



The Patriot Times

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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Making History- One Team, One Dream

By Zak Spicer
The Patriots Varsity football team traveled quite the distance to play in a game well worth the travel. On September 18th, 2015 the Patriots took home their first ever win! Despite previous games, the Patriots used what they've been working on in practice to tackle their first win. "Last Friday night was exciting for our players, coaching staff, and fans for the rare opportunity to be a part of a first in Charlton Heston Academy football varsity's first win in over a year and half," said Mark Huntley, head coach of the Patriots. The Patriots

had many strengths during the game. "Offensively we ran the ball very well, with Anthony Peters leading the way with 12 carries for 173 yards and two touchdowns". Huntley also said both of the linebackers had their best game yet. This win is exactly what the team needed. Anthony Peters explained the way the team felt looking at the scoreboard. "When the buzzers went off, knowing that we actually won and we're not on the losing side was the best day in the world times five," said Peters. Captain Zach Allan said, "Looking around and seeing joy

and happiness in the game," is what he said was the most rewarding thing about the win. Peters and Allan said, "We would like to thank the community and fans for the support and the ones who were not there, we know that you were still thinking about us". The final words during the interview with Coach Huntley made for a promising future for the Patriots. Everyone is looking forward to seeing more scoreboards with our team on the winning side! No one person is bigger than the team" - Zach Allan

Patriots vs. Ironmen

By Haley Jarosz and Corrin Damsen
The Charlton Heston Academy Patriots kicked off their first game of the season in Mancelona against the Ironmen. Coach Mickey Huntley and assistant Coach Nick Grider said, "We were in a difficult position because of how short-handed our team had recently become, but the kids wanted to play. They've worked so hard and put so much into this season already and were willing to do anything to play so, we couldn't say no." The Charlton Heston Academy Patriots lost their first game, 40-0, but spirit

was high all through the game thanks to the CHA cheerleaders keeping the crowd on their feet. "Our biggest weakness right now is our numbers. It's hard to win an 11 man game with only 12 players, but we were willing to try. The kids knew they were going to play the entire game without subs," said Coach Huntley. Coach Grider said, "We have a lot to work on including the offensive and defensive lines due to recent changes in the roster." There was lots of positivity in the stands. Ms. Johnson, cheerleading coach, said, "It

was wonderful, both football players and cheerleaders worked their hearts out and I am so excited to see them play next game!" Marshal Damsen and Jayden Scott made a lot of tackles during the game. The Patriots friends and family filled the stands cheering on the team. The cheerleaders worked hard cheering all game. The whole team worked hard to hold their line. "We are looking forward to improvements in the next two weeks," said Huntley and Grider. Patriots play their next game, Wednesday, September, 30.



Varsity Football Team



Junior Varsity Football Team

RAH RAH! PATRIOT PRIDE!



Middle School Cheer

The Middle School and Varsity Cheerleading team has exploded this year! With two

large cheer squads, the young ladies sure know how to support their favorite team, the

Patriots. Coaches, Heather Bozzo and Kristen Johnson enjoy working with all the girls. The girls have been practicing during the summer months to improve their stunting and team bonding. Coach Kristen Johnson said, "We are making progress every day during our practices". The Varsity and Middle School cheer squads will cheer together on the sidelines during the Homecoming game, Friday, October 2, 2015.

NEW! Cross Country



Left to right: Mark Danks, Ryan Marshall, Tyler Garcia, and Joseph Zerod Not pictured: Lillian Tucker

Charlton Heston Academy has a new sport, Cross Country. Andrew Guzdial, also known to the students and staff as "G", has gathered a great group of students to pioneer the new sport. With a small team of only five including Joseph Zerod, Tyler Garcia, Mark Danks, Ryan Marshall, and Lillian Tucker. They've become closer since day

one. "They are very dedicated runners...and have a lot of determination to succeed," said Coach G, "To be honest, I couldn't ask for a better group of runners." According to Coach G, practice starts at 4:40 and runs until 6:00 pm. Most days, the guys do a distance run and a speed workout. "For example, doing 8-10,

400 meter repeats at a certain pace. Eventually, we will get into hill training," said Coach. Mrs. Larm attended a practice on Friday with the team, "We played a pretty intense game of Ultimate Frisbee and followed with a core workout. I think that was more exhausting than doing a 3 mile run! I really enjoyed watching the team interact and learn how to work as a team, doing something they all enjoy." The Cross Country team will have meets running through the month of October, ending with Regionals in Gaylord. Their first meet was in Lake City on September, 26, 2015. According to Coach G, "Our team did really well for the first meet. They know what to expect for the next race." Marshall, Zerod, Garcia and Danks all competed at the meet. Ryan Marshall finished the 5k, 3.1 miles, 19th overall and took home his first medal with a time of 20:25.



Varsity Cheer



TRUNK or TREAT

October 31, 2015
6:00 pm
Richfield Township Park

By Damyen Trudeau

The patriots have a strong team this year with lots of positive attitudes. The varsity squad consists of 9-11 grade students coached by Mark Huntley and Jason Mccans. According to Coach Mark Huntley, “[The players] are doing great”. Team captains this year are 11th graders, Zach Allen and Anthony Peters.

Varsity won their first game ever in CHA history in Baraga, Michigan, 63-8.

According to the stats for the Patriots, Anthony Peters completed 4/15 passes for 81 yards he also went for 31 rushing yards and a touchdown. Luke Thomas led the Pats with 14 carries for 63 yards. Morgan Smith had 41 yards of rushing and Will Thompson had 14 yards. Brandon Austin led the Pats in receiving with 47 yards, Brogen with 19 yards, and DJ Silva had 17. For the Defense, Tyler Silva had 14 tackles, Zach

Allen with 12, 3 of those tackles for a loss. Josh Leisekie had 9 tackles. Hayden Wilson and Morgan Smith with 7 and Brandon Austin had 5 tackles.

Coach Huntley said, “Friday, [October 18, 2015] was inspirational for our players and I want to thank the coaching, staff and fans for voting 9 & 10 News Fans’ Choice Game, Charlton Heston Academy vs. Pellston. The final score was 56 to 16, with a Patriot loss.



Eighth grader Jillian Geason loves to draw “very rare species of animals.” She likes the idea of drawing an image and having it turn out looking just like the original. Jillian also likes making the image pop from the page. “I really only like doing the main image without the background. I like drawing because if I get bored, I can free draw,” said Jillian.

Around the Halls of Charlton Heston Kindergarten Power



By Vera Crawford

Who is this? This is Dane Jackson, a kindergartener at Charlton Heston Academy. This is Dane’s first year in the big school. We say “big school” because Dane was previously in the pre-k building. Dane’s favorite subject is,

“Math because it makes me smart.” Dane’s teacher is Ms. Maxwell. Dane loves Ms. Maxwell because, “She is nice, she makes me a better person and does her job to teach me.” Dane loves this school because it’s fun and amazing!

Amazing Nathan



By Chyenne Parks

Knock, Knock. Who’s there? Nathan, Nathan who? Nathan is a 17 year old high school student. His favorite color is purple and his favorite number is seven. Nathan lives in St. Helen. When we asked if he enjoys school Nathan replied, “Yes it’s fun and interesting.” Nathan’s favorite subject is reading and his favorite book is, When I Was the Greatest.

Mrs. Who? Mrs. Schneider!



Schneider is a 4th grade teacher. This is her second year teaching at Charlton Heston Academy. She has wanted to be a teacher since a very young age. Both of her parents are educators. She attended Florida Gulf Coast University in Ft. Meyers, Florida. The aspect of teaching she likes the most is getting to be a part of so many kid’s lives. Kait’s favorite subjects

to teach are grammar, spelling and vocabulary. Mrs. Schneider cannot imagine having a different career, but if she had to choose other professions, they would be social work and interior design. If you’re thinking about becoming a teacher, Mrs. Schneider’s advice for you is, “Teaching is not for everyone, but it is a very rewarding career choice.”

By Dakota Larive

Mrs. Who? Mrs. Kait Schneider. Mrs.

New faces around CHA

By Haley Jarosz

Looking around you might have noticed multiple new people.

Well, Charlton Heston Academy has 8 new teachers in the 2015-2016 school year. The new teachers include, Brandon Clark (k-5 technology teacher), Sarah Greaves (5th grade), Ryan Greaves (Middle School Science), Linda Janetski (5 / 6 split), Andrea Rodriguez (Kindergarten), Nicole Patrosso (1st grade), Austin Weiler (Middle School Social

Studies), and Matt Walker (High School World History). The new teachers range from first year to years of experience. CHA has their very first set of married teachers, Ryan and Sarah Greaves!

Karissa Hewkins said, “I like my new teacher, and I like my classmates because Ms. Patrosso rewards the good kids.”

Mrs. Sarah Greaves said, “I really like the location and I am happy that it feels like a family and I love how

much they involve everyone.” Best of luck to our new teachers in their first year at CHA!

CHA also gained three new staff members as well. Linda Bristol joined the maintenance crew, Brady Smith is the assistant facilities director and Ellen Lahar is the new office assistant. If you see any of these hardworking individuals, please thank them for their work to keep our school running smoothly!

Community Events

By Nellie Kleinert

Oct 2 Homecoming Game vs Brimley at 7:00pm at the Grayling Redskins field.

Oct. 3 Homecoming Dance (grades 9-11 only) at CHA gymnasium from 7:30pm-10:00pm.

Oct 1- The Optimist Club is getting a new president . The ceremony will be held at CHA.

Oct. 2 St. Helen Blood Drive at the Catholic Church on Oct 2: 12:00pm-5:45pm

Oct 17 @ noon St. Helen Costume Exchange @ Charlton Heston Academy (CHA)

Oct. 30th at 10:00 am-4:00 pm and Saturday, Oct. 31st, 10:00 am-1:00 pm A huge book sale at the library

Oct 31 6:00 pm Trunk or Treat @ Richfield Park

After Christmas Break seventh and eighth grade Girls/Boys Basketball begins- first practice will be held, tentatively, January 10.

If you have a community event for our next issue please email Renée Larm at rlarm@charltonhestonacademy.com

PTO Events for October

Popcorn Sales: first and third Friday of each Month at CHA

Family Pumpkin Night- tentatively October 15

Hoodie Sale just ended

Celebrated first staff appreciation by handing out Kleenex and disinfectant wipes to all teachers.

National Walk to School Day is Wednesday October 7th – public safety will help.

****All times tentative until further approval by Mr. Patterson****

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The Patriot Times

October Birthdays

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10/1 Jacob Nelson
10/2 Jaden Martray
10/2 Mr. Alden
10/3 Dane Yoder
10/3 Jacee Recker
10/4 Ms. Berner
10/6 Haley Jarosz
10/7 Tyler Silva
10/8 Jacob Brace
10/8 Landon Vaughn
10/9 Connor Nunn
10/10 Kenneth Lesosky
10/10 Amanda Sanches
10/10 Anjelina Driscoll
10/10 Grace Brethauer
10/10 Gavin Heintz
10/10 Grace Heintz
10/10 Wyatt Shafer
10/12 Amber Badalamenti
10/12 Garrin Teed
10/14 Margaret Eggletin
10/14 Randee Gage
10/14 Jordan Ludwig
10/14 Morgan Ludwig
10/16 Brianna Kitchen
10/16 Carisa Ryan

10/18 Haley Phovemire
10/18 Ayden Heintz
10/18 Isaac Heintz
10/18 Destiny McNally
10/19 Jacob Campeau
10/19 Samantha Marshall
10/21 Logan Bacus
10/21 Dane Jackson
10/21 Braden Thurston
10/22 Rosaleen Hurley
10/22 Aiden Chisholm
10/23 Dominiqua Thompson
10/24 Michael Moery
10/24 Hailey Marsh
10/25 Samantha Jarosz
10/25 Alyssa Davies
10/25 Lucas Richardson
10/25 Rosann Johnson
10/26 Camdon Austin
10/26 Camron Austin
10/28 Kiarra Moss
10/29 Jillian Gleason
10/29 Cecilia Bee
10/29 Randy Hendges

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!

Parking Lot Surprise



By Gavin Estep
Surprise

When students came back from summer break to their school, [Charlton Heston Academy], it was not how they left it. There was a parking lot, busses, and more cars. Grass was growing, dirt was paved, there was an entrance and exit, a separate bus lane, and a sidewalk. This surprise has set many in both awe and sadness for the loss of trees and habitat. Now Charlton Heston Academy has a new cover for people to see. The school management sees great

potential in this school and so does its followers/supporters. Everyday people now can look at this school and see the fastest growing charter school in the U.S.A.

Signs of Change

There were signs of an upcoming change (s) in the school. These signs have been visible since the first year of the school’s opening [2012-2013]. The playground was taken down, a new playground has been built, taken out and built again. Roads have been created and paved, editions were added, and busses were brought. Students came in, teachers were hired, and parking space was crowded. These were signs of change in the future of Charlton Heston Academy. This school is like a frog, it evolves over time until it’s a adult. This school has evolved overtime and will keep growing and changing as the years go by.

The Parking Lot

The entrance now has arrows to ensure

everybody goes the right way. The busses also have a separate traffic zone so bus drivers and drop offs don’t have to worry about each other. There was always a line of cars waiting to drop off kids in front of the busses until now.

More parking space was added to the parking lot due to new students, teachers, busses, and editions. Many things have become easier thanks to this new parking lot, things such as fitness testing mile run. Instead of running on a field, students can run the parking lot. Students say they are grateful for having this new parking lot to run. Traffic flow has become smooth like a small stream; it’s never the same water because there is no beaver dam [busses] to block water because it has its own stream and small fish [students] could swim safely as a school. Now, students can cross safely and start their career at Charlton Heston Academy.

Sliding into Home, CHA!

By Carisa Ryan &
Austin Sian

During the summer, staff and friends of CHA participated in a community slow-pitch softball league. Teams from around the area participated. Each team had to consist of both men and women, 6 men, 6 women for each game. The games were held at Jack’s Place in Roscommon on Tuesday nights. This was the first season they played in the league together. The staff members started the team because they wanted to be able to do something fun together outside of school. We interviewed Ms. Evans and Ms. Lissa, the team’s coordinators, to get more information about the team.

The staff from CHA that participated

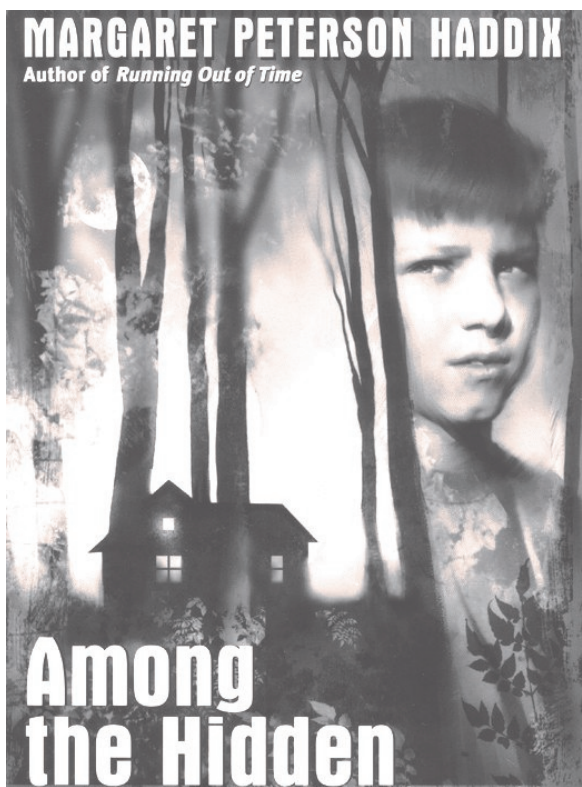
include, Mr. Lindley, Mr. Alden, Mr. Andersen, Ms. Crystal, Mr. G, Ms. Lissa, Ms. Evans, Ms. Maxwell, Ms. Wangler, Ms. Bellinger, and Mr. Huntley. Other staff members came to support the team as well. According to Ms. Lissa, “Ms. LaPorte became an excellent score keeper and our biggest motivator.” Ms. Evans said the best part of the season was, “Spending time together having fun.”

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Book Review: Among the Hidden



By Katelin Travelbee, Sofia Dubois, and Natasha Meir.

Among the Hidden, is a book that has two and a half million books sold and one of the New York Times Bestselling Author. Among the Hidden is about a shadow child, Luke, who is the third child. The government that controls their community only lets each family have two children (so that means that Luke is not able to go outside or to school). Luke is al-

ways stuck inside his house doing nothing even when his two brothers are at school and his parents are at work. They only have the child laws because each family receives a limited supply of resources.

According to eighth grader, Randee Gage, “It is a good book, [it] needs to be more extended.” Neven Pace of the seventh grade said, “I like it, I think it is the future and everyone is controlled by the Japanese.” Carisa Ryan of the seventh grade said, “It is a good book.”

Just like any novel you read, everyone has their favorite part. According to eighth grader, Maddie Huntley, “My favorite part of the book was when Luke met Jen.” Gavin Estep in the seventh grade said, “When Luke risks his life to meet Jen.” Carisa Ryan of the seventh grade said, “When Luke left his house for the first time.”

Seventh Grade Advisor Mrs. Larm said she rates the book a five out of five stars. Chyenne Parks, seventh grade said, “Four and a half out of five,” and Kayleigh Pendas said, “Four out of five.”

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got 6 new buses and new drivers. The students have positive responses to the new changes in transportation at CHA. Joshua Costa said his favorite thing about the new buses is "The new security cameras."

According to Brook-lyne Pendas, a kindergarten student, she thinks the bus drivers are "nice sometimes." Tina Ryan is one of the new bus drivers for CHA. Before driving for CHA, Ryan worked at the civic center as a volunteer, a member of the PTO and also volunteered at the West Branch hospital. According to Ryan, her favorite thing about being a bus driver is, "Getting to know all of the kids." "I love being a school bus driver," said Ryan.

Finally, as a reminder to students, it is up to us to continue to respect the drivers to make sure these wonderful individuals stay with us for years to come!

Driver Tina Ryan of Bus #5


By Kayleigh Pendas

As you all know Charlton Heston Academy (CHA) recently



Meet the 2015-16 Newspaper Team

Mrs. Larm's 7th grade class has taken on the responsibility of the Patriot Times. In the class students will do newspaper related writing, as well as creative writing on the off days from the newspaper. Students will be allowed to choose which part of the writing process within the newspaper they will participate in. Some students will be responsible for gathering information within the school and community, while other students will write the articles. All students will help to edit and revise articles before they are sent to Scott Marshall of VIP Marketing & Publishing for publishing. "I think many of the students are excited for this opportunity to be a part of something bigger than themselves. I've seen a lot of motivation to reach out to the community just within the first two weeks," said Larm.



James Marshall waits for his lunch along with the rest of Ms. Strickler's 2nd grade class.

By Corrin Damsen

Have you noticed the new lunches at Charlton Heston Academy (CHA)? Hopefully you have! CHA has new, and even better lunches this year.

Freshman Tommy Gertcher said, "They are better than before." Teachers seem to think so too. The new lunch company is Van Eerden, cool name right?

I also talked with Mrs. Casey, and she said, "We heard a lot of complaints with the other company, and we wanted to get closer to making homemade foods."

The new company makes sure we are getting our necessary nutrients in each meal. For example, my favorite lunch is the soft taco with meat and cheese, but it also includes shredded romaine, diced tomatoes, refried beans, a variety of fruit, and a choice of milk. CHA has more people loving their food every day.

Malaki Heavner said, "I like our school lunches, and my favorite lunch is chicken nuggets" Overall, most students seem to be satisfied with the changes in the kitchen.

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