



Science Olympiad Winners

Last February, back in the days when we could still compete in person, our middle school students participated in a regional tournament of the North Carolina Science Olympiad at UNC-Greensboro. The competition was very stiff, and our MCA team scored 9th overall which is excellent in light of the competitors. Medal winners include **Cheyenne Rogers** and **Palak Patel**-6th place, Anatomy and Physiology; **Cheyenne Rogers** and **Kaylee Wagoner**-5th place, Disease Detectives; **Natalie Cockerham** and **Kaylee Wagoner**-6th place, Food Science; and **Dallas Ashburn**-4th place, Fossils.



Meet the 2020 NC Science Olympiad Team! Back row, left to right: **Isabella Allen, Cheyenne Rogers, Aryan Hira, Kaylee Wagoner, Addisen Key**
Middle row: **Alyssa Mitchum, Ava Thomason, Isaac Shipley, Natalie Cockerham;**
Front row: **Dallas Ashburn, Karlee Bryant, Story Sanders, Maddie Carswell, Palak Patel**

Fifth Grade DARE Program

Our fifth graders were one class shy of completing DARE before school closed on March 13. Every student received a special DARE t-shirt, but students were not able to participate in a DARE graduation. They did, however, work this past week to write essays about what they learned and how they will use it in the future. The majority of the essays were very good, and we are very proud of our kids and grateful to **Officer Gerald Daniel** of the Mount Airy Police Department for instructing the class.



Miles Weatherman is masked and gloved as he gives the gift of life.

Blood Drive is Huge Success!

The American Red Cross collected 35 pints of blood at the recent drive sponsored by the MCA high school Service Council. We appreciate all who came to give! Over the course of this school year, MCA drives have collected a total of 78 pints, and as a result, the Red Cross awarded a \$500 scholarship for a deserving MCA student. The scholarship was awarded to senior **Miles Weatherman**, who has been involved in the Service Council for his entire high school career at MCA, and has always helped with our blood drives. Many thanks to 2nd grade parent **Stephanie Allen**, who had the idea for the spring blood drive, which was held in memory of her son Robert, who passed away as a small child. The high school Service Council is sponsored by **Mrs. Christie Speer**.

THE LION'S ROAR
MILLENNIUM CHARTER ACADEMY EVENTS WORTH ROARING ABOUT

April 2020

Published by the
MCA Office of
Development



Johnson's Xtreme Softwash Cleans Playgrounds for Free

Gene Johnson, of Johnson's Xtreme Softwash has been cleaning park and school playgrounds as a give-back to our community. He graciously cleaned both of MCA's playgrounds, along with the shady end of our building which is prone to moss growth. The Lion's Roar salutes Mr. Johnson for his kind gift to our school!



National History Day Winners

National History Day is an international, non-profit organization based in College Park, MD, that oversees an annual project-based contest for students in grades 6-12. This year, our 8th graders participated in the contest, which was held virtually. As a result of the contest switching to a virtual mode, several students had to re-make their projects, while others spent considerable time revamping and improving to meet the new format.

Group Exhibition

3rd Place - **Kaylee Lawson & Isabel Wishart**
for *1967 Summer of Love: Love, Haight, & Hippies*

Individual Documentary

2nd Place - **Cora Branch** for *The Reign of Hatshepsut*

Individual Exhibit

1st Place - **Nate Parrish**

for *Going Nuclear: How Ishiro Honda's Gojira Shaped our View of Atomic Warfare*

2nd Place - **Rosbel Vargas** for *We the Legal Immigrants*

3rd Place - **Stella Blue Nester** for *Scientology on the Horizon*

Individual Website

2nd Place - **Natalie Cockerham** for *Into the Night*

3rd Place - **Joseph Redden**

for *The Chernobyl Disaster*

Not pictured:
Kaylee Lawson,
Joseph Redden



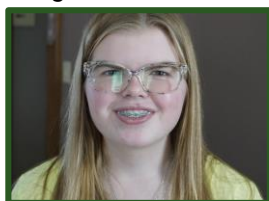
Isabel Wishart



Natalie Cockerham



Stella Blue Nester



Cora Branch



Rosbel Vargas



Nate Parrish