



WILDCAT LIFE

Lady Wildcats Basketball by Zach Sloan



On 10/28/21, the 7th and 8th grade Lady Wildcats basketball teams had very rough games. They played the Schlarman Hilltoppers from Danville. Wildcat Life interviewed a Wildcat fan and here's what they had to say, "[Our teams] did not play well. [We] could've played a lot better." Wildcat Life also interviewed Coach Stephenson, and here's



what he had to say. Wildcat Life asked, "What did you think of the 2



games WJHS played against Schlarman?" Coach Stephenson replied, "We did not play very well. We played a very good team [Schlarman]. We will look forward to playing Oakwood to hopefully get a couple [of] wins." In the end, the 7th grade score was 9 - 37, and the 8th grade score was 12 - 48.

In other Wildcats sports news, The Lady Wildcats had another home game on 11/2/21 and those games were great. The Lady Wildcats won both the 7th and 8th grade games.

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WJHS Staff Interviews

Ms. Nelson *by Lenneth Poston*



Wildcat life conducted an interview with Ms.Nelson.

Ms.Nelson is the 8th grade math teacher.

Wildcat Life: What made you decide to teach at WJHS?

Ms.Nelson: Math has always been a favorite subject for me, I thought it'd be exciting to teach math all day. 8th grade math is the most interesting and really sets your career. I knew I'd get to see some of my former students again.

Wildcat Life: How long have you been teaching?

Ms.Nelson: For 9 years total. I taught 2nd grade for 4 years, 6th grade for 4 years, this is my 1st year teaching eighth grade.

Wildcat Life: Are you excited for Thanksgiving?

Ms.Nelson: I think so, I like getting to see all of my family again, and all the carbs I get to eat.

Wildcat Life: Are left twix and right twix different?

Ms. Nelson: No, if they are I can't tell. They're both equally delicious.

Wildcat Life: Cats,dogs,both, or neither?

Ms.Nelson: Both, they're great for different reasons.





With Ally Mackiewicz

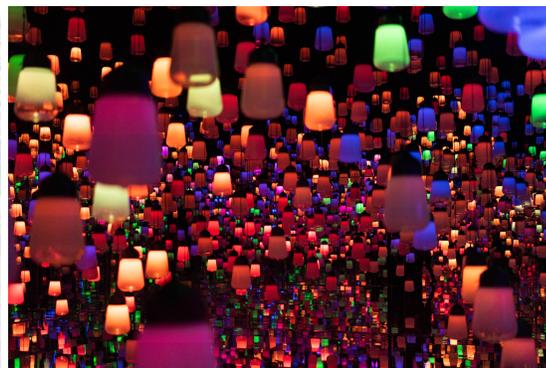
Visiting Japan

Japan, most people know it for its weird food, anime, as well as beautiful scenery. Even though just that sounds like a lot of fun, I am here to introduce some other ideas to those of you who enjoy different activities . They have

some of the world's best events and unique ideas that you can find nowhere else. If you love to travel to fun areas and enjoy the wondrous ways of different cultures, I would suggest Japan. It is very different for the United States and an amazing place to explore.



Mount Fuji, The tallest mountain in Japan, as well as the most famous. It is climbed by several hundred thousand people each year. The hiking season for such a mountain is in the months of July and August, however you might be able to sneak a trip in September, but please be very careful because it is dangerous to hike outside of these months. There are difficult and easy options when hiking this mountain, you can take an easier trail which is a nice short walk through the beautiful scenery. There is also a harder option which is longer and a bit rougher. You can choose, but whichever one you choose, be sure to stay safe, have fun, and enjoy the amazing sights on these trails.





By Rowdy Vick Phelps

MLB 

Let's get into the MLB playoffs that ended in the beginning of November. In the wild card we had the Red Sox vs the Yankees and having the Red Sox pull the win out. Then the other Wild Card game was the Cardinals vs the Dodgers and the Dodgers won that game and went onto the Division series. Onto the division series we had the Brewers vs the Braves and the Braves won and went onto the League Championship series. Then the Dodgers vs the Giants and the Dodgers went onto the League Championship Series as well and lost to the Braves ending the Dodgers playoff run. The Astros vs the White Sox happening to be a not surprising win the Astros won like always and the Astros went to the League Championship Series. The Red Sox vs the Rays and the Red Sox came out on top and won and went to the League Championship Series. The Red Sox vs the Astros the Astros won and there went the Red Sox's powerful playoff run. That puts the Astros vs the Braves in the World Series and this was an awesome run from the Astros but they lost to the Braves in the World Series. It has been 26 years since the Braves won the World Series and they pulled it off this year. Like always it seems that the Astros go to the World Series and lose.

NBA 

That wraps up baseball. Let's look at the NBA. The NBA opener was October 19th and the best team in the Western Conference is the Golden State Warriors and the team in the Eastern Conference is the Miami Heat. Upcoming games for December 1st the Hawks vs the Pacers at 6:00 pm then another game at 6:00 pm is Nuggets vs the Magic the last 6:00 pm game is Timberwolves vs the Wizards. 7:00 pm games are Hornets vs the

bucks, Mavericks vs the Pelicans, and Rockets vs Thunder and the 9:30 pm game Kings vs the Clippers. Now we have the December 5th games Jazz vs the Cavaliers at 2:30pm, now the 5:00 games are Wizards vs Raptors and Hornets vs the Hawks then the last game is at 6:00pm Pelicans vs the Rockets.

COLLEGE

BASKETBALL

With College basketball started on November 9th here are some games around thanksgiving and beginning of December. For thanksgiving games we got North Texas vs Kansas at 1:30 pm then Alabama vs Iona at 4:00 pm then the last game on thanksgiving is Maryland vs Richmond at 6:00 pm. December 5th games are Northwestern vs Maryland at 11:00 am then UNC vs Georgia Tech at 2:00 pm then we got UCLA vs Washington at 2:00pm then we got Arizona State vs Oregon at 6:00 pm and the last game for December 5th is Ohio vs Penn State at 6:30pm.

The last games I will put up here will be the December 6th games we got Illinois vs Iowa at 6:00 pm then the last game is Alcorn State vs Houston at 7:00 pm.

NFL

The last bit I will talk about is the NFL . Here we have Thanksgiving games. Bears vs the Lions at 11:30 am then Raiders vs the Cowboys at 3:30 pm then the last game is Bills vs the Saints at 7:20 pm. Week 13 is the Cowboys vs the Saints on Dec. 2nd at 7:20 pm then we got the Colts vs the Texans on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm then Vikings vs the Lions on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm then Giants vs the Dolphins on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm then Buccaneers vs the Falcons on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm. Then Broncos vs the Chiefs on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm then Eagles vs the Jets on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm then Cardinals vs the Bears on Dec. 5th at 12:00 pm then the last game at 12:00 pm is Chargers vs the Bengals on Dec. 5th.

Then Washington vs the Raiders on Dec. 5th at 3:05 then Jaguars vs the Rams on Dec. 5th at 3:25 then the Ravens vs the Steelers on Dec. 5th at

3:25 then the 49ers vs the Seahawks on Dec. 5th at 7:15 the last game in week 13 is Patriots vs the Bills on Dec. 6th 7:15.



It's a brand new month, Happy November! In this article I am going to be talking about exciting upcoming events in the sky, things to look out for this month, and of course just some facts about space!

First off, something very cool to look forward to this month is that there is a Partial Lunar Eclipse happening on November 19th. According to Google a Partial Lunar Eclipse will darken the moon for much of the globe, most locations will see up to 97% of the moon slip into Earth's shadow. Luckily, North America has the best location to see the eclipse.

As stated by the Instagram page astrogeekz, there are a few special things to look for this month. The first thing is that on November 5th Uranus is the closest and largest for this year, November 17th the Leonids Meteor Shower is happening, there will be 15 meteors per hour. The last thing on the post that I have not mentioned is that Saturn and the Moon will be very close to each other on November 10th.

The last topic I am going to discuss in this article, is about Venus! All of this information is from www.Astronomy.com. Venus, Saturn and Jupiter all rise after sunset, Venus is the first planet to appear after sunset, it reaches greatest brilliancy on December 4th. It will shine bright easily piercing the bright twilight. The Comet C/2021 A1 also known as Leonard might be visible if it reaches binocular brightness or better. Observations of the comet December 15th and 16th, after it appears in the night sky. If the comet is brighter than predictions, it may just reach visibility to the unaided eye and even sport a short tail. As Venus gets lower late in December, Mercury appears out of the Sun's glare. Try spotting the innermost planet December 26th. The planets appear closest on December 28th with Mercury shining as well. Saturn joins Venus in the evening sky, they will be

closest on December 16th, Saturn remains in Capricornus all month. Saturn the “ringed planet” is the best during the first half of the month. In late December Saturn will be too low for good views in a dark sky.

That is everything I have for this article, I hope you enjoyed reading this and learned something new. There are a lot of things to look forward to and it will all happen before our eyes! Remember to look out at the night sky if you want, and maybe even try to identify somethings! I will write to you all again in December, thank you for reading my article! <3

Thanksgiving

By Zach Sloan



Thanksgiving is a national holiday celebrated on various dates in the United States, Canada, Grenada, Saint Lucia, and Liberia. It began as a day of giving thanks and sacrifice for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year. Similarly named festival holidays occur in Germany and Japan. Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday of October in Canada and on the fourth Thursday of November in the United States and around the same part of the year in other places. Although Thanksgiving has historical roots in religious and cultural traditions, it has long been celebrated as a secular holiday as well.



Local Community Events

By Zach Sloan

LOCAL EVENTS

Dec. 2: Family Skate Night @ Illini Skateland 5 - 7

Dec. 3: Night of the Lights Parade

@ 149 N. Vermillion St. Danville 6 PM

Dec. 5 - 31: Holiday Lights

@ Kennekuk County Park 5 - 8 PM

Dec 5: Danville Symphony Orchestra

@ The Fischer Theatre 3 - 5:30 PM

SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

*Wednesday, December 8: School Improvement Day 11:20
Early Dismissal*

*Friday, December 17: Last Day of Student Attendance
(First Semester Ends)*

*Monday, January 3: Teachers Institute Day - No Student
Attendance*

*Tuesday, January 4: First Full Day of Student Attendance
for Second Semester*

WJHS BAND AND CHORUS

By Selania Schlunaker

The Date Is: Sunday, December 5th

Where: Westville High School

When: 2:00 PM

You should all come support with school spirit and watch the concert.

That's all for now please come watch our concert.

FUN FACTS BY LENNETH POSTON

- **ONCE THE QUEEN ANT OF CERTAIN ANT SPECIES(MOSTLY SUGAR ANTS) DIES, A WORKER WILL TAKE HER PLACE AND BEGIN LAYING EGGS. HOWEVER THIS ANT CANNOT LAY ANY EGGS BESIDES DRONE-OR MALE- EGGS. THIS ANT IS CALLED A "GAMERGATE"**
- **THE GAME "CHUTES AND LADDERS" WAS ORIGINALLY CALLED "SNAKES AND LADDERS"**
- **ALL ANTS ARE FEMALE EXCEPT DRONES.**
- **PEANUT BUTTER WAS MADE BY A DENTIST TO HELP PEOPLE WHO COULDN'T CHEW MEAT GET PROTEIN.**
- **THE NEWSPAPER MEETING FOR THE 10TH OF NOVEMBER HAD THE WORD "CHRIMUS" IN IT, PURPOSELY.**

Unpopular Opinions

 with Laney Cook

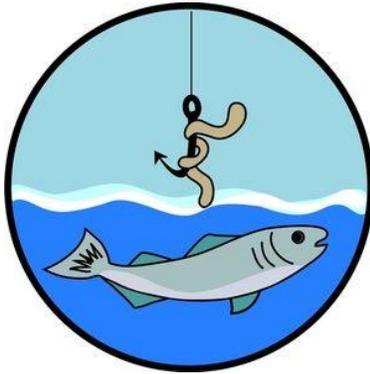
These unpopular opinions are not just my opinions but my peers around me. Everyone has different opinions, beliefs, religions, ethnicities, that is what makes us all different from one another. Our opinions and perspective on things make us who we are. There is no right or wrong when it comes to opinions. Unpopular opinions are simply defined as ideas and beliefs that go against or completely contradict the conventional status quo. "Unpopular" is a relative term, because one's opinion may only be that way because of where they are located in the world.

- **Dogs are better than cats**
- Mustard is better than ketchup
- **Christmas decorations should not be put up before Thanksgiving**
- Beef is nasty
- **Olives are good**
- Yogurt is repulsive
- **Ham is better than turkey**
- Different brands of water taste different
- **Babies are weird**
- Running is relaxing
- **Chocolate ice cream is the worst thing ever**
- The letter z should be removed from the alphabet
- **Showering at night is better than showering in the morning**
- Brave is better than Frozen
- **Pineapple belongs on pizza**
- Watermelon is nasty
- **Condiments are not good**
- Cold weather is better than warm
- **Books are better than movies**
- Pasta is gross
- **Math is the best subject**
- Fish is better than beef



STAR STUDENT

By Laney Cook



I chose **Bryson Stanis** for Star Student because he likes to fish and that is really interesting. I interviewed him and he said he loves fishing because it is relaxing and how quiet it is. He also said that it was a stress free environment and has less anxiety. He also says it gets his mind off of school. He likes to fish at local campgrounds, but sometimes he tends to go to farther campgrounds.

Bryson said he would like to be on the fishing team for the school in high school. He also says that he would like to start doing fishing tournaments in the next few years. He said that he mainly catches largemouth bass; he also uses soft and hard plastics for bait.



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