

PANTHER PAWS

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Climax-Scotts Jr./Sr. High School

Climax, Michigan 49034

Winterfest!

The underclassmen representatives for Winterfest 2023 were Amy Lynn and Ryan Pejakovich (Freshmen), Nora Lynn and Cole Curtis (Sophomores), and Lauryn Meyer and Feron Piper (Juniors). The Senior candidates for Queen were Morgan Brown, Addison Godbee, Chloe Harrington, Reagan Howell, and Sarah Howell. The Senior candidates for King were Brandon Banig, Rudolfo (Rudy) Espino-Sotelo, Omar Toribio Garcia, Brenten Hendricks, and Brandon Reed.



On the left: A big congratulations to our winning King and Queen candidates, Brandon Reed and Morgan Brown!

On the right: The senior class had the winning banner for Winterfest! The theme was video games and the seniors chose Donkey Kong.



Carol Vick Memorial Game

This year was the 6th annual Carol Vick Memorial Game, and it was (as always) a huge success! We can't thank everyone enough for the amount of support showed. All proceeds raised from the event went to our guests of honor (2016 CS Grad Alyssa Gibson and Mrs. Deena Patterson, wife, mother, and grandmother to friends and students within our community) and their families to aid them in paying for their medical bills. Proceeds also go towards the Yerby Vick Perseverance Scholarship which is awarded to one senior student from both Climax-Scotts and Colon.



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Black History Month



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CS celebrated Black History Month by putting up various displays of books written by/about Black authors and influencers on African American History. The displays pictured were created by Mrs. Carrie Maxa and Ms. Heather Wechsler in the high school library. Sophomore Demarion Taylor (not pictured) has been a leader at CS in advocating for Black History Month and spreading awareness for diversity and recognition.

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Demarion wanted to draw attention to the African American Flag and the symbolism of its colors: black is for people, red for ancestral blood, and green is for land. Demarion shared that his favorite inspirational leader was Duke Ellington. When asked what Black History Month meant to him, he said, "it's a way for people to learn about Black History and inspiring leaders and his ancestors."



Making History: What Our Wrestlers Said About the State Tournament

Sam Bleeker: What was it like for you to wrestle in team states for your team?
“Nervous and anxious off the floor getting ready. When I got on the floor everything seemed to go away and focus on myself and the opponent.”

Jackson Bagwell: What was it like for you to wrestle in team states for your team and how do you feel about going into states? “It was an amazing experience. I had fun with my team.” Jackson also expressed that he was really excited going to Individual State especially after how they did in Team States. He was very excited to wrestle and he says it's going to be great.

Logan Gilbert: What was it like for you to wrestle in team states for your team and how do you feel about going into states? “It was amazing being able to wrestle in that environment and our fans definitely brought some energy and that made it even better.” About Individual States: he said “ It just feels like another tournament to me honestly. I try not to put too much pressure on myself because if I do then I won't wrestle the best I can.”



Above: Kristian Heighton celebrates his pin in the Team State Semifinals against New Lothrop. (Photo credit: Brenda Baker)



Important Information

Upcoming Bond Proposal



Climax-Scotts Community Schools
Putting Kids First

*Upcoming Community Informational
Meetings*

-May 2nd Bond Proposal-

*March 9th, 6:00pm at C-S Jr. &
Sr. High School Board Room*

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