

# WTHS NEWS



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Winslow Township High School Newsletter

December 2018

## National Honor Society Induction

Congratulations to LaKiha Bradley, Joshua Hughes, Rileigh Leach, Jasmin Matthews, Heather McCarty, Melanie Mercer, Brianna Reagan, Tristan Renz, Eva Thai, Hannah Tull, Marcus Young, and Sylvia Zakher who were inducted into membership by the WTHS National Honor Society in a ceremony held at the school on Thursday, November 29th, 2018. Members were selected by a faculty council for meeting high standards of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. The guest speaker was **Dr. H. Major Poteat**, district superintendent. In attendance also with inspiring words was the students' choice for NHS Teacher of the Year, **Ms. Nancy Hegeman**. The National Honor Society ranks as one of the oldest and most prestigious national organizations for high school students. Chapters exist in more than 60 percent of the nation's high schools and, since 1921, millions of students have been selected for membership. Millions of dollars in scholarships have been awarded to senior members since 1945 by the sponsoring organization, The National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).



## Computer Arts & Photography

On November 29th, 2018, students from WTHS computer arts and photography classes had a chance to visit Camden County College's Photo Department. The head of the department, Fred Herr, lead students on a tour of the darkroom, classroom and photo studio. He demonstrated how to develop a print in the darkroom. Then, Prof. Herr demonstrated how to use a light meter in conjunction with multiple studio lights by creating a portrait of a student. The staff of the CCC Photo Department were impressed with the caliber of questions posed by students and invited them to come back for various events. Students enjoyed a lunch on campus and had the opportunity to visit and chat with Winslow alumni. As parting gifts, the faculty donated some books on photography to the students in attendance.



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# SPORTS

## Cross Country



WTHS Cross Country Team had a great season with lots of progression in the right direction. Two of the biggest accomplishments were meeting the goal of 3 or more all-conference runners with three boys and one girl placing second team all-conference and a 9th place finish at the SJ Group III Sectionals. This is a leap for the XC program as for many years Winslow did not have a full varsity squad and thus finished at the bottom. The five freshmen who were recruited this year show much promise and will keep the team in future competitions. Among the spectacular female runners, **Victoria Campbell**, a freshman, has come to the forefront as an extraordinary runner who consistently medaled and finished top ten of all her age-level races. Additionally, Victoria is 20 seconds away from beating the fastest Winslow 5K on record and is working towards becoming a contender in future All-South Jersey Championships! The best is yet to come.

## Football



Filled with peaks and valleys, the 2018-19 football season had many memorable moments and gains. The team displayed grit and courage and progress came on the heels of players recognizing they could play in tight games and be successful. Eight players earned All-Conference Honors and the team beat Timber Creek in the annual Thanksgiving game. Twelve seniors will graduate and leave the program in May of 2019; but, the Eagles will return next season with renewed vigor, specific defensive and offensive strategies and sixteen starters. Developing scholar-athletes with character and citizenship will be the focus for 2019-20. **Special recognition goes to Jassiem Lettsome, Donovan Bunch, Prince Dru -Bey, Dimell Reid, Isaiah, Edward Wesley, Cameron Osbourne and Jeremy Cobb.**

## Field Hockey

WTHS Hockey Team can boast the most wins in the history of the program. The team reached playoffs and won the first round of playoffs against Hammonton. Since five starting seniors will be leaving in May, recruitment will be a priority.



## Ladies' Tennis

The WTHS Ladies' Tennis Team had a transition year due to losing varsity starters and players switching from singles to doubles. Yet, Coach Smolark saw great improvements in play and competitiveness, signaling a more promising next season.



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## WTHS Marching Band

**Congratulations to the WTHS Marching Band for ending the 2018 season with one 1st Place finish, four 2nd Place finishes, two 4th Place finishes, "Bronze Medal Finalist" status at Atlantic Coast Championships, as well as four Best Color Guard Awards, including a third consecutive Best Color Guard win at Chapter 1 Championships.**

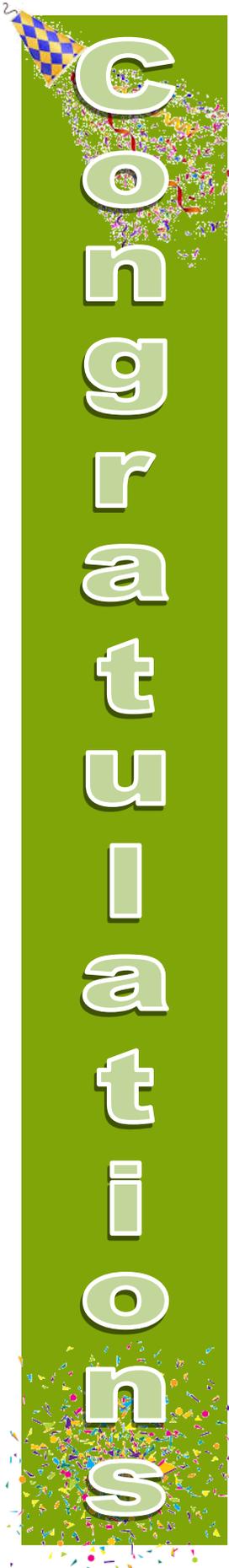
Wow! The journey began when the WTHS Marching Band hosted the 1st Annual Edgewood Fall Classic at Winslow Township High School on September 8th, 2018. As hosts, the WTHS band could only perform as exhibition, but scored an unannounced 75.9 and came in second to Eastern Regional by 1.1. The new uniforms, the new look and the opportunity to host lead to a spectacular event which set the tone for the season. Some highlights include a score of 83.4 and 1st Place in Group 3 Open Class competition, WTHS Color Guard winning their second Best Color Guard Award of the season, Drumline earning their first Best Percussion Award of the season and performing and taking second place in Group 3 Open Class competition. The show was entitled, "A Harlem Renaissance" and featured the music of Duke Ellington. The band is led by drum major, Casey Cox, assistant drum major, Aaron Pou, horn captains, Carissa Fleenor and Terrence Meekins, drum captain, Trent Moore, pit captain, Jyair Washington, and guard captains, Dana Brooks and Tatiana Davila.

### South Regional Summit

**Congratulation to Marie Cox and the entire team of WTHS FBLA members who represented the school on Tuesday, Nov.13th, 2018, at the Southern Regional Summit at Egg Harbour Twp HS.** Over 200 members from the southern region participated in group activities where they were delegated the responsibilities of business team building projects. In one event, group members were given a picture of a product and 20 minutes to create a compelling sales pitch. Each group had to delegate 2 members whom the team believed could make the best pitch on stage. Winslow Twp. HS was represented in over half of the seventeen paired-delegate teams. Marie Cox, along with her partner from Woodstown HS, pitched a flat screen television and placed in the top three groups for their performance. The top three groups then competed in a "pitch-off." Each of the three pairs was then given a product with only 30 seconds to pitch their sale. Marie and her partner had to sell a John Deer tractor, a formidable task, but they were so convincing that they won 1st place. Their entire group received gift cards. It was an exhilarating and eye-opening experience for all who participated.

### South Jersey Chorus

**Congratulations to Garret Bright and Carissa Fleenor for being selected after intense auditions to perform for the prestigious South Jersey Chorus.** They will rehearse throughout December and January with the finest singers from schools across the region and their concerts will be held on January 26th and 27th, 2019, at Washington Township High School. November was a busy month for Winslow Township High School's choral program. The chamber choir performed "America the Beautiful" and the "National Anthem" at Winslow Township's Veterans Day Ceremony. Additionally, on November 20th, 2018, they performed at Winslow Township's town meeting and on November 28th, 2018, they previewed some of their holiday concert selections at the Winslow Township Board of Education meeting. Also, small groups and solo acts performed at Winter on the Avenue in Atco at 5:30 PM on December 1st, 2018. The three choirs continue to learn songs in preparation for their upcoming winter concert on December 18th, 2018, which will feature music from many genres. WTHS Choirs invite one and all to come enjoy the winter concert or one of the community performances!



# A Day at Winslow High School

## Nurse's Corner



Nurse Taylor recommends that all students and staff wear hats, gloves and scarves to protect the delicate parts of the bodies from the upcoming winter chill. Sleep, a healthy diet and fluids must be on the must-do list to stay healthy during winter. Two of the most common complaints among teenagers in the winter include cold sores and dry/ashy skin. 50-80% of Americans have herpes simplex virus type 1 which remains in the body and can cause an outbreak of blisters at any time. Cold sores can pop up when the body is tired, stressed or when you are not taking good care of yourself. It is not harmful, but they do sting and look funny. At the first sign of the "tingle," purchase a topical cream that helps healing. Apply frequently until cold sore disappears. Dry or ashy skin results from dry indoor heat, cold outdoor temperatures and low humidity, all of which can strip your skin of moisture. Limit showers to 10 minutes and use warm water instead of hot which makes the skin dry. While skin is damp, slather on body cream. Also try to use PH balanced soap, hand cream every time you wash your hands and a humidifier in the room. Keep your skin protected from the cold air as much as possible by using scarves and gloves. If there are any questions or concerns, please visit the nurse's office. Mrs. Taylor and her staff welcome one and all!



## FCCLA CLUB

On November 21st, 2018, members of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America participated in a Thanksgiving feast with students from the Life Skills Program. FCCLA club members planned an activity that recreated the history of American Indians and Pilgrims gathering together for food and conversation. The day ended with new friendships and plans for future gatherings.



## Student Government

WTHS Student Government Association has successfully completed two more community outreach and giving-back missions: Thanksgiving dinner baskets and the Giving Tree. Six Winslow families received turkeys and multiple boxes of canned and boxed foods for the holidays. SGA officers helped organize the donations and Ms. Clark and Ms. McGuirl (SGA Senate Advisors) along with Officer Gunson, personally delivered the donations to those families on Tuesday, November 20th, 2018. The SGA Giving Tree had more than 190 tags for 65 less fortunate Winslow children from all of the participating Winslow schools. Each child will receive at least three small gifts that were donated by our generous Winslow student body, staff, and community. SGA considers this traditional holiday drive as a cherished opportunity to give back to the community. Furthermore, On Friday, December 21st, 2018, as winners of another Winslow tradition, spirit week competitions, senior class of 2019 will be served a special breakfast, and watch a movie in the auditorium with lots of event-related snacks. Looking ahead, SGA officers are currently planning their first mission for the new year; as such, on January 16th, 2019, SGA officers plan to recognize and show appreciation to custodial, maintenance, cafeteria, and grounds' staff members.

