WINDJAMMER NEWS

May Dates:

May 2 - May 12: AP Testing

Friday, 5/12 @ 10am: Special Olympic Regional Track Meet Information on page 6

May 11,12 & 13 @ 6pm & May 13 @ 1pm:

The White Liars and Black Comedy Dinner Theater Black Box Information on page 7

Tuesday, May 16 @ 7pm: CHRHS Chorus Concert

Saturday & Sunday, May 20 & 21: CHRHS Plant Sale Information on page 12

Monday, 5/29: Memorial Day



As we step into May, we are also stepping into the final chapter of this school year. In a year filled with opportunities to reclaim, reconnect and reconfigure, I hope we all take the time to stop and reflect on the times when our school community came together. From our staff and students to our parents and community members, we are forging our path forward as we emerge from the pandemic; we should all feel proud.

The final chapters of school bring opportunities to celebrate the year's accomplishments. Last month, we celebrated the SkillsUSA State Championship medal winners; I wish them well at nationals in June. This month, we welcome the newest members of the National Honor Society and celebrate our Latin Honors graduates at Friday's Chills Assembly. During our final board meeting, we will acknowledge the educational achievements of our students and staff and recognize our distinguished staff members who are moving on to new chapters in their lives.

With more days behind us than in front, we should reflect on our experiences and acknowledge the victories and struggles we have overcome, no matter how small. While we will commemorate milestone moments for our seniors in a matter of days, I encourage all our students to take in the feeling of pride that comes with recognizing how far we have come.

As the senior class graduates and moves on to the next chapter of their lives, a void is left that will be filled by the next generation of student leaders. For these younger students, the chance to fill the shoes of their predecessors can be both exhilarating and intimidating. While the changing of the guards can be bittersweet, as beloved leaders move on and new ones take their place, it is ultimately a time of excitement and hope for the future. Step-up Night in late May will be the first official night of new leadership. With all the moments to come this month, the celebrations and farewells remind us that life is full of transitions; we must honor and embrace each one.

With Jammer pride, Jen

Class of 2023 Schedule of Commencement Activities

Attendance is mandatory at ALL marching practices if you expect to participate in the graduation ceremony.

All marching practices begin in the gym and then proceed outdoors. Please dress for the weather.

May 5, Friday	Extra Graduation Ticket Request form and Senior Voices Ticket form due in the office.	
May 30, Tuesday	Red 1&2 Exams	During class times
May 31, Wednesday	White 1&2 Exams	During class times
June 1, Thursday	Red 3&4 Exams	During class times
June 2, Friday	1st Marching Practice Please wear the shoes you will be wearing for g	8:45 - 10 am Gym raduation.
June 2, Friday	Celebration Assembly	10:05 - 11:05, Strom
June 2, Friday	Scholarship Night Students will be notified if they are received	6:30 - 8pm. Strom ng a scholarship.
June 2, Friday	White 3&4 Exams	During class times
June 3, Saturday	Prom	7:30 – 11:00 pm, Gym
June 5, Monday	2nd Marching Practice 8:45 -10:15 am Gym Please wear the clothes & shoes you will wear for graduation. Cap and gown and ticket distribution. All school owned property due (books, uniforms, iPads).	
June 5, Monday	March Through Town Students gather in the middle school parking lot Wear walking shoes and caps/gowns.	5:30 pm, Camden at 5:00 pm.
June 5, Monday	Baccalaureate & ice cream social	6:30 pm, Congregational Church
June 6, Tuesday	3 rd Marching Practice	8:45-10:15 am, Gym
June 6, Tuesday	Senior Voices	6:30 pm, Gym & Strom
June 7, Wednesday	4th Marching Practice	9:30-10:30 am, Gym
June 7, Wednesday	Senior Movie Night	8:00-10:30 pm/Palmer Field
June 9, Friday	Senior/Parent Breakfast	8:45-9:30 am, Cafe
June 9, Friday	Final Marching Practice With Band	9:50 – 11:30 am, Gym
June 9, Friday	Graduation Seniors arrive by 5:15pm, meet in the Wrestling	5:59 pm, Palmer Field Room.

Health Office News

A friendly reminder for all students in Grade 11:

The following is the vaccine requirement in order to attend on the first day of school year 2023-2024.

Two doses of meningococcal vaccine (MCV4) are required for students entering 12th grade, with a minimum interval of 8 weeks between dose one and dose two. If the first dose of meningococcal vaccine was administered on or after the 16th birthday, a second dose is not required.

Documentation of immunizations should be received prior to the first day of the 2023-24 school year

September 5, 2023.

If you have any questions please contact Kim Nicolet RN kimberly.nicolet@fivetowns.net or call 236-7800 ext 3250.



Cupcake by Ella Wirkala '23



FUN with Clay

Mia Thorsell '23 created some entertaining bowls ∉ cups!



Scoring the Essays: AP Readers

On the Advanced Placement (AP) calendar, May is for testing and July is for receiving scores which will correlate to potential future college credit. But in June, 22,000 high school teachers and college professors will read and score the handwritten or digital free-response questions (FRQs) in both in-person and remote situations, including English teachers Jamie Gillette (AP Literature) and Jen Munson (AP Language).

In the pre-Covid world, this scoring took place entirely in-person, as readers travelled to designated cities to process specific AP exam responses. In the post-Covid world, College Board converted to first an all-remote, and then a hybrid scoring environment that permitted participants to choose between traveling to a location or scoring from home using an online platform. In both scoring situations, readers focus on one individual FRQ, reading perhaps hundreds of responses to the same question. Support from strategic online training programs and Zoom meetings with a "table leader" helps increase reliability of scoring across participants.

Munson first participated as a remote reader in 2020. "I learned a lot about how other AP/ college teachers graded, and gained confidence that my individual scoring was on track with AP standards. The remote format didn't give me as much access to conversations happening among scorers, but it still was valuable for exposure to the range of student responses." Given the overlap of AP scoring for her test and CHRHS's graduation, graduation coordinator Munson stepped out of reading for two years, but 2023 scheduling will allow her to resume this year. Michele Metzler has also been an AP Reader for US History in the past.

Gillette was invited to become a reader in 2021, and had a similar experience to Munson. "I'd been wanting to be a reader from a long time, but never felt it appropriate to travel out of state the last week or two of school, as would be required to participate in the in-person scoring." Now, with the remote option, Gillette is able to participate during evenings and on weekends without missing out on end-of-the-year activities in her classroom.

"Everything I learned has helped me guide my students into crafting the most powerful literary arguments possible, both to improve the score they are capable of earning, but more importantly to prepare them for the kind of expectations they will face in college and beyond," Gillette remarked. This year, CHRHS students have scheduled AP exams from May 2 through May 10 and will receive their scores starting July 5 through their College Board account.



Rediscovering a Love of Reading by Eliza Nickelson '24

As a child of avid readers, I read upwards of one hundred books a year in elementary and early middle school. Now, I almost never read a book unless it's assigned. Many of my friends and peers share a similar story, where a love of reading has been lost to time. So, what changed in the time between middle school and now, and what happened to loving reading?

I can only speak for myself, but many things factored into my mental shift. In middle school, I had almost no homework and a lot of free time to do whatever I wanted. Since I didn't have access to screens, books were my immediate choice for entertainment. Now, I have a job, homework every night, and I play on a

varsity sports team, so my priorities have shifted. I spend free time on my phone, reading the news, and texting my friends (much to my parents' dismay), or even practicing for the SAT, things I feel are simply more important than sitting down with a good book. Add to that assigned reading for classes, which can leave little time to read other books for fun. By the time I've finished my required reading for class, the last thing I want to do is read more, which feels like doing extra homework. After freshman year, I simply wasn't willing to make an effort to regain my hobby, so I effectively stopped reading books.

However, there is still hope for me. What encourages me to read the most is seeing the people around me read, because then I feel inspired to do it. My parents, avid readers, often discuss books, gift each other books and book suggestions, and are in book clubs. It also helps to have access books in the house through e-books, physical books, or even a library card. Once I start reading again, I can't remember why I ever stopped. My number one reason to read is that the book is simply a good book. This doesn't seem like rocket science, but looking up book suggestions in genres I know I enjoy, like mystery, helps get me back into reading.

I am not alone in my reading journey. If your child has also stopped reading as much as they got older, I would suggest that you start reading more at home, to show that you are doing it of your own free will, and that you actively suggest books that you think your child will enjoy. This will not encourage everyone, but many people, once they pick up a book, remember the joy that comes with immersing themselves in the story. I hope more people rediscover reading as they get older, as it can truly be a blissful pastime.

[Eliza's article was part of an assignment for her current English class, Reading for Pleasure, which focuses on helping students discover/regain their reading motivation.]

Traditional Life Skills - News & Events

The CHRHS Special Services Department will host an information night for caregivers of students with IEPs/ 504s on May 31st, the same night as our Step Up Night. We encourage families to stop in the school library this evening for more information.

Please join us on May 31st from 6:00-7:30 in the Camden Hills Regional High School Edna St Vincent Millay Library. Learn more about the steps your child with an IEP or 504 may take during and post high school to enhance outcomes.

What: A resource fair for caregivers of students with IEPs/504s

When: May 31st from 6:00-7:30 (same night as 8th grade step up)

Where: Edna St Vincent Millay Library at CHRHS

Who will be there?

- Maine Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- Gaining Empowerment Allows Results (GEAR)
- MPF Maine Parent Federation (MPF)
- MAS Community Case Management
- UMaine Center for Community Inclusion and Disability Studies (CCIDS)
- Extended Eligibility and Transition Specialist with the Office of Special Services (DOE)



News:

Students from the TLS program have enjoyed off-campus work experiences at the Green Thumb in Rockport.

Just this past week, we participated in a regional bean bag toss tournament with the area Unified Teams hosted by Oceanside High School. A big thank you to our Oceanside hosts and Belfast High School friends and Unified partners. We had a great time!

Up Next! We are preparing to host the **2023 Knox Waldo Lincoln County Regional Special Olympic Track Meet** - say that 10 times fast!! This fun event is for all age olympians , their families and fans on **May 12th from 10am to 1pm.** The rain date is May 15th.

We have 36 + CHRHS student volunteers, many staff, and 21 area teams who will compete in track and field events here on campus. There will be grilled burgers and hotdogs for nominal prices, brought to us each year by the West Bay Rotarians, cooked up by the Wave Cafe. Wish the athletes luck and hope for a day of sunshine!



Peter Shaffer's The White Liars and Black Comedy

Camden Hills Regional High School presents *The White Liars* and *Black Comedy*, two one-act plays by Peter Shaffer, as our spring production and dinner theater in the Black Box.

The White Liars takes place in the parlor of Baroness Sophie Lemberg, a fortune teller working at a run-down seaside resort on the South Coast of England. Sophie and her parlor have seen better days, but her luck may change when a young rock musician and his agent come to have their fortunes told before their evening concert.

The lunacy of *Black Comedy* unfolds during a black-out resulting from a blown fuse in the London flat of struggling artist, Brindsley Miller. Brindsley has enhanced his flat with fancy objects and furniture, "borrowed" from his fussy antique-collector neighbor next door, in the hopes of impressing a wealthy art dealer and his girlfriend's father. The chaos is set in motion when the neighbor returns early from his weekend and Brindsley must return the "borrowed" items before the lights are restored.

We will have performances on May 11th, 12th, 13th at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$25 for the show and a 3-course dinner. There will also be a matinee on Saturday, May 13th at 1:00pm. Tickets for the matinee are \$10, \$5 for students and seniors, and will not include dinner.

Dinner for the evening performances will be made by our foodservice staff at CHRHS and will be served by our student waitstaff and tech crew. Options for dietary restrictions will be available for selection during checkout.

Tickets are available at bit.ly/3MuS8Wc

"Black Comedy" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Samuel French, Inc. www.concortheatricals.com



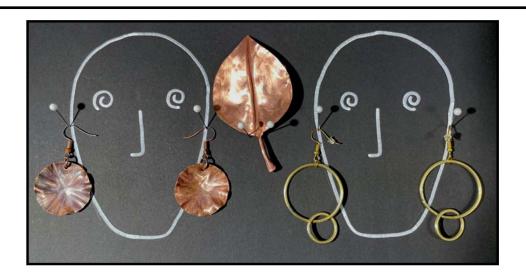


Advanced Drawing & Painting

Carolyn Brown, Teacher

Advanced Drawing and Painting class is working on Animal Iconography drawings. Students chose an animal, insect, or other living creature, as a personal icon. They are developing drawings that include meaningful symbols and metaphors related to both the animal and themselves; a sort of animal self-portrait.

Snake by Violet Myrick '26



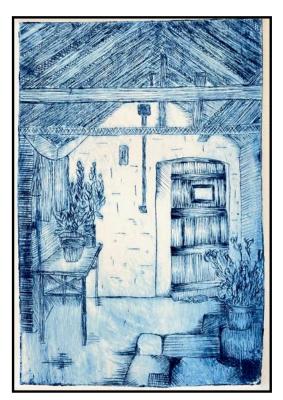


Jewelry Carolyn Brown, Teacher

Jewelry classes have been learning basic forging techniques including fold-forming, as well as "framing" with claw settings, and creating texture on metal. They each chose 2 or more techniques to create personal work. Some finished work includes small forged spoons, fold-formed pendants and earrings, and stone setting with the handmade "claw" forms.



Featured top: Faces with earrings by Weston DeWaard '23, Star by Roo Boetsch '24, Spoon & Bracelet by Harper Lily '25



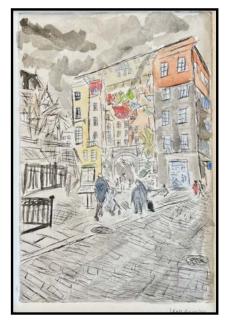
Printmaking

Carolyn Brown, Teacher

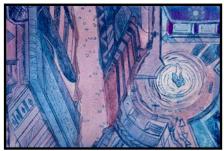
Printmaking class just finished a unit on drypoint intaglio printmaking, with the theme of architecture. They used scrap plexiglas as their plates, and scratched the images into the surface. "Intaglio" means that the ink is below the surface of the plate, unlike relief printing. They inked and printed their plates using the hand-cranked press, with damp paper. The water in the paper attracts the moisture

in the ink, and pulls the ink from the plate to make the print.

Students then altered at least one copy of their print with watercolors, colored pencils or other media.







Featured work, top: Harper Lilly '25; top to bottom, left to right, Willow McConochie '23, Violet Born '25, Leona Bournival '26, Blake Christie '26, Charlotte Delehey '25, Tegwyn Hearst '25







Mark your calendars!!!

Camden Hills Regional High School Fine Arts Night

The annual CHRHS Fine Arts Night will be held Thursday, June 1, from 5:30-8:00

Fine Arts Night is a dynamic celebration of student achievement in the visual and performing arts at CHRHS.

A wide range of student artwork by CHRHS students will be on display, including drawing, painting, jewelry, work from Big Art classes, 3D design, visual journals, and clay. The Advanced Portfolio Art class will have individual bodies of work displayed in the black box. All other work will be on the Strom stage, in hallways, and in the Wave Cafe.

Student performances will include vocal and instrumental ensembles and soloists performing in the Strom Auditorium, Wave Cafe, and Main Lobby. Students personalize this event by arranging their own ensembles, and performing music of their choice, as well as performing in school groups such as the talented CHRHS Jazz Band.

Fine Arts Night is a free, family-friendly event, and the entire community is welcome to attend. A schedule of performances will be available at the door.

We are happy to announce two more student travel opportunities for the 2023-2024 school year!!!

México Exchange - Colegio Wexford, Querétaro, Querétaro

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 26th

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The Mexico Exchange has been in the works for a long time, and we are excited to be able to present this opportunity! Amy Ferlauto is the lead chaperone for this amazing exchange.

The trip includes CHills students traveling to Mexico in February 2024 and staying with Mexican families. Mexican students will be coming to Maine in April 2024, and staying with CHills families during that time.

While in Mexico, CHills students will attend school with their host students, take local field trips around the historic center

and surrounding areas, visit the neighboring town of San Miguel de Allende, visit the pyramids of Teotihuacán outside of Mexico city, eat amazing foods, shop in local mercados, and most importantly discover and experience the rich cultures of Mexico while making lifelong friendships and memories.

Travel Dates: February 16-26, 2024

Please email: amy.ferlauto@fivetowns.net for more information



Winter in Québec City

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 12th

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A Cultural Trip to Québec City in February 2024! Abby Van Hoewyk is the lead chaperone. This trip to Québec City takes you through some of the most awe-inspiring sites of French Canada including the falls at Montmorency and the Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré.



Travel Dates: February 17th-20th, 2024

Please email: abby.vanhoewyk@fivetowns.net for more information



SPRING IS HERE!

CHRHS's Annual Plant Sale! and new this year - The Marketplace!

Horticulture & Gardening, Teachers, Margo Murphy & Sarah Mismash, The Hatchery, Danny Salomon, Teacher



Spring is here! Lots of beautiful plants, compost and a variety of other items will be available for sale.

We have vegetable and herb seedlings, as well as a variety of annuals and perennials. Plants are thriving this year and look wonderful. We have some new varieties and of course lots of the most popular varieties from the past. All plant containers are \$3 each and include single pots, 2-pks, 3-pks, and 4-pks. Buy 3 and get a 4th for free. On Sunday everything is buy one, get one free from 9-11 and the last hour everything is \$1.





In addition to plants we have bags of compost

for sale. Each bag of high quality, organic compost is 40 lbs, and sells for \$10 each. This has been a very popular item so this year we are limiting it to 5 bags of compost per household.

New this year, we will have a **Marketplace** that includes a series of Radical Reuse products students created in our school's design+build hub, The **Hatchery**.

Items for sale include outdoor furniture, upcycled bicycles, planters, silkscreen T-shirts, and more – each made with reclaimed materials and careful handiwork.

Support youth artistry, craftsmanship, and waste diversion all at once! Prices range from \$10 - \$200.

Sale takes place Saturday, May 20 from 8am – 1 pm and on Sunday, May 21 from 9am – noon at the greenhouse and parking lot area near the greenhouse on campus.

All proceeds support the Horticulture/ Gardening, Sustainability and Hatchery programs at CHRHS!!

We hope to see you there



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news for students



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Let's Make MARGE JONES RECREATIONAL FACILITY A Park For Everyone

Pickleball Courts, Lights for Nighttime Use, Improved Playground & More!

The Town of Rockport is kicking off a fundraising campaign of \$300,000 to upgrade and improve The Marge Jones Recreational Facility, and we need **YOUR** help!

Over the past two years, the Rockport Recreation Committee have been working hard to make improvements, so far they have improved baseball and softball fields; have replaced fences, added a new flag pole,added 3 new sports sheds and upgraded the irrigation system, roadside sign and a new online scheduling tool. These improvements would not have been possible without local donations and commitments from taxpayers through the budget process.

- Repair the current basketball and tennis courts
- · Add pickleball lines to the existing tennis courts
- Move and replace the current playground to a universal location
- Build FOUR new pickleball ONLY courts
- Add lights to the field and courts for continued nighttime use
- Pave the road, parking area and additional parking
- Future park expansion

Timeline for Improvements



- Lines added to the existing tennis courts for pickleball
 Spring 2023
- Portable pickleball nets available at Marge Jones
 Spring 2023
- Start paving the entrace road to the facility
 - Summer 2023
- Court repairs and resurface the basketball and tennis courts
 Fall 2023
- Relocate playground between little league and softball fields
 Fall 2023



- New basketball backboards and nets
- Lights to all courts and fields
- Four new pickleball ONLY courts
- Expansion
- · Finish paving o thef facility

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