

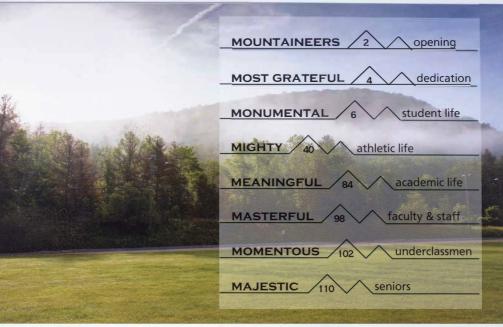
THE HOUSATONIC MOUNTAINEERS







WE ARE







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Dr. Jose Martinez | Principal Mr. Ian Strever | Assistant Principal



WHO ARE WE? We are adaptable, rugged, spirited, and bold. We accept nothing but our best. We are flexible when faced with challenge and change. We are enthusiastic and resilient, determined, ambitious, and irrepressible. We are moving forward and moving on. We are the monumental, mighty, meaningful, momentous, majestic, almighty mountaineers.

Throughout the school year, we attempt to reach the highest point of success and we branch out into our individual special interests. In this way, we represent the different aspects of a mountaineer striving for the pinnacle. Our school consists of artists, musicians, agriculturists, athletes, actors, singers, writers, historians, scientists, mathematicians, educators, photographers, mechanics, engineers... and the list goes on.

Mountains have always presented a challenge and mountaineers have always accepted that challenge. The loftier the challenge, the greater the desire to conquer it, to climb the highest peak, and to enjoy the thrill of success. The mountaineers of Housatonic Valley Regional High School are empowered to move on to their next adventure.



DISTRICT SOCIAL AT LAURELBROOK FARM. Naomi Dalmida, Alyssa Holback, Bella Anderson, Susanna McCarthy, Delaney Sheehan. TOP PHOTO. Juniors pull together at the Tug-of-War event during the Turkey Olympics.



MOUNTAINEERS



NATIONAL ANTHEM. The Pequot League football players raise their helmets during the playing of the National Anthem.



ENJOYING THE SHOW. The JV Volleyball team watches the Fall Pep Ralley before their game: Valentina Arango, Molly O'Connor, Valerie Lenis.

dedicated to the ONES WE LOVE

O&A with the Doc

Why did you decide to become an administrator?

My first administrative job was as a department chair for math and science. I enjoyed working directly with teachers to support their planning and implementation of good instruction. By working with teachers, I have been able to positively influence a larger number of students.

What's the biggest change you've seen in education?

The internet and instant access to information. Instruction in the classroom has evolved with these changes (e.g. Google classroom, student Chromebooks, online courses, access to databases, etc.). Many of the changes have been positive and hepeficial

What are you especially proud of regarding your time at Housy?

I am proud of the way I led and supported the implementation of Chromebook computers for every student. The year before the Chromebooks were issued to students, the teachers were trained (often by their colleagues) in the use of programs, Google Classroom, online resources, etc. By training teachers first, the implementation with students was a fairly seamless transition.

I am also proud of the increased opportunities for students to college credit through UConn and NCCC. Over my four years the number of "dual enrollment" increased from two to six and the number students who were able to earn college credits increased substantially.







Spencer Barry, Eliana Calhoun, and Amelia Budny chat with Dr. Martinez before lunch; Dr. Martinez with Team Faculty at the Turkey Olympics; a chat with Juan Vanicky.

TELL US ABOUT IT Students share their memories of our retiring principal.

Our wonderful principal, Dr. Martinez, has

been an educator for 34 years. He began as a

math and chemistry teacher after working as a chemist for several years. He enjoys seeing students "achieve their dreams." Dr. Martinez is now looking forward to spending time with family and grandchildren. He has one

granddaughter and another grandchild



ABBY ADAM

Dr. Martinez is really supportive of all the activities in the high school. He doesn't favor one over the others and I appreciate that.



EGI CANIA

Dr. Martinez makes you feel like you belong. If you need advice, he treats you like an adult. And he loves his job! There's not a day he's not smiling.



MASSYL MALLEM

He makes himself available. My first day of school here I didn't know he was the principal and I didn't know where my next class was, so Dr. Martinez took the time to walk me to Mr. Krupa's room. It speaks volumes to his professionalism.



MADELYNN OLOWNIA

Dr. Martinez is very welcoming. He's always smiling and outgoing with students.



From top: Mr. Krupa prepares with the band for the winter concert; at the winter concert; teaching the concert choir; Mr. Krupa conducts the band at Disney.

A Conversation with the Music Man

Our much beloved Mr. Krupa has been the music teacher at Housatonic for 14 years. He enjoys the creativity that music so easily allows. "I love to write music and invent new melodies. I enjoy how in music, you can make something feel new by changing just a few things."

In addition to Band and Chorus. Mr. Krupa teaches Music Theory, Music Technology, and Independent Study. His favorite part of the job is his interactions with students. "I love seeing their triumphs when they learn something new, and seeing their growth over time, from freshman to senior year.

He says that the "connection with people" is one of the most powerful things about music. Music tends to bring people together. And so does Mr.



Eliana conducts the choir as Mr. Krupa watches.

WHY IS MR. KRUPA AWESOME? Thoughts about our teacher.



DANNY SAED

Mr. Krupa inspires his classes to stay focused on learning whether he's present or not. We all respect



JOSH BRINSON

There hasn't been a day Mr. Krupa forgot to thank me for my work in the music department. I don't think there is any teacher who brightens my day more. Music is my home and the music students and teacher are my family.



HARRISON TILLOU

Mr. Krupa is generous with his time, especially since he doesn't get annoyed. He takes his time with people until they understand.



KADIE FORD

Mr. Krupa is very knowledgeable and he's passionate about his job. We can tell he loves teaching.



MONUMENTAL

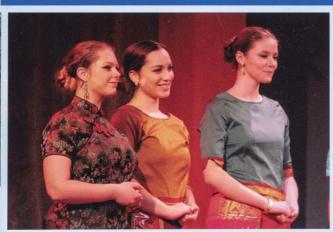
When Mountaineers get involved, their monumental spirit and dedication are contagious. Whether enjoying the goofy games of the Turkey Olympics on a Friday night, practicing for a concert in school and after school, rehearsing for a musical production almost daily, or volunteering about town to meet the requirements for their Supervised Agricultural Experience, Housy Mountaineers play and work with pride.



ENJOYING THE TURKEY OLYMPICS. Gabriel Castro-Cruz, Jeffrey Palmer, Micah Matsudaira, Dale Palmer, Daniel Zapata Bonet **TOP PHOTO.** Sopranos and altos rehearse for the winter concert.



STUDENT LIFE



AWAITING THEIR LINES DURING THE KING AND I. Rebekah Larson, Brianna Webb, Mary Riccardelli



PONY RIDES. Alyssa Holback and Sammie Starr cleaning up after putting in SAE volunteer hours at Lucky Orphans Horse Rescue.











TOP TEN

Bodak Yellow (Money Moves)

Rockstar Post Malone Featuring 21 Savage

1-800-273-8255 Logic Featuring Alessia Cara & Khalid Look What You Made Me Do Taylor Swift













HOMECOMING



NIGHT of LIGHTS

TO WELCOME US HOME was every color of the rainbow. Lazer and strobe lights accompanied the music. The song list was a mix of modern dance music and pop. The music and light show was put on by Howland Sound & Light, Housatonic's very own Jonathan Howland.













HOUSY TRANSPORMED Jrs & Srs put on a scary show











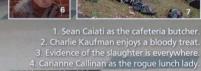


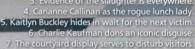
















Students, staff, and faculty dress in honor of the holiday.

















HAUNTED HALLWAYS















THE HAUNTED HOUSE TOUR

Juniors and seniors give tours through the halls of a school gone mad. As the story goes, the school ran out of money and the cafeteria started serving students to other students. The obvious consequence? Some students went mad from the cannibalism. To raise money in hopes of halting the slaughter, insane students guide participants through the scary sites: bloody hallways, a morbid courtyard, a butcher's slaughter room, all while bloodied butchers lurk in the shadows.

Turkey OLYMPICS

Housy's Turkey Olympics has been a tradition since 1981. The event is held on the Friday before Thanksgiving each year. The laughter and cheering can be heard throughout the building, and this year was no exception. Below, teams compete in the Knot event.















































EVENTS.
Pie Eating Contest
Hula Hoop Pass
Sitting Circle
Flipper Relay Race
Turkey Stuffing
Build a Mummy
Knots













How to Stuff a Turkey One: Don your

Long Johns, the baggier the better. Two: Inflate a set number of balloons, one color only, please. Three: Stuff the balloons into your Long Johns. Four: Stuff some Five: Find spaces to stuff even more. Six: And more. Seven: More Eight: Be sure to close any holes in your Long Johns because that could be embarrassing. Nine: Button up! Ten: Go! Pop as many balloons as possible. If any balloons pop out, he sure to stuff them back in. The

team to pop the most balloons wins!









Classes are pitted against classes. Students are pitted against teachers. It gets ugly. In the end, only one team is left standing. For this tug-of-war, retired science teacher, Mr. Peck, contributed to the faculty effort.





SENIORS WIN THE TURKEY TROPHY

Seniors are elated they've won the coveted Turkey Trophy.

HOW DOES FFA AFFECT YOUR LIFE?

ZOEY SOSINSKY

Being part of FFA gives me hands-on experience and allows me to make connections within the department, with both students and faculty, as well as throughout the community.



ANTHONY FENN

I believe the FFA helps me in my dally life by giving me opportunities to do community service and push me to help my neighbors and colleagues.



AUSTEN REID

The FFA makes it easier to go to school each day and makes each school day better.



ASHLEE MINACCI

FFA has been a big part of my life for as long as I can remember. I have cousins, siblings, and aunts and uncles involved in the organization as well.



CODY REID

I'm learning how to weld. I'm planning on welding for a living and FFA gives me more experience.



PAIGE MacNEIL

The FFA teaches us life lessons. Being a part of FFA teaches us to respect others.



SPENCER LUCAS

I care about agriculture because It's a big part of the world and society. And it's what I want to learn the most about.



FFA BANQUET

WE BELIEVE IN THE FUTURE OF OUR WORLD







Clockwise from top: FFA officers; Colby Jacquier presents an adviser appreciation gift to Mr. Moran; Madison Simonds at the podium; recognizing a Housatonic alumnus who has earned an FFA American Degree.







THE CEREMONY.

Clock wise from below: Spencer Barry introduces the FFA Officers; Sentinel Colby Jacquier and Parlimentarian Abby Silvernail enjoy the ceremony; Jameason Russin and Cole Anderson cite community members who have contributed to the FFA.







Ms. Davenport receives a blanket and a framed jacket as Advisor Appreciation gifts.











L-R: Presenting Junior Officers; Ryan Duncan, Katya Winsser, and Lauren Murtagh sing the National Anthem; Maggie Baldwin presents a bucket of cows to Ms. Davenport; FFA Reporter Cameron Foley cites Keland Munson as a contributing community member.





Ag Production & Holiday Sale

Before Holiday Production begins, teachers train students to use a register, run a debit card, make and decorate products, etc. Then students set to work. In their agricultural classes, students create, from scratch, holiday wreaths, mistletoe balls, and cemetery boxes. Every class has specific jobs to contribute to the cause. Next, students sell their creations, Christmas trees, and poinsettias.



Shirleen Santiago and Delaney
Sheehan assemble the products.





Gabe Castro-Cruz attaches ribbons to holiday wreaths; Kory Madden, Nolan Stoddard, and Alex Melius choose branches for the wreaths; Austen Reid secures a Christmas tree to the roof of a customer's car.



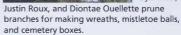








Students trim branches in the workshop; Cassidy Knutson and Delanie Werner put on the finishing touches; Lancelot Oyanadel,









Bella Anderson and Ben Soper

choose branches.



HANDS ON LEARNING. Connor Kellner, Jessica Serna, and Sam Taylor manage the Christmas tree sale; Lauren Murtagh makes bows for the wreaths; Mr. Burdick teaches Jessy Haggard about managing sales.



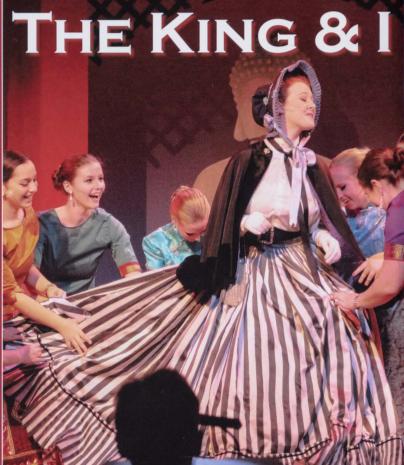




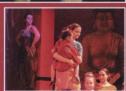


































Meach, Lucy Ober, Cadogan Scimeca, Phurba Tenzing Sherpa, Lillian Wang Royal Ballet: Eliza: Rebekah Larson Simon Legree: Brianna Webb Topsy: Anujit Kongkasri Little Eva: Tabitha Maffucci Uncle Thomas: Daniel Saed Angel/George: Arieh Saed **Royal Dancers:** Aidan McCarthy, Marco De Pascali Pepe, Ellie Sanders, Harry Sanders,

Katie Diamond, Hannah Johnson, Dylan Juliano, Lillian Juliano, Angela Kim, Alexa

The King of Siam: Joshua Shakeshaft Anna Leonowens: Marijke Stiffler Tuptim/Narrator: Abigail Dodge Lady Thiang: Carianne Callinan Lun Tha: Dean Saccardi

Sir Edward Ramsey: Benjamin Upson Captain Orton: Konnor Curtis

Louis Leonowens: Harry Sanders Prince Chulalongkorn: Elias Abbott Princess Yaowalak: Lillian Wang Royal Wives: Sarah Cattelan, Charlotte

Interpreter: Arieh Saed The Kralahome: Victor Flores Phra Alack: Daniel Saed





Poster and Program Cover Design: Maggie Bickford, Elias Hill, Calvin O'Connor

Sarah Upson, Allison Wang **Royal Chorus:**











JUNIOR PROM

Junior class president, Victor Flores, introduces the Prom Court: Matt Lopes, Dean Saccardi, Olivia McCarthy, Zach Ongley, Caleb Shpur, Abby Dodge, and Caroline Hurlburt. And the crown go to Abby Dodge & Dean Saccardi.













The Junior Prom Committee did a lovely job with invitations and decorations. The committee consisted of Victor Flores, Brierley Lloyd, Susanna McCarthy, Nicole Gorat, and Anna Coon as class council representatives. Also working on the prom committee were Caroline Hurlburt, Abby Dodge, Madelynn Olownia, Sophia Woods, Tianna Togninalli and Maebal Sponeer. And of course, Junior class advisers Lettita Garcia-Tripp and Anne MacNell were amazing as usual.





Faculty chaperons joining the fun: Dr. Jose Martinez, Junior class advisers Anne MacNeil and Letitia Garcia-Tripp, Jeff Tripp, Beth Dinneen, John Samaha.

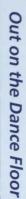
































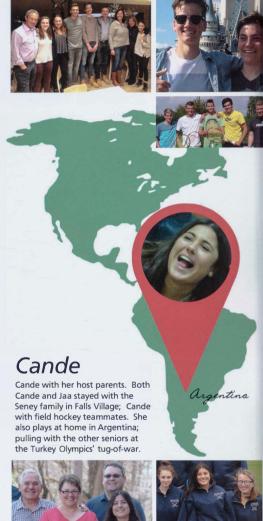




where IN THE WORLD?

The Foreign Exchange Students this year are from diverse places and very different from rural Connecticut. In Mönchengladbach. Germany, Max and his friends have always taken their bikes to and from school and where ever they want to go in their small city. At his school, extra help with academics is not offered. But, "tenth through twelfth grade are really important years because you have to take a test in order to graduate." With his host family, Max has taken many family trips, NYC and the Adirondacks being favorites. And at Housy, Max played sports all three seasons. In Argentina, Cande's small northwestern city is near the towering Andes Mountains. "It's like a desert with mountains. Very dry," At her school, students specialize in either natural science, social science, or economic science, and Cande chose the social sciences. "You still have math and literature no matter what you pick, but my math isn't like the math in economic science." Cande also attended an English Institute twice each week after school. There, and at Housy, she plays field hockey and softball. Culturally, Cande and Marco both find Americans take things too seriously. Marco explains, "At home, people will be very politically incorrect but you joke about it. Here, I have to think about it three times before I say something." However, at Marco's school in Milan, Italy, "teachers are very serious and don't joke. They're serious about what we have to do, and I study every day from 2 to 8." Italian high schools are categorized by subject and Marco attends a linguistic school. He's earning three International Baccalaureate degrees: Italian, French, and Spanish, meaning he'll take the graduation exams for all three countries. But Marco will miss the the way school here is less rigid. "You get to meet more people and you can do things that you enjoy. We have no art classes and no chorus. I love to sing but at home there is no time for it because of studying. Here, I can because of the chorus class and after school activities like Heartbreakers." Marco also participated in the musical, Night Choir, and track and field. Jaa's school in southern Thailand is also "really strict and really hard. I have to wake up at 5 and go to bed at 12." Her school requires foreign exchange students to repeat the year. "I want to repeat because I want my knowledge to be really, really good." At Housy, Jaa participated in the musical, chorus, and field hockey. She also let her hair grow, because at her school, "it's required that we all have short hair." She looks forward to returning home to the beautiful beaches and people she misses. "I miss my food, my family, my friends."







Max

Max with his family and his host family, the Labalmes, in Cornwall; with Jack Scarpa at Disney; with his tennis team at his school, Franz-Meyers-Gymnasium in the city of Mönchengladbach.













The view from Jaa's school in Thailand, Thidanukhro School. The town, Hatyai, Songkhla, is by the sea, hot and humid, and lush; Jaa in *The King and I* at Housa tonic; Jaa and Cande with their host family, the Seneys. Both girls felt like a welcomed addition to the Seney family.







Educandato Statale
Emanuela Setti Carraro Dalla
Chiesa, is a historic palace. It
acts as a school and a
museum with students giving
tours to visitors; Marco with
his host mother, Andrea
Downs, at the Senior Day for
track and field.







most
SURPRISING
& what will
you MISS
most?



what will people have dinner. I usually have dinner at 9 or 10. I'll you MISS miss the good friends I've made and my host family.



The way the teachers care about our learning surprised me. Most of my teachers in Germany aren't worried if we pass or fail. I will miss my host family most. They are really welcoming.



I didn't expect Americans to be so serious and can't take sarcasm. I'll miss family, my good friends, and the way school here is more relaxed and enjoyable.



I was surprised by classmates burping and farting in class! I'll really miss my friends here and my host family. They are wonderful. I won't miss the food.

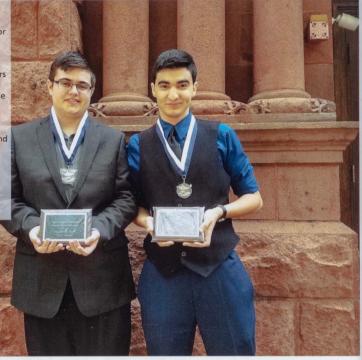
Mr. Lizzi's Housatonic Debate Team earned many accolades this year. At the October Connecticut Debate Association tournament, the team placed second. They then had a third place finish at the Connecticut Debate Association November tournament. The team also qualified for State Finals. Topics the team debated include:

- The U.S. Should Prohibit The Use of Software Developed in Russia

DEBATE TEAM

PROMOTION OF FREE & CIVIL DISCOURSE

and China. - Artificial Intelligence Poses a Threat to our Future. - Presidential Democracy is Superior to Parliamentary Democracy. - The U.S. Should Expand and Modernize its Nuclear Arsenal. - Colleges Should Disinvite Speakers Likely to Cause Disruption. - Consumers Should Be Paid for Use of Their Personal Date. At the Yale University Debate Tournament, Jared Taylor earned the Third Place Speaker Award, and Massyl Mallem earned the First Place Speaker Award. At the Connecticut Debate Association Tournament, Jared Taylor placed sixth and Massyl Mallem placed







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Members at the Yale University Debate Tournament.







TEAM MEMBERS. Soren Clulow, Konnor Curtis, Mia Tittmann, Massyl Mallem, Jared Taylor, Victor Flores, Paul Bannister, Rick Gleason, Arieh Saed, Zoey Sosinsky, Will Fallon



Dubbed a varsity Sport for the Mind, FIRST Robotics Competition combines the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology. Under strict rules, limited resources, and time limits, our Housy students are challenged to raise funds, design a team "brand" (Who'sCTEKS? is a play on several words, including our school name)

WHO'SCTECKS?
ROBOTICS CLUB

The Ultimate Sport for the Mind







The Competition







DESIGN & BUILD.

The team gathered during many weekends to design, build, and test the robot.





Mapping the robot's course and defining the problems before beginning.









Photos by Dennis Fallon



TEAM MEMBERS. Nick Suby-Brown, Livia Fallon, Jacob Ellington, Elias Abbott, Ken Zeng, Brandon Sorrell, John Purdy. Mentors: Andy, Issac, Steve, Dave, Michael Ellington.



The Academic Bowl team competed in two national online tournaments, one in the fall and one in the spring. The team finished first in Connecticut for both of these competitions, which put us at second in New England in both and at the top 15% nationally. We also competitive fitted.

ACADEMIC BOWL

Academic Excellence in Action



WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

Jared Taylor, Massyl Mallem, Marijke Stiffler, Soren Clulow, Shane Stampfle, Arieh Saed, Keaton Terrall, Charlotte Clulow, Emerson Rinehart













Connecticut State Champs!

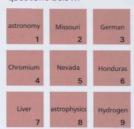






academic bowl - QUIZ

Match the answers to the questions below.



- ____ A. The largest internal organ as well as the largest glandular organ, it's used to filter blood.
- ____ B. The USS ____ was the only U.S. battleship present at both the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and the D-Day invasion.
- ____ C. Name the only Central American nation next to both the Yucatan Peninsula and the Pacific.
- _____ D. Between his re-election and 2nd inaugural, President Lincoln saw what most westerly slave state in the Union abolish slavery?
- ____ E. Name the gas produced when perchloric acid reacts with aluminum.
- ____ F. Which element is added to steel to make it stainless?
- **G.** From what language were the words "hinterland" and "pretzel" borrowed?
- ____ H. The name of this study comes from the study of the universe combined with the field of study they are using to look at that space since it is the science of studying matter and motion, space and time, and related concepts such as energy and force.
- _____I. This field of study involves objects in their interstellar medium but is not concerned with their positions within that medium.

Answers A:7, B:5, C:6, D:2, E:9, F:4, G:3, H:1, I:8

The Envirothon is North America's largest environmental competition for high school students. This year, Housatonic fielded two teams at the state-wide competition alongside 40 teams from around the state (with a chance to go to the North American Event). At Topsmead State Forest in Litchfield, the teams competed in the areas of forest ecology, wildlife biology, soils/land use, aquatic ecology, and a current issue. One Housy team placed second in the state (Lauren Murtagh, Victor Flores. Ella Matsudaira, Micah Matsudaira, Eli Hill). Another Housy team placed sixth in the state (Cameron Majette, Lily Bibro, Valerie Lenis, Emerson Rinehart, Elias Abbott).















The SGA raises our spirits and gets everyone involved in the community. Clockwise from top left: faculty elves



day; America day, camouflage day, the annual Mr. Housatonic event; dress for success day.









CONCERT CHOIR

CHOIR MEMBERS

Emily Abbott Abigail Adam Elisabeth Besmer Amber Flint Nicole Gorat Amber Hill **Taylor Hosier** Anujit Kongkasri Rebekah Larson Perla Lopez Tabitha Maffucci Katya Winnser Eliana Calhoun Sarah Cattelan Autumn Freudenberg Hannah Gilpatric Sadie Grusauski Zyaja Huggan Teagan Lynch Melissa Mauri Lauren Murtagh Natalie Nestler Miri Rinehart Gavravla Schuster Mia Tittmann Sarah Upson Kacie Viel Kaylyn Vogel Marco de Pascali Pepe **Victor Flores** Joshua Shakeshaft Nicholas Suby-Brown Joshua Brinson Matthew Buxton **Konnor Curtis** Colby Harrington Jason Lambert Zachary Ongley **Daniel Saed** Benjamin Upson









CONCERT CHOIR ON STAGE.
The concert choir performing at the Winter
Concert





ULTIMATE FIELD TRIP.

Housatonic's concert choir spent three days competing at the Disney Music Festival. The choir took home the *Best in Class* award.

GUEST CONDUCTOR.

The choir members honed their performance with help from conductor Gabriel Lufvall (top of left page).









The concert choir is simultaneously a class and an extracurricular activity. in chorus class, students learn about harmony, diction, theory, etc. As an activity, they perform on and off campus.





Marijke Stiffler Aidan McCarthy Carianne Callinan Lauren Murtagh Ella Matsudaira Anna Coon Christina Winburn Abigail Adam Miri Rinehart Sarah Cattelan Sarah Upson Tabitha Maffucci Amber Hill Charlotte Clulow Sarita Oyanadel Micah Matsudaira Benjamin Upson Caleb Shpur Dean Saccardi Matthew Chin Victor Flores **Daniel Saed** Elias Abbott





Josh Brinson performing a beautiful solo at the Winter Concert.









SWEETHEARTS HEARTBREAKERS



SWEETHEARTS

Marijke Stiffler
Aidan McCarthy
Carianne Callinan
Lauren Murtagh
Ella Matsudaira
Anna Coon
Christina Winburn
Abigail Adam
Miri Rinehart

HEARTBREAKERS

Micah Matsudaira Benjamin Upson Caleb Shpur Dean Saccardi Matthew Chin Victor Flores









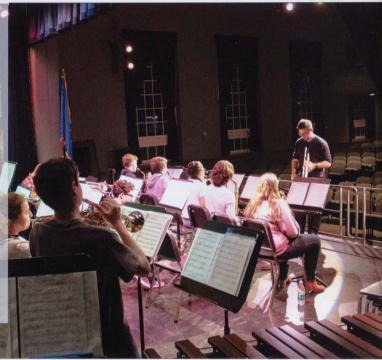


BAND MEMBERS

Emily Abbott
Allison Black
Susanna McCarthy
Lauren Murtagh
Joshua Shakeshaft
Livia Fallon
Myah Baird
Paul Bannister
Anna Coon
Kadie Ford
Haley Leifert

BAND & JAZZ BAND

Marin Montoya Sarita Oyanadel Tianna Togninalli Annabelle Kovacs Sydney Sears Eliana Calhoun Elias Abbott Marquerite Bickford Carianne Callinan Zyaja Huggan Spencer Krenitsky Jenna Luz Aidan McCarthy Michael Peirce Dean Saccardi Antonio Santiago-Nicolas Christina Winburn Lucas Calhoun Austen Cole Marcus Winburn Luke Mollica Nicholas Winburn Charlotte Clulow Bethany Conti Derek Elias Jacob Ellington Cameron Foley Dartanian Oyanadel Ken Zeng Matthew Chin











JAZZ BAND

Dean Saccardi Michael Peirce Carianne Callinan Eliana Calhoun Livia Fallon Elias Abbott Nicholas Suby-Brown Manuella Matsudaira Caleb Shpur Cameron Foley Derek Elias Matthew Chin **Bethany Conti** Ken Zeng Marijke Stiffler Charlotte Clulow **Konnor Curtis** Arieh Saed Jessy Haggard Joshua Shakeshaft Jason Lambert





he trumpet section practicing cool jazz or the Winter Concert.











HOW TO MAKE A YEARBOOK





Step 1 - Show up to events and take photos.

Step 2 - Create a ladder (publishing speak for what goes on which page).

Step 3 - Collect information/interviews/quotes and layout the pages.

Step 4 - Print the proof pages and scrutinize carefully.

Step 5 - Correct errors and omissions (aka things we totally forgot).

Step 6 - Submit the pages.



Step 7 - Sleep.











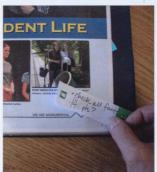
SINCE 1943. The White Oak has been in publication since 1943, a copy of which is in the center of photo at right.



GOAL! We exceeded our sales goal of 125 at 147 books and counting.







WE ARE THE YEAR'S RECORDERS





MIGHTY

Housatonic's athletic program boasts one of the highest participation rates in the state of Connecticut; seventy percent of the mighty Mountaineers participate in at least one sport during each year. The Housatonic Mountaineers believe that athletics are an extension of the classroom where meaningful lessons are taught by our coaches and learned by our student-athletes; the values of teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship are an integral part of our athletic program.



DEEP BREATH! Matthew Chin comes up for air during a relay.
TOP PHOTO. Girls cross country team reaches the crest of the hill at
White Memorial.



ATHLETIC LIFE



IGGING DEEP FOR THE WIN. Anna Coon stops the ball, sending it back to the pponent's court.



AND HE SCORES! Connor Toffey makes it past the defense to the goal.

CROSS COUNTRY

THE FAST ST THE FURIOUS

OF HOUSATONIC VALLEY



SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

This season welcomed many new runners, but all were determined to improve. Boys Cross Country finished 18th in the class S championships, and Girls Cross Country finished 9th, which is especially impressive as 6 of the 7 runners were running their first state race! Also noteworthy is Brooke Stampfle earning a medal in the girls' varsity race for her 25th finish at the Stratton Brook Invitational. The lead runners for the girls pack were both freshman, Brooke Stampfle and Charlotte Clulow. The future is bright for the girls' team. The boys met many personal bests throughout the season. The runners continue to impress their coach by their amazing work ethic and sense of family, cheering on and supporting each other regardless of where they place in a race. - Coach GT

FOR the LOVE of RUNNING

Why do you run?

Colby Harrington - Because running is the best exercise!

Nicole Gorat - I run for the exercise. It makes me stronger.

Ben Foster - Running feels good. It gets my mind off of life and gives me something to focus on.

Robert Murtagh - Running feels great, like I can do anything after a run.

Olivia McCarthy - Because GT convinced me it was fun! And sometimes it's not horrible:)

Gavy Schuster - Because It's such an energy boost!



















Krissy Galgano - The bond that our team created this year by being so encouraging and supportive to each other made me proud to be part of an amazing group of teammates. Paul Bannister - At the last 200 meter sprint with Jace Tomano, after running up and down the Wamogo hill, we were neck and neck. Despite it being

the largest and steepest hill of the season, we finished in adjacent places with our best times of the season.

Konnor Curtis - First day of freshmen year, late a large breakfast and ran 2.5 miles, during which I met and bonded with Ben Upson. Afterwards, proceeded to barf at my dad's house.









cross-country seniors

Jack Scarpa, Krissy Galgano, Ben Upson, Alison Holmes, Paul Bannister, Konnor Curtis. Ryan Considine. Dart Oyanadel







Ben Upson - By joining the cross country team, I made a lot of great friends over the years. The team felt like a second family because we were all connected. A great highlight of my senior season is that I was able to set some of my personal best running times. Jack Scarpa -I was running a race and saw a puppy on the side of the course, so I stopped and played with the puppy for a solid minute during the middle of the race. Dart Oyanadel - Joining the team made me feel like I should've done something in my other three years. Just that feeling of accomplishment and fulfillment despite running 3-5 miles feeling like the definition of Hell is what makes it for me; even though I probably iinxed it when I said, "This is actually turning out to be a great year for me.





RRONT: Colby Harrington, Robert Murtagh, Dean iaccardi, Ben Foster, Ken Zeng. MIDDLE: Shane Stampfle, Jace Tomaino, Aidan Dillon, Diontae Quellette, Trevor Hampson, Brandon Sorrell. BACK: Paul Bannister, Jack Scarpa, Ryan Considine, Konnor Curtis, Ben Upson. MISSING: Dart Oyanadel, Jack Riley



RRONT: Emma Foster, Charlotte Clulow, Brooke Stampfle, Patience Tindall, Nicole Gorat, Krissy Galgano. BACK: Coach GT, Gavy Schuster, Sarah Upson, Olivia McCarthy, Natalie Nestler, Sammy Starr, Alison Holmes MISSING: Kayleen Considine, Nicole Kowalski









TEAM MEMBERS. John Bartram, Troy Brazee, Anthony Clark, Austen Cole, Dylan Crump, Maxwell Dodge, William Fallon, Jacob Gladding, Eric Hickey, Nicholas Hiller, Noah McCray, Alex Melius, Patrick Merrill, Nicholas Sheltra, Jacob Simonds, Alexander Vernali





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Football has taught me to be me, and who I am as a person. It's taught me to get back up on my feet, and to win with dignity and lose with courage. I won't ever forget my football family. Above all, football has taught me to "take care of the little things, and the big things will take care of themselves."

-Will Fallon







Housatonic football players are part of he MCW United co-op team, along with Volcott Tech and Wamogo.









Coach Richardson with Alex Vernali

GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER

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The highlight of this season was being able to play with four seniors who have been together on varsity soccer since freshman year.

-Molly Dowd

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Your Team vs Our Family
-Jessica Serna















Above right: Emily Geyselaers flying to the ball; L-R: Molly Dowd saves the day; Chloe Turner at Senior Day on Halloween with her little sister; Teagan Lynch scooping the ball away from the opponent; Cameron Foley conferring with teammates; Hannah Quiroz coming in fast to steal the ball; Jessica Serna at Senior Day.





SENIOR SHOTS



FRONT: Hannah Quiroz, Aliza Luminati, Molly Dowd, Abby Dodge, Christina Winburn. MIDDLE: Sadie Grusauski, Lillian Karcheski, Sierra O'Niel, Genevieve Bushey, Josie Horosky, Maddie Simonds. BACK: Cameron Foley, Neve O'Connell, Ella Matsudaira, Teagan Lynch, Madeline Dekker, Emily Geyselaers, Ella Segalla, Coach Dodge













RADITION. Above, the girls ave their circle chant before the game.



SENIORS. Chloe Turner, Hannah Quiroz, Teagan Lynch, Molly Dowd, Emily Geyselaers, Cameron Foley. *Not Pictured:* Jessica Serna







SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

The boys varsity soccer team had a challenging season this fall. Just the same, highlights of the season were wins against rivals Shepaug and Wamogo. They boys also played hard for a close win against the equally-matched Thomaston team.















SENIORS. Jacob Burcroff, Zach Wilkinson, Johan Diaz, Calvin O'Connor, Juan Sanchez, Eli Hill









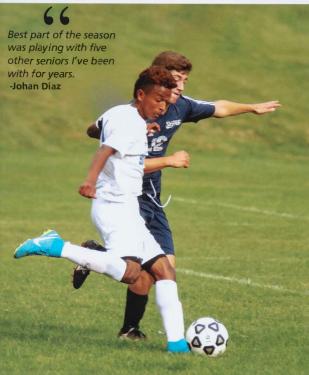












BOYS VARSITY SOCCER

Coach Jim Terrall

TEAM MEMBERS. Pictured on facing page. FRONT: Dale Palmer, Sebastian Munoz Arango, Matthew Lopes, Lucas Calhoun, Marcus Winburn. MIDDLE: Jack Wayne, Jack McAuliffe, Eleazar Santiago-Nicolas, Caleb Shpur, Nicholas Winburn, Donovan McCray, Johan Diaz. BACK: Coach Terrall, Elijah Johnson, Mateo Rufo, Jeffrey Palmer, Luke

Mollica, Juan
Sanchez, Zachary
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Danforth Gold.











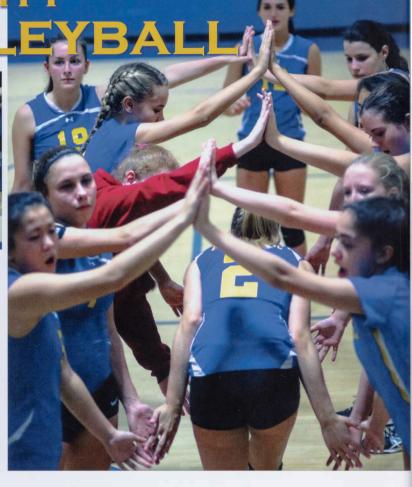




VARSITY VOLLE



TRADITION. The Housatonic volleyball team has its rituals, such as the pre-game welcome (shown at right, in which the JV and varsity teams come together to get everyone hyped up for the game), team chants, warm up routines, and circling together for a brief celebration after each score.









SENIORS. Pictured right: Ana Tittmann, Sydney Sears, Olivia Forstmann, Autumn Freudenberg, Megan Baldesseri







Set it Up!





TEAM MEMBERS. Pictured at left, FRONT: Amelia Budny, Ana Tittmann,



Anna Coon, Jillian Diamond, Sarah Cattelan. BACK: Sydney Sears, Madelynn Olownia, Megan Baldesseri, Olivia Forstmann, Autumn Freudenberg, Hannah Gilpatric, Jenna Luz



COACH DOUGLAS. Our volleyball season was hard fought and filled with some upsets and tons of emotion. We contested in games that could have tipped in either direction but we couldn't nail down a win. The girls were great and they continued showing

up every day to train and develop their fundamentals. Highlights of the season include a full squad with new senior members who kicked it on the net, as well as Megan who consistently put

own key points to get momentum back for a new rally. Iso, we developed a new defense-offense pair with Coon nd Mo, who will be dominating next season. This year was building year for relationships and talent, but through it Il, our girls were a fantastic group of athletes and I am roud of our season.





GIRLS JV SOCCER













As a senior who chose to play JV soccer, I can honestly say that it has been one of my favorite seasons. Being able to work with the younger players and help build them into better players was one of my favorite parts of this year!

-Lauren Murtagh



FRONT: Madison McNealy, Mia Tittmann, Kaylie Anderson, Ornella-Grace Rufo MIDDLE: Sydney Clark, Kirstyn Hoage, Elaine Dekker, Sammie Sheldon, Paige MacNeil, Abigail Coolbeth. BACK: Maggie Bickford, Lauren Murtagh, Jessica Serna, Abby Larson, Abigale Wayne, Tianna Togninalli, Mackenzie Hunter, Emma Walsh, Coach Rogers





FRONT: Ivan Pascasio, Ryan Dorn, Andres Paz-Cortez, Henry Lopez-Gonzalez, Liam Money, Justin Roux, River Greenbaum. MIDDLE: Keaton Terrall, Daniel Zapata Bonet, Oscar Zapata Bonet, Jacob Sheltra, Noah Lynehan, Chris Duntz, Elias Abbott. BACK: Anthony Fenn, Kevin Arango, Nick Dodge, Mike Hanlon, Shea Cohn, Liam Murphy, Logan Riley, Coach Gold.







BOYS JV SOCCER









JV VOLLEYBALL













FRONT: Allison Black, Sarah Cattelan, Tanya Arango, Jillian Diamond. MIDDLE: Kacie Viel, Jessy Haggard, Valerie Lenis, Elle Raftery. BACK: Hannah Gilpatric, Jenna Luz, Molly O'Connor, Lindsey Clark







FIELD HOCKEY



Our team may have been small, but we are a close team. Being a close team was my favorite part of the season. -Jada Wilson



Captains Jada Wilson and Sofia Rincon lead the team to a very successful 5 and 5 season. Annabelle Kovacs had an outstanding season as goalkeeper. Returning players Hope

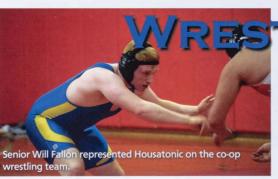
A WORD FROM COACH McAuliffe Aragi and
Molly Menniges
were a strong
offensive force.
Danielle Gorat,
Zyaja Huggan,
Brianna Webb and
Abby Vandeusen
played outstanding
defense throughout
the season. Haley
Leifert, Myah Baird,

Hope Carlson, along with Candie and Jada our exchange students, rounded out our team and were key players in the team's success this season. Highlights of the season were wins over Shepaug and Northwestern.









Wow, wrestling has single highhandedly taught me the most important lessons. Nothing is harder than wrestling. Nothing. It's taught me to stand up for myself in any situation, and to never, ever give up. -Will Fallon

Housatonic Ice Hockey finished the season on a 3 game winning streak earning a birth in the CIAC State Tournament for the 6th consecutive year. The team was led by Captains Connor Toffey and Jack McAuliffe. During the season, they also won the coveted Berkshire Cup for the 12th consecutive year over rival Shepaug.

-Coach Diamond











Coaches: Dean Diamond, Stephen Banffy & Chris Bellanca

TEAM MEMBERS. Pictured below. FRONT: *Kelly Worthington, *Tyler Calhoun, *Owen Byrne, Matthew Murray, Jack Scarpa, *Anthony Cardello, *Sydney Marhefsky, *Connor Lamson. BACK: Coach Stephen Banffy, Coach Chris Bellanca, *Cameron Whilhem, Connor Toffey, Jacob Burcroff, Zachary Wilkinson, Elijah Johnson, Luke Mollica, Anthony Robarge, Jack McCaulife, Riley Molfica, Christopher Swanson, Coach Dean Diamond. *indicates Wamogo or NW player.











ICE HOCK

It was an exciting season for our three airls hockey team members (who co-op with Suffield High School). Congrats to Ana Tittmann named SCC North Conference First Team. and Molly Dowd and Genevieve Bushey named to the Second Team. Our girls' ice hockey co-op had 6 out of its 13 honored, and our Housy girls were 3 of the 6.







The oportunity to represent the Housy girls' hockey talent, which fed into the first ever girls hockey co-op with Suffield, was an

honor and pure joy to be a part of. The efforts and passion towards the game brought us closer to each other and our overall success this year.

-Ana Tittmann



Left to right: Molly scores against Hamden; Genevieve Bushey fights for the puck against NorthWest Catholic; Molly in game versus Hamden; Ana scores in state finals against Darien.

ALPINE SKIING



We had an outstanding 2018 season. The team won both the League Championship Cup (one day event where we race Giant Salmon in the morning then Salmon in the afternoon) Plus the League Overall team trophy for the entire season. The league overall is decided by points given based on individual racers times. These points are accumulated throughout the season and the team with the most points wins.

-Coach Bill Gold





dive

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS Even though the 2017-2018 swim team didn't finish with a winning record, individuals on the team were able to shine. This year 12 members of the 15 made it to the Berkshire League Championships, where they held their own in each heat. The team was comprised of many new swimmers who were able to learn the skills they needed to eventually become some of the fastest swimmers in the league! Through the coaches' encouragement, the season was one to remember, as members look forward to building

the team even more in the coming years!







CAPTAINS. Lauren Murtagh, Matt Chin, Mackenzie Hunter









COACHES JACKIE RICE & LISA McAULIFFE

FRONT: Maebel Spencer. Mackenzie Hunter, Lauren Murtagh, Eliana Calhoun, Amelia Budny. BACK: Coach Rice, Zyaja Huggan, Matthew Chin, Nathan Hock, Tianna Togninalli, Madison Simonds. Coach McAuliffe. MISSING: John Bartram, Gabriel Castro-Cruz, Luis Ixim Coc, Abigail Larson, Dale Palmer, Jeffrey Palmer.

























Although swimming may be a sport that is comprised of individual events, our team is nothing but encouraging and supportive to one another. Even though we aren't a winning team, we are a team that has fun at every meet and practice!

-Lauren Murtagh

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL























FRONT: Ella Segalla, Sierra O'Niel, Christina Winburn, Anna Coon. BACK: Coach Dodge, Emily Geyselaers, Alison Holmes, Olivia Forstmann, Caroline Hurlburt, Madelynn Olownia















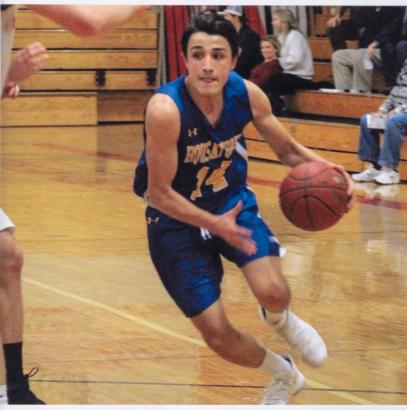


BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

TEAM MEMBERS. FRONT: Caleb Shpur, Troy Brazee, Charlie Kaufman, Michael Peirce. BACK: Zachary Ongley, Alex Kellner, Briceson Barry, Cameron Ackerman Faedi, Spencer Barry, Xavier Johnson, Evan Miller, Coach Magyar







A moment in high school basketball to remember is dunking on Pat Considine (Class Of 2016) in practice and taking Spike Magyar.

-Spencer Barry











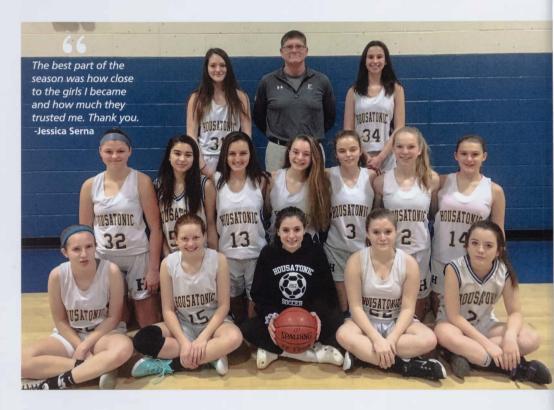




SENIORS. Alex Kellner Spencer Barry

JV GIRLS BASKETBALL

TEAM MEMBERS. FRONT: Emma Walsh, Kirstyn Hoage, Kaylie Anderson, Madi McNealy, Kayleen Considine. MIDDLE: Ella Segalla, Abby Coolbeth, Jessica Serna, Maggie Bickford, Natalie Nestler, Paige MacNeil, Patience Tindall. BACK: Hannah Gilpatric, Coach Hall, Abby Van Dusen.



JV BOYS BASKETBALL

TEAM MEMBERS. Kevin Arango, Egi Canie, Shea Cohn, Jacob Gladding, Benjamin Gruen, Eric Hickey, Noah McCray, William Murphy, Noah Odell, Diontae Ouellette, Ivan Pascasio, Logan Riley, Jordan Shaw, Nicholas Sheltra, Jace Tomaino, Coaches Pete Foley and Brendan Nania.

JV BOYS BASEBALL

TEAM MEMBERS. FRONT: Eric Hickey, Robert Murtagh, Nick Sheltra, Justin Roux, John Purdy, Keaton Terrall, Derek Elias. BACK: Shea Cohn, Jacob Simonds, Aidan Barr, Max Dodge, Patrick Merrill, Noah McCray, Nick Dodge, Coach Terrall.



















SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Spectacular moments from this season include Emily Geyselaers' sprints, long jump, and high jump; Alison Holmes' middle distance and discus throw; Spencer Barry's high jump 400 meters; Leo Villanes' sprints; Will Fallon's javelin throw; and Xavier Johnson's sprints. Several underclassmen are promising athletes, so the future looks bright for the Housatonic Track and Field team.















TRACK & FIELD







FRONT: Zyaja Huggan, Alexis Galgano, Aiyana Miller, Nicole Gorat. MIDDLE: Diontae Ouellette, Charlotte Clulow, Liam Money, Jordan Shaw, Austen Cole, Patience Tindall, Natalie Nestler, Xavier Johnson. BACK: Coach Burdick, Alex Palmer, Marco de Alison Holmes, Liam Murphy, Spencer Barry, Jacob Gladding, Leonardo Villanes-Medina, Coach Lovejoy, Coach Davis













The 2018 Girls tennis team was relatively young, thin on experience and, therefore, struggled to win matches. We also dealt with a myriad of physical injuries, which impacted court play. Captain Jessica Serna was our only senior. She competed at the second singles spot this year after playing mostly doubles in the past. Juniors Ella Matsudaira (1st singles) and the Anna Coon-Maddie Dekker duo at 1st



doubles are the only other players who had consistent varsity experience before this vear. Several first year players stepped up, worked hard to improve, and their commitment bodes well or next year's team. Despite our inexperience, we had a plethora of matches that went to tiebreakers, indicating the players competed hard throughout the year. -Coach Rufus de Rham



SENIOR Jessica Serna

GIRLS TENNIS

Left to right: Molly Menniges, Anna Coon, Abigail Larson, Jessica Serna, Hannah An, Sarah Upson, Neve O'Connell, Lindsey Clark, Jenna Luz, Marijke Stiffler, Molly O'Connor, Elle Raftery, Madeline Dekker, Ella Matsudaira, Jessy Haggard, Sammie Sheldon, Sammy Starr, Melissa Mauri, Elaine Dekker, Valerie Lenis





Serving it up!

























SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

The boys tennis team had an incredibly successful season. The team lost 5 of the starting 7 players from last season, but an influx of talent and others stepping up led to a 12-3 season, second place in the Berkshire League. German exchange student Max Klomp was undefeated at #1 singles, the Berkshire League Singles Champion, and the Class S State Champion! Sinales player Captain Jack Scarpa provided the positivity and leadership that all teams Sophomore Danforth-Gold played #3 singles and greatly improved, winning important matches along the way. doubles team of sophomore Harrison Tillou and freshman Micah Matsudaira have impressed opposing coaches with their games. Seniors Paul Bannister and Ben Upson came together at #2 doubles and provided some clutch wins. All players worked hard to improve and will look to contribute even

BOYS TENNIS

AN UNEXPECTED SUCCESSFUL SEASON





more next season.
-Coach Tripp















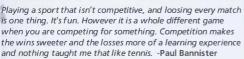






TEAM MEMBERS
Coach Tripp
Ryan Considine
Juan Vanicky
Micah Matsudaira
Harrison Tillou
Paul Bannister
Ian Danforth Gold
Max Klomp
Ben Upson
Matt Chin
Brandon Sorrell
Anthony Fenn
Jack Scarpa
River Greenbaum





Tennis taught me how to be quicker on my feet and anticipate better than my opponent. A highlight of my senior season is it was my first year starting on varsity and I realized my skills had definitely grown since freshman year. -Ben Upson







GIRLS LACROSSE

Having put together a last minute team, the record we've earned was through pure determination and hard work. I owe my last season to all of the new girls who stepped up to play one of the most thrilling, grueling and competetive sports at Housy. -Ana Tittmann

Best moments... still having a successful season after graduating many talented seniors.
Also, beating one of our rivals, Watertown High School, twice.
-Molly Dowd













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FRONT: Kayleen Considine, Karina Velasco, Maebel Spencer, Molly Dowd, Ornella-Grace Rufo, Hope Carlson. MIDDLE: Maggie Bickford, Ellie Calhoun, Abby Dodge, Ana Tittmann, Lillian Karcheski, Maddie Simonds. BACK: Ella Segalla, Naomi Dalmida, Megan Foley, Olivia Forstmann, Genevieve Bushey, Coach Bushey

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

After some serious recruiting, the girls lacrosse team had 17 players, with seven brand new players (five freshman, one sophomore and one senior). Despite the team's mix of various experience and skill levels, they pulled through with a great deal of enthusiasm and spirit! It is a "rebuilding" year full of learning and fun. Hopefully this young group will continue to play and keep HVRHS girls lacrosse thriving. -Coach Bushey



WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!

Players Named to All-League Team

In addition to the team winning the WCLS Conference Championship, five Housatonic lacrosse players were named to the WCLC Conference All-League Team: Molly Dowd, Ana Tittmann, Genevieve Bushey, Olivia Forstmann and Madison Simonds.









We went from no team to #2 in the league. Laura Bushey is a legend for saving our team. -Olivia Forstmann

TEAM MEMBERS

Coach John McGuire Spencer Krenitsky Jace Tomaino Michael Hanlon Holden Marks Rvan Dorn Zach Onglev Not Pictured: Mitchell Kosciusko Dean Saccardi Mason Weigold Marcus Winburn



SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

After a horrendous start because of the weather, the golf team had one of its best seasons in recent history. The team battled for third place in the Berkshire League and eventually did place third with 10-6, and sent five players to the Berkshire League Tournament. Ongley finished in the top seven and then qualified as a Berkshire League All-Star.

The team has been led by captain Zach Ongley, junior, and sophomore Mason Weigold. Also playing well were juniors Holden Marks, Dean Saccardi, and Marcus Winburn.

-Coach John McGuire







HOUSATONIC GOLF





Swinging in Style

SOFTBALL





SEASON HIGHLIGHTS.

Housy Softball has done great this past year. A lot of new talent that will help the team grow for many years to come. We had more



wins than the two previous last seasons, we continue to grow. Senior Captains Lauren Murtagh, Cameron Foley and Autumn Freudenberg along with Junior Captains Christina Winburn and Madelynn Olownia had a great year supporting their young team and bring Housatonic big wins.

-Coach Rogers











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I am extremely proud of the growth our team made this year. We went from being a team that never won, to a team that won a few times and even held one of the best teams to a 1-3 score!"
-Lauren Murtagh







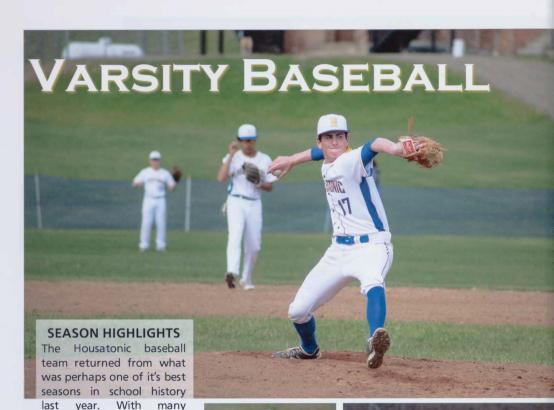






TEAM MEMBERS.

FRONT: Christina Winburn, Kirstyn Hoage, Mia Tittmann, Cameron Foley, Aliza Luminati, Cande Quenan. BACK: Madelynn Olownia, Emma Walsh, Madison McNealy, Lauren Murtagh, Autumn Freudenberg, Myah Baird, Paige MacNeil, Coach Rogers, Manager: Kristen Galgano.





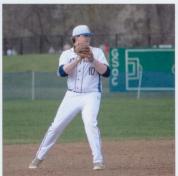




returning players,

Mountaineers hoped to make another run deep into the state tournament. The season highlight was the Mountaineers blasting four home runs against Lewis Mills, but in a losing effort. -Connor Toffey

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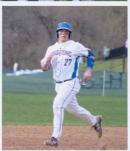






FRONT: Calvin O'Connor, Luke Mollica, Jack McAuliffe, Nicholas Winburn, Shane Stampfle, Caleb Shpur. BACK: Sean Caiati, Matthew Murray, Cameron Ackerman Faedi, Alexander Vernali, Connor Toffey, Evan Miller, Dylan Crump, Coach Morhardt.









MEANINGFUL

Academic life at Housy is rich and varied. Our academics include Advanced Placement, honors, Early College Experience, work study, independent study, agricultural studies, college preparatory, technical studies, art, music, health, physical education, and Life Skills. There's no shortage of variety or meaning to be found on our campus. As a result, there is something for everyone.



INDEPENDENT LEARNING. Wes Coon and Austin Wiggins studying.



ACADEMIC LIFE



SCIENCE EXPLORATIONS. Alex Vernali conducts an experiment on projectile notion in Physics class.



WELDING IN TECH ED. A student welds together horse shoes.











LEFT-RIGHT FROM TOP:

AP Environmental Science on a field trip; inquisitive Chemistry students; Mr. Lovejoy and Roxana Hurlburt conducting projectile motion experiments; Marine Biology students out in the field working with marine biologists on board their research vessel at Norwalk Aquarium; Chemistry students testing the contents of a substance using the flame test; Marine Biology students creating sea perches; pre-lab instructions with Mr. Douglas; Science 9 students during the mole challenge.













LEFT: Egi Canie investigating exponential functions in Alegbra 2 with Ms. Membrino and Mr. Greco. BELOW: Hope Carlson modeling distribution with algebra tiles; Nicole Gorat measuring ingredients for a recipe.

















MATHEMATICS













It's been an exciting year in Social Studies. We revamped the entire curriculum for 9th and 10th grade. Our 9th graders are now taking Global History in which they researched and created projects and presentations representing the similarities and differences across several early civilizations. They also researched the Medieval Period through Arthurian Legends and Coat d' Arms. Our 10th graders are taking Global History II in which they also completed research projects and primary source analysis about societies since the late 1800s. In US History, juniors took field trips to Sturbridge Village (they put everyone to work) where they made movies about the changing aspects of





American life between 1790 and 1830, and to the Franklin Roosevelt Library where they examine original documents to answer questions about whether FDR knew about Pearl Harbor and whether internment of Japanese Americans was justified. Students in ECE US History began a multi-year project to tell the story of African American Civil War soldiers from Litchfield County through building a website. They also participated in an oral history

festival investigating HVRHS in the 1960s. Seniors in History 12H partnered with the Taconic Learning Center to facilitate the Great Decisions course. Civic Life & Documentary Film students made documentaries about issues facing our world. For their documentaries, students interviewed UConn Executive Director Brian Boecherer about grading practices, Hartford Courant journalist Russell Blair about police and community relations, and State Rep. Charlie Stallworth about undocumented citizens and refugees in CT. -Mr Vermilyea





LEFT-RIGHT FROM TOP. Parallel Socratic Seminars analyze the success and legacy of the populists; Oral history day with Housy alumni who bring photos, yearbooks, and stories; Student create Odysseus and



Penelope's love letters after reading The Odyssey; Psychology students debate parenting issues; Sturbridge field trip; Mr. Vermilyea and students visit with a student from our Chinese sister school; Hannah An creates a Coat d' Arms; Civic Life students conduct and film an interview; and they interview Representative Stallworth.









ENGLISH











LEFT-RIGHT FROM TOP. English 9 students read *Of Mice and Men* while listening to Mr. Osora's dynamic reading; Arieh

Saed reads Othello; Ben Soper studies in Literary Genres; Ms. Freese reads Othello to students; Shane Stampfle and Marin Montoya read Shakespeare; Gabe Castro-Cruz and Jeffrey Palmer work on projects; Elizabeth Ovitt works on the writing process with Ms. Bennett.









ART

Sereral students had work accepted into the Kent Art Association's annual Student Art Show. Ella Matsudiara won the Award for Excellence at the show for her marvelous painting. Also, Two Walls Gallery displayed the color photography of Housy alum, Tara Nugent. Student interns run the gallery, Tianna Togninalli, Ella Matsidaira, and Valerie Lenis.





RGHT: Emerson Rinehart's art will be displayed in the Public Health Committee Room at the state Legislative building.







CONGRATULATIONS to Ewa Urbanowicz and Emily Abbott for CAS Outstanding Art Award.

PRE- & POST-TESTS Right: Beginning drawing students draw two









self portraits: one pre-instruction and one post-instruction.



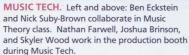
Music

All year the music department prepares for the winter and spring concerts. They work hard mastering challenging pieces. Also, many students raise money to compete at the Walt Disney World Music Festival. The students of the HVRHS Music department have many opportunities available to them, including two day-ensembles: Concert Band and Concert Choir, as well as four audition based night groups: Jazz Band, Night Choir, Sweethearts (female a capella), and Heartbreakers (male a capella). Beyond performance, students explore the world of music in music appreciation and history, stretch their creative capacity in the music theory courses, and compose new works in our state-of-the-art music computer lab.

-Tresa Ashman















































AGRICULTURE

TOP LEFT: Mr. Burdick with Robert Murtagh, Nolan Stoddard, and Jamaeson Russin in Ag Mechanics class. NEXT 3 PHOTOS: Erin Sheehan, Sammy Starr, and Tyler A educating visitors at the Ag Open House. MIDDLE: The first family we fostered, during Small Animal Science Class. BOTTOM: Will Wandal completing chores in the green house; Ben Soper and Patrick Kennedy at the barn; students on the Ag scavenger hunt; Mr. Moran working one-on-one with a student during Greenhouse and Botany Management; Bryan Rivera-Quinones unloading supplies in the workshop.



LEFT: A masked student in Welding class. BELOW: Aidan Dillon working in Metals class; Mr. Christinat helping Asa Franson create an intricate design:















LEFT TO RIGHT: In Graphics class, Alyssa Olney and Aubrey Johnson create outdoor banners for the baseball team; James McGuire fixes Mr. Krupa's piano bench in Metals class; Mr. Christinat helps Asa Franson create an intricate design; Mackenzie Hunter screen prints teeshirts for Mr. Housatonic crew members: students visit Lincoln Technical Institute.

P.E.

NOT JUST GAMES ANYMORE

RIGHT: Mr. Tripp demonstrates how to get out of a choke hold. BELOW: Chad Lowell careens down a zipline. April Bautista climbs a tree to reach the ropes course.



















HEALTH





Students practice first aid, learn from guest speakers, share group presentations.







WORLD LANGUAGES

Housy Students Rank Nationally on Foreign Language Exam

Congratulations to Mountaineers who earned national recognition for excellent performance on the National Exams in French, Spanish or German. Students were evaluated for their written, oral and listening comprehension skills. FRENCH Honorable Mention - Mia Tittmann, Derek Elias, Melissa Mauri, Miri Rhinehart, Julia Hernandez, Abby Vandeusen. SPANISH Silver Medal -Victor Flores, Marijke Stiffler, Ivan Pascasio; Bronze Medal - Lindsey Clark; Honorable Mention - Elias Abbott, Hannah An, Valentina Arango, Aidan McCarthy, Neve O'Connell, Marin Montoya, Donovan McCray, Juan Sanchez. GERMAN Bronze Medal - Jared Taylor, Soren Clulow, Lusanna Munson; Honorable Mention - Caleb Shpur.



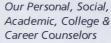












The school counseling staff isn't focused only on graduation credits and course selection. Counselors focus on the academic success, college and career readiness, and socialemotional development of all students, as well as the overall culture of the school. The office put on activities such as pep rallies and the Wonder Woman extravaganza at Halloween. LEFT-RIGHT FROM TOP: Dr. O'Neill, Mr. Vermilyea, and interested students visit New York City to explore careers in history; Sudents at the Career Cafe learn from a conversation with Rafe Churchill about career opportunities in the area. the value of being bilingual. understanding the importance of working your way up, observing others, and communicating clearly; Allison Black's broadcasting job shadow at WSFB; Megan Foley's physical therapy job shadow at Geer; Luis Ixim Coc's job shadow













ith Salisbury School's athletic trainer; Students at UConn exploring careers in the medical sciences; Students exploring nanufacturing at Canaan's Becton Dickinson plant and learning how entry level jobs provide opportunities for advancement career, education, and training; Kimberly Rock from Bard College at Simon Rock and Jennifer Wiegel of McGee Media peak with students in our College & Career Center about careers in accounting and marketing.

SCHOOL COUNSELING

















MR SAMAHA

MR BURDICK



MASTERFUL

Housatonic Valley Regional High School takes pride in the leadership and educational talents of each of our departments. The HVRHS faculty and staff promote personal and academic growth, as well as independence.



ALGEBRA ANYONE? Dr. Fellows contemplates Kadie Ford's thought provoking question.

TOP PHOTO. Halloween brought out the Wonder Woman in faculty and staff.....you go, girls!



FACULTY & STAFF



DRAWING CLASS. The masterful Mr. Prindle, our talented and accomplished art teacher, provides individual attention during drawing class: David Choi and Amber Humiston



TAG TEAM TEACHERS. Ms. Bucco and Ms. Messina masterfully weave together literature, writing, and history in their co-taught humanities course.

WE ARE FACULTY & STAFF



Abdulhayoglu



Carol Arrigoni



Jessica Bate





Deron Bayer Robin Beauion Amy Bennett





Jonathan Lori Bucco Bruno



Mark Burdick



Tyler Burdick



Vance Cannon



Gale Caruso



Francisco Charles



John Christinat



Lindsley Rosanne Costa Colligan



Melanie Cullerton



Karen Davenport



Elizabeth Dinneen



Kimberly Durley



John Duval



Michael Ellington



Scott Fellows



Jacqueline Fenn



Alexandra Ferraro



Cindy Fuller



Tripp



Letitia Garcia- Richard Greco



Susan Harris



Sara Jack



Barbara Johnson



Thomas Krupa



Julie Lang



Mike Lazzaro





Alan Lovejoy Anne MacNeil



John Marsicano



Christine Martin



Jose Martinez



Kim McLeod



Darlene Membrino



Caitlin Messina Taylor Monico





David Moran



Rosemarie Nanni



Mary O'Neill



Liam O'Reilly







Damon Osora Pete Peterson Warren Prindle



Lisa Reel



Jacquie Rice



John Samaha



Jennifer Shippa



Kristina Simonds



Jennifer Sincovic



Ian Strever



David Thompson



Jeffrey Tripp



Sharon Veatch



Peter Vermilyea



Laura Victore



Katherine Wood

Not Pictured: Erika Carlson John Connelly David John Douglas Beth Foulds Shannon Freese Cammiel Hussey Katelyn Kearns Nancy Martin Christiane Olson Paul Padua Patricia Rimany

Gretchen Hachmeister Bradford Sincovic Kevin Wheeler



Ar. Vermilyea and Ms. Veatch looking dapper.







Ms. Monico during a writing lesson; Mr. Moran leading an FFA meeting.



MOMENTOUS

Dear Underclassmen,

You're so excited to become a senior. Ready for prom, and college and career, and getting out of high school. And who can blame you? We've all been there, when high school looks a million miles long and you feel like you'll never leave.

Senior year is amazing. But, senior year is bittersweet. Everyone says this and you just shrug it off, because what do they know, right?

Before you gain too much momentum toward that door, let me tell you what it's like... Your last first day of school. The smells of pencils and notebook paper, of the carpet and Chromebooks, of the people in the hallways. The chaos of passing periods, the cafeteria. Debating about whether or not you really need to go to first period, because you really need Dunkin' Donuts and if you don't get it, you might die. Never again.

This is what it feels like... Your last high school sports game. On the sideline chanting and yelling and holding up posters. Some nights it's warm. Others, bitterly cold. You get to huddle together with friends when, finally, your team loses and you realize: Never again.

This is what it feels like... Athletes on the field, court, track for the last time. Running or hitting, hearing the crowd yell, shouting at your teammates, shouting at you. Abs hurt from laughing in the locker room, slipping your jersey over your head, lacing up your shoes. Pre-game lectures. You've never felt more pumped in your life. Now the court is empty. The field is dark. The game is over. Never again.

This is what it feels like... Graduation day. The last time you will talk to 90% of the people you know. You're all wandering around in navy robes and squared off hats. You line up in pairs. You look at the person standing next to you as you walk out. And you know as you accept that piece of paper that isn't even the actual diploma you've worked thirteen years for: Never again.

This is what it feels like... You know now that there's a very big world in front of you and you have to face it head on, you'll have to go out and find a career, learn how to balance a check, make a mortgage work, take out a loan for college. Life is starting, a whole new chapter. Everything is being done for the last time because you're about to start everything over again and you swear that you remember turning twelve like it was yesterday, and are you sure you're eighteen because you don't feel ready to do this just yet, and then suddenly you're doing it.

And this is your life. So before you go rushing through it, remember... This is what it feels like.

Love, A Senior

adapted from McKenna Blair





UNDERCLASSMEN



HUGS ANYONE? Lindsey Clark, Valerie Lenis, Molly O'Connor, and Genevieve Bushey silly in Social Studies.



PROJECTS. Nikkole Blouin and Elizabeth Ovitt give each other pointers during a class project.

WEARE FRESHMEN



Elias Abbott



Justine Allyn



Kaylie Anderson



Valentina Arango



Peter Bautista



Marguerite Bickford



Christopher Brown



Anthony Clark



Charlotte Clulow



Isabella

Anderson

Shea Cohn



Austen Cole



Kayleen Considine



Abigail Coolbeth



Elaine Dekker



Ryan Dorn



Anna Eckstein



Jacob Ellington



Emma Foster



Asa Franson



Alexis Galgano



Jacob Gladding



Meghan Gleason



River Greenbaum



Kai Haaland-Warwick



Kirstyn Hoage Nathan Hock





Taylor Hosier



Aubrey Johnson



Lillian Karcheski



Kody Kishbaugh



Cassidy Knutson



Abigail Larson



Perla Lopez



Henry Lopez-Gonzalez





Spencer Lucas Aliza Luminati Paige MacNeil



Kory Madden



Tabitha Maffucci



Micah Matsudaira



Melissa Mauri



Aidan McCarthy





Noah McCray Patrick Merrill Ashlee Minacci





Liam Money



William Murphy



Robert Murtagh



Natalie Nestler



Neve O'Connell



Noah Odell



Diontae Ouellette



Sarita Oyanadel



Van Pascasio



John Purdy



Elle Raftery



Logan Riley



Emerson Rinehart



Justin Roux



Brandon Santiago



Gavrayla Schuster



Nicholas Sheltra



Keegan Simmons



Samuel Simmons



Jacob Simonds



Gloria Smalls



Brandon Sorrell



Brooke Stampfle



Kyle Swart



Keaton Terrall



Michelle Tittmann





Sarah Upson Karina Velasco Kaylyn Vogel





Emma Walsh



lazmine Warren



Abigale Wayne



Delanie Werner

COUNCIL



Marshall Wiley



Ken Zeng

Not Pictured: Hannah An Kristen Foster Damon Mierzejewski Elizabeth Ovitt Tristin Ralph Austen Reid



Ms. Bucco Hannah An Aidan McCarthy Elaine Dekker Ms. Messina

Mia Tittmann **Emerson Rinehart** NOT PICTURED Charlotte Clulow

WEARE **OPHOMORES**

















Braeden Allyn Kevin Arango Tanya Arango Ryan Ashman

Myah Baird

Aidan Barr

Briceson Barry

Zadykiel Bevans

















Allison Black Genevieve Bushey

Lucas Calhoun

Egi Canie

Hope Carlson Sarah Cattelan Jameson Clark

















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Madisson Clark

Dylan Crump

Kyle Currier

Ian Danforth Gold

Jillian Diamond

Maxwell Dodge

Nicholas Dodge



















Christopher Duntz



Kawliga Ellis



Kadie Ford

Benjamin Foster

Hannah Gilpatric

Danielle Gorat



















Benjamin Gruen

Hayley Jessy Haggard Hammond

Trevor Hampson

Michael Hanlon

Colby Harrington

Hernandez



Eric Hickey



Amber Hill



Zyaja Huggan



Luis lxim Coc



Xavier Johnson



Haley Leifert



Valerie Lenis



Chad Lowell



Jenna Luz



Noah Lynehan



Cameron Majette



Madison McNealy



Molly Menniges



Aiyana Miller



Marin Montoya



Tifanny Munoz Arango



Brogan O'Connell



Molly O'Connor



Dale Palmer



Jeffrey Palmer



Andres Paz-Cortez



Michael Reid



Geovana Rezende



Ornella-Grace Rufo



Arieh Saed



Ella Segalla



Samantha Sheldon



Jacob Sheltra



Shane Stampfle



Christopher Swanson



Timothy Thompson



Jace Tomaino



Ryan **Tompkins**



Gabriela Valentim





Vidak



Kacie Viel



Brianna Webb



Mason Weigold



Daniel Zapata **Bonett**

Not Pictured:

Luke Arno Madison Bailey April Bautista Nikkole Blouin Gabriel Castro-Cruz Colby Hickey Maximilian Klomp Aidan Marks Luke Mollica Riley Mollica

Tyler Neal Mary Riccardelli Daniel Saed Shirleen Santiago Jordan Shaw Jacob Smith Harrison Tillou Patience Tindall William Wandall

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Shane Stampfle, President



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Maggie Baldwin



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Manuela Bonett





Joshua Brinson Kaitlyn Buckley Amelia Budny



Matthew Buxton



Sean Caiati



Carianne Callinan



Matthew Chin Sydney Clark Soren Clulow







Allison Cole



Brandon Anna Coon Coolbeth



Lilian Culbreth



Madeline Dekker



Aidan Dillon



Abigail Dodge Ryan Duncan





Nathan Farwell



Victor Flores



Megan Foley



Nicole Gorat



Sadie Grusauski



Charlotte Herde









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Nicole Kowalski



Jason Lambert



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Jack McAuliffe



Olivia Susanna McCarthy McCarthy



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Michael Peirce



Jack Rand



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Eleazar Santiago-Nicolas



Olivia Scott



Emma Sephton



Joshua Shakeshaft



Delaney Sheehan



Erin Sheehan



Caleb Shpur



Madison Simonds



Zoey Sosinsky



Maebel Spencer



Hailey Stark



Sammantha Starr





Dylan Sterpka Marijke Stiffler



Noah Strid



Jad Tindall



Tianna Togninalli



Carly Tygart



VanDeusen



Jack Wayne



Christina Winburn ot Pictured: Troy Brazee, Valeria Cardenas Arango, Bethany Conti, Naomi Dalmida,



Winburn mma Franks, Josephine Horosky, Samuel Taylor, Tucker Whiting, Wyatt Wiley



Nicholas Winburn



Olivia Woods



Sophia Woods



Bonet



MAJESTIC

The 2018 senior class is gearing up to move on. Credits are counted, college acceptances and jobs are lined up, and caps and gowns are ordered. Seniors begin to feel nostalgic as the year winds down and the weather warms, indicating that graduation is around the corner.



 $\begin{tabular}{ll} {\bf SENIOR~MATHEMATICIANS.} & {\bf Will~Fallon~and~Paul~Bannister~work~together~to~problem-solve.} \\ \end{tabular}$

TOP PHOTO. Seniors enjoy the antics during the Turkey Olympics.



SENIORS



SELFIE MOMENT. Chloe Turner, Karyna Tymchuk, Sofia Rincon, Kit Hunter



SMILE. Emily Geyselaers and Sadie Grusauski ham it up for the camera.

WE ARE SENIORS



EMILY ABBOTT



ABIGAIL ADAM



COLE ANDERSON



MEGAN BALDESSERI



PAUL BANNISTER



SPENCER BARRY



SAMUEL BESMER



DONALD BLODGETT



RAYNE BROWN
SENIORS



CASSIDY BURCROFF



JACOB BURCROFF



ELIANA CALHOUN



DAVID CHOI



RYAN CONSIDINE



KONNOR CURTIS



MARCO DE PASCALI PEPE



CAMRYN **DESROCHERS**



JOHAN DIAZ



MOLLY DOWD



BENJAMIN ECKSTEIN



WILLIAM FALLON



CAMERON FOLEY



OLIVIA FORSTMANN



AUTUMN FREUDENBERG



KRISTEN GALGANO









EMILY GEYSELAERS MAKENZIE GILPATRIC RICHARD GLEASON



ELIAS HILL



NICHOLAS HILLER



ALISON HOLMES



JONATHAN HOWLAND



CHRISTOPHER HOYT



AMBER HUMISTON



KITIARA HUNTER



ROXANA HURLBURT



ISABELLE KAPLAN



MEHALI KASIMIS



ALEX KELLNER



CONNOR KELLNER



PATRICK KENNEDY
SENIORS



LUKAS KOSKO



RICHARD KRENITSKY



REBEKAH LARSON



MAYA LIGHT



TEAGAN LYNCH



MASSYL MALLEM



CONNOR MCGUIRE



QUINN MOODY



JOSHUA MOORE



LAUREN MURTAGH



CALVIN O'CONNOR



NORAH O'DEA



ALYSSA OLNEY



DARTANIAN OYANADEL



Maria Candelaria Quenan



HANNAH QUIROZ



CODY REID



SOFIA RINCON



ON ANTHONY ROBARGE
WE ARE MAJESTIC



JUAN SANCHEZ



JACK SCARPA



SYDNEY SEARS



JESSICA SERNA



ISAAC SHAPIRO





TAYLOR SHERWOOD ABIGAIL SILVERNAIL



THOMAS SODERSTORM



BENJAMIN SOPER



NOLAN STODDARD



NICHOLAS SUBY-**BROWN**



CHELSEA SWALLER



KIMBERLY TARALA **SENIORS**



JARED TAYLOR



JULIANA TITTMANN



CONNOR TOFFEY



CHLOE TURNER



KARYNA TYMCHUK



BENJAMIN UPSON



EWA URBANOWICZ



ALEXANDER VERNALI



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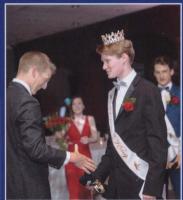


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SENIOR COUNCIL



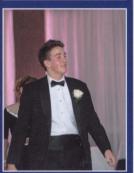
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Teagan Lynch
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Emily Geyselaers
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Katharine Winsser
Norah O'Dea
Roxana Hurlburt
Olivia Forstmann
Mr. Samaha















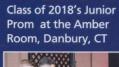








JUNIOR PROM 2017























MR. HOUSATONIC

"Hi, we're your weather girls.
And, it's raining men."



Your hosts, Valerie Lenis and Dean Saccardi.











THE SAUCY SEVEN The Interview & Un/Talent







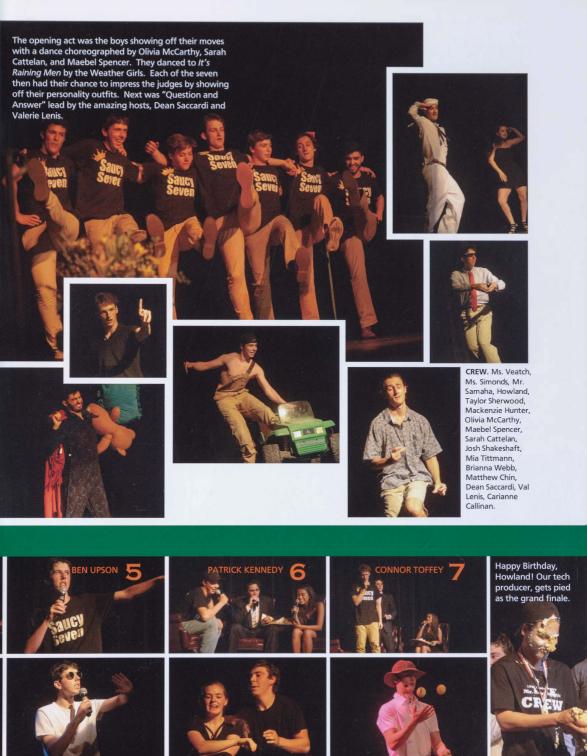
















































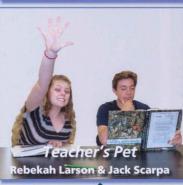












SENIORS LEAVE THEIR MARK

Before Moving On

Each year the seniors contribute their own photographs, share a favorite quote, and compose a farewell message. Here, they share their accomplishments, gratitudes, and goodbyes. Congratulations and good luck, class of 2018!

EMILY ABBOTT

Em

Concert Band 9, 10, 11, Section Leader 12; Concert Choir 12; Housatonic Musical Theater Society 9, 10, 11, Pit Orchestra 12: Night Choir 10

To Mr. Krupa, for pushing me above and beyond. To Rebekah Larson, for making me look somewhat sane by comparison. And to Elias Abbott, for being my constant. You are all amazina.

"The hardest thing in the world is to live in it. Be brave. Live."



ABIGAIL ADAM

Thank you to all of my teachers, and special thanks to Mr. Prindle, Mr. Krupa, and Mr. Lizzi. Sending smiles and lots of love to my friends and family... thank you all for an amazing high school experience. I wouldn't have



Chorus 10, 11, Pres 12; Night Choir 11, 12; Sweethearts 12; Armstrong Memorial Art Prize 11; HVRH5 Fine Arts Society VP 12; Senior Lounge Mural Artist 12; National Honor Society 11, 12; Superintendent's Award 12



"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover. -Mark Twain

COLE ANDERSON

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FFA 9, 10, 11, 12

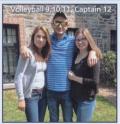




MEGAN BALDESSERI



"There are no regrets in life. Just lessons." Jennifer Aniston





PAUL BANNISTER

Allthings considered it was a pretty fun time. Everyone was right, reality becomes a memory before you can blink. If anyone is reading this, and still has the opportunity, DO EVERYTHING, sports, dubs, shows, activities. It's hard but you'll thank

yourself after.

Cross Country 10, 11, Captain 12; Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Debate 9, 12; Self Defense 10, 11, 12



Never be afraid to stand up for what is right.

SPENCER BARRY

To whomever is reading this 1,10, 20, 30 and so on many years from now, I genuinely hope you are doing well. Please reach out to me even if we weren't the best of friends at the time of my writing this.



FFA 9,10,11,12; Lacrosse 9,10; Football 10; Basketball 10,11, Captain 12; Track 11, Captain 12; Frequent flyer 12



"Your life is limited, so spend it doing things you enjoy; don't let your biggest regrets be the things you didn't do." -me

DONALD BLODGETT

I'm glad I finally made it through high school. Never thought I would say those words.



"Trump won't become president." -They

RAYNE BROWN

"You must always remember you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." -Christopher Robin



CASSIDY BURCROFF

FFA 9, 10, 11, 12



"Thanks for nothing."

JACOB BURCROFF

Thank you to my family, friends, teammates, and coaches who have helped me make my way through high school.



Soccer 9,10,11, Captain 12; Hockey 10,11,12; Lacrosse 9,10



"Just wing it."

ELIANA CALHOUN

Band 9,10,11,12; Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Chorus 12; Night Chorus 9,10; Sweethearts 9,10; Swim Team 9,12; Lacrosse 12



"Do you have any snacks?"

DAVID CHOI Dave

Don't procrastinate.

"Some people want it to happen; some wish it would happen; others make it happen."



RYAN CONSIDINE

Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; FFA 9, 10, 11, 12



WESLEY COON

FFA 11



KONNOR CURTIS

NH, RG, WF, BU and DO, thanks for making school bearable.

Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; HMTS 9, 10, 11, 12; Jazz Band 12; Debate Team 12



MARCO DE PASCALI PEPE

Musical 12; Mr. Housa tonic 12; AFS 12



Sweet as a cake and shadier than a palm tree.

CAMRYN DESROCHERS

Track and Field 9, 10, 11

Senior year was full of laughter and many new friends, including an exchange student from Argentina. My friends and I welcomed Cande, and we became good friends. I want to thank her for making my senior year exciting and full of laughter. I now know I have a friend from Argentina who I will keep in touch with. Thank you Cande for coming to Region One and making

many people smile





"Don't tell people your plan; show them your results." -Anonymous

JOHAN DIAZ

Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12



MOLLY DOWD

Thank you to my family, friends, coaches, and teachers for supporting and helping me get to where I am today. Good luck to all of the seniors!



Soccer 9, 10, 11 Captain 12; Swimming 9; Softball 9; Alpine Skiing 10, 11; Women's Ice Hockey 12; Lacrosse 10, 11, Captain 12; HMTS Backstage Crew 9; Class Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Prom Committee 11; National Honor Society 11, 12



"Be thankful for all the struggles you go through in life. They make you stronger, wiser, and humble. Don't let it break you. Let it make you."-Unknown

BENJAMIN ECKSTEIN BEN

Band 9, 10, 11, 12



WILLIAM FALLON

Football 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12 (Captain all 4 years); Baseball 9, 10; Track 12; Debate: 12; FFA 9, 10, 11



If you're reading this... it's already too late.

"Have fun and be yourself."

CAMERON FOLEY

Shout out to my mother and father for holding me to high standards. To all of the friends and relationships I've gained and lost throughout these four years, we have some I guess you can say memories. Ms. A, I will miss you the most. Peace out, college is going to be wonderful



Soccer 9, 10,11, 12; Softball 9, 10, Captain 11, 12; FFA 10, 11, Reporter 12; Jazz Band 9, 10, 11, 12; SGA 9, 10; Troop B Police Explorers 9, 10, Sergeant 11, 12; MCW United Photographer 12; North Canaan Town Pool Lifeguard 9, 10, 11, 12



"Did I do something wrong officer?" -Unknown

OLIVIA FORSTMANN

Thank you to the faculty and staff of HVRHS for making Housy a safe place to learn and especially thanks to the guys and gals who made Housy fun.



Soccer 9; Basketball 9,10,11, Captain 12; Lacrosse 9,10,11, Captain 12; Volleyball 12; Class Council 10,11,12



"It is what it is."

AUTUMN FREUDENBERG

Thank you to everyone who ever believed in me. Thank you to my family, friends, and peers. Good luck to everyone and thanks for all of the memories.





"You are not going to graduate...," John Duval. "Look at me now," Autumn Freudenberg.

KRISTEN GALGANO

A huge thank you to GT, Mr. Samaha, Ms. Bate, and Mrs. D for putting up with me and making my time at Housy better than I imagined. JS, AH and more - thank you for the amazing memories!



Cross Country 10, 11, Captain 12: FFA 9. Sentinel 10. Jr. Advisor 11, 12; Housatonic Musical Theater Society 11; Softball Manager 11,12



"I can't wait until you graduate so I can be mean to you all the time." -Ms Bate

EMILY GEYSELAERS

Bye, Housy! Thanks for everything!!



Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11, Captain & first team all league 12; Varsity Basketball 9, 10, 11, Captain & first team all league 12; Track & Field 9, 10, 11, Captain 12, first team all league all 4 years



"Do what you like; like what you do."

MAKENZIE GILPATRIC



RICHARD GLEASON





ELIAS HILL

Varsity soccer 10, 11, Captain 12; Varsity Lacrosse 10: Musical Productions 10, 11: Student government 11, Historian 12; National Honor Society 11, 12; Envirothon 12: Band 10: Tennis 11



-Michael Scott

NICHOLAS HILLER





ALISON HOLMES



Field Hockey 9; Cross Country 10, 11, 12, Captain 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Track and Field 9, 10, 11, 12, Captain 12; FFA 10, 11, 12; Student Government 9, 10, 11



JONATHAN HOWLAND

Yearbook 12; Homecoming Dance DJ 12: Mr Housatonic Technical Producer 12

Switching high schools was not so bad. Well, it was not



the smoothest sailing but it all worked out. Some how I can't say I hated it here. Thank you to the people who got me through it. As for the rest of my class, use your heads and you will do just fine.

CHRISTOPHER HOYT



"Ugh, it's Howland. "





KITIARA HINTER





Basketball 9; Tennis 10: Field Hockey 11; FFA 11,12



"What a long strange trip it's been." -Grateful Dead

ROXANA HURLBURT

Roxy

Thanks, bye.



Class Council 11, Secretary 12; FFA
12; JV Basketball 9; Empowering
Young Women 10, 11; National
Honor Society

"Have some fire. Be unstoppable..."

ISABELLE KAPLAN

1334 nank everyone

I want to thank everyone in my life for helping me get this far and for helping me get ready to go even further! I want to thank the people who were there for me when I needed a shoulder to cry on! I especially want to thank all of the Ag teachers for helping me and inspiring me! Thanks for all that you do!



Art Garage; FFA

"Every sixty seconds you spend upset is a minute of happiness you'll never get back." - And y Biersack

MEHALI KASIMIS

They thought I would die but I've survived off spinach. I recommend you do the same; don't let this scrimmage diminish your image.



Soccer 9,10,11; Envirothon: 9,10; FFA 9,10,11,12; Sponsored Downhill Skateboarder 10,11,12



"They call it the American Dream because you have to be asleep to see it." - Capital Steez

ALEX KELLNER

Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12 Track 10 Baseball 9 FFA 12



"Ag bathroom."

CONNOR KELLNER



"Ask the sheep for their beliefs; do you kill on gods command?" -Dave Mustaine

PATRICK KENNEDY

Bye, Mr. Duval.



Gym Class 9, 10, 11, 12;



"Wanna see my pigs?"

LUKAS KOSKO

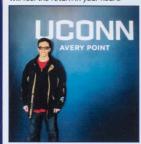


"The only thing that got in the way of my learning was my education."

-Drew Knowles

RICHARO KRENITSKY

Take that small extrastep in everything you do, a smile, a thumbs-up, a helping hand and you will feel the return in your heart.



Baseball 9,10,11; Debate Team 9,10,11; Golf Team 12; School Band 10,11,12; National Honor Society 12



"Smile... and the world will smile with you."

REBEKAH LARSON

Huge thank you to all my teachers for being so supportive and caring the past few years.



Acorn 10, 11; Musical 10, 11, 12; Wordfest 11; Art Garage 10, 11, 12; Swim team 10





MAYA LIGHT



TEAGAN LYNCH

you half as well as you J.J.R. Tolkien

Bye bye, Housy.

Varsity Soccer 9,10,11,12 J V Basketball 9 Varsity Tennis 10 Varsity Lacrosse 9,10



MASSYL MALLEM

Thank you HVRHS community for making me feel welcomed, appreciated, & for making my integration smooth & successful. Especially Mr. Bayer & Mr. Vermilyea for making me passionate about history, Mr. Lizzi for introducing me to debate & making it an integral part of my life, & thank you to Mr. Osora & Mr. Cannon for making me laugh on a daily basis. And of course, I can't forget all that Ms. Veatch & GT did for me

& my family; I will never forget you.

Soccer 10; Swimming
10; Track & Field 10;
Cross Country 11;
Chess 10, 11, best in
school 12; Academic
Bowl 12; Mr.
Housatonic 12;
Debate 11, Captain
12, Yale University
Debate Tournament
- First Speaker
Award



"I couldn't disagree more."

CONNOR MCGUIRE



QUINN MOODY

Goodbye Housy!

Basketball 10, 11



"It was all a dream." -Christopher Wallace

Joshua Moore Josh

Thank you to everyone who I've met at Housy You have made my experience here a fun one.



"My ambition is handicapped by laziness." -Charles Bykowski

LAUREN MURTAGH

Thank you to my advisors for teaching me how to be the leader I am today, to my teachers for putting up with my crazy FFA schedule and of course my parents for supporting me no matter what! To my fellow snake hunters, I did it for you and our secret meetings. I'm so thankful for everything Housy has given me these past four

Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Swim Team 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Softball 9,10,11, Captain 12; FFA 10, Secretary 11, President 12; Concert Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Night Chair (Superheart 11, 12)



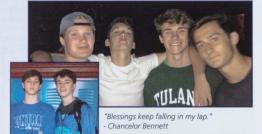
"I have flaws? What are they?" -Michael Scott

CALVIN O'CONNOR

Thanks to my family and everyone who has been with me for these four years and before then. Big thanks to the boys in Hoozee Ed.

Soccer 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Basketball 9; Ski Team 10, 11, 12; Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12

Debate 12



NORAH O'DEA

years!

Student Government 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Class President 11, 12; Lacrosse 9, 10, 11



Norah, do not do something stupid for your senior quote. You'll embarrass me." - My mom

ALYSSA OLNEY



"If you are reading this then this is for you. Every word you read..is another second off your life.. Don't you have other things to do?.. Or are you so impressed that you give respect to all that claim it? Do you read everything you're supposed to read? Do you think everything you're supposed to think?.. Start a fight. Prove you're alive. If you don't claim your humanity you will become a statistic. You have been warned." Chuck Palahniuk, Fight Club





Cross Country 12 Band 9, 10, 11, 12

It's only now that I realize the first 18 years of your life are like a free trial. After that, it's pay to play.

"The Dude Abides" -The Dude

MARIA CANDELARIA QUENAN

Cande

Field Hockey 12; Softball 12; AFS 12



"It's not a trip or a vacation; it's a second life."

HANNAH QUIROZ

Girls Varsity Soccer 9, 10, 11,12

Thanks to my family for helping me succeed through these four years! Shoutout/



"Thanks for all the education but now it's time to hit the poles." - Anonymous

CODY REID



SOFIA RINCON

Field Hockey 10, 11, Captain 12; SGA 9, 10, 11; FFA 10, 11, 12



ANTHONY ROBARGE



JUAN SANCHEZ Chalo

Soccer 9, 10, 11, Captain 12

I thank my family and friends for being there and making my high school experience unforgettable.



"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be." -Ralph Waldo Emerson

JACK SCARPA

Try to have the best outlook on life and do your best. Whatever you do in life always laugh, smile, and most importantly always have fun.



Cross Country 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Hockey 12; Tennis 9, 10, 11, Captain 12: SGA 11. Treasurer 12

"I have no idea what I'm doing, but I know I'm doing it well" - Andy Dwyer

Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9,

SYDNEY SEARS



JESSICA SERNA

For FFA and the hard working teachers in this school. For Ms. Caruso and Mr. Cannon, for welcoming me into your office every day, all day. For AH KG MH TT JD LC MM AC, TS BR AM BB XJ and so many more... For Dunkin Donuts. For momma and dad. For Grandma Roy

I have not enough space to thank you everything you did for me. Thank you.

10, 11, 12: Tennis 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; National Honor Society 11, 12



ISAAC SHAPIRO



TAYLOR SHERWOOD

Soccer 9; Lacrosse 9, 10, 11; SGA 9, 10, 11, President 12; Class Council 10, 11; FFA 12

"ABCDEFG I have to go. It's just a phrase I like to use. It means he conversation is over." - Kourtney



ABIGAIL SILVERNAIL Alby FFA 9, 10, 11, 12



"To the window..." -Lil' Jon

THOMAS SODERSTROM Tom



BENJAMIN SOPER

Ben



NOLAN STODDARD

FFA 10,11,12; Ice Hockey 10

I want to thank Mr. Burdick and Mrs. Davenport for everything they have done for me. I really appreciate it.



"Dig it."

NICHOLAS SUBY-BROWN

I want to thank everyone who has helped me out and been there for me throughout high school. Farewell to all of my fellow seniors. We never know what the future holds for us.



Band 9, 10, 11, Vice President 12; Chorus 12; Jazz Band 12; Robotics 10, 11, Captain 12



"Our lives are like the wind... or like sounds. We come into being, resonate with each other... Then fade away." -Hayao Miyazaki

CHELSEA SWALLER





JARED TAYLOR

Debate Team 9, 10, 11, 12 Band 9, 10, 11, 12



ANA TITTMANN JT

I owe itto my family, friends and faculty for making my experience at Housy one to remember. The



Lacrosse 9,10,11, Captain 12; Ice Hockey 12 ; Volleyball 12; Field Hockey 11; National Honor Society 12



Let's dance in style Let's dance for a while ///JAYZ

CONNOR TOFFEY

Hockey 9, 10, Captain 11 and 12; Baseball 9, 10, 11, Captain 12



"Issa Knife."

CHLOE TURNER



Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10; Softball 10, 11, 12; FFA 9, 10,



"Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people." -Eleanor Roosevelt

KARYNA TYMCHUK



BENJAMIN UPSON

Thank you to everyone who ha helped me throughout these past four amazing years. I will miss all of my peers and wish good luck to them in their future endeavors. Go Mountaineers!



Concert Choir 9, 10, Bass Section Leader 11, 12, Vice President 12; Night Choir/Heartbreakers 10, 11, 12; Theater 10, 11, 12; Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12



"My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style." -Dr. Maya Angelou

EWA URBANOWICZ

Thanks to all the teachers that bothered grading my work after the deadline has passed.

President of the HVRHS Fine Arts Society, 12; Connecticut Association of School (CAS) 2018 Outstanding Art Award, 12



"When life gives you lemons, you probably just found lemons..." -Bo Burnham





LEONARDO VILLANES



RYAN WASHBURN



ZACHARY WILKINSON

How lucky am I to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard. I would like to thank the students and faculty for making my four years of high school unforgettable. Best of luck to all!



"I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear." -Nelson Mandela

Soccer 9, 10, 11,

Hockey 11, 12;

Lacrosse 9, 10

Captain 12:

SAMUEL WILLIAM

I want school to be enjoyable for everyone. Being overworked can harmful.









JADA WILSON



FFA 9, 10, Historian 11, Secretary 12; Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, Captain 12; Track 9, 10; SGA 9, 10



KATHARINE WINSSER Atya Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12;



SKYLER WOOD Shee-wood

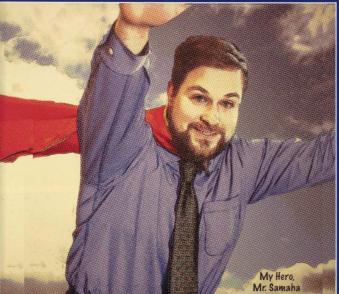


FFA 12; STC Music Recording; Band 9, 10, 11, 12

"If you don't bleed, you're not working." -Ed Burke

THANK YOU, MR. SAMAHA OUR HEROIC ADVISOR

The senior class would like to extend a huge amount of gratitude and thanks to Mr. Samaha. From agreeing to advise our crazy class last minute, to being everyone's best friend, he has supported and helped us all out so much this past year. Without his

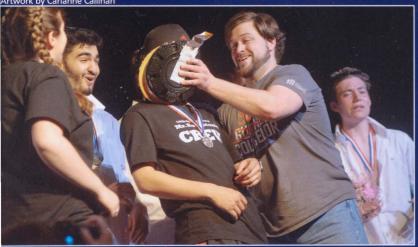


guidance, our class would surely not be in the shape it is in. We appreciate all of your extra hours, hard work, and genuine care for our class, Mr. Samaha. You will definitely have some visitors next year! Thank you!

Sincerely yours, The Class of 2018



Artwork by Carianne Callinan





Ana

We are so very proud of you!

Whatever you decide to do make sure it makes you happy!

Congratulations and have a great time in college!

We love you Mom, Dad & Mia







Jessica L. Serna

You have done some great things and will do many more. We love you so much! Congratulations! Mom, Dad & Stephanie





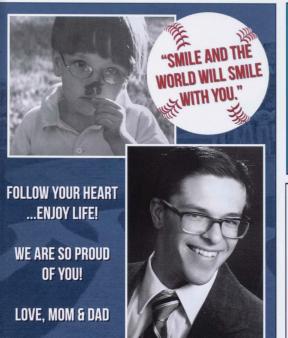






Abigail Adam

Congrats, Abby!
We could not be
more proud of you.
May you "go forth
and set the world on
fire" (St. Ignatius of Loyola),
humbly remember
your roots, and may
happiness always
illuminate the
road ahead.
Love,
Mom, Dad & Emma



Emily L L Abbott

You did it
'Ouisie Mae!!!
And we're SO proud
of you!!!!!

Love Mom, Eli, J, WC, BE, P. F, Q, M & B



Richard Gleason

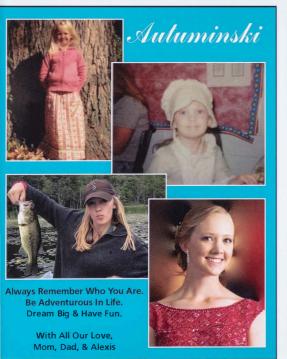
We are very proud of you and the man that you've become. God gave us a great gift when he created you...You can have all the success in the world as long as you work hard. We love you, God Bless and Keep the Faith.

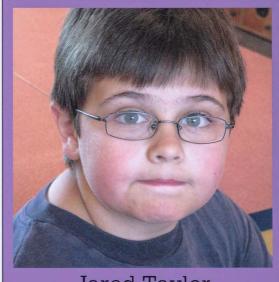






You did it, Rebekah! Though she be but little, she is fierce, and clothed with strength.





Jared Taylor

Congratulations Jared - We are very proud of you! Love, Momand Dad

Congratulations to the Class of 2018

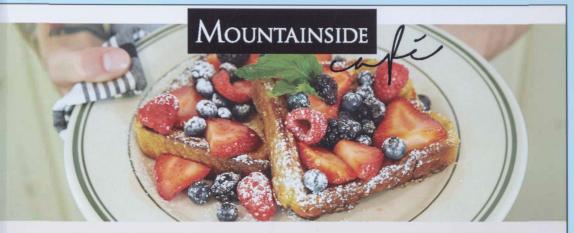


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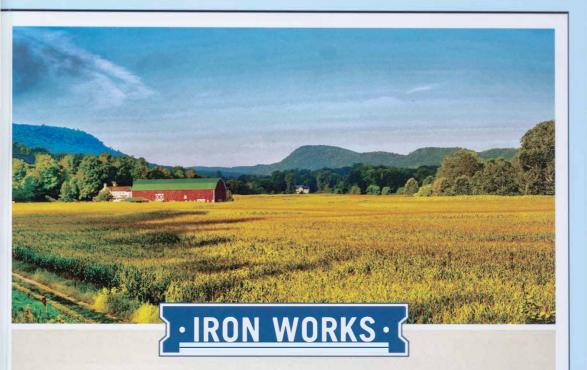


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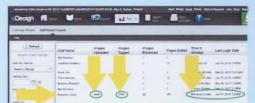
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