



## COMMERCE MIDDLE SCHOOL TIGER TALES



### CONGRATULATIONS!! JANUARY EMPLOYEE AND STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Ms. Summers-Math



Trevor Potter-8th



Thomas Reed-7th



Keaton King-6th

## CMS Faculty Take "Pies in the Face" to support Academic Team





## TIGER-WILDCAT SHOWDOWN AT C.H.S. BY: JULIAN



The entire middle school took a field trip to the high school on the 11th to watch the 6th and 8th grade boys and girls play basketball against Welch. The games were exciting, the cheerleaders "peppy," and the concession stand was BUSY!. Thanks Mr. Medlin and Mr. Barker for allowing us to attend. Fun times.



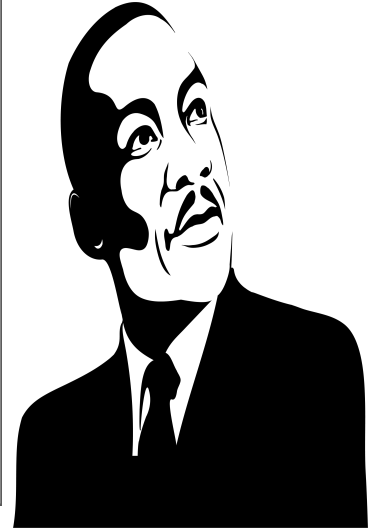
## Commerce Track Gets A Facelift



## *Martin Luther King Day January 16*

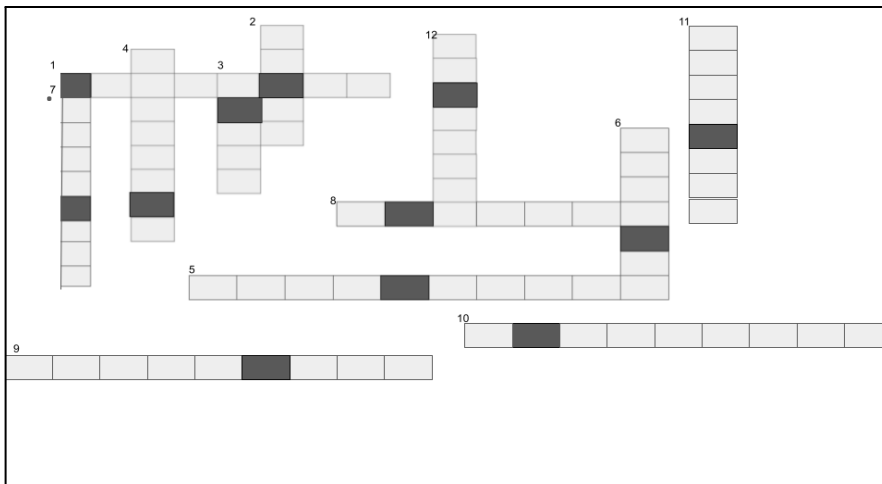
### *By: Deanna*

Martin Luther King, Jr., is known for his contributions to the American civil rights movement in the 1960s. His most famous work is his "I Have a Dream" speech, delivered in 1963, in which he spoke of his dream of a United States that is void of segregation and racism. King also advocated for nonviolent methods of protest, and he organized and staged countless marches and boycotts. On April 4, 1968, King was assassinated as he stood on the second floor balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee, where he had come to lead a march by striking sanitation workers. In response to King's death, more than 100 American inner cities exploded in rioting, looting, and violence. James Earl Ray, a career small-time criminal pled guilty to the shooting and received a 99-year prison sentence. He quickly recanted his plea and spent the rest of his life claiming that he had been framed by a conspiracy that was really responsible for King's assassination (britannica.com).



### Mystery Word Crossword by: Micaela

To find the mystery word(s) fill in the crossword puzzle with the missing word from MLK quotes. The first two to locate the answer and find Micaela Churchill will win a "sweet" prize.



#### Horizontal

1-"Out of the \_\_\_\_\_ of despair, a stone of hope."

5-"I oppose the war in Vietnam because I love America. I speak out against it not in anger but with anxiety and sorrow in my heart, and above all with a \_\_\_\_\_ desire to see our beloved country stand as a moral example of the world."

8-"We are determined here in Montgomery to work and fight until \_\_\_\_\_ runs 'down like water, and righteousness like a mighty stream."

9-"If we are to have peace on earth, our \_\_\_\_\_ must become ecumenical rather than sectional. Our \_\_\_\_\_ must transcend our race, our tribe, our class, and our nation; and this means we must develop a world perspective."

10-"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of \_\_\_\_\_ and controversy."

#### Vertical

2-"I was a drum major for justice, \_\_\_\_\_ and righteousness."

3- "I believe that unarmed \_\_\_\_\_ and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant."

4- "Make a career of \_\_\_\_\_. Commit yourself to the noble struggle for equal rights. You will make a better person of yourself, a greater nation of your country, and a finer world to live in."

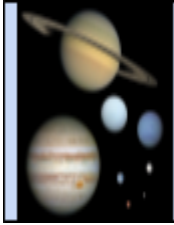
6-"True peace is not merely the \_\_\_\_\_ of tension; it is the presence of justice."

7-"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of \_\_\_\_\_, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

11-"\_\_\_\_\_ cannot drive out \_\_\_\_\_, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

12-"We shall overcome because the arc of the moral \_\_\_\_\_ is long, but it bends toward justice."





## January: Planet-Palooza

by: Dailan

January 22-25 of this year is going to be called the "Planet-palooza." because four planets which are already visible with the naked eye will be in the perfect place for easier viewing. On January 22nd, Venus will be highly visible in the SW after sunset and Saturn will be near on the upper right. On the 25th, Jupiter will be near the crescent moon. As always, Mars will be visible too (lifehack.com).



## ESport News by: Nic

Esports more than doubled in size this month with multiple new members joining. Knockout City won 1-1 (tie), Halo-1-1 (tie), Fortnite 2 was 1-1 (tie), Fortnite 1 was 1-1 (tie). Rocket League 2 was 0-2 (loss), Rocket League 1 was 2-0 (win).

Our next tournament is February 18th, and one more match in March followed by the state playoffs for those that qualify.

# The Roving Reporter by: Danni & Rosa



### What is your New Year's resolution?

Cadence A. - To have more confidence

Betty G. - To get closer to Christ

Ashely H. - To be a better person

Breanna M. - To drink more water

Tony M. - To get better grades

Dakota C. - To get better at math

Dalian G. - To eat more food this year

Mia W. - To be happy

## CMS Academic Team Competes and Hosts District Contest

By: Ethan

Mrs. Stebbins, sponsor/coach, has been working hard with the academic team after school. They hosted Quapaw and Wyandotte Tuesday and will compete at regionals in March. Good Luck.







## Middle School Art Display

By: Madeline



**Hello January**  
By: Kaliah  
*Journey-of a thousand miles*

*Always-starts somewhere here.*

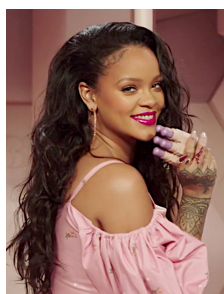
*Nothing-will be achieved*

*Unless-you take*

*Action-in what you believe*

*Repeated-efforts will take*

*You-further than expected.*



By: Dominic

Super Bowl-bound! Rihanna will take the stage at Super Bowl LVIII this year, and the demand for tickets have shot up since the Grammy winner was announced as the Halftime Show headliner. Riri hadn't released a solo song in six years, but "the drought" finally ended with "Lift Me Up," which dropped in late October. The teams have not been decided yet, but the game will be played on February 12th in Glendale, Arizona. (billboard.com).

### DID YOU KNOW?

By: Dontay

January was named for the Roman god Janus, known as the protector of gates and doorways who symbolize beginnings and endings. Janus is depicted with two faces, one looking into the past, the other with the ability to see into the future. What a fitting symbol for this first day of the year (almanac.com)

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

By: Brayden

Madelyn D.-5  
Cesar C.-9  
Breanna M.-14  
Miquel Z.-14  
Jasper W.-17  
Michaela W.-17  
Lani J.-19  
Journnee M.-21  
Jhonatan P.-22  
Luis E.-24  
Gregory S.-24  
Brisa N.-27  
Landon C.-27  
Maylee C.-29

Rocky D.-30  
Colton W.-30



HAPPY NEW YEAR





