

Gateway Gazette



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Gateway High School

The Honey Bun Hon

By Declan Browning

Mrs. Rumbaugh is one of the many new staff members that Gateway/Crossroads hired this school year. Known for her shocking positivity, personality, and everyone's favorite Honey Bun songs, Mrs.



Rumbaugh is rocking at the Gateway School. She starts every day giving students food from the breakfast cart and then she helps the students in Mr. Kerins' classes the rest of the day. Mrs. Rumbaugh says that the kids at Gateway are just like her kids and she is the happiest when helping them. The question on many people's mind is the Honey Bun songs that Mrs. Rumbaugh sings on "Honeybun Days." Surprisingly, she says they just pop into her head when she is driving to work. She brightens people's days when she sings these fun and unique songs. Even though she loves Gateway, Mrs. Rumbaugh's favorite place to

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Covid 19 Stories

By: Staff

Since March 13, we have been trying are best to help quell the spread of the Covid 19 virus. Larry Hogan, initially told us to stay home for two weeks. State Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Karen Salmon recently extended School closings through May 15 As Carroll County Public Schools scrambles to continue education to students across the county, staff are doing their best to be part of the solution.

Send us your stories of dealing with this crisis; funny, serious, reflective or mundane, we want to record our collective experiences. Enjoy some of what we have gathered so far.

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"I find it easier to work from home because I can do my classes when I fell like doing them. Although I miss my fellow classmates and talking on the bus with my friends. Also, I miss my teachers I personally find it better to learn in person even though it is easier on the computer." -Jackson Barrett

An "Honorable" Celebration

By Abby Schaeffer

Gateway/Crossroads hosted their second quarter Honor Roll Breakfast Banquet on February 27, 2020. Twenty-five kids made it on the Honor Roll, including twenty-one high-schoolers and four middle-schoolers. In the high school, there were fifteen Standard Honor Roll, three Distinguished Honor Roll,



and three straight-A Honor Roll. For middle school, there were two Straight A Honor Roll and two Standard Honor Roll. Parents were invited to share in the celebration and everyone present was served donuts, bagels, and danish, along with orange juice and milk. A lot of people seemed to be thrilled that they had made it on the Honor Roll and the parents

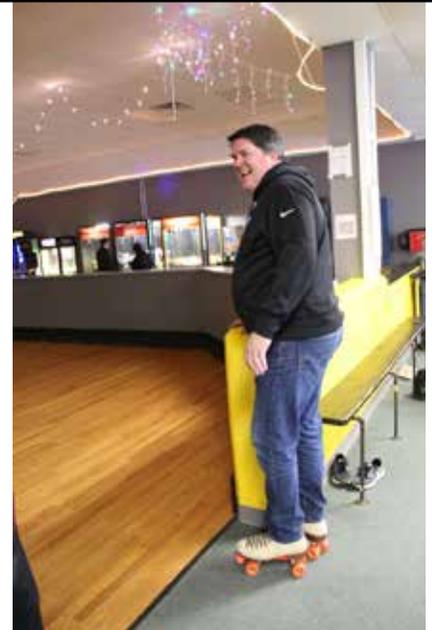
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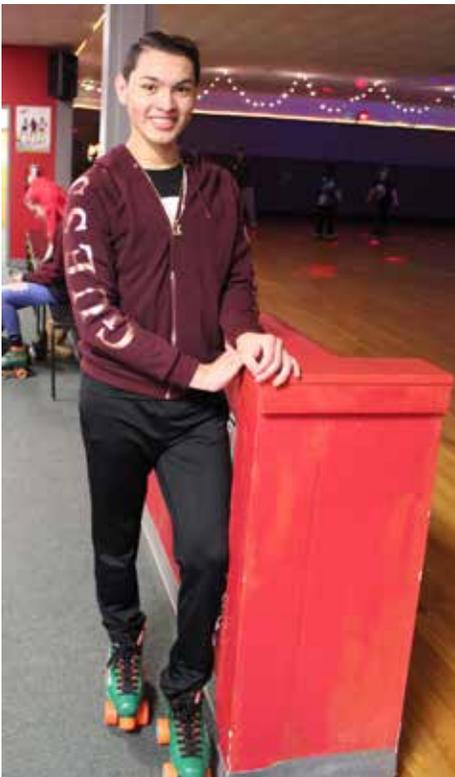
Skating Fun

By: Jackson Barnett

On February 28, Mr. Clements took students on a level reward trip to the Liberty Roller Skate Center in Eldersburg. We got to skate for several hours and had pizza and refreshments. Some students played video games in an arcade, while

others zipped around the rink causing wipe outs, bruised ankles, and a whole lot of fun. There were even races between kids. I really encourage students to work hard to earn going on the trip next year.





Quarter 2 Honor Roll Breakfast

seemed to be extremely proud of their children. Good job Gateway/Crossroads students!

Editor's Note: This article was written prior to the closure of schools.

Straight A Honor Roll

Aidan Anderson
Declan Browning
Dani Tyler



Distinguished Honor Roll

Gloria Walker-Hoover
Irvin Castillo
Emily Novak



Standard Honor Roll

Kyle Claggett
Clayton Dell
Skylar Eckard
Megan Glass
Chase Hambric
Joanna Lippy
Cassidy Mellott
Crystal Mendez
Clarissa Perez Morales
Dustin Reece
Corday Reitter
Stephanie Ripper
Abigail Schaeffer
Lindsey Updike
Catherine Zaepfel



Crossroads Honor Roll

Roman Hindle
Salice Raver



Crossroads Straight A Honor Roll

Lauren Vickers
Thomas Riddle





Penny Carnival Hits the Jackpot

By: Abby Schaeffer

On March 6, 2020, Gateway hosted their annual Penny Carnival in an effort to raise more money for the Pennies for Patients fund-raiser. Pennies for Patients contributes to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, allowing them to provide care and help to young patients and their families.

Several classrooms hosted games for the carnival: Penny Toss and a Teamwork Game in Mrs. Ricketts' classroom, Bowling Pin Knockdown in Mr. Schilling's classroom, Ball Toss in Mr. Danaher's room, Toilet Paper Toss (if we only knew just how valuable that toilet paper was going to become!!!) in Ms. Carver's class, Paper Airplane

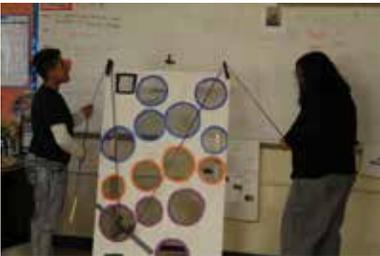
Toss in Mrs. Bosley's room, Fish-bowl Ping Pong Ball Toss in Mr. Herman's classroom, Capture the Cones Basketball Game by Mr. Brant, and Bimini Ring Toss with Mr. Smolko. Mr. Schilling's classes made some of the games while Ms. Murchie's classes helped to decorate some of them.

Mr. Danaher's Ball Toss game was a favorite because he put his face into the holes and allowed students to toss the balls directly at him. The Toilet Paper Toss game was also really enjoyable. The stu-

dents liked how challenging it was. In conclusion, the Penny Carnival was fun. There were interesting games and some of the games were very funny. There were a lot of good memories made and it was for a good cause.

Editor's Note: This article was written prior to the closure of schools and edited afterward.





SGA Elections of 2020

By: Cassidy Mellott

As the SGA elections were approaching, Gateway's students and staff waited eagerly to see and hear the campaign speeches of each candidate. For the year 2020, there were four lucky candidates who had the chance to run for the positions of SGA President or SGA Vice President. Aidan Anderson and Joanna Lippy ran for President, while Cat Zaepfel and Brice Campbell competed for Vice President. All four students were incredible candidates for the position of SGA President and Vice President. When discussing the candidates, staff and students were overheard sharing comments such as, "I enjoy their work on the morning announcements," or "I wouldn't mind either of the candidates." All four were described as cool, helpful to others, and well-mannered in class. Students eagerly rooted for their favorites leading up to the election on Mar. 5.

On Election Day, students and staff arrived in Mrs. Ricketts' room to cast their votes at one of the ballot booths. Students and staff waited eagerly for the results to be announced. Mrs. Ricketts shared the names of the winners at the end of the school day: Joanna Lippy became SGA President and Cat Zaepfel became SGA Vice President. A new semester calls for new decisions and new ideas, and everyone's hoping for fantastic outcomes for those filling the shoes of SGA President and SGA Vice President.

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Covid 19 Stories

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Same store, same day. Bread gone, but fresh fruits and vegetables in great supply. Apparently carbs are essential.



March 24, the BJ's in Westminster was resupplied. And then quickly emptied



Technology teachers were asked to donate 3D Printer filament to make masks. We also sent out any extra dust masks we had on hand.



Home offices are quite comfy...



...however, previous occupiers of said offices, are taking exception to being displaced.



We are working hard to keep some normalcy in our lives, even while we are getting a little dippy...

Covid 19 Stories

Staff are doing their best to keep up with the continuity of learning, even while we try to learn how to teach distantly.

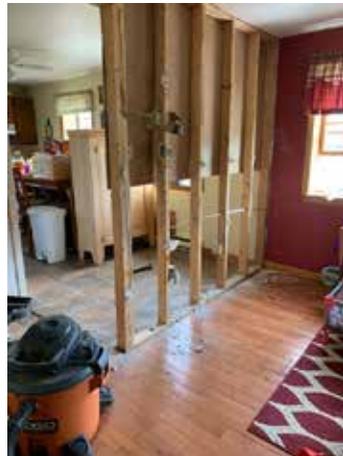
-We can't figure out why Mrs. Koontz is sideways....



Many staff are also working hard as daycare providers and elementary teachers for their own children. REFERRALS for all Y'ALL!



At Mrs. Bosley's house, stuck at home means making....modifications to the home. Yikes!



Mr. Schilling taking advantage of some extra time to build an insulated greenhouse at home.

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Why should I wash my hands?

By: Nurse Koutsoheras

Hand washing is the number one best way to prevent the spread of germs that cause illness and has been scientifically proven to reduce the number of illnesses one might experience. Hand washing is fast, super easy, and inexpensive to do. Anyone can and EVERYONE SHOULD WASH THEIR HANDS.

You might wonder why or how hand washing can be so helpful in preventing the spread of germs, and that is simple to explain. First, a bit about germs. Germs are everywhere, and they are so small that they are impossible for us to see (unless you are using a microscope). Germs come in bacterial, fungal, and viral varieties. Some are good for us (the bacteria in our guts—the ones used to make bread and yogurt), some are bad (the ones that make us sick), and they are readily transferred from surfaces, through the air, or from person to

person. Germs are hearty! They can survive from hours to days on all the surfaces we encounter, and germs are becoming resistant to cleaning chemicals, antibiotics, and extreme temperatures. Fortunately, proper hand washing with soap, water, and a good amount of friction is just what you need to remove the germs from your hands. You might wonder how this elementary skill can be so effective. Let me elucidate. The soap you use will suspend the dirt, oils and germs, the friction from rubbing and scrubbing your hands together helps get all the dirt and germs suspended into the soap, and the rinsing sends the whole microscopic mess down the drain. The whole process is done in under a minute.

The technique to proper hand washing is probably second nature to all of us, but just to be sure, the steps are as follows:

1. Turn on the water, any temperature will do, and wet your hands.

2. Soap em' up, any soap will do, and start rubbing vigorously for 20 seconds. Remember to get the backs of your hands, in-between your fingers, tips of fingers, thumbs, wrists, under your fingernails.

3. Rinse your hands with your fingertips pointing down, towards the sink drain.

4. Use a paper towel to dry your hands from wrist to fingertips.

5. Use paper towel to turn off the faucet

Easy-peasy-lemon-squeezy!

Wash your hands frequently throughout the day. Some good times to lather up would be before eating, after eating, after using the bathroom, when you get home, after coughing or sneezing, before you prepare food, when your hands are visibly soiled or feel dirty, or maybe now. Have you washed your hands today?

Rumbaugh

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be is with her family at home; however, she would love to go to Rwanda to see her oldest daughter who lives there. Mrs. Rumbaugh is truly an amazing addition to the staff at Gateway and hopefully, for all our sakes, she stays for a while.

Editor's Note: This article was written prior to the closure of schools. It is noteworthy that Mrs. Rumbaugh has gone as far as to share a Honey Bun poem on Facebook while schools have been closed. Here it is:

Twinkle Twinkle Gateway Crew

There's no honey buns for you

They're at school and we are not

We'll have to wait 4 weeks (or not)

Twinkle Twinkle Gateway Crew

The teachers really do miss you...

Belly Breathing: Breathing Exercises for Relaxation

*Excerpt from the CCPS Wellness Newsletter

Try this basic exercise anytime you need to relax or relieve stress!

- Step One: Sit or lie flat in a comfortable position.
- Step Two: Put one hand on your belly just below your ribs and the other hand on your chest.
- Step Three: Take a deep breath in through your nose, and let your belly push your hand out. Your chest should not move.
- Step Four: Breathe out through pursed lips as if you were whistling. Feel the hand on your belly go in, and use it to push all the air out.
- Step Five: Do this breathing 3 to 10 times.

Notice how you feel at the end of the exercise.