

March Birthdays

compiled by Kayleigh Pendas

Guilfoil, Trevor 3/1	Burkitt, Kiera 3/23
Robins, Haylee 3/3	Vaughn, Samuel 3/23
Donald, Jason 3/5	Elkins, Drake 3/24
Gamez, Sierra 3/5	Adams, Justin 3/25
Rondo, Heaven 3/8	Chapman, Alexis 3/25
Devault, Christian 3/9	Stamper, Alexis 3/25
Mckeen, Timothy 3/10	Neumann, Emma 3/26
Briggs, Landon 3/11	Perkola, Abigal 3/26
Stegall, Andrew 3/11	Stevens, Hutsyn 3/26
Koiser, Lane 3/12	Yenglin, Landon 3/12
Smith, Morgan 3/27	
Stamper-Jo, Dixie 3/14	Autio, Trinity 3/28
Evans, Eliza 3/16	Green, Izac 3/28
Howell, Jillian 3/17	Kimball, Aaliyah 3/28
Allen, Zachary 3/19	Burns, Dana 3/30
Witty, Allen 3/21	Fritz, Michael 3/30
Silva, Daniel 3/30	

Happy Birthday!

Inspirational Quote – by Dakotha Larive

“For a long time it seemed to me that real life was about to begin, but there was always some obstacle in the way. Something had to be got through first, some unfinished business; time still to be served, a debt to be paid. Then life would begin. At last it dawned on me that these obstacles were my life.” -Bette Howland.

Easter

By: Skye Ritchings

Time for an Easter egg hunt! Look what the Easter Bunny brought you! You probably know the famous bunny who plays a role in this holiday. Yes, the Easter Bunny. He comes to everyone's house all over the world putting eggs and candy all around. The next day kids wake up and search for the surprises left behind; some get baskets loaded with candy while others get Easter eggs filled with goodies. The Easter Bunny is a well-known figure for this holiday, but this is not what this remarkable holiday is about, religiously.

The Virgin Mary gave birth to Jesus on December 25th. Jesus is the Son of God. Some people refer to God as Him. God knew Jesus would be someone special such as a Messiah, or King. As soon as Mary gave birth to Jesus, the whole world knew. He was a special person who knew what God had in place for him, most of the time. One day the dream, of Jesus helping and healing others, turned into a nightmare. Jesus was brutally tortured and hanged on the cross with nails through his hands and feet. This was an execution because his was giving gifts to great people, and others didn't agree with him. Three hours later Jesus died, giving up his life for everyone's sins. His followers took him down off the cross, wrapped him in cloth and laid him to rest in a tomb with a great boulder rolled in front of the doorway. Three days after his death, the boulder was rolled away from the tomb and Jesus arose from the dead allowing his spirit to live once again. Those people that do believe, think it is a miracle. Jesus gave up his life for us! What an amazing guy!

The true meaning of Easter is Jesus gave his life so we could be forgiven for our sins and was risen from his tomb.

Patriot of the Month- February

Congratulations Patriots!

Vada Mason (PreK- VanGorden), Calvin Wolf (PreK- Benson), Barrett Williams (K- Maxwell), Rony Smith (K- Rodriguez), Wyatt Butson (1st- Patrosso), Hailey Franks (1st- Berner), Hadassah Heintz (2nd- Kinney), Grace Brethauer (2nd- Strickler), Zandra Kenney (3rd- Drouillard), Ryan Romanky (3rd- Bell), Lola Gloria (4th- Schneider), Rory Bailey (4th- Bellinger), Daniel Hardenburgh (5th- S. Greaves), Josh Beebe (5/6 split- Janetski), Haley Green (6th- R. Greaves), Madilyn Cunningham (7th- Larm), Connor Parris (8th- Lindley), Dryden Pierce (9th- Mozdzen), Bre Meir (9th- Mozdzen), Courtney Wright (10th- Johnson), Ryan Marshall (10th- Bozzo), Julia Badalamenti (11th- Bozzo), Felicity Kimball (11th- Johnson)

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St. Patrick's Day

By: Skye Ritchings

Ouch! This holiday is pinching if you don't wear green! Do you know the short little carrier of the pot of gold? If you guess Leprechaun you are correct, but that's not at all how it started.

According to History.com, St. Patrick was born in Britain in the year 387 A.D; he was sixteen when he was captured by Irish raiders, and was held captive for 6 years. He escaped and became a Christian missionary that went back to Ireland and passed Christianity onto the people of Ireland. St. Patrick's Day is to celebrate his patronage and name him an Apostle of Ireland. The shamrock represents what St. Patrick used to describe the Holy Trinity; three leaves for The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit. As for the color green, that was started up by Irish Americans in the middle of the 19th century when they celebrated St. Patrick's Day in America and became known as the 'green machine'.

Some fun facts according to Mentalfloss.com are:

WHY GREEN? - St. Patrick would have to deal with the pinching, but he would rather have a light shade of blue, but they changed it to green because of the independence movement.

NEW YORKERS- the St. Patrick's Day parade doesn't have floats, cars or other stuff to make it fun. This holiday is very serious.

THE LEPRECHAUN GOLD IS GROWING- It's a tale that the leprechauns are mending shoes and that is why they so much gold in their pots.

So if you feel a pinch, it's because you are not wearing green. Let this St. Patrick's Day be green and lucky.

Valentine's Day Dance to Raise Money for Flint

By: Skye Ritchings

The Valentine's Day dance is a yearly event to get everyone in the loving spirit. The gym gets decorated with Valentine's Day decorations and love themed items. This year the gym was filled with 6th, 7th, and 8th grade CHA students. Mr. Scott Marshall was our honorary DJ and pizza was sold by the slice for just a buck to raise around \$40 for the Flint water crisis. Each class was able to create a playlist to be played at the dance; which allowed for different genres to be danced to. There were many couples that danced the night away and many friends that gathered on the dance floor to celebrate Valentine's and to show their moves off. One of the attendants was Ms. Randee Gage and here is what she had to say about the dance.

Randee went with friends; Zavior Kenney, Kaylie McNally and Connor Parris; just to name a few. Her favorite song the DJ played was “Centuries” by Fall Out Boy. Randee voiced that she had fun at the dance, however she was hoping for more of a variety of songs to be played differently from the previous dances she has attended. She explained that her Nae Nae moves are not completely up to par, but however, she still loves to dance. Our next upcoming dance is going to be the Spring Formal, so be watching out for the dates and come out and enjoy yourself!

The Presidential Election

By: Nellie Kleinert and Gavin Estep

This year brings the 2016 Presidential Election. In the spring, states vote in the Primary Election which determines what Republican and Democratic candidates will run for president in November. The Primary Election consists of 2 Democrats and 6 Republicans. In Michigan, the Primary Election is held on Tuesday, March 8.

In the early twentieth century there was a movement to give more power to citizens in the selection of candidates for the party's nomination. The primary election developed from this reform movement. In a primary election, registered voters may participate in choosing the candidate for the party's nomination by voting through secret ballot. There are two main types of primaries, closed or open, that determine who is eligible. In closed primary a registered voter may vote only in the election for the party with which that voter is affiliated, for example a voter registered as Democrats can vote only in the Democratic primary and a Republican can vote only in the Republican primary. In an open primary a registered voter can vote in either primary regardless of party membership. The voter cannot, however, participate in more than one primary. In addition to differences in which voters are eligible to vote in the primary, there are differences in whether the ballot lists candidate or delegate names, the presidential preference primary is a direct vote for a specific candidate, the voter chooses the candidate by name. In some states they use different types of election rules. The primary serves as a measure of public opinion but is not necessarily binding in choosing delegates. Sometimes the party does not recognize open primaries because members of other parties are permitted to vote.

The position of the President dominates American Politics. The President is head of America's executive; Congress heads America's legislative and the Supreme Court, America's judiciary. These three parts of the government, make up the federal structure of politics in America. Usually the only two elected members of the Executive are the President and the Vice-President. The president is also commander-in-chief of the armed forces – a position he takes immediately on taking the oath of the office. Here is this year's candidates:

Hillary Clinton (Democrat) is from Chicago, IL. She is against sending troops to Syria, wants to increase minimum wage to \$12/hr. Free Community College and more affordable public higher education.

Bernie Sanders (Democrat) is from Brooklyn, New York, wants government healthcare, increase minimum wage to \$15/hr, increase taxes, free college and income equality.

Dr. Ben Carson (Republican) is from Detroit, MI, he plans to take care of taxes, gun reformation, Syrian refugees.

Chris Christie (Republican) is from New Jersey, he plans to take down ISIS.

Ted Cruz (Republican), not born in the U.S, wants to defend and protect religion, amend the Constitution and ban same sex marriage, increase the bombing in Syria and Iraq

John Kasich (Republican) is from Ohio, and ISIS will not stop him.

Marco Rubio (Republican) is from Florida, wants legal status for illegal immigrants, and believes that climate change is not a result of humans.

Donald Trump (Republican) is from New York, real estate billionaire, plans to ban Muslims from entering the U.S (temporarily), and bring jobs back to the U.S from China.

Pixels

By: Katelin Travelbee

When aliens find video feed that got sent out to space in 1982 about classic arcade games and misunderstand them for a declaration of war, they attack Earth. President Will Cooper (Kevin James) gets his childhood friend, Sam Brenner (Adam Sandler) to lead a group to fight the video games. The group includes some old-school arcade game players and a military specialist (Michael Monagan) to fight in an all-out battle against aliens.

In my opinion this movie is awesome and I absolutely recommend people to watch this movie. The games they fight against is Galaga, Centipede, Pac Man, and Donkey Kong. This movies genre would be futuristic, because it is based on after Obama. I think this is movie geared to boys, but it attracts both genders.

Around The Halls: Lindsey Nemeth

By: Kayleigh Pendas

If you have been in the high school recently you have probably seen a new face. That new face is Lindsey Nemeth also known as Ms. Nemeth to the students. Nemeth teaches high school Spanish. She wanted to be a teacher at Charlton Heston Academy because of the environment. She isn't a very traditional person so being in a place where she has a lot of opportunities to be creative is very important. Lindsey graduated from Bullock Creek High School and Northern Michigan University. She graduated in December 2015. Nemeth wanted to become a Spanish major because she started learning Spanish in middle school and loved it ever since. Nemeth was also interested in the culture and language so she wanted to keep learning about it. Lindsey

enjoys anything outside, wandering, exploring new places, skiing, playing tennis, cooking, and doing arts and crafts. If Nemeth could have any other job it would be a baker because she loves baking breads and pastries. Nemeth's full name is Lindsey Marie Nemeth and she was born June 19th 1993. Lindsey has one older brother, Alex. Nemeth completed 4 ½ years of college and has two majors, Spanish and English. Lindsey grew up outside of Midland, Michigan and her favorite place to be is Marquette, Michigan. Her favorite foods are ice cream and tacos, just because. Her favorite color is purple. Her favorite author is Gabriel Garcia Marquez. So if you see Ms. Nemeth around be sure to say hi.

What Would You Do If You Were President?

By: Corrin Damsen

We posed this question to students of Charlton Heston Academy, "What would you do if you were the president?" Some of our responses were,

"Banned racism of any race" - Calvin McAfee 8th grade

"Give respect to everyone" - Jakub Richardson 2nd grade

"I would give money to the people that need it" - Abby Kitchen 2nd grade

"Have it so there would be manners every day" - Mikey Kimball 2nd grade

"I would raise minimum wage to \$40:00/hour" - Gavin Estep 7th grade

"I want the world to be a better place, maybe no smoking" - Jacee Recker 3rd grade

"I would make homeless people into rich people by giving them 1000,000 dollars" – Fiona Kimball 3rd grade

"That everyone has health insurance" - Randy Robb 3rd grade

"If I was president I would change pizza into burrito pizza, and you could take pennies out of a wishing well" - Kyrstin Schwele 3rd grade

"Make every day hot dog day" - Michael Yenglin 1st grade

"Sleep with teddy bears" - Emma Phovemire 1 grade

"Make no more bedtimes" - Christopher Connors 1st grade

"I volunteer to pick up trash, and all i volunteer to do the right thing" - Abigail Brace 3rd grade

"Make the rules - Jordan Osim Kindergarten

"Make people's' teeth cleaner - Nevaeh Butson Kindergarten

Inside the Mind of the Food Service Director

By: Madi Cunningham

“I couldn’t do it without my girls that work with me. I have the best staff since we’ve opened. They really make things smooth and enjoyable,” a quote from one of our best staff members, Mrs. Marti. Before she became a lunch lady she wanted to be a cook or a waitress. No matter what this job throws her way the face on the kid’s faces make it all worth it. She loves her job, but when she’s not at work she does have free time. She cleans and wants to be around her family. She wants to be a Food Service Director until she wins the lottery or reaches retirement. When that happens we all will miss this smiley faced, joyful lunch staff member named Mrs. Marti.

Upcoming Events

By: Damyen Trudeau

PTO

TBD- Family Fun Exercise Night @ CHA

Aluminum can tab drive- TBA

Hoody Sweatshirt Sales! – Order forms will be handed out after Spring Break.

3/7-3/11 – Little Cesar Pizza Pick-up- Adults MUST P/U. No pizza’s on the bus.

*Thank you Richfield Township for allowing PTO to use your space for the Book Fair!

Chocolate Rose sales were fantastic- Tina Ryan sold over 200 roses raising money for the PTO.

CHA

3/9 – CHA Preschool Round-Up @ 5:30-7:30

Community

3/5-3/9 – West Branch Little League Registration @ Surline Middle School Cafeteria

3/26 – Last drawing for Hot Reads for Cold Nights prizes @ Richfield Township Library

4/1 – Toddler Time returns

4/10-4/16 – National Library Week- activities all week at Richfield Township Library

Spotlight Artist – February

By: Madi Cunningham

The drawing for the spotlight is a contour drawing traced with sharpie. This was off a real picture so it would look realistic. The spotlight artists are 7th grade students, Dakotha Larive and Sofia Dubois. Sofia drew a baseball and Dakotha drew an elephant. The process of drawing these pictures took a very long time. First they need to find a picture to draw, then they needed to draw the picture, and trace it with a sharpie. After all of that they needed to get a bleeding tissue paper, get it wet, and pat it on the paper to create a tie dye effect. This also makes it look like watercolor.

Danielle Marshall

By: Natasha Meir

Danielle Marshall is in ninth grade. Danielle's birthday is on November sixth. On her last birthday she hung out with friends. Danielle thinks the perfect birthday party is a movie night or just hanging out with her friends and loved ones! She has seven siblings: Ryan, Nicole, Alexis, James, Corrin, Miranda and Marshal. Danielle's best friend is DJ, because of their strong bond. Danielle sits by her boyfriend and her best friend Logan at lunch. Danielle's homeroom teacher is Mrs. Mozdzen. Similarly, her favorite teacher is Mrs. Mozdzen, because she feels like a mom and she's really nice and she can always talk to her. She has one dog named Charlie. Her favorite color is Blue because it's pretty. She is learning Algebra 1, Biology, English, Spanish, Health and U.S History. Her favorite movie is "The Blind Side", because it sends a good message. Also, her favorite fast food restaurant is Burger King, because she loves the whoppers. Danielle's favorite sport is Basketball, because she's good at it and she loves it. Her favorite value is Teamwork, because we use it the most every day; especially in sports. Danielle loves this school.

New Quarter, New Newspaper Staff!

By: Kayleigh Pendas

February 11th started off a new quarter Charlton Heston Academy! A new quarter means new elective classes for the middle school. The 7th grade class used to write the Patriot Times. Now a variety of 14 students, write the newspaper. Mrs. Larm hosted a "tryout" process and basically students submitted a mock article about any topic. If you were a 7th grader you could do both EDP and newspaper only if you were in newspaper previously. The newspaper tryouts were only

for 7th and 8th grade. Mrs. Larm was looking for hardworking, independent, determined, and motivated students to write the new editions of the Patriot Times. Even though it is hard at most times because while the newspaper class is writing, they have to EDP as well. But that is the way it will have to be because Mrs. Larm did not want to give up the newspaper because all of our community members, students, staff, and family see this newspaper and it is a big part of Charlton Heston Academy. The new newspaper staff includes: MadiCunningham, Corrin Damsen, Sofia Dubois, Gavin Estep, Haley Jarosz, Nellie Kleinert, Dakotha Larive, Natasha Meir, Kayleigh Pendas, Katelin Travelbee, Skye Ritchings, and Damyen Trudeau.

There are approximately 14 students doing newspaper, 12 seventh graders and one eighth grader. Other enrichment classes are EDP (educational development plan), STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics), creative writing, & newspaper. “EDP is an educational development plan which is a course to show students how many paths there are to take in life. The overall goal of this class is to open students’ eyes to all possibilities,” says Mr. Weiler. Mr. Greaves does STEM with most of the 8th grade. STEM is a lot of fun and not always science related hands-on activities! “Stem is fun and exciting,” says Carisa Ryan. Finally, Mrs. Larm has 6th grade and a couple of 8th graders working on writing. 8th grade students are paired with 6th grade students to work at writing mentors. The students will be working on a variety of different writing assignments throughout the quarter starting with autobiographies.

This new quarter is definitely going to be good!

Also, if you were thinking did the others grades schedules change? The high school students will changed their specials at the new quarter since this counts for a new semester in high school. The specials that will be offered will be physical education, art, Spanish, and choir.

Have A Great New Quarter!!

New Business in St. Helen!

By: Madi Cunningham

There is a new business in St. Helen. Stephanie's Studio 13 is a salon located at 1823 N. St. Helen Road. Stephanie’s Studio provides the services of hair coloring, perms, waxing, tanning, hair designing, and specialty coloring. Stephanie Hose was 10 when she realized she wanted to own her own salon. Stephanie children attend Charlton Heston Academy so she looked for somewhere close to open her salon. “A deal that I couldn’t refuse fell into my lap,” said Stephanie. Out of all the stress of owning a salon the only thing that keeps her sane is the faces of her proud family when she comes home from a long day at work. She opened on February 7th, 2016. To schedule your appointment call Stephanie at (989)387-0727.

March is Reading Month at Charlton Heston Academy

By: Dakotha Larive

If you don't know March is Reading Month. Some of our staff that teach the students at Charlton Heston Academy have inputs on what it means to them. Ms. Wangler loves that there is an entire month that is dedicated to reading. She says it allows her to be even more creative when planning work for her students. Being a big fan of reading, her idea is that there should be a month dedicated to math too. March is Reading Month to her means that you can explore more authors and genres. She truly enjoys being a reader. Ms. Johnson is having the high school and middle school team up to compete between grades to read the most books for the month. Teachers will keep track of them each week and the winners will get a reward. HS and MS students will also be challenged to create a book trailer. There will be a high school and a middle school winner. Each Friday in March will be dress down days. Elementary will be doing a guest reader each week. Teachers swap classrooms and read a book to a different class. They will also have mystery readers that are other staff from around the building. Attached is a schedule of dress down day themes for the elementary students. Middle School and High School students do not have to join in on the fun. However, they are encourage to get into the spirit on dress down Fridays. Middle School and High School ELA classes will be participating on March 2 to celebrate Read Across America and March 31st will be Read and Feed where students are required to read all hour and have snacks if they want. Ms. Johnson believes, "This year's Reading Month will be our best yet. I want all students to participate and show how much CHA loves to read!" Ms. Johnson loves reading, so an entire month devoted to it is an English teacher's Christmas.

CHA Bowling

By: Haley Jarosz

Charlton Heston Academy's bowling season just ended. The boys and girls coach was Michael Jarosz. For practice they play 2 regular games and Coach Jarosz guides them through each shot. All of the bowling competitions took place on Saturdays at different alleys across Michigan. The two teams hosted a tournament at their "home" lanes. CHA's home lane was High Score Lanes in West Branch, Michigan. Trevor Ryan in 10th grade started the season at a 131 average and improved to a 187 average. Amber Badalamenti in 9th grade started the season at a 109 average and improved to a 162 average. Amber and Trevor's grit and dedication to the sport really paid off. Coach Jarosz nominated them for most improved player!

The High School Addition Update

By: Gavin Estep

At the school of Charlton Heston Academy, there has been a project in progress. The school is building a new high school. This is adding on to the current school with grades Kindergarten - 11th. This addition at its completion will allow the 12th grade into the school and move the Pre-

K to our existing building and expand the school. With this comes even more possibilities. The school is adding another gymnasium and a mechanical room. This will also allow more classes and opportunities to the students of Charlton Heston Academy.

The construction of the building has begun and is expected to be finished on June 16th of 2016. Once finished, the building will be given a sidewalk and its own parking lot with an additional bid waiting for its finalization.

Head builder Bryan Costello and his crew are working very hard through all weather conditions to make sure the addition is completed on time.

When Bryan was asked how much more work does the crew get done while school is not in session, he replied, "Not anymore [than when in session]. When no one is in the building that just allows us to access the areas above the ceiling to make necessary connections to gas lines, duct work, etc. without disturbing the class sessions. A total of 23 [people are on the crew]"

The crew work 5 days a week, 9 hours per day. The crew will work on Saturdays if the weather is nice. The most difficult part when building a structure of this size is "setting the roof trusses...If they are not braced properly then they can all fall at once and injure workers," said Costello.

Spotlight Patriot of February: Hailey Franks

By Nellie Kleinert

Hailey is seven years old, and in first grade. In her free time she and her brothers have a snowball fight at home. She has three brothers, one in seventh grade, another in first and the last is only a baby. Randy Franks is twelve years old and the oldest, he is in seventh grade. Hunter Franks is seven years old, he is in first grade. Last but not least, her baby brother. His nickname is Bubby Franks. Her favorite book is a monopoly book. Her favorite special is technology. She thinks that CHA is a good school. Her favorite class is science. Her best friends are Eliza Evans and Aubrey Evans. When Hailey grows up she wants to be a ballerina because of how graceful they move. The CHA Value she favors is teamwork because everyone in her class works well together.

Higgins Lake WinterFest 2016

By: Corrin Damsen

On February 12th and 13th Higgins Lake held its annual WinterFest. It was a cold day but there were a lot of cool games to play and events to watch. You could purchase a badge for \$5 to have access to many of the events throughout the two days. This year, a Roscommon High School student won the badge design contest.

The most favorite event to watch is the Crazy Cardboard Classic. Kids make their sleds ahead of time, out of only cardboard, paint, glue, and tape, and bring them to the Pioneer Hill. Pioneer Hill has a beautiful view, and you could see all of the kids racing towards the finish line. At this year's Winterfest they had a division for businesses, and companies bring their sled that the kids have designed. There was a chili cook-off and visitors vote for the best chili. This year, Silver Dollar Saloon took first place! Runner up. Fred's of Roscommon and third place went to Higgins Lake Beach Hut. Then, they would head to the Kids Karnival for game, and prizes. Broomball tournaments took place on Higgins Lake as well as the Higgins Lake Special Olympics Polar Plunge. The Polar Plunge raises money for the Special Olympics by having volunteers jump into the icy lake water of Higgins Lake. Brrr! There was lots of laughter and joy as the community got to enjoy each other's company for the day. WinterFest was sponsored by Chemical Bank, Don Nester Auto Group, and Munson Healthcare Grayling Hospital.

Historium

By: Katelin Travelbee

The Historium is a collection of published student writings. It has been around for 3 years now and this year's theme is "The more you know". The grades that can apply are 6th grade and up. The award this year is a chance to win a trip to Lit. Camp. At the Lit. Camp they work with a writing professor from a nearby college. Every year the amount of people that go changes. The students are picked to go to camp based on their entries of writing. The due date for entries is March 15, 2016. - This information came from the head editor on the High School editing team, Lexi Chapman.

8th Grade Field Trip of Fun!

By: Kayleigh Pendas

Did you hear about the eighth grade field trip? The eighth grade went to Boyne Highlands, Harbor Springs. The students earned the trip for overall good behavior so the kids that didn't behave didn't get to go. Well two of the Middle School teachers, Mrs. Larm and Mr. Lindley both chaperoned along with Mr. Larm. Connor Paris said, "My favorite thing was learning to ski." The eighth grade left on February 4, 2016. The bus ride took about 2 hours to get to Boyne Highlands. All students were offered ski or snowboarding lessons at any level. According to Devyn Austin it was an amazing opportunity and experience getting to go to Boyne. The eighth grade students got a pizza party for lunch. There were chairlifts and "magic carpets" for early beginners. Cayla Frey said, "My favorite thing was snowboarding." Mrs. Larm said, "The best part was being able to spend time with my students without having the stress of school floating over our heads. It was a great time to do some classroom bonding." Overall this field trip was a good chance for the students to get out of the classroom and have fun as well!

Connor Nunn

By: Nellie Kleinert

Conner is in fourth grader in Mrs. Schneider's class. Connor in his free time likes to read, play with his brother, and take care of his responsibilities. His favorite book is Harry Potter. He cannot make up his mind of his favorite special so he likes all. He thinks CHA is a great school. His favorite subject is math. His best friend is Lewis Evans. He has three siblings, two sisters and a brother. One of his sisters is eight years old and her name is Marlana and she is in third grade. His little brother is five years old and his name is William, he is in kindergarten. Then has a baby sister. He has twelve chickens and a dog. He hasn't figured out what he wants to be when he grows up.

April Fool's Day

Happy Birthday Tristin Estep of Charlton Heston Academy

By: Gavin Estep

Even though April Fool's Day (also known as All Fool's Day) is not an official holiday, it has been celebrated for centuries. Its origin is unknown and some have come to believe it's from the changing of a calendar.

This calendar was the Hindus calendar. On the Hindus calendar, April 1st is the New Year. It is believed that in 1582, when Rome changed its calendar to the Gregorian calendar (today's calendar), people who still ran on the Hindus calendar were made fun of and called fools for celebrating new years on the wrong day. The knowing sent the false on fool's errands to make them believe in something false. Eventually, this spread throughout the European continent and eventually the world.

Here are some air horn pranks. Tape an air horn to the bottom of a desk chair so when the person sits down the air horn will go off. Another is to tape an air horn to a wall protector so when it stops the door it will go off.

Live Music, Dinner, and a Great Experience

By: Kayleigh Pendas

On January 10, 2016, Charlton Heston Academy High School choir students were invited to a dinner with live music at the Willow Tree restaurant in West Branch. It was a benefit dinner for the Ogemaw County Historical Museum. The students were recognized by the host and received applause for coming. According to Mr. Andersen, "It is good for the students to see live music at this caliber since there are not many opportunities for them to see live performances."

The meal choices the students got to pick from were prime rib, stuffed salmon, and chicken with cranberries. All of the meals were very tasty and filled up the students as well as the desserts that put a smile on the student's faces.

There were also musicians that played. The first one was Sweet Willie Tea. He was a one man band, playing homemade instruments created from old cigar boxes. "The first act [Sweet Willie Tea] was really funny, he was story telling while playing music," said Angel Brethauer. The other group was Laura Rain and the Caesars. Laura Rain sang vocals while the others performed on guitar, keyboard, and organ. According to Will Wager his favorite part was the music and it was the blues. Will ate the prime rib with a baked potato. Will won \$200 in a raffle and gave \$50 back. Everyone at Will's table got \$1.00 for playing a game. Will took his winnings and went to McDonald's with some of it. The choir students had an amazing opportunity to see great musical performances. Angel Brethauer said, "My favorite part of the whole night was listening to music and it was different than others, folk music and upbeat jazz." Angel ate soup and salad first then, rosemary chicken.

Ms. Drouillard

By: Natasha Meir

Ms. Drouillard's third grade class got to pick one Michigan landform to make in clay. Each of them had to flatten out the clay then make it into the landform they chose. They learned about all the landforms they were doing. The landforms are: Upper and Lower Peninsula, Mackinac Island, Porcupine Mountains, Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes, Great Lakes, Grand River and Tahquamenon Falls. However, all of the landforms had to be labeled to what landform they created. Also they only did landforms in Michigan. All of the landforms had different rules. Then the second day they got to paint them. Eddie Meir said, "It was a super fun project and I learned a lot about landforms."