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Fights, social media threats disrupt school

By Bill Amhearst

Fights on the Wooster campus, shooting threats on social media and calls to Safe Voice disrupted the school on March 9 and 10.

On Thursday, students were hurried from a shortened lunch after a multi-student fight broke out during lunch on campus. Police estimates said more than 20 to 24 active fighters were involved in

Four law enforcement agencies responded to the fight including Washoe County School District Police, Reno Police, Reno Police Gang Unit, Washoe County Sheriffs and plain-clothes officers.

Students were kept in their sixth period classes and were released early from school on a staggered building by building basis.

Parents of those students involved were called to pick up students involved in the fight and were admonished that if the students returned to campus they would be arrested.

Those students were suspended from school until after school spring break and will be required to undergo a behavior hearing along

with their parents before they will be admitted back into school.

Police said one Sparks High School student and two adult non-Wooster students were involved in the fight. Two students were arrested, two students hospitalized and one taken to the hospital by the parent. There were no weapons involved in the fight.

As of this report, the cause of the fight is still under investigation.

'We don't know the cause of the fight,' said WCSD police Sgt. Chris Sabo, "and it's still under investigation.'

Sabo declined to comment on the charges against the students who were arrested. He also said the fight was not strictly a gang issue. However some gang members may have been involved in the fight.

On Friday, March 10, a bus student reported to the driver that social media posts claimed there was a weapon on the Wooster campus and "will shoot up the campus."

Due to the fight, there was an increased police presence on the Wooster campus who immediately investigated the threat and

the possibility of another fight on the campus.

The school was put into a modified code yellow near the end of second period with all students remaining in the classroom until the school was dismissed is a staggered building by building release. Lunch was brought to classrooms during the code yellow.

The results of the police investigation found no weapons on campus.

More than 300 students were released to their parents during the code yellow.

Interim principal Denise Hausauer said the code yellow was put in place for the safety of all students.

"The administration has some latitude regarding the code vellow to adjust to the situation,' Hausauer said. "Students were not allowed outside for their protection, there were hall monitors and lunch was delivered."

For students being picked up by parents, the office would call down to the classroom to release the student to parents.

"We used a staggered release on Thursday and Friday. Friday was easier because the bad guys were in the office on Thursday," Hausauer said.

Over the weekend, social media posts were investigated by law enforcement and they found no evidence of validity, Hausauer said.

On Monday, March 13, a scheduled professional development day for teachers and staff was held and the situation of the two previous days was addressed in a meeting held by Hausauer, district area superintendent Ann Marie Dickson and Sgt. Sabo.

They briefed the staff on what they knew and answered staff questions and concerns.

Hausauer said an increased police presence including the RPD regional gang unit and plain clothes officers would be on campus the entire week before spring break.

On Tuesday, the Wooster attendance office reported more than 700 absences for that day.

There were other code yellow incidents across the school district on Firday, but district officials said they were not related to the incidents at Wooster.

District approves 'panic system' for staff

By Mark Pailey

In light of recent of school district incidents including injuries, fights and arrests, the Washoe County School District Board of Trustees approved the purchase and installation of a "panic system" in WCSD schools.

The board approved \$4.6 million to install crisis alert equipment and software in schools and administration building at its March 15 board meeting.

Centegix out of Atlanta, GA, was awarded the contract.

The motion for the purchase was made by board member Joseph Rodriguez and seconded by Adam Mayberry.

The Nevada Department of Education will cover a portion of the cost covered under the ESSER III program. The remaining funding not covered by the ESSER III program will be allocated out of the WCSD general fund.

As part of the system, school teachers and staff will be provided with a wearable badge to signal an emergency of any type and have an immediate response from school administrators, medical personnel or school police.

The system can also signal for an immediate school lock down in an emergency situation.

Motivation for approval of the system could be school police have to handle 140 assault and battery cases this school year with more than two dozen cases involved and attack on a staff

In an e-mail to the school board, WCSD police chief Jason Trevino reported 291 drug crimes, four assaults on staff, 23 cases of battery against staff, four other assaults and 115 battery cases.

The purchase of the system was approved by Jeff Church, Elizabeth Smith, Alexander Woodley, Colleen Westlake, Diane Nocolet and Rodriguez and Mayberry.

Wooster Players Spring Production

'Clue' is a hilarious romp of 'Whodunit'?

By Ariel Claus

The Wooster Players presented the spring play production of "Clue" in the Hart Theater on March 9-12.

The play is a hilarious romp

based on the board game and the 1985 movie of the same name. Is a murder mystery where a group of incompetent people try to solve a bunch of murders taking place at the Boddy Manor

Every person in the mansion has their own motive for murder. But only one of the suspects is the murderer.

Suspects such has Mr. Green played by Tyler Bevill, Colonel Mustard played by Lester Torres, Ms. White, played by Isabelle Lopez. Miss. Scarlett played by Izzy Aucoin, Mr. Plum played by Alex Del Real or perhaps Mrs. Peacock played by Haley Ward. "Clue" is a play where everybody is a suspect, but there is only room for one murderer.

MJ Boga stole the show with his performance of the man servant Wadsworth who really turns out to be the killer in disguise, Mr. Boddy.

The play was directed by theater teacher Kimberly Gibbons and ran for

95 minutes without an intermission.

The set was incredible with portable doors and revolving rooms which gave the small stage an appearance of a large mansion.



Cast members from left to right: MJ Boga as Wadsworth, Alex Del Real as Mr. Plum, Isabelle Lopez as Mrs. White, Izzy Aucoin as Miss Scarlett, Lester Torres and Colonel Mustard and Tyler Bevill as Mr. Green try to assist Mrs. Peacock played by Haley Ward in the Wooster Players' spring production of "Clue".

Characters continually slammed doors in a comedic game of cat

and mouse to find who would turn up dead next.

The costumes were fantastic

and were appropriate to the time

Supporting characters included Kainah Jade Fernandez as the

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Delayed starts, cancellations disrupt school for students, parents

By Kianna Magno

Due to the bad weather in February and early March there have been two delayed starts, two school cancellations and two days of distance learning for Washoe County School District students.

This has led to many education hours lost and a disruption to many students and parent's routines.

When a delayed start is called, procedure is to start school two hours later with shorter class periods and the cancellation of zero period classes with school dismissed at the normal time.

The decision for delayed starts or school cancellation revolves around transportation safety issues for students.

Many parents however, are not happy about how the school district decides whether or not school is cancelled. Parents via Twitter were talking about how they would rather have their child do *digital learning* as opposed to cancelling school.

Digital Learning means access to technology, providing students to learn at home using the Teams platform.

One of the problems for many students with distance learning is the lack of technology or internet service at home.

Also in some instances, students fail to log onto the Team platform to receive their lessons.

J4NG to hold career fair at Wooster

By Carolina Huerta

Jobs for Nevada Graduates will host a career fair here on campus, on April 13, from 9:35 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Wooster High small gym.

The purpose of this career fair is to inspire, support and mentor students to create a powerful and positive future

"We are expecting 50 employers from a wide variety of fields to be in attendance," said J4NG adviser Christopher Tabarez.
"There will be a prize raffle for students who complete a 'bingo card' by visiting a certain number

of exhibitors and answering or

asking a few questions."

For more information about this event there will be flyers promoting this event around the school, and students and staff will get more information when students return from spring break.

Students, staff step up for blood drive

By Belleteny Manzo

Every school year there is a blood drive held once per semester.

This semester, the Blood drive was held on March 9 in the foyer. Students must be 17 years old in order to donate. However for those who are 16 and still wanted to donate, they needed parents permission.

Danny Chung was in charge of the event and had to call multiple parents asking for consent in order to take blood.

There was also a translator present for those parents who didn't speak English.

Leadership adviser Sylvia Averill said everything was very slow in the morning with only 10 students who walked in with an appointment.

In order to get more people in, leadership students went from class to class asking for people to donate After that there were many walk ins. By the end of the day, more than 50

By the end of the day, more than 50 students and teachers donated which has the potential to save 150 lives.

"I was impressed with the amount of people who stepped up and donated," Averill said.

One of the students who donated, Ariel Claus, gave it a good rating.

"Everyone was super nice and it went very smoothly. They had plenty of water and snacks."

Why the ACT exam is required

By Darcy Lo

On March 7, all of Wooster's juniors were required to take the ACT test in order to fulfill a Nevada graduation requirement.

In 2016 the state made it mandatory for all eleventh graders to take the ACT in order to graduate high school. This was part of the graduation requirement restructuring that eliminated students being required to pass the high school proficiency examinations to graduate.

Nevada is one of 17 states that requires all its students to take the ACT containing four timed multiple-choice examinations testing students in English, mathematics, reading, and science plus an additional writing test.

The ACT requirement encourages students who may have not taken a college entrance exam to apply for college and prepare students for a higher education beyond high school. In addition, the State Board of Education chose the ACT as Nevada's College and Career Readiness Assessment to gauge whether or not public schools are preparing their students for college.

However, Nevada's contract with the ACT will soon expire meaning Nevada will then have to choose to continue their contract with the ACT or select different college entry exam for Nevada's College and Career Readiness Assessment.

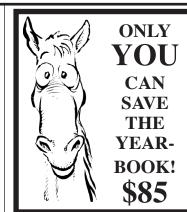
Clue?

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French maid Yvette, Brianna Romero as the cook with the cleaver, the fake and sometime dead Mr., Boddy played by Jairo Santos, the motorist played by Jose Gonzalez, LisaAnne Nowicki as the unexpected cop, the short-lived singing telegram girl Kassidy Hernandez, the chief of police played by Stryker Zerr and the back up cop played by Adam Jackson all were superb in their roles.

The efficiency of the technical crew contributed to the success of the play.

All of this year's actors did an outstanding job. This production was definitely almost everyone's favorite production of this school year.



Teacher union stresses student behavior issue

By Mark Pailey

In an e-mail to Washoe Education Association members, WEA president Calen Evans said the union would make addressing student behavior a top priority at the March 14 school board meeting.

"Nothing else matters if we don't have effective and safe learning and working conditions," she said. "There has been a lot of work and collaboration going on with our district leadership and school board trustees in this regard."

This issue has definitely been brought to light with the recent student-involved fighting and shooting threat that occurred at Wooster High School on March 10 and 11.

"We've been very adamant that there must be more than talk and we need to take aggressive actions now to address the issue," Evans said. "Passing state laws is one of our top legislative priorities and we've been supporting and working with lawmakers on several bills that will help provide more accountability for student behavior."

Evans also said the school district must change its policy for how it deals with student behavior.

"Fortunately, we have a very supportive school board led by president Beth Smith who fully understands the urgency and aggressiveness we need to act with to combat this major problem," Evans said

The March 14 school board will focus on the actions the school district is taking to create a safer learning environment and working conditions for students and staff, Evans said.

Prom set for April 8

By Yasmin Hernandez Diaz

For seniors and juniors, prom is the most memorable dance of the year with expensive dresses, dates and dinners. What isn't to love.

With the dance being so important to students, it is necessary to know everything from where it going to take place to the cost of tickets.

Sylvia Averill, leadership adviser, helps bring insights to everything that is needed starting with the theme

"The theme of this year's prom is enchanted red carpet," Averill said. "Originally it had been decided to be enchanted forest, but students wanted red carpet instead as shown in a student survey. And as they had already begun planning for the first theme, they decided to combine the themes."

The dance take place at the Nevada Discovery Museum on

Saturday, April 8, from 7 to 10 p.m. Tickets prices are \$50 with no discount for couples tickets.

The dance will be in the middle of the museum with the rest available for students to explore and interact with.

If this place seems familiar, it is because it's the same place where schools and parents can take kids for field trips.

"We wanted to give our seniors and juniors a night of fun," Averill said. "Our seniors and juniors are almost out of high school. This is a huge stepping stone in their lives. Many of them are going to college, and have adult responsibilities already.

"We wanted to give the students a night to have fun to enjoy themselves. The Nevada Discovery museum seems like the best location to do that," she said.

Service project on tap

By Destanee Butler

On April 2, Wooster teacher Kevin Sargent will be running a community service project for Wooster students who will be attending Truckee Meadows Community College on the Promise Scholarship.

TMCC requires eight hours of community service to earn the Promise Scholarship, so Sargent offers the opportunity to students every year to fulfill the requirement.

Approximately 40 students have signed up for the project and will be performing a variety of jobs

around the Wooster campus.

Students will paint fences, rake debris, pull weeds, paint specific areas, clean the snack bar, clean and fix up the baseball field and anything else needed.

The Reno Continental Little League and the South Reno Babe Ruth Foundation are running this program for Wooster students. The project also benefits both baseball organizations.

Sargent and his crew will start the project at 8 a.m. and wrap up at 4 p.m. to meet the eight-hour TMCC requirement.

Wooster welders earn certification

By Esdras Mora

Senior Esdras Mora Navarro and junior Alexis Barajas Cabrera earned their 1G welding certification on Feb. 25 at Reed High School under welding instructor and certifier Tim Conley.

The seminar ran Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Feb. 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., a weekend long commitment for those who attended.

A total of 21 students from multiple high schools including Sparks, North Valleys, Hug and Wooster attended. Only six students of the 21 qualifying for the 1G certification.

Barajas Cabrera passed the bend test with no cracks or deformations early Sunday morning.

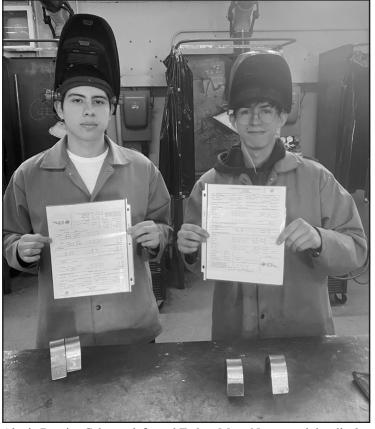
Another welding seminar will be held in May for students who did not pass, but also for those who did and want to attempt the 3G certification which is a vertical welding position.

"I'm going back to get that G3 certification too," Barajas Cabrera said. Esdras Mora Navarro was the second Wooster welder to earn his certification.

Although he did not get to bend his piece on Sunday due to running out of time and a long line of other students pieces in front of the bend machine, Mora had to wait until Tuesday to receive his results which were a passing score.

"I think I might go back to try the G3 test, but I wish we could do it in our shop," Mora Navarro said.

A general consensus among Wooster welders was that the Reed metal shop had many more machines and equipment and space, however they overloaded the space with excessive amounts of machines, leading to wires in



Alexis Barajas Cabrera, left, and Esdras Mora Navarro, right, display their G1 welding certifications.

front of walk-ways and little room to practice safe movements.

All agreed the Wooster metal shop exhibits more space, a balanced machine layout and safe walk-ways with safety in mind.

Additionally Coach Sellers the Wooster metal working teacher is scouting for five more students to try to certify in May.

Sellers provided great support for those students who went in February supplying them donuts, burritos, \$40 for lunch and motivation throughout the process.

Barajas Cabrera and Mora Navarro are certified welders are now licensed with the 1G classification for three years. This helps in obtaining a job in a welding field as well as a possible starting wage increase of a few dollars more compared to someone who is inexperienced.

Reed has an advantage compared to other schools, that being their teacher is certified to give out certifications whenever he wants to Reed students on any given class day.

He is able to do this as he flew to Nebraska where the American Welding Society's headquarters is located for a two week long training.

Coach Sellers is considering doing this training in Nebraska as well to allow a greater number of Wooster welders to gain welding certificates with more ease and comfort.

J4NG students compete at Las Vegas conference

By Christine Reid

On Feb. 13-15, Wooster's J4NG class got the chance to participate in the Career Development Conference on an all expense paid trip to Las Vegas.

The Career Development Conference is an annual competition where students are given the chance to show off their skills in categories such as public speaking, entrepreneurship, career readiness and more.

The conference took place at the Aliante Hotel and Casino.

Students who participated in the event were seniors Veronica Whitt, Christine Reid, Heisol Velasquez Figueroa and junior Pamela Rodriguez.

J4NG teacher Christopher Tabarez said the conference was beneficial.

"It was a great experience for everyone and the people that participated represented their school very well," he said. "It was a great chance for students to really push themselves especially in terms of public speaking."

Students competed with different schools all over Northern Nevada and got to stay in Las Vegas for two days. Students were also given a budget of \$65, which could be used around the Hotel's food court, arcade, and even a movie theater.

Although Wooster didn't win any of the competitions, the team took home an award for the T-shirt design contest thanks to Veronica Whitt.

The shirts she designed ended up being given to all students who participated in the event to take home.

If students are interested in participating next year, ask your counselor about joining the J4NG program.

Drill team returns to action at April 8 meet

By Yasmin Hernandez Diaz

The Wooster JROTC drill team returns to action as the Colts host a drill meet on April 8.

The drill team has been gone for two years due to COVID 19 pandemic and finally this year it has returned with Sgt. Michael Hale taking over as a coach.

Though while it has returned, things have changed with the season and month it takes place being the more drastic.

Instead of taking place in fall, drill meets are now a spring event with the Raider Team competition taking place in the fall. Hale said it's easier for Raider Team to have practice outside with drill team practice being able to take place inside.

With drill team members being new, the main focus is to build a team and work hard, Hale said.

The team has been practicing deily

The team has been practicing daily in preparation for the April meet.

"I am very proud of the students who have come into practice and are forming, and working hard in rebuilding a team," Hale said.

Drill team has a bright future and their future accomplishments are sure to blow everyone away.

Horticulture changes to AG Science

By Dylan Riggan

Coach Joe Mac Sellers has been teaching the newly renamed AG Science class for four years. It previously called the Horticulture class.

Sellers said his favorite part of the class is its hands-on approach.

"The hand on aspect of producing products by doing work," Sellers said. "There are lots of hands on projects kids can be proud of."

A regular class day starts with academic information.

"We'll usually take the beginning of class to talk about academic standards, then we'll go off to job sites around campus." Sellers said. "Those sites could be anywhere from the baseball field to the quad." The main goal for AG science students by the end of the year is to develop good work ethic, attendance, problem solving skills, and to hopefully find employment in the field, Sellers said.

There are some negatives with the AG Science class.

Sellers only teaches this class for two periods. With only two periods, it makes it difficult for counselors and administrators to organize students into the class.

"Only two class periods makes it hard to grow this program and have seniors in here ready to go into the industry," Sellers said.

The AG Science class has done a few noticeable projects around the campus.

They planted flowers around the school that will be coming up

in spring. They put new flowers in the planters in the quad and put up new goose flags on the football field.

Sellers is planning to run electricity and water to the new greenhouse, and last year they did a big sod project on the baseball field.

Sellers is also working on an upcoming project with Renee. Spansail. Spansail's class will paint individual pots, and Sellers' AG Science class will use the pots to make an herb garden.

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Senior graduation survey

By Emma Kennedy

Graduation is coming up quickly and with that starts the need for seniors to make plans. Many seniors have started planning what to do with their lives after high school.

Seniors from history and government classes were given a survey on what they were going to do after high school.

The survey consisted of six questions, "What are your plans after college? If you plan on going to college, where are you going? What is your major and what do you plan on doing with it? If you're not going to college,

what job do you have planned? Are you going into an apprenticeship? and What made you decide your path?"

Students had a variety of answers, many which consisted of going to college locally.

Many answers consisted of getting their degree's at either Truckee Meadows Community College or the University of Nevada, Reno. Some seniors decided to go to a university or college out of state.

Many students will elect to go directly into the work force or into an apprenticeship program in a skill-based occupation. Feature

At the Flicks

By Makayla Ondelacy

One of the first movies that is coming out on May 5 is "One Ranger" starring Thomas Jane, John Malkovich, Dominique Tripper and Dean Jagger.

The star of the movie sees a Texas Ranger teaming up with special agents. It is rated R.

The next movie opening on May 5 is "What's Love Got To Do With It?" It stars Lily James, Emma Thompson, Shazed Latif, Oliver Chris and Alice Orr-Ewing.

The movie is about James's character who is a dating app addict in the new rom-com. Veteran director Shekhar Kapur puts his spin on the latest digital dating trend.

The other movie premiering on May 5 is "Guardians Of The Galaxy Volume 3. It is the third and possibly final installment in the series and brings back all the previous favorite characters including Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana, Dave Bauista, Vin Diesel, Bradley Cooper and Karen Gillan.

The film follows the crew still reeling from the loss of Gamora. Peter must rally his team to defend the universe and protect one from their own.

Opening on May 12 is "Love Again." Starring Sam Heughan, Priyanka Chopra Jonas and Russel Trovel. It is a romantic comedy.

May 26 offers "About My Father" and stars Sebastin Maniscalco, Robert De Niro, Leslie Bibb, Anders Holm and Kim Cattral. It is comedian Sebastin Maniscalco making his big-screen

leading debut in a comedy based on his upbringing.

Also opening on May 12 is 'Knights of the Zodiac.

When a headstrong street orphan in search of his abducted sister unwittingly taps into hidden powers, he discovers his is the only person alive who can protect the reincarnated goddess sent to watch over humanity. It's rated PG-13.

If you love baseball, don't miss "It Ain't Over." It is a documentary on Lawrence Peter "Yogi" Berra, one of baseball's all-time greats and character who played for the New York Yankees in their glory years. It opens on May 12.

The the final movie of note coming out is "The Little Mermaid" on May 26.

It's about the Disney character Ariel and it is a remake of the original Disney movie made in 1989. It stars Awkwafina, Melissa Mc-Carthy, Jacob Tremblay, Javier

Question of the Month

By Belleteny Manzo

Do you think that TikTok should be banned from the U.S.?

Staff:

"I think it should be an individual chose. My individual choice is no."

> Heather Little



TikTok should be banned for a number of reasons. One is that it is poisoning the minds of our young people.

Two, it is currently owned by a Chinese company and Chinese companies have to obey the Chinese government and they could use it to collect data."

David Mills

Seniors:

"No, it's fun. I get bored to much. I don't have anything else besides TicTok."

> Sydney Stokes





"If they want to ban TicTok they might as well ban every other Social Media platform and if they do that, they might as

well go back to 200 B.C. where they used stones as wheels and took showers every 2-4 years."

Jayvien Horne

Juniors: "I don't think that the application has been used to spy on the U.S. government. I rather think that

the application has been useful for several

"It's a center of community and at this point, it's a lot of people making income. It's become more than just an app."

- Parker Paschall

things." Sophomores:

"No because it's entertaining. Why would I ban something that I watch every single day."

– Zaara Kamal



- Estrella Maya

"Our younger generation learns what is happening in our current society through TikTok." - Lester

Torres-Mariscal

Freshmen: "I don't think TicTok should be banned because I spend like 20 hours on it a day."

Kamila





shouldn't be banned because it keeps me entertained and it's a good app. The U.S. should make

their own TikTok version," Cooper Fuss

Bardem, Jonah Hauer-King, Daveed Diggs and Halle Bailey. It's brings Ariel's world to life with the first, in-depth looks at Triton and Ursula.

Enjoy the warmer weather in May and be sure to catch all the big-screen movie excitement At the Flicks. Don't forget the popcorn and snacks.

April Calendar

From Staff Reports

Town Hall, 8-9 a.m., Large Gym Golf match, 10 a.m., Fallon Golf Course Switch Club Meeting, Lunch, A19 Indoor Soccer Tournament, Lunch. Large and small gym JROTC Drill practice, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., Large Gym After School Tutoring, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Career Center Rehearsal Night of Comedy Drama, 2:45 - 5:45 p.m., Hart Theater Boys Basketball open gym, 6 - 8 p.m., Large gym

Swim practice, UNR Lombardi Rec., 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. Town Hall, 10 - 10:30 a.m., Large Gym Golf match, 10 a.m., Winnemucca Golf Course

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Town Hall, 10 - 10:30 a.m., Large Gym Switch Club Meeting, Lunch, A19 Rubik's Club meeting, Lunch, B1 Table Top Role Playing Club, 2:30 - 3:30. C9 Swim practice, Northeast Pool, 6:45 - 7:45 p.m. After School Tutoring, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Career Center

Volleyball open gym, Large Gym, 5 - 7 p.m. Switch Club Meeting, Lunch, A19 Indoor Soccer Tournament, Lunch. Large and small gym Town Hall, 10 - 10:30 a.m., Large Gym Varsity Baseball vs. Sparks, 3 p.m. Varsity Softball vs. Sparks, 3 p.m. Programming Club, Lunch, A12

Table Top Role Playing Club, 2:30 - 3:30. C9 After School Tutoring, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Career Center Wooster Saturday School, 8 a.m. - Noon Track Meet, Lowry High School, 9 a.m. Swim Meet vs. Carson, Carson Aquatic, 9 a.m. Varsity Baseball vs. Sparks, 11 a.m.

Varsity Softball vs. Sparks, 11 a.m. Hall of Fame Dinner, Eldorado Hotel Casino, 6 p.m. Golf match, 10 a.m., Spring Creek Golf Course Switch Club Meeting, Lunch, A19

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Saturday School, 8 a.m. - Noon 3A Track and Field Regionals, TBA, 9 a.m. Varsity Baseball vs. North Valleys, 11 a.m. Varsity Softball vs. North Valleys, 11 a.m

Swim Meet vs. McQueen, Northwest pool, 2 p.m. Switch Club Meeting, Lunch, A19

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Wooster Booster Meeting, Career Center, 5 - 6 p.m. Swim practice, UNR Lombardi Rec., 6:45 - 8:45 p.m.

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Senior Awards Night, Large Gym, 6 p.m.

Boys Basketball open gym, 6 - 8 p.m., Large gym

Rubik's Club meeting, Lunch, B1 Switch Club Meeting, Lunch, A19

Table Top Role Playing Club, 2:30 - 3:30. C9 After School Tutoring, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Career Center Volleyball open gym, Large Gym, 5 - 7 p.m.

Senior Signing Day, Large Gym, 7:30 -9 a.m. Saturday School, 8 a.m. - Noon

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After School Tutoring, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Career Center Boys Basketball open gym, 6 - 8 p.m., Large gym

Girls basketball wraps up season

By Mapui'ana Talumi

The Wooster girls basketball team ended its season splitting the last two season games, winning on the road against Hug 70-43 and dropping a 41-37 loss to the Truckee Wolverines.

The Colts finished the season in third place in the 3A North West division with a 5-5 record and an overall record of 9-12.

Wooster was led by senior Isabella Caviglia who earned 3A West first team honors and was a 3A Northern Nevada Region honorable mention pick. She averaged 16.9 points per game.

Sophomore Khole Glover was chosen for the 3A West second team honors. She averaged 12.4

Junior Taimane Talamoni re-

ceived an honorable mention 3A West voting.

The Colts will be losing six seniors including Caviglia, Dania Mayorquin Rosas, Kylee Vega, Makayla Ondelacy, Basha Owusu Amankonah and Sofia Real Ramos.

The team wrapped its season on March 16 with their banquet that was hosted by Coach Sheryl Hicks.

Swim team opens it 2023 campaign

By Carolina Huerta-Torres

The Wooster swim team opens the 2023 season with 19-20 students and the coach is Wooster assistant principal Susan Schraeder. Out of the 20 students there eight seniors.

"I'm so happy that they make part of the swim team and I'm glad to know that they enjoy it as much as I do," Schraeder said. "I will miss them when they graduate, but I know they have amazing futures and I couldn't be more proud of them."

The Colts are somewhat nomadic when it comes to practice.

"We practice at Lombardi Recreation at the University of Nevada, Reno Northwest Pool and Evelyn Mount Northeast Community Center," Schraeder said, "but it all depends on the day of practice. "We try to rotate every time and



Team captains Caroline Perry, left, and Bansari Patel, right.

practice days are only from Monday through Thursday."

The Colts are led by senior captains Caroline Perry and

Bansari Patel and compete in the Northern Nevada 3A league.

The team has meets every Friday and Saturday and Schraeder said the meets usually happen at Truckee, Carson, Douglas, Incline or Northwest Pool.

This swim season started March 3 and will end on May 20 and the athletes get the whole month of June as a break.

"I couldn't be more happy to be the coach of the swim team," Schraeder said. "They are very hard working students and seeing them enjoy it as much as I do."

Team members surveyed said. "We love it. It is definitely a great experience and the coach is so nice to us. We are so proud to call her our coach. Although the meets are sometimes hard for us, we still try our best and get it done "

Track and field team battles weather

By Yasmin Hernandez Diaz

The track and field season has started for the Colts with 31 athletes, an improvement from last season with about 10 more athletes.

This season started with the team and coaches battling unusual winter-like weather conditions.

Despite this, coach Daniel Wexelblatt is using it for motivation.

"Northern Nevada track and field means learning to run in adverse, wintery conditions and there no way around that in any year," he said. The weather has only motivated and encouraged harder work and perseverance when it comes to these students."

Besides the weather, Wexelblatt said how inspiring it has been to see them work hard and push themselves.

"They're out here five or six days a week challenging themselves to be better than they were the day before, not because its easy, but because doing hard things is the only way to know what you're made of and how far you can go."

The COVID pandemic had a huge negative impact on high

school sports and it is good to see students back working hard, he said.

"That's been tremendously inspiring to see because maybe it means we're starting to heal from what I call the 'spiritual death' that came with COVID. It's inspiring to see how far we have come from something that seemed so dooming.'

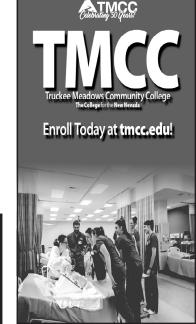
Lastly, Wexelblatt talked about his athletes. He has big hopes and dreams for his athletes as well as how hard his whole team is working.

He is proud of the personal goals they make for themselves and how hard they work to accomplish those goals.

Track and field is a safe haven a place free from all the stuff we have to deal with on a day to day basis, he said.

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"By deciding to participate in extracurricular activities, students mature and allow themselves a place to break away from things like fights and immature students. By participat ing in track and field, students give themselves a place to feel welcomed and accomplished,"



IB Graduate Lineth Trujillo

Traveling the world, learning to become an animal doctor

By Gary Baer

Former Wooster IB graduate Lineth Trujillo is living her child dream as she enters veterinary school in Sydney, Australia this fall.

Trujillo attended Wooster from 2015-2019 and earned her IB diploma. From there, she spent four years at Oregon State will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with a focus in Pre-Veterinary Medicine.

Enrolling in Wooster was a good choice for Trujillo.

"Coming into high school, I was inspired to enroll in the IB program as both my sister and cousin attended previously," she said. "I was also interested in gaining a global perspective through my education that would open the opportunities for me in college as well as taking more rigorous courses to expand my knowledge and advance my education."

Although an excellent student, Trujillo found the IB program very challenging.

"I would say my junior year was definitely the most difficult of my four years at Wooster. It was challenging because it was my first year and a 'full' IB Diploma student. The classes were a bit more challenging. I had an intense work load and that is also when I started playing tennis and working a part-time job."

Trujillo said time management skills were crucial.

"I managed quickly to develop habits to use my time efficiently leaving my biggest struggle in my senior year to be what college I would be attending. I never through I would be able to attend and out-of-state college due to the cost, but thankfully I received wonderful advice and support from the Wooster community as well as my family and friends who encouraged me to pursue and education outside of Nevada."

Looking back, Trujillo said the benefits of the IB program were tremendous for her.

Program Benefits

"At the time, I didn't realize hoe beneficial the IB program was." she said. "Now that I am about to graduate college and apply to veterinary school, I have bee able to reflect on how influential this track was on training me in being a well-rounded student.

"From IA's that taught me how to write a lab reports, to CAS projects that encouraged creativity and being a valuable member of the community, I have been able to use the skills and further develop them in my college career. The IB program also allowed

me to earn several scholar-



Lineth Trujillo working with one of her simian freinds.

(Photos courtesy Lineth Trujillo)

ships from both Wooster and OSU which offset the cost I was dreading before coming to college. I was awarded about \$67,000 over the course of my four years at OSU due to getting my IB Diploma and getting well-recognized test scores."

Her IB scores also allowed Trujillo to enter OSU in sophomore academic standing.

"I was anticipated to graduate at the end of the school year of 2023," she said, "but the IB Diploma allowed me to come into OSU with sophomore standing as received college credit for the IB classes I took. The IB scores I got allowed these to get transferred as college classes need to the completion of my degree, classes which most students would have to take in their first year."

One of the reasons Trujillo chose OSU because she wanted to study Zoology.

Love of Animals

"I've always been interested in animal behavior, conservation and rehabilitation and wanted to major in something that would allow me to work with wild animals."

However, as she got older she got discouraged from veterinary medicine.

"Since I was a kid, I had always loved animals and said I would become a veterinarian. However, people would tell me all the gruesome things I would have to do as a vet: euthanasias, drawing blood, possibly losing my life to an animal attack. etc.," she said. "I was honestly

afraid of the daunting shadow I thought constituted veterinary medicine."

"I have since learned veterinary medicine is more that it is learning from other species. It is compassion and rewarding sacrifice," she said.

She said there is the drawback of the low acceptance rates into veterinarian school and the high expectation of saving other's lives.

Internships

Trujillo's path to veterinarian medicine led her to internships in Australia and New Zealand.

"I was in Sydney, Australia for three months from July-September 2022. While there, I was gaining experiential credits for my degree as well as experience for my vet school application," Trujillo said. "I interned at two vet clinics where I got to experience first hand the roles of each member within the vet clinic. In Sydney, I was the only intern, so I was able to learn a lot during my time there."

She conducted anesthetic monitoring for patients during surgeries/dentals, conduct blood and urine tests, vaccinate animals and prepare medications.

While there, Trujillo said she fell in love with Australia.

"The beautiful beaches, the easy-going lifestyle, the minimalism when compared to the United States as well as the diversity of people from all over the world," she said. "I now have friends to visit in Germany,

The Netherlands, Brazil, Japan, Mexico and Thailand."

"Studying abroad is something I will never stop recommending since I learned so much about my future profession and about myself that I would not have learned had I stayed in my comfort zone."

New Zealand

Trujillo extended her internship experience working with the New Zealand Department of Conservation on a breeding project for the endangered Kiwi bird.

"After Australia, I lived in Christchurch, New Zealand for three more month from September to December. Here is where I worked on a wildlife reserve and worked with so many unique animals, she said." "In of itself, New Zealand is the home for many bird species that are found nowhere else in the world."

The experience in New Zealand was quite different from Australia,

"I learned what went into conservation projects and worked with wildlife vets on healing endangered animals so they could her previous intern experience.

"I want to eventually work with elephants because I have always been fascinated by their behavior, being such large and benevolent creatures," Trujillo said. "Over all though, I would be more than happy to work with wildlife in general. I have always enjoyed working with birds, so that could be a possibility.

"My draw to wild animals definitely stems from my childhood and I am beyond grateful I have been able to find my passion at such an early age."

COVID19 Pandemic

The pandemic definitely had an impact of Trujillo's education.

"The COVID19 pandemic struck the last term of my first year in college (2020). We were all pulled away from our in-person classes which devastated me. Being a STEM major, I lost out on many hands-on labs and needed additional help," she said.. "I was always able to do research throughout the pandemic, but even then I was alone, for a multitude of hours, in



Trujillo holding an endangered Kiwi bird.

be released into the wild again.

"I learned different skills from the clinic lifestyles it was more fieldwork and animal husbandry. I gained skills I would not have been able to gain anywhere else. all while exploring the beauty that constitutes New Zealand."

Trujillo chose to apply to veterinarian school in Australia due to

a lab having to figure things out for myself.

"It was tough to maintain the same passion and drive, as I am sure it was for all of us, but some good things that came from this is I was able to develop my adaptability and how to seek out other resources.

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Animal Doctor; IB and hands-on internships make the difference

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"Now that things are, for the most part, back to normal I really realize how different my college experience would have been, There is no reason to dwell on the past though, so I am grateful I was still able to do everything I wanted during my time at OSU."

Advice to IB Students

Trujillo has some solid advice for current and future IB students.

"Learn from the failures, learn from the rigor and most of all learn from your teachers," she said. "It is a challenging program and there will be times when it seems useless. Trust me, I've been there. I've stayed up late at night studying for IB tests. I have freaked out over my IA project getting eaten by mice my junior year, and I honestly thought there was a huge chance I wasn't going to get my IB diploma. Despite this, I did the only thing you can do: learn."

Trujillo said students should

take time to enjoy the unique community that is IB.

"Learn to ask for help and how to manage your time. You'll see that everything else will come into place when you realize your potential and lean into it." she said. "This definitely one of the cases where hard work will pay off. Next thing you know, you'll be visiting your old high school teachers and telling them thanks from wherever you are in life. Thanks for believing in you, for their knowledge and for the well-needed reassurance. You'll see how they have always had your best interests in mind."





Above: Lineth Trujillo feeding Capybaras and left feeding another one of the menagerie. Below: Taking some down time at the Sydney Opera House.

Ski team calls it a wrap

By Dania Mayorquin

The Colts ski season this year was cut short due to the unexpected weather Nevada has had in the past weeks.

Wooster's ski team was only able to field three students, seniors Emily Chapman and Eli Povolny and freshman Benjamin Brown. The teams was coached by Robert Dennis.

Having a small team had more cons than pros for the members.

"Skiing is really boring with a small team because we only race for about three minutes total and the rest of the time is spent waiting," said Chapman.

The Colts spent a lot of time sitting alone.

Also since the team is so small, it cannot compete for any team titles as there were not enough Wooster skiers to compete for team points.

Members could only qualify for individual awards based on race times.

The upside of a small team means members received more individual help from the coaches. It also allowed them to get warmer a lot quicker as they left from the meets a lot sooner.

With only one returner for next season, the team and coaches encourage more people to join because skiing is fun and it is a challenging sport that many will find likeable.

Gamer's Corner

By Esdras Mora

The sequel to the original breath of the wild is releasing on May 12 after six years since the last one released in 2017. It has taken longer to release due to the Covid-19 pandemic. This game will only be available for Nintendo Switch.

Breath of the wild 2 named "Tears of the Kingdom" has already been awarded "most anticipated game of the year" by the gaming awards.

The story of the game takes place in the Zelda universe which has decades of games however this series of breath of the wild follows Link and princess Zelda after the events of Breath of the Wild 1.

The players will play as Link the main protagonist and guardian of the kingdom of Hyrule. The goal is to defend the kingdom from Ganon's plan for vengeance. Ganon is a spiritual creature from the demonic dimension.

The game has an open world layout with a greater landscape than the previous game, adding sky temples and more underground caves to explore, as well as a new feature to build and merge items.

As before, this feature was only applicable to cooking dishes. Now it's applicable to weaponry and equipment, such as combining an arrow with an ice elemental item such as ice jelly, creating an ice arrow which freezes and paralyzes enemies or combining two war hammers, creating a double sided war hammer.

The biggest advantage of this feature is building vehicles. The possibilities are endless with the limit being the players imagination, creating makeshift boats, helicopters, bikes and more with a few pieces of rock, wood, metal and propellers and explosives.

There are only a few features being mentioned in the teaser and exhibit play through. More features, areas and abilities will be revealed at the players experience.

The game upon release will cost \$70 dollars, a \$10 dollar increase to compared to other games in its grade ranking.

The developers say the price reflects the quality and complexity of the game. The president of



Nintendo America Doug Bowser said, "We look at what the game has to offer. I think fans will find this is an incredibly full, deeply immersive experience."

This new price point will not become the new norm for Nintendo games. This price point is a unique and rare occurrence.

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