

## Appreciation and Celebration

Thanks to the family of **Coby Flannery** for providing the staff breakfast this week.

Belated thanks to the family of **Larissa Coleman** for providing an amazing welcome back breakfast for staff last Monday. It sure helped make returning from break a little bit happier!

Each week, we recognize a student for acts of kindness and good character. As nominated by a student, this week's Clark Caring Crane goes to "**Caris Bergen** for respecting the rules" and from a staff member, "**Evelyn Howe** and Caris for stepping up to work together for morning announcements." We also welcome **Leah Jackson** to our morning announcement crew!

The Martin County School District, in partnership with the Center for Constitutional Values (CCV), sponsored the Fifth Annual "Constitution Academic Competition" at the three District-operated high schools this week. Competing students debated the relevancy of the Electoral College, which was presided over by Judge Alan O. Forst (Fourth District Court of Appeal) and Judge Kathleen Roberts (19th Judicial Circuit Court of Florida). Congrats to Clark students, **Cole Chmielewski and Nick Lynch** (pictured on the left below), for their participation in a great debate!



Seen on social media.... Our own stellar senior, **Jordan Scott**, is headed off to hopefully be the next Miss Teen USA!



This week, the City of Stuart issued a Climate Action Proclamation and recognized the co-coordinators of the youth climate rally for helping bring attention to this important concern. Pictured below from 2<sup>nd</sup> to left is Clark student, **Mackenzie Abbott**, and on the far right, is **Abbie Nauss**.



### **FESTIVAL FUN AND SUCCESS!!!**

What a great time for a great cause was had for a couple hours today! **Over \$900 was raised**, which will be added into the nearly \$300 previously raised for water for south Sudan. The students spent about 20 minutes first learning about the issues faced and what it takes to bring clean water to parts of our world not as privileged as we are. Then the fun began! Huge thanks to the parent volunteers for the festival help today! Shout out to **Claudia Cook (front desk coverage), Colleen Vansuetendael, Tammy Clark, Donna O'Brien, Paula Pollis, and Jayme Golden**. Also, many, many thanks to the **UNICEF and Interact Clubs** who planned this entire event which is a first in Clark history. We'll send some dunk tank and other fun pictures and recap in a separate email next week!

### **Announcements and Information**

Oops!!! I made an error in the newsletter last week and misidentified **LUKE Olsen** singing as his brother. Sorry Luke!

**Mrs. Wood is out through next week.** All late passes, attendance notes, illnesses, etc. will be handled through the front office. You can email notes to [ljudd@irsc.edu](mailto:ljudd@irsc.edu) or [dkohuth@irsc.edu](mailto:dkohuth@irsc.edu) until she returns.

**January is Human Trafficking Awareness month** and we had MANY students and staff in blue today... thanks! Here are a couple very important links to read and better understand how to keep safe. Please take a few minutes to read this info. [Teen SEX trafficking](#)

[Police, survivors debunk human trafficking kidnapping myths](#)

### **Many spring activities!**

- Computer Club **game night is next Friday**, January 24 from 5:30-8:30 pm (there was a misprint of end time on the tickets). \$7 gets you admission and food and drink. No tickets will be sold at the door and guest forms are required to bring a non- Clark friend.
- **Blood Drive** January 30
- **Yard Sale** for Prom and UNICEF (a portion will go towards the well) is Feb. 8 from 8-noon. Donations being accepted now. If you have a large donation, email [ljudd@irsc.edu](mailto:ljudd@irsc.edu) or [tjones@irsc.edu](mailto:tjones@irsc.edu) to arrange drop off.
- **Create for a Cause** will be held on Friday, February 21st, 2020, from 6 pm - 9pm. Flyer attached for more info.

**Spring 2020 Parent-Teacher Conferences** will be held on Wednesday, January 29th, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Appointments are required. The link for the SignUp page is [here](#). This was also included in an email message from Dr. Bonds that was sent to parents on January 16th.

### **!!ATTENTION PARENTS OF SENIORS!!**

**Senior Ad sales** close on Friday, January 24. Be sure to put in your orders for ads before then for a feature in the book! See Mrs. Gribble (room D146), Mr. Escandon (room D132), or go online at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)! Don't forget, January 24 is your last chance!

The Environmental Studies Center and Inwater Research Group (IRG) proudly present the **6th annual Youth Driven Cinema**, a K-12 Environmental Film Festival, held at The Lyric Theatre May 1st at 6:30pm (doors open at 6:00pm). Admission is free! Students are welcome to enter a variety of film styles ranging from animation to short documentaries. This year's theme is "Choose to Refuse: Saying NO to Single-use Items." The top five short films in four categories will be presented at the film festival. Prizes will be awarded to the top three films in each category. For more information and submission, please visit [www.inwater.org/YDC](http://www.inwater.org/YDC). Entries must be received by March 23rd.

**Accidents happen!** But..... if you have spilled something or notice a spill, please report it to a staff member immediately so it can be cleaned up. We have had a few spills this week on the comfy chairs that did not get reported. We sure don't want to lose those seats because they get ruined or people are not being responsible...

Parents - **PSAT scores were handed out this week in English classes** so all 10th graders should have their scores in hand (and a select group of 11th graders). Students - If you have not received your scores, please stop by my office next week to pick them up. We only receive one set of scores per student, so don't lose your score report. Keep in mind you can use the access code on your score report to find out your strengths and weakness in English/Reading and Math, get additional test prep through Khan Academy, and also find out about scholarships available through College Board.

### **Handbook Reminder of the Week**

**Tardiness:** Tardiness is defined as an arrival to class after the designated start time. Students arriving late to a Clark class for any reason must report to the Student Services office in the Knowledge Room for a late pass.

Students who are late on multiple occasions in short spans of time will be issued a detention to be served on a Friday from 2:30-3:30. Students who skip a class or skip detention will earn an in school suspension.

### **Info of Interest for Parents**

[12 ways to be a happier, more effective parent this year](#)

[Clutter Is A Trigger Of Stress And Anxiety, Psychologists Say](#) (so I will add that you can de-clutter by donating to our yard sale!)

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