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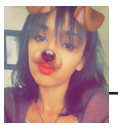
It's a wrap! Kyle Nolan's car is in a state of unrepairability. Passenger side, left, was pushed into the center console. Driver's side window, right, was busted, glass spraying over the seat.

CHS student, Kyle Nolan, survives a dangerous spin

Students come together to support one of their own



Story by: *Briana Collins*
Editor in Chief

Kyle Nolan, '18, was driving to school on a normal Wednesday morning when things took a quick spin. On 7 Mile and Middlebelt just down the road from Clarenceville High, Nolan was making a left turn onto the busy intersection. "I saw a truck start to slow down so I assumed they were going to stop so I made my turn and I look to my right and there is a truck five feet from my car and it just smacked right into me. It was scary at first, I wasn't thinking while I was spinning out (onto the road). Everything really just hit me what really had just happened when the car stopped," Nolan said.

The truck hit Nolan's passenger side full force. The impact resulted in his car spinning into the center of the road, and his passenger door being pushed into the center console. The crash instantly sparked attention, as **Bobby Jaber**, '17, **Brandon Belanger**, '17, and **Joshua Touchette**, '18, were all at the scene of the crash. "This lady stopped really hard in front of me and I didn't know why so I pulled over to see. I saw Kyle's car, but I didn't know it was his cause it was completely totaled. I drove over and I saw Bobby in his truck next to me. I said, 'I think that's Kyle' and he said, 'No, that is Kyle, I saw it happen,'" Belanger recounted.

News quickly traveled as **Mr. Troy Nelson**, principal, caught ear of the accident down the road. He went down to the scene to see if the crash involved one of CHS' students. He was informed that Nolan was seemingly okay, and parents had been contacted. And thus the waiting ensued.

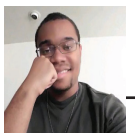
A big group of Nolan's closest friends quickly made plans and met up at the Bostford hospital emergency waiting room, including the former mentioned, DeMond Scrutchions, '18, and Erica Bertera, '18.

They were eventually informed after a couple of hours that Nolan had come out of the crash with no head trauma or internal bleeding. He was sporting a bruised abdomen, a gash on his chin, and a laceration on his head from broken glass when his head hit the window—but with the state of his car, the results could've easily been far worse. "That's one of my best friends so I was freaking out a little bit but once I found out he had minor injuries, I felt better," Touchette explained. "He has a big group of friends that care about him so we were all just going up there to check on him, make sure he was alright and just give him support."

The support was praised by the parents, hospital staff, and Nelson alike. "I was very proud when I heard (from Kyle's mom) that the kids were there filling out the emergency waiting room, and at one point they all got in a circle and evidently said a prayer." Nelson said with a smile on his face. Nolan even admitted to getting just a little teary-eyed when he heard about the caring moment.

Now that the scary part is over, insurance companies are being called, and the process of settling this incident are under way. Although Nolan has survived, his car unfortunately hasn't. The car is indeed totaled, although it is fully covered by insurance. But a human life is worth more than a car could ever be. According to the Association for Safe International Road Travel (ASIRT), "Nearly 1.3 million people die in road crashes each year, on average 3,287 deaths a day. An additional 20-50 million are injured or disabled." Nolan, statistically, is very lucky. A slight change in the position of his car, the speed the woman was driving, or even the way he was sitting, could have resulted in grave consequences.

Possible head transplant creates suspicion in medical field



Story by: *Andrayus Ware*
Feature Editor

2017 may get its own remarkable event later this year. There is a world-first surgery being planned that seems straight out of science fiction. **Sergio Canavero**, an Italian neurosurgeon, has planned the very first head transplant. This involves removing the patient's head, including the brain stem, then immediately cryogenically freezing it as they prep the donor body. Once done prepping they connect the two.

And who is the would-be patient? 31 year old **Valery Spiridonov** he hopes to be the first. Spiridonov suffers from a form of genetic muscular dystrophy. His muscles have deteriorated into basically nothing. This raises hopes not only for Spiridonov but for the medical field as a whole. However, the world is apprehensive.

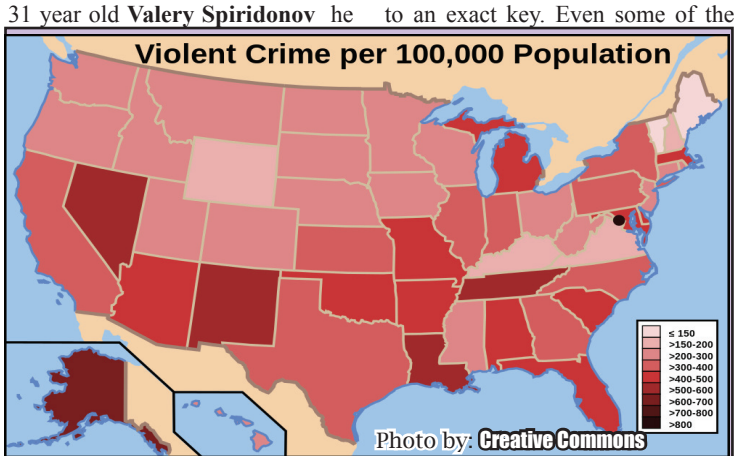
This whole thing may be one big hoax. There are some that believe his announcement of this is tied to the game Metal Gear Solid: Phantom Pain. A few similarities and discrepancies have been revealed. One such problem is Canavero's resemblance to the doctor from Metal Gear Solid, the baldness and facial hair match to an exact key. Even some of the voice lines in the doctor's script sounds like Canavero. "From what I know about the game developer [Kojima] this is his style.... he would troll the world." **Matthew Cox**, '17 said. In addition to the lines and the look-alike features, the game and the neurosurgeon's project shares a name with the bad guys in the game. The project is called H.E.A.V.E.N. and it just so happens organization that the of criminals, which are the game's main antagonists share it. These seemingly unimportant details have started a wave of people looking more into this. Despite the conspirators' efforts, anything more foolproof has yet to be found, so for now the project is still presumed to be real.

Lastly, during an interview with Good Morning Britain, Canavero stated that all the information was on his website Headtransplantation.org. However, this website does not exist, at least not anymore.

Claiming that it's a hoax isn't the only thing that has happened to prove this is fake. Individuals are claiming that this is 'bad science'. That means that the idea of this surgery is too far-fetched right now and it would surely fail. Apprehension has also been felt because of the lack of controls in the experiments they say they have conducted on animals with severed spines. Furthermore, they have not published evidence claiming that the animals' spines were severed how they reported.

The opposition is weighted against this project. Despite it, Canavero still insists that the surgery will happen in 2017. However, a hurdle still needs to be jumped over. Canavero requires a team made of more than 100 nurses and surgeons to assist in the surgery. Not many have taken to the project because no one wants to risk their career.

People might have accept that science might transcend boundaries. Whether it is a success, fail, or even a hoax, the idea has been imprinted on many minds. Whatever the case may be, a head transplant is still a revolutionary idea.



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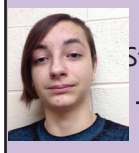
Violent crime is on the rise

Crime spike in major cities



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Copy Editor

"Violent crime is on the rise," according to Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCCA). Compared to last year homicides increased by 11 percent. About 29 U.S cities experienced a rise in homicides. Detroit alone had 302 homicides by the end of 2016. In Richmond Virginia, the city experienced a 25 percent increase in January for violent crimes.

Experts are unsure on why the U.S. is experiencing the sudden spike, but Deputy Chief **Steve Drew** has an idea. "The percentage of violent crimes is close, but the population is different. The numbers in smaller cities make a bigger difference on the percentage for sure," said Drew.

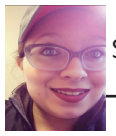
Another major issue is Human trafficking. 2016 had a 8,000 case rise, that›s a 35 percent increase over 2015. In D.C., 500 girls went missing in early 2017. The 500 girls were all African-American and between the ages of 10 to 18. **Chanel Dickerson**, commander of Washington Metropolitan Police Department, stated at a press conference, "There have been concerns that young girls in the District of Columbia are victims of human trafficking."

Detroit is the leading city in violent crime in the country. The population of Detroit is 677,116, out of the population, One in Fifty-Seven people have the chance to become a victim of a violent crime. **Damian Vier**, '18, has lived in Detroit since he was born. In regards to the crime rate in the city, he said, "If you find the right house in the right neighborhood, it isn't as bad as everyone says it is."

Detroit isn't the only city experiencing a major spike in crime. Former Detroit Police Chief **Chester Logan**, said about the recent crime spikes on MLive, "The problems that we're experiencing here in Detroit. It's not just Detroit. It's going on in Chicago, it's going on in Baltimore, it's going on in Atlanta, it's going on all over America... When do we say enough is enough."

Spring into school cleaning

Students angry over school cleanliness



Story by: *Jerelynn Cooley*
Opinion Editor

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***Yuck!** Bathrooms still unclean even after student complaints.*

Someone has created a horrendous mess that needs to get cleaned up. Students have been smoking in bathrooms, and vandalizing the school by breaking the mirrors and/or writing on the bathroom stall walls.

Mr. Alan Kantor, assistant principal said, "The blame lands on everyone, not one person is the cause, it lands on many people. The problem is getting better, situations that came up were fixed. Students with complaints need to let administration know of problems that are going on in the bathrooms. If one person messes with our environment it messes with the whole environment around us. A few years ago we had to have people come down to the office and get a chaperone to go to the bathroom with them, and bathrooms in school were locked."

Teachers and Students alike need to take care of the issue, whether it be with helping clean up the hallways, to cleaning classrooms up. Based on a poll of all the grades in the school, students are very unhappy with the way the bathrooms, and the state of the classrooms look. School administration is working on fixing the issue. They have rules setup so the staff and students can help fix the issue, instead of making it worse.

Emily Lazette '17 said, "The building's cleanliness has always been a problem. If they fixed the smell and the dirtiness in the bathrooms, and stopped people from smoking in the bathrooms more people would enjoy coming to school."

Students have been complaining to teachers year round for them to fix the issue, yet it still is a problem at the end of the school year.

Joelle Troszak, Counselor said, "Students haven't personally come to me and expressed their views on the cleanliness of the school, but I have heard it in the hallways and in classrooms."

DMBurr is the company responsible for cleaning the building. Company policy prohibits employees from speaking to students, so no comment was obtained from them regarding this article.

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Testing more than skills

Personal drug use affecting employability

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Going in for a job interview can make anyone nervous. Depending on one’s lifestyle, something else can make people nervous, the mandatory drug test. Although not every job will require a drug test, many places will. For example most restaurants do not test their workers. **Amya MacIntyre** ‘18 said, “I work at a restaurant and I have never been drug tested. I’m pretty sure that’s how all food places are.”

However big corporations normally do drug test, and employees don’t always know it’s coming. **Jay Starkman** from The Business Journals said, “If there is potential for an injury then a company may wish to implement random, unannounced testing. Random tests deter employees from using drugs and/or misusing alcohol, as employees never know when they will be tested.”

According to a poll by **DrugFacts.org,** “In 2013 34 percent of places were drug tested.” This poll includes federal jobs all the way down to the general workforce This number rose to 48 percent in 2015. As it seems, this number will continue to grow.

So, what happens if the test comes out positive? “Many employers require their employees to submit to drug testing both before and after being hired. Most of the time after being hired an employer requires reasonable suspicion before having an employee take a drug test. Even with the recent legalization of marijuana in some states, employees in those states can still be punished for testing positive. The punishments for a failed drug test can include rehabilitation, termination, and losing unemployment benefits,” according to an article by **Workplace Fairness**, a non-profit organization working to promote and preserve workers’ rights.

Drug testing in the workplace is controversial. **Allison Lay**, ‘18 said, “I feel drug tests are a good idea and need to be part of the employment process.”

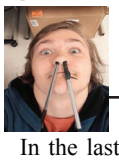
Although some are for it, others aren’t sure how they feel. **Mr. Joshua Green**, social studies teachher, said, “I guess I feel mixed about it. I don’t like prejudging people, but I wouldn’t want a drug addict teaching students.”

Others strongly question the system of drug testing. **Briana Collins,** ‘17 said, “I know it is a relevant thing, but I just can’t get past the faults. Most “drug” tests don’t really catch the real, harmful drugs that are out of your system in a few days, like cocaine and heroin. But thousands of people are losing good jobs just because they have marijuana in their system from a month ago.”

Drug tests are used to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the company and all the workers. Without them, people could be hurt or misplace equipment or products. I don’t agree with them completely, but they are definitely needed for safety. Drug tests are something employees should be aware of, and even ready for, when applying for a new job.

Scientific technology goes too far

Unrealistic fiction has become reality



Story by: *Nathan Haiser*
News Editor

In the last century or so, science has made many advancements for man. The human lifespan has grown exponentially, almost doubling. Science has now made robots able to do pretty much anything a person can do. With these types of advances in science, some people are getting a little nervous and asking, “Just because we can, doesn’t mean we should.”

Scientists and mechanical engineers have been trying to make robots the future for decades, and in the near future they could be the replacement for human workers. Robots could be adapted to do the work any human can do, but better. **Justin Lyons**, ‘19, said, “It [robots] takes away millions of jobs away from us.”

Scientists today are trying to extend human life to over 80-120 years. Nature Communications conducted an experiment with stem cell research on rats, where they injected a stem cell regenerating drug into the rats when they reached the end of their life. The rats lived to more than twice their usual lifespan, living to 70 or 80 days. Overpopulation has always been a problem, but extending the lives of every human could push humanity over the edge. **Alex Means**, ‘19, said, “I think it [extending life] might create a divide in wealth and make overpopulation even worse.”

Science has given humanity many things but maybe this is too much. There are problems with having everyone live as long as they do already. **Ms. Melanie Hemmert**, chemistry teacher, said, “Science is basically messing with nature at this point.” Science is starting to become very problematic and because of this, it might become more of a disaster than “I Robot.”

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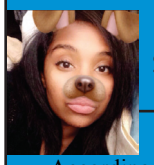
Break the Silence

Don’t be that person, speak up



Story by: *Raquel Mance*
Editor in Chief

According to the **Los Angeles Times**, “Since Sandy Hook, a gun has been fired on school grounds nearly once a week.” Two hundred and twenty school shootings have occurred since then, and in some of those situations there was a person who knew something. That person knew something that could’ve prevented the whole thing, but they didn’t say anything. Law enforcement officials want people to know not to be that person.

Down the school hallways in America there are signs that read, “Break the Silence,” or, “Don’t be afraid to speak up,” and many students just brush them off. However, what many students fail to realize is that there are people who can help, regardless the situation. “They (students) can go to anyone, just tell someone. Because if they don’t know what to do with the information, it will keep getting passed on until someone does,” **Mr. Troy Nelson**, principal, said.

Although it is frowned upon by today’s youth to “snitch,” it is better to snitch and be safe than keep it in and be a danger to others or one’s self. Shedding light on dangerous situations is much more important than how peers perceive one another. When things like suicide, abuse, or destructive thoughts are involved, don’t be “that” kid. “If a student tells me something that brings harm to themselves or someone else, there is no sitting and doing nothing,” **Jennifer Weston**, counselor, said.

For instance the Columbine High massacre, people knew something was amiss. All the signs were there. According to CNN, there were death threats and police reports being filed long before the actual massacre.

The point is simple. Teens need to stop trying to look cool. Looking cool doesn›t mean anything if it lands you or someone you love in a jail cell or a casket.

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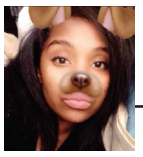
The signs of a toxic relationship

Knowing when the right time to say goodbye is



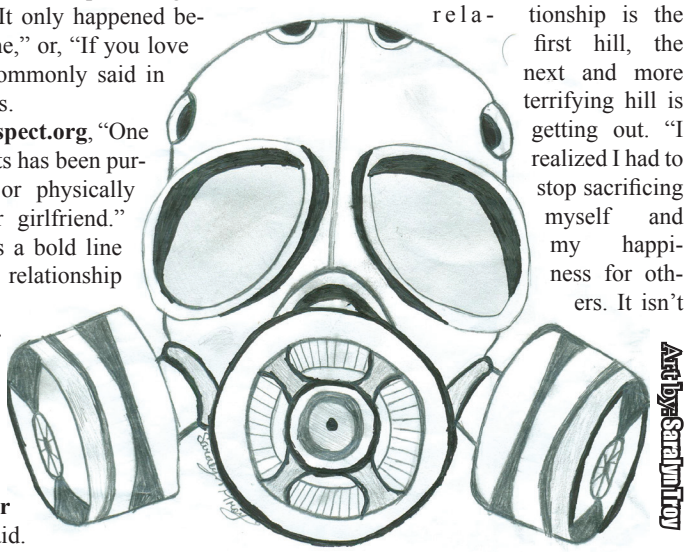
Story by: *Raquel Mance*
Editor in Chief

Teen love is in the air and the smell is toxic. Not one relationship is the same, however when it comes to toxic relationships, the signs are always the same. "It only happened because he was angry at me," or, "If you love me you would..," are commonly said in this types of relationships.

According to **Loveisrespect.org**, "One in 10 high school students has been purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by a boyfriend or girlfriend." This being said, there is a bold line that separates a healthy relationship from an unhealthy one.

"Signs of an unhealthy relationship include manipulation, possessiveness, lying, and abuse (physical, emotional, and psychological)," **Ms. Jennifer Weston**, counselor, said. In every relationship, there will be arguments and disputes, but at no point in the discussion should one party feel uncomfortable to express their thoughts or feelings. "The most positive relationships are built on respect," Weston said. Without respect or trust, there is no foundation on which a relationship can grow.

While noticing a person is in an unhealthy relationship is the first hill, the next and more terrifying hill is getting out. "I realized I had to stop sacrificing myself and my happiness for others. It isn't healthy. Doing something out of love, to be helpful, is different from doing it out of fear or need, because you want validation," **Lakshmi Raman**, Tinybuddha writer, states.



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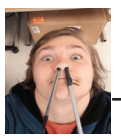
Whether it's a friendship or a relationship, there is no real reason to stay if the feeling of discomfort or unhappiness is constant. There are hotlines and experts who are more than willing to guide and assistant in leaving. Some of them include: Loveisrespect, Break the Cycle, and en Experiencing Abusive relationships (TEAR).

Love is Respect is an organization that wants to, "engage, educate and empower to prevent and end abusive relationships." The same goes for Break the Cycle and TEAR. Each website is filled with a series questionnaires and contact information of experts who are able at all times to help. If a person isn't comfortable speaking in person, these websites have chat rooms and numbers to text for private conversations.

Relationships are like gardens, they are meant to be vibrant and full of growth. But sometimes, weeds can grow and tarnish the garden, so take 'em out.

Teens looking for 13 Reasons Why not

Suicide rates growing larger over time

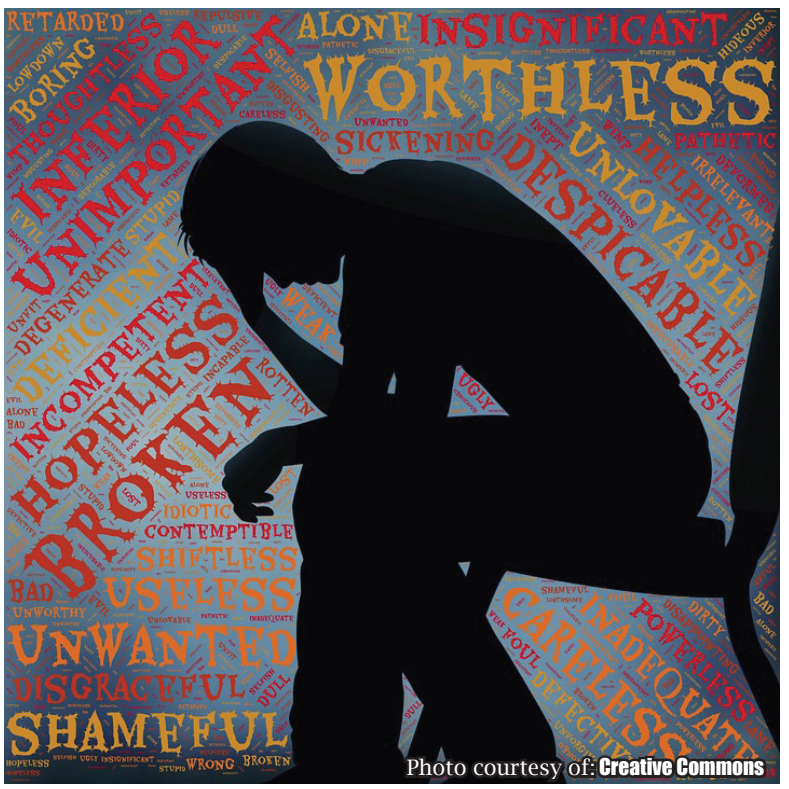


Story by: *Nathan Haiser*
News Editor

Being the third most frequent way to die, suicide is a growing problem in teens. According to American Foundation for Suicide Prevention(AFSP), in recent years teens ages 15 to 24 have almost climbed to the top in leading suicide rates. For this reason psychologists are trying to determine the major causes of suicide in teens.

Research from the American Psychological Association(APA) has shown that suicide is caused by many psychological and environmental stressors. Due to the lack of knowledge of coping with stress, some teens choose suicide. This is caused by things like abuse, confusion of sexual orientation, and bullying.

An important way to stop this, is to recognize the signs before it happens. Experts from APA say if a person is talking about committing suicide, experiencing stress or depression, abusing substances, or abusing themselves they may be showing signs that indicate they are, or thinking about committing suicide.



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If a student is feeling stressed they should, "Not deal with it alone, try to get help from someone," said, **Dayton Rowland**, '19.

44,000 people are committing suicide each year. According to ASFP, the problem is not going away on its own. **Ms. Jennifer Weston,** counselor, said, "when trying to cope with stress you should find something you can enjoy doing. She also said, "The best thing people can do for teens experiencing stress in their life is to support them as best as a person can."

Identifying causes for suicide and trying to address them early may make a difference for teens. The battle to stop teen suicide is far from over, but certainly a worth cause.

Opinion Column

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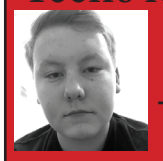
Teen's learning habits



Story by: *Seth Krazel*
Photo Editor

Are students getting dumber? Absolutely. In fact, the way that schools are set up, it is probably, no wait, *it is* one of the most screwed up systems in America.

As time goes on, there have been many excuses for why students are not doing well in school. "Oh, well he isn't good at school; She has trouble staying on task; He is just behind the curve." But when it comes down to it, there are really only two things: effort and structure.

Effort is defined as: "A vigorous and determined attempt." Each day at school, people "struggle" to get motivated and "try" to do schoolwork. No matter if the task is hard, easy, big or small, students just sit there, staring off into space.

The problem isn't with the teachers, the principals, or even the school board. It is in the system of education. The public school system traditionally has administrators to throw students into a building and tell them to learn. But, what are they learning to do? Prepare for college? Are all students going to college? No. Oh, how about the plumbers and electricians? Oh, don't worry about those skills, it isn't tested on the SAT.

Things need to change right now! Even though school lunch improvements would be a pretty good change, I know students would at least settle for a better education system.

Let's hop into the utopia that can never be created, shall we? There must be an education system that actually rewards students for the good work that they do. Also, students need much more opportunity to discover their interests, which could include more skill-based elective classes, or at least exposure to careers other than the ones that can be turned into a standardized test.

These are big ideas that may never happen, but one can dream. But maybe we can all just settle for clean bathrooms.

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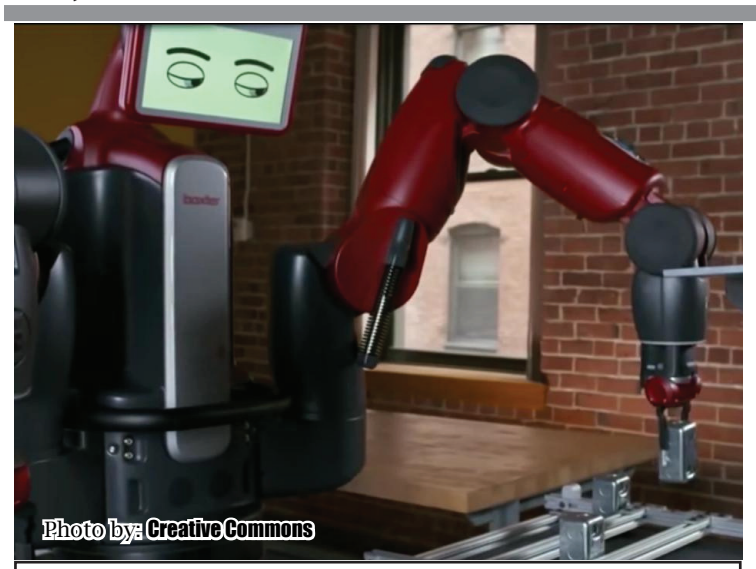
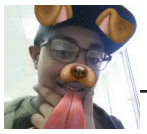


Set your sensors to Baxter! A robot built by Rethink Robotics in 2012. He has an animated face and arms he uses to do industrial jobs.

Robots: a cheaper alternative

With advancements come disadvantages



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Suppose someone is going for a job interview and they find out that their manager is a robot. This is what some fear could happen in the future, robots could take over everyone jobs in the U.S. and even around the world.

This is already reality for some people. Robots have been the cause of unemployment and wage decrease since 1990. According to Andrew Soergel who wrote the article "Robots Have Been Taking American Jobs," the ratio of one robot to every thousand worker has been rising ever since 1995. "Half of the jobs will properly be taken over by robots, but my job will not be taken because it consists of not just explaining, but also motivating and explaining concepts," **Mr. David Lurie**, science teacher, said.

Unlike people, companies don't have to worry about giving robots wages,which is an appealing factors. A robots' only downside is the initial investment, fixing bugs in the coding and conducting repairs, but the advantages of robots over people is that they can work 24/7 with no breaks or medical insurance.

Robots are being used everywhere in daily life. Domino's is using robots to deliver pizzas rather than a regular delivery man. Best Buy's robot, Chloe, helps customers to find any movie or game that they need. Adidas uses robots to make their shoes. In all of these scenarios there have been two things that are common: somebody lost their job due to robots, and a company is making more profits because of the robots. Automotive companies have saved millions of dollars because they have used robots for assembly lines rather than people.

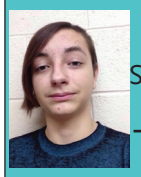
Not all robots are bad. Some help with situations that humans can't, such as helping the deaf hear again, providing a safe way for the military to enter deadly areas, helping grow and manufacture food, and performing surgeries to the minute detail without human error.

"Robots only have the capability to look like us but their intelligence is no greater than a washing machine," **Professor Alan Winfield** said, of Bristol Robotics Lab. Artificial Intelligence isn't advanced enough to do many things such as learning and thinking on its own. There is still some time until robots take over all of the jobs which require problem solving.

What does this mean for high school students? Many students will be seeking jobs in the summer in order to get a little extra cash. Robots may cause a problem for teens wanting jobs at companies like Mcdonald's. There new robot takes orders better than humans. Many easy jobs have been taken by robots and make it harder for inexperienced people to get jobs. Right now there isn't a lot of worry, but in the future it could be a serious problem for students trying to get jobs. **Bobby Jaber**, '17 said, "I am not worried about my job being taken by a robot, because human interaction is important." In the future robots might take everyone's job and humans will have to fight robots along side of John Connor and Arnold Schwarzenegger. The hope is that humans won't be terminated.

A parents problem; A childs nightmare

The scary truth behind closed doors



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The ordinary day for a teen begins at 6 a.m., but not for Jeff. Jeff wakes up to screaming and a door slamming. He goes to school and when he comes back home, his savings, his TV, and his bike are gone. Jeff's father is a drug addict and has pawned his things. According to **DrugRehab.us**, eight million children live with a parent that is an addict. Addicts affect the entire family, but it is the children who are most damaged. Children are vulnerable to the addicts addiction and their actions. Children are three times more likely to be abused and four times more likely to be neglected when they live in a home with an addict.

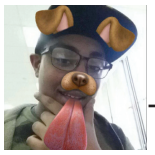
Drug abuse has short and long term effects on parents and children alike. Children often have to rely on themselves before they should because of the lack of structure at home and being neglected. They may even end up having to take care of their younger siblings. Due to this neglect, 49 percent children can end up with depression, anxiety, and low self-esteem. Unfortunately, most of these circumstances cause children to have self-blame and anger.

Ms. Joelle Trozak, counselor, said, "When children have to self rely, it all depends on age. Older kids will learn skills and adapt, but younger kids will most likely struggle, education will suffer, and they feel unsafe." School staffs try and do what they can to help the students. "For a student to get help, they need to reach out to someone and tell them what's happening. Then what we often do is investigate, depending on the severity of the situation, and call the parents in for a meeting, to see what the school can do to help. If the situation doesn't get better, we will call Child Protective Services," Trozak said.

Due to the sensitive nature of this topic, Ville staff got the viewpoint of a student online to provide insight into this type of situation. **Alana Levinson,** Pacific Standard writer, was a victim of parental drug abuse. Her rocky childhood was filled with the absence of a decent father. "My father totaled the family car during a bender, stole the savings from my parents' joint bank account, showed up at my mother's office begging for money to buy drugs, and tried to pick us up at school without permission," Levinson said. Through therapy and self help groups, Levinson was able to leave her traumatic situation behind her. According to the group **Children of Substance Abusers**, "75 percent of children from these broken homes, through sheer determination, managed to overcome the issues of their home life, proving that there's a way out."

The Force is still going strong

"Star Wars" remains through the years



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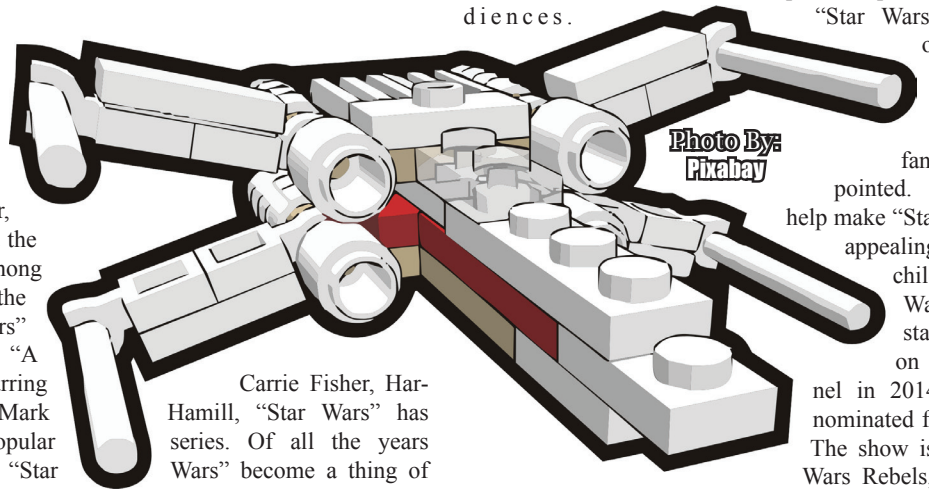

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"Star Wars" has been in the galaxy ever since 1977 and still lives on to this day. However, some believe that the force is dead among fans. Ever since the first "Star Wars" movie came out "A New Hope" starring Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford and Mark Hamill, "Star Wars" has been a very popular series. Of all the years it's been out, has "Star Wars" become a thing of the past?

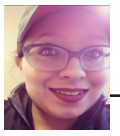
The short answer is no, but the long answer is noooooo. "Star Wars" is still as popular today as it was in 1977. " In 1997 "Star Wars" was one of the first Science fiction movies. "Star Wars" was the first of its kind. There was nothing like it." **Mr. Joshua Green,** social studies teacher said. The fan based age group has changed, but overall the number of people that like "Star Wars", has risen. "Star Wars" has kept itself up to date by making new movies and creating first person shooters games with "Star Wars" themes. These products please younger audiences.

"Star Wars" was taken over by Disney on October 30, 2012 and many fans were disappointed. Disney does help make "Star Wars" more appealing to younger children. "Star Wars" even started a show on Disney channel in 2014 which was nominated for 13 awards. The show is called "Star Wars Rebels," has helped draw in younger audiences.

Timing is everything. For the past three years, a movie has been released at Christmas time. This has helped with its popularity as well. The "Star Wars" fans very. "Star Wars" geeks know what Luke's Aunt and uncle's job was on Tatooine. The question is in sixty years "Star Wars" still have the box office Force.

New series sparks talk about suicide

Students binge watch "13 Reasons Why"



Story by: *Jerelynn Cooley*
Opinion Editor

Hannah Baker expected everyone to help her but never asked for help. "13 Reasons Why" is a new TV series on Netflix that was just released. The teenage drama follows high school student Clay Jensen around after he receives 13 tapes following Hannah Baker's death. The tapes include details about who had a hand in making Baker decide to end her life. Baker's suicide affected many, staff and students alike, but everyone wanted to put blame on others and not themselves.

Within the show, there are many lessons embedded into the the plot. Some of them include to watch what is said because words do hurt.

Once actions are put into motion, the future can't be stopped. The choices made have consequences. But the only way to see the true end result is... to press play. Baker ended her story before it was finished.

Ms. Trystyn McCarthy, teacher, said, "There were some really great lessons people can take from the book and the show '13 Reasons Why.' I think one of the obvious ones is that everything you do and say can and does affect the people around you. What you choose to do and say matters and often times it's more than you realize. It's really important to always treat people nicely and with respect because you might not know how your words or silence might make them feel."

Without a doubt Baker had it rough socially, but it has been argued that she didn't do enough to help herself, and she put the blame on other people. She pushed Clay, and everyone else away that truly cared about her. She could have talked to Clay and explain the situation. She never reached out to her parents, she never even hinted to them that she was going through a tough time.

Although, experts were contacted before the start of the series, certain scenes in the show were still used that may be triggering to people. Producers wanted to show the outcome of suicide and show what it's like for people affected by it. "The suicide scene was also very graphic, and I had a hard time watching it; however, I believe it was important for them to film it the way they did. The show made sure you couldn't glamorize her death," said McCarthy.

The intensity of the series has not been lost on teens who have watched it. **Madison Sharpy, '**20 said, "I felt like the rape and suicide scene was very emotional, but yet you felt everything, like you could relate to her experiences and somehow get help."

If students at school need help, counselors are in the building to help them. The National Suicide hotline is also available at 1-800-273-8255. The hotline has a chat so people can talk with someone and get help.

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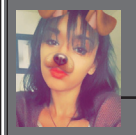
Underground Music

CHS Playlist Part two



Story by: *Briana Collins*
Editor in Chief

It's a popular opinion by now that radio has become "garbage" according to a Twitter poll that resulted in 83 percent claiming that "radio sucks." Most people prefer using their aux cord to play their own, more diverse selection of music. With that freedom comes an unexplored realm of beautiful, unique music that might be loved by many, but never get radio play. These songs sit in our hearts, and stand out from the "norm."
Here's a playlist of a few more hidden gems found by CHS.

Artist Recommended by Jordan Swigart, '17: Blackbear **Best song(s):** Help, Waste Away, Dirty Laundry, Idfc, Slide Through, Girls Like You

Artist Recommended by Joshua Touchette, '18: PnB Rock **Best song(s):** Selfish, Questions

Suggested by Grace Campbell, '17, Artist: Shapes & Colors **Best song(s):** The Pursuit, Don't Give up Kid, Rise, The Reckoning, The Life You Stole

Suggested by Samantha Allison, '20, Artist: CallMeKarizma **Best song(s):** If I Had a Heart, Darkness

Suggested by DeMond Scrutchions, '18, Artist: Russ **Best song(s):** Losin Control, What They Want, Psycho Pt. 2

Suggested by Cameron Burgess,'17, Artist: Spooky Black **Best song(s):** Intro, Without You, Reason, Forest Sounds

Songs Reccomended By Me

Artist: Pham **Best song(s):** Movement, Controls

Artist: Xxxtentacion **Best song(s):** The Fall, Skin, Look at Me, Ice Hotel, Ghost, R U N, Amy Winehouse, Kill Me, A Message to Tina Belcher

Artist: Jesse Rutherford **Best song(s):** Alone, Copy Paste, Addicted, When I´m Not Around, Vacation, Memorie$, Cell Phone Trap, Eleven, What They Need

Artist: Roy Woods **Best song(s):** Love You, Sonic Boom, Jealousy, Go Go Go, How I Feel, Switch

Artist: Teflon Sega **Best song(s):** Sinner, Beretta Lake

Artist: Jorja Smith **Best song(s):** Where Did I Go?, Beautiful Little Fools, Blue Lights, Carry me Home, A Prince, Something in the Way

Artist: Sabrina Claudio **Best song(s):** Tell Me, Orion's Belt, Confidently Lost, Female Energy

Artist: Lianne La Havas **Best song(s):** Don't Wake Me Up, No Room For Doubt, Elusive, Tease Me,
Artist: Willow Smith **Best song(s):** Flowers, 9, Summer Fling, Not So Different, Wait a Minute, Natives of the Forest, Waves of Nature, PCH, Tree, RANDOMSONG

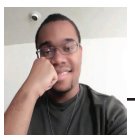
Artist: Purity Ring **Best song(s):** Begin Again, Bodyache, Lofticries

Photo By: **Andrayus Ware**

3....2....1..... GO! Ms. Lucinda Marinelli, english teacher, keeps a memorabilia of The Clarenceville staff supporting the Relay For Life in

Behind the scenes of Relay For Life

Runners showing their support for patients



Story by: *Andrayus Ware*
Feature Editor

The Relay for Life organization has a set date for Livonia. People are gearing up to run for patients, a cure, and a cause on June 3 and 4. In the past the event has seen huge turn-outs and this year likely won't be any different.

For those who are unfamiliar with Relay for Life, it is a organization that collects money for cancer research and patients. They accomplish this goal by accepting donations and volunteers at their events. One can expect to see cancer patients, caregivers, and those who support the event present. Volunteers walk the track for 3-24 days to symbolize the never ending battle that cancer patients have to fight. Donations are given in amounts as low as $1. It is also possible choose to turn the money into a participant, the team, the event, or online.

The events stress that no one should face cancer alone. Since they began organizing the event earlier this year they have raised around $15 thousand of their $90 thousand goal. Even though this is less than a fourth of the goal, every single bit counts and is put to good use.

Ms. Lucinda Marinelli, english teacher, participated when relay for life was held at the middle school,. That's right: it was held at the school before. Our own school district hosted these events. Marinelli said, "What surprised me were the groups that went to extremes to coordinate clothes, it was spectacular!"

Ms. Susan Mahoney, administrative assistant, said "In the past there were attitudes of camaraderie to sadness from those lost." The support for cancer patients and survivors cannot be stressed enough.

When citizens turn out for these events hope is given, giving cancer patients a reason to continue to fight. That's what Relay for Life is all about. For more information visit http://main.acsevents.org.

Spring sports recap

Story by: *Nakib Nur*
Business Manager

Photo By: **Nihal Suthakar**

Goal! Breanna Ford, '20, makes a shot into the opposing team's net.

Girls Soccer

The girls are kicking their way through the competition this season. The team mercied Romulus High School 8-0. **Paola Gonzalez**, '17 said, "Although our communication skills could use some work, our team is very new so we are improving every day."

Baseball

The boys are swinging into action. They have had a superb season so far with their win to lose record at 7-4. "Pretty much all of the underclassmen stand out this year. They are stepping up when they are needed and it helps the team as a whole," **Robert Jaber**, '17 said.

Photo By: **Jdarr**

Nathan Thomas races with all his spirit to pass the torch to his teammates.

Track

The team has had a slow takeoff from the starting line. **Justin Davis,** '19 said, "The team's goals is to get as many points as possible, win and get qualify for regionals."

Coach **Cassandra Gustafson** added, "Everyone is doing great and learning a lot along the way. There are a lot of new athletes, which is good, but it is kind of a rebuilding season. The Sanchez brothers, Joseph Sanchez '17 and Jonathan Sanchez '19, are always breaking their records every day."

Photo By: **Nihal Suthakar**

Smack! she hits the ball and runs for first base. The Softball team won against a few schools and Reford Union was one of them.

Softball

The softball team's season is underway and the team members are working hard for each win. They have won two out of their eleven games so far. **Autumn Farr**, '19 said, "The coaches are coaching a little differently this year. Last year the coaches coached us like we were family." The team's skills, slowly but surely, are improving.

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Guide to Prom

Tips & Tricks!

Story by: *Seth Krazel*
Photo Editor

Be chivalrous, prom night isn't the time to be a savage

Be prepared for dancing! Your feet are going to hurt, get over it

Be clear with expectations, people can't read minds

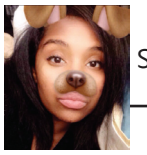
Be clean, wear deodorant. It's fancier than a normal day at school

Be reasonable. It's prom night, not High School Musical

Don't go crazy. It's just a dance, so enjoy yourself

The End is Finally Here!

That Moment You Realize You're "Adulting"



Story by: *Raquel Mance*
Editor in Chief

In high school, students are faced with many adult decisions by their senior year. However, there are defining moments throughout the year when the light comes on and the transition to adulthood becomes a reality. Check out a few "adulting" moments from fellow students:

•The 'moment' for me would be when I start looking into and getting letters from colleges," **Paola Gonzalez**, '17, said.
•"When I turned 18 and realized that I would have to pay taxes, because regardless of how many classes I've taken I still have no clue what I'm doing," **Grace Campbell**, '17, said.
•"The moment that I realized my tax return money was going to go towards bills," **Kam Krettlen**, '17, said.
•"My 'moment' would have to be when I wrote my first actual check," **Starlyn Thurmond**, '17, said.
•"The moment I realized was when I had to start paying for everything I do, like going out or bills," **Nickendra Thomas**, '17, said.