

# Lions' Roar

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# Local news

## Spring play

The fall play is going to be comedy called THE GROOM SAID NO! By Ruth and Nathan Hale. It's about a guy named Steve Cameron, a Marine who comes back after an accident while he was in the hospital he fell in love with his nurse, but meanwhile his girlfriend wants to get married and has planned their wedding for next week. So Steve makes up a story about how he had a relapse and needs his old nurse to come take care of him... To find out the rest you will have to come watch the play. Dawson said, "the reason you should come watch the play is because it is hilarious, would be a great night of entertainment and will help the drama department." The play will be on March 9th and 10th at 7:30. The second annual dessert auction will be held with lots of tasty desserts! Everyone should come! Practice began on January 19.

The cast includes Mrs. Cameron: Mother, forty-three or thereabouts. Her hair is dark gray. Mrs. Cameron rules her household because it has always been easier to give her, her way than to check her tears. Will be played by Sierra Hall.

Patty Cameron: Daughter, age fourteen. Only member of the family with sufficient backbone to put up a good scrap. This character will be played by Rita Windle.

Steve Cameron: Son, age twenty-three. Very recently returned marine. Brave in battle but pretty much a loss at how to handle his family. Played by Trent Navarro.

Virgie Cameron: Daughter, age sixteen. Definitely anybody's pushover until her idol, Clara, goes down in defeat. In the last scene, she finally shows some spunk. Played by Alexandria Becker

Mr. Cameron: Father, age forty-five. Moderately easy going, keen sense of humor. Played by Matt Brownlee.

Mrs. Sorenson: Fifty, fat and forceful. Always in everyone's business. Played by Gabby Albers.

Willie Williams: Age nineteen. Virgie's boyfriend. Loves two things- food and Virgie. Played by Andrew Long.

Mary Alice Smith: The girl next door. Played by Whitney Fulgum

Clara Curtis: Age twenty. The girl Steve left behind. Pretty, but slightly hippy. The aggressive type who has definitely made up her mind to marry- and now! Played by Kirby Shaffer.

LT. Shirley Anderson: Age twenty-three. Attractive navy nurse. Steve's present heart throb.

Ed Smith: Age twenty-three and every inch an athlete, with definite ideas which he expresses loudly if not grammatically. Played by Jacob Warren.

By: Kirby Shaffer





# Middle School Basketball

## 7th Grade Boys

The seventh grade boys have worked very hard this season and have taken home five wins. They had their first win against Belle Plain beating them 51-29. The next game was against Chaparral beating them 40-35. Next they beat Belle Plain again with a score of 46-23. The next game they beat Cheney with a score of 60-50. The last win they have had so far is against Wichita Independent with a score of 51-28.

The seventh grade boys have lost to Douglass on both encounters. Cheney beat them the first time they played each other as well as Wichita Independent. Garden Plain has beat them both times playing them. The last unfortunate loss was against Conway Springs.

Great job 7th grade boys and may you continue your winning into next year's season!

## 8th Grade Boys

The eighth grade boys struggled a little bit more this season and only had one win, which was against Belle Plaine, beating them 37-32.

The next time they played Belle Plaine they had an unfortunate loss. Their other losses were against Conway Springs both times they played each other. Douglass also beat them on both encounters. They lost to Chaparral, Garden Plain, Belle Plaine once, and Wichita Independent twice.

Nice try boys, and way to stay in the game! May your freshmen year be all you imagine! Good luck!



Basketball boys pose for their school picture.

## 7th Grade Girls

The seventh grade girls had a very complicated season. They worked very hard but only managed to win four games, beating Chaparral 18-16, beating Belle Plaine three times with scores of 13-11, 18-16, and 33-27. Way to win girls!

The seventh grade girls played very hard but had unfortunate losses to Chaparral, Douglass, Wichita Independent, Belle Plaine, Conway Springs, Cheney, and Garden Plain.

The girls had a tough season but stuck together. You got it next year, girls!

## 8th Grade Girls

The eighth grade girls had a very slow going season, not winning any games but stayed as one team and kept their heads in the game.

The eighth grade girls lost against Belle Plaine, Douglass, Chaparral, Garden Plain, Wichita Independent, Cheney and Conway Springs.

Keep your heads in it, girls! Your freshmen year will be great! Stay strong and play as a team!



Basketball girls at Wichita Trinity game!

By: Charity Young

Do you think Valentines day should be a holiday?

# Opinion



Macee Genter

“Sure, you get to go on dates & be romantic & have an excuse to do so.”



Marjorie Willhite

“No, because I think it’s just another reason to have couples make out & noone needs to see that.”



Ian Hughes

“Yes, there is no reason it shouldn’t be.”



Casey Lewis

“I could care less.”



Lindzey Batta

“No, because it’s just an excuse for hopeless romantics.”



Hannah Emmons

“Yes, because I don’t know.”



Ms. Crumrine

“No, it’s a commercialized holiday & you should spread the love everyday.”

## Should Valentines Day be a holiday?

### Yes, it should!

I believe that Valentines Day should be a holiday. The reason I believe that it should be is because it gives everyone one day of the year to be silly and really go out of their way to show love for their significant other. Everyone says that everybody should show love on a daily basis, which I fully agree with that as well, but you don’t see everyone buying their sweetheart flowers everyday. That would be great, you know, spreading the love, but it just doesn’t happen. So I think that Valentines day is a great holiday to celebrate. It gives people the chance to sit back and admire the one they are with and really understand each other and realize they made the right choice in the one they spend their time with.

By: Charity Young

### No, it shouldn’t!

No it shouldn’t be a holiday because it’s pointless. It’s pointless because it’s just an excuse for candy and flower companies to make more money. It’s commercialized way too much when there is not even a reason to celebrate it. You shouldn’t just show your love to someone for just one day. You should show it everyday. Valentines Day in my opinion is not important because you’re not even really celebrating anything; all you’re doing is buying chocolates or flowers for someone, that’s it. People spend fortunes on valentines day for no reason.

There are more important holidays like Martin Luther King Jr. Day and President’s Day, because those holidays celebrate people that have actually changed the world and have made a difference in our country. Valentines day hasn’t even done anything for our country, so why celebrate it? So therefore that is the reason that valentines day should not be a holiday.

By: Cesley Coggins

# Entertainment

## The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones

Cassandra Clare

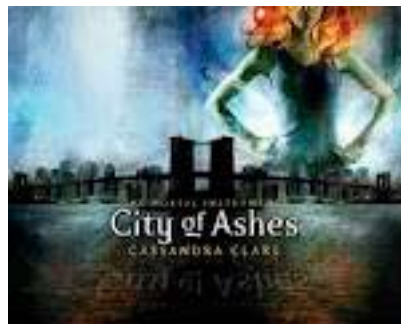
“When fifteen-year-old Clary Fray heads out to the Pandemonium Clan in New York City, she hardly expects to witness a murder--- much less a murder committed by three teenagers covered with strange tattoos and brandishing bizarre weapons. Clary knows she should call the police, but it’s hard to explain the murder when the body disappears into thin air and the murders are invisible to everyone but Clary.

Equally startled by her ability to see them, the murderers explain themselves as Shadowhunters: a secret tribe of warriors dedicated to ridding the earth of demons. Within twenty-four hours, Clary’s mother disappears and Clary herself is almost killed by a grotesque demon. But why would demons be interested in ordinary mundanes like Clary and her mother? And how did Clary suddenly get the sight? The Shadowhunters would like to know. . . .”

“Funny, dark, and sexy. One of my favorite books.”-Holly Black

I love this book. It is a perfect combination of mystery, action and there is some romance. You will not see the end coming. You will not be able to stop reading. The next book after this is called The City of Ashes. Right now there are four books and the fifth is coming out in May.

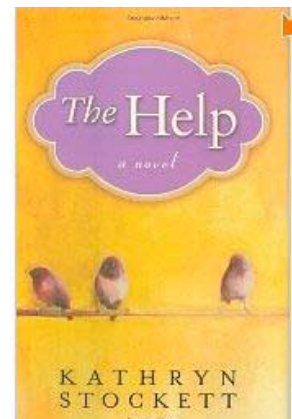
By: Natalie Booth




## The Help: Based on the sensational best seller

The Help stars Emma Stone as Skeeter, Viola Davis as Aibileen, Octavia Spencer as Minny, Bryce Howard as Hilly, and Jessica Chastain as Celia. During the 1960s, Skeeter, Aibileen and Minny build a friendship around a secret writing project that breaks the society’s rules and puts them all at risk. From the alliance they formed a remarkable sisterhood emerges, which helps them all gain the courage that define themselves. They also realize that sometimes lines need to be crossed, even if it means bringing everyone in town face-to-face with the things they don’t want to hear or see.

Written by: Mary Davis & Mariah Bing



Mystery Student	Mystery Staff
<p>Height: 5' 4.5"</p> <p>Favorite color: Black</p> <p>Favorite movie: <u>A walk to Remember</u></p> <p>Siblings: Four</p> <p>Favorite class: Math and lifetime fitness</p> <p>Favorite sports: Volleyball, basketball, and softball</p> <p>Eye color: Blue</p>	<p>Favorite sports team: Kansas City Royals</p> <p>Favorite color: Blue</p> <p>Favorite food: Rib-eye steak</p> <p>Favorite animal: Camel</p> <p>Favorite holiday: Easter</p> <p>Hobbies: Reading, learning new skills, and spending time with family</p>
Mystery Location	Last Week's Mysteries
	<p>Mystery staff answer:            Kerri Young, guessed by Matthew Womacks.</p> <p>Mystery student answer:            Adam Johnston, guessed by Jonelle Reinert.</p> <p>Mystery location answer:            Ms. Crumrine's billboard, guessed by Gabrielle Albers.</p>

