

LaCrosse Weekly

January 20, 2017

Hello, my name is Tanner. I am the school tiger. Over the years, I have seen kids come and go, and I have seen events both good and bad. With all of these stories teeming in my head, I decided to start a newsletter. This way everyone will be able to enjoy the tales I have.

As the students walked into school this week, I noticed they had some pep in their step. This week was filled with a lot of things that the students were excited for. The math and science field trip motivated some of them, while others were looking forward to the PCC games that were held this week.

Each game was full of exciting moments as well as a lot of nail-biters. The pep block was having so much fun cheering for both the girls as well as the boys as they played. The cheerleaders did a great job getting the crowd excited and cheering.

Friday night, the girls will be playing the second game. They will be fighting for a chance to play in the Championship. Join us at Boone Grove at 7:00 pm and help support the girls.

Girls Basketball Vs. Kouts

by **Hannah Leffew**

On Tuesday the varsity girls basketball team faced off for the second time against the Kouts Fillies, except this time it was for the PCC tournament. The Tigers were off to a great start scoring 7 points, while the Fillies scored none in the first two minutes. Throughout the game, there were contributions made by every girl on the team. The end score



of the game was 46 to 32, much better than the result of the 35 to 34 win in the regular season. Leading Scorers for the game were Justene Charlesworth with 12 points, Allison McCormick with 10 points, and Mya Morrow with 9. Leading rebounders for the game were Allison McCormick with 7 rebounds and Justene Charlesworth with 6. Overall each of the girls on the team contributed to the stats and success of the game in huge ways, and it truly was a team effort.

The girls will be facing off against the Hebron Hawks tonight at about 7 o'clock at Boone Grove, so come support them as they work their way towards a PCC victory!

Hidden Figures Field Trip by Madyson Ruzbasan

I walked into the movie theater with no expectations for *Hidden Figures*. Much like many of the greater parts of our history, it is the stories we don't hear that mean the most. Before we went to see the movie, the combined classes practiced performing some of the calculations these women would have performed in the form of games.

I've yet to see a movie so poignant, moving, truthful, and as *important* as *Hidden Figures*. The story follows three women working for NASA as computers, or people who figure out the numbers that make the whole operation run, in 1969. NASA is competing heavily against Russia to be the first to get a man into space. The story mainly centers around the Freedom 7 flight and others before it.



Each of the women faces large battles they have to overcome, along with societal roles and prejudices they're forced into due to their gender and race. Katherine Johnson, played by Taraji P. Henson, receives her biggest assignment calculating analytical geometry, and cements her into a position that changes how NASA operates forever. Dorothy Vaughan, played by Octavia Spencer, has been the supervisor of the West Area computer group, yet is denied the position's title and pay again and

again despite doing all its work. When NASA begins to introduce the IBM computing system, she is the first person to get the machine working and understand how it works.

Mary Jackson, played by Janelle Monáe, has almost all of the qualifications of an engineer, but needs a little extra schooling she can only get at an all-white high school course. She takes the course to court, and carves out her own slice of history.

This movie doesn't pull any cheap tricks to get you to like the main characters. It paints them as people, with ambitions and desires, and the conviction to reach them. It also serves as a great piece of motivation for girls wondering if they should get into mathematics or science, telling them that it is possible. I urge you to see it when you can.

FFA Field Trip by Raegan Stinnett

On Tuesday, January 17, 2017, four LaCrosse high school FFA members traveled to Fort Wayne for a Farm Show. The trip was sponsored by Jeff Mitzner, with the help of the Ag teacher, Mr. Miller. The four students who were able to participate were Raegan Stinnett, Jaye Mitzner, Michelle Kazmierzak, and Jack Missal.

We arrived at the farm show pretty early in the morning to make sure we would have enough time to see everything. The students were able to walk around the two different buildings located at the coliseum. The larger room had different farm machinery located in it along with different booths. Each booth was sponsored by different companies related to the Ag industry whether it had to do with equipment, crops, fertilizer, irrigation, and much more. The other building only had booths, but they were still related to Ag. The students were able to come home with a lot of free items. These items consisted of stress balls, pens, koozies, note pads, calendars, and information pamphlets. It was really neat to be able to see all of the machinery. I really enjoyed walking around the different booths and talking to the representatives. There were even booths for Purdue Ag and for Huntington University!

There were a lot of people there, and somehow we were lucky enough to spot the State FFA officers walking around. I personally wanted to take a picture with them, but the other kids were too scared. We would like to thank Mr. Mitzner for allowing us to go on the trip with him. It was a great learning experience, and I am glad I got to tag along!

Adirondack Chairs Raffle by Hannah Leffew



The sophomore class is raffling off two sturdy, handmade Adirondack chairs that would look nice on any patio. To buy tickets, you can ask students in the sophomore class or go to Mrs. McCormick. There will also be people selling the raffle tickets at most home games. The tickets are selling \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00, and the winner will be chosen on February 17 at the basketball game that night. The winner doesn't need to be present to win.

Honor Roll

LaCrosse Honor Roll (3.5 or higher)

Jason Danford	Madisen Koselke
Miranda Green	Mikayla Younggreen
Lacey Gordon	Justene Charlesworth
Natalie Vernon	Hope Klemz
Madyson Ruzbasan	Dana Wherrett
Hannah Leffew	Jack Missal
Maci Province	Chase Skidmore
Nicole Green	Emily Leffew
Morgan Wozniak	Katie Bell
Ashley Vernon	Claire Garwood
Madison Conover	Madison Heavilin
Devin McCoy	Mya Morrow

LaCrosse Honor Roll (3.0 - 3.499)

Ryan Kiel	Sierra Flynn
Lilly King	Tyler Ittersagen
Emily Horsely	Allie McCormick
Brandon Kiel	Emily Good
Raegan Stinnett	Mary Cate Dowdy
Brad Shireman	Travis Roberts
Carson Stout	Logan King
Jaye Mitzner	Kianna Foster
Savannah Emery	Jade Tratar
Kourtney Sikora	CJ Smith
Taylor Kleine	Sami Vance
Caedmon Bailey	Zach Greiger

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