

The Colt Chronicles

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HoCo Trash Pick Up

Written by Zane Cruse and Kate Williamson

After every home football game for high school and junior high, including Homecoming, the JH Student Council members cleanup the trash around the field and empty the trash cans.

Homecoming is always the busiest game, so that means it is the messiest. The trash cans are heaping and people on both sides leave their trash laying around. Usually, Stuco's bags are overflowing and leaking with liquid.

One of the most common pieces of trash Stuco finds in and around the bleachers are full bottles of water and soda. Some of the weirdest pieces of trash are pieces of torn clothing. A few weeks ago, they found a piece of a Nike shirt.

One of Student Council's favorite team's fans to pick up after are the Memphis fans. They are aware that we pick up after every game, so they do their best to clean up after themselves. So Stuco would like to give a shoutout to Memphis fans and say thank you. They would also like to



say thank you to our classmates and parents who help us out after games to take the trash to the dumpsters.

Finally, Stuco picks up trash because they want to be helpful. They want to keep our field nice. "I like knowing I'm doing something to help," says Co-President Zane Cruse.

Co-President Kinslee Hatley says, "We pick up trash to make sure that the stands and the football field are in good shape and look good for events and football games held at the football stadium."

Student Highlight

This Issue, We Highlight: Braelin Hutchon!

Always says hello, works hard in class, and tries to be kind to others.

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Red Ribbon Week

Written by Ella Estlack, Zane Cruse, and Mrs. Woodcock

Red Ribbon Week is celebrated all across America, but where did it come from? Red Ribbon Week was created in 1985 to honor the death of Enrique “Kiki” Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent.

People wore red ribbons to raise awareness of the destruction drugs can cause. Today, schools celebrate Red Ribbon Week by dressing up every day of the week, usually using a saying about not doing drugs to go along with the dress-up days.

The winner of the weekly door competition for Red Ribbon week is the House of Amistad. Great Job!!



Poetry from Prestigious Students

Do Not Fear

By Brance Bell, Brilynn Bruce, Paxton English, Erika Wilson, Avorie Lindsay, Anirie Chambers, Rustin Wade, Jaden Guerra, Brentley Gaines, Nevaeh Jaramillo, all 6th Grade

Thalassophobia, fear of ocean
Face it straight on, there's no magic potion

Acrophobia, fear of tall, tall heights
Inch by inch, getting over all your freights

Claustrophobia, fear of tight places
Let's talk about those close, dark, small spaces

Speed

By D'Won Brown, 8th Grade

I heard a car closing in on me
Like it had smelled its prey
Listening for the sound of the car
Louder and Louder
Squeaking back around
Coming back around for me
Still pressed against the car
Beeped the auto alarm
And opened the tail gate
I burst thru the front door
Looking for mom
Trying to calm me down

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Teachers Everywhere

Written by Mrs. Woodcook



Mrs. Houston has taught for eighteen years and knew from an early age that she was going to be a teacher. She was inspired by her father to be the teacher she is today.

Houston said, "I knew I wanted to be a teacher since I was nine years old. I enjoyed learning things from my dad around the farm and he was an amazing teacher at that.

The way he explained and demonstrated things was not only exciting and fun but was so different than anything I was even taught at school."

Houston's desire to teach not only originated from watching her father, but her desire to help others.

"I always wanted to teach because I wanted to be as impactful to students as my dad was to me." Houston continued, "I want students to know that everyone can accomplish great things no matter who they are."

Houston's approach to teaching comes from personal experience as her father has been legally blind longer than she has been alive.

Houston stated, "He was able to adapt to his environment and excel at finding ways to accomplish every task that came his way and crush people's thoughts that he could never learn or be productive because he was blind."

Houston ends on an encouraging note to all students.

"Knowledge is a vital currency in today's society and these students need to learn how to use knowledge to help them be successful not only in school but in life itself."

Quote of the Issue

First student to guess which teacher said the quote correctly by December 9, 2022, gets some candy from Mrs. Woodcook!

Quote of the issue: "If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito."

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Answer: _____

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Want to add something to the Colt Chronicles or have a suggestion? Email Mrs. Woodcook at woodcook.charyssa@clarendonisd.net with the heading: Colt Chronicles Submission or talk to Zak Roberts, Zane Cruse, Ella Estlack, Hunter Caison, or Kate Williamson.
Thank you!

Terrific Trivia

Rules of the Trivia:

1. On the below form, put your full name and email address, then circle your grade.
2. Below the written information, write your answers for each trivia answer in the order they appear in the newsletter.
3. Answer each trivia question to the best of your ability.
4. Submit the answers on paper to Zak Roberts, Zane Cruse, Hunter Caison, or Ella Estlack by December 9, 2022.
5. There will be a winner for 6th grade, 7th grade, and 8th grade. Each winner will be contacted via email, announced in the next newsletter, and will be given candy from Mrs. Woodcook.
6. Good Luck & Have Fun!

Name: _____ Email: _____ Grade: 6 7 8

Question #1: Who won the first super bowl?

Question #2: How long did the American revolution last?

Question #3: When was Beethoven's music first published?

Question #4: When are most crops harvested?

Question #5: What did the first political cartoon of the North American colonies say?
