

Emily Kaiser at the bowling tournament against Jeffersonville High School. CHS gets first loss of the season 9-11. Photo by Tanner Page.



## More clubs at CHS leading to a better environment

by Seth Wright

As the school year goes on, Clarksville High School keeps adding more and more clubs to its offerings, such as the Dungeons and Dragons club, the Heavy Metal club and now the Outdoor club.

Engineer teacher Chris Keeler and junior Michael Stevens have been planning on making an outdoor club for quite a while now, and while it's not set up yet, it's in the works of becoming an official club. They have a few activities and options available already, and are adding more as time progresses. They also have events and trips planned for spring and summer.

When creating the Outdoor Club, their main goal is respect the environment. They want to make it more habitable for wildlife and make it more presentable to the community and visitors, while at the same time making conservation fun and engaging. Keeler has many ideas, and says anybody can join. It doesn't matter if they are well versed in out-

door life or not. He wants to spread his love for the outdoors with students that may have not had much experience with it. He hopes he gets approximately 10-15 students.

"The school needed the club because we have clubs for just about any niche, except for people that love the outdoors. It is also a good way to prevent students from getting into drugs and other criminal acts, and it helps keep students away from the streets," said Stevens.

Stevens also has plans on how he can help get CHS and RA students involved. His goal for the time being is to get a sponsor for the club so that the club may be supplied with the materials needed for fishing, camping, and cleaning the streets. This is so the club members who don't have equipment won't have to go buy it for themselves, which might be a problem if they aren't financially able. When spring rolls around, Keeler plans on taking his members on a fishing trip to a major fish-

ing site for a few days to fish, camp, and just have a blast all around. There are more trips that he is planning to take as well, such as other camping and fishing trips.

The Heavy Metal Club was started by teacher Serina Dierfeldt and students Blaine Gater and Zach Young. The Dungeons and Dragons club was started by instructional assistant Trae Marr. The heavy metal club was primarily made for the purpose of teaching people that heavy metal is not just nonsensical screaming and satanic undertones. The club is also a way for students to talk about different songs and lyrics, to enlighten each other on bands and such that they may not have heard of.

With the appearance of these new clubs, any student can find their place at CHS. The clubs are providing a comfortable place for students and a way to get involved in the community.



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Editorial:

Clarksville High School’s rise to a better reputation within the community

In the past, Clarksville High School’s reputation has not been the best, both within the community and amongst its halls. Our sports teams had losing records. There were complaints regarding the perceived “bad” education. Some students had even developed the mentality that CHS and everything related to it “sucks,” including the lunch. But, a lot of these same people have been so focused on the negative that they haven’t noticed the positive. This year has been a turning point for CHS. Great effort has been made to improve the atmosphere and spirit at our school. New clubs have been appearing since the beginning of the year, giving students more choices for an after school activity. Students now can choose between Heavy Metal Club or Dungeons and Dragons Club.

Also, this year the football team won its first game in years, breaking the 46 game losing streak, and added two additional wins by the end of the season. Both volleyball and tennis made improvements in their records from the last season. Currently, our bowling team is 6-0. More students are showing up for games and in spirit wear. Also, the administration is working on forming a new sports team, soccer, which students have expressed the want for, for a couple of years now.

Not only are the sports and clubs improving, but the atmosphere in the hallways have changed. Posters with positive messages are hanging all around the school. There was a “Take a Note” board with encouraging words on post-its. There is more artwork on display in the hallways, showing students hard work and creativeness. Including, student of the month and art projects.

Academically, Clarksville is also excelling. More students are working toward their Associate’s Degree. Dual credit classes are being offered at the high school and through Ivy Tech. On Fall Media Day at IUS, Clarksville won first place in every category for yearbook in its division. Also, the Generals’ Delivery placed in several newspaper categories winning first place in categories such as best website and feature photo among others. Around the community, our student journalists are becoming more widely read through the online website. Our music department is also becoming more visible around the area performing at local events such as the Clarksville town program honoring local veterans.

All in all, our school improves each and every day, and people are noticing. Our reputation and success is growing throughout the community. We are no longer “just Clarksville” and it’s about time.

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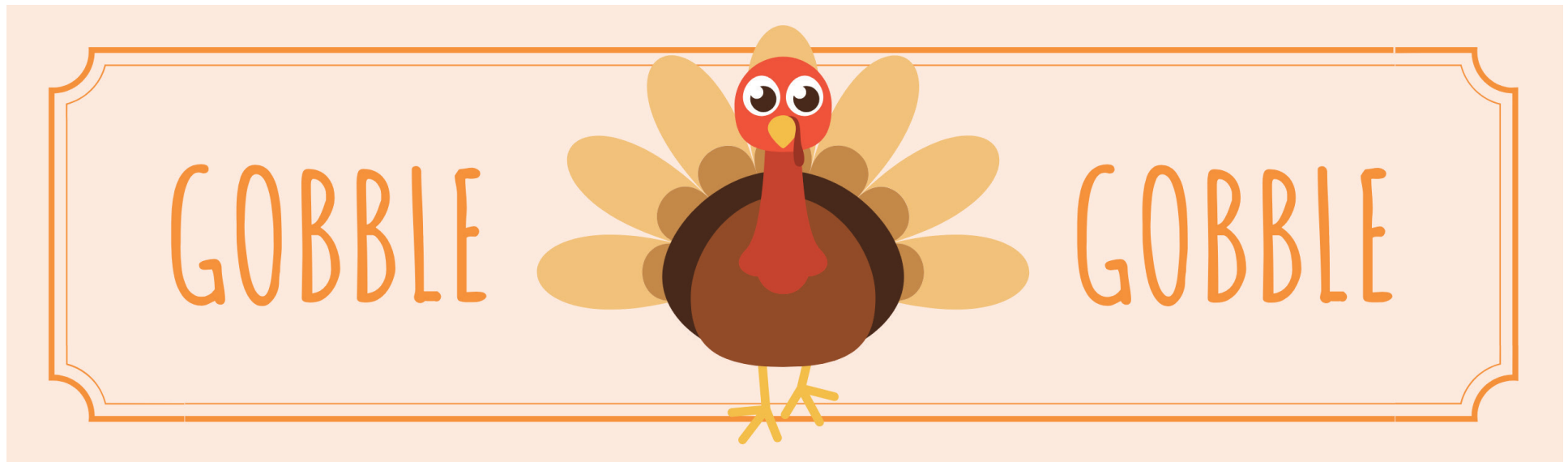
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	Casey Walls	9	Sarah Bartley		Jessie Stevens
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	Emily Kaiser	12	Jade Drumm	21	Summer Meyer
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## Being the big brother is not an easy job, but it's rewarding

by Seth Wright

If you are an older sibling, chances are you have your fair share of aggravation. The level of aggravation might vary depending on factors like gender or age difference. Chances are you also have many happy and wholesome moments with said sibling(s), despite those same factors that might annoy you at times.

Growing up, I was an only child. It was just me and my mother at the time, and I had always wished for a sibling. You always hear of those tales people tell when a new baby comes into the household-- they hate it because they lose that advantage of being the youngest child, and they aren't the center of attention. Now, they may grow out of this with time, but not in all cases.

Take me for example. I never went through this phase. I always wanted a sibling that I could grow up with, share secrets with and could always rely on. However, as I started getting older time moved on, and I lost hope that I would one day be a great older brother. That all changed a little more than a year ago. In early 2018, my mother discovered she was pregnant. I was shocked, ecstatic and overcome with emotion. After all those years of wishing, it finally came true.



Although, after a while, the situation struck me as odd-- by the time she would be the age I am now, I would be 30 years old. I wondered how that would affect my relationship with her compared to other siblings that are born closer together. I worried that I wouldn't have a strong relationship with her because she is so much younger than me. By the time she goes to school, I'll most likely be out of the house. However, the more I pondered it, I became reassured that it shouldn't affect the relationship as much as I worried it would, and I promised that I would be the best big brother I could be.

As of present, my relationship with her turned out better than I ever hoped it could. She is my whole world, and I am always there for her. She is around 16 months old, learning how to talk and communicate with others. However, she is quite small, because she was a preemie baby. Yet, that doesn't hinder her progress in the slightest. She is the happiest, healthiest baby we could ever ask for. I do all I can to help her. I have high hopes for my future.

To be a great older sibling is a lot of things. Always be there when they need you. Even in my case, when my sister is barely pushing that one year mark, she still needs me there for her. Be there to help, even - espe-

cially - when it's not convenient for you. You need to show that you care enough to be there for them at any time, not just when it is convenient. Do not, and I repeat, do not be condescending toward them. This hurts the relationship and makes them think they're not enough.. Give them a reason to look up to you. You are their role model, their leader in life. Do not ruin that by straining your trust with them. When they are watching, make sure you think and rethink every action, as they are impressionable. Don't call people names and be good to people. Be the responsible, but cool older sibling. While it may be terrifyingly, it's one of the most important things you can do for them. Be their friend. When they need somebody to talk to, rant to, or cry to, be their ear and shoulder. Be there when they need somebody. Importantly, do not treat them as a burden to you.

Yes, I admit, being an older sibling can at times be both terrifying and difficult. However, it is also the best feeling in the world to know that you're doing an amazing job at helping them along in life. Having great role models is one of the most important aspects of growing up. It helps you become who you are. Being an older sibling, you are arguably one of the most important role model to them. You must try your hardest to be a responsible leader for them. If you do, you'll have no greater friend in the world.



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## Welcher named district 8 IHSTECA Coach of the Year

by Summer Neal

Clarksville head tennis coach, Stephen Welcher, was awarded the District 8 boys head Coach of the Year Award by the Indiana High School Tennis Association (IHSTECA) for 2019-20. Welcher has been the head coach at Clarksville High School for eleven years and coached at Clarksville Middle School for five years. The award is given to a single coach in each of the eight districts across Indiana. District 8 consists of 65 teams across the state ranging from Clarksville all the way up to Indianapolis. District 8 includes large, powerhouse teams such as Columbus North, Floyd Central, Jeffersonville, Seymour, Silver Creek, Batesville, Providence, Greensburg and New Albany.

“Welcher really invested his time into creating a program that is recognized throughout the surrounding areas and in Indianapolis, where the state championship is held,” assistant coach Tiffany Grahn said.

Only three teams in our surrounding area have won the award. Floyd Central coaches have won the award three times, Jeffersonville five times and New Albany one time. The district coach of the year award is given out once a season to a boys and girls coach.

“The Coach of the Year Award for District 8 is an honor to receive. Most of the coaches who received this award were from big schools who had players competing in the state finals,” Grahn said

The award criteria focuses not on the record of the team, but on program development, coaching ethics, success and the coaches service to tennis. Clarksville would end the season 6-11, while the number one team in the district, Columbus North, would end the season 22-1.

“Coach deserves this award because he puts in more work than any other coach, and I don’t think any coach could come to Clarksville and improve our team the way that he has,” sophomore Dakota Capps said. Capps has been on the team for two years. In just the past year, the team has improved from winning 1 match in 2018 to winning six matches in 2019. Not only has the team improved physically, they have improved mentally.

“Welcher really stepped up for us this year and really brought us up when we were at our lows. He taught us that winning mentality means more than your actual physicality,” said freshman Ethan Neal. Neal played three singles this season.

In February, an overall Coach of the Year will be voted on by the IHSTECA committee. The winners of all 8 districts will be judged to win the overall award. Coach Welcher will have another opportunity to win the award for the girl’s season in May.

## Bowling team continues winning ways

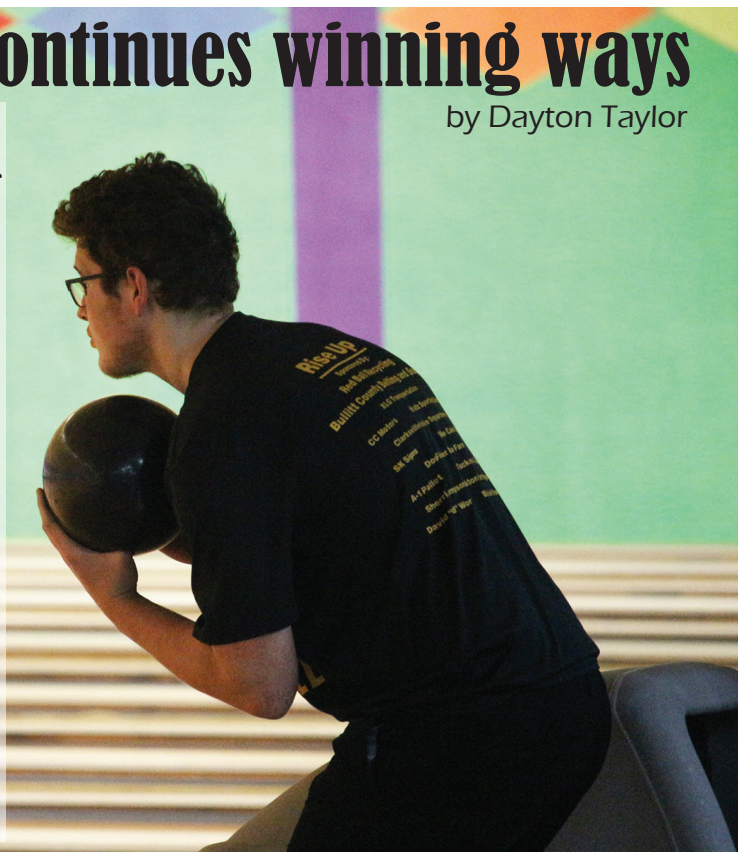
by Dayton Taylor

The Clarksville Bowling Team is off to a hot start. Starting 5-0 on the season, they faced the also undefeated Jeff Red Devils on Monday. Losing to 9-11, the Generals have the bye next week right before the Thanksgiving break.

“I feel that we are going to put in more practice after losing to Jeff. We will definitely be working on our spare shooting because that was the big issue on Wednesday,” sophomore Emily Kaiser said.

Senior Evan Davis said “This season isn’t much different from the last one. We won a lot last year, so why can’t we this year?” Davis is coming off a strong season last year where he advanced to state where he finished 20th.

The season is still young, but the Generals look ready to make another run at sectional.



## Generals’ basketball underway

## Girls win big, boys scrimmage this weekend

by Samuel Boston

Clarksville Basketball is back. The Lady Generals’ season started off with a scrimmage against South Central on Nov. 1 and their record is currently 1-3 with their first win of the season coming Tuesday night against Rock Creek 61-5.

Senior Shaelin Bruner was excited about the Tuesday’s win. “It felt amazing, it was really great. We worked hard to get that win. We were close to winning another game, coach has been really working with us to help us get better,” she said.

Lady Generals Head Coach Shelby Gliebe talked about the upcoming season, as well as her expectations, goals and what she looks to improve the team. “My expectations for the season would be for the girls to learn basketball the correct way, to learn how to play hard for the entire game, and just have fun and enjoy the game,” Gliebe said.

Winning is important, however the passion and love of the fun of the game is almost doubly important, and is also important for winning games. Gliebe said, “What I like about the team so far is that they have completely bought in to what we are trying to do with the program. They show up everyday ready to get better, and they’re just a great group of girls to be around.”

“The biggest thing I am looking to improve is their mindset. And what I mean by that is that Clarksville has the connotation that we give up easily, we don’t care, It’s the Clarksville way to give up easily’ etc. I don’t believe that to be true, so I want to instill in the girls that we actually never give up, we never stop fighting, and we will do whatever it takes to be successful. Once we learn how to play hard for an entire game, then the rest is just basketball, and that’s the easy part,” she said.

Bruner is hopeful for what the season holds. “I think we’re going to win a lot more games and we’re going to be a better team. We’re going to have better attitudes, we’re going to work together more, we’re going to talk more during games. We’re going to put it all together and do great things,” she said.

The boys team will play a scrimmage against Paoli tomorrow night. The first regular season game for the Generals will be Saturday, Nov. 30 at Loogoottee.

Varsity Coach Brian McEwen said “I am expecting our returning starters to help us improve on our win total due to the experience they gained from last year and over the Summer. I also expect all of our players to represent Clarksville High school in a positive light by competing each night to the best of their abilities and showing great sportsmanship.”

The Generals return three starters: Jaren Starks, Dae’Von Fuqua and Dakota Capps. “I’m mainly

excited for winning and playing. We should be a lot better than we were last year. I expect to win a lot this season and for us to get better as a team. We have four varsity returners, so we already have a year of experience under our belts so it’ll give us a better chance than schools who graduated a lot of seniors. I’m just excited to play with my friends from last year.” said Capps.

McEwen said “I like that our players are willing to put in the necessary work to be successful. I also like that we are beginning to build a mindset that hard work pays off.”

Coming off a season of six wins, McEwen expects a better season this year behind the returners. “This should lead us to a more successful season. I am expecting our players to play an exciting brand of basketball that our students can enjoy and support,” he said.



Jasmine Walker at the free throw line at the game against Borden on November 14. photo by Johelisa Santana



# Generals soccer could be a reality for 2020-2021 school year

by Summer Neal

An email was sent out to all students at Clarksville High School and Renaissance Academy in late October with a survey asking them one simple question, "Do you play soccer?" This survey was sent out to students amidst rumors of a soccer team starting at Clarksville. This rumor may become a reality for the 2020-21 season.

Soccer has quickly become not only the most popular sport in America, but in the world. An estimated four billion people around the world consider themselves to be soccer fans. That's more than half of the world's population. Soccer is also the fastest growing high school sport in Indiana. In just the last eight years, the Indiana High School Athletics Association (IHSAA) state tournament has gone from one to three classes. Soccer has been an IHSAA sport since 1993.

Club soccer teams only take place in the spring, meaning in the fall, soccer players must play for their school, or not play at all. This may cause some students to transfer schools in order to be able to play. "There was a high possibility I would have stayed if there was a soccer team. I would even consider moving back," Henryville High School sophomore Bethany Amick said. Amick moved from Clarksville in 2018 in order to play soccer.

There are already many established, winning teams in Southern Indiana, which may deter players from coming or staying at Clarksville. With the very competitive Hoosier Hills conference also in the same area (including Bedford North Lawrence, Columbus East, Floyd Central, Jeffersonville, Jennings Coun-

ty, Madison, New Albany and Seymour), some players may choose to go to a more competitive school. On the other hand, some students may come to Clarksville to get away from the competition. "With young programs in the area that are already in place, if the talented players in the area decided that they wanted to wreak havoc on the MSC (Mid-Southern Conference) and be in the 2A sectional bracket instead of generally tougher competition in Hoosier Hills and 3A, they definitely could," Scottsburg High School varsity coach Brandon Jerrell said.



**"Soccer is a good fit for all schools and the opportunity to play is needed,"**

**— former soccer coach  
Colin Bell**

Soccer is one of the least expensive sports to play. In a school with majority of the students eligible for free or reduced lunch, this may be an important factor. Football is known to be the most expensive sport. The costs to start a soccer team are also along the same line. Since Clarksville already has a football field, the costs to start a team significantly drop. However, the team will need goals, corner flags, game balls, home and away uniforms, equipment for the team, referees and most importantly a coach. "The pay for a varsity soccer coach, at least at schools

of our size, is actually about half of the money the school gets from the enrollment of just one student. If a sport can keep students from transferring to other schools, then it really pays for itself, even if ticket sales aren't stellar for that sport," Jerrell said. Scottsburg has approximately 800 students, double the amount of high school students at CCSC. This means, it would cost approximately the amount of enrollment from one student.

Along with allowing people to stay at Clarksville for soccer, the team could possibly also take away from the other fall sports. With the football, tennis, volleyball and cross country teams finally finding success in their seasons, some worry a new soccer team may take away from these teams. "The really good tennis players are going to continue to play tennis. The kids that are really good football players are going to continue to play football. The kids that may not get playing time will get the opportunity to play in soccer," potential coach and CHS and RA gym teacher Colin Bell said. Bell coached at Silver Creek for eight years.

"Soccer will bring in different and more student athletes and give more students the chance to be multi-sport athletes," said Bell. The Generals would most likely first start out with a co-ed team, with boy boys and girls playing on one team. The team would play against the other schools boys varsity teams because boys cannot play against a girls team. The proposed team would start in the fall of the 2020 season.

## New trainer Bostock enjoys working with student athletes

by Summer Neal

During high school sports games, it isn't guaranteed a player won't get hurt so it is good to have an athletic trainer at games and practices just in case. Often the athletic trainer isn't in the spotlight until there is an injury during a game, but a huge part of a trainer's job is to help athletes prevent injuries and attend to them during practices.

CCSC hired a new athletic trainer for the beginning of the school year, Ian Bostock.

"Ian is a great amazing athletic trainer he is always on top of his job and the first one out there to help," said senior Mataya Watts.

At games fans could see him sprinting on the field toward the injured player always prepared and ready to help exactly when needed whether it's our school player injured or the opponent team he's ready to help the best he can.

"Ian was a big step up for us, he took on a lot of responsibilities that our previous trainer couldn't. He did an awesome job of keeping our athletes healthy and rehabbing. He did a great job with all of the jobs he took on," said head football coach Justin Boser.

Growing up, Bostock at first wanted to be a chef, but he realized he wanted to earn more than the salary that chefs made. He wanted to work with people. Bostock loved sports and his athletic trainer in high school really changed his mind on what they do and how they work and how some programs really

depend on them to function.

As a senior in high school he realized he really enjoyed the kind of work athletic trainers performed and he enjoyed sports. When he was a sophomore in college, he had a physical therapy class and he knew he didn't want to be a physical therapist because he wanted to work in an open space not a clinic or hospital but he liked learning about physical therapy and how they help people and what they do. This further confirmed his decision to pursue a career in athletic training.

Bostock said "I love the school, the people I work with, and the students." Not only is it his first time working with CCSC it's also his first job as an athletic trainer. This is his first job since he graduated college, he loves being an athletic trainer and hopes to be at CCSC for awhile.



Trainer Ian Bostock talks with senior Reece Hughes after the sectional game. photo by Kelly Short



a career with multiple chapters

# Godsey’s love of learning guides her to classroom, library

by Kelsey Pease



From a STEM student to a librarian, Linda Godsey never imagined herself working in a school environment. In fact, as a young adult, she loathed the very idea. But, for 38 years, she has been doing that very thing and much more.

As a child, Godsey lived what she likes to call a “traditional 1950s-1960s life.” Her dad worked and her mom was at home all of the time. Back then there were no sports for girls. So, Godsey had to find other activities to occupy her time like learning to play the flute and reading books. At the age of 40, her mother decided to become a teacher. This caused young Godsey to turn her head at the very mention of becoming one.

While in college, Godsey was working for a degree in math and science. This was unusual for females at the time, which was fascinating to her. She continued with this for a short while, but after a meeting with a counselor things took a turn. See, Godsey wanted to do a little bit of everything from literature to history to science. The counselor claimed that degrees in just math and science wouldn’t be enough. He said he saw a teacher. At that very word, Godsey refused and fought against it, she wanted nothing to do with teaching. But, the counselor asked her to take the beginning course, and after returning, Godsey switched majors. For eleven years she taught kindergarten, one year in second grade, two years in first grade, and fourteen years in fourth grade.

“Ms. Godsey is a great person. Every time I ask her for help, she always tries her best to help me however she can. I spend a lot of time with Ms. Godsey and I can say without a doubt that she is one of the best people I know,” junior Kamryn Cole said.

Becoming a librarian was also an accident for Godsey. At the time of her graduation, there was an overload of teachers. So, Godsey thought that being a librarian was the next best thing and was pleased to find out that she had already finished half of the requirements. So, she went ahead and got it as a backup plan. After spending around twenty eight years as a teacher, she switched to a librarian. Everyday she opens the library at 7:30am. Then, she checks her email to make sure no one needs anything special, like a projector or time in the library. After, she starts her own work. Sometimes it is searching for the best prices on books. Other times, it can be making a plan if she needs to teach a class. Godsey is on her tenth year of being a librarian.

“Never stop learning,” Godsey said. “I’m always looking for the new thing.”

Learning. That is the very thing that Godsey thrives on. That’s why she travels. Through traveling, Godsey gets to meet a bunch of different people, experience many cultures, and taste lots of unusual cuisines. She’s been to Alaska, England, Germany (where her great grandpa and the rest of her ancestors were born), and several other places. She manages to get by with the little bit of German and French she knows and the phrase book she brings along the way. Reading is another way she expresses this thirst for knowledge. She always learns something within the folds of any book. Godsey even goes to library conferences, where authors talk about their writing style and their writing processes. Through these, she gets a taste of all kinds of outlooks on life. These very conferences have made Godsey into who she is today.

Growing up, Godsey was very shy, not

enjoying being the center of attention whatsoever. This all changed after she went on a trip to D.C. In D.C., she got to stay at the library of congress for a week at an annual seminar. There she learned all kinds of things that the people at the library conferences back home wanted to know. So, she was asked to speak. Godsey did not think she could do it, but when she got up there and did it, everything was fine. She was surprised to find that she didn’t shake or anything. Even though there was another women up there with her, it was still a big deal for Godsey. She did the hardest thing she could ever imagine, get up and speak in front of a large group of people. Now, it’s something she does all the time.



CHS and CMS librarian, Linda Godsey shelves books at the middle school. photo by Kelsey Pease

“Clarksville is very fortunate to have such a dedicated teacher-librarian with the breadth of knowledge and abilities that she exhibits daily. She is concerned about what the students, from kindergarten through seniors, are learning and how that knowledge will impact their futures after they leave school. She worries about those who don’t apply themselves and like

all great teachers, gets exasperated when students don’t take advantage of the free public education that is available to them at Clarksville. She loves hearing from students after they graduate and rejoices in seeing ‘her kids’ all grown up,” retired River Valley Middle School librarian and friend, Eden Kuhlensmidt said.

Godsey has been in the CCSC systems for a very long time. It’s her home and all of the students have a special place in her heart. But, she is planning to retire within the next couple of years. But, rest assured because she will be coming back as a volunteer from time to time.

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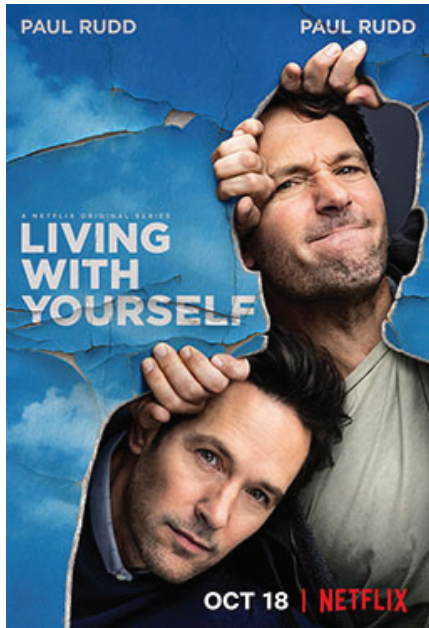


# ‘Living with Yourself’ offers both tears and laughs to viewers

by Tanner Page

Living With Yourself is a new net-flix original starring Paul Rudd and co-star Aisling Bea. The show premiered October 18, 2019 at midnight. Living With Yourself has an original script written by Timothy Greenburg, an executive producer for The Daily Show with Trevor Noah. The first season is complete with eight episodes in total, each approximately thirty minutes. There is a broad spectrum for the specific genre of the show. Viewers can perceive the show as sci-fi, drama, or comedy. Though the show is mainly caught between tragedy and comedy, with multiple heartbreaking scenes that can surely result in tears.

Miles Elliot, a middle-aged man with marital problems and a crappy job, is starting to give up. He and his wife, Kate, are having trouble conceiving and Miles is close to being fired. A co-worker, Dan, informs Miles of a spa that can improve him and his life. Curiously, Miles calls the spa and discovers there’s a costly price of \$30,000. With the money he removes from his and his wife’s savings account, Miles visits Top Happy Spa; with clients such as Tom Brady, Miles wastes no time handing



in the money. This is where the story starts to break apart into several points of view. Immediately after being put to sleep for the treatment, the screen opens with Miles, completely nude, crawling out of a plastic bag, from a grave in the middle of the woods. Later on, in a different point of view, we discover a completely different Miles. He’s waking up from the treatment with a fresh attitude, feeling cheerful and adventurous. The series continues to be switched into multiple perspectives, including Mile’s wife, who loves the new Miles. Ultimately, the original Miles decides to take advantage of the situation and has New Miles take over his life. New Miles attends his wife’s boring parties and Miles’s job, where he is thriving. Everyone loves New Miles, until Kate discovers their Parent Trap plan. Miles’ wife kicks out New Miles and leaves, irritated, for a business trip. This lead Old

Miles into an understanding on how wrong he was and how he hadn’t been fully appreciative of his life or his wife. Miles declares his love for Kate before discovering an unsettling twist and finally, the screen goes black and that’s the end of the first season, with one of

the most obscure endings I have ever seen.

Overall, this remains one of my favorite Netflix series to ever be released. The series contains such an odd plot with an even odder ending, making it such an attractive show. That and of course, Paul Rudd. The Marvel actor makes the show with his goofy personality and incredible acting skills. Living With Yourself has you guessing what the clones will do to have control of Miles’ life. You even find yourself rooting for New Miles’ with his kind personality and respect for people. Though on the other hand, you start to notice Old Miles’ growth as a person and you begin hoping for an amazing character development, which you happily receive. Character development is a huge part of the series, which might be what keeps people so intrigued. You anticipate for when Miles realizes how idiotic he is being and ultimately transforms into the new, freshly cloned Miles. I viewed the show as a comedy, but you can’t help but notice how heartbreaking the show can get. With Miles’ wife’s crave for a family and with flashbacks, you see how happy they used to be. Warning, spectators will definitely cry!

In Conclusion, the show has an amazing cast, a fun plot, and a wild ending. I would definitely recommend it to everyone I know. It is yet to be confirmed as to whether or not a season two will be developed. So, all viewers can do is cross their fingers.

## Hulu takes ‘Looking for Alaska’ in unexpected direction

by McKenzie Murdoch

Starting with *The Fault in our Stars* and *Paper Towns*, another one of John Green’s books have been adapted into a film. *Looking for Alaska* was turned into a series on Hulu, and premiered on October 18 of 2019. The show is starring Kristine Froseth as Alaska Young, Charlie Plummer as Miles “Pudge” Halter, and Denny Love as Chip “The Colonel” Martin.

*Looking for Alaska* was Greens first published book, published in 2005, and many have already read it, and have had time to formulate opinions on how the film adaptation should go, and many thought that they were going to ruin the meaning John Green was trying to get across.

The series mainly focuses on Miles Halter, who wants to “seek the great perhaps” and starts looking for it at Culver Creek, a boarding school. He then gets involved with a friend group including Chip, Takumi, Laura, and the mysterious Alaska, who he is immediately drawn to. They all come from lower social class, compared to the Weekday Warriors, representing the higher class on the social scale.

The only thing both the Weekday Warriors and all the others can agree on is: don’t rat out anyone for anything. Tension begins to build between the groups, and they begin to clash when couple Marya (Meg Wright) and Paul (Brandon Stanley) get caught breaking three of the headmasters rules, and get kicked out of school. Everyone has come to the conclusion that they were only caught because someone told the headmaster what they were doing. Now, everyone is pointing

fingers and accusing the others of being responsible for getting Marya and Paul kicked out. This causes a prank war as both of the groups think they are right about who told on their friends.

The series felt rushed sometimes. Also, there were a lot of unnecessary fillers, like the story following Chip and Sara. Also, some of the events in the show did not happen in the book, which was expected, but some of the events were avoidable and foolish. I was at least glad they included the small, but memorable moments from the book in the show. Another thing that makes this show worth it was how even the Weekday Warriors had intriguing backstories and even if some of the events were unnecessary, they connected them all in the end. For example, the backstory of Dr. Hyde (Ron Cephas Jones) and Mr. Starnes (Timothy Simons) and ultimately the best backstory, and definitely the most underrated out of the series, Delores Martin (Deneen Tyler) especially when she spends Thanksgiving with Chip, Alaska, and Miles. And of course, since it is a drama starring teenagers, we have to expect some cliché scenes, but gladly there weren’t too many. There was also a beautiful display of raw and real emotions that many could relate to, that made the audience viewers find the show appealing.



The show also covers social inequality, and the differences between people born of different classes, and the honest reality of wanting someone you can’t have, loving them, then losing them. Also, while religion is a sensitive topic amongst people, *Looking for Alaska* represented it fairly, especially with Dr. Hyde and his lectures. But, be warned the book and show contains sexual content, explicit language, some drug abuse, and adult situations. Many of the events in the series shows viewers how to be grateful for what you have, and who you have because no matter what goes on in life, having good and reliable friends is what makes life a little bit easier. The show also represents that the extents of a friend’s loyalty is never ending.

John Green’s newest stand alone book *Turtles all the way Down* is also said to soon be adapted into a film directed by Hannah Marks, who was previously an actress, and also currently a writer. And, by being only 26, Marks will make history as the youngest female director, and has already made it on the Rolling Stones 25 under 25. Unfortunately, *Turtles all the way Down* has no release date, but hopefully more information will be revealed soon, and maybe even a release date for season two of *Looking for Alaska*.



# Thanksgiving is often overshadowed

by Tanner Page

Thanksgiving is a time for everyone to come together and be grateful for one another. Unfortunately, Thanksgiving is what might be considered an underestimated holiday. Placed between Halloween and Christmas, people tend to skip over the Thanksgiving activities. Yes, compared to Halloween and Christmas there are fewer fun things to do, but that doesn't mean there isn't anything to do at all. Spooky season is over, but who says pumpkin season has to be?

"I'm going to hang out with my family and make dinner," freshman Marisa Stevenson said.

A great activity for Thanksgiving is pumpkin painting, an excellent choice for a fall craft. In addition to pumpkin painting, watching a Thanksgiving themed movie goes perfectly. You can never go wrong with A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving or even a Christmas movie. More crafts can include making paper turkeys or wreathes. For those who aren't crafty, who doesn't love a game of family football? Gathering around

friends and family members for a game of touch (or even tackle) football is sure to be a thanksgiving activity to remember.

"I'm spending Thanksgiving with my friend since my family doesn't celebrate it," senior Samuel Soto said.

On the other hand, someone might want to sit out of the childrens' crafts and the rough game of football and do something more relaxing. Who's to say sipping hot chocolate and eating pumpkin pie on your couch isn't an activity? The best part of Thanksgiving activities is that there are no specific standards for

celebrating it. Unlike Halloween or Christmas, activities for Thanksgiving can be never ending. Thanksgiving is a time for being grateful for everything you have and celebrating with friends, family, or even your pets. However someone decides to celebrate Thanksgiving, all that's important is if its being celebrated with loved ones.



Thanksgiving Kylie Bruce, Haley Taylor, Kaylea Thomas and Angela Griffith enjoy Thanksgiving lunch on Wednesday. photo by McKenzie Murdoch

## Holiday Commentary

# Why are people in a hurry to deck the halls?

by Julien Caffee

People love Christmas, as many should. The Christmas holiday is when many people are at their happiest. Sometimes, the happiness gets out of control, like, way out of control. Warning: here is my complaint about Christmas.

According to my calendar, Christmas should officially begin on Black Friday. This is because the vast majority of items bought during Black Friday and Cyber Monday are for Christmas presents. Christmas celebrations should stop, at least, at the end of that very week. There should be none of this Christmas starts in July or that Christmas ends in February stuff. It's unnecessary for a holiday in December to begin in the middle of July, and end for some people during the Super Bowl, in February. That's way too long. I mean, you don't see people with there Halloween decorations up in the middle of May, do you?

There are a few people out there who are Christian and believe that the first week of Advent is the beginning of Christmas and that the Baptism of Jesus Christ ends the holiday, which would make sense, if the Baptism of Christ wasn't in the middle of January. While I have no control over this decision, it still makes me feel like Christmas is trying to be lengthened into odd time shafts. Again, I have zero control over this, so in my mind, it's not as big of a deal other things.

Now, this is where things get really controversial, the Christmas music on Halloween. I cannot stand this trend, whatsoever. Can we at least have some time to celebrate Thanksgiving and not jump right to Christmas? It's absurd and it drives me insane. Christmas doesn't start until after Thanksgiving, like it always has, and they start playing Christmas music right after Halloween, skipping over the little time period from Halloween to Christmas. It is maddening.

Another thing that kind of drives me crazy is how much electricity is inside of all these decorations. It's a huge waste of electricity and just skyrockets your electric bill. According to The Washington Post, 100 mini incandescent lights can add at least \$3.50 to your electric bill. It doesn't seem like a lot, but it is. According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, "The average electric bill for Americans in 2017 was \$111.67," and this is just in 2017, the usage of electricity has probably increased maybe around \$5.00 in the past two years.

At the end of the day, Christmas is one celebration that goes a little too extreme in some cases and is dragged out so long, for some it can be nearly a six month celebration. To sum it up, in my eyes, the music is annoying and the lights take a huge toll on the electric bill. Call me a grinch, but some of the stuff here is true, for me at least. Happy Holidays.

# It's the thought that counts, not the price

by Taylor Crain



The holidays are here. As Christmas is just a month away, many are eager to find the perfect gift for their friends and loved ones. For those with a budget, finding gifts can be exhausting. Not only that, coming up with a gift on your own can be a challenge by itself.

**Friendship bracelets** - Friendship bracelets are cheap and easy to make. Adding your friends' favorite colors, or adding their name is a cute present for your best friend. Furthermore, these are completely customizable and your friends are bound to appreciate it.

**Scented candles** - Everyone enjoys a good scented candle. Many holiday candles go on sale around the holidays. Scented candles would be a great gift for your mom or grandma.

**Sweets** - Everybody loves Christmas candy. This can be chocolates, fudge, cinnamon, or cookies. Giving your friends Christmas treats is a great idea for when you know someone who really likes sweets. Candies can be made in batches of different things and put in the contents in a festive baggie.

**Ornaments** - In favor of the Christmas spirit, ornaments are mementos that last forever. This is a meaningful, cheap gift that will make your loved one's Christmas wonderful.

**Photos** - Have photos on your phone or on a camera of special moments with your loved ones? Go get some photos printed, or take polaroid photos. These are very cute keepsakes.

**Socks** - Where can someone go wrong with socks? Fuzzy socks are perfect for winter.

**Mug** - For hot chocolate, morning coffee, or just for decoration, mugs provide a festive experience and all year use.

**Gift cards** - For those you have no idea what the receiver likes, with a gift card they can buy anything they want.

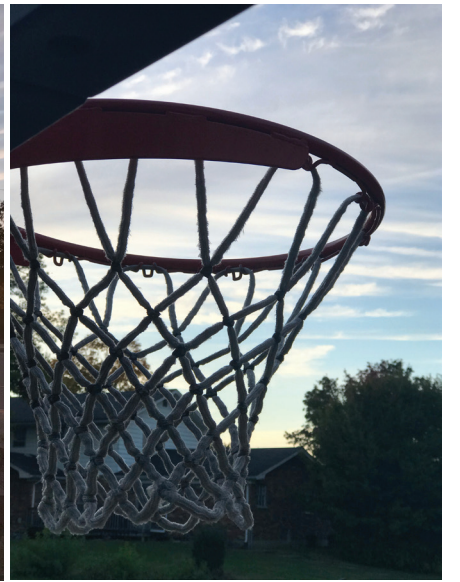
**Perfumes** - For lady friends, or cologne for guy friends. Perfume is a classic holiday gift.

**Hand sanitizers** - Winter brings illnesses. It's important to keep your hands clean to prevent those winter germs.



# Fall Photos

Photography students display their best work from their fall photo assignment.



From left to right: photos by Olivia Baird, Chandler Jones, Ethan Neal, Olivia Baird, Avery Mullins, Chandler Jones, Elijah Dowell, Ke'Vonne Murrell, Mariah Claudio and Eden Baird