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## On The Record

How you live your life now  
will continue to play on forever

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On The Cover

How our lives are recorded in history is how we will be remembered. Our legacy is on the line, the pressure is increasing and our words will continue to live forever. What do you want on the record? • cover design by MAKAYLA ARCHAMBEAULT

A letter from the editors

You are holding the first issue of the *Image* newsmagazine that we have been able to print and distribute this school year.

Leading up to this April edition, we made the decision to publish exclusively on the publication's website, [lancerfeed.press](http://lancerfeed.press), where issues from 2005 to the present are archived and accessible for viewing and downloading.

It seems fitting that "on the record" is the theme of our first print magazine of the school year.

What's different about this issue is not the stories, but the finality that comes with printing a physical copy.

And we aren't the only ones who went on the record this year.

Junior Faith Cole made history as three-time State Champion in girls wrestling. Lafayette graduates have made some noise in the music industry, and some students have recognized their childhood roots can build us into the people we are today and allow us to grow into the sort of people we want to be remembered as in the future.

Being on the record is all about owning up to the truth, whether it is universal or personal.

The way we record our history is how we will be remembered, it's our legacy and it's the reason we made the decision to print, to be completely on the record.

And as long as people have stories to tell, we will be here to record them.



Makayla Archambeault and Morgan Vehige  
Editor-in-Chief and *Image* Assistant Editor



# Stars & Gripes

Stars & Gripes is a satirical column written collectively by the *Image* staff members.

## Stars To:

- Half of American adults have had the first dose of a vaccine, which is good, but we still think they could learn a thing or two from the LHS grab n' go lunch system. It works like a charm.
- Thankfully, the parking lot lines will help students practice proper social distancing at Prom.
- The Class of 2021 defeated the Seniors in this year's Powder Puff: Civil War edition.
- Busch Stadium has increased its capacity. Now we can see the Cards lose in real time, with a hot dog in hand.
- Here's your reminder: Mother's Day is May 9. Now you can panic about finding a gift a bit earlier this year.

## Gripes To:

- Former Mizzou Wrestler Ben Askren let us all down in his fight against Jake Paul, opening the door for more cheesy, clickbait vloggers to shine in the ring.
- Having forgotten everything from the school year, students will now begin cramming for AP Exams.
- Wearing masks as bracelets is the new fashion statement creating another way to cover everything but your face.
- Seniors who spent all year complaining about lack of activities fail to sign up for Mr. LHS, a long-standing tradition now also canceled.
- Snow in April: Apparently Frosty the Snowman's flight got delayed.

# Going the extra Mile(s)

Facing unprecedented challenges, superintendent showed integrity leading district for past two years



Given the circumstances, district's leader made informed decisions to benefit majority of students

Dear Superintendent Mark Miles,

We appreciate all you've done for the Rockwood School District (RSD) and are truly sorry for the card you were dealt in your two short years as our Superintendent.

Although some of the decisions made by you and the Board of Education did not work out in our favor personally, we understand you made decisions you believed were best for the majority of Rockwood's students.

No matter what decisions were made, the backlash from some of the Rockwood community, especially this year, was widespread and unfair.

The protests at BOE meetings and the harsh criticism on social media networks like Facebook could not have been easy to navigate.

We believe the anger many community members felt due to COVID and its impact on schools was unfairly directed at you personally and was a result of selfish thinking from individuals concerned solely with their own interests. That clearly blinded them from considering the needs and views of others in the Rockwood community and unwilling to trust you and the board to make the best decisions about

what you believed was best for the students and staffs of the schools.

When you were originally hired to take over for the 2019-2020 school year, following the departure of a very popular Eric Knost, you were able to quickly establish your presence, set some guiding principles for the future all while keeping the core values of RSD at the forefront.

But, no one could have predicted what was about to land on your plate.

Your calm demeanor and thorough emails helped us understand the complex decisions you had to make.

Your communication to the students and staff of each Rockwood school through your frequent visits, all documented on your Twitter account, truly made all the difference.

Your support of our program in particular, has made our jobs as journalists easier and we are thankful for the access we have been granted.

While we wish you would stay a little longer, we understand your decision. Let the record show our appreciation for your service to RSD and we wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,  
The *Image* Staff

# Records differ in complexity, availability, access

**Caroline Black**  
• Staff Reporter •

Permanent records are documented for the sake of their importance and the value they hold in each life.

Different records are necessary for many instances including travel, job interviews and for the enrollment of universities.

Registrar Aneta Kolb updates each student's file and enrolls new students, making sure everyone has all of the necessary and accurate information in their record.

"Administrators, teachers, nurses and

secretaries need certain information to help aid the student in their high school career at LHS. This enables them to have communication with the family regarding health or education. I also pull lots of data for administrators, departments and teachers which the students benefit from and aid in getting grades posted and put on the transcript. All of this plays a part in the success of the student," Kolb said.

While educational records are necessary for a student both in and out of school, a criminal record carries consequences that have the ability to change one's future.

School Resource Officer, Chad Deakin, actively works in the criminal justice field and continues to warn students of the potential consequences.

"Employers and colleges have access to enough of your record that could cost you a job or scholarship. My advice would be to stay away from anything that could get you in any amount of trouble. Colleges and employers look at that first and it would be a tragedy if you were to miss out on a great job or scholarship opportunity because of one stupid mistake. It's just not worth it," Deakin said.

## YOUR PERMANENT RECORDS

### CRIMINAL RECORDS



After a person turns 18 and becomes a legal adult, their juvenile record becomes sealed and becomes difficult to access. When a record is "sealed", it takes a court order to view it. No juvenile record carries over to a permanent adult record. However, if a case is serious, courts can petition to have a juvenile tried as an adult which results in the crime transferring to the adult record. Those records are accessible to anyone including employers and colleges.

A patient's medical history along with their clinical data is included on their medical record. This includes medications, allergies, past surgeries etc. The doctor's comments are also recorded and are accessible to the patient. In Missouri, parents have access to their child's medical record until their child turns 18 years old. After that time, anyone who has been given written permission by the patient has access to the medical record.

### MEDICAL RECORDS



### EDUCATIONAL RECORDS



Most administrators have access to a student's educational record while the student is enrolled in school. Other schools and colleges can have access to a student's information with a parent's permission. After a student has graduated, their file is sent to Rockwood's Permanent Records Office. At this point, administrators lose most access to the file. For a student to access the file, they must sign a release form. After graduation or withdrawal from a school district, a student's record is preserved for 75 years in accordance with the Public School Records Retention Schedule. Records of serious discipline violations are destroyed after the student turns 23 years old. Other information kept on the record including nonresident student information is no longer kept after five years of leaving the school or upon graduation.

# How does it work?

## College applications call for early preparations

**Vijay Viswanathan**  
• Business Manager •

College admissions have varied in the past 50 years, but what do colleges actually look for from applicants?

"Colleges look at a variety of factors in terms of admissions. Some look at standardized test scores and high school transcript information. Other colleges look at essays, personal statements, letters of recommendation and other factors. Each college is slightly different in terms of what they review," Tim Eggleston, admissions representative for the University of Missouri-Columbia in the St. Louis region said.

### College Application Checklist

- Application Fee
- H.S. Transcript
- Recommendation Letters
- Extracurricular Activities
- SAT, ACT & AP Scores
- Grade Reports
- Scholarship Apps
- Summer Jobs/Internships
- Personal Statement

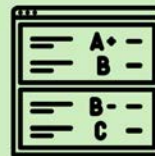
Source: Princeton Review, Khan Academy

### WHAT COLLEGES CONSIDER MOST

Test Scores



Courses & Grades



College Essays



Extracurriculars



Source:  
The College Board

### THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

## Explained In 4 Steps

**1** Gather info on prospective colleges

Prepare and file your college application

**2**

**3** Send your application and wait for admissions team to make a decision

Put down a deposit at the college of your choice

**4**

Source: [grace.edu/understand-admissions-process/](https://grace.edu/understand-admissions-process/)



# St. Louis firsts put city on map

## World's Fair focuses attention on nation's Gateway to the West

**Samantha Haney**  
• Staff Reporter •

While it's mainly known as the Gateway City, St. Louis has also been the home of many innovations and celebrities.

There was one event that combined these two together and that was the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair.

It introduced many new inventions and foods, and became an important part of St. Louis history with people such as future President William Howard Taft in attendance.

One of the introductions to the world was the Ferris Wheel. While it was originally created for the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago, it was taken apart and put back together in Forest Park for the World's Fair.

This gave even more people the opportunity to see it in action.

Various other innovations were also introduced in areas ranging from medical to edible.

One of the main medical items on display was the X-ray machine.

While it was first invented in 1895 by physicist Wilhelm Conrad

Röntgen, it was first widely shown off at the World's Fair. After modification, the X-ray machine is still used today.

The automobile was another invention presented, although this one was presented as a private use vehicle.

The display consisted of 140 private automobiles, and was frowned upon by a critic from the *Cosmopolitan*.

There was also inspiration drawn from the World's Fair, leading to the movie *Meet Me In St. Louis*.

The movie was based around a family in the events leading up to the World's Fair and was released in 1944.

It became popular quickly, leading to it being considered one of the best movies of lead actress Judy Garland's career.

However, St. Louis is also known for Route 66. Established in 1926 as a highway to allow people to cross the country, it ran through most of the Midwest, Southwest and the Great Plains.

It quickly gained popularity, and while it's not functional today, it is still one of the most famous highways. Route 66 was one of the first highways and was considered progressive for its time.



The World's Fair included many different attractions including the Chinese Pavilion pictured here with the Ferris wheel visible in the background in this photo. The Ferris wheel at the World's Fair was 264 feet tall, 64 feet taller than the Ferris wheel currently located in Union Station, which is 200 feet tall. • photo from MISSOURI HISTORICAL SOCIETY ARCHIVES

# Food Fact Fight

## Is 1904 event responsible for these tasty treats?

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• Staff Reporter •

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• Staff Reporter •

Originally known as the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, the St. Louis World's Fair ran from April-December 1904. It was held to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase. During the eight months of the event, nearly 20 million people visited St. Louis. The fair introduced a large audience of people to relatively new inventions, sparking interest

in many new things such as technology, art, agriculture and most importantly, food.

According to debated food legends, the northern part of the fairgrounds, which held cafes and concessions, was the birthplace for many popular food items that are enjoyed today.

Many of the items were created out of necessity due to the conditions at the time.

While the actual origin of many of the foods sold at the World's Fair is a point of controversy, *seriouseats.com* said, "The real legacy of the fair is that, for a few brief months in a single place, it captured an entire culture of eating that was being remade for the modern world."

From that point on, these foods have become a staple of culture in America.

### Ice cream

Italo Marchiony invented the ice cream cone in 1896 in New York City. The idea was to create an edible ice cream holder. Before the invention, ice cream was eaten using a glass as a holder or wrapped in paper called a "Hokey pokey". Customer would return the glass to the vendor, which was then washed and given to the next customer. Sanitation became a problem and the ice cream "edible holder" called the cone, was invented.

### Iced tea

Richard Belchynden invented iced tea in 1904 at the World Fair in St. Louis. He was sampling and selling hot tea at his fair booth, however, the beverages turned too hot in the intense summer heat. So, he added ice to the tea and it was a big hit.

### Jello

In 1897, carpenter Pearl Wait was storing cough syrup remedy and laxative tea in his home. He experimented with gelatin and came up with a fruit flavored dessert which his wife, May, named Jello.

### Peanut butter

Invented in 1895, it is believed a St. Louis doctor developed a version of peanut butter as a protein substitute for his older patients who had poor teeth and couldn't chew meat. \$705.11 worth of peanut butter was sold at the 1904 World's Fair.

### Hot dog

Hot dogs were invented in the 1860s, by a German immigrant who sold them from a push cart in New York City's Bowery. Charles Feltman, a German baker, opened up the first Coney Island hot dog stand, selling 3,684 dachshund sausages. The hot dog was popular at the 1904 World's Fair.

### Hamburger

Louis Lassen invented the hamburger in 1900. The name "Hamburger" comes from the seaport town of Hamburg, Germany. Where 19th century sailors brought back raw shredded beef after trading with the Baltic provinces of Russia.

### Dr. Pepper

In 1885, Charles Alderton invented Dr. Pepper at the drugstore where he worked. It is the oldest soft drink brand in the U.S. There is a Dr. Pepper museum in Waco, Texas. Before the name Dr. Pepper, it was called "Waco". Its presence at the World's Fair made it known outside of Waco.

### Cotton candy

Introduced in 1908, William Morrison, a dentist, worked with Tennessee candy maker, John Wharton, to create the concoction. They premiered cotton candy at the 1904 World's Fair for only 25 cents.

\*Information from [history.com](http://history.com), [idfa.org](http://idfa.org), [drpepper.com](http://drpepper.com), [heavenlytealeaves.com](http://heavenlytealeaves.com), [nationalpeanutboard.org](http://nationalpeanutboard.org), [parade.com](http://parade.com), [wonderopolis.org](http://wonderopolis.org) and [jellogallery.org](http://jellogallery.org)



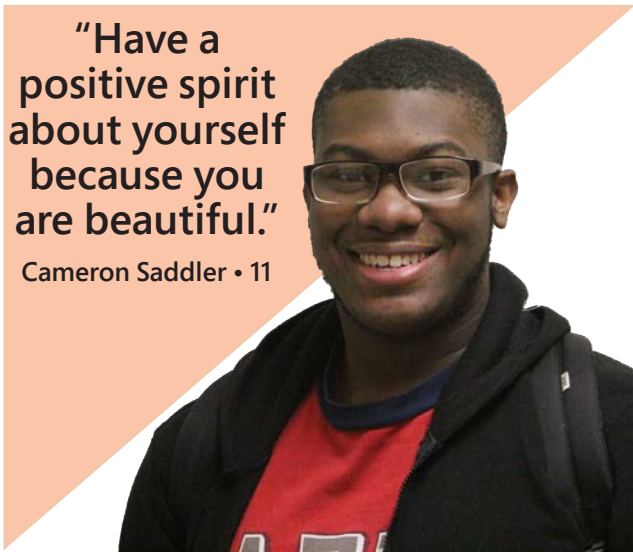
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If you could say anything and the world was listening, what would you say?



**"Just be kind. Even if you think someone's okay, just make sure you're asking them how they're doing every once and awhile."**

Madison Prager • 10



**"Have a positive spirit about yourself because you are beautiful."**

Cameron Saddler • 11



**"Make good choices for your and other people's futures."**

Aksheet Paralkar • 11



**"Be nice to everyone and show sympathy to everyone."**

Audrey Zeck • 9



**"Listen first and really hear people before [you] develop [your] own story about other people."**

Zack Sutter • Special Education teacher

# History Sparks Curiosity

## Independent studies, travel inspire Christiansen

**Claireece Cross**  
• Staff Reporter •

**Isabelle Grigorescu**  
• Staff Reporter •

Senior AnneMarie Christiansen adores history and anything related to the subject. Her passion has been fueled by classes that she's taken in high school, such as Advanced Placement (AP) European History, AP U.S. History and World History.

Christiansen was very curious about history along with other topics, so she went ahead and did some research of her own.

Working with teachers who have taught her many things about different forms of history, Christiansen's love for the subject grew and her thirst for knowledge did as well.

"I research things and end up on Wikipedia deep dives, and honestly just do whatever I can to learn," Christiansen said.

Initially, Christiansen's curiosity of historic events, along with the desire to learn more about the unknown, sparked her interest.

From there, she began to pay more attention and learn more in history class with the help of a few teachers, along with doing some of her own personal research.

"I regularly do the ancestry things with my mom, I love going to museums and just meandering and reading for hours, or watching history videos and channels on YouTube. I have always loved stories and reading and history is kind of just one big story so it's amazing to learn about it as well. I love taking history classes but I also read and research on my own time as well," Christiansen said.

Christiansen also enjoys historical fiction shows or movies such as *Medici*, *Sons of Liberty* and *Vikings*.

For her, the shows not only represent an enjoyable way to pass the time, but also offer more attempts for learning.

"I recently watched *The Poisoner's Handbook* at the recommendation of Coach [Jessica] Kempf, which details the evolution of forensic psychology at the dawn of the 20th century and I love it all. I live for it in the nerdiest way possible," Christiansen said.

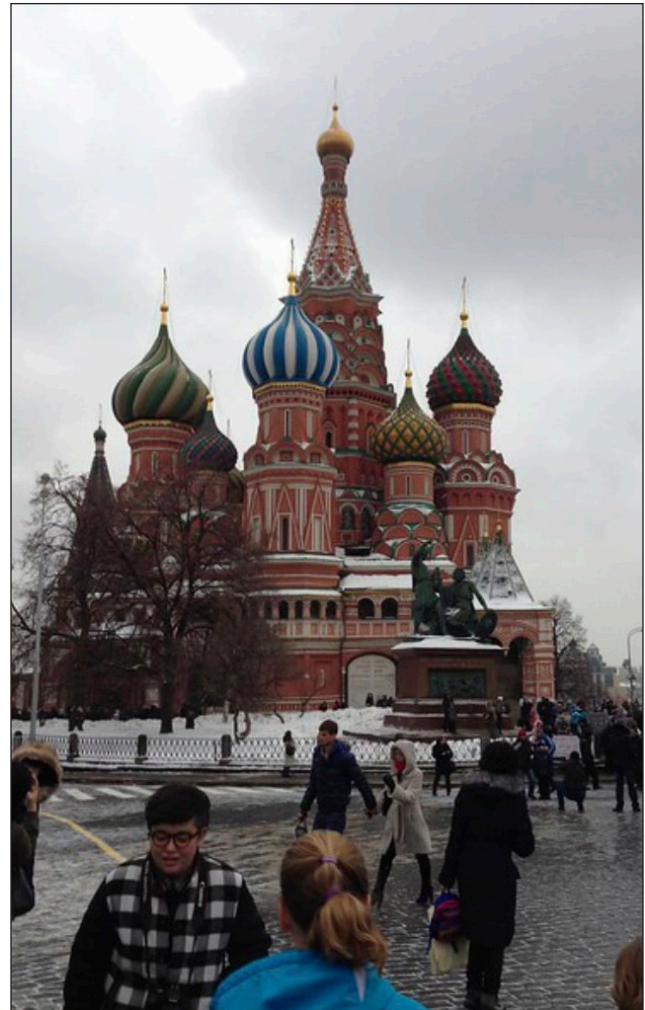
Due to an immense appreciation for history, Christiansen longs to learn more about the places she studies.

Because of this, she comes to appreciate traveling even more, and hopes to visit many more locations of history throughout the world in the near future.

"I love to travel, I spent so much of my life traveling that I have an insane affinity for it. I've learned about the Medici family, the Pyramids of Giza, Muslim culture, the Hagia Sofia and The David," she said.

Christiansen's admiration for traveling and learning about the places she visits has only grown throughout her life. At the locations she's visited, she learned about the culture beforehand, studied the language and picked up on the languages while being in the country.

While learning the languages has not been an easy task for Christiansen to accomplish, for her it gives her yet another avenue



While living in Russia, senior **ANNEMARIE CHRISTIANSEN** visits St. Basil's Cathedral. "I lived there from 2010 to 2013," CHRISTIANSEN said. "It was fun but it was definitely an interesting few years." • photo courtesy of ANNEMARIE CHRISTIANSEN



"I have always loved stories and reading, and history is just one big story so it's amazing to learn about it as well."

**AnneMarie Christiansen**

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for her to express a love for history.

"I speak English, Spanish and some German. But I've learned those along with Polish, French, Russian and Swiss German."

For a future career path, Christiansen definitely sees something with history being a part of it.

Whether she is a history teacher, a historian or her career ends up being something else entirely different, she is excited to help others learn about the importance of history.

"I would definitely be interested in being a history teacher. I've been in so many different kinds of history classes and the ones that resonated the most were the ones that taught as a story and made sure that the students understood that history is a series of colliding events and 'perfect storms' which made it so much easier to not only understand what happened but why it happened," Christiansen said. "I'd love to try to share that position with others and help them build their foundation of understanding, be it locally or all the way up to globally."





# From the ground up

## As roots, branches grow, trees mirror aspects of human life

In a way, life is like a tree. Every single person has roots, or a place where they come from that influences in some way who they are or what they do. But, that foundation is only the start. Each person takes those roots and then branches out to start forming their own story and path. Junior Josette Partney was born in the Caribbean country of Haiti. While she lives in the United States now, Partney takes great pride in her Haitian heritage as well as the memories that remain with her. Roots don't always refer to a person's geographic history, however. Roots can also go back to relatives, whether it be distant ancestors or even

immediate family members. Roots develop into the sturdiest part of the tree—its trunk. The trunk provides a foundation of support for the branches as they spread and grow. Freshman Harry Hadzic is also proud of his roots. As he grew up, his father was a Gunnery Sergeant in the United States Marines Corps and his great grandfather was a Naval Aviator in World War II. Years after their service, Hadzic has joined Lafayette's Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) and is considering joining a military branch when he is older. From the trunk, branches grow out from the tree, but remain connected to the trunk

of the tree at all times. Senior Solana Cariello has reached a point in her life journey where she's ready to branch off from her solid and safe foundation. After earning an Enterprise Holdings full ride scholarship to Washington University, Cariello is preparing to follow a medical career path that she's dreamed about since she was young. She is determined to help others and see her dream come to true. Partney, Hadzic and Cariello have each followed paths that have allowed them to grow into the people they are today. However, they each stay connected to their roots, remain sturdy in their history and foundation but are still ready to branch off and move on to new life experiences.

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# From one nation to another, student's Haitian roots carry through to new American home

Jack Daws  
• Staff Reporter •

Senior Josette Partney is a State Champion wrestler, but her story began far from Lafayette. Partney was born and raised in Haiti until she was 12 years old, when she was adopted into a family in the U.S. However, she is still incredibly proud of her heritage.

"A lot of people say that it's a really poor country, but to me, it's about families and friends helping each other. We're poor, but we are closer than a rich country. We take care of each other. If something were to happen nine blocks from you, everyone else would know about it and try to help. And if you're hungry, someone will find a way to help you," Partney said.

Partney's experience in Haiti included living in an orphanage, which was gated in order to keep the children safe.

"I had this friend and we both lived in an

orphanage. She decided to go out of the gate, and someone took her, and she was screaming, and there was a mob of people and they didn't understand what was going on. The guy [who was trying to take her] pretended like he was her friend, but she kept yelling and screaming and everyone went to help her out."

Partney also took on extra duties at the orphanage to help with the other children. Lots of her work included cooking, washing dishes, laundry, and making sure the other kids went to bed on time.

"I basically took care of everybody else at the orphanage because our nannies quit. I'm a people pleaser, so I try to make everybody happy. I had to start cooking for all the kids there. Basically, every job for the orphanage, I had to do all those things. So I just took on the responsibility because I didn't think it was that big of a deal. And now I see that it was," Partney said.

Before she moved, Partney used American movies in order to start



learning American culture and the English language. The movies she watched included *Twilight*, *A Cinderella Story* and *Big*. After moving, Partney often experienced bullying as a newcomer to the country.

"I got this Haitian dress. It was gray and it has the country colors in it. And I wore it in middle school for international day, and everybody made fun of me," Partney said. "I always feel that way."

Having moved to a new country far away from Haiti, Partney struggles to stay connected to her roots.

"I went [to Haiti] one time. I vaguely remember it. I guess my family wanted to learn more about Haitian culture,

so we went to a museum to see about the slaves and how they earned their independence. That's all I remember. I think I'm going to go again this summer with my cousin," Partney said.

Partney says she enjoyed learning about Haitian history and that it made her more proud of where she came from.

"I like seeing the leaders' names. We earned our independence from France and stuff, which was really good. I think it's amazing. We're the first slave country that fought for independence and won. I'm very proud of that. I just, I like learning about where I came from. And I like knowing that we're hard working, and we have determination. I am very proud," Partney said.

“Whenever somebody tries to talk bad about my country, I always get offended. You can't really judge based on the pictures that you see. They have to go there and actually see the environment to know.”

JOSETTE PARTNEY • 12



(Top) JOSETTE PARTNEY posing with the Haitian flag compared to a young Partney posing with her sister in Haiti. When she was younger, Partney and her sister lived close together, but now, they struggle to stay connected. Partney said, "I rarely get to talk to my sister or mom". (Bottom) Although she values her Haitian heritage and those she met there, Partney also appreciates her life in the United States. "Here, there's family that actually can help you. Like they can have money, they can take you to a doctor if you're sick. But in Haiti, it's very rare for someone to have that much money." • photos courtesy of JOSETTE PARTNEY

# Father's military career inspires interest in family roots, involvement in AFJROTC

**Juli Mejia**  
• Social Media Editor •

In 1992, when the Bosnian War broke out Emir Hadzic was just a teenager. He was forced to evacuate Bosnia and seek refuge in America. When he was old enough to apply for his citizenship, Emir joined the Marine Corps where he served for 20 years.

This was the beginning of a journey for Emir and his son, freshman Harry Hadzic, who later followed his father's military footsteps by taking part in the Lafayette Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC).

Hadzic initially got involved in AFJROTC when his father suggested the program would be a positive experience for him.

Because of his father's service, Hadzic grew up with his father being gone a lot, as he was deployed several times.

Hadzic also spent a large portion of his life living on different military bases.

He was born and lived in Hawaii until he and his family moved to a military base in Stuttgart, Germany two years later.

Hadzic remembers living in a small apartment and traveling with his family around Europe,

occasionally to Bosnia.

"I remember one walk [in Bosnia] down a cobblestone road. Down the entire street, it just smelled like meat. They had apparel shops on the right, but on the left, it was just a bunch of grilling," Hadzic said.

He lived in Germany for about four years before moving to Camp Lejeune in North Carolina.

In 2015, Hadzic's dad retired as a Gunnery Sergeant and they moved to Missouri, where his father became a St. Louis County police officer.

Before he was a part of Lafayette's AFJROTC, Hadzic also attended an AFJROTC camp in the summer of 6th Grade.

"We had to get up every morning really early. The first day, I remember, we had to do physical tests, where we would have to see how many push ups and sit ups we could do in a minute, and how fast we could do a mile run," he said.

Although he remembers it being an exhausting experience, Hadzic said it had an overall positive outcome.

"It definitely changed me because before then, I was really immature. When I came out of it, I feel like I was definitely more behaved than I was previously," he said.

Hadzic likes the idea of moving up the ranks in AFJROTC and eventually being a leader in the class.

He said, "It is molding me into shape to become a leader."

As for his future, Hadzic is unsure if he wants to join the Military. He has found interest in computer science and plans on continuing along that path. However, he knows if he stays with AFJROTC in college, he'll advance into a leadership position in the military.

"[The Military's] an extra path, a safety option. If I have nothing else to do, then I'll join it," he said.

Coming from a family with a rich background of military service, Hadzic has a great interest in 20th Century history and believes history gives good insight for the future.

"I want to know history. I don't know what I want to do with my life, but if I do want to take up a leadership position, I want to make it so that the bad parts of history don't repeat itself," Hadzic said.

For now, Hadzic will be enjoying his time in AFJROTC and continuing to learn about history and how his father and grandfather influenced it.

## Great-grandfather leaves behind special WWII memorabilia

While he never got the chance to meet his great grandfather, freshman Harry Hadzic was surprised to find his great-grandfather's World War II items in a backpack stashed in his basement.

"I was looking for something [in my basement] at one point and I found that and I [asked my parents] and they said it was from my great grandfather, Skiver," Hadzic said.

The backpack includes items such as a Naval Flight helmet, a pilot oxygen mask, multiple medals, a handkerchief and his pilot identification, along with other information and cards that pilots were required to carry at the time.



(Top) One of the items in HARRY HADZIC's great-grandfather's backpack is a Naval Aviator helmet, which pilots were required to wear while flying. (Bottom) HADZIC's great-grandfather was awarded three medals during his time in World War II and the four stars attached to certain medals signify a won battle in that sector. Along with the medals is an epaulet and a Naval Aviator badge. (Left) HADZIC with his great-grandfather's oxygen mask, which the aviator had to wear in order to be able to breathe in high-altitude locations. • photos by JULI MEJIA

# Goals from youth branch into surgical career path, Washington University attendance

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When senior Solana Cariello was in elementary school and middle school, a simple childhood dream developed into a tangible life goal aided by shows like *Doc McStuffins*, along with completing a diagnosis assignment in a classroom setting. Since then, Cariello knew she wanted to be a surgeon.

"I know it sounds stupid to say I picked my career choice over a 6th grade packet but it cemented it more and more as something I wanted to work towards. The white coat, that's the dream," Cariello said. "I'm weird because I have known what I wanted to be for a very long time, I've always wanted to be a surgeon. I looked to them as heroes. If I actually do it, if I actually become a surgeon, I get to do what little Solana always wanted to do."

So her journey began. Her parents instilled within her the value of hard work. Not just doing the work in order to get it done, but doing the work when temptations get in the way to do anything else other than work hard.

"If you persevere in moments like that, you really start to get somewhere. I realized work comes before play. If you sit down and do your homework right away, then you have the rest of the day to do whatever you want. Once I figured that out, school became a lot easier for me. That's not to say I don't procrastinate, I still do a lot, but finding the stuff that you enjoy about what you're doing makes it a bit easier too," Cariello said.

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If there's one thing I could do in my life to make the most impact on other people, it is saving lives for a living, like real-life superhero stuff. If I want to get the most out of my life, I feel like saving other people's lives is the best way I can do that.

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Cariello took up fencing at a young age, and in 2018 she was able to become a division qualifier in the USA Fencing National Championship. She also participated in lacrosse up until the spring 2021 season and she has worked at a local Chick-Fil-A since she was 14 years old.

On top of all the activities outside of school, Cariello also participates in school-sponsored clubs like Future Health Professionals Organization (HOSA) and Debate Team.

Along with that, Cariello is a National Operations Associate for a non-profit organization based in Wildwood, called Just for Kidz. According to their website, the organization's mission is to "support and uplift marginalized and under served children through grassroots service and advocacy while empowering the next generation of leaders into community action."

While participating in activities and organizations that Cariello's been a part of over the years has been somewhat of a struggle to balance, she's proud of the service that she's provided for the community and the memories that she's made along the way.

"I'm not going to say I didn't like high school. It wasn't a bad time, I had a good group of friends and I genuinely enjoyed my classes but there were definitely ups and downs. There were periods of time where I didn't enjoy school because I didn't have any free time," Cariello said. "But I do wish I cut myself a bit more slack because I know it could've been better and I know I could've saved myself some stress."

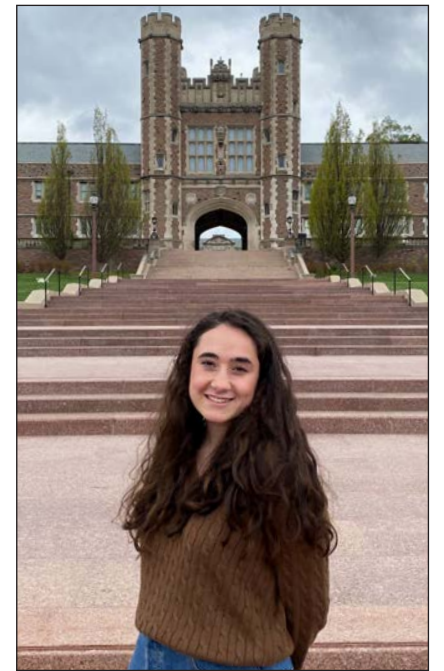
Throughout all of this work, Cariello still kept her end-goal of becoming a surgeon and worked to pursue a higher education level and put her on the path for medical school.

So, when Cariello was admitted to Washington University in St. Louis, her shock and relief made her feel like everything that she's done, homework, sports and extracurriculars, has been all worth it.

Not only was she admitted, but Cariello was chosen for a full-ride Enterprise Holdings Scholarship. The scholarship is given to somewhere between 15-20 students who exhibit academic excellence, leadership and commitment to community service.

"I was crying a lot, and I think the first things that I really thought was that everything that I've done in my four years of high school has been worth it," Cariello said. "In the end, to know that all of those late nights where I was up doing homework until one in the morning, it was worth it. One of the first conscious thoughts I remember having was that it was all worth it."

After Washington University, Cariello hopes to attend medical school and devote



Senior SOLANA CARIELLO attends a Washington University tour of the school on April 17, 2021. CARIELLO will attend in the fall of 2021 on an Enterprise Holdings scholarship, only given to 15-20 students who exhibit academic excellence, leadership and commitment to community service. • photo courtesy of SOLANA CARIELLO

herself to make an impact on other people's lives.

"If there's one thing I could do in my life to make the most impact on other people, it is saving lives for a living, like real-life superhero stuff. If I want to get the most out of my life, I feel like saving other people's lives is the best way I can do that. It's what I've always envisioned," Cariello said.

Although she wishes that she would've taken something off of her plate in order to manage her stress better, Cariello maintains the understanding that all of her work has been for a reason. She knows that "little Solana" would be proud of who she became today.

"In regards to keeping a positive attitude, it really helped me to keep the end goal in mind and what I was doing it all for. If it was really late and I just came home from work, and there was something I really didn't want to do I would tell myself 'if you stop now, then everything you've done before will not be worth it' and I kept pushing forward," Cariello said. "I would definitely tell [little Solana] to keep going. You have to because if you keep going you can do everything you're dreaming of doing right now, and you're on the right track so don't give up, it's going to happen."

# A World Of Memories

Items hold special meaning, way to remember loved ones

Hannah Fitts  
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**O**bjects can hold powerful associations for people who possess them. Keepsakes represent cherished memories, and whether or not they actually hold monetary value, they are invaluable mementos to the owners.

For junior Mason Rossi, he was given an item that once belonged to his grandmother and he held onto it.

"I have a globe from my grandma. It's more of a paperweight, but it's got all the continents and stuff on it," Rossi said. "The last time I saw her, she was sick with ALS and that is when she gave it to me."

Rossi's grandmother, Elaine Katz, who he called Mimi, died in January of 2020. His grandfather, Marty Katz, who he called Papa, died in 2017.

When Rossi was younger, he said he spent more days and nights at his grandparents' house than he did at his own house. With divorced parents, he was able to find his escape from the tension in his home there.

"Before my grandma passed, she said for times I was ever feeling nervous or scared, that I should keep [the globe] close to me," Rossi said.

Because Rossi and his grandmother were very close, Rossi said whenever he holds the globe he still feels the comfort of having her near.

"My grandma's way of running the family was to bring us together, but also taught my brothers and me to be independent enough to go into the world and make our own lives," he said.

Lessons that Rossi's grandmother taught him about being independent and providing for himself are two prominent things he has never forgotten.

"Seeing [the globe] reminds me of the promises I made to her — that I will keep doing my schoolwork, trying my best in everything I do and making sure I take care of my family first," Rossi said.

Even as Rossi's grandmother's condition began to worsen, she tried to spend as much time with her family as possible.

She took Rossi, his brothers and their father to Canada for a week.

"One [memory with my grandma] that sticks out to me the most would be that trip. She took us there to go see her brother's grave but really, the main point was that we were all together," Rossi said.

Rossi's grandfather passed away just a few years before she did, so he lost both of them in a very short time span.

Losing both his grandparents so close to one another makes the items he has to remember each of them that much more special.

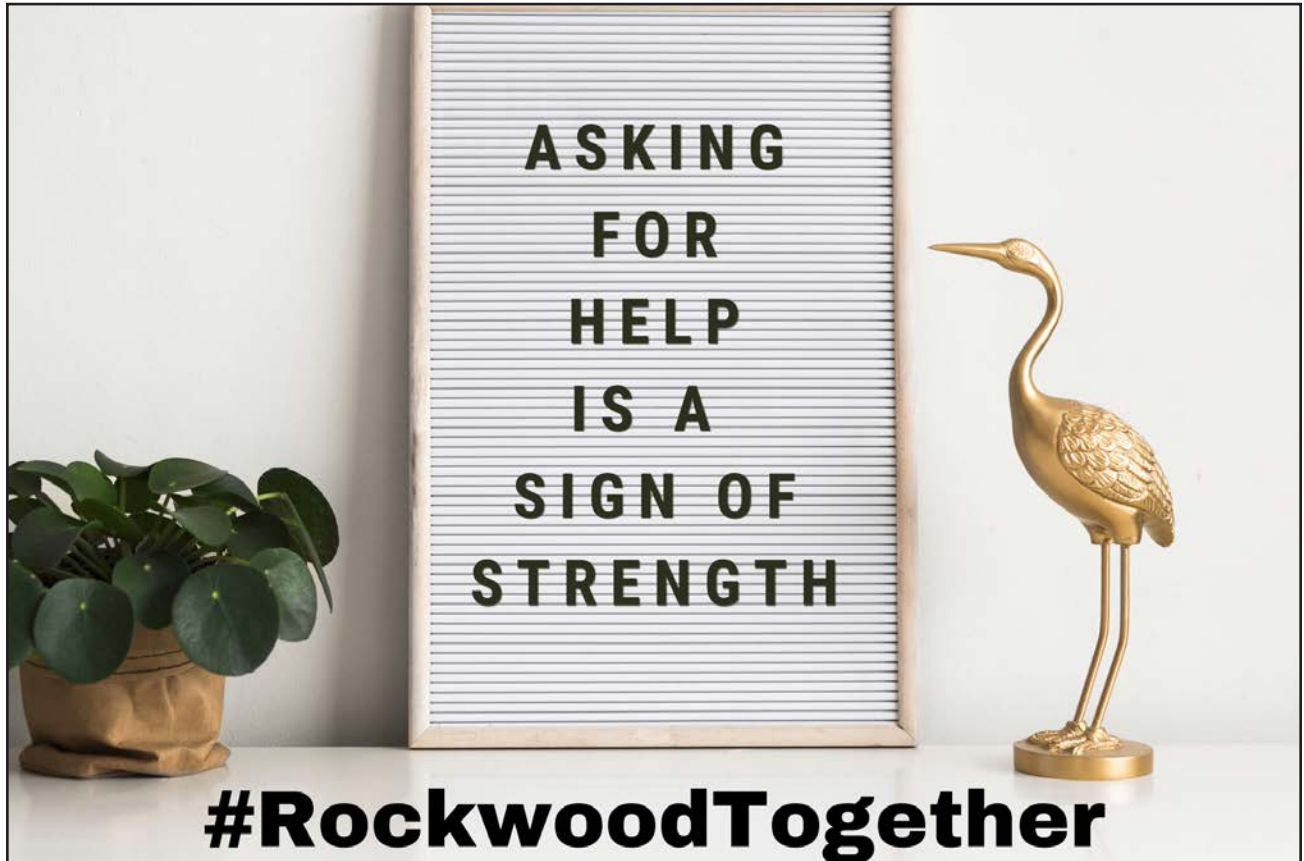
"The globe is just one of three things I have. There is also a book my grandmother wrote and a drawing of my grandfather," Rossi said.

Rossi has made it a point to cherish the memories he has of his grandparents and hold true to the promises he made to his grandmother.

"This globe is probably the most significant item in my life that I have. It's the last thing I got, and it was meant specifically for me by my grandmother. That's everything to me," Rossi said.

(Top) Junior **MASON ROSSI** holds a globe paper that his grandmother gave to him before she passed away. The object is something Rossi now cherishes to keep her memory alive. • photo by MAKAYLA ARCHAMBEAULT (Middle) **ROSSI** and his grandma stand on a cruise ship while on a vacation to Alaska. Rossi took the trip with her and other family members in 2018. • photo courtesy of MASON ROSSI (Bottom) **ROSSI** holds up a drawing of his grandfather. The drawing is another valued item that he keeps as a memento of his grandparents and the special times he shared with them growing up. • photo by MAKAYLA ARCHAMBEAULT





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# Movers & Shakers

## Grads make their way in music industry

Sofia Ganev  
• Staff Reporter •

"Music has always made me feel better and been a happy place for me and I want my music to have that same effect for others. When I was younger though, I never really thought of trying to pursue music or to actually release any music. I just thought of it as something I would do to make myself feel better sometimes," Finnegan Stewart, Class of 2020, said.

Due to COVID-19, Stewart was inside with not much to do, but a guitar in his hands and some melodies in his head.

"I decided to try to record some of my songs. I showed them to my friends and they really liked them. I thought about it for a while, and then ultimately I decided to take my passion for music and to try to turn it into my career," Stewart said.

His first song, *Lemonade & Ice Cream*, was released April 9, 2021.

"It's a song for everyone that had a not so great summer [in 2020] and is hoping for a better summer this year. With this song, I'm trying to give listeners something to look forward to and feel happy about. I'm trying to have a positive effect on the people who listen to my music. I don't want to be a negative influence to anyone," Stewart said.

For Aden Black, Class of 2020, listening to music created an outlet for when she's feeling upset, happy or for when she needs to cope.

"I was inspired by my music production assignments in Guitar Ensemble. It was pretty funny and simple songs I made with two of my friends, but I got an

A and I started delving deeper into music production. I ended up doing an internship with a local recording studio called Gaslight, and worked with a local country band on some background vocals," Black said.

Black started writing her own music and playing in bands at 14.

As COVID-19 impaired the ability to perform live, it's been difficult for Black to book gigs at venues. A lot of Black's musical gigs had to be postponed or canceled.

"It affected some of the bands I was working with at the time when COVID hit. Before COVID, the country band I sang background vocals for was going to put out an album and tour around the country during the summer. However, the tour ended up being canceled, a lot of local gigs were postponed and the recording process for the album got halted, slowing down the momentum on the projects this band had been working on," Black said. "However,



in quarantine, I found myself really playing around with production on my own with

Garageband, Logic Pro and a midi keyboard."

Black plans to release her first song within the next few months. "I'm very excited as I recorded all the parts on it and produced it myself," she said.

Black was accepted at University of Southern California and studies in the pop program.

"I think my music has definitely shown people who I truly am, because I'm pretty awful at public speaking, and telling stories about myself, while also giving people something they can groove to," Black said.

**FINNEGAN STEWART**, Class of 2020, hopes to perform his music, including his latest single, *Lemonade & Ice Cream*, at outdoor venues over summer. He plans to release his next single around May 2021. • photo courtesy of FINNEGAN STEWART

**ADEN BLACK**, Class of 2020, performs with Tuesday Night Rock Band at last year's Renaissance Celebration Assembly. She plans to release her first single in the next couple of months. • photo by SHANNON WORLEY

# Finding New Love for ‘Lost Art’

## Music fan gains appreciation for sound on vinyl records

**Janka Gerber**  
• Staff Reporter •

In a time when everything is so fast-paced, there is a certain nostalgic nature to exploring the past.

One way that people transport themselves to the earlier years is through the soft hum and crackle of their favorite record on vinyl.

Senior Rebecca Atteberry has been collecting vinyls since Christmas 2020 when she finally got a record player after asking for over two years.

Since then, she has amassed a collection of 90 records, 47 12-inch and 43 7-inch.

“I really like the way the scratch of the vinyl sounds, it’s a more authentic way of listening to music, I almost feel like I am not in the 2020s anymore.”

She started her collection with a few old records her grandparents gave to her.

The vinyls they gave her are still some of her favorites to listen to, much to her surprise.

“I’ve had a few of my grandparents vinyls for a few years. Now, I’m not the biggest country fan, but I have a lot of old country records on vinyl because of them and honestly they sound super cool,” Atteberry said.

Music is an extremely essential part of Atteberry’s life.

It is something that has gotten her through many tough times, and it’s one of her main ways of connecting with others.

“It’s one of the core aspects of my being, it’s part of who I am. I am constantly listening to music. Even though I listen to music on vinyl my Spotify Wrapped is always incredibly high,” Atteberry said.

When she started transitioning to listening to music on a record player, she said she felt like she was finally getting the real experience of the music she loves.

“Music on the phone is portable for sure, but listening to music on vinyl is such a different experience because in

my opinion that’s what I feel like musicians want their music to sound like, it feels so much more real than the audio version that you get from your phone,” she said.

Being so passionate about music, Atteberry has one vinyl that is her absolute favorite.

“My favorite is *Seven* by Rainbow Kitten Surprise. It’s my favorite band, and I found it at Vintage Vinyl a couple months ago,” she said.

“It’s the best album ever, and it sounds incredibly cool on vinyl. I love it so much. My friends and I found it on our phones first and I was just like ‘this is the music that I like.’”

An aspect of collecting vinyls that makes it more inconvenient than listening to music on a phone is there are a good number of albums that are difficult to find on vinyl, or simply not made in vinyl format.

However, Atteberry feels there are also certain albums that seem like they are made to be listened to on a record player.

For example, Atteberry would jump at the chance to own *French Exit* by TV Girl.

“I have been searching for months because it’s been discontinued, and they just had a drop a week ago and it sold out in 18 minutes,” she said.

Atteberry loves to find new music through both searching on her phone, and trying her luck with random records she



**REBECCA ATTEBERRY** browses the rock section at Vintage Vinyl in University City on Delmar Blvd. this past November. It is one of the places locally where she regularly shops for vinyl. • photo courtesy of REBECCA ATTEBERRY

finds when she is browsing.

“If I really have been vibing with music on my phone I will try to search for their records, but I really like finding either rock or punk music on vinyl because they’re so much fun to listen to. I’ll just pick random ones if I like the covers, or I will look at the songs and think ‘those sound like fun’ and go from there,” she said.

Some of Atteberry’s favorite places to go and search for records are Vintage Vinyl in the Delmar Loop, Euclid Records in Webster Groves, Planet Score

Records in Maplewood and The Record Exchange in St. Louis.

Atteberry and her friends have made it a point to listen to their music on vinyl.

She said it is a fun way to spend time together and experience the music that they love so much in a different, and more personal way.

“I think it is a lost art, but I also think it’s beginning to pick up steam. I just think it’s really sad that a lot of people listen to it on their phones now because it’s such an authentic way of listening to music,” she said.

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# Preserving the Moment



During one of their adventures, junior **JESSICA WATTS** poses for a security camera with junior **STELLA TURAN**. • photo provided by JESSICA WATTS

## Videographer realizes importance of documenting own history, friendships

**Cece Beckmann**  
• Staff Reporter •

**W**hile more people are beginning to keep digital records of their life or stick to traditional paper and pencil, those records are the memories that remain for both for the person who documents them and for their future generations.

For junior Jessica Watts, recording her life with her video partner, junior Stella Turan, has become essential due to her impending move to Doha, Qatar in the Middle East.

"My dad works for Boeing, and he's a field project manager. So wherever his biggest project is, he goes. Normally either he travels or the whole family moves. I have a pretty big family, so the only times that we move is when we have to," Watts said. "Living in St. Louis is the longest I've lived anywhere considering I

would leave every couple of months to every one to two years. I've been here for the last six years."

With all the moving Watts has done, she has very few memories from the earlier part of her life.

"Moving all the time I never had the chance to connect with people or to make a lot of friends. I don't have a lot of memories, but the only ones I do have are photos that my mom has taken and posted on Facebook and whatever I recorded on my little iPod or whatever. But I've always loved photography and videography. It's so beautiful and it's really important to me," Watts said.

Watts and her friend met in middle school, and reunited over quarantine.

"I literally remember the exact moment. We both went to Rockwood Valley, and she had called me pretty and I said 'no I'm not, but thank you' and she said something along the lines of 'okay then I guess you're not.' In that moment, I knew we had some

sort of soul connection," Watts said.

The pair began filming their nights during the summer of 2020, and with the upcoming summer being their last together, they wanted a way to make it special.

"Having an objective this summer for us is really big. Like we never set concrete plans, and we always just go where the night takes us. But filming it and showing that like for us is the best way to show what our life is like and filming our last summer and it's our biggest objective," Watts said.

During their sophomore year, the two filmed a video that was a representation of what could be like if you had no shame.

For the video, Watts was the subject and had to crawl around the school for two weeks.

"I was crawling to class, around the school, in the library, outside and anywhere else we went. Then she put it together with a Charli XCX song in the background," Watts said.

## Teacher shares cancer journey through blog

**Samantha Haney**  
• Staff Reporter •

When faced with a difficult time in her life, language arts teacher Jennifer Ingram found a way to combine her love of writing and also share her journey.

"I started blogging when I was diagnosed with breast cancer," Ingram said. "I just felt compelled to write and to process that experience through writing. And I felt that if I didn't write it all down, that I was going to forget certain details."

With no strict posting schedule, Ingram said she posted when she needed to.

"When I was being treated, it really made me reflect on my life in its entirety. I never thought that I was going to die. It just made me become reflective, and it was just a time to look back on my life and think about the things I had been able to overcome," Ingram said.

This led to her to look back on lots of things from her past.

"I related a lot of my experiences with cancer treatment to other problems I'd had in my life," she said.

She found it was a way to reflect back on her own life as well as help others. Since the blog covered many events in her life, Ingram said she would have people contact her who related to what she wrote about.

"I feel like it made people feel seen and understood," Ingram said.

Her blog also documented the journey, allowing the people close to Ingram to understand her reality and also learn more about her past. It also allowed her to re-connect with people.

"I had people contact me, saying they were going through the same thing in high school, and had they known, we could've bonded over it," Ingram said.



When she was undergoing treatment for cancer in 2015 and began losing her hair, language arts teacher **JENNIFER INGRAM** tried on wigs at the American Cancer Society. She wrote a blog during her experience. • photo courtesy of JENNIFER INGRAM

While the social aspect of having the blog was helpful, she also wanted to document things that were important to keep track of the facts from her cancer journey.

"I knew it would be helpful to remember the experience, and I wanted an account of that experience so that I could look back," Ingram said.

The blog still gets views today, although Ingram stopped adding new posts shortly after her cancer treatments ended.

## Wrestler learns, explores journaling benefits

**Samantha Haney**  
• Staff Reporter •



Junior Seraphina Blackmon looks for the official's ruling at Districts at St. Clair High School on Feb. 20, 2021. She went on to qualify for State and place third overall. • photo by SOPHIA SCHELLER

"I journal to remember things and to forget things. If something bad happens, I write it down to forget about it and leave it in the past. If something good happens, or I need to remember something important, I'll write it down," junior Seraphina Blackmon said.

While journaling started as a way for her to write out her feelings and days, Blackmon said that it became a habit for her. When she started wrestling her freshman year, it became even more important.

"Not only do I journal how my day was, but I also journal after every wrestling match to say what I can do better," Blackmon said.

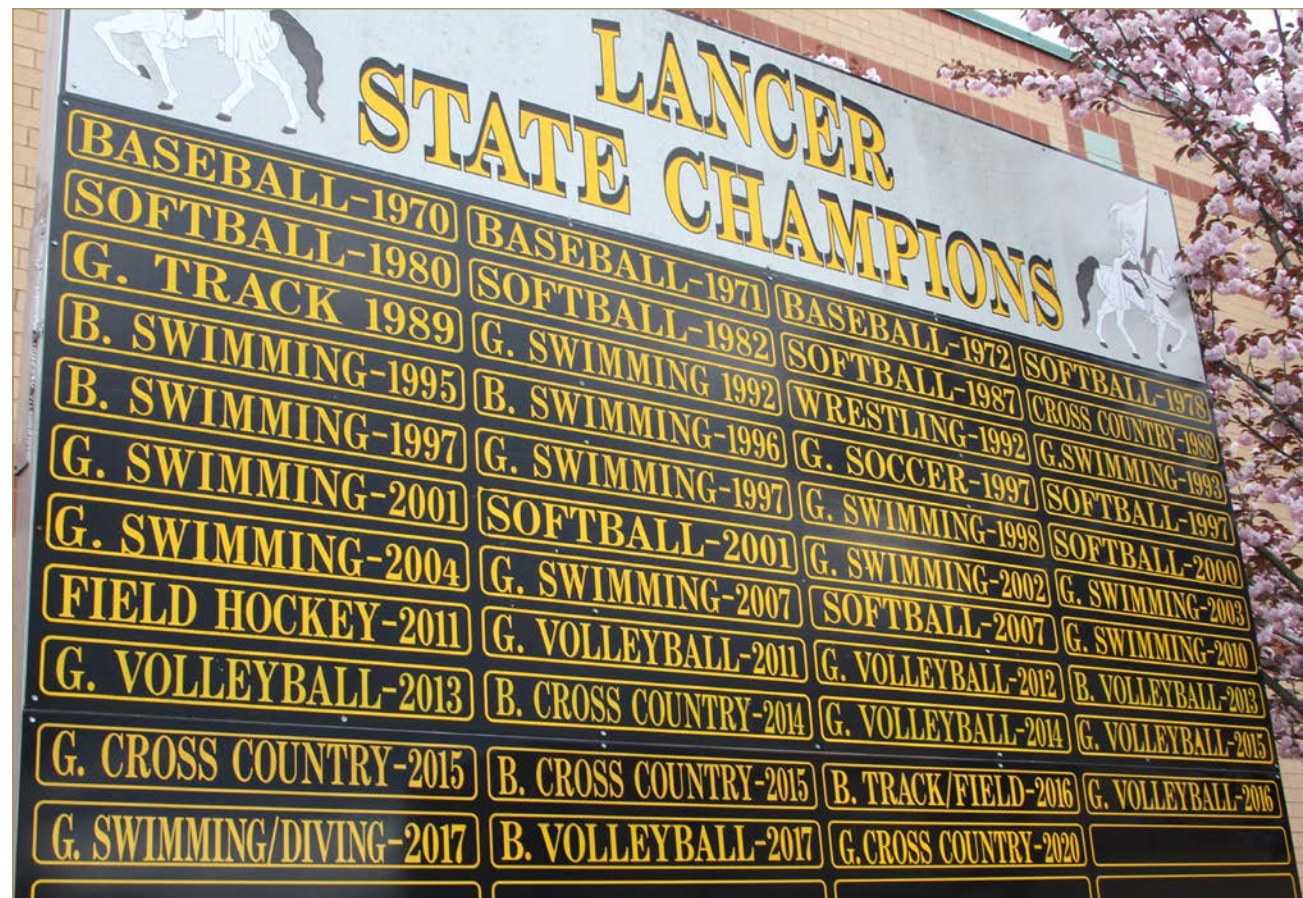
This allows her to look back on matches and see her progress. "I remember journaling about my sophomore wrestling match where a girl beat me. I was so devastated that I got second place, and then I journaled the next year about beating her," Blackmon said. "Seeing the two journal entries now makes me happy because it means I've improved."

However, she said there can be some struggles that come with journaling as well.

"The negative of journaling is that sometimes you can't find the right words at that moment and it's really frustrating," Blackmon said.

Although it can sometimes be a struggle, she said the positives outweigh the negatives.

"It helped me through some things, so I'll continue to do it," she said.



# Some for the record book

## Long-lasting achievements stand test of time for some Lancer athletes who find great success

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**Sophia Scheller**  
• Staff Reporter •

Since the day Lafayette opened its doors, the school has had its fair share of champions who have brought home titles and set records.

Lancer athletes have had success at all levels of competition from Districts to State and the evidence of that success can be seen throughout the school in the trophies and banners that fill the cases and line the walls.

Overall, it is the swimming and diving programs who have brought home the most hardware. The boys and girls programs combined have won the majority of both District and Conference titles since the 1980s for Lafayette.

The girls swimming and diving team won every Conference Championship from 1986 through 2011. After that, they won three more Conference titles from 2013 to 2015.

The boys swimming and diving team followed right behind the Lady Lancers. They were Conference Champs every year from 1984 through 2012, a total of 28 years in a row.

And, out of all the sports programs at Lafayette, the girls swimming and diving team holds the school record with the most State titles with a total of 11 State Championships.

They are second highest in all-time State title holders in Missouri

high school history behind Parkway West, which holds the record with 13 titles.

Right behind the swimming program stands track and field. The boys and girls teams have a combined 33 Conference titles, 17 for boys and 16 for girls. They also have one State title each with the boys winning in 2016 and girls taking the title in 1989.

The most recent team State win belongs to girls cross country. They were crowned 2020 Class 5 State Champions this fall when they took the title.

With the recent girls cross country win, LHS can look back at its first ever State champion in 1970. The Lafayette baseball team was the first Lancer group to bring home a Missouri State title. Not only did they bring in the first, but the also brought in two more with a three-peat that ran from 1970 to 1972.

The longest winning streak for State titles in LHS history belongs to the girls volleyball team.

The Lady Lancer volleyball teams went on a six-year run, winning the State championship from 2011-2016.

The Class of 2014s Lily Johnson who was on three of those championship teams is also the only two-time Gatorade Player of the Year in the 2010s, winning the award in 2012 and 2013.

## Individuals shine in 2020-2021 season

But teams are made up of individuals, and Lafayette also has its share of individual record holders and champions.

Two current students are getting their names etched into the record books for their achievements.

Junior Faith Cole has placed first at State three years in a row and is the first girls wrestler in Missouri to have the chance to become the first four-time State champion in that sport. Girls wrestling just became a Missouri State High School Activities Association-sanctioned sport three years ago when she took her first title.

Her success has put her on the national stage and as of March 5, Cole is ranked fourth in the nation at the 106-pound weight class.

Head Coach Bernice Blanco knows how strong a competitor Cole is and how special her talent is.

"She's always improving. It's amazing to be a three-time State champ. I don't think I've ever heard of anybody being a three time State champion. It's a dream everyone wants," Blanco said.

The dedication needed to train and practice day in and day out to achieve that success will be no easy task, but that is what Cole has her eyes on.

"The ability to become the first four-timer in Missouri is something I'm really grateful for and I think it would be a title that would really show my preparation and hard work. I'm super happy to have the ability to lead and help grow the sport in Missouri and the U.S. as a whole," Cole said.

Records like Cole's are ones that take up a whole season, or multiple, to be achieved. But there are other records that are broken in a single game.

This season, senior baseball player Andrew Alwell saw his name go into the record books after his big performance at the plate.

On March 29, the Lancers competed in the Midwest Classic Tournament and beat Francis Howell 17-3, but the majority of those runs came from the senior center fielder.

Alwell drove in eight of those 17, and with that, Alwell broke the Lancers' single-game school record for most RBIs in a game.

Although Head Coach Boyd Manne was aware of the statistic, Alwell didn't realize he had a record-breaking performance until after the game.

"I had no clue I had eight RBI's until after the game, and I definitely had no clue it was a record. I'm just lucky the guys in front of me got on base and let me do my job to drive them in. Coach Manne ended up texting me later that night and congratulating me on breaking the record. I was completely thrown off guard reading that text but was super thrilled," Alwell said.

Alwell's new record stands tall in the LHS record books alongside other record holders.

But, even with the record breaking RBI game, Manne acknowledges the way that Alwell focuses more on his team than any personal attributes.

"He thought it was cool, I shot him a text and he was like 'oh wow'. That's what I'm talking about with him being selfless. He just wants to win, he's not worried about personal accolades and wants to help the team win and do the best that we can," Manne said.



(Left) Lafayette keeps an updated State champion board near the east entrance and near the Activities Office. The most recent addition was the girls cross country team this fall. • photo by KEVIN VERA (Top) Coming into her junior year, FAITH COLE had high aspirations for her season. After many long hours on her home mat and training with her club program, she was able to win her third State Championship in a row, this time at 107 lbs. As she looks to be the first Missouri four-time State Champion, she knows she's got her family supporting her in her journey to make history. She doesn't have any intention on stopping after high school. "Being involved and continuing my career on the college and senior level will be a large portion of how I hope to continue my name," COLE said. • photo by SOPHIA SCHELLER (Bottom) Before the record breaking game, senior ANDREW ALWELL got into his normal pregame routine. He got stretched out and loose and was ready. "Coach Manne put me in the six spot in the lineup for that game so I could see some fastballs and get my timing right," ALWELL said. Manne's strategy worked out well for him as he was able to drive in eight runs that game. • photo by SOPHIA SCHELLER





Helping out at the score table during a varsity volleyball match against Eureka, sophomore manager **JORDYN LOCHMANN** takes charge of the libero tracking sheet, noting subs and when the libero when in and out of the game. • photo by SYDNEY STINNETT  
On Senior Night against Cor Jesu, senior manager **ETEF WIND** notes goals, possessions and assists for the girls lacrosse team. • photo by GAVIN WOOD

# Keeping Score

## Managers take on important tasks for teams

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Recording statistics during games for Lancer teams is essential because the coaches use that data to adapt practices based on the growth they would like to see. Athletes also can use these records to improve and push themselves in their sport.

Keeping stats is typically a job for team managers or assistant coaches. And while some teams this year have not been able to have managers because of the COVID-19 restrictions, a few have been able to make it work.

Coach James Waeckerle also highly values managers for his water polo teams, calling them "an extension of the officials," because they keep the scorebook.

Due to her recent injury, junior Kamryn Sulzner became the girls lacrosse team manager.

"I fractured my back so I couldn't play this season and my

coach asked me to become a manager," Sulzner said.

Her responsibilities on the team include filming the games and taking down assists and goals scored stats for players during each game.

Sulzner has been part of the girls lacrosse team since freshman year and she hopes to be able to return next season.

"I like that I am still involved with the team and it's fun to watch different levels of the team play," Sulzner said.

Volleyball player sophomore Audrey Savacool began to manage the boys volleyball team last year, but COVID-19 shut down the season. She is back this spring and working with all levels of boys volleyball with some of her friends.

"I really enjoy being a part of the program because I play volleyball, and seeing the sport from the boys side of things makes it feel like a whole different sport," Savacool said.

Her duties range from paperwork to running drills at practice, to keeping stats and refing practice games.

The coaches say that having student managers adds an extra set of eyes which helps them keep things organized.

"Having us helps reduce the stress around the games and prevents any chaos or mistakes in the process," Savacool said.

Sophomore Jordyn Lochmann is also a manager for the boys volleyball team.

"Our whole lives are volleyball, and watching the boys play is entertaining because they play a whole different game of volleyball," Lochmann said.

But, the role is not just about watching the teams play.

Girls lacrosse coach Matthew Waeckerle stressed the importance of accurate records and stats in high school sports.

"If you're the top goal scorer in the state, that says a lot about

you as a player. So those stats can be a key to get you into some colleges," Waeckerle said.

Teams also report their scores to various online sites that post them, so accuracy is important.

Assistant baseball and softball coach Scott Holtmann is responsible for posting his team's stats to the *St. Louis Post Dispatch* website after each game.

The website publishes the statistics of top athletes around the area as well as for each school. He also uploads season and career records each year.

"It's kind of cool for players to look back and see where they rank in Lafayette history and where they compare to some well-known names.

It's important to recognize excellence within your program as a coach. It sets the bar high and gives every player a chance to celebrate their successes and strive for greatness," Holtmann said.



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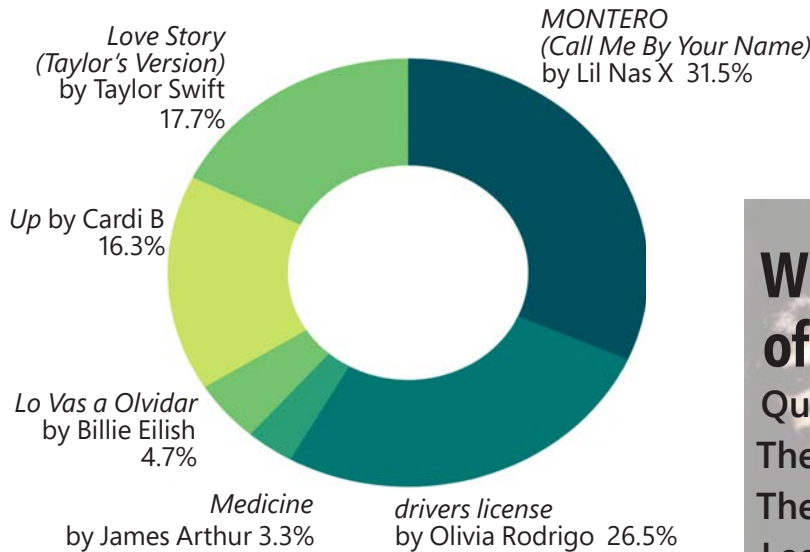


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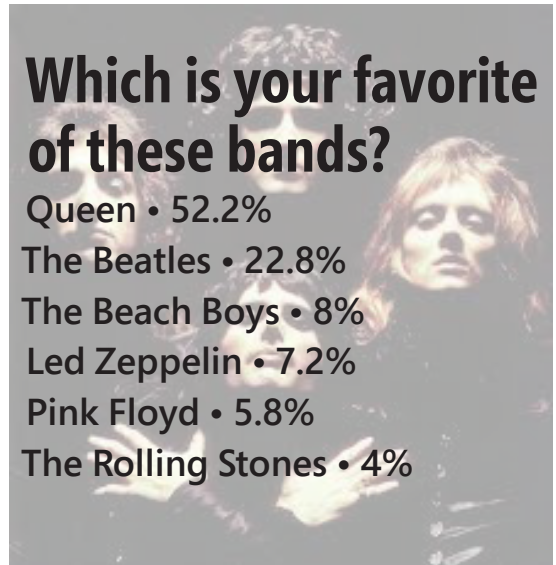
The *Image* collected student opinions in its monthly poll sent out through email to Rockwood student accounts. We asked opinions about your favorite music. Here are the results from the 243 responses.

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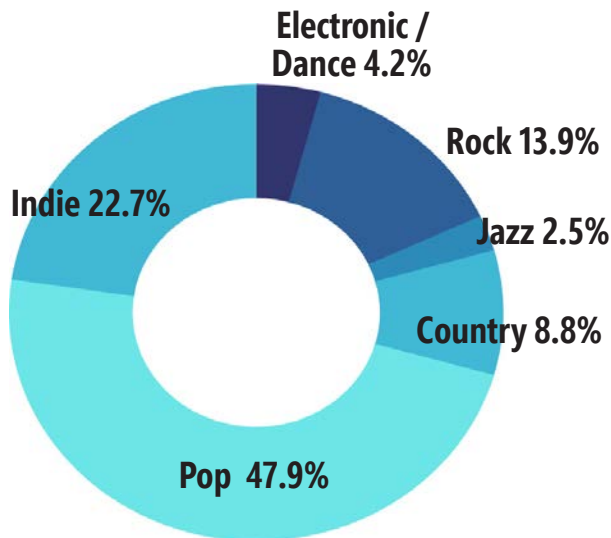


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- Led Zeppelin • 7.2%
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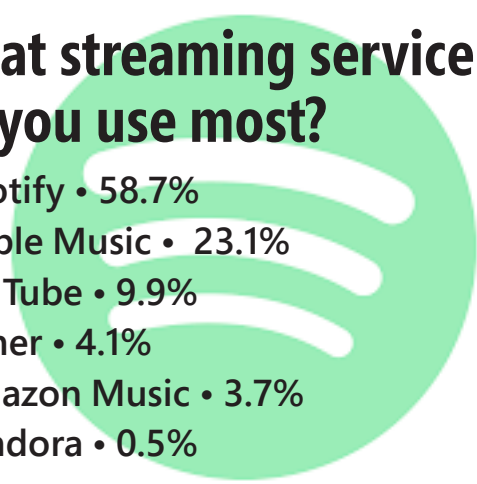


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