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New Menu Items at Pizzeria

By JORJA BLAKESLEE

Tiger town is a restaurant in St. John where you can get pizza and sandwiches for lunch or supper. The new manager, Ashley Haney, has added new items to the menu including a Reuben sandwich, Balsamic salad and Greek salad, new flavors of pizza, and new flavors of pop. In addition to new items on the menu, they have added more competitions with pizza prizes as well as fun features such as the photo booth they had for Halloween.

The pizza shop opened in April of 2018 after the Applied Business class of Mrs. Kinnamon's helped to set up the business and the FACS classes of Mrs. Patterson helped to finalize the original menu. The business is owned by the St. John/Hudson Enrichment Foundation, a 501c3 non-profit group, and supported by the community.



Tiger Town Pizza logo. Courtesy of their Facebook page.

Community business members and individuals sponsor individual-sized pizzas for students in the elementary that reach their AR reading goal. Additionally, Tiger Town donates pizza for some school events, including the fall parent-teacher conferences as well as sells pizza slices through athletic concessions.

Tiger Town has good ratings and good food. Their reputation has spread as people from other communities drive to eat at Tiger Town.

Grocery No-man's Land No Longer

By VERONICA BOHLEY-MILLER



Front entry of White's Foodliner. Courtesy of their Facebook page.

When Dillons closed its doors in downtown St. John in February of 2016, the community lost its only grocer. That put many citizens of the town at a loss for fresh fruits and vegetables without driving over to Stafford or all the way to Great Bend or Pratt. The Stafford County Economic Development committee helped the city council to review which business would work the best with the community. Finally, they settled on White's Foodliner.

Established in May 1953, the original owners Joe and Francis White purchased the first store in Coldwater, Kansas. Today, the company owns groceries in Kingman, Medicine Lodge, Phillipsburg, Scott City, and St. John as well as Pawnee, Oklahoma.

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New Faces: Mrs. Feril

By AVA SMITH

Another new teacher this year is Meagan Feril. She taught the past 17 years at Macksville and one summer at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. This is her 18th year teaching and she teaches Algebra II, Geometry, College Algebra, and Calculus. Feril stated, "I also teach an online statistics class for Fort Hays State University and a summer College Algebra class for Dodge City Community College in Kinsley." Her favorite class to teach is trigonometry. The first school she taught at was Macksville. Although she taught at Macksville, she lived in St. John and her kids attended school here in St. John. As they got older, their schedules started to get busier and conflicts were arising. So, when the position opened, it was a great fit for her and her family.



New Math teacher, Mrs. Feril. Photo courtesy of Dick Smith.

St. John-Hudson Music Department		St. John-Hudson Music Department	
FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
Nov. 15th, 2019		Nov. 16th, 2019	
Good for 1 Meal		Good for 1 Meal	
Adult	Student	Adult	Student

Spaghetti Dinner for Music Department

By MR. KNIGHT

Help our band and choir get to OKC! The SJH Music Dept. Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser will be on Friday, Nov. 15th and Saturday, Nov. 16th in the cafeteria from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, before the musical.

Advance tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. At the door, adults are \$6 and students are \$4. Advance tickets available in the high school office!

Recycle in Stafford County

By AUDI WEAVER

In late September, the eighth grade Introduction to Vo-Tech shop class took a trip to the Stafford County recycling center here in St. John. There, they talked about recycling and then sorted some recyclables. Afterwards, instructor Mr. Moritz asked how many students recycled at home. Two out of 13 students, Eric Mata and Elijah Foote, proudly admitted to recycling. When asked his opinion about recycling, Eric Mata said, "Recycling is a good way of keeping our town and world clean, yet a lot of people in this world don't recycle."

Eli Foote said, "Recycling is cool and now I see that some people are trying to help out the environment."

Recycling is important because not only does it affect our environment, it also affects humans. Plastics in the ocean can affect humans because fish and wildlife are becoming intoxicated. This means the toxins from the plastics have entered the food chain, threatening human health. Health effects of plastics include endocrine disruption, which can lead to cancers, birth defects, immune system suppression, and developmental problems in children.

Located at 400 S Exchange Street in St. John, the recycling center is open 24 hours and contains separate bins to recycle Glass Food & Beverage Containers, Aluminum Cans, Steel / Tin Cans, Junk Mail, Magazines & Catalogs, Newspaper, Office Paper, Plastic Bottles #1 (PET), and Plastic Bottles #2 (HDPE).

Veterans Day Program

By CHRIS FERNANDEZ

When asked why the school was putting on a Veterans Day Program this year, 7-12 principal, Mr. White, stated, "It's a great opportunity for our school to pay tribute to our local veterans and thank them for their service. It is also a good opportunity for students to learn about service, sacrifice, and patriotism. Finally, it's an outstanding opportunity to strengthen the relationship between the school and community."

You're Invited to Attend



Veterans Day Program

**November 11, 2019
9 AM Main Gym**



Posting of colors

Welcome- Josh Meyer

Pledge of Allegiance

Recognition of USD 350 veterans



Student Oration



Elementary Vocal Performance

Speaker - Chris Roth - 20 year Army Veteran

Armed Services Medley - JH/HS Choir

National Anthem - JH/HS Choir Group

Moment of Silence followed by TAPS



Conclusion - Blain White



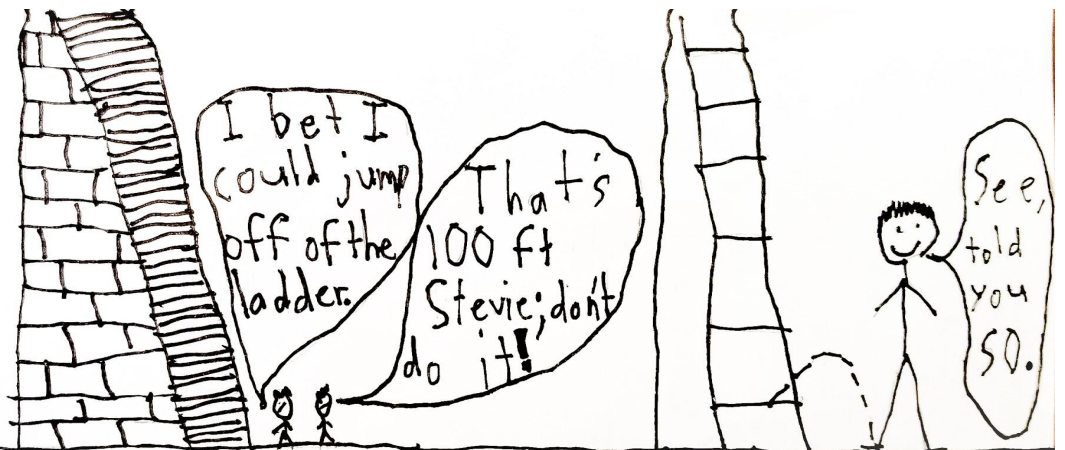
High school choir performing the National Anthem at a home football game. Photo courtesy of Dick Smith.

Flyer created by Chris Fernandez.

School Dayz

By ELI FOOTE

The
Stories of
Stevie



Therapy Dog

By ERIC MATA

Why do the 7th and 8th grades have the career class on Wednesday during L.S.? Mr. White explained that he wanted a way to prepare for the new experience of Genius Hour. That time period was perfect for students to talk about social and career skills. Mr. White then shared the idea with Mrs. Volker who expressed the desire to spend time with the students instead of being forced to complete paperwork all day, every day. When she applied for the K-12 social-emotional counselor, she also got a dog as a gift. It's called the therapy dog. Before the dog came, it had to be trained in obedience and therapy dog classes. After that, it had to take a test at the kennel club. After it passes, it gets evaluated 3 times. Finally, it will become a therapy dog and it gets a special little scarf. The dog is very helpful because it makes people at ease and it helps stress levels go down faster. The kids can take the therapy dog for a walk so they can talk about their problems.



Mrs. Volker and Tank the therapy dog.
Photo by Eric Mata.

Advice from the Tiger



Zen Habits: Self-Care

By MELEA HEARN

This week, we're talking about some self-care tips for students. First up, external care. In order to have good personal hygiene, you should shower every day and wash your hair at least every other day. Additionally, applying deodorant before and after physical activity is helpful in maintaining a fresh smell. If you're having trouble with acne, then you should wash your face with Dove soap or use an acne treatment twice a day. In addition, keeping your hands off your face helps to stop germs spreading from your hands to your face which is the leading cause of breakouts. While wearing cologne or perfume is helpful, too much can be overpowering, so make sure to use just a dab. Another tip is to always brush your teeth. Not only does it keep them healthy, it also keeps your breath smelling fresh.

There are other ways besides hygiene to have good self-care, such as exercising as much as possible and stretching daily. Getting enough sleep every night is good too because it will make you feel not as tired in the mornings. In addition, it also helps with baggy eyes and maintaining a clear complexion. As well, you should use your time wisely. Studying is a good use of time. However, you should do something you enjoy every day whether it's reading or playing on your phone, just make sure to manage your time.

November Birthdays

- | | |
|--------------|------------|
| 4 MaKayla M | 24 Isaac T |
| 4 Veronica B | 30 Caden M |
| 7 Trey F | |
| 10 Hannah S | |
| 20 Lexie B | |
| 20 Evelyn L | |
| 23 Alan V | |



Have a question or need advice? Ask the Tiger by emailing mcalisterj@usd350.com and labeling it **Ask the Tiger**.



*Sr. Dalton Nemec
Photo courtesy of
Dick Smith*

*Sr. Marshall Woolf
Photo courtesy of
Dick Smith*

*Jr. Uriel Calleros
Photo courtesy of
Dick Smith*

*Jr. Dylan Reed
Photo courtesy of
Dick Smith*

*Sr. Trey Fisher
Photo courtesy of
Dick Smith*

*Sr. AJ Miller
Photo courtesy of
Dick Smith*

SJH Cross Country

By AVA SMITH

The 2019 St. John Men's Cross Country team of AJ, Uriel, Trey, Dylan, Dalton, and Marshall earned 5th overall at the state competition on Saturday, November 2, in Wamego, Kansas. Individually, AJ captured 8th place, Uriel won 21st place, Trey fought for 44th place, Dalton streaked into 53rd place, Marshall danced across the line at 60th place, and Dylan earned 65th place. In total, there were 87 individual men and 12 teams that earned the right to compete at the state level. The final competition at state was an excellent end to the season.

Junior High Basketball

By ADANELLI GONZALES

The 2019-20 St. John Junior High Boys Basketball team has 25 players. Coach Bauer says, "That's good, because being involved in extracurricular activities makes students better."

Coach Bauer believes it is going to be a great year since the team's put in work last summer to make this season successful. Bauer states, "I think we are going to see a great deal of improvement from our youngsters this year."

A goal they have this year is to compete with everyone they play. Bauer used 5 words to describe the first couple of practices: fun, smooth, hectic, energetic, and a bit repetitive. However, some things the team needs to work on more than others, are passing and dribbling skills. "Everything starts with that," Bauer points out.

In addition, the team has goals including to keep improving and learn to put the team first. Finally, a few new tactics they are trying this year is a different man-to-man defense, not pressuring the passing lanes as much, and changing their man-to man offense. Bauer states, "The game is constantly changing and evolving."

*Right, Coach
Bauer.
Photo courtesy
of Dick Smith*



*Left, 8th grader
Joe Drake
playing summer
basketball.
Photo courtesy
of Dick Smith*



Into the Woods: High School Musical



Into the Woods Cast, L to R: Clayton Huston, Kaylynn Claussen, Dayton Long, Kayla Blasi, Bree Meyer, Trey Fisher, Dylan Reed, Riley McCandless, Darby Smith, Mackenzie Hacker, Edwin Fernandez, Erin Crissman, Kimbra Downing, and Jessica Owens.

By MORGAN GUNTER

Into The Woods is this year's fall high school musical. The dates and times are 7:00 PM on Friday and Saturday, November 15 and 16, and 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 17. All performances are in the St. John High School Auditorium. This play is part comedy and part drama with characters everyone knows from reading fairy tales as children. Students performing in the play include: Narrator, Clayton Huston; Cinderella, Bree Meyer; Jack, Riley McCandless; Jack's Mother, Darby Smith; Baker, Trevor Tanner; Baker's Wife, Erin Crissman; Cinderella's Stepmother, Dayton Long; Florinda (Stepsister), Kaylynn Claussen; Lucinda (Stepsister), Kayla Blasi; Little Red Riding Hood, Payton Meyer; Witch, Mackenzie Hacker;

Cinderella's Mother, Jessica Owens; Mysterious Man, Jon Lyon; Wolf, A.J. Miller; Granny, Emma Koelsch; Rapunzel, Addi Ward; Rapunzel's Prince, Caden McCandless; Cinderella's Prince, Trey Fiser; Steward, Dylan Reed; Giant's Voice, Breanna Clark; Snow White, Carisma Haney; Sleeping Beauty, Breanna Clark; Wood Nymphs (Chorus and Grips), Uriel Calleros, Breanna Clark, Preston Dunn, Edwin F, Carisma Haney, Luis Holguin, Kimbra Dowling, Karim Herrera, Angel Johnson, and Anthony Johnson.

The audience will be familiar with parts of the tales, and not so familiar with other parts. History teacher/school counselor Wendy Hacker is the director and retired history teacher Jane Bennington is the producer.

Grocery, *Continued*

St. John mayor Mark Bryant shared, "What I like about White's is the customer service, the various products, and amenities such as the availability of fresh fruits, veggies, fresh meat, deli, pharmacy, and gas pumps plus the convenience of not having to go out of town to get groceries. I also think White's has had a

good impact on St. John. The number of jobs the store provides and the boost to the local economy have all contributed to being very positive for our community."

The store has proven to be very supportive of the community by donating food for fundraisers, including the music department's upcoming spaghetti supper.

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