut by .5 points finishing in 8<sup>th</sup> place with a score of Excellent. Cheraw High School took the seventh spot and Pelion High School was the Lower State Champs.

## REKKKK HANANAN

## **Teacher Appreciation Luncheon**

Pictures by Ms. Kimberly Hall

Last Thursday, October  $22^{nd}$ , WAVE (<u>Warriors Advocating & Volunteering for Education</u>) parent-teacher organization provided the teachers with a beautiful spread of food for lunch. They also held a raffle. Below are the six lucky winners with their prizes.



Lunch Bag from Harbor Specialties



Tote Bag from
Hammock Shop



Ms. Smalls, Guidance Assistant

Breast Cancer Awareness

bag from Nail Salon



Mrs. Tester, Special Education Gift card from PI Merchantile



Mrs. Henderson, Science
Tote bag from
Hammock Shop



Mr. Graham, Band Director Red tote bag with sticker donated by WAVE

# Show Your Talent?

### Welcome to the 6th Annual Space Foundation International Student Art Contest!

ART CONTEST DEADLINE: Friday, November 13.

Each year we invite students, ages 3-18, from around the world, to create their very best original artwork, based on a space-oriented theme, for the Space Foundation International Student Art Contest. This year's theme is: "What Space Means to Me."



# SOUTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL WRITING CONTEST

Cash Awards: \$1000, \$500, \$250

The contest is open to South Carolina high school juniors and seniors.

The topic is "How should we improve the state of South Carolina?" Students can respond in any genre (fiction, drama, poetry, essay) in 750 words or less.

#### Deadline is Monday, November 2.

Judge is New York Times bestselling author Mary Alice Monroe. Cash awards will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. The entries of finalists and winners will be published in a young writers anthology by the University of South Carolina Press.

For more information and to submit an entry, visit http://schc.sc.edu/writing-contest.

Photographer's FORUM Magazine presents...

# 36<sup>th</sup> Annual College & High School **PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST** \$10.000 to be Awarded! All Finalists Published!



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#### **Image Specifications:**

- Image Size should have a long dimension of at least 1000 pixels and no more than 3000 pixels.
- Save file as (JPG) with maximum quality.

entries and subject matter is open.

- Color Space should be Adobe1998, sRGB or untagged color space.
- File Size should be no more than 4 MB.
- All Uploaded Entries are FINAL and cannot be replaced, deleted or edited by *Photographer's Forum* Magazine.
- The top eight winning photos will be published in the May 2016 issue of Photographer's Forum magazine and exhibited at Brooks Institute.
- All contest finalists will be published in the hardcover book Best of College & High School Photography 2016.
- ♦ All entries will be considered for publication in future issues of *Photographer's Forum*.
- One student from college and one student from high school will be selected for each category.
  - <u>First Place Grand Prize</u>: Best BW or Color Photo. Prize is a \$2,000 grant from Photographer's Forum
  - Second Place Award: \$1,250 cash grant
  - Third Place Award: \$500 cash grant
  - Five Fourth Place Awards: \$250 grant
  - 100 Honorable Mentions: Gold-embossed certificate of outstanding merit, and listed in the May 2016 issue of *Photographer's* Forum magazine.

You can find out more information about the contest at http://pfmagazine.com/photography-contests/#sthash.nK9n2oE4.dpuf.

If you are interested in entering this contest, please contact Mr. Bethea in Room 405.

Deadline for entries is Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> or Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>.

# **Sports Action**

## **B-Team's First Ever Undefeated Season!**

<u>Game 1</u> Johnsonville 8 - 0 <u>Game 2</u> Georgetown 38 - 0 <u>Game 3</u> Carvers Bay 14 - 6 Game 4 Rosemary 14 - 8 <u>Game 5</u> Johnsonville 14 - 8 <u>Game 6</u> Georgetown 28 - 14



Article by Lyric Wigfall, Vick picture courtesy of South Strand News

Congratulations to the Waccamaw Wildcats B-Team football team on an excellent season! This is the first time in history that our B-Team has gone undefeated. Head coach Eric Sparkman along with assistant coaches Tyler Vick, Parker Fox, and Timothy Diggs have taught the boys that size doesn't matter. Since the first practice, Sparkman told the team, "If you believe in yourself anything is possible." Assistant Coach Vick promised the team that if they went undefeated he would

shave his head. The Wildcats did just that ending the season 6-0. After posting a win in their last game of the season, October 20<sup>th</sup>, the players celebrated by dumping water onto the coaches and saying their traditional prayer, "By ourselves we can't do anything, but with God we can do everything." It was a great night for the Wildcats! The next day, middle school students paid a dollar to attend the celebration of the team's winning season held in their school gymnasium, not only to embrace the celebration, but to raise money for their fellow classmate Trey Busby who is battling cancer. During the celebration, Coach Vick fulfilled his promise and had his head shaved with the assistance of Sparkman, Gregory, head coach of the WHS varsity baseball team, and Principal



Curry. All the money raised from the celebration will be donated to the Busby family. The varsity baseball team, in which Vick is an assistant coach, and Brian Henry, owner of the Palmetto Cheese Co., matched the funds raised from the paid celebration, with other businesses contributing with donations, raising over \$1600. Congratulations B-Team on your winning season and your kindness to help others in need. You are a class act!!



## Congratulations to

Senior volleyball players
Ora Parker Eddy and

# Ora Parker Eddy and Leea Whetstone

for being selected to play in the North/South All-Star game next month at Erskine College.

A second congratulations to
Ora Parker for also being named
to the All-State team!



# **Sports Action**

## WHS Varsity and JV Cross Country Teams are Region Champs!!!!!

Article by Lora Gahagan Eddy, pictures courtesy of WHS Athletic Booster Facebook page

On October 24<sup>th</sup>, the Warrior Cross Country team raced against three other teams to become the region champs. The varsity girls' team was led by

Amelia Jones and her time made her region champion. Freshman Bernt Anderson led the boys' varsity team and earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall. The JV teams also became region champs as they were led by Boyd Brown for boys and Abbey Brockman for girls. Congrats to the Waccamaw boys and girls cross country team!

This weekend, the boys travel to Columbia to compete in Lower State. Good luck Warriors!







## **Girls Tennis Senior Night**

By Karina Kostova

The girls' tennis team senior night was celebrated on October 20<sup>th</sup>, where they honored Maddy Middleton, Alana Maser, Karina Kostova, Delacy Rowland, and Peyton Johnson. After the senior festivities, the girls played against Marion and took the win. This win leads the girls to their region matches starting November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The girls will take a one week break from all games and focus on practicing for regionals. Good luck!



# Varsity Volleyball Begins Playoff Rounds

Article by Rachel Bailey

Last Thursday, the Warrior's varsity Volleyball team faced Dillon High School to deter-

mine the Region champions. The teams played five games. Waccamaw lost the first game, won the second and third, and again lost the fourth. In the final match up to determine the region champ, the teams only played to 15 points. The Warriors had a close loss, 12-15. Even though Waccamaw did not win the region title, they continue to play this week in the playoffs. Be sure to cheer on and support your fellow Warriors!!