

WINDJAMMER NEWS

March Dates:

Wednesday, 3/6:
Early Release @
2pm

Wednesday, 3/6 @ 6pm:
One Acts
Performance (Strom)

Friday, 3/15 - 7-9:30pm:
"Starry Night"
Winter Semi-Formal
Dance (Band Room)

Friday, 3/22 (8am-1pm):
Red Cross Blood
Drive (Mini-Gym)



From our All-School Assembly, February 28, 2024 Nell Dailey

"On this rainy day in February, I want to share a story with you. So sit back, put your phones away, and give me your attention.

Trish Friesland, some of you might know her from CRMS, shared with me a great word: **FARCH**. It sounds like a swear word, but it isn't. That is what makes it so fun to say. It is the time period of February and March and it can be a tough time. There are 1,000 shades of brown, we are concluding winter sports and spring sports haven't started which switches up some social stuff. It can feel - Farchy."

Assemblies bring the whole school and staff together for a variety of reasons: to celebrate accomplishments in and out of school, to announcing the activities available in which to participate, a shared experience with speakers or games, and sometimes it is used as a way to address the student body when things are hard.

During this assembly, we addressed Farch. Then I shared a story of when I was in high school, feeling down. A classmate, not a friend, teammate, or someone I am in touch with now, stopped me in the hallway to share a new song she heard that reminded her of me. It was a kindness, a small act that made me feel seen at a time when I wasn't that confident in myself.

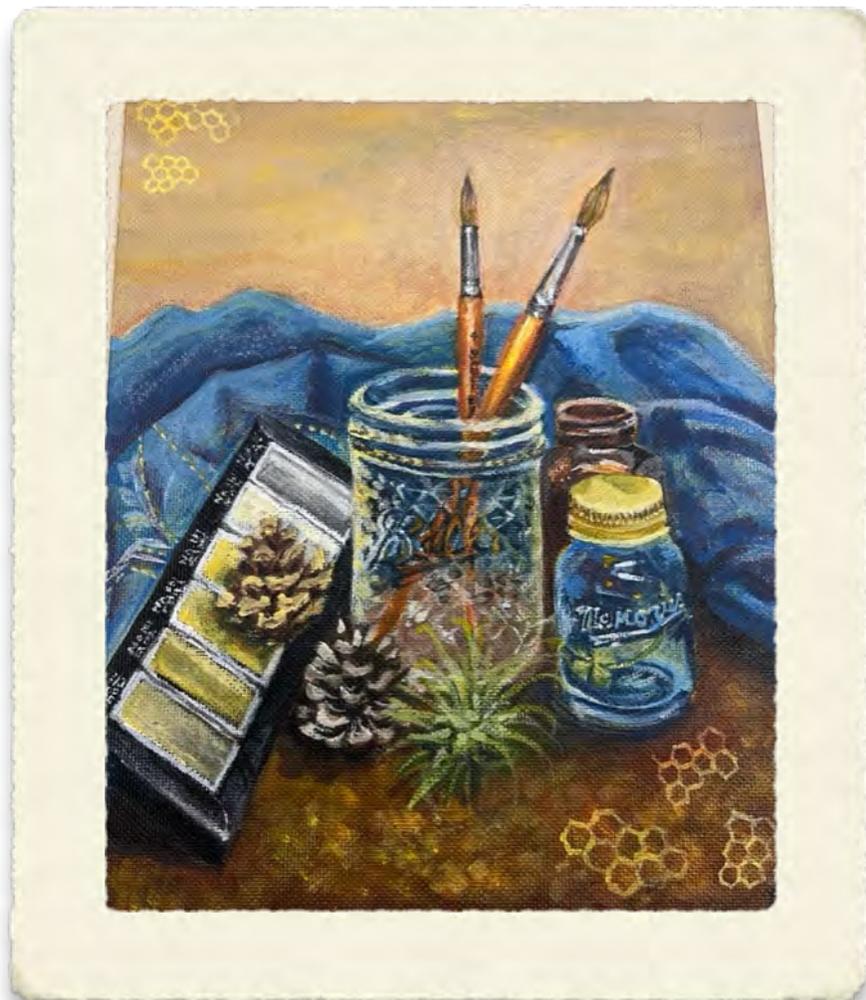
Students have stopped me in the hallway to share they can feel Farchy or feel the effects of March on their energy, positivity, and focus. Adolescents are big feelers and if those feelings are dreary teens may show us in strange ways: avoidant, glum, angry, depressed or hyperactive, distracted, speedy. Luckily, the strategy I shared with the students at the assembly helps to lift the Farchy Feeling.

“This brings me to share a school-wide optional activity for FARCH: **Rainbow in the Clouds**. Dr. Maya Angelou talks about being a Rainbow in someone’s cloud using lyrics from a 19th-century African-American song: “When it looked like the sun wasn’t gonna shine anymore, God put a rainbow in the clouds.” When we have difficult times or clouds, there are people around us who are there to help. These are the rainbows. Dr. Angelou shared [in this video](#), that she brings with her the rainbows she has received so that she can be a rainbow to someone else.”

CHRHS has a Rainbow in the Clouds growing everyday. On it, are sticky notes answering the following questions: What can you do to help someone else? How can you be a rainbow? Or if it makes more sense to you, write down what you would need from someone to help you through this dreary time of year. How can you find a rainbow when you need one?

Farch is a good time to lift people up and be a rainbow in someone’s cloud.
Be well,
Nell

Still Life by Chloe Egan '27



What:

Starry Night Semiformal

When: Friday, March 15;
7:00-9:30 pm

Where: Band room

Who: any CHRHS student

Any more questions? ASK Ms. Cole or
any Student Council rep!!

Quebec City Cultural Trip

16 students traveled to Quebec City for four fun-filled days over February break! Students enjoyed lots of walking, exploring Old Quebec, sledding by the Chateau Frontenac, skating at night, and lots of poutine and maple taffy! Students also traveled along the Beauvre Coast where they toured the Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de Beauvre and Montmorency Falls which were spectacular!



French

Abby Van Hoewyk & Christelle McKee, Teachers

We have been very busy celebrating Francophone culture in French classes! We learned about "Le Chandeleur", a holiday that is celebrated by eating crêpes. We celebrated by making (and eating!) crêpes in class. They were délicieux!

We also celebrated Mardi Gras by feasting on King Cakes. For this holiday, a plastic baby is hidden in the cake, and whoever finds the baby is the King or Queen of Mardi Gras for the day.



Next up for French class is our annual music competition, Manie Musicale, which is inspired by college basketball's March Madness. We listen to 16 different French songs, and along with more than 5,000 other schools worldwide, we vote for which song is our favorite. Everyone is welcome to participate, and there will be prizes! See Madame Van Hoewyk or Madame McKee in Rooms 227 and 228 for a bracket! You can find QR codes to the Playlist outside the French rooms, or click [here!](#) Completed brackets are due March 6th...if you miss the deadline, don't fret- you can still check out the songs and see how you like them!



WHAT'S YOUR PLEDGE? TRANSPORTATION



SUSTAINABILITY: WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER PART 5

Despite how it can feel some days, no one of the school community — staff, students, custodians, food workers — actually lives on campus, so all have to make choices in how to get from home to school at least 180 days per school year. Making a commitment to reducing the impact of transportation on the climate sometimes means walking or biking instead of driving, or carpooling to reduce the number of road miles needed to participate in any specific experience. The physical and emotional benefits of exercise and time to connect with co-riders adds even more value to these options.

No one feels that distance more vividly than the bus drivers who navigate the many winding back roads of our rural district. We are proud to have an all-electric bus as part of the fleet, giving visibility to new ways to transport without burning fossil fuels. However, ridership dropped during Covid due to concerns about public health, leading to new habits that are hard to change. Given the complexity of any individual students' life (potential before- or after-school extracurriculars, jobs, supervision over younger siblings, parents' work schedules, etc.), it's easy to imagine how having a dedicated ride makes the back-and-forth easier to manage. But it also comes at a cost, both in increased carbon footprint of all the smaller vehicles used to replace public bus transportation and increased traffic congestion and wait times on the school campus during common pick-up times. As much as possible, consider all the possible alternatives to covering the miles between home and school.

ESVM LIBRARY



NEWSLETTER



TINY ART SHOW



Throughout the month of March, the library will be displaying pieces of art as part of the third annual Tiny Art Show. This event is hosted by the art department. All are welcome to participate!



READ ACROSS AMERICA

On Friday, March 1st, students celebrated Read Across America day by dropping into the library an participating in DEAR (Drop Everything And Read). On Read Across America Day, our Nation recognizes the value of literacy to our democracy. We celebrate the books that inspire our children to dream big, expand the limits of their understanding, and explore diverse perspectives and cultures through the eyes of others.



MARCH MADNESS

Starting March 4th, students will have the opportunity to participate in March Madness: Battle of the Books. The bracket starts with sixteen popular novels that have seen high circulation in the library. Each week, student can vote for their favorite books and we'll eliminate half the competitors in head-to-head battles. One book will come out on top.

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK

February's Blind Date With a Book was a HUGE success. Many students took a risk and picked a book based on only a few key details.



Clay II
Suzanne Southworth, Teacher



Clay II students working in asymmetrical coil pot forms.

Left to right: Eliza Nickelson '24, Carson Lyons '25, Lily Stowe '24

And working at the wheel -

Left to right: Ella Cushman '24, Brian Leonard '26, Lily Mott '24



Clay 1
Suzanne Southworth, Teacher

Clay I students did an amazing job making their own slab built mugs.

Featured: Ashlyn McKee-Hall '26, Thomas Forsyth '26, Matilda Marks '26



Freya Hurlburt '24

Advanced Art Portfolio
Kirsten Campbell, Teacher

Assignment: Finding Content through Composition with Extreme Foreshortening and a Monochromatic Color Scheme!



Featured work top to bottom, left to right:
Griffin Spear '24, Freya Hurlburt '24, Kayden Fulbeck '24, Lulu VanLonkhuyzen '25, Chloe Root '24, Lydia Watts '24





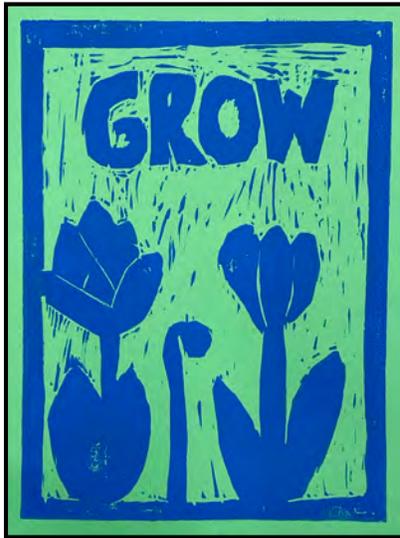
Drawing 2
Carolyn Brown Teacher

Drawing portraits with attention to proportion, accuracy of pose and a range of values. Some students worked with simplified grid system; others worked freehand.



Featured left & right at top: Pencil and B & W by MacKenzie Dillon '26; 2nd row left & right B & W and pencil Teague Buchanan '26; Left to right: Maya Martz '24, Caroline Kern '25, and below left to right: Eric LeBlond' 24, Liam O'Dwyer '24 and Hunter Bell '24

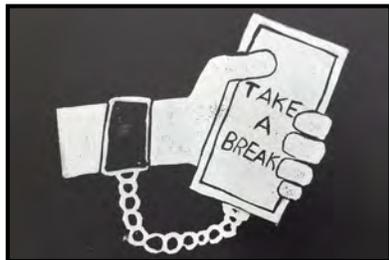




Big Art
 Carolyn Brown, Teacher

Big Art worked on ink designs with meaning, using the Gestalt principle of figure-ground ambiguity. We used personal ideas, proverbs, and other sources as inspiration. We're currently working on relief block prints with the concept "SPEAK UP" - highlighting issues and ideas that are relevant. We read the articles in the U.N. Declaration of Human Rights, and discussed which ones we do follow in the U.S., and others that are relevant in today's news. For their block printed banners, students could choose inspiration from a variety of sources. We also looked at information on Earth Day, Civil Rights and other sources for ideas, and contemporary printmakers including Bread and Puppet Press.

Featured work top to bottom, left to right:
 Stefani Keefe '26, Pearl Hedstrom '26, River Bell '25, Olive Walker '26, Audryn Summers '27, Sam Snow '27





Printmaking
Carolyn Brown, Teacher

Printmaking class completed their modular print assignment, with colorful results. We're continuing with relief printing, on the theme of food and eating.

Top: Taylor Clayton '24;
 below left to right: Matthias McPhail '25, Corynn Prescott '25



Unified Basketball

The Camden Hills Windjammer Unified Basketball Team is generating quite a buzz this year!
 Come join us to cheer on our team!! Let's get a lot of #fansinthestands.

There is no cover charge for games.

Grab your Windjammer colors and be prepared to be part of the excitement!

The schedule is below:

03/04/2024	3:30	UBB @ LA	2:30 departure	AWAY
03/06/2024	2:30	UBB Practice	on campus	practice
03/08/2024	2:30	UBB Practice	on campus	practice
03/12/2024	3:00-7:00	Unified Basketball End of Season Festival @Belfast High School	2:30 departure	AWAY Tournament
03/14/2024 Seniors night!	3:30	UBB v MtView Final game of season!	2:45 warm up	HOME Seniors night!

Get the Skills You Need to Get Back to Work



Career Counseling Cassie Robichaux

Cassie Robichaux is the Career Advancement and Navigation Specialist for HUB 7. HUB 7 serves Maine's Knox, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, and Waldo counties.

Her primary goal is to support underemployed or transitioning adults (16+ and not currently enrolled in high school) in career planning services for education, training, and employment. She also works to create pathways to help employers attract qualified candidates through community outreach and helping them to connect with free hiring services.

If you would like to learn how you can advance your career, or kick start your hiring, please contact



her at cassie_robichaux@msad40.org or 857-277-4289. Or simply scan the QR code and complete the simple survey.

We're looking for a few good employers and employees ...

Bridge To Employment in the Midcoast

The programs of MidCoast Adult Education 7 have been awarded a competitive Strengthening Maine's Workforce grant to deliver services under the project title, Bridge to Employment in the Midcoast. Grant funding is available for employers who need support systems to access employees; and to potential employees who show a training need and are defined as:

- People or communities of color
- Low-income
- Immigrants
- People with low levels of literacy
- Women
- The underemployed and unemployed

Eligible business sectors include healthcare, manufacturing, transportation, hospitality, and retail. Others may be possible if trainees themselves are eligible.

Need help to move forward? Wondering about your eligibility? Contact the Bridge Coordinator, Joe Catalano at joseph.catalano@fivetowns.net.



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NEW FOR SPRING!

Babysitter Training - begins March 14, 4-7 PM, 3 wks
This training will help participants to develop leadership and safety skills and become better babysitters. For ages 11-15.

Firefighters Needed! - one night, May 9, 6-8 PM. This free info night with local fire department personnel will help you learn what it takes to become a volunteer or a firefighter. There are many ways to help without a large time commitment and all stations need helpers.

Winter Remnants - begins March 18 6-8 PM, 2 wks.
Before the green of spring arrives nature still surrounds us with beauty, but it's a subtle beauty. Come learn about those interesting stems and sticks you see on your late-winter walks.

Many more new classes are listed in our brochure and online:

All things Dairy • Baking with Alternate Flours
Basics of Beekeeping and Crafting
Dog and Cat First Aid Training • Fiction Writing for Beginners
Homemade Candy • Introduction to Touch Drawing
Mobile Making Workshop • Needle Felting for Beginners
and 100 more returning classes, too!

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Five Town CSD Adult Ed has been offering a variety of programs since 1969. Whether your needs are academic, workforce, or just to have fun, we have something for you. Many of our offerings are available year-round, and we have an excellent selection of online courses.

Academic

The Adult Learning Center is open 12 months a year for academic support. Adult Education is your path to college and career success. Grant funding is based on learner eligibility and varies depending upon the career path chosen. We can help with that.

Certificate Programs

Among our most popular online certificate programs are Data Analysis, Bookkeeping, Project Management, Leadership Development, Mastering Excel, Accounting Fundamentals, and QuickBooks Online.

Drivers Ed

A new driver's ed class begins every month at CHRHS. Go to www.roysdriving.com, look for the Rockport location, then check for the schedule and availability.