



# Spyglass

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## Key Club Members Read to Elementary Students



By MIA HENDERSON

Every year Gosnell's Key Club participates in Read Across America, which is on Dr. Seuss' birthday (March 2). Throughout the day, 29 members of the GHS Key Club visited Kindergarten through second grades classes and read various Dr. Seuss books to the students. Pictured is senior Beulah Campbell reading the book One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish to Mrs. Hill's kindergarten class. "I enjoyed seeing the smiles on the kids' faces while I was reading to them," states Campbell.

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: PAYTON CASH

By ADDIE HATLEY

Payton Cash was born on May 24, 1999 in Arkansas. He is the son of Janine and Dewayne Cash. He has one younger sibling, Emery Cash.

His hobbies and interests include hunting, fishing, driving, trap shooting, spending time with his family and friends and his girlfriend.

One word that best describes him is respectful. His favorite thing about being a senior is the classes being easy.

One quotation that he lives by is Philippians 4:13, which says, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." He likes that because it reminds him that with God anything is possible.

His advice to incoming freshmen is "High school is not all that it's cracked up to be, but have fun; it's not too bad."

His greatest accomplishment is getting saved by God's grace.

Three things on his bucket list are to kill a boone and a white tail, build a sweet truck or car, and go on a Montana elk hunt.

His most difficult challenge so far has been working and going to school and paying insurance and figuring out how to adapt and overcome life and its little bumps.

Something he will miss the most after graduating is not having to go to work every day and seeing his teachers.

One important lesson that high school has taught him was "My high school years have taught me that life is not easy, there are always challenges. Your character and motivation to be the best you can be is what helps you overcome these challenges. God is always there for you. He can help you through anything."

As he leaves Gosnell High school he would like to be remembered as a young man that loves God and has an outstanding character.

His best friend through school has been Bradley Anallora because "we have been friends since we were seven, and he is just as goofy as me."



His favorite teacher throughout high school has been Mrs. Moore because her classes were always fun and entertaining.

Mrs. Moore responded, "Congratulations Payton! I have really enjoyed you as a student! Keep being the smart, funny, polite, and respectful young man you are now and success will be yours! May God bless you and your endeavors."

His favorite class has been agriculture metals because he got to use his creativity a lot and his hands.

A special message to his parents that he would like to say is, "Thank you for guiding me in the right path and teaching me to walk the road less traveled and to be the very best I can be. Thank you for raising me in church."

## Payton Cash Wins Scholarship at Weld-a-Thon at ASU-Newport

By PEYTON SULLINS

Senior Payton Cash from Gosnell High School attended a Weld-a-thon team event on February 23, 2017 at Arkansas State University-Newport in Jonesboro, Arkansas, along with team members Jared Pankey and Buddy Williams, who are students at Blytheville High School.

To prepare for the competition, Payton practiced at the college in his welding class.

Payton's team placed second in the competition and won

a scholarship of \$750 per semester to Arkansas State University Newport, along with welding supplies and a chop saw for the welding department at the Tech Center.

Payton commented, "I think I may get certified in the different areas of welding. I do not know if I will pursue welding in the future, but I will have that skill to fall back on."

"The competition taught me about the importance of teamwork and how to be an efficient worker."



Payton Cash and his team members are shown with the welding supplies they won.

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: MALLORY BURROW



By ADDIE HATLEY

Mallory Burrow was born on March 24, 1999 in Blytheville Arkansas at the Great River Medical center. She is the daughter of Magin Miles and Chris Burrow. She has one younger sibling, Hannah Burrow.

Her hobbies and interests include reading, spending time with Shawn, hanging with family, and going to church.

Ambitious describes her because she has always been determined on what she has wanted in life even as a little girl.

Her advice to incoming freshmen is "don't goof off with grades; be smart about credits. Take time to take it all in, time will fly. Also, don't hug in front of Mr. Robinson!"

One of her most difficult challenges so far has been handling drama. "People can be mean, but you have to find your real friends. Just be nice; you won't be here for too long."

Three things on her bucket list are to create a life of her own, travel the world, and have positive outlook on things in life.

Her favorite thing about being a senior is her classes being easier, less drama, and more privileges.

After graduation, Mallory says she will most miss "knowing that my parents financially support me and the love the teachers show through teaching to us day after day."

Her plans after high school are to start and finish RN school at Arkansas Northeastern College.

One important lesson that high school has taught her is that "trying even when it's hard is worth it. Don't give up or slack. Your GPA can drop fast. Always keep up in mind the road ahead of you. Your future will reflect your choices."

As she leaves Gosnell High School she would like to be remembered as someone who would be there for anyone who needed a friend—a respectful student to teachers.

Her best friend through high school has been Shawn Paschal because "he has been there for me when I was down. He's helped me through rough times when things were too much."

Her favorite teacher through high school has been Mrs. Bowdler because "she explains things very well. She is very sweet and leaving her at the end of junior year wasn't fun. She is a great leader and real Christian."

Mrs. Bowdler said, "Mallory, thank you so much for your kind words! I thoroughly enjoyed having you in class and have missed you a ton this year! I always knew I could count on you to do your work, pay attention, and participate in class discussion. Your friendly smile always brightened my day. Don't forget to keep God first and always follow His will. I wish you the very best in your future endeavors."

Her favorite class has been chemistry because "Mrs. Hendrix is a very good teacher and super smart. Her examples made me remember the materials and curriculum."

To her parents, Mallory says, "Thank you for supporting me always! You raised me to always trust in God even when you can't see what lies ahead. Thank you!"

## Important dates

- March 9** – Lady Pirate Softball vs. Bay at 4:00 p.m.
- March 10** – 3rd Quarter Ends!
- March 10** – Pirate Baseball vs. West Memphis at 4:30
- March 10** – Pirate Baseball vs. West Memphis at 6:30
- March 13** – Pirate Baseball at Walnut Ridge at 4:30
- March 14** – Pirate Baseball at Harrisburg at 4:30
- March 14** – Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-6:30 p.m.
- March 16** – Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-6:30 p.m.
- March 13** – Lady Pirate Softball at Harrisburg at 4:30
- March 17** – Lady Pirates Softball at Brookland – time TBA
- March 18** – Pirate Baseball vs. Paragould at 4:30
- March 18** – Lady Pirate Softball at Brookland – time TBA
- March 18** – Pirate Baseball vs. Jackson at 11:00
- March 20-24** – Spring Break! No School!

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