



# THE PATRIOT TIMES

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## CHA Prom 2016



By: Corrin Damsen  
Charlton Heston Academy (CHA) had their second prom on May 7, 2016 at the Lakeside Hotel in Houghton Lake. The theme was The Great Gatsby, focusing on the era of 1920's. Staff and students stuck with the theme and dressed wearing beaded headbands and 'flapper' style dresses. It was 10th and 11th grade prom, but 9th

grade could attend to if asked to go by a 10th or a 11th grader. Everyone was fed dinner at 6:00. Danielle Marshall attended prom as a freshman this year because she was asked by junior, Daniel Silva. According to Danielle, dinner consisted of, "pizza, cookies, and noodle salad stuff." The dancing went from 8pm to 12pm. The PTO has helped pay for the

girls to get their hair done at Sarah's Cuts in St. Helen. The girls had the opportunity to make appointments to have an up do for free. Ms. Bozzo said, "My experience was very busy. Having to set up and make everything perfect. Also it was stressful but fun!" Ms. Bozzo thought everyone was very pretty all dressed up. Ms. Bozzo wasn't the only one to help set up. She had some help from Ms. Johnson, Mrs. Mozdzen, Ms. Nemeth, Ms. Ekdorn, Mr. Alden, Mr. Weiler, Mr. Tice, and Mr. Lindley. Student, Maddie Auten, helped as well. Danielle Marshall said, "Prom was amazing, and it was such a good night out with my friends." Danielle wore a royal blue, floor length dress.

## New York/Washington DC Trip



By: Sofia Dubois  
The New York / Washington DC trip started on May 1st to May 6th. One of the students that went on

the trip, Tommy Gertcher, said that his favorite part of the trip was just being able to travel outside of Michigan. The activities they did were going to a lot of stores and performances. He learned that you have to be careful when traveling to new places. He got souvenirs which included a mug and a statue of the Empire State Building. The sites they saw were the Washington Monument, a glimpse of The White House, and Times Square. He met foreign exchange students and they went to a lot of big name brand stores like Aeropostale and H&M.

They ate at fast food places and a fancy diner. Overall, this trip was very rewarding for all students that had the opportunity to go. This was truly a trip of a lifetime.



## Jeffrey Hawkins: Spotlight Patriot of the Month



By Nellie Kleinert  
Jeffery is in Mrs. Schneider's fourth grade class. He has

two siblings, Karissa Hawkins she is six years old and in 1st grade and Kayla Hawkins she is 20 years old and in collage. He is going to get a male black Labrador that is one years old, and his name is going to be Stormy. His best friend is Grayson Day, he is in Mrs. Schneider's fourth grade class. His favorite special is physical educa-

tion. "You get to run around and let all the energy out." Jeffrey replied. His favorite class is ELA (English Language Arts), "You get to read," he stated. His favorite value is love, "Because I love it," Jeffrey commented. His favorite class is math. He likes Mrs. Schneider because she is funny.

## CHA Value Week

The traditional spirit week is being replaced with something bigger, better and bolder! This spring, before June break, spirit week will have a new ring to it. Two CHA students, Corrin Damsen and Haley Jarosz, approached the administration about changing the idea and concepts behind spirit week since they felt our school spirit should have a purpose. Tentative dates for spirit week this year will be the week of June 13-18th. The theme is the 5 CHA Values: Teamwork, Community, Grit, Love and Excellence.

Teamwork day will consist of students wearing their favorite representation of teamwork or team. Excellence day will show student excellence. We as that students dress UP instead of the typical 'dress down' days. We encourage students to look and dress their best, for success! Community day will be a small community based project that the teachers determine and possibly wear CHA Patriot gear to represent our CHA community. Grit day will be a chosen activity that tests the 'grittiness' of the students and staff. Each teacher or class

will create an exercise, game or challenge that requires students to use grit. Day of Love will be a day where the entire school pairs up and "fills up someone's bucket" full of compliments or writes a letter of appreciation to staff, students and teachers at CHA.

The students are hoping this spirit week switch is successful as it has much more meaning behind each day than the traditional spirit week. A note will go home with all students prior to CHA Spirit Week.



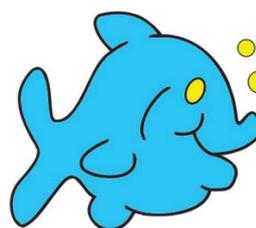
## FREE- Family Fun!

By: Dakotha Larive  
Agility Physical Therapy in St. Helen wants to give back to their community! .It is a completely FREE community event put together by Lisa K at Agility Physical Therapy. There will

be a family fun day in St. Helen at Community Rehabilitation Services on June 12, 2016 from 11:00 am to 3:00pm "to give back to our community," said Lisa. "We will have BBQ, a bounce house, carnival games,

summer games, and an obstacle course," said Lisa. Bring family and friends to make this event more enjoyable. The more, the merrier! This is a time to enjoy the community, family and friends.

## Bluegill Festival



By: Corrin Damsen  
It's that time of the year again when Bluegill is coming to town. Scott Marshall is the president of the Bluegill Festival Committee and he said, "The festival takes place on July 14 through the 17

this year. Armbands are \$17.00 at the festival, and \$12.00 before the festival" Bluegill Festival was made by a group of fisherman 67 years ago.

Scott Marshall volunteers as the president of the Bluegill committee. The kid's parade starts at the Hen House, and then goes down to the festival. "We have added some new attractions including

Kid's Safety Day with the Roscommon County Sheriff's Department, an expanded softball tournament, and new events," said Scott. On Thursday July 14 there will be a softball game, CHA vs DDA at 6:30pm. Sunday July 17 there will be the 67th annual Bluegill Parade at 1:00pm. Sunday there will also be an Awards ceremony at 4:00pm.

## Around the Halls with Jared Bell



By: Kayleigh Pendas  
Have you met Jared Bell? Jared is 12 years old and is in 7th grade.

Jared started attending Charlton Heston Academy in April 2016. Jared was born on July 9th, and his zodiac sign is Gemini. When Jared grows up he has his mind set on being a video game programmer, because you are making a game. His hobbies are video games because they are fun, and dislikes are when people repeat themselves. Math is Jared's favorite subject because it is like a

puzzle. Jared's mom is Teri and his dad is Jon. Jorden, his sister, is a graduating senior, and does not go CHA. The person that has the biggest influence on his life is his sister. Finally, Jared's favorite thought or quote is "do it now so you don't have to do it later." Jared's favorite school value is grit, because, "If you want to get better at things you have to work."

## Around the Halls: Mr. James Tice



By: Abbigayle Parker  
Mr. Tice was picked for teachers around the halls because he is a new teacher here at CHA, and he is a great teacher. He said, "I chose to

be a teacher because of the rewarding aspect of it." He studied science of all kinds in college. His degree was for science, biology, chemistry, physics, and earth science. Mr. Tice went to school at Northern Michigan University. He likes reading books and being involved with kids. Mr. Tice likes reading non-fiction books. He said "My favorite author would probably be my professor Dr. John Anderton, from college." The part he likes about school is

getting the relationships with the kids and talking about science. The values of being a teacher for Mr. Tice is, Respect, Enthusiasm, Dedication, GRIT. Mr. Tice's favorite value from CHA is grit because the other core values are not always easy to accomplish. Grit ties them all together. He picked science because he loves learning about the world, and sharing it with the world and so much more.

## Around the Halls: Ms. Badalamenti

By Nellie Kleinert  
Ms. Badalamenti is a lunch aid. She enjoys being around the students and staff members. Her favorite value is teamwork. "I like working with people," she replied. Her hometown is St. Helen. She comes here because she likes

working with people such as the students. She has three girls. The oldest is Julia, she is 16 years old and in 11th grade. The second oldest is Amber, she is 15 years old and in 10th grade. The youngest is Michelle she is 10 years old and is in 5th grade. She has

two pets, a cat named Taffy, her breed is a Bombay. She also has a dog named Brownie, her breed is a Pitbull lab mix. Everyone is her friend. Her hobbies are fishing, camping, and working. She has no free time, she works every day.

## Featured Classroom: Mr. G's Gym Class

By: Sofia Dubois  
Mrs. Schneider's fourth grade in gym class were respectful with each other and Mr. G the gym teacher. They also did 10 push-ups and 10 sit ups. They were learning about baseball and they were also being respectful to the gym

equipment. They learned about baseball rules and about the game. They also practiced running to the base and some of the students showed the other students how to make a run. They also practiced throwing and catching the ball. Annie Parker said her

favorite part of gym is running and playing games. The gym also had some new changes to it, like the five values mural on the wall and the red, white and blue walls to symbolize patriotism. Gym class is a fun and good way to stay happy and healthy!

## Around the halls: Erik Dann



By: Natasha Meir  
Erik is a 13 year old, in eighth grade at Charlton Heston Academy. Erik started at Charlton Heston Academy about three

months ago (February). His favorite teacher is Mr. Greaves because he explains things really well. He has four pets: two dogs, two cats and a snake. His favorite movie is Ted. His two best friends is Garrett and Lucas because they're cool. His favorite color is black. His birthday is July fourth and he thinks that a perfect birthday would be if he had explosives. When he gets older he wants to be a stone worker because

his uncle does it and you get good money from it. His role model is his Aunt Rebecca because she's been there for him. He is an only child and his mom's name is Tammy and his dad's name is Erik. His Zodiac sign is Cancer. Erik says his personality is funny and his favorite feature of himself are his eyes. Erik says his bad habit is talking in class. Erik's favorite subject is science.

## Go Blue! Jacob Dibbet succeeds at University of Michigan

Jacob Dibbet is a hardworking, goal achiever. He finished out his senior year in June, from Roscommon Michigan. He applied for 4 or 5 local scholarships and was offered a few scholarships from the University of Michigan. He was offered a \$20,000 per year scholarship from the University of Michigan for academics. He also received the Ralph Ostling Memorial Scholarship and the Tolfree Foundation Scholarship. He applied for local scholarships and was offered a couple of the scholarships he applied for. He was also offered a few scholarships from the University of

Michigan. The University of Michigan automatically considers applicants for scholarships according to their academic success in high school, standardized test scores, and financial need. Jacob is a very motivated person, he does everything he can to learn more every day. He has inspired so many different people to work harder at school and motivates people to set goals and have higher expectations for themselves. He is a leader. He plans on becoming either an ophthalmologist (eye doctor) or a radiologist. In his first year of college his most difficult classes

were Calc2, Physics 1, he had to study really hard and had to get good grades in those two classes because they are the standard classes. His favorite class was his biology courses. "Although my first year of college was much more difficult than my years in high school, I also learned more than ever before and had a lot of fun on my free time. I had a great time at football and basketball games and I met lots of new people in my classes and around campus. I can't wait for my next three years at the University of Michigan!"

## Flag Day

By: Skye Ritchings  
This year Flag Day is Tuesday, June 14th. This holiday celebrates the adoption of our very own, American flag. President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that es-

ablished on June 14, presenting June 14th as National Flag Day in August 1999. National Flag Day was an act of congress. Flag Day is not a federal holiday. To be a federal holiday is to be rec-

ognized by the U.S government. President Harry Truman proposed multiple of times saying that Flag Day should become a national observance.

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## Spotlight Artist



By: Katelin Travelbee  
Margaret is the spotlight artists for June. She is six years old and is in Ms. Patrosso's 1st grade class. The students had to draw a koala. They had to use paint for the background and crayon for the koala. They got to choose how to draw the background trees, but it was a step by step drawing for the koalas. They also learned about koalas and the ecosystem they live in. Margaret said she had fun doing the project and that she likes koalas. She also said she got gummy bears for drawing the koala. Koalas are Margaret's favorite animal.

## Higgins Lake Beach Hut

By: Dakotha Larive  
Tracey Tapia, her sister, Joan Austin and their mother Geri Smith own the restaurant, Higgins Lake Beach Hut. It is located across the street from the Lyon Township Fire Hall on W. Higgins Lake Drive. Andy Tapia is the cook, and Ms. Lissa is a waitress. Miss Lissa is most popularly known as the special

education paraprofessional at Charlton Heston Academy. Jaquob and Noah Tapia also help around the restaurant. The summer hours are 7 a.m. to 2 p.m on Sundays and Mondays. 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. Their full menu is pizza, subs, sandwiches, wraps, nachos, burritos, burgers, hot dogs, salads, home-

made pies and soups by Grandma Geri and homemade salsa made by Miss Lissa. Their specials are: burgers on Tuesdays, Mexican on Wednesdays, smoked BBQ ribs on Thursdays, fish on Fridays and prime rib on Saturdays. The restaurant is owned by a family, so you could call the food, Home-style meals.

## Get Your Summer Solstice On!

By: Dakotha Larive  
The summer solstice, June 20, 2016, occurs when the tilt of the planet's axis, in either northern or southern hemispheres. Earth's maximum tilt toward the Sun is 23 degrees. The solstice happens twice each year (once in each hemisphere). It is

when the Sun reaches its highest height in the sky. Most recognize it in some way with holidays, festivals, and rituals. Solstice comes from the Latin words sol (sun) and sistere (to stand still). During the summer solstice, we consider this to be the kick off to summer

because the rays from the sun hit the earth at a more direct angle causing an increase in temperature. This is also the day that we experience the longest hours of daylight. Make sure to take advantage of the extra daylight and get outdoors!

## "The Good Dinosaur"



By: Dakotha Larive  
"The Good Dinosaur" is a Fantasy/Comedy-Drama film. It is about a little dinosaur, named Arlo, who goes on a life changing adventure. When a rainstorm washes Arlo into a river causing him to be miles away from home, he gets the help from, Spot, a human child. Arlo and Spot have a great con-

nection which led Arlo back to his family. I like how much love is in the movie. When Arlo and Spot figured out the way back home they seen a family of other humans like, Spot and when Arlo told him he needed to be with them, he cried, because he cares. It made me cry too, because I didn't want them to be apart.

## Featured Classroom: Ms. D

By: Dakotha Larive  
In Ms. D's class they begin the day with "Daily Five". The classroom was very colorful, so it was a great environment to learn in. The students are learning features in books. The book they were reading was,

Weird Bird Beaks. Some of the features in books are headings, photographs, bolded words, indexes, captions and diagrams. Miss D said, "A glossary helps you know what the bolded words mean." A big question she had the children to

think about was, "Which feature do you find most helpful?" On the smartboard students had their name, a picture and the points they earned throughout the day and it seems as if they really enjoyed that.



## Origin of Father's Day

By: Haley Jarosz  
On July 19, 1910 the Governor of U.S. State of Washington proclaimed the nation's first Father's Day 1972 President Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official.

Did you know there are more than 70 million fathers in the United States? Father's Day was first celebrated July 19th now celebrated June 19th. Always the 3rd Sunday of June. Father's Day is in June because there was a memorial for many fathers who were killed in a mining acci-

dent in 1907. Surprisingly Father's day is not a Federal Holiday. Some people celebrate by spending time with their fathers, some go out and buy their fathers gifts, some people go out for dinner or lunch or breakfast.




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# Patriots of the Month

By: Nellie Kleinert  
 Mrs. Lawrence Pre-K- Mason Uponen  
 Ms. Jagoda Pre-K- Paytyn Teed  
 Mrs. Benson Per-K- Addison Pendas  
 Mrs. Maxwell Kindergarten- Kourtini Brown  
 Ms. Rodriguez Kindergarten- Matthew Avery  
 Ms. Patrosso 1st- Karissa Hawkins  
 Ms. Berner 1st- Eliza Evans  
 Ms. Kinney 2nd- Jewels Emerson  
 Ms. Strickler 2nd- Mikey Kimball  
 Mrs. Drouillard 3rd- Marlena Lehman  
 Ms. Bell 3rd- Grace Noffsinger

Mrs. Schneider 4th- Jeffrey Hawkins  
 Ms. Bellinger 4th- Angelo Devalle  
 Mrs. Greaves 5th- Eathan Sharrow  
 Ms. Janetski 5th/6th split- Laila Lane  
 Mr. Greaves 6th- Trenton Austin  
 Mrs. Larm 7th- Jared Bell  
 Mr. Lindley 8th- Devyn Austin  
 Mrs. Mozden 9th- Brittany Schaefer, Austin Trudeau  
 Mr. Tice & Mr. Alden 10th- Aaron Jameson, Faith Kimball  
 Ms. Bozzo 11th- Karlee Green  
 Ms. Johnson 11th- Morgan Ludwig  
 Staff- Danny Massara



# D-Day, 1944

By: Desirae White  
 World War II started September 1, 1934 and ended September 2, 1945 and in between, on June 6, 1944, is when it changed history, known as D-day. D-day is called this because in the military, D-day is referred to as the day that a combat

operation is initiated. Over 160,000 troops landed on a 50 mile stretch of beaches in the Normandy region of France, to fight the Nazi's. Social Studies teacher, Mr. Weiler said, "There was no greater test of the allies' ability to work together than D-day. Without it happening,

World War II may have lasted a lot longer." This was essentially the beginning of the end of the war. We celebrate this day to honor the tens of thousands of men that lined up shoulder to shoulder and fought for The United States of America.



# The High School Addition



will no longer have that lease agreement. With this comes even more possibilities. The school is adding another gymnasium and a mechanical room. The addition of a full-size gymnasium will include a suspended track above it. This will also allow more classes and opportunities to the students of Charlton Heston Academy.

The addition will be about 30,000 sq. ft. This addition will contain eight classrooms and eight more classrooms will be added in the further addition of a full-size gymnasium. This gymnasium will also include a suspended track above it. Offices will be moved to this addition and grades 7th-12th will be moved as well. This will also allow more classes and opportunities to the students of Charlton Heston Academy.

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. Charlton Heston Academy currently leases the Pre-K building and

# Upcoming Events

By: Gavin Estep  
 Starting on June 15th and ending on July 10th is Charlton Heston Academy's early summer break. Saturday, June 4th, the "Fastest and Furriest Canines" will be showing a sample of their dog agility show. They invite dog owners to bring their dogs to learn from the training station provided. June 4th there will be St. Helen Fireworks - 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Faith Alive Church in St. Helen for both June 4th events. Saturday, June 11th, Bluegill Optimist of St. Helen, come see what the club is doing for the children of our community. Have fun with the face painting and bring food donations for "We feed" food pantry. Also on June 11th is the G's Pizza food truck. Enjoy hot pizza, subs and breadsticks. Both events will be from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Faith Alive Church in St. Helen. Another event for June 11th is Family Fun Fest. It will be free fishing weekend.

There will be fun events for children and adults alike at the pier. Fishing supplies will be provided if necessary. Wednesday, June 8th, Family Fun Painting Night at Charlton Heston Academy will be hosted from 6-7:00 p.m. The event is for ages 8-12 years of age. Painting will be a 9x12 owl. The admission is \$5 per child. Tickets will be available on June 7th. There are 30 seats available. Saturday, June 18th, St. Helen Bluegill Festival, Come and support 2016's Bluegill Festival by purchasing shirts, buttons, and carnival day passes. New committee members. At the same time there will be fundraisers for the St. Helen Fireworks, bring bottles and cans. Both events will be at the Faith Alive Church in St. Helen from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 14th, Wine and Canvas Fundraiser, 6:30 p.m. The event cost \$30 and requires no skill. Everything will be provided and no membership needed.

Saturday, June 25th, "We Feed" Food Pantry is accepting food donation to support their local new food pantry. People who bring five or more donations will have the chance to put a pie in a staff members face. This event will go from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Faith Alive Church in St. Helen. June 9th @ 7:00am-2nd Food for the Holidays Fun Run @ Richfield Township Cove. Walk or Run to raise money for Helping Hands of St. Helen. \$45 for a family (2 adults + children under 12). 13-17 year olds \$5. (www.facebook.com/ST.HelenHelpingHands) June 16- Grayling Youth Canoe and Kayak Club @ Lake Margrethe inside Camp Grayling (5:15-6:30) - 5 week course - \$65 Ages 10-18 interested in competitive paddling- improve speed, technique, and fitness. Contact Wendy @ Hanson Hills (989) 348-9266 ext. 10

# CHA Chess Club



By: Abbigayle Parker  
 Chess club is something that Mr. Lindley, the middle school math teacher, created because not only him, but other students loved to play chess and were interested in learning to play. Chess club started in 2015. Mr. Lindley said, "In the chess club the first thing that we do is do the practice games against each other, next we play tournaments, and play timed matches." Mr. Lindley hopes in the future that they will possibly play against other schools. A student in

chess club named Brendan Green (8th grade) loves playing chess. When he first started chess he knew exactly how to play chess. Brendan said, "It's kind of complicated trying to get the board and the pieces set up but other than that chess club is a piece of cake." In chess you can play against a friend or an opponent or Mr. Lindley will choose one for you to play with. Brendan said, "I have a lot of fun playing with my friends at chess club and that's all." The friends he likes playing chess with are Zavior (Z), and Aidan. The only reason why some kids join chess club is because it gives kids like Brendan and his

friends something to do during the week. It also gets kids off the couch and away from the TV at home. Another student, Katelin Travelbee (7th grade) is also in chess club, and absolutely enjoys playing chess every Monday. Katelin says, "Chess club is really fun and I like it very much." When she started in the 6th grade she didn't know anything, but the teacher, Mr. Lindley. She says, "Mr. Lindley is the one who helped me learn the game of chess. This year Mr. Lindley is getting us into the presses of timers [they get timed when they play chess]," she said. She started chess club because it sounded fun.

# June Birthdays!

Compiled By: Katelin Travelbee  
 Fultz, Lauren 6/1/2007  
 Estep, Gavin 6/2/2003  
 Krisch, Kalin 6/3/2010  
 Hodnett, Mason 6/3/2009  
 Ransom, Liberty 6/3/2005  
 McCaffe, Caitlin 6/4/2000  
 Eash-Hogston, Lawson 6/5/2008  
 Rondo, Rylin 6/6/2008  
 Kleinert, Austin 6/6/2002  
 Ritchings, Cole 6/7/2008  
 Ames, Owen 6/7/2011  
 Keeney-Tewas, Zavior 6/7/2002  
 Ternes, Isabelle 6/9/1999  
 Pendas, Hunter 6/9/2005  
 Killinger, Ava 6/10/2010  
 Hubbard, Keeton 6/11/2007

Evan, Cooper 6/13/2007  
 Pendas, Brook-lyne 6/14/2010  
 Pierce, Evans 6/14/2005  
 Tapia, Noah 6/15/2001  
 McCaren, Kadiance 6/17/2009  
 Stewert, Joslyn 6/20/2010  
 Parris, Conner 6/23/2001  
 Koiser, Wyatt 6/23/2008  
 Bryzelak, Zuri 6/25/2009  
 Bidoul, Robert 6/26/2001  
 Edwardsen, Ashlynn 6/26/2008  
 Green, Brendan 6/27/2002  
 Alerton, Wyatt 6/27/2009  
 Willett, Nathan 6/28/1998  
 Graham, Kaleena 6/29/2001