

Thomas Begins Coaching Wrestling

By Lilianna Reynolds

Mr. Philip Thomas, who also goes by PT, is the new head wrestling coach. Thomas is new to the district coming from Spearfish.

Thomas coached wrestling for seven years as well as football in Spearfish. He said when he was younger, he would wrestle and it has always been his passion. He says that he plans on coaching his whole life.

"I'm looking forward to all the new experiences I get to make with this new wrestling family," states Thomas. He's also excited to see all the wrestlers hard work pay off on the mats. He'd love to build a better bond with his new team along with being at a new school. He's wants to help the wrestlers achieve their goals and place in the state tournament in February.

Thomas shares his reward for coaching by saying, "The most rewarding thing about coaching for Lead-Deadwood is seeing the wrestler passion for the sport and watching them give their best in everything they do, win or lose!"

Wrestling practice started Nov. 18 and they've had 1 tournament in Custer and have an upcoming tournament Thursday Dec. 19.



Senior Jordy Stulken jumps up to shoot a basket.

Diggers Recover Quickly

By Taya Bureson

The Digger Boys basketball had their first game Friday, Dec. 13, when they played against the Oelrichs Tigers. At the beginning of the game, the scores were tied up coming into the second quarter, the Tigers hit many three-pointers to give them a ten-point lead. The third quarter was very even but heading into the fourth, the Diggers had to start fouling in order to get the ball back and gain more points. The Diggers lost with a final score of 70-53.

The boys said their advantage over the Tigers was that they were more in shape and quicker. The team said their weakness of the game was that they missed a lot of shots and two of their starting five fouled out before the end of the game.

Tuesday, Dec. 17, the boys played against Newell at home and had a victory of 76-34. Throughout the basketball season, the boys want to learn from their mistakes and become a stronger team.



Senior Natalie Janssen looks to pass the ball to a teammate.

Girls Basketball Starts Off Strong

By Madison Rystrom

The girls basketball team started their season off in Harding County with a win. The girls held Harding County to five in the first half, and won the game 33-23. "We could have done a lot better shooting and putting everything together, but I am glad that we came out with a win even though we did not play the best," said, Blake Mehlberg. "We hustled and played good defense," said, Hannah Campbell

They continued their season with a home game against Newell, which they won 52-33. Natalie Janssen said, "Everyone was a nervous for our first game against Harding County but by the second game we all played better as individuals and as a team," she added "I'm excited to see how long we can make our winning streak." The squads next games are scheduled for the 20 and 21, which is the state line shoot out they will play New Castle and Sundance.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

By Daniel Egemo

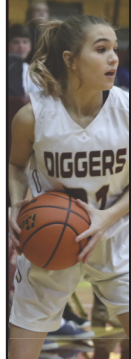
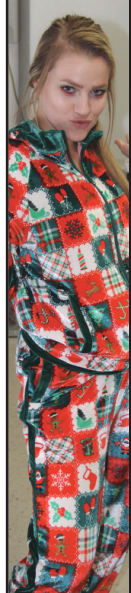
2019 started with the 116th Congress being sworn in at the Capital in Washington D.C. This Congress, which includes the most women ever elected, is the most diverse Congress in the history of the country.

We are less than one year away from the next Presidential election. The field of candidates running for president represents the most diverse group in history. President Trump became the first president in the history to cross the North Korean border to meet with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. Unemployment in the United States hit one of the lowest points in American history.

We saw thousands upon thousands of young people gather around the world to promote climate change activism including 16 year old Greta Thunberg, who was also named Time magazines Person of the Year. There were also many breakthroughs in the science world, including the first ever publicly released photo of a black hole.

The U.S. Women's Soccer Team won the 2019 World Cup when they defeated the Netherlands. The Washington Nationals won their first ever World Series in the MLB and The New England Patriots won their sixth super bowl trophy in the NFL.

As 2020 quickly approaches, take a moment to reflect on your 2019. Reminisce on all the good times. Reflect and learn from all the bad times. Most importantly, spend the holidays with your friends and families. Thank them for the memories that they have created with you. Don't let your day to day stress get in the way of your relationships with others because these years only last so long and they go by quicker than imaginable. On behalf of the publications staff, I want to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a happy & healthy 2020.



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Children enjoy the new ice rink at Outlaw Square in Deadwood on Opening Night, Friday, Dec. 6.

Outlaw Square Comes To Main Street In Deadwood

By Taya Burleson

Outlaw Square Director Mr. Bobby Rock and Mr. Bob Nelson, Deadwood Public Works Director said they hoped this new development would bring a lot of happy smiling faces. They were discussing the opening of Outlaw Square.

Outlaw Square in Deadwood opened Friday, Dec. 6. There is a new Ice-skating platform and a stage for performances. The process the City of Deadwood went through to build this new attraction was eleven and a half months long and cost approximately \$4.8 million dollars to build.

The Friday of the opening of the skating rink was free with no charge for skating. There were lots of children and parents with happy smiling faces enjoying the new attraction. There are about 250 days of events programmed, which include skating. Some upcoming events that are planned are Kris Kringle Christmas Market Dec. 13-14.

This summer of 2020 events include Monday night movie night, Tuesday Farmers Market, Wednesday summer concert series, Thursday Deadwood History Family fun night, and weekends will be for other scheduled events. Currently there is no concession stand or a seasonal pass, but the city is working on it.

Nelson stated, "We are excited to have the square for our community."

Kiwanis Announces December Students Of The Month



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Winter Concert Rings In The Holidays

By Zoe Bourgo

The winter band concert for grades 6-12 was held Dec. 16 at 7:00 in the high school auditorium. The stage was set with drums which were stacked to look like a snowman, and a Christmas tree. There was also a wreath decorated with lights at the back of the stage, with lights and CD's lining the very edge of the stage, to help set the mood for the concert.

Before each song, an announcer, gave the audience information about the upcoming song. The first announcer of the night was Zoe Bourgo, who announced Three Sketches for Band. This song is set in movements, not individual songs, however there was expected clapping in between each song. It was written as though you were on a hayride to the church, then afterwards, you went to the barn dance. The second announcer, Colin Kennedy-Hyman, announced March of the Dwarfs. This song is part of a collection of 66 different short pieces, published in 10 volumes. Thirdly, Stryder Greenfield announced the song Autumn Rains, a dramatic song with periods of seemingly peacefulness. This song was inspired by a quiet afternoon when a storm rolled in, the leaves are changing, and the weather continues to get cold. Ivy Endres announced Carol of the Bells, the popular Christmas carol composed by the Ukrainian composer Mykola Leontovych. It has been performed in numerous genres: classical, metal, jazz, country, rock, as well as pop. The final song, Christmas Classics was announced by Kiyah Clark. This song contains six well known Christmas songs: We Wish You a Merry Christmas, Joy to The World, What Child is This, Good King Wenceslas, Silent Night, and Angels We Have Heard on High.

Students And Teachers Donate Blood

By Madi Rystrom

The Student Council blood drive was a success with 18 students and teachers participating and making the most donations since 2014. The blood collected has the potential to save 57 lives and touch countless others. "It was a great turn out, and I'm glad that lots of students and teachers donated," said Mr. Gary Linn, Student Council Advisor.

It takes about an hour from the time you arrive to the time you leave to complete a whole blood donation. The donation time is about 10 minutes. Whole blood donation is most often given by new donors and is the most common type of donation. But there is special technology to collect specific blood components such as red blood cells, platelets and plasma.

Each year, nearly 5 million Americans need blood transfusions. Blood helps trauma and burn patients, premature infants, heart surgery patients, organ transplant recipients and those fighting cancer, among others, in emergencies.

Hansen To Open Online Store

By Lilianna Reynolds

Mr. Timothy Hansen is in the process of starting up an online Digger store. The store will offer hoodies, shirts, hats, ect. The gear would be ordered online and sent to the school after being paid for and waiting for the student to pick up their order at school. Prices could range anywhere from less than \$10 to around \$60 depending on if you get a Nike or Under Armor branded apparel.

The store is not up yet but Hansen plans to have it up within the next week or two and for a short period of time unless there is a big demand. While profits are not his main focus with the store, he does plan on giving the profits to the girls basketball team. He wants the store to be easy and cheap access for students, teachers and parents to get Digger gear.

Seniors Take National Career Readiness Certificate Test

By Jeremiah Fredericksen Jr

The NCRC, or the National Career Readiness Certificate is a based on the ACT Work-Key curriculum that students take to measure and certify the work skills they possess. This system is the leading job skills assessment system in the nation. It measures real work skills that are critical for students in order to be successful in whatever job profession they pursue after high school.

Students who graduate from school and join the hunt for jobs are faced with obstacles from future employers. There are 49 seniors in this school and all are required to take this test, if they miss this test it is mandatory for them to make it up at a later time. This test reliably measures employability skills to help employers hire the most qualified, trainable individuals they can. Employers can use the NCRC as a tool to help match a potential employee to a particular job.

There are different parts to the test: problem solving, critical thinking, etcetera. When asked how she thinks that she did on the test Kady Hopkins said, (I think I did all right the math part was pretty easy for the most part the test was easy it was mainly using common sense.) Most of the students don't want to take the test while others are worried about how they do there is a mix of emotions about the test.

Frozen 2 Makes \$350.2 Million During Opening Weekend

By McKinly Kyte

Frozen 2 made a huge appearance when it hit theaters on Nov. 22. For fans the excitement was seeing what happened to Elsa and Ana after six years and the new catchy songs. As the movie was very messy it was thrilling to know the history of the first movie. But for critics it was hard to follow and wasn't the same as the first movie.

Frozen became a success for the catchy songs and the princesses, but don't forget about Olaf. Olaf played a

huge part in both movies by increasing the humor and adding to the collection of catchy songs. For critics the sequel was hard to follow as lots of information was given. The sequel not only had lots of information, but it came out in a way that was accessible for kids and adults. It also included a beautiful scenery and new and cute animals.

The movie means more than just fun for kids, as it describes some of the questions and struggles that humans

still ask. Such as loss, love, change and trust.

The movie includes family secrets and how to heal wounds of the past. The movie is one to watch repeatedly for it gives messages about responding to change and curiosity. About making the next move together. For adults and children this movie was a hit. Although it many not be the original it is still packed with thrills and excitement made by Disney.



Nicole Losey contributes to Ms. Loeffen's SRB sock drive by placing a pair into her box. Losey and many others are happy to help.



Recycling Is A Success

By Daniel Egemo

On behalf of the publications staff, thank you for recycling and thank you to those who are responsible for recycling at our school. Having these programs in our schools and within our communities is important. It is about protecting our Earth.

We hope that students at LDHS will continue to recycle throughout the school year, and begin their own recycling projects outside of the school.

Student Council Holds Sock Drive Competition For Elem.

By McKinly Kyte

Letting younger kids and parents know that high school students care for the wellbeing of others is a huge reason of implementing the elementary sock drive.

that get overlooked when it comes to drives and benefits to help others. Most drives are for toys, coats and food, where socks are something some people don't have. Socks are an item

students at the elementary school lack. Either socks for PE or everyday socks. The sock drive ends on Dec. 18. The drive is to bring money, or bring in socks for the Elementary

students in need. The SRB to bring in the most socks and money will be rewarded a pizza party on Dec. 20 during SRB. Student Council Advisor, Mr. Gary Linn, hopes that the high school

students will bring in a total of 50 pairs of new socks but says beating that goal would be great. Kiayah Clark said, "Ms. Loeffen challenged me to participate in the sock drive.

Key Club Spreads Holiday Joy

By Kadyn Hopkins

This holiday season, Key Club is spending time caroling to those in the community. During the past few recent club meetings, members decided to get together and sing Christmas Carols to some of the residents in Lead in order to get spirits high for the holiday this month. Students involved in the club recently joined up with members of Builders Club and other residents in the community to walk down Lead Main Street and sing Christmas songs to those who wanted to listen on Friday, Dec. 6. The carolers walked along with Santa Claus and stopped at houses, businesses and the Boys & Girls Club before heading down to the Christmas tree lighting later that night. Although the crowd was not as large as anticipated, the singers kept their spirits up and enjoyed their time. This wasn't the only caroling event the club has planned for this month though.

On Monday, Dec. 16, students headed up to the Golden Ridge Senior Living Center in order to spread joy to the seniors and staff there. The students of Key Club spent a couple hours of their time singing alongside members of both Builders Club, Kiwanis Club and other members of the community looking to spend some time volunteering and bring smiles to the senior's faces.

Throughout the year, this is many Key Club members' favorite activity to get involved with, especially around the holiday season. There aren't many opportunities to do something like this, but when there is, it is not passed up.



Key Club and Builder's Club takes to Main Street to spread cheer by caroling.

NHS Food Drive Gives Back

By Taya Bureson

National Honor Society ran their annual food drive from Nov. 4-25. During this time students were encouraged to bring food items to school and place their items in the box of the teacher they would like to see get a pie in the face.

There were four teachers and one administrator who volunteered to get a pie in the face for the most cans that were placed in their box. The teachers were Mrs. Betty Campbell, Mr. Matt Campbell, and Mrs. Lenessa Keehn. Dean of Students Mark Jacobs also volunteered. Each of these teachers were asked by NHS if they would participate and run the risk of getting a pie to the face.

NHS took the food they received to the Lord's Cupboard and Methodist Church in Lead. They chose these two places because they wanted the food that to got to those locally who need it during the holidays. Their goal was to obtain at least 300 food items, and they almost made it with a grand total of 265 items.

The food drive has become an annual event for NHS, they see a lot of the benefits that come with the drive, mostly a positive feeling of give back when they are able.

The teacher who received the most items in their box was Mr. Matt Campbell and he received a face full of pie during lunch which concluded the food drive.



Mr. Matt Campbell gets pie to the face by National Honor Society President Isabel Ward.



The Oral Interp team eats at Perkins after a long day of competing. Clockwise from front left is Mariana, Bree Oatman, Joshua Adkins, Kiayah Clark, Emma Hess, Bravery Davis, Rejoice Davis, Megan Bernal, Kiale Rose, and Gwen Hess.

Rose Receives Superior At State Competition

By Luke Weisenberg

The latest Speech and Debate competitions was at the State Speech Festival. Most of the Speech and Debate members had to wake up at four in the morning and get to the bus at 5:00 A.M. The team arrived at Mitchell at 10:30 A.M. Kiale Rose received a Superior at State for an exemplary performance at the festival.

Dr. Bree Oatman is the advisor of the Speech and Debate team. She says one of her favorite things about Speech and Debate is that the team is fun to be with and seeing talented students compete.

One thing Oatman said

she would improve about the speech and debate team was that she would like to see more students interested in debate events instead of speech events and for more student to place at East River competitions.

One of the Speech and Debate members is Abigail Kunzi. She is the newest member and a really good member of the team. Kunzi works on poetry and she also combines together old pieces of literature to create a whole new collective piece. She is the only one in the Speech and Debate team to combine a bunch of old literary pieces and

create something new with it.

At the last competition Kunzi performed a collection of pieces about fat shaming.

"It was by far the best I ever did in a meet in Speech in Debate," said Kunzi. One of the things she likes the most about Speech and Debate is travelling and seeing other people who are performing. The next Speech and Debate competition is going to be in Gillette, Wyoming on the 17th of January. The team is going to be traveling and competing every weekend until early March.

Oral Interp Regions

By Zoe Bourgo

This year Regions was held in Rapid City on Nov. 26th. The team did very well, placing in every category besides poetry. Which means a person in each of those categories will be sent to the State Festival, and Kiale Rose will be the alternate for poetry.

Dr. Bree Oatman says that their biggest challenge was having students choose between speech and debate regions and explains that "I am really happy with our success at Regionals."

Josh Adkins reports that he enjoyed Regions, however, it was boring for him only having one event: Reader's Theatre, but he enjoyed being able to perform in front of a larger audience. This event can be stressful however, even for someone with years of experience.

Kiale Rose recalls the event to be overwhelming because of how Regionals is structured. At regular meets, you perform three times, but at Regionals you perform once with three different judges in the same room. Regionals is near the end of the first season, and always turns out to be a large event. It helps prepare students to perform and speak in front of large audiences, because by the time National Forensics League comes, the audiences only grow.

Adkins also said that the Reader's Theatre placed 1st, which is huge because this is the first time since Oatman began coaching, that we have had this event offered. Kiale Rose placed in serious, Bravery Davis placed in Humor, Emma Hess placed in Non-Original Oratory, and Megan Bernal and her partner Bravery Davis placed in duet.

NHS Creates The Holiday Spirit By Buying Gifts For A Kid

By Colie Corkins

Tis the season, for gifts and celebration, NHS has thoughtfully helped a third grader from the elementary school have a magical Christmas with gifts to wake up to under the tree Christmas morning. NHS got together and went to Walmart they got a good morning breakfast, then they headed to Walmart, they split into four different groups, for different places to go, "one group went to shop for toys, while the second group shopped for clothes and another group shopped for the stocking while my group shopped for new bedroom stuff for her." Says Kadyn Hopkins a member of the NHS group that also went shopping, after they buy the presents, they wrap all the gifts that they got the 9-year-old and gave the present to the family so they could have a jolly Christmas. But the members of NHS also get to have a little fun as they buy the gifts, "my favorite part is probably just the face that it goes to a really good cause or the breakfast beforehand."- Casey Briscoe another member of NHS stated, when asked Kadyn what he favorite part she says, "its different from what we usually do and it's a lot of fun because we get to provide Christmas presents for a deserving child in need. We also go to Perkins beforehand." Happy Holidays.



NHS juniors shop for toys.



NHS members eat breakfast before shopping.

Government Class Writes Essays For "We The People"

By Isabel Ward

The We The People Hearing is coming up and you can count that this year's government class is working away on their essays. Government is a class that you must take during your time in high school. This class helps you understand how our government was started, why it was started, how it functioned in the past and how it functions now. Our government is an extremely complex institution and it is extremely important that everyone is able to know how and why it works the way it does.

The We the People Hearing is used as the final exam for government class and is mandatory for all students to complete. It is a hearing that is very similar in format to many congressional hearings. The class starts preparing you for

this hearing by separating into a different groups based off of what individual students are interested in reading, learning and presenting about. These units range from topics about the philosophical foundations of the government to the challenges that are faced today in our country. Once separated into groups, students are to study each unit they are assigned and then to write three essays answering the unit questions. These essays must reach four minutes when read aloud and be worded very clearly. The students also must prepare for questions that may follow from the judges who will give critiques.

The hearing is set to occur on January 23rd of 2020 and friends and family are encouraged to attend!

Students Enjoy The Outdoors During Outdoor Fitness

By Jeremiah Fredericksen Jr.

Outdoor Fitness is taught by Mr. Will Malde. This class is very much like regular P.E. except for one thing, most of the class is taught outside. The students in this class participate in sports such as biking, football, snowshoeing, and other similar sports.

Students are required to bring clothes appropriate to the weather as to avoid getting sick or injured. In this semester there is only one Outdoor

Fitness class and there are ten students in the class. All of the students are male, and the majority of the students are extremely competitive, so it gets a bit rowdy. There are very few fouls called or broken rules and the few rules that are broken are by accident for the most part.

One of the first units was mountain biking around town and the near-by trails. Students could bring their

own bike and helmet, or they could borrow one from the school. Once the snow came there was a mixture of different sports until the weather calmed down then football, disk golf, and soccer were played. The unit that the class is currently doing is snowshoeing. The next unit they are talking about is skiing. About half of the students possess season passes and a few even own skis or snowboards.

Seniors Prepare For Life After High School

By Isabel Ward

College is coming for most of the Senior Class and it is an extremely difficult decision to make. There are unlimited choices of where you could go, what opportunities you could have, what you may study and what you might end up paying. It is an overwhelming decision for seniors, one that takes a lot of consideration and time to ensure that you are making the best decision for yourself.

Applying for college is usually the first step in choosing a college. These applications can vary in the amount of detail and time that it will take to fill it out. You may have to provide as little as your email and transcript, or you may have to write several essays, provide a resume and request letters of recommendation. When you're accepted you may decide to pay certain institution a visit.

Visits are some of the best ways to see if a certain institution is a good fit for what you want to do. Most vis-

its include a tour of campus, which shows you the dorms, eating areas, recreational facilities and where most of your classes may be.

You may also meet with a Professor in your desired field to get a feel for what you are getting yourself into if you were to enter that specific program. Afterwards you may also meet with an admissions counselor to discuss financial aid and scholarships for that certain institution.

College visits can seem daunting, but they are necessary in the process of making good decision for yourself and your education. There is a lot you can do to prepare yourself for these visits, for example, come prepared with questions, make appointments to meet with professors in your chosen field and make notes of what you like and what you don't for each college. But most of all just try to relax and try not to stress out too much.

Mr. Roger's Kindness Lives On

By Daniel Egemo

Fred Rogers once said, "There are three ways to ultimate success: The first way is to be kind. The second way is to be kind. The third way is to be kind." Today's generation may not have grown up watching the lovable Mr. Rogers spread kindness through his hit television show, but the spirit of the man behind the red sweater lives on today. His message of being kind lives on as one of the most important life lessons in life today.

This message is perfectly captured in the movie *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood* which stars Tom Hanks who captures the role of Fred Rogers. The movie follows the career of a journalist who writes a profile on Rogers. The film is a lesson about how we handle our problems in life.

Tom Hanks steals the show as Mr. Rogers, delivering an Oscar worthy performance. He captures the look, personality, and spir-

it of Fred Rogers as only Tom Hanks can. The movie has a great pace to it and it does not drag on at any point throughout the story. It benefits from having an excellent script, which the actors and actresses deliver to perfection.

The film is directed by Marielle Heller, who is one of best female directors in Hollywood. She does a fantastic job of keeping the story intriguing and ensuring the right tone throughout the crucial scenes of the movie.

This is one of the most important movies of 2019. As we continue through divisive and cruel times in our society, it is important to take a moment to think about our actions and how they affect others.

We need to follow the message of this story, and work on our kindness towards others because at the end of the day, the greatest gift you can give the world is your kindness.



Hospitality class takes a trip to Holiday Inn Express in Deadwood where they get to eat breakfast Dec. 12. Mrs. Amber Diers shows Tili Kanton, Charlie Gardner, and Clarissa Heisinger the breakfast area.

Hospitality/Tourism Class Explores Local Businesses

By Kiyah Clark

Mrs. Lenessa Keehn teaches a Hospitality and Tourism class where students learn about the hospitality industry and teaches students about the many jobs and different types work there is within each business.

The students in this class have visited several different hotels and restaurants throughout the Lead-Deadwood area. Ms. Cathy Laurenti, a travel agent, come in and talked to the class about how much of a difference travel agent makes when planning a vacation, problems within the vacation and about a travel agent's work life. Soon, after this visit the class took their first field trip to the 1899 Inn, in Deadwood which is owned and

ran by Ms. Laura Floyd. The class then went to The Lodge at Deadwood, Deadwood Mountain Grand, Silverado Franklin and Holiday Inn.

At The Lodge at Deadwood, the students went through the hotel looking at the banquet room, hotel rooms, restaurant and kitchen.

On a different day the class went back to the Lodge and took a Table Setting Class and in small ways helped out in the kitchen like getting drinks or sides, for their class table. The students were able to eat a meal there and said it was an amazing. Madison Smolik said, "The food was really fancy and good, the dessert was my favorite part."



Daniel Egemo reacts to the dialogue spoken by Sam Hamann.



Anna Burmeister and Kiale Rose exchange words.



Quinn Ward reflects on his character's life.



Sequoia Sigdestad comforts Casey Briscoe.

Theater Department Hopes To Go To State With Tracks

By Daniel Egemo

The LDHS Theater Department will be performing *Tracks* on Jan. 27 & 28 in the high school auditorium. Students are encouraged to attend the performances to show support. The following day, Jan. 29, is the date of the region one-act competition where the department will head to Custer to attempt to clinch a ticket to the state competition.

It has been a decade since the high school was able to take their production to the state competition. Coming off of the highly successful one act last year, *10 Ways To Survive The Zombie Apocalypse*, the group hopes that this year is the year.

This will be the last chance for the seniors involved in the department to make it to state. Casey Briscoe spoke about the importance of her last one act play, "For the last three years, I have had one goal: make it to state. To see our director who puts so much work into our shows go to

state." She concluded by saying, "It would mean the world to me. It would truly define my senior year."

Kiale Rose added her thoughts on the possibility of state, "State would mean amazing things. It would be a great bonding experience for the cast and it would be a tremendous experience in general." She added her comments on the play, "This production has huge meaning. Due to the fact that it contains a deep and personal story, but it's also a play where the audience can leave with their own interpretation."

The production is well underway with over a month to go until performance. The ensemble will take Christmas break off from rehearsal to study their scripts and to really understand their characters. It has been Director Eli Corbett's goal for the past three years to make it to state, and this has the feeling of being the year.

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Celebrates Christmas

