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Swimming

This year, the RCHS swim teams have had a strong start to their seasons. The girls season started on November 15th, and the boys followed two weeks later on November 29th. Freshman Darian McAdow broke the school record in girls diving, set by her current driving coach, Coach Hickman over 30 years ago. She then broke her own record again another meet later. The boys team is small but strong. The boys record after the North Newton dual meet is 2-2. Some of the boys star swimmers this year are Parker Jordan, Harrison Heinig, Jacob Parrish, and Jimi Michael. Morgan Molenaar has had a fantastic start to the season in diving for the boys team as well. The swim season is long, so be sure to get out to a meet to support the swim teams.

Article by Tommy Gutwein

Crisis Center Drive

This month, Flex Period classes participated in a special drive for the Crisis Center in town. Sigma Di Gamma started a school-wide competition to make the event more exciting for all the students and faculty. A certain number of points were tallied for every item brought in. Junior Katie Myers believed "everyone else is going down" because she brought in hundreds of toothbrushes to Mr. Meeks' Flex Period. A spark of competition, like the one in Ms. Myers, has lit a fire in several classes which have brought in numerous items. Only one class came out on top...Congratulations to Mr. Wright's Flex Period! Overall, more than 450 children's books and 6 boxes of household and personal hygiene items were collected and donated.

Article by Hannah Hall

Holiday Recipe: Soft Christmas Cookies

Ingredients:

1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup margarine (softened)
1 1/2 cups white sugar,
2 eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Preparation: 20 minutes
Cook Time: 8 minutes
Ready In: 3 hours



Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together, set aside. In a large bowl, cream together the margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs one at a time, then stir in the vanilla. Gradually blend in the sifted ingredients until fully absorbed. Cover dough, and chill for 2 hours

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C). Grease cookie sheets. On a clean floured surface, roll out small portions of chilled dough to 1/4 inch thickness. Cut out shapes using cookie cutters.

Bake 6 to 8 minutes in the preheated oven, or until edges are barely brown. Remove from cookie sheets to cool on wire racks.

Recipe by Ashley Rollins

Spotlight on Staff: Mr. Stevens

Q: How many years have you been teaching?

A: "22 years."

Q: When you were in school what was your favorite subject?

A: "Math, obviously."

Q: What is your favorite Christmas movie?

A: "*Christmas Vacation*, I watch it every single year."

Q: What inspired you to be a teacher?

A: "The teachers and coaches I had growing up."

Q: What is your favorite sport to watch and who is your favorite team?

A: "My favorite sport to watch is football, and my favorite team is the Dallas Cowboys."

Q: If you could live anywhere in the world where would you live?

A: "A warm state, probably Arizona."

Q: What do you like most about teaching?

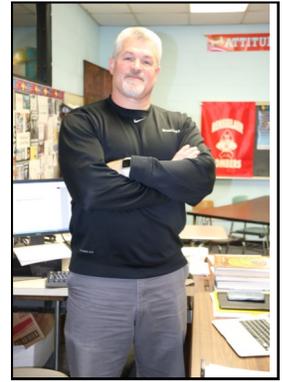
A: "I like teaching because I can impact the future leaders of this country."

Q: Favorite Christmas memory?

A: "Finally getting my BB gun after 7 straight years of asking for one."

Q: Where did you attend college?

A: "Lemoyme college and Saint Joe"



Interview by Hanna McCarthy

Bomber Q&A

What are you hoping for this holiday season?

Camden Chapman - 9th: "I want an Apple Watch."

Courtnee Lloyd - 10th: "Hopefully a puppy."

Sophie Michael - 11th: "New clothes would be awesome."

Zach Wamsley - 12th: "I don't know...a new car."

Mr. Jones - Faculty: "Some relaxation time."



Interviews by Meredith Lucero

Finals Schedule

The 2016 first semester finals schedule is:

Tuesday, December 20th

8:05-9:35 : 1st period

9:40-11:10 : 2nd period

11:15-11:45 : A lunch/flex

11:50-12:20 : B lunch/flex

12:25-1:39 : flex

1:44-3:14 : 5th period.

Wednesday, December 21st

8:05-9:31 : 3rd period

9:36-11:02 : 4th period

11:07-11:37 : A lunch/flex

11:42-12:12 : B lunch/flex

12:17-1:43 : 6th period

1:48-3:14 : 7th period.

Information by KT Kem