Gallatin High School November 2015

Took! Soccer's Set, The Key to Helping & More

# GHS WaveLength

## Hammering Out A Hobby

GHS Student Loves His Low-Tech Time Making Art

By Zach Joyner

Some kids get cars, toys, or even cash for their birthday. But Gallatin High School senior Logan Howard got blacksmithing tools for his 17th birthday last year.

Since turning 17 last year, Howard has been honing his smithing skills at his home in Gallatin.

Howard started off blacksmithing after receiving his birthday present, but since then he has become more fascinated with the engineering and mechanics involved in the age old trade. Howard says that the historic elements of

blacksmithing are his favorite part.

"Going back in time and forgetting about the present things," he said is one of the best parts of blacksmith-

This hobby is expensive in several ways, according to Logan. It takes



money, time, and patience.

Howard advises others interested in blacksmithing to persevere through the obstacles and mistakes.

"Don't get frustrated. You'll fail...over...and over....and over again," he said. "You'll burn many The GHS WaveLength is produced by Mrs. Desposito's Enrichment class.

## Puffy is the Key

By Robert Carter

Key Club gathered to help the elderly to stay on their warm feet this win-

ter.

The Key club is a great club who helps the community any way they can. On November 5 the Club made



"puffy socks" – which are socks that are painted at the bottom with a special grip paint. This grip paint helps the elderly to keep from slipping and falling when they walk.

The socks went to Morningside Assisted Living on Hartsville Pike. Bailey Greene contacted them about the project and arranged delivery.

## FCAwesome at Helping Others

By Amanda Cassadine

has been bringing Jesus to our school for nearly 60 years. The group aims to help and give back to the community by doing service projects and promoting the act of giving. According to FCA advisor, Coach Mark Wilson, this quarter they are working on sever- tions.

al projects in order to bring out Fellowship of Christian Athletes the giving mood in GHS as the holidays approach.

> One of the projects was the recent Canned Food Drive. The drive helps many people in our community, and every year Gallatin High School rallies with FCA to have phenomenal dona-

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### **Soccer Team Chosen**

By Nickolas Calin

The 2016 GHS Boys Soccer team is set, with 40 players selected from 86 students who tried out. Try outs were November 2-4 at the GHS practice field.

There are now 10 seniors, 9 juniors, 10 sophomores and 11 freshmen with Jonathon Vasquez as manager and captains still to be chosen.

### FCA's Big Plans

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Another project the FCA is setting up is a Christmas party at Guild Elementary for underprivileged and autistic in the primary grades. They plan to provide a safe and festive environment which is conducive to sharing the message of Christ with the younger people in our community. The date is not yet set, however it will be announced soon.

Those are just a few of the good things ahead from FCA. As FCA member Cody Porter said that the members often benefit just as much as – if not more than – those they help.

"You get more of the good stuff when you show up."

FCA meets biweekly on Wednesdays in the theater and welcome all, athlete or not.

#### **BBFs** with Best Buddies

By Katelyn Curtis

In Best Buddies everyone is friends! The members gather to raise money to provide opportunities for companionship in the most entertaining ways that club sponsor Lauren Lassiter and the club's leadership can think of.

"Best Buddies is a very wonderful club that promotes friendship and inclusion with students who have disabilities and typical peers," said Ms. Lassiter.

According to the Best Buddies International web site it is, "a non-profit organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships ... and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities".

Best Buddies club gets together several times a month for recreation and for organizing fundraisers.

Sometimes (once or twice a month) they all get together and have a big party!

In October they had a party at GHS, a bake sale fundraiser, and a costume party at Josh Brown's house.

"I really liked the costume party because I like dressing up and people coming to my house," said Josh.

They organized two bake sales for November and on the 19<sup>th</sup> they're going bowling.

December is just as active with a bake sale and a holiday party. Their baked good sales are on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Funds raised from those events will help pay for their holiday party on December 15.



Abby Friedenmaker earned a "pull" from the Century Board for selling more than \$100 worth of magazine subscriptions in this falls magazine drive. Of the \$19,800 going to students this year, \$6,900 was won from the Century Boards. The Super Century Board pulls will have \$5,650 on it at the assembly November 24. Bonus checks total \$7,250.



The cast of the play "Alienated" Front row, left to right: Allison Roberts (Serena), Peyton White (Ashley, the normal kid), Kensie McKee (Katie), Lauren Hale (Tina, the smart kid), Tessa Fralinger (Cammie) and Myah Forbes (Abby, the snoop). Middle row, left to right: Jillian Donoho (Grace, the klutz), Shardanay Smith (Amanda, the know-it-all), Bayleigh Gibson (Rosalind, the nobody), Aby Coca (Liz, the cynic), Luci Fernandez (Darby, the class president), Juliette Spurling (Britney, the homecoming queen), Michael Kochinski (Brian) and Kyle Rhodes (Hill, the preppy kid). Back row, left to right: Zach Blaylock (Allen, the class clown), Savon Yarbrough (Dan, the star athlete), Anthony De La Rosa (Loyd, the slacker), Demarco Placide (Isak, the cool kid), Caelin Fuqua (Lawrence, the thespian), Jay Ingersoll (sound and lighting), Isiah Hughes (Erik, the artist), Landon Taylor (Wallace, the nerd) and Kohen Williams (Trevor, the loner).