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Gosnell Students Attend Teen Summit at ANC

By PEYTON SULLINS

On February 24, 2017, students from around the county traveled to Arkansas Northeastern College to participate in the annual Teen Summit event. Teen Summit is an event held every year that is designed to teach students the importance of not drinking and driving, staying away from drugs and alcohol, and making life choices that will benefit them in the end.

Students participated in different workshops, one of which required them to put on blurry goggles and drive in a golf cart. This workshop was specifically designed to show students how dangerous it is to drink and drive.

Sophomore Emily Weiss commented, "While at Teen Summit, I learned different skills that I can use to be a positive influence on others, and I learned great leadership skills."

Junior Cameron Morris commented, "I learned how to be a leader for younger kids to look up to, and how to set a good example for them."



Photo courtesy of Jennifer Wren, GJHS Counselor
 Sophomore Emily Weiss, Sophomore Kaylee Miller, Senior Alexis Quick, and Junior Cameron Morris attending Teen Summit at Arkansas Northeastern College.

Anatomy Dissection: Pig Heart

By PEYTON SULLINS

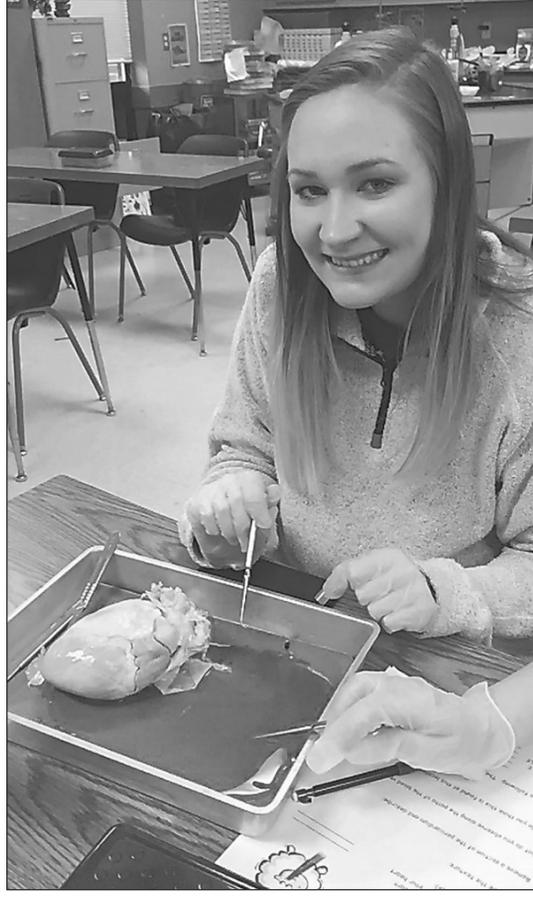
Students in Anatomy and Physiology Class have been studying the cardiovascular system in class. On March 7, 2017, students were put into groups and dissected a pig heart.

Students began by measuring the length and width of their heart and recording their data. Next, students cut through the pericardium and continued cutting until the pericardium was removed so that students could examine the rest of the heart.

Students were then asked to record the texture of both the heart and the pericardium.

Next, students cut through the heart and were asked to identify the left and right atrium, the left and right ventricle, the apex of the heart, and the base of the heart.

Senior Alexis Mitchell commented, "I enjoyed dissecting the pig heart and being able to look at all of the different structures. It was fun to be able to see and feel what we have been studying."



Senior Kaylee McKenney is dissecting a pig heart for Anatomy and Physiology class.

FCCLA State STAR Events



By ADDIE HATLEY

FCCLA State STAR Events Competition was held in Conway at the Expo center on February 23rd. Senior Abby Ryan did her project over Nursing and won a silver medal in Career Investigation. Abby Ryan said, "It felt amazing to get a silver medal at State because I wasn't expecting it. I was really proud of myself after all the hard work and last minute things. Going to State is so much fun, I couldn't be more proud of myself and of what I have accomplished. I'm really going to miss competing."

Book Review: The Perks of Being a Wallflower

By PEYTON SULLINS

This week, I read the book, *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*, by Stephen Chbosky.

The book is narrated by a freshmen in high school named Charlie. Instead of chapters, the book is broken into diary entries from Charlie. Charlie writes about his struggles to fit in at high school and about the experience that he is gaining. He begins high school all alone but soon makes a group of new friends and becomes very close with his English teacher, who sees potential in Charlie.

His friends, Patrick and Sam, show Charlie the ropes during high school and provide a shoulder for

him to lean on. They also teach Charlie that it is okay to be yourself, and it's okay to like being who you are.

To read more about the struggles that Charlie faces during high school, and the good times, as well, you should read this book.

I give the book a very high recommendation, because freshmen in high school can relate to Charlie and seniors in high school can relate to Patrick and Sam. The book gives you insight on mental illness, as well, and after reading the book, I felt like I understood Charlie, and other students around me who struggle to fit in or have a mental illness, a lot more. The way you think will be completely altered after reading this book.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: SHUNIECE CHAPMAN



By MIA HENDERSON

Shuniece Luciana Chapman was born January 15, 1999 in Blytheville, Arkansas. She is the daughter of Luciana Rene Chapman and Joseph Chapman. She has four siblings: Deion Chapman Jr., JJ Chapman, Josiah Chapman, and Jordan Chapman.

Shuniece enjoys track and playing soccer. She is in Gosnell's FCCLA, Key Club, and Internship. Words she describes herself as are beautiful, unique, quiet, intelligent, and trustworthy.

Psalm 28:7 "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with a song I praise him. The Lord is the strength of his people, a fortress of salvation for his anointed one."

Three things that are on her bucket list are to go sky diving, to become a fashion designer, and to become a hair dresser.

One important lesson high school taught her is to don't let people get to you over little things that are not necessary.

After graduation what she said she'd miss the most is going to pep rallies, dressing up for homecoming, and participating in class games. After high school she plans on attending the University of Missouri (Mizzou).

Her best friends in high school have been Caitlyn Smith, Zay Johnson, Janala Adams, and Dae Dae Wilson.

Her favorite teachers in high school has been Coach Davis because "He makes me laugh" and Mrs. Meacham because "she's very sweet, kind, and unique."

Coach Davis replied, "I really enjoyed having Shuniece in class. She was a good student, tried really hard, and always gave me a smile everyday. There were days I didn't want to be here, but her smile was what I needed and made me glad I came to work. Thanks Shuniece and may God watch over you in your future."

Mrs. Meacham replied, "Shuniece was always smiling in my room. She was quiet and always respectful and positive. She's grown into a classy young lady. I'm so proud of her."

Her favorite class in high school so far has been American History. "I enjoy the things we learned throughout the years."

Advice she gives to incoming freshmen is to work hard and strive for excellence.

To her parents, Shuniece says, "My mom has raised me from birth. She is a very caring and unique woman. My father is a very respectful man. He is where I get my talents from. I would never take my parents for granted."

Important Dates

- March 16** – Parent/Teacher Conferences and Elementary Book Fair 3:30-6:30 p.m.
- March 16** – Lady Pirate Softball at Harrisburg at 4:30
- March 17** – Lady Pirates Softball at Brookland – time TBA
- March 17** – 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!
- March 20** – Pirate Baseball vs. Bald Knob at 5:00
- March 21** – Pirates Baseball vs. Osceola at 1:00
- March 21** – Pirate Baseball at West Memphis at 7:00
- March 24** – Pirate Baseball vs. Rivercrest at 12:00
- March 25** – Pirate Baseball vs. Brookland – time TBA
- March 27** – Lady Pirate Softball vs. Osceola at 4:30
- March 28** – Lady Pirate Softball at Riverside at 4:30
- March 28** – Pirate Baseball at Riverside at 4:30
- March 29** – Pirate Baseball at Nettleton at 4:30
- March 30** – Pirate Baseball vs. Jonesboro at 4:30

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