

A Season Of What Ifs

The 2014 football season did not go the way the Tigers had wanted it to go. The season ended with a tough loss to swallow against the #5 ranked team in the state. The game was 16-0 at the end of the first quarter, and would've been 16-7 if senior Connor Kurtz hadn't fumbled on the Adair 2 yard line. The game might've been different if the Tigers hadn't coughed the ball up 7 times. With the sad loss the season ended with a record of 3-7 and the Tigers finishing 4th in class 2A district 8. The future looks bright for Commerce with 9 returning starters, most of which will just be juniors next year. The players that are returning have already started working hard in the weight room after school. They will put in the time and have a successful season next year because of their work ethic and attitude. Good luck next year!

By: Carlos Pinales & Connor Kurtz

No-Shave November



No-Shave November started in the Fall of 2009 when Rebecca Hill and her friend Bret Ringdahl thought of a way to raise awareness of male relat-

ed cancer; Rebecca lost her own father to cancer in 2007. The rules are simple: don't shave. Hair loss is a side effect of the radiation treatments used to combat cancer. By not shaving and letting your hair grow wild it shows male cancer patients that you're there for them and that you support them. In 2013, the No Shave Organization partnered up with the American

Cancer Society to help not only raise awareness but funds to help male cancer patients emotionally and financially. By: Joey D.



http://www.no-shave.org http://www.cancer.org



Pumpkin Cheesecake

2 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese, softened

- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 eggs
- 1 (9 inch) prepared graham cracker crust
- 1/2 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 pinch ground cloves
- 1 pinch ground nutmeg
- 1/2 cup frozen whipped topping, thawed
- Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C).

In a large bowl, combine cream cheese, sugar and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Blend in eggs one at a time. Remove 1 cup of batter and spread into bottom of crust; set aside.

Add pumpkin, cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg to the remaining batter and stir gently until well blended. Carefully spread over the batter in the crust.

Bake in preheated oven for 35 to 40 minutes, or until center is almost set. Allow to cool, then refrigerate for 3 hours or overnight.

Spinach Dip

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 (16 ounce) container sour cream
- 1 (1.8 ounce) package dry leek soup mix

1 (4 ounce) can water chestnuts, drained and chopped

1/2 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained

1 (1 pound) loaf round sourdough bread

In a medium bowl, mix together mayonnaise, sour cream, dry leek soup mix, water chestnuts and chopped spinach. Chill in the refrigerator 6 hours, or overnight.

Remove top and interior of sourdough bread. Fill with mayonnaise mixture. Tear removed bread chunks into pieces for dipping.

November Birthdays!



Alexis Zuniga 11/29 Kylee Highwalker 11/12 Iris Perry 11/18 Sheree Deissroth 11/20 Logan Stevens 11/20 Hannah Baker 11/25 Noah Harrill 11/11 Antonio Ontiveros 11/19 Chandler Wilson 11/19 Tarran Brashear 11/25 Kaylynn Barber 11/29

Laney Smith 11/18

Dacyn Johnson 11/20



December Birthdays!

Carlos Negrete 12/08 Hunter Burkholder 12/4 Hunter Dean 12/21 Jowa Zamarripa 12/23 Xiomara Prado 12/27 Lesley Cardenas 12/28 Amairani Castro 12/28 Dylon Treece 12/04 Felicia Hallett 12/07 Madison Freeman 12/17 Wyatt Chuckluck 12/23 Amaro Canales 12/24 Shania Tate 12/01 Shelbie Crawford 12/03 Alina Black 12/15 Kelly Clark 12/16 Kaleb Damann 12/18 Lupe Prado 12/02 Hannah McCord 12/21





By: Alexis



THE GIRLS HAVE BEEN HARD AT PRACTICE FOR THE PAST COU-PLE OF WEEKS WHILE THE BOYS FINISHED UP FOOTBALL SEA-SON. THE GIRLS HAD A SCRIMMAGE AGAINST THE MIAMI WAR-DOGS AND AFTER TALKING TO A COUPLE OF PLAYERS THEY LIKED THE WAY THE SCRIMMAGE WENT. THEY SAID THEY HAD LEARNED A LOT FROM PLAYING A BIGGER SCHOOL. THE BOYS HAD THEIR FIRST SCRIMMAGE ON 11/25/14 AT CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL AGAINST CHELSEA & LINCOLN CHRISTIAN. THE BOYS ONLY HAD ABOUT 4 DAYS OF PRACTICE HEADING INTO TO THIS SCRIMMAGE, BUT THE TEAM FELT CONFIDENT THEY COULD HOLD THEIR OWN AGAINST ANY 3A SCHOOL. NEXT WAS THE WELCH TOURNAMENT. THE GIRLS GOT SECOND PLACE AFTER BEING DEFEATED BY WYANDOTTE IN THE FINALS. THE BOYS ALSO LOST TO WYANDOTTE IN THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP GAME. ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, THE TIGERS PLAYED AFTON AT HOME. BOTH TEAMS SUFFERED LOSSES, BUT THEY PLAYED HARD. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT THE TIGERS ACCOMPLISH DURING THIS 2014-2015 SEASON.

By: Carlos Pinales & Connor Kurtz



What are your Thanksgiving traditions?

Janet – Go to her moms, try to take a family picture, and watch the Dallas Cowboys.

Mrs. Nino - Stays home and her kids come over.

- Paige Sees family.
- Bryen Goes to Missouri and parties.
- Coco Parties.
- Jacob Eats turkey.
- Britney Shoots guns and eats.
- Logan Eats turkey and cheese dip.
- Mrs. Knight Eats, watches football, then eats again.
- Kinsey Sees family and hangs out with her grandma.
- Laura Eats with her family and friends.





NHS held their annual coat drive from November 17th to December 5th. Coats were worth 10 points, Hoodies, Sweatshirts and Sweats were worth 8 points, T-shirts, Jeans, and Other were worth 6 points, and scarves and gloves were worth 4 points. The winning class was the Junior class with 2430 points. The Senior class came in second with 2014 points, the Sophomore class followed with 1572 points, and the Freshman class trailed the rest with only 152 points. The coat drive was a huge success, and, on behalf of NHS, we thank everyone for their participation in helping to contribute to a good cause.

Seniors - 2014

Juniors- 2430

Sophomores – 1572

Freshman-152

By Aaron Jarvis

PHONE BANDIT!!!!

Two IPhones have been stolen in the last three weeks. Phones have been disappearing from the boys football locker room. The first victim was Jacob Pittman. The second victim was 7th grader Caleb Eulitt. Caleb's iPhone has been found and returned to him, but everyone is still looking for Jacob Pittman's. "I would like to hit the person who stole my iPhone with my truck", said Jacob Pittman on twitter the day after his phone was taken from his locker. Head Football Coach Steve Moss said, "We give the kids a lock for a reason". Prime suspects include: Dillon Wong, Ron Burgundy, and Danny Glover.



By: Carlos Pinales, Joey DeLaRosa, and Connor Kurtz



Full Name: Ana Laura Rodriguez Birthday: June 10, 1996 Favorite Color: Blue Favorite Song: Blessing by K Camp Favorite Band/Singer: Drake Favorite Show/Movie: Awkward Favorite Dessert: Cookies & cream ice cream cake Favorite actor/actress: Dave Franco Favorite class: Math & Money Worst Class: A & P Favorite teacher: Kinsey Snider Best Friend: Tanya Serna Funniest Friend: they're all funny Loudest friend: Sydney Gaither **Boyfriend/Girlfriend:** Yes If not do you have a crush (if so, who)? Best Memory: Summer 2014 Worst Memory: Don't have one **Embarrassing moment:** Fell off a ladder into mud **Pet Peeves:** Biting nails Favorite Saying: "Dude" Favorite Sport: Football Who You Admire: My mommy Advice to Underclassmen: "Hang in there."

Full Name: Connor Grey Kurtz Birthday: February 27, 1997 Favorite Color: Blue Favorite Song: -Favorite Band/Singer: A Day to Remember Favorite Show/Movie: Blue Mountain State Favorite Dessert: Cookie Cake Favorite actor/actress: -Favorite class: Web Design Worst Class: English Favorite teacher: Ms. B Best Friend: Don't have one Funniest Friend: Trace Craghead Loudest friend: Nate Rogers Boyfriend/Girlfriend: Felicia If not do you have a crush (if so, who)? Best Memory: None Worst Memory: Afton game **Embarrassing moment: -**Pet Peeves: Jordan Carrillo **Favorite Saying:** "60% of the time it works everytime" Favorite Sport: Basketball Who You Admire: -Advice to Underclassmen: "Drop out!"



Semior Surveys

Full Name: Daysi Aguilar Birthday: September 23, 1996 Favorite Color: Maroon Favorite Song: Baby It's Cold Outside Favorite Band/Singer: The Penguins Favorite Show/Movie: Gossip Girl Favorite Dessert: Chocolate Favorite actor/actress: Sandra Bullock Favorite class: English :) Worst Class: 2nd hour **Favorite teacher:** Ms. Bayless Best Friend: My Committee Funniest Friend: The chosen one. Loudest friend: Alexa Carillo Boyfriend/Girlfriend: NAH If not do you have a crush (if so, who)? Alexa Best Memory: Going ice skating. I was happy. Worst Memory: Daddy being in the hospital Embarrassing moment: don't get embarrassed Pet Peeves: Burk. Favorite Saying: "Shu-up" Favorite Sport: Track Who You Admire: Princess Lace

Advice to Underclassmen: Stop caring what people think about you and don't snitch. Nobody cares!



By: Kassidy Pruitt :)

Full Name: Alejo Alvarado **Birthday:** July 5, 1995 Favorite Color: Purple Favorite Song: With You by Chris Brown Favorite Band/Singer: Chris Brown Favorite Show/Movie: Tangled Favorite Dessert: Brownies Favorite actor/actress: Mark Wahlberg Favorite class: English IV Worst Class: Athletics Favorite teacher: Mrs. Rhodes Best Friend: Lainie Burkybile Funniest Friend: Arturo Uribe Loudest friend: Hunter Burkholder Boyfriend/Girlfriend: I wish If not do you have a crush (if so, who)? **Best Memory:** When I first fell in love :) Worst Memory: Don't have one. **Embarrassing moment:** My first kiss **Pet Peeves:** Annoying people Favorite Saying: "What it is?" Favorite Sport: Soccer Who You Admire: No one.

Advice to Underclassmen: Try not to be like Brooks Stevenson. Have fun and do all the right things.





By: Nani, Tanya, & Wences

What are you doing for Christmas Break?

- Gaby Diamond– Spend time with my niece and nephews and visit my friends in Missouri.
- Kassidy Pruitt– Hangout with my boyfriend, eat a bunch of pizza and hangout with pep.
- Dawson Pruitt– Going to Maui.
- Justin McCormick– Chilling with my grandma.
- Genesis Alvarado– Going to Stillwater and spending time with my grandpa.
- Hunter Burkholder– Play basketball.
- Ava Acosta– Open and wrap presents, bake cookies, and work at Marvin's.
- Mireya Castilleja– Go to Texas and visit family.
- Kolton Horne– Hot tea and a book.
- Alejo (Dindin) Alvarado– Hanging out with my family and hopefully go to work with my dad in Florida.
- Mrs. Lana Nino- Get lots of rest!!!!!
- Abigail Brandon– Sleep and work.
- Daysi Aguilar– Be happy because its Christmas and I love Christmas.
- Lacy East- Hanging out with Wences!!!!!
- Cameron Pinyen– Seeing my family.







2014 Commerce Christmas Parade



Miss Merry Christmas: Lainie Burkeybile

FCCLA float





CHS Band