

Eagle Eye

...Through the Eye of an Eagle

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Leading the Way to Christmas Cheer

By: Alexia Bemo & Felicity Hammer

The Warner High School and Junior High Leadership Team, along with several other school organizations, have been hard at work during this holiday season to share Christmas cheer with the school and Warner community. The WHS Leadership Team went out to buy toys and clothes for deserving students in our community on Wednesday, December 1st. Mrs. Durrett gathers each student's shoe, pant, and shirt sizes and meets with the team to purchase the items. The purpose of the clothing drive, as Mr. Hummingbird says, is to "spread the love of the season and Christmas joy." The event goes on for all ages of students.

On Tuesday, December 7th, the leadership students hosted a dinner night out for students and their families at Soda Steve's. Wednesday, December 15th, they had a similar family dinner night at Hamlin's followed by a tour of the Garden of Lights. "The events allow families to have a stress-free evening out together and join in the Christmas spirit," Mrs. Durrett says. "Students learn a lot by participating

in these events - the most important being the gift of service to others and giving." $\,$

In addition to these fun activities, the leadership teams; other school organizations; administration; and teachers hosted the annual Christmas Extravaganza on December 8th. People of all ages enjoyed the many booths and games all for free. Karlee Hart, a senior at WHS, said her favorite part of the event was "working on the bounce toys because the kids were having so much fun playing on it." Along with bounce toys, the event also had many booths provided by the community. Mr. Jackson, the junior high principal, shared, "I believe the turnout was excellent. It was quite possibly the most people we have had at our stadium in many years. The line of cars and parking was surreal. We will have a drone next year to take some aerial photos." The night was a total success, leaving students, teachers, and parents looking forward to next year's extravaganza.

Eagle Wrestlers See Results

By: Julian Hensley

Warner wrestling had a match recently in Checotah and did exceptionally well and won the meet. They last met a few weeks ago, and the Warner Eagles won the match by a big margin. Coach Scott Mayfield and Coach Tyson Hume have been pushing the kids hard to do their best, and they're seeing good results. Freshman wrestler, Cole Mayfield, is a big part of the team and has shown great success over the years. Mayfield has been wrestling since he was around three years old, so he has a lot of experience in

the sport. Mayfield is a hard worker, and when he was asked about how he has prepared for the meets, he replied, "I have worked hard in practice to get better and done everything I can do to learn new things and be coachable." Mayfield was runner-up at state last year in junior high, and he is planning to win it this year. When asked what his goals for the year were, he said, "I want to go undefeated on the year and win state as a freshman." The Warner Eagles are looking good going into the year as Mayfield is joined with returning juniors, Tori French and Xander Torix, who both did well last year in state and hope to win also. The Eagles will try their best this year to win it all.

Academic Dates & Deadlines

School will resume from Christmas Break on January 3rd.

Congratulations to the following WHS football players for their amazing accomplishments!

Co-Offensive Player of the Year: Jace Jackson

Co-Defensive Player of the Year: Carson Parks

Back of the Year: Mason Jim

Defensive Back of the Year: Callen Park

Newcomer of the Year: Preston Cannon

All District
OL Ty Vinson

OL Ty Vilison
OL Braxton
Williams
DB Austin Baker
DB Jeremiah
Pearson

DE Hunter Girty

Honorable
Mention
OL Austin
Spradlin
LB Wayne Gleese
DB Julian Hensley
NG Rowdy Girty
TE Lubbock
Drake
Ath Larry Menie



FFA Delivers Food Cherokee Nation Art to Families Contest

By: Skyler Moore

The Warner Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter is providing food for families around our community during this holiday season. FFA sentinel and sophomore, Katelyn Moore, answered some questions about their community service effort.

Q. How will the families get their food?

A. We will deliver or the families can pick the food up.

Q. Is there a certain day that the families get their food?

A. No, there is not a certain day that they have to come get food.

Q. Do the families have to pay for the food? A. No, they do not have to pay for the food. By: Maysun Cook & Jorja Campbell

Warner students recently competed in the annual Cherokee Nation art contest. This contest encourages indigenous students to research and make art about their culture. Cherokee Nation and Choctaw Creek Nation provides money prizes for the top art students in multiple categories. Some of the categories include pencil, charcoal, acrylic, marker, crayon and mixed media. Those students can win up to one hundred dollars. The contest includes elementary, middle school, and high school students. Over eighty students are in the program this year. The Johnson O'Malley (JOM) program is helping to fund the show. This program is designed to aid Native American students with their education. This includes providing supplies to JOM students each school year. Final results of the contest are still pending. Stay tuned for the results of this contest!

Caroling the Night

Away

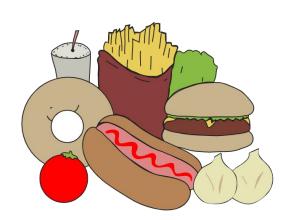
By: Maysun Cook & Jorja Campbell

The Warner Eagles choir sang at the Christmas Extravaganza on December 8th. The first song that was sung was "Carol of the Bells," which has been a tradition for over five years now, and they ended on "Last Christmas." Mrs. Beck, the art and choir teacher at Warner High School, stated, "I am very grateful for all of the support that I've come across these past couple of years." Mrs. Beck and the choir will continue to be busy with more events in the near future. On the morning of December 17th, the elementary students came through the high school cafeteria for hot chocolate and cookies while entertained by the choir singing Wizard of Oz songs. The choir will be performing some of these songs during their play next semester. Some members of the choir will be dressed as Wizard of Oz characters. While singing "Follow the Yellow Brick Road," these students will lead the elementary students around the school.

An Edible Race

By: Tyler Comer

The Culinary Arts class, taught by Mrs. Casinger, made food trucks and had a competition to see which was the most popular design.. The trucks were created using cardboard and then covered with paper and other decor. Their goals were to learn to cooperate with each other and to learn about entrepreneurship. They had to design the truck, make a logo, and create a menu of what they would sell. When asked how well she thinks they did, Mrs. Casinger said, "Overall, I think every team gave their best effort."



5 Days of Christmas

By: Felicity Hammer

Warner High School seniors sold raffle tickets for five different prizes to raise money for their end of the year senior trip. The drawings began on December 13th with a drawing each day for five days. The raffle tickets were \$5 for one and \$20 for five; one ticket entered you into all five drawings.

The prizes were an Echo Show, Blink Mini, Ancestry DNA activation kit, nonstick 12 piece cookware set, and a Fire 7 tablet.

Christmas Choir Concert

By: Maysun Cook

The Warner High School choir recently performed their Christmas concert. This concert was held on December 8th at the Christmas Extravaganza.

The Christmas Extravaganza included multiple organizations with booths containing games, snacks, and hot chocolate at the WHS football field. Students of all ages gathered to have a fun time. Mrs.Beck and the choir students sang a variety of Christmas carols to the people that came.



By: Coy Choate

Mrs. Veronica is a member of our cafeteria staff at Warner High School and Junior High.

Q: How do you choose what ends up in the menu? A: "It's usually based on what we think students would enjoy."

Q:When do you have to start cooking to have everything for lunch?

A: "By around nine in the morning."

Q: What could a student do to help out around the cafeteria?

A: "They can pick up after themselves and others."

Ms. Twyla is a member of our cafeteria staff at Warner High School and Junior High.

Q: How do you choose what ends up in the menu?
A:" It is usually what our boss chooses, but we get to decide, based on what we think you'd like."
Q:When do you have to start cooking to have everything for lunch?

A: "Usually by nine, but it depends on what we're having that day."

Q: What could a student do to help out around the cafeteria?

A: "Just picking up after themselves, and being courteous."

Christmas Traditions By: Felicity Hammer & Skyler Moore

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Over this holiday season many will be enjoying time with their friends/family and stuffing their faces with food. The Christmas and New Year's holidays are filled with traditions and hold special meaning for many. Ms. Kay, the WJH and WHS librarian, shared what Christmas means to her, "Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus."

Mrs. Vinson, a WHS math teacher, also shared, "I believe that Christmas is the celebration of Jesus' birth. We celebrate that now by giving to others. It is so much fun to buy or make a gift for someone that makes their eyes light up and a smile comes over their face when they see it." She continued, "On Christmas Eve we watch It's a Wonderful Life. On Christmas morning, we gather with family and open gifts. On New Year's Eve, we play cards and watch the countdown on TV while we eat snacks." Mrs. Vinson also shared why she is especially looking forward to this Christmas, "This is going to be a very special Christmas because we get to have my precious new grandbaby, Sawyer, to celebrate with." Delicious food is another fun part of the holiday season. Mrs. Kay said, "My favorite holiday food is turkey and dressing." Mrs. Vinson said, "I love my mom's homemade stuffing, and Mr. Vinson's sweet potatoes and all the desserts."

Junior High Athletes Hard at Work

By: Scarlett Gates

This year our Warner Junior High athletes have done very well in athletics. With only eight games left, the Warner Eagles basketball teams are hoping to finish strong this season. They have eight games left of the 2021-2022 season with four being home games and four being travel games.

Mrs. Jackson, the assistant coach of the girl's basketball team, says, "We are working each day to be able to handle pressure defense better. We also are working to improve our passing and shooting." They are looking forward to some success in the coming games and hope to do well for the rest of the season.

However, basketball is not the only active sport right now; the wrestling team has started their season as well. Most recently, they participated in a duel in Checotah.

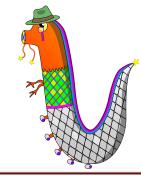
The middle school athletes work hard so that when they compete they can make their school proud. Most teams practice early in the mornings before school even starts. In addition, many come in during breaks to practice and stay in shape or are in a weightlifting class where they focus on getting stronger and faster. We should all be very proud of our hardworking Warner Junior High athletes.

Be sure to check their schedules for upcoming games/meets and support our WJH athletes!

Growing with Snazzy

by: Keira willtu

Snazzy has a new favorite hobby: reading. Ms. Kay, the junior high and high school librarian, and Snazzy have been talking, and she has taught Snazzy a lot about books in general. Snazzy asked Ms. Kay, "Why did you want to be a librarian?" She said, "I thought it would be a good fit." She continued, "I love books and seeing kids learning about books." There are way too many books for Snazzy to choose from, so why not ask an expert. Ms. Kay thought Snazzy would like the *Red Queen* series. Snazzy told Ms. Kay, "I am over the moon to start the series.. Last, but not least, Snazzy wanted to know what her favorite book was. Ms. Kay said, "The Thorn Birds."



Quote of the Week By: Ashtin Shrum

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"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose." - Dr. Seuss

Mrs. Hummingbird, the Warner Elementary librarian, provided her favorite quote for this week's edition of the newspaper, "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose." - Dr. Seuss.'" Avid reader and student at WHS, Brandon Bailey, was asked for his interpretation of the chosen quote, "My interpretation of the quote is you have the tools at your disposal to do whatever you want, no matter what." His interpretation of the quote was spot on with what others were saying. While certain quotes can have a plethora of interpretations, sometimes there can also be

simple explanations to a quote that everyone

understands and agrees on.

Extracurricular Activities

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Wrestling

2021-2022 HS Girls Wrestling

<u>Schedule</u>

Xander Torix and
Cole Mayfield
placed at the
Bristow
Wrestling
Tournament this

past weekend.

Xander placed

3rd, and Cole placed 5th.

Congratulations!



Student's Choice

What did you think about your lunch choice? Thank you to Ms. Twyla and Mrs. Veronica for an amazing baked potato lunch.

Stay tuned for more "Student's Choice" polls in future issues of the Eagle Eye.

Woodworking Army

By: Miranda Rawson

The Woodshop class is a class where students can make wooden objects for various uses. They make tables, chairs, shelves, desks, and more. Paisley Webster, a student in the Woodshop class said, "When I am in woodshop, I mainly make little shelves and boxes because they are my go to. Recently, I have enjoyed making little toys for my nephew and brother which are for Christmas." The students in Woodshop seem to enjoy carpeting, wood burning, cutting wood, and making objects out of the wood. The tools they use in Woodshop are chisels, miter saws, nails, hammers, doweling jigs, table saw, tape measure, screwdriver, and utility knife. These tools help the woodshop class make simple objects and more complicated ones as well. Woodshop helps to teach students a life skill that will benefit them throughout their entire lives.



By: Coy Choate

Coach Hume is the teacher for the Video Production Team.

Q: What does a student do in the Video Production Team?

A: "They practice camera angles, as well as using adobe premiere pro, our editing software. They also work on learning how to operate the camera, but I make sure to leave space for creativity."

Q: What is the overall purpose of the Video

Production team?

A: "It is to help market the school and show people

inside and outside of the community what Warner is like."

Alex Wren is a senior and a member of the

Video Production Team.

Q: What do you do in Video Production?

A: "In video production we make videos and take pictures for the jumbotron. Sometimes in video production, we make personal project videos in which we come up with our own video ideas."

Q: Would you say you have enjoyed being in the

video production team?

A: "I love being in video production. It has been a great way for me to hone my computer and editing skills, and Coach Hume is great at teaching you how to use the software more efficiently and effectively."

Rockin' Christmas Music

By: Trinity Toon

The Warner Christmas band concert is one of the most popular events of the school year. This is because of the Christmas spirit involved and the Warner students playing musical instruments for the town to hear. The songs that were played at the event included "Holy, Holy, Holy;" "Angels We Have Heard on High;" "First Rockin' Christmas;" "Rockin' Drummer Boy;" "Feast of Stephen;" "Carol of the Bells;" "Rockin' Nutcracker;" "Bell Carol Rock;" " Adeste Fidelis;" and "Feliz Navidad." These are great songs! Madison, a seventh grade band member, said that Carol of the Bells is her favorite song to play. Students in band in 4th grade, 5th grade, junior high, and high school all participated in the concert. These students prepared for this event by practicing everyday and going through the routine of what they would do at the event. It was a fun night of beautiful music!



Taking it to the Hoop

By: Julian Hensley & Gaige Maher

The Warner Eagle boys' basketball team is ready to make a turn around this year. Last year they had a losing record, and they plan to have a winning one this year. The season is in full swing with the team recently playing Preston and Central Sallisaw.

The Eagles have a new head coach, Coach Porter. They have returning guard, Hayden McElyea, who was injured for two years but is leading the team for his senior year. When asked what he brings to the team, McElyea replied, "I bring leadership, hard work, & experience to the team." Hayden and the rest of the team have been working hard to prepare for the upcoming games. McElyea is currently averaging 11 points per game and is the second highest scorer.

The Lady Eagles are also doing good and sitting at a comfortable 2-0. They beat Preston and Central by a good margin. Returning guards, Alexis Fowler and Harlie Chesser, are leading the team in points and continue to get better. The Eagles plan to continue to win and have a great season.

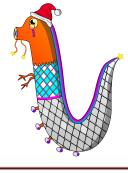
Both teams competed at the Preston Tournament. After three games from each of the Warner Basketball teams, the Preston Tournament concluded with the Lady Eagles coming in second place. After a close game where both the Warner and Kiefer girls exchanged the lead several times, the Kiefer girls came out on top with a final score of 58 to 46. The Kiefer girls did not take off with the game until the last minutes of the fourth quarter. The Lady Eagles had won against Summit Christian, absolutely bullying them, with a score of 58-22, and then they also beat Preston with a score of 46-40. Congratulate any of our Lady Eagles on their second place finish in the Preston Tournament. The boys finished seventh. They had a very convincing win against Summit Christian, doubling their score with a final score of 60-30. Make sure to attend the next home basketball and support your

<u>Warner Eagles.</u>

Growing with Snazzy

by: Keira willtie

Mrs. Beck (our art and choir teacher) has been spending a lot of time decorating the school for Christmas. Snazzy wants to know more about this holiday, so naturally Mrs. Beck was the one to ask for more information. Snazzy was told that many different holidays take place this time of year such as Hanukkah and Yule to name a couple. Snazzy asked Mrs. Beck, "What is your favorite part of this time of year?" She responded, "Giving." This showed Snazzy that Christmas is the time of giving. Mrs. Beck told Snazzy that she spends Christmas watching White Christmas with her sister and family and encouraged Snazzy to watch it too. Snazzy can't wait to get into the holiday spirit and buy gifts for all his new friends. Happy holidays everyone!



Quote of the Week

By: Ashtin Shrum

"The goal in life is not to live forever, but to make something that will." -Jarad Higgins

Brandon Bailey, a student at WHS, hopes to have around one thousand AR points at the end of the school year. When Brandon was asked for his favorite quote, he responded, "The goal in life is not to live forever, but to make something that will" - Jarad Higgins." He was questioned on why he chose this particular quote and he replied, "I like this quote because it gives me hope that the future will not be about money but instead, a future that helps all. Everyone has the ability to leave behind a legacy, but it's up to you if you have the courage." Mason Jim, a senior at WHS, was asked his thoughts on the quote, he answered, "What you accomplish in the world

will be what you're remembered for."

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Thank you to our students, teachers, and administration for a great semester. Thank you to the community for your support.

Semester tests are over, and Warner students are brimming with excitement for Christmas break. The Eagle Eye hopes everyone enjoys their break and stays safe. We'll see you next year! 2022 here we come!

