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New Gem Added to MHS



Ashley Bright

Jewell is a new furry presence that roams MHS and works as a therapy dog. She is a year old Black Labrador. Jewell's birthday is January 18th, 2022

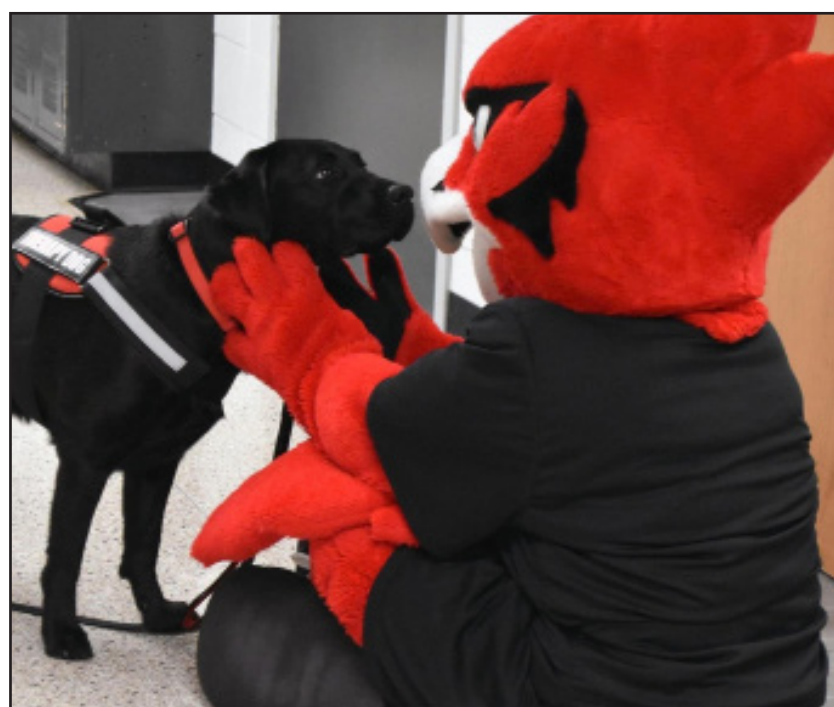
and her owner is Associate Principal, Tara Huber.

Jewell's purpose at MHS is to provide mental health support and help students that may be in any crisis or anxious situations.

Therapy dogs are useful for many reasons. They encourage social skills, increase comfort, promote engagement in learning, and have a positive impact on students' mental health.

Having Jewell at MHS has its hopes of getting students to want to attend school, knowing she is here. "We hope it will help with attendance concerns with students," Huber said.

Jewell was trained by OccuPAWS organization, which trains them to be service dogs for peo-



Jewell greets Rocky the Red Hawk in the hallway. Jewell, the school's new therapy dog roams the halls, joins classes, and hangs out in the main office. Photo by: Kari Klebba

ple with visual impairments. After her training at OccuPAWS, Jewell was trained by Jelaine Olsen, and after that, she joined MHS.

Jewell doesn't have a complete schedule yet, however, she does go into the special education classes during second hour. There, she has students in charge of her with

adult supervision.

Sometimes she is scheduled to be in the student services office a couple times throughout the day. Other times if she is requested by a classroom, she will go there.

Senior Tiara Feltz feels that Jewell is a perfect fit for MHS. "I think she is a great addition because of how well she works with the students," Feltz said.

Students seem to be enjoying the fact that Jewell is now at MHS. "I'm sure that Jewell encourages people to show up to school which I think is really good," Feltz said.

Jewell does very well in accomplishing her purpose. "I think Jewell serves her purpose well because I noticed when people go and see her they are more relaxed than beforehand," Feltz said.

When students interact with Jewell, they are expected to pet

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FFA's Takes Unforgettable Trip



Lauren Stutika

Over the summer the FFA took some students on a trip out of the country to Ireland.

There were nineteen students and three chaperones that went.

While there they went sightseeing, ate at amazing restaurants, and visited many different farms in hopes of learning about what agriculture is like in Ireland compared to the U.S.

They were there for 10 days starting on June 18 to the 27.

Every day they traveled all around Ireland hoping to gain new experiences and learn more about what it is like there.

A big part of the trip was all the different farms they visited. Junior Annalei Harvey said, "My favorite farm visit was the Irish National Stud Farm because it gave me an insight on some other experiences I might want to do in the future."

Harvey is interested in working with horses so going to the Irish National Stud Farm helped her learn more about the different things she could bring to the U.S. and possibly do differently than other farms here.

Throughout all the days they were there they visited six different farms: an apple orchard, strawberry, dairy, oyster, beef, and a horse breeding farm. The farm visit that seemed to be the most memorable was the oyster farm.



FFA members stand in front of the Bunratty Castle in Ireland one of the many places they toured. Photo by: Stacy Skemp

At the oyster farm, they had a competition trying to pack oysters as fast as they could and they got to try fresh oysters which many people did not enjoy.

The students and staff enjoyed the competition, but for most, the food wasn't as delightful. "The grossest food I tried were the fresh oysters; I didn't like the slimy texture and taste," Ag teachers and FFA advisor Stacy Skemp said. Skemp wasn't the only one who felt that way about the fresh oysters. "The grossest food I tried was the fresh oysters they were extremely salty and the texture was really gross," Harvey said.

Many others agreed with Skemp and Harvey that the fresh oysters were less than good.

Though not many enjoyed

the taste of the fresh oysters for Skemp it was enjoyable. "My favorite farm visit was the oysters they did a phenomenal job making it interactive and I felt like I learned a lot because it was something I wasn't familiar with at all," Skemp said.

Another popular part of the trip that was much more enjoyable than the fresh oysters, was the sightseeing.

They visited the Cliffs of Moher, Temple Bar, Tiffany College, the Irish Immigration Museum, St. Patrick's Cathedral, and went on a bus tour of Dublin.

Out of all the places they visited, Harvey seemed to like the Cliffs of Moher the best. "It was my favorite place we visited because it was beautiful and something I have

never gotten to see before and I would go back," Harvey said.

Harvey wasn't the only one who liked the Cliffs of Moher the best for Skemp it was also her favorite place they visited.

When visiting a different country there are bound to be many big differences in things to see, foods to try, etc. but that wasn't what surprised Harvey the most.

What did surprise her was the way people acted and the things they did. "Everyone is a lot nicer, and they drink more often than we do," Harvey said. They have morning bars that open at about 6 every day and it was common for people to start drinking then. They would also have night bars

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Yearbook reminders:

1. Senior portraits are due: **Friday, October 27**

2. Senior quotes are due: **Friday, October 27**

3. Senior Recognition Ads are due: **Monday, December 4**

New Year, New Faces at MHS



Trey Ripley



Molly Granger

With every new school year comes a group of new teachers, with each group bringing more to the staff each year. That said, this year's group seems to be a special one. Consisting of three math, two science, two tech, and a slew of other teachers ranging from agriculture to physical education to a new choir teacher, each of the 13 new staff brings something unique to our staff. Take a look below to meet MHS's newest faces.



Taylor Bauer

Physical Education & Health

A not-so-new face to Milton High School, Ms. Bauer had actually subbed for Twlydmeyer during the 2021 school year. An active runner, kayaker, and biker, Bauer came to Milton with her love of health and exercise. "One of my biggest influences in high school were my coaches and teachers," said Bauer "So I decided that I wanted to become a physical education teacher." Right now, Ms. Bauer is teaching both Lifelong Activities and Phy ed for music students, as well as Health for the freshmen.



Zach Kuehne

Math

One of the many new math teachers this year, Mr. Kuehue comes up to MHS from the middle school after over 14 years at Beloit Turner. An avid card and board game player, Mr. Kuehue decided to take his puzzle-solving skills to the classroom. "My father was a principal," said Kuehue "I've always enjoyed working with people and seeing their 'aha moment' when working towards a goal". Mr. Kuehue teaches Geometry and Algebra II at the end of the Stem Wing.



Lyman Elliot

Technical Education

A former social studies teacher, Mr. Elliot came on as a Tech Ed teacher after almost 20 years across Beloit and Madison. Teaching Home & Auto, Intro to Furniture Making and Advanced Cabinetry and Woodworking, Mr. Elliot gets students hands-on experience in trades. "Knowing how to do hands-on work will help you save money, grow useful skills, and be prepared

for life after school," Elliot said. In addition to his teaching duties, Elliot also volunteers as a paramedic for a local fire department. The National Board Certified Teacher is very excited to teach closer to home.



Mason Pautsch
Technical Education

The other half of the new tech ed duo, Mr. Pautsch joins MHS from Whitewater after a period in Wisconsin Heights, near Madison. The Rice Lake native enjoys finding new ways to keep himself busy. "I'm a serial hobby person - not great at anything but I like experiencing everything," said Pautsch. From martial arts to hunting and fishing to playing instruments, Pautsch has done it all. The CAD & Woods and Intro to Engineering teacher is really taking a liking to Milton so far. "I'm still adjusting to the Milton school schedule, but overall I really enjoy the school so far. The staff are great and the kids seem amazing."



Melissa Steffen
Math

Another of the new math teachers, Mrs. Steffen joins Milton after lots of teaching everywhere from Muskego to Illinois to Fort Atkinson. The Algebra teacher and blueberry farmer enjoys spending time with her family outside of her teaching, especially going camping. While math wasn't always in the equation for her, Steffen has really come to enjoy teaching. "I really wanted to be an architect, but I couldn't draw houses for the life of me. I really liked working with data, and I think students are just really cool and unique." Steffen said. The former soccer player and coach is really looking forward to settling in at MHS.



Paige Stilen

Agriculture Education

An MHS alum, Mrs. Stilen returns to Milton to give back to the Ag department. The Class of 2018 graduate is eager to return to her hometown with her passion for Agriculture. "I've always wanted to see students go into agriculture and grow their leadership skills through Future Farmers of America (FFA)," said Stilen. An outdoorsy person, Stilen enjoys activities like kayaking, fishing, and hiking. The Vet Science and Eco Wildlife teacher is settling down in Milton as she plans her wedding as well.



Whitney Suchanek
Milton Wired Paraprofessional

While not exactly a teacher, Miss Suchanek joins our staff as the Milton Wired paraprofessional. Helping out students who do online learning via the Wired program, monitoring students' progress in various classes, and setting up meetings with students. While not her cup of tea, Miss Suchanek is really enjoying maintaining online classes "It's something different from what I usually do, but it's interesting figuring out online classes work and helping students." Said Suchanek. "It also makes it easier to help my son with his schoolwork." Suchanek often enjoys snowboarding and traveling, as well as summer activities.



Elizabeth Brockwell
Music

Elizabeth Brockwell is Milton's newest Music Education teacher, she had taught at many other districts before coming to join Miltons district. Brockwell feels that Milton is a good match for her, she said, "I was absolutely just blown away with the facilities here and the music program here, it's just amazing and I just wanted to be a part of it." One of Brockwells teachers, who had inspired her during her school years, was her music teacher, "I absolutely loved my music teacher, she was awesome, she was amazing, she did everything, and I wanted to do what she did," Brockwell said. On the topic of teachers being amazing, Brockwell has her own goals going for her, she said, "Right now for this year my goal is to make my choirs amazing, give them confidence, help them to be the best singers and performers they can be."



Allison Flynn
Art

Allison Flynn is Milton's art teacher, this is her first time teaching besides being a substitute! For Flynn's first job in teaching she chose Milton, "I chose Milton just because I think there's a strong sense of community here and there's a lot of great opportunities for students both in art and outside of art." Flynn said. Flynn is now taking the opportunity to inspire her current students just like her past teachers inspired her, "A lot of my art teachers inspired me

to teach, they were some of the best people that I knew, and were always just so excited to teach and to be in class, and to help students and their big inspirations of mine," Flynn said. Go to page 3 to read more of Ms. Flynn



Jared Holmes
Science

Jared Holmes teaches Earth Science, this is his second year of teaching. Holmes really enjoys science, "I think the thing that made me want to teach science in general is just that I liked science, science is happening all the time all around and I like being able to understand the things around me," Holmes said. While Holmes is new to the area he had already started to become familiar with the community before he even started teaching, "In the hiring process I liked to visit the area, to kind of get a feel. When I came to Milton, I showed up really early on interview day to go around town. I stopped at Sharlas' and was really impressed with the community," Holmes said.

Teaching for Holmes is ideal because it's different each day, "you think you know what will happen that day, but everyday is a surprise, you never know what's going to happen." Mr Holmes said, "The uniqueness of day to day is just something that keeps you going, it doesn't get boring at all."



Katie Kinman
Math

Katie Kinman has many skills, not only has she been teaching math for eight years, but she has been coaching volleyball here at Milton for two years. Kinman teaches Geometry and Honors Geometry. Growing up, Kinman wasn't positive that she would teach math, but she was positive that she would be a teacher, "I've always known I was going to be a teacher of some sort," Kinman said, "I've always liked to help people and work with people that were young." While Kinman enjoys teaching it sometimes gets hard, "School can be stressful at times, but it's rewarding." One of Kinman's most rewarding times as a teacher was thanks to one of her students, "I had a student from middle school and then he graduated last year, and in seventh and eighth grade he definitely hated math gave me a little bit of run for my money, we struggled through some things and we got through it, but his senior year he completely turned it around and now he's in college and has a scholarship. He came back to me his senior year and thanked me and said you helped me."



Charles Liechty
Science

Charles Liechty is one of Milton's new Science teachers, he teaches Physical Science, Chemistry, and Physics. Liechty had been a teacher for ten years, before he finally decided to join Miltons district, "I had heard good things about it, it has a good reputation; a district that's well supported, and good students." He said. After teaching as many years as Liechty has he would know if it's enjoyable, "I enjoy it's different everyday and every year it's interesting," he said, "I enjoyed teaching and enjoyed science, I didn't wanna be stuck at a desk." When Liechty is not enjoying his time at school and working hard he will, "Go hiking, I spend most of my time chasing my kids, so it's mostly whatever they want to do."



Caitlin Mullarky
English

Mrs Mullarky is one of Milton's English teachers, before working here she had taught at Jansville Parker for two years, yet before that she taught for eight years at Lake Mills. Mullarky's initial bachelor is in French and she was able to teach abroad for a while. Mullarky is able to use her past skills of teaching French, and transfer that to teaching English, "When I learned French it actually really helped me teach English," Mullarky said, "when I learned a second language I really understood how a language works and I started to think about it in terms of how we do things, so it really helped me understand why English is the way it is." From the early age of five, Mullarky already was certain she would be a teacher, "It sounds so cheesy but I honestly never thought I would do anything else," she said, "I initially thought I was going to be a french teacher." Mullarky's family grew very quickly, she had twins! This meant she needed to find a house to settle down in, "When we thought about where we wanted our kids to grow up we were drawn to this area."

These 13 teachers are all delightful additions to start off this school year, they all add something unique to Milton, and truly are already making a big impact to this school. One thing quite a few had in common is they all enjoy the uniqueness that teaching brings them each day, hopefully this uniqueness can carry on throughout the year.

Meet Milton's Newest International Red Hawks



Erin Blankenheim-Villarreal

Being a foreign exchange student can be a very unique experience. Having to jump into a new and foreign culture without really knowing anyone. This year Milton is hosting 3 foreign exchange students, who know all about this.

One of this years foreign exchange students is Rafael Baez, a junior from Peru. Baez's first host family is the Warrens. Baez will be spending the whole school year in Milton, and is very excited. "Its a very important opportunity for me, want to learn about the culture and make new friends, very important for my future," Baez said.

Although there is an excitement coming to a new country, leaving love ones can be tough for anyone. "I was sad when I said bye to my family, especially my mom and brother," Baez said.

Despite a having to say a hard good-bye, Baez was very animated about coming to Milton because America was his top choice.

Adjusting between cultures can be interesting, especially when the cultures are very different. "The people here are more social, and many people drive cars, in Peru they mostly use the bus," Baez said.

Baez has not only had to adjust to a completely different culture, but a different school too. "The classes are different, for example in Peru there are no business and marketing classes, only core classes in school." Baez said.

When adjusting to a new school a major component can be a person to help guide you through the transition.

Mr. Thies is the Advisor of Cultural Exchange Students, which is a role he finds very interesting and fun because he is an avid traveler himself. He has lived abroad in Taiwan, while teaching students English. "I love to travel and have traveled. Even though I wasn't I student I know what it is like to be in a new place," Thies said.

Thies is the first official school contact that any foreign exchange students has with Milton High School and a friendly face for when they arrive in Milton. "I communicate with their program



Top left: Louisa Borsutzky finishes strong in her cross country race. Photo by Sarah Brechtl
Top Right: Dani Cevera serves the ball over the net. Photo by Sarah Brecht.
Bottom left: Rafeal Baez and Connor Froeber wave to kids in the parade. Photo by Aurora Dull.

coordinator, once I know they are coming I communicate with the host family, then like any other new student I meet them, introduce them, and give them a tour," Thies said.

Due to Thies' experience working with the students he has some insight on what they most enjoy about being in Milton. "I bet it is the social aspect of attending sports events, and dances, having the social part of highschool that many don't experience in their home culture and participating in high school sports," Thies said.

Baez agrees with Thies, as he has a couple activities that he wants to be involved with to help better submerge himself into the Milton Community. "I want to join the Interact club," Baez said.

Along with the Baez, there are two other foreign exchange student at the high school this year, Dani Castilla Cevera and Louisa Borsutzky.



Cevera is a junior from Mexico. She is being hosted by Snow family this year, and joins her host sister, sophomore Teagan Snow. Cevera is a member of the girls tennis team.

Borsutzky is from Germany. She is doing one semester of her junior year in Milton and will be here until January. She is being hosted by former MHS English teacher and librarian Holly Nelson and her family.

As much it is an amazing opportunity for the exchange students to experience another country, it is also important to meet and learn about the foreign exchange students in your school, and Thies whole heartedly agrees. "To be exposed to people from other cultures is very important," Thies said. "To understand there is a whole different way of communicating and thinking."



Milton Art Classes Find New Teacher



Allison Flynn helps freshman student with cardboard shoe project. Flynn is in her first year teaching art at MHS. Photo by Ashley Bright.



Cam Shaw

Fresh out of college, Allison Flynn is taking on her first independent teaching job at Milton High School. After graduating from UW Madison and student teaching at both Sun Prairie East and the Madison School District, Flynn is just getting started with her career. She is teaching all of the art classes from drawing to pottery, as well as managing the art club.

Taking over such a big department single handedly, Flynn finds she needs to figure out the best ways possible to keep everything in order. "I'm trying to do a lot of planning so I just try to plan what students might need and try to anticipate some problems along the way. I try to check in with students, just balance everything the best that I can," Flynn said.

She's found that the wonderful community helps to lessen the stress, making her job a pleasant experience. "I am enjoying it so far, the workload is a lot, but great students and staff make it really worth it," Flynn said.

Coming from Walworth Wisconsin, and then moving to Madison for college, Flynn has spent time living in two very different places. She's found that Milton is a nice inbetween of the two.

"I like the size of the community and I like the way the community engages here," Flynn said.

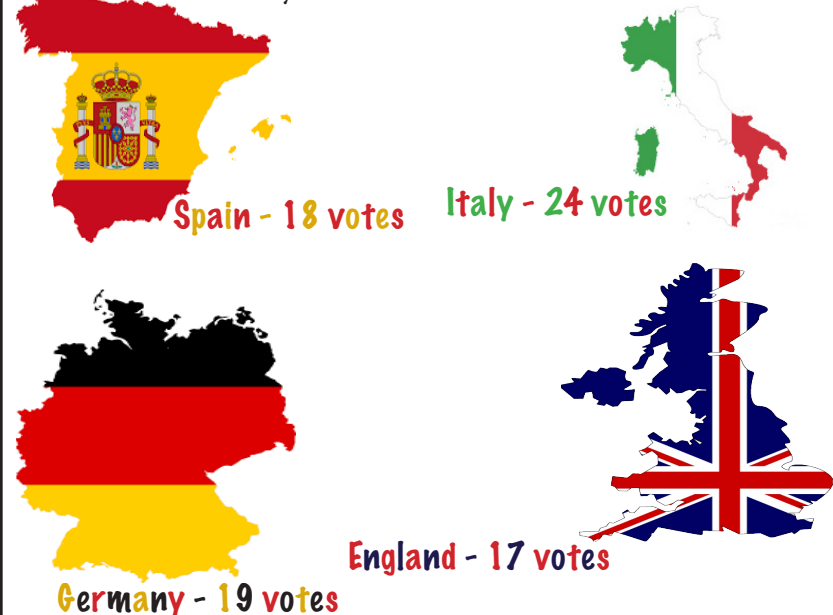
Flynn finds art to be much more enjoyable when surrounded by others. "I don't enjoy sitting alone in a studio making art. I really like being with other people, helping people come up with ideas, doing things for the community. I knew I didn't want to just sit alone and make art," Flynn said.

Flynn has been enjoying art as long as she can remember. "Since I was really little I would color I would draw, my mom gave me a little sketchbook to carry around when I was in kindergarten," Flynn said. Her favorite of her own pieces was inspired by the movie Pan's Labyrinth, done using an old printing technique. "Lithography was really difficult at first so I was proud I made something I like," Flynn said. Flynn is a persistent learner, and teacher to herself and others.

She wants all of her students to get the most out of their art classes as possible. "I want them to take away that they can be artistic. I know not everyone is going to go to college to be an artist, but I want everyone to feel like they can make art and be creative in their life after high school, and not be afraid to be creative," Flynn said.

Where do we want to visit?

Created by: Erin Blankenheim-Villarreal



The MHS today survey asked students where they would want to spend a year studying abroad if they had the option. There were 180 total response, ranging from China to Finland to Los Angeles. The four front runners were Italy, Germany, Spain and England.

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her with permission and be mindful while around her. They are also expected to give her space and pet her under her chin.

Doing these things allows Jewell to feel happy and safe while at school.

While Jewell is here at school, she seems to be very mellow. "At school Jewell is lazy because she spends all her time playing at home. We have another labrador at home and she loves to play for hours," said Huber.

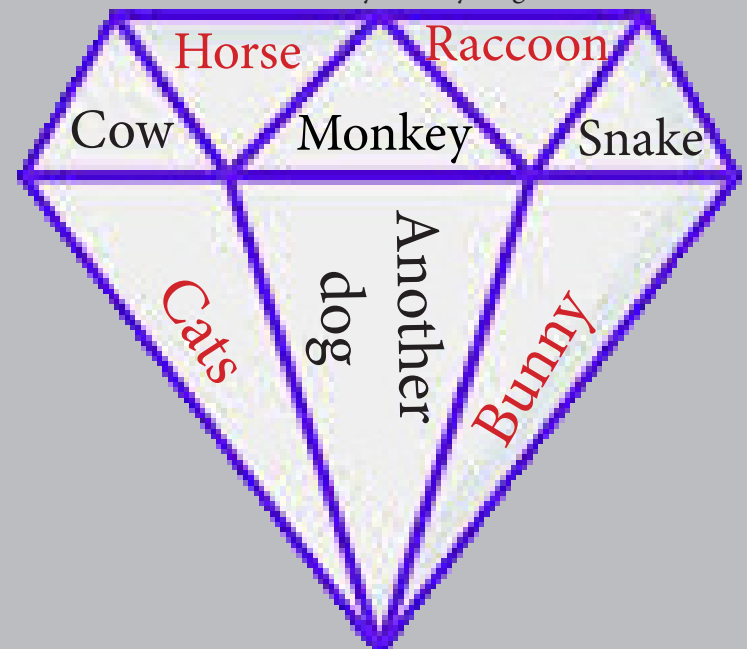
According to Huber, "Jewell has a stuffed animal dinosaur at home that she treats like her baby."

Overall, Jewell works well with both students and her stuffed animals.

She makes a good effort in providing support for students which makes her a perfect fit for MHS.

MHS's Preferred Therapy Animal

Created by: Ashley Bright



MHS students that responded to the 1st Edition survey were asked what their preferred therapy animal would be. Many students responded and the most common answers were placed in the jewel. Jewell is a perfect fit for MHS so she will not be replaced.

Trick-Or-Treating, Thing of the Past?



Marzdin Johnson

For many, Halloween is the best night of the year. Streets fill with trick-or-treaters dressed up going door to door receiving their share of candy.

More recently, many candy bowls are being left full by the end of the night, streets almost empty, and teenagers staying home.

Trick-or-treating has had its share of issues whether it be spiked or tampered candy, but more recently, COVID has been the issue. Mandates during the pandemic created kids who are used to staying inside and seem to prefer the confines of their homes and candy.

One student, senior Hannah Henthorn, was affected by the changes. "COVID definitely affected everything socially, so going out and getting close to others just wasn't normal at the time," Henthorn said. Once people were told to stay inside, social events were canceled, and this changed the event into candy stations and/or trunk-or-treating.

Some parents created new ways to enthrall children during Halloween. Social studies teacher and parent of two, Ryan Neuen-schwander(Newy), noticed how some community members adapted. "As some houses went through COVID they became more elaborate, like leaving a bowl out and watching, and more people setting up a station for easy access," Newy said.

While the pandemic certainly affected the event, other ongoing fears still affected parents' opinions on having children participate. "General safety, cars driving slowly when going through a neighborhood with kids trick-or-treating, that is my main concern," social studies teacher and

parent Kimberly Melms said.

Other issues could be affecting the event such as the debate about whether or not trick-or-treating should have an age limit, excluding teenagers. Out of 237 MHS students polled, 33.9% are still going to trick or treat this year.

"Trick-or-treating can be for anyone. As long as you are respectful," senior Abby Mathews, said. Many just parents hope their kids are safe and respectful on what could be a hectic night.

"I have an 8th grader who will probably stay back, but if she wanted to be with friends and wouldn't be mean and do bad things, I would say she should go and have fun," Newy said.

While the actual event has no set age limit some houses refuse to give out candy based on their own views which ruins it for many. One senior, Jordan Hayes, has been turned down for looking too old, "There was this one year where one house I went to gave candy to everyone before me, and then went on to tell me I looked too old for candy."

Trick-or-treating will continue to live on as it creates memories and is a continued tradition for many. Newy shared a childhood memory he had when trick-or-treating. "One year I went as ALF, a weird fuzzy alien and I combined it with an old costume of an ewok, so it was half ewok half ALF, it got a lot of attention from others. It was a lot of fun," Newy said.

Trick-or-treating is an event for all who want to have a night where dressing up and getting free candy can be a reality. While fears can affect the fun, it will never end, memories and traditions will live alongside the Halloween night event known as trick-or-treating forever.

Crunching The Numbers

By: Marzdin Johnson

36.9% Maybe



33.9% Yes

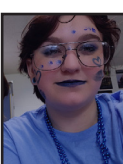


29.2% No



Trick or treating is the event many consider the best part of the year. Picking a costume and going around the town getting candy is so fun, but some feel differently and would rather stay in. 237 MHS students were asked if they were going to go trick or treating and these are the responses.

The Holiday Headscratcher Milton Debates Holiday Cult Classic



Delilah McKaig

It's that time of year again....Halloween! And one of the favorite movies is in season, most people know it and might love it, *The Nightmare Before Christmas!*

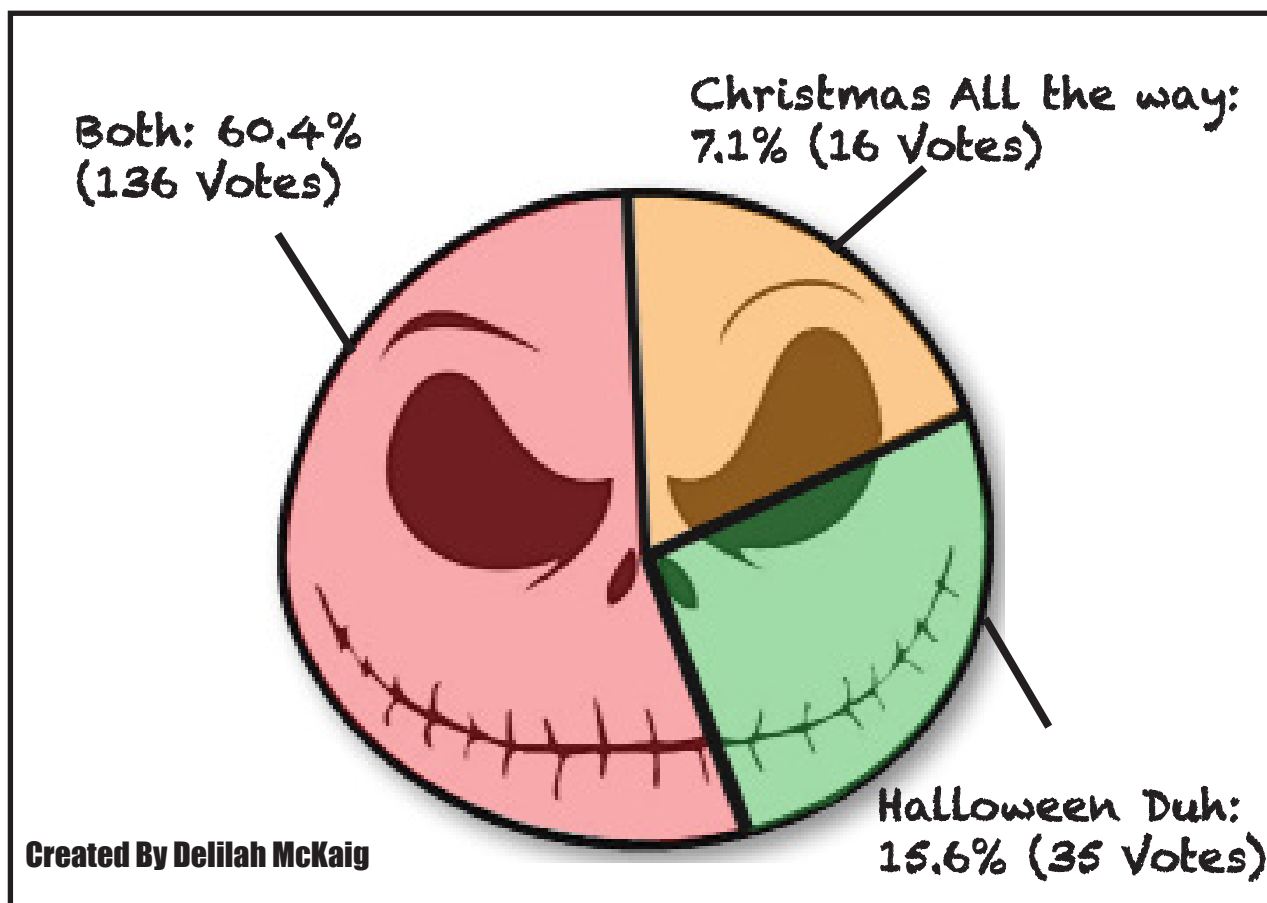
While some may have seen it or not, the film is a classic from 1993 and director Tim Burton certainly went all out on the Claymation.

The movie features many fascinating characters including Jack Skellington, Sally, Zero, Oogie Boogie, Santa Claus and so many more.

Set in Halloweentown, Jack Skellington is on a mission to become Santa Claus but there's many obstacles along the way.

Though it is popular, there is considerable confusion and debate about whether it is a Halloween or Christmas movie. In a recent online survey, out of 225 students, 60.4% of students answered that they think the movie is both a Christmas movie and a Halloween movie, while only 15.6% answered halloween and 7.1% answered christmas.

School Psychologist and *Nightmare Before Christmas* enthusiast Allison Kerkman, watched the film for the first time around 1996 when she was in eighth



grade. She now watches it every Halloween.

"I thought it was amazing," Kerkman said, "Claymation as a Halloween movie instead of Christmas was awesome." She originally had thought about majoring in art and animation because of her love of Claymation films.

Kerkman's favorite character from the film was Sally, the stitched up girl created by Dr. Finkelstein. "I wanted to be Sally," Kerkman said, "I liked that Sally was also redheaded, and had a good heart."

And as for the question of which holiday this film associates with, "I'd say Halloween," Kerkman

said. While the question may grab your curiosity, the movie itself is a curious piece and according to Kerkman, "Either you love it or you hate it."

So, grabbing some popcorn and a blanket and starting up this Tim Burton classic isn't a bad idea. Who knows, it might just start a Halloween tradition.

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that would open in the late afternoon.

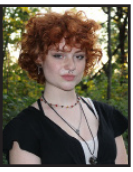
Skemp thought the way they planned their day compared to the U.S. was most surprising. "I would probably say they are way more relaxed and they aren't managing every second of their day -their pace is much slower. Like lots of things in the U.S. are open 24 hours or open at the crack of dawn," Skemp said.

For travelers, there are bound to be some strange encounters with locals or other travelers. While visiting a church Harvey had an interesting encounter. "We were getting a tour and we were at a church in the front and a drunk guy came up to us and asked us where we are from. We said America and he was like are you French and we said no Americans. Then he said the American school system sucks and left mad because we were Americans," Harvey said.

Though Skemp didn't have the same odd encounter as Harvey, she still had one of her own. "We talked to 3 older gentlemen all retired. They were funny and asked us all kinds of questions like it's cool you came to Ireland but why did you bring kids and stuff like that," Skemp said.

There is another opportunity for students to travel out of the country through FFA. In the summer of 2025, they are going to Australia for 13 days which both Skemp and Harvey plan to go.

Milton Haunted?



Have you ever entered an empty room and "felt" that someone or something was there? Have you ever heard a door close without being touched? Have

you ever looked at a photo and noticed a shadowy "figure" in the background? The supernatural may be all around us, and in Wisconsin there is more supernatural activity than meets the eye.

Many different cryptids stalk our every move. A cryptid by definition is "an animal that has been claimed to exist, but the existence has never actually been proven." From Wendigos (large deer headed monsters of people turned to creatures from cannibalistic tendencies), Mothman (a large man/moth creature known for its red piercing gaze), to Skinwalkers (bloodthirsty, sickly, horrors who want to steal your skin), and the Hodag (a fearsome critter resembling a large bull-horned carnivore with a row of thick curved spines down its back.)

There definitely is a fair share of spooky creatures that could be run into on an evening stroll. Throughout the years, many different, local ghost stories have originated! "When I was in sixth grade there was talk of a band curse, really the thing that started people talking about it more was me dropping my mouth piece for my trumpet right before our first performance." Elayna Calvangna said.

An ideal local destination for spooks would be the Milton House, a historically preserved building that is near Storrs road. The Milton house has its own share of paranormal experiences that have happened to tours and groundskeepers throughout the years.

Executive Director of the Milton House from 2015-2019 and member of the Historical Society of Milton Kari Klebba is a skeptical believer of the paranormal and unknown. She said, "Things have been reported to me many times, but I have had no personal experiences myself. It is hard to say if the Milton House itself is haunted or not." Mrs. Klebba also said that, "I try to hold it to a standard of skepticism, my reflex is to believe before doubting someone else's scenario."

The Milton House itself has been around since 1844, but the location itself has been in use since 1838. The octagonal building that makes up the main building we see now, was built from the ground up one foot at a time. Nearby the main building is a smaller wooden cabin, which

is part of a three building structure. The cabin originally resided farther from its current location, but was dismantled log by log and moved to where it sits today. There is also an old well that sits under the Storrs Lake Road nearby.

The cabin and the Milton house are connected by an underground tunnel which was originally three feet tall, but was widened by the historical society to six feet for touring purposes.

Senior and tour guide of The Milton House Alex Jones recalls a "welcoming ritual" for new guides where they are in the tunnel alone

and the lights are cut. During one of these welcoming pranks, two unnamed employees left a trainee in the tunnel. This trainee was holding someone's shoulder while being led through the tunnel, but the other employees had already left the chamber. There is no explanation for this event, Alex said, "I am convinced there are presences here, I have just never encountered them myself, and I'm not sure I want to."

The widening of the passage was a debate among the members, because of the history of what had taken place there. The tunnel was once an active part of the under-

in these hunts. The ghost hunters performed several different attempts to commune with the other side, and caught movement on video. These ghost hunts have been open to the public, and were used as fundraisers by the Milton Society to preserve the location for future generations.

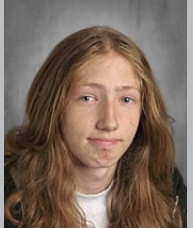
One of the strange occurrences that have taken place is an image that circulated of the "Lady in Gray." The story is of a woman decorated in a gray or gray blue dress in a Victorian style fashion. She was captured in an image walking on the street in front of the Milton House, simply perusing the property. This woman is thought to be one of the Goodrich wives; she is supposedly sticking around to ensure the well being of her home. Klebba is quite confident in this hypothesis, and was very persistent on the time period due to the sightings of the gray lady and her decorated outfit.

Another occurrence was a strange man who was persistently knocking on the front door of the Milton House, this door is not normally in use and is not used for tours. Several staff members were maintaining and closing the Milton House for the night when they heard the knocking, at first it was thought to be a figment of their imagination and was ignored. When the knocking continued the unnamed staff members went to investigate, they were met with a very overdressed man asking about a performance.

When the man was told that there was no performance, and the employees had not heard of any. The man quickly turned to leave, and seemingly disappeared into the night. The employees reported that he hadn't necessarily left the field of vision, it was like the night just swallowed him and he vanished.


A nearby building had been a performance hall in the past, but is now not used as such. This is the direction that the man walked off towards, after having normal sensible conversation with several people at the Milton House.

The freedom seekers were a big part of this place's history, so it would make sense to think they may still be at this location. Despite this, Klebba feels strongly that they have not stayed at the Milton House. Klebba said, "Freedom seekers would not stay, they were so close to getting their freedom and that was all they ever wanted. I do not believe that they would have stayed attached to this place when it was just a stepping stone for them into their new lives."




Joey Garza,
Sophomore

"My 12th birthday I woke up around 5 am. I turned on my light and I look into my hallway, the door is open and I saw a silhouette of a shadow person standing outside of my room, he walked away down the hallway into the darkness. I always thought it was my brother who passed away in 2008."




Elan Klam,
Sophomore

"When I was seven, there was a silhouette of a demon about 7 feet tall, that would appear in my room when I slept. I had sleep paralysis often as a kid. I think this was tied to the house. I went to get water and my kitchen was trashed plates broken, cabinets open, there was absolutely no explanation for this."



Mr. Heilman,
Teacher

"I dont know if I believe in ghosts, ive had a few things happen to me that are interesting, my brother in laws parents have a ghost in their attic that gets more active around holidays."



Elayna Brown,
Junior

"A guy was walking on my stairs in my house before I lived there and a car crashed into the building and he died, I have heard running in my attic that I believe to be him."

ground railroad, built by founder of Milton, Joseph Goodrich. The Goodrich family helped escaped slaves on their journey to freedom by harboring them within the Milton House.

Joseph Goodrich and his family became pillars of the community, which played a large part in their success. This allowed them to operate this mission without being reported. Klebba said, "I think it is a miracle it was a community wide effort to harbor these people on their path to freedom."

The secret tunnel was connected to the cabin through a root cellar, which was used at the time as a safe zone. People could take shelter within the cabin, a kitchen was kept nearby in one of the other three buildings.

This location was intentional by Joseph, and was meant to be a business opportunity along with being close to many different travel points. The entire place is now preserved, and is open to the public for touring. According to Klebba, visitors of the Milton House are, "Walking in the footsteps of history."

In the school survey taken from 233 students, 34 said that they absolutely do believe in ghosts. Ghosts are often seen as a sort of scary thing, Klebba

encourages people to think of the Milton House entities as more of a Casper type deal.

One of our seniors here Johnny Flowers said, "I do believe in ghosts, Casper is a pretty convincing argument for me." These friendly ghosts were of people who wanted to help others reach freedom.

Carson Kapellen, a Senior said, "I believe ghosts are tied to the place where they died. This tie is due to having strong emotions connected with that location, possibly haunting lovers, or people who had wronged them in the previous existence."

Ghost Hunters have asked to perform ghost hunts and observations at the Milton House, many times. These requests have been declined because sometimes ghost hunters do not necessarily respect these sacred locations. According to Klebba, this is why they weren't allowed to do the seances in fear of damage to the property.

There have been several seances performed at the nearby Milton College by the "Society for Anomalist Studies." This location has been known to be very active for paranormal activity. There are videos posted online to a facebook page by a group of ghost hunters who saw presences caught

October Birthdays

- October 1**
CLAIRE AUSTIN
NATHAN BIRKHIMER
KYLE CLARK
ASHTON GETCHEL
KATIE LOCKHART
KAYDEN WILLIAMS
- October 2**
TAYTUM BERGSBAKEN
MELANA GILL
- October 3**
CARTER HOLTZ
SETH LOCKHART
LANDON TRAN
- October 4**
CULLY BUESCHER
PAUL GRASSI
CARTER THOMPSON
- October 5**
SAMANTHA BRANN
JOHN DOBREV
ERNEST POTIES
MADISON RINDY
ARIANNA SYKES
- October 6**
TREY BURCKHARDT
CARTER HOEFER
TEAGAN SNOW
- October 7**
CHRISTIAN WORTH
- October 8**
ELIJAH BOURDEAUX
KYLEE BUTTCHEN
THOMAS WALLACE
CLARA YOHANEK
- October 10**
ELI SHEETZ
- October 11**
AUGUST BIEBESHEIMER
HUNTER HANSON
LUX MURPHY
AXEL RODRIGUEZ
- October 12**
HUNTER HROBSKY
KARISSA MARTIN
- October 13**
NOLAN DALLMAN
HAYDEN FOSTER
JOSHUA KUOLT
- October 14**
ALEXANDER JONES
BLAKE SISSON
- October 15**
MAGGIE MYERS
JACKSON WHITEHEAD
- October 16**
LANDON BIGELOW
KADE WIELAND
- October 17**
WALDAINA DORT
MAXWELL OLSON
RYNE STRICKER
- October 18**
TYLER BIRKHIMER
BROOKE DROESSLER
- October 19**
JAKE CUMMINS
COLTON DROUT
LUCAS HARNACK
AIDEN SLAMA
KIERAN VANN ROO
- October 20**
RILEY WIDNER
- October 22**
ADDISON BAKER
CHEYANNE MCHONE
AIDEN SULLIVAN
COLE WEGNER
- October 23**
AVA DEBOER
AUSTIN DIETZ
ANDREW MARKHAM
- October 24**
ADDISYN AKERBERG
ASHLYNN BOTHUN
ABAGAIL LUTCHER
DELANEY WIXOM
- October 26**
ETHAN REED
- October 27**
BRADYN SHEFKA
CELIA WEISS
- October 28**
KYLE HOLMES
JACOB SHELDON
- October 29**
LILY PAITEL
MASON SORGE
- October 30**
DAMIAN BOURKE
DREW KRISTIANSEN
OWEN MRAZ
A RIVERS
CHLOE SILVERTHORN
CHLOE WAGNER
ANNABELLE WILKE
- October 31**
DAVIN BRUNK
NATALIE KERSTEN

Do you Believe in Ghosts?

The MHS school survey asked who boo-leives in the super natural, out of 233 responses, these are our spooky statistics!

created by: Savannah Lauer



Youth Empowerment: Too Young To Vote?



Morgan Wisch

Amendment 26 of the Constitution states that all American citizens 18 years or older have the right to vote. Now, over 50 years after the age was lowered from 21 to 18, some people are questioning this decision.

It is no secret that the youth voting age is a controversy that has struck the nation for years. The most common debates are about whether the voting age minimum should be raised, lowered, or left alone.

Many Americans argue that the voting age being set at 18 is too low. The logic behind this is that teens lack the capacity and knowledge needed to make such important decisions. Former member of the Wisconsin State Assembly representing the 43rd Assembly, Don Vruwink, says otherwise. "At 18, we have to register for the draft, and you are considered an adult in court," Vruwink said.

At the same time, Vruwink also said, "Some 18-year-olds are more

aware of what is going on in their schools. Classes are discussing issues and talking about global events and problems- whereas people my age are sitting and watching one news source that is tainted with their beliefs. All they hear is one side to the equation."

Young voters at MHS have the opportunity to explore the ways of the US government in depth because of required classes like civics or AP Government.

MHS seniors are required by the state to take and pass an exam that shows they have some sort of understanding of the workings of the government.

By November 5th, 2024, 312 MHS students will have the opportunity to vote in the 2024 presidential election.

Even though MHS students will have some sort of knowledgeable background about the workings of the government, there is still an arguable point that youth voters everywhere should not have the power to cast a ballot.

The mandatory requirement of classes like civics can prove effective

when it comes to knowledgeable voting and understanding the issues around young voters.

"I truly believe the younger generation is more tuned into the issues than older generations because they have so much information available to them," Vruwink said.

Senior Haiden Hilt agrees with Vruwink. "I believe the [youth] voting age is in the correct spot because if you allow people younger than 18 to vote, their maturity might not be developed yet," Hilt said.

This leads to the other side of the argument, that the voting age should be lowered to 16. Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Cuba, Ecuador, Nicaragua, East Timor, Greece, and Indonesia all have the option for 16 and 17-year-olds to vote, but only in certain elections.

Regardless of the required age, youth voting is still crucial. "Youth voting is important because you see all of these younger people complaining about problems in the world and the only way to change these issues is to

push for change, thus voting is important," Hilt said.

It is no secret that the youth are quick to advocate for change and spread awareness about certain issues that matter to them. This could be seen as a negative or a positive depending on the perspective. Although both parties agree that youth voting is crucial to the electoral process, there are some concerns.

"Younger voters might get more tied up with single issues that are more important to them," Vruwink said, "but I would like to see younger voters vote more often, we should make it more easy for them to vote."

While the right to vote is a privilege, it is important to note that the peers around young voters also have this right. When voting age and maturity come into question, young voters must ask themselves how comfortable they are with their peers having this power too. "There are some that I believe don't have the maturity yet but the majority I trust to make educated decisions," Hilt said.

Former President Trump Indicted

Here's What You Need to Know



William Kuester

Former President Trump has been indicted four times; 1. The Federal 2020 election case 2. The Georgia Election, 3. The Mishandling of classified Documents. And the last indictment is the New York State case related to the hush money given to Stormy Daniels. Indictments are a formal way of being accused of a crime with criminal charges. Each Indictment holds significant importance to this upcoming election in November of 2024.

The most talked about is the indictment for the 2020 election case. Former President Trump is being indicted for this because of his role in the January 6th Insurrection. The January 6th inter-section was a group of Trump supporters in which they stormed the Capital Building in an attempt to change the ruling of President Biden winning the 2020 election.

This is a very important case because it is going to define how a president will be able to reverse a defeat. This is in regards to the charge of Conspiracy to Obstruct an Official Proceeding.

This is the case where it is going to heavily impact his role in the 2024 Election and who will be on the ballot of the 2024 Election.

If Former President Trump isn't found guilty for his role in the January 6th insurrection there will most likely be more of these incidents to come, most likely for him allegedly inciting an insurrection on January 6th.

With this indictment he is facing four felony charges with the chance (if convicted and sentenced the maximum) of 55 years in Federal Prison.

Another very important indictment of Former President Trump is the Georgia Election interference. This is another significant but not as significant indictment because of the impacts it could have on how the courts will define a legal way to reverse a defeat in the election. But if Former President Trump wins in this 2024 election he will not be able

to be prosecuted because it is being carried out by the state of Georgia.

In this indictment there are a total of 13 felony charges. The most significant are three counts of violating an oath by a public officer. Another charge that holds significance is forgery and conspiracy to commit false documents. If he is found guilty of all charges the maximum amount of time he will spend in prison is 48 years.

The Florida Document case is not as important as the others, but still holds some importance or significance to the upcoming trial and how it will be affected.

Prosecutors argue that this is an invasion and endangerment of privacy for the U.S. government because Former President Trump had taken classified documents out of office when he had lost the presidential campaign in 2020. These documents ranged from nuclear weapon programs and how to defend the U.S. incase of invasion or an attack.

This indictment is looking more into how Former President Trump interfered in the efforts of the FBI to take the documents back. In this indictment there are a total of 40 felony charges. The maximum amount of time he will spend in prison if convicted will be 120 years.

The last case that he has been indicted on is the New York State hush money. This case holds the least amount of significance to the upcoming election to November in 2024. This case is more looking into the wrongdoing of former President Trump giving hush money to an adult actress and ex-stripper, Stormy Daniels.

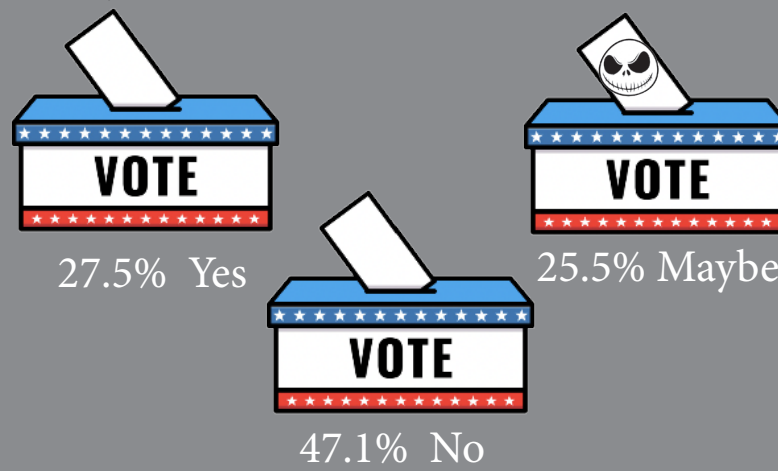
While this does not directly involve his politics, prosecutors and many Trump detractors feel this indictment demonstrates a past history.

For this case there are 34 felony charges. All the charges are centralized around falsifying business records and the maximum amount of time he can serve is four years for falsifying business records.

With these indictments, a lot of people are wondering whether Former President Trump would be on the ballot or not. This is what Mr. Nueschwander had to say, "This trial could affect it if his

Would the Current Trump Indictments Impact Your Vote?

Created By: William Kuester



In this edition of MHS Today's Survey, students were asked if the current indictments of Former President Trump would sway their decision on the upcoming ballot for the 2024 Election. Out of the 51 students that answered the question, 47.1% said no; it wouldn't change their decision. 27.5% said yes, the current indictments had changed their mind. And finally, 25.5% is undecided whether it has changed their mind.

possible guilty verdict is deemed by states to violate the 14th amendment and states then refuse to place him on their 2024 ballot."

Mr. Neunshwander then added his thoughts about how this will affect voter outcome. "It will likely depend on the state. Very conservative states might not care and he'll be on their ballots. On the flip side, blue states might leave him off. It will really matter in purple states. He can always be a write in no matter what, but that won't help him."

As People who live in the United States there is a lot of question on how important is this for voters to stay attuned to this news and how it will impact American history.

Mr. Nuenschwander added to this idea and how important these trials are going to be. "Everything regarding presidential politics in the last eight years seems unprecedented. It is definitely important for the justice dept. to be clear for both sides on fairness and how it approaches charges or lack of charges." The outcomes from these indictments and charges are going to be very important to how the U.S. justice system handles them and how they treat Former President Trump as well.

Even though the indictments and their outcomes are very unpredictable and they have significance on every U.S. citizen that will be voting and that will be able to vote, it won't affect every voter's decision. At MHS

the indictments don't affect 47.1% of the people who will be able to vote in November of 2024. Mr. Nuenschwander had a great point on this topic. "It won't impact 30-40% of the vote. I believe there is a block of Republican voters that won't care. There will be a minority of them that probably won't vote for him if he is guilty or in jail."

Regardless of whether President Trump is or is not found guilty of violating the 14th Amendment, he still could potentially run for President. It would be very unlikely, but stranger things have happened. Mr. Nueunshwander adds, " We have had presidential candidates run for office from jail. I think it was Eugene Debs in 1920, and he did get a nice small chunk of votes."

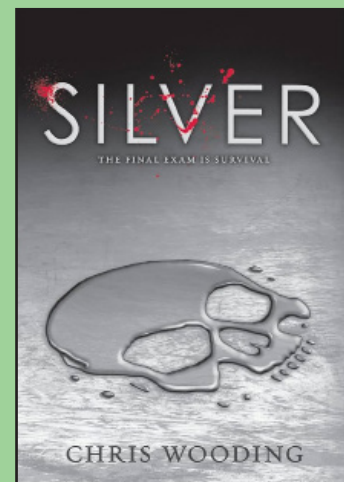
All in all the people it will mostly affect is the republican party. To add to this point, Mr. Nuenschwander said, "Republicans are up against a wall. If they try and move on from Trump, a great chunk of their base won't show up to vote, or will write Trump in, hurting whatever new frontrunner there is for them. If Trump stays as the likely nominee, they run the risk of his court cases bringing him down, and some people being scared of the results of those trials, and not voting for him."

Book Recommendations

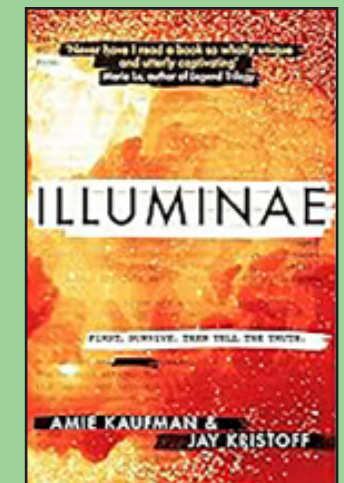
Created by Zoe Mayer

As fall comes it provides the perfect time to snuggle up with a book and a drink. Courtesy of Librarian Mrs. Miles, here are five books the genres were selected by 213 students interested in something to do in their free time this fall.

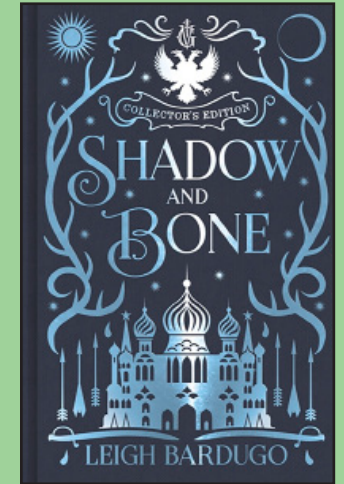
- Silver: Thriller
- Illuminae: Sci-fi
- The Selection: Romance
- Shadow and Bone: Fantasy
- The Inheritance Games: Mystery



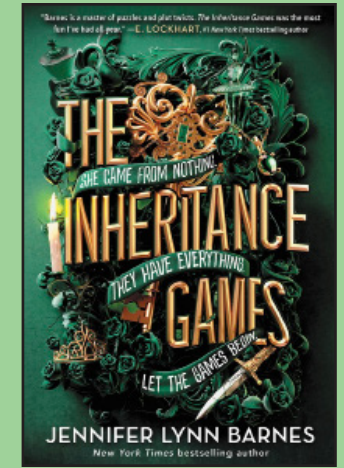
A new kid arrives to a mysterious academy. An infection spreads and a group of kids who don't know each other fight for their lives.



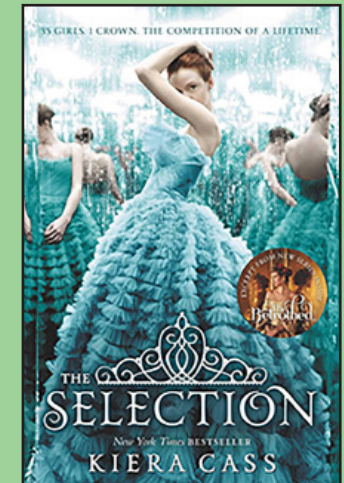
After Kady breaks up with boyfriend Ezra her planet is attacked, but that isn't the worst thing to happen.



Surrounded by enemies the once-great nation of Ravka now leaves its fate in the hands of one lonely orphan.



After the death of a local billionaire, he leaves his entire fortune to a young girl who doesn't even know who he is.



A chance of a lifetime thirty five girls fight for a chance to escape the life laid out for them since birth.

Double-Teamed: Smith brothers find success on the field



Zoe Mayer

Good chemistry is a huge part of athletics and teams. For brothers Carter and Sam Smith, this comes naturally.

Ages 17 and 14 making them senior and freshman, Carter and Sam are playing together on varsity soccer for Carter's senior year.

Currently, the brother's stats are at Carter with two assists and two goals and Sam with four goals and two assists.

The brothers have a natural talent for the game, but that isn't to say they didn't train very hard before the start of the season. Carter ensured that they could both be excellent players by dragging Sam along to some practices. "Yeah, I've been bringing him to high school training for a long time, for a couple of years now. Over the summer training consisted of independent work with each other in drills but also taking Sam to high school practices when he was in seventh and eighth grade," Carter said.

As teammates, there is always the chance for frustration to get the better of one of the brothers, but the brothers have stayed level-headed and calm with each



Carter Smith goes for a trick play in a game against Big Foot where he played right wing. Photo by Zoe Mayer

other. However, Carter, a captain on the team, does find opportunities to nitpick his sibling and teammate. "I think since he's my younger brother, I can be more critical with him and I can pick on little things that I want him to fix more than I can with other people," Carter said.

Together constantly leaves much time for the brothers to pick out the little things that need fixing, but being together all the time can be irritating. "The worst part is that we're with each other constantly, with car rides, team dinners, and practices for the past month," Sam said. "I don't hate seeing him it's just we're



Sam Smith gets down field for a goal kick where he played as a striker. Photo by Zoe Mayer

together a lot. Now that we're at high school together, we drive to school together. We leave school, go to practice together, drive home from practice, or go to team dinner together, and drive home from team dinner together. So it's just a lot of together always," Carter added.

The best part of playing together in the brother's minds is the ability to connect on and off the field. "I think we have an understanding like we know what we want each other to do and what our tendencies are," Carter said. "I think my favorite part about playing with him is just we have a great connection on the field and

we do play well together," Sam added.

Playing together wasn't the initial goal for the Smith brothers. "It was less of a goal for me, but once I made it somewhat of a goal as a coach to help him get to that point," Carter said.

Even though it wasn't a goal for the brothers they got their wish. In this Carter also became a rare bird with his ability to lead the team. Varsity head coach Tim Hall said, "Carter was chosen last year and this year so he was a junior captain and now he's a senior captain which is kind of rare he was a good captain last year, and right away this season he was a shoo-in to be captain this year."

Carter has been a leader for the past several seasons and Sam hopes to do the same. Sam is excited to help the team next season. "Hopefully being able to lead the team in the future," Sam said.

Hall has all the faith in Sam and is excited to see what he will bring to the table next season. "Next year I'll have Sam and Sam will have his own connections with other players as well. It's just the way it is. I enjoy having both of them, but I'll enjoy seeing what Sam brings to the table next year," Hall said.

Red Hawk Marching Band Takes 3rd at State Competition

The Red Hawk Marching Band and their devoted supporters braved rainy weather to earn 3rd place in Class AAA at the State Marching Band Competition held at the University of Wisconsin-White-water on Saturday, October 15. The Red Hawks earned a total score of 77.413.

"I'm proud of the band's dedication and hard work all throughout the season, especially in the final weeks. Our performance on Saturday was one of our best," drum major Charlotte Hawley said.



Gouvion Returns as Head Coach



Coach Ashton Gouvion and Senior Bethany Vidruk cruise across the golf course together in a match against Bever Dam. Photo by Sarah Brechtl



Taylee Taormino

Returning again after a small break but this time greater and improved! Head Coach Ashton Gouvion of the Girls Golf team returns, excited to see where this season takes her!

Gouvion has previously coached the Girls Golf team as a Co-head coach in her four previous seasons here at MHS (2018-2021), but is taking on the big responsibility of Head coach this season. "I had to take last year off due to a job commitment, but found my way back to the School District of Milton as an occupational therapist this past year. That has allowed me the opportunity to coach again, and this time as the head coach," Gouvion said.

Before graduating in 2011 from Milton High School, Gouvion played many sports in school, "I played basketball through high school, and also played softball and volleyball up until middle school," Gouvion said.

"I started golfing at the age of five. My parents built a house on the golf course in Milton, so we had easy access to the course! Although I never really thought about coaching golf until the position was open and I hap-

pened to be waiting for a new job to start, so I had time to consider it and explore the possibilities. I was nervous to coach, as it's very different being on the coaching end of things versus playing, but I thought that it would be a great experience to be on the other end of things," Gouvion added.

Gouvion's passion for golf runs deep. First introduced to the sport as a young child on the links at Oak Ridge Golf Course in Milton, she played for the Red Hawk girls golf team all four years of her high school career, later going to Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville for four years as a college athlete.

For Gouvion she knew her senior year of golf wasn't going to be her last. "After high school, I knew I wanted to play collegiate golf, so that was my biggest priority. But I also wanted to study something in the medical field. Thankfully, my college had a program that introduced me to my current occupation, which is an occupational therapist! I didn't even know the field of occupational therapy existed until I took a course in college that introduced me to various health-related careers. It has been a rewarding field that has allowed me the flexibility to work in many vastly different settings with all different age groups,"

Vidruk Finishes Career at State

In an exciting two-hole playoff at the Division 1 Elkhorn sectional on Monday, October 9, senior Bethany Vidruk hit an 83, capped a fantastic back nine, and qualified for the WIAA State Girls Golf Tournament for the second year in a row. Vidruk finished her career as a Red Hawk at the state meeting shooting 180 and tying for 48th.



Gouvion said.

Gouvion and the Red Hawks' 2023 season came to an end after sectionals.

Many find this time bittersweet but it's a great time to look back on the good times this season held.

"This season went well! We had a fair amount of new golfers this year, so I wasn't sure what to expect, but we held our ground and made improvements," Gouvion said.

Although Gouvion wasn't the only one who enjoyed the season, seniors Kaylee Wilkins and Bethany Vidrick also had an amazing senior season. "Senior season was fun! We had many people join as seniors for their first year. The atmosphere was always so upbeat," Wilkins said.

While everyone improved in their own ways this season, Vidruk qualified for state! "State didn't go exactly as I planned, but I had a lot of fun. I had a lot of fun walking with Gouv because she had lots of knowledge to share!" Vidruk said.

In 2010 Gouvion also went to state, bringing home the individual state title, while also having the opportunity to take a past team

to state as a coach! "My greatest accomplishment as a coach was taking our team to the state tournament in 2018! I would love to have that experience again," Gouvion said.

Despite the fact that Vidruk was the only Milton qualifier for state this year, Gouvion still helped other golfers improve this season, "Gouvion, Jan, and Steve were all amazing coaches who were able to work with all of us even though we are all different skill levels and Gouvion especially was able to keep it entertaining," Wilkins said.

For Gouvion improvement is the most rewarding thing when it comes to being a coach, "My favorite part of being a coach is helping players become the best version of themselves both on and off the course. Golf is a physical game, but has a huge mental component. I love being able to assist in both areas to improve overall growth as golfers and as human beings. I also love seeing the spark and excitement in players when they've accomplished something they hadn't done in the past," Gouvion said.



Pictured from top to bottom: This year's show theme was "Through the Keys" featuring difficult, classic piano pieces including Mozart's *Rondo alla turca* and Beethoven's *Moonlight Sonata* and *Ode to Joy*. Guard Captain Colleen LeCaptain and Drum Majors Tate Olson, Charlotte Hawley, and Bethany Vidruk celebrate after stellar performance. Sierra Endsley proudly displays the band's hard-earned trophy. Senior Drum Majors Vidruk and Hawley prepare to take the field for their final high school marching band performance. Photos courtesy of Milton Red Hawk Bands.

Follow the Yellow Brick Road... to the theater! Nov. 10-12

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THE WIZARD of OZ

By L. Frank Baum
With Music and Lyrics by Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg
Background Music by Herbert Stothart
Dance and Vocal Arrangements by Peter Howard
Orchestration by Larry Wilcox

Based upon the Classic Motion Picture owned by Turner Entertainment Co. and distributed in all media by Warner Bros.
Adapted by John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare Company

November 10, 7pm
November 11, 7pm
November 12, 2pm

Directed by Abbi Landrum
Musical Director Elizabeth Brockwell
Orchestra Director Nathan Czech
Choreographed by Michael Stanek

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz!!

The Wizard of Oz is a well known movie that just so happens to be this year's musical here at MHS. In a survey taken by 237 students, they expressed their favorite characters featured in the movie!

The Wizard	3.1%
The flying monkeys	9.4%
Lion	10.3%
Tin Man	11.7%
Dorothy	12.6%
Toto	16.1%
scarecrow	5.8%
Elphaba	4%
Glinda	4%
The Trees	4.9%
Munchkins	4.5%

Created by Taylee Taormino

Fantastic Fall Fun

The MHS Today survey asked students what their favorite fall activity was. Students were able to vote for multiple options but out of 235 responses the three most voted for are eating fall foods, going to a pumpkin patch, and going to an orchard.



Who Am I?

Can you identify this MHS teacher from a sketch and a couple clues?

Clues:

- I am allergic to bees.
- I was a swimmer in high school.

Created by Zoe Mayer

Answer at the bottom of the page



Scream Shenanigans

Created By Delilah McKaig

Panel 1: A ghost with a lightbulb idea above its head says "Hey frank come here".

Panel 2: A ghost says "grab".

Panel 3: A ghost says "yoink".

Panel 4: A ghost says "!!".

Panel 5: A ghost says "zoowee mama".