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Cuyahoga Falls marching band wins best band in Northeast Ohio

By Anya Hutchison, '18, reporter

The CFHS marching band has had a great year. Back in October, the marching band was put into a Cleveland.com competition along with 39 other bands to find the best high school marching band in Northeast Ohio. The bands were eventually narrowed down to eight bands. The CFHS marching band was one of them.

"We pushed ourselves a lot harder and practiced harder and more at practice," said Destiny Myers, a junior flute player in the band. "I feel that the competition shows that we have a lot of great support throughout the town."

The list was then narrowed down to just four bands, including CFHS. Cuyahoga Falls was against Riverside, and Berea-Midpark was against Shaker Heights. It was very close but CFHS beat Riverside and made it to the final two.

"Since the contest started, I think that the kids in the band really amped it up and like, brought their A-game because they knew they were being watched so I feel like it made the band improve" said Mr. Dustin Harris, the Cuyahoga Falls marching band director.

After a lot of voting from dedicated supporters, the CFHS marching band won the contest. It was announced at a home game on Oct. 21, 2016.

The marching band has started a campaign using their new recognition to launch a fundraiser to purchase new uniforms. The band's current uniforms have been in use since 1993. The group hopes that their win will help them accomplish this goal. 🐾



Photos by Jordan Holmes

Dancing the night away: Homecoming and prom recap

By Alliyah Dolinar, '19, web editor

The theme of the 2016 Cuyahoga Falls High School homecoming was dazzling, being "All that glitters is gold". The homecoming game's theme was neon, and there was much school spirit shown among the superfan section. The game held a close score until the last quarter, which ultimately ended in a loss for Falls. CFHS homecoming court of 2016 included freshman representatives Molly Longfellow and Jordan Tuttle, sophomore representatives Jenna Kull and Oscar Figueroa, junior representatives Abi Kubasek and Sam Wilson, and senior representatives were Julia Ward, Zach Lias, Kara Mayor, JP Frankina, Tanner Treptow, Kyia Saxon, Antonio Ramirez, Chase Mize and Kyle Borton. The senior

class elected Chase Mize and Kyle Borton as homecoming queen and king. All in all, the dance was lovely and the game was a fun time for those who attended.

The theme for the 2017 Cuyahoga Falls High School Prom was Alaskan Northern Lights. The event was held at the University of Akron Ballroom on Saturday, May 13. The dance was held from 8 to 11 p.m, and it was a wonderful time for all. Antonio Ramirez and Kyia Saxon were selected as prom king and queen and were crowned by juniors Emma Hammonds and Dylon Campbell. Other senior court members were Tanner Treptow, Troy Tofil, Jadon Vanyo, Garrett Peace, Maria Marin, Olivia Deckert and Evie Davis. 🐾

CFHS bands and choirs excel at state competitions

By Avery Aidala, '18, reporter

Throughout the month of April, the band hallway has been busy as Symphonic, Gold and Freshman bands as well as Acapella and Freshman choirs, get ready for state competitions.

At competitions, all performances are judged on a scale of one to five. A one is the highest ranking. While a five is the lowest score, it is difficult to score this low unless a group does not show up.

The bands went to competition on on

Friday, Apr. 21. While Gold and Freshman band both received a score of two, Symphonic band managed to get a one. The choirs attended competition the following Friday, Apr. 28. Freshman Choir got a two overall while Acapella scored a one. It is really great to see hard work pay off for all of the students in the music program. 🐾

A season to be remembered: Boys bowling wins at states

By John Distel, '18, reporter

Boys bowling this year was an incredible success. For what might be called the winningest sport at Falls this year, with the varsity team posting an 11-2 record at meets, they have consistently shown up and performed well. An 11-2 record speaks for itself, and that's not including what they did at states.

Senior star J.P. Frankina, who plans on going to Wright State this fall to continue his bowling career, said, "I'm incredibly happy with this team and our accomplishments. This is my final and senior year and I wanted to finish it strong and to do something to be proud of. We did that and more, and I couldn't happier with our success."

Frankina is one of the more accomplished bowlers at CFHS, owning several school records in the sport. Junior Justin Moyer is an up-and-coming star as well.

Frankina said, "I couldn't be more proud of [Justin]. He was incredible at states with his insane 297. He dominated." Moyer narrowly missed out on a perfect game, bowling 300, or a strike on every frame. He missed a strike on his final few frames. This team's success speaks for itself, and only greater things will come in the future. 🐾



Photo from CF Athletics

Black Tiger sports rundown

By Nate Vassalotti, '17, editor in chief

Football. The varsity football team finished with just a record of 1-9 in the 2016 season, however they made great strides to keep the program moving forward. They competed in nearly every game in the toughest league in Ohio. The team has a ton of young talent that now has varsity experience under their belts. The sky is the limit for the Black Tigers in the 2017 season.

Boys soccer. The boys soccer team finished with a record of 4-10-2 and showed competitiveness in a tough Suburban League. The 2017 season should be one to look forward to as the Black Tigers had many young players making an impact in the 2016 season.

Girls soccer. The Lady Black Tigers fought day in and day out to compete in every match they played. They finished with a record of 5-8-3. However, with only graduating a few seniors, the future is bright for the program.

Girls tennis. The ladies tennis team had a great season this past fall, finishing with a record of 5-5. They look forward to big things in the 2017 season.

Golf. The golf team ended the 2016 season with a 5-13 record, showing vast improvement from the previous season.

Cross country. The cross country team finished with a record of 2-8, but had some individuals make great strides. Kyle Wilson and Bronson Luksza each qualified for regionals. Junior Kayla

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Class of 2017

Senior Survey Results

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

"Have fun! Enjoy these four years."
Logan Black

"Be confident in what you do."
Diego Mendoza Perez

"Do your homework! It'll save your grade."
Matt Womack

"Step outside your comfort zone."
Chase Mize

"Study hard. Don't give up. Look out for each other."
Brandon Riney



What will you miss the most about CFHS?

"The feeling of being part of a big family."
Megan Anderson

"The easy workload."
Sam Forbes

"Drama and Art."
Mac Craig

"All the unique people I've been privileged to meet."
Bailey Murray

"The nachos."
Courtney Hasenstab



What's your favorite memory of high school?

"Playing varsity football."
Dakota Dobbins

"Prom 2016."
Abbie Kiger

"Auto class."
Grant Savage

"Being in the marching band with all of my friends."
Kaylee Atkins

"Powderpuff."
Kenzie Kaeka

Good luck,

seniors!

A time of change: Donald Trump wins 2016 presidential race

By Jaret Distel, '18, reporter

The election was a major turning point in our country, with Donald Trump's surprising triumph over democratic candidate Hillary Clinton. This previous election can be considered the biggest upset in American Electoral politics since Harry Truman's victory over Thomas Dewey in 1948. As President Truman being considered the underdog and even expected to lose the race by most political pundits at the time, the parallels between the 1948

election and the 2016 election are eerily similar as both were considered unlikely to win and both pulled over amazing upsets. President Trump was able to secure an electoral victory, with his 304 electoral votes compared to Hillary Clinton's 227 electoral votes. President Trump was did not win the popular vote as he won 46.1 percent of the vote and Hillary Clinton won 48.2 percent. This has happened several times in our country's history in 1824, 1876, 1888

and 2000. The first 100 days of Trump's presidency have proved just as controversial and provocative as his campaign. This should not come as a surprise as this is President Trump's style and part of his appeal to his voting base. 🌸

"We are the champions": Cleveland Cavaliers named NBA champs

By Jaret Distel, '18, reporter



Image from Cleveland.com

The 2015-2016 NBA season ended one the longest championships droughts in American sports history. The city of Cleveland had not won a major sporting championship since 1964 when Jim Brown and Cleveland Browns beat Johnny Unitas and the Baltimore Colts. Until 2016, this marked the last time that the city of Cleveland tasted championship glory. Despite coming close several times, Cleveland teams never managed to get over that hump and secure victory. Cleveland's fate changed when Lebron James lead his Cleveland Cavaliers in beating the Golden State Warriors for the NBA championship. They accomplished one of the greatest comebacks in sports

history by overcoming a 3-1 deficit. This had never been done in the NBA finals before, although the Warriors themselves overcame a 3-1 deficit in the previous series against the Oklahoma City Thunder. The Cavs win will be forever etched in the history of Cleveland. Now, the Cavs seek to replicate this success as the 2016-2017 playoffs have started. The showdown and rematch between the Cleveland Cavaliers and the Golden State Warriors seems to be likely. Only time will tell who wins and takes home the championship gold. 🌸

2016 World Series brings happiness and heartbreaks to Indians fans

By John Distel, '18, reporter

Cleveland baseball fans know the 2016 World Series was a heartbreaker. The Chicago Cubs won the series 4-3, but not without a fight. In game one, Cleveland brought home a huge win, with a 6-0 score and the Indians getting ten hits to the Cubs' seven. The deciding factor in game one was the Cubs having 11 men in scoring position and not capitalizing on any of them. In game two, the Cubs took the win 5-1. Cubs pitcher Jake Arrieta dominated, only giving up one run and two hits before getting relieved in the sixth. Indians pitcher Trevor Bauer struggled, however. He was plagued by a freak injury to his right pinky

finger, which he received during the previous series. This caused him to give up an early run and he was forced to be relieved. In game three, the Indians snagged the win in a close one, as it was a one run game, with the only run being scored in the in the seventh by a single from CoCo Crisp. Game four was another domination by the Indians, with Corey Kluber only giving up one run in the 7-2 affair. After this, the rest is history. The Indians only needed one more game to end their 68 year drought, but in the end it was the Cubs who ended theirs. They did this by closing game seven after coming

back from a 3-1 game deficit. But that is not the end of the story. At the time of this article being written, the Indians are leading the AL Central at 15-12, and their bats are finally starting to heat up, which may be the start of great things for October. 2017 might finally be the year Indians fans can finally stop asking, "Why not us?" 🌸

Women's rights movement and campaign

By Kagan Kopp, '19, copy editor

There were many historical events that occurred over 2016-2017, especially the ones dealing with the women's march and strike in protest over Donald Trump's inauguration. The Women's March, a movement created and executed in multiple cities across the nations to unite individuals and organizations committed to equality, first took place on Friday, Jan. 21 in Washington, D.C., the day after Trump took office. After the Women's March on Washington was announced, many other cities were inspired and hosted marches of their own. There ended up being 673 marches and an outstanding 4,876,000 marchers. The overall message that this movement was meant to send out was that women's rights are human rights. It included several speeches, with powerful public speakers, mainly women, talking about how important women are in daily life. It also included concerts and musical artists putting the message out there to support women in the fight for everyday rights and freedoms. On Mar. 8, women across America urged others to join the movement and to strike from their day of work in a movement called 'A Day Without A Woman' to show how important women are to the workplace. Many women took the day off work in protest against the unfair restrictions in the workplace and in everyday society. 🌸

2016 Summer Olympics review

By Willie Wilson, '17, reporter

The 2016 Summer Olympics, also known as Rio 2016, took place in aforementioned Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The 2016 Olympics had a huge 306 events in 28 sports and lasted from opening ceremony on Aug. 5 to the closing ceremony on Aug. 21. Before the Olympics had even started, they already had a huge controversy. This controversy was an outbreak of the mosquito-caused Zika virus. There were even a few athletes who pulled out of the games due to these concerns. However



Image from Olympic.org

most of these concerns were unfounded, as the World Health Organization reported that there were no found cases of the Zika virus in any of the athletes or the spectators who came.

Otherwise, these Olympics were a time for solidifying legacies. In Rio, Michael Phelps continued to prove his excellence and his claim of being the best swimmer alive when he won five gold medals and one silver, which brought his totals to a staggering amount of Olympic gold, 23 to be exact.

Another athlete who showed up on the national stage was Simone Biles. Biles won five gold medals and one bronze, which, when combined with her 14 World Gymnastics Championship medals, makes her the most decorated gymnast in U.S. history.

Finally for the U.S., Katie Ledecky once again won gold, securing five gold medals and one silver. Not only that, but she broke records too.

In the end, Olympics can be considered an overall success for the U.S., and we can only hope PyeongChang in 2020 will top it. 🐾

A year in music

By Willie Wilson, '17, reporter

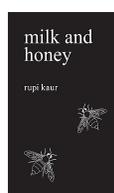
It feels like more music was released this year than ever before. So, many artists with money made events out of their albums. Beyoncé had her HBO special. Frank Ocean built a staircase and two complete albums. It's still not easy to say what Kanye did. And albums seemed to get longer: James Blake's 2011 record was a concise 38 minutes, while his 2016

album was exactly double that length. Everyone seemed to be trying to figure out how to stand out. Given the quantity, digging deep into these works of art is harder than ever. 🐾



Images from Billboard

A year in music



"Milk and Honey" by Rupi Kaur. This is a book of poems. The poems tell about the author's journey from childhood to her adulthood. She talks about her difficulties, the love and pain she felt and some subjects that may be harder for some to read about. Note: the first chapter may be triggering.



"A Series of Unfortunate Events" by Lemony Snicket. Let's just put it out there that this author wins the award for coolest name.

"A Series Of Unfortunate Events" is about three children, Violet, Klaus and Sunny Baudelaire, whose parents died in a fire rather recently. While the family fortune is handed down to them, their closest relative, Count Olaf, who is now their caretaker, creates many disasters and attempts to take their fortune for himself numerous times, while the children try to flee from his grasp. This series, although not new, was turned into a popular Netflix series this year.



"The Martian" by Andy Weir. One of my personal favorites, "The Martian" is a fictional book that focuses on the possibility of getting to--and getting stuck on--Mars. When the other astronauts blast off from the planet Mars, they leave behind Mark Watney, presumed dead after a fierce storm. With only a meager amount of supplies, the stranded visitor must utilize his wits and spirit to find a way to survive on the hostile planet.



What You Left Behind by Jessica Verdi. Jessica Verdi, author of My Life After Now and The Summer I Wasn't Me, writes about a seventeen-year-old boy named Ryden

whose girlfriend stopped chemotherapy after finding out she was pregnant. Now, he is a single father of a daughter named Hope. Fighting not to fail fatherhood and senior year, he struggles to raise a daughter with the help of his mother, longs for the father he never knew and meets a girl named Jodi along the way. 🐾

Images from GoodReads.com

Black Tiger trends

By Kennedie O'Byrne, '19, design editor

With every passing year, there's a handful of fashion trends that almost everyone can be seen sporting, and when thinking about the 2016-2017 school year, there are more than enough looks that can be remembered. As far as high school trendiness goes, it's pretty safe to say that Cuyahoga Falls stayed up to date with their style.

2016 seemed like a rather chill year, with comfort trumping everything else fashion-wise. Joggers were seen all over the place, especially on boys, and a day was not complete until you saw someone showing off their Adidas athletic wear. Fortunately for some, it doesn't seem like that trend will be going away anytime soon. Even celebrities can still be seen walking around in their yoga pants or track suits.

Another recurring trend for both boys and girls in 2016 and 2017 was and is jackets. So far in 2017, girls and boys won't go out in the spring weather without their trench coats or windbreakers on. In 2016, everyone was going out to buy a bomber jacket. Denim jackets seemed to be pretty trendy too, even though they aren't necessarily a new thing.

On the topic of fashion trends that are old but gold, there are tons of looks that have made an appearance throughout this school year that are actually just making a comeback from years before. The choker, for instance, was super cool in the 90s, but it died off until 2016 when it made another debut, seemingly better than before. Boys were seen wearing 50s styled shirts in 2016 and, currently, 90s streetwear looks to be their "new" thing. There have been vintage band tees, velvet, and old ball caps or bucket hats seen all over. Basically, if it's retro, it's probably cool.

Over-the-knee boots and overly bright colors made an appearance in 2016 as well. Spring of 2017 has been filled with florals and off-the-shoulder tops. The key to making an amazing outfit lately has obviously been having one memorable statement piece.

Cuyahoga Falls students have proven to be quite involved in the world of fashion, and this school year has definitely been the time to show off some incredible looks. 🐾

Coming soon to a theater near you: Summer 2017 films

By Anya Hutchison, '18, reporter



"The Circle." Mae Holland gets the opportunity of a lifetime when she gets a job at the world's most powerful technology and social media company. Mae joins an experiment that goes against the norm of privacy, ethics and personal freedom. Her decisions in the experiment affect the lives of her friends and family.

Rated: PG-13

Genre: Sci-Fi, Drama

Release Date: Apr. 28, 2017



"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2." In this sequel, the team strives to stay together as a family, all the while trying to find out who Peter Quill's parents really are.

Rated: PG-13

Genre: Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi

Release Date: May 5, 2017

Images from IMDB



"Everything, Everything." Maddy is unable to leave her hermetically-sealed environment in her house because of her illness. Olly, Maddy's next door neighbor, won't let her illness stop them from being together. She ends up risking her life and leaving her house to be with Olly.

Rated: PG-13

Genre: Romance, Drama

Release Date: May 19, 2017



"Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales." Jack Sparrow must find the Trident of Poseidon in order to stop his old nemesis, Captain Salazar.

Rated: PG-13

Genre: Fantasy, Action

Release Date: May 26, 2017 🐾

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Huffman qualified for states on the ladies' side.

Boys basketball. The 2016-17 season was a competitive one for the boys' squad. They finished with a record of 10-1-3, winning a number of tough matchups in the Suburban League. They fell slightly short in a heartbreaking loss against Nordonia in the first round of the playoffs. Graduating just four seniors, the Tigers have plenty of talent to have success again next year.

Girls basketball. The Lady Black Tigers

had a successful season this past winter, finishing with a record of 13-12. A first round playoff win led to high hopes for the upcoming season.

Bowling. The bowling team had a spectacular year as they finished with a record of 10-2 and went all the way to states. Senior James Frankina finished 8th and junior Justin Moyer won first place in the entire state, breaking a number of records along the way. 🐾

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The 90s Saved the Best for Last

By Jordan Holmes, '17, editor in chief

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THE YEAR'S TOP BELIEVE BY CHER, NO SCRUBS BY TLC, ANGEL OF MINE BY MONICA, HEARTBREAK HOTEL BY WHITNEY HOUSTON, AND BABY ONE MORE TIME BY BRITNEY SPEARS
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