



Falco Tales

News from the eyes of students

May 2024 Issue

Interviewing Cora Sisco

By: Tahlia Nouis & Ella Walrath,
6th Grade

For this month's issue we interviewed Cora Sisco. For those of you who don't know, Cora is the founder of Falco Tales. We wanted to get her thoughts and feelings about how the newspaper is going this year so far. The first question we asked was why did she want to start the newspaper? She answered, "I always loved doing investigative reporting. Before I ran this, I ran a family newsletter at home. I was talking to a family friend once and they asked me if my school had a school newspaper, when I said I didn't, they suggested I started one." The second question was how do you think the newspaper is going so far this year, she responded "I think it's going good. I'm curious about the changes that are going to happen next year. The last question was, what has improved in the newspaper since last year in which she responded "having more help on the editors team so I don't have to do all the work myself." Thank you to Cora for taking time out of her day so we can interview her. Also thank you to Cora for making the newspaper possible.

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The Minnesota Twins Baseball Season Begins

By: Seth Monaghan and Betty Miller, 4th Grade

The baseball season is starting! Opening day was March 28th. The Minnesota baseball team is called the Minnesota Twins! Their mascot is a bear. They won the World Series three times. The last time they won was in 1991. They played against the Atlanta Braves and won. My dad says he remembers watching the 1991 World Series when he was 8 years old. The Twins made it into the World Series six times! The Minnesota Twins were founded in 1901.



The Boston Massacre

By: Tuulia Peterson, 4th Grade

The Boston Massacre happened on March 5, 1770 on King Street in Boston. It was the first bloody event of the American Revolutionary War. America declared its independence in 1776, but the Revolutionary War didn't end until the Treaty of Paris in 1783. It began when Edward Garrick, a barber's apprentice, called one of the British soldiers, Hugh White, a name so the soldier hit Edward with his rifle. Edward called for help and so did White. Soon 8 more soldiers and almost 400 colonists came to the scene. The colonists started throwing icy snowballs and calling them names until someone threw a piece of wood at a soldier and knocked him down. Soon, even though they had been ordered not to, the soldiers started firing at the colonists and killed 5 people and left 6 wounded. So even though they didn't start it, the blame for the deaths rests on the British soldiers.

The Declaration of Independence

By Edith Gardner & Paige Ellis, 4th Grade

The Declaration of Independence was written on June 11th, 1776. It was signed on July 4th, 1776. Five men were chosen to write the Declaration Of Independence. These men were John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman, Thomas Jefferson, and last but not least, Robert Livingston. Thomas Jefferson was the leader of the committee. He was also the main author. Thomas Jefferson separated the Declaration of Independence into four parts: the preamble, the declaration of natural rights, the list of grievances, and the resolution of independence.

So in conclusion, whether you wanted to learn about the Declaration of Independence or were just maybe (a little) bored and wanted to read something, we both sure enjoyed making this article! Have a good rest of your day/night!

Comic Strip Character Quiz

By: Victor Ingvaldstad, 4th Grade

Where Would You Rather Sit?

- A. Chair
- B. Doggy bed
- C. Floor
- D. Big rock outside
- E. Beanbag

What Is Your Biggest Fault Of These Options?

- A. You're lazy
- B. You drool during your sleep
- C. You're violent
- D. You're hyper
- E. You're grouchy

What Do You Do For Festivities?

- A. Throw a feast
- B. Sit in a corner and drool
- C. Pounce on your little brother
- D. Watch TV
- E. Sulk

Where Would You Rather Sit?

- A. 50-foot piece of cheesecake
- B. 50-foot piece of toilet paper
- C. 50-foot can-o-tuna
- D. 50-foot bug monster from the planet Zerg
- E. 50-foot security blanket

Which Combination Are You?

- A. Heavy/creative
- B. Skinny/dog lover
- C. Strong/fast
- D. Tiny/hyper
- E. Fussybudget/mature

Where Would You Want To Go?

- A. The refrigerator
- B. Nowhere
- C. Jungle
- D. Candyopolis
- E. Sulkland

Which Of These Are Your Favorite Color(s)?

- A. Orange/black
- B. Yellowish
- C. Orange/black/white
- D. Red
- E. Blue

Answers on last page

Osprey Wilds Fun!

By: Tristan Boyle, 5th Grade

On March 20, 5th grade went to Osprey Wilds. I interviewed some kids about the experience, and how they thought it was. First, I interviewed Isaiah Abbott. His favorite meal was the chili. He enjoyed that he could talk to his friends whenever he wants because he's on the bottom bunk. His favorite staff was Jenna. His favorite night program was MN wildlife. His favorite class was high ropes. Next, I interviewed a girl named Molly. Her favorite meal was the chicken sandwich. SHE enjoyed when she and her bunk played 2 truths and a lie. Her favorite staff member was Marin. Her favorite night program was constellation stories. Her favorite class was Survivor.



March Madness

By: Lachlan Murray & Zander Albrecht, 6th Grade

Hello, Falcon Heights. It's Zander and Lachlan. This article will be about the March Madness winners.

First, let's talk about women. The championship game was the Iowa Hawkeyes VS the South Carolina Gamecocks. The first half was fun to watch with the Hawkeyes getting an early lead by 10 but the Gamecocks weren't ready to give up yet. Catlin Clark led Iowa in points in the first half with 21 points, and Kamilla Cardoso led South Carolina with 11 points. The half ended with the Gamecocks leading 49 - 46. The second half was a blast. Catlin Clark led in points with 30 and Tessa Johnson followed her with 19 points. The Final whistle blew and South Carolina won 87 - 75, becoming the 7th team to have an undefeated season in college history.

Now let's talk about the Uconn Huskies VS the Purdue Boilermakers. This was another awesome game to watch. Zach Edey controlled the game with 37 points, nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ of Purdue's points and Braden Smith had 11 points other than that no one on Purdue had more than 5 points. Uconn's scoring leader was Tristen Newton with 20. Uconn came up victorious winning by 15 the score was 75 - 60. They are the first team since 2007 to win the tournament back - to - back.

Thanks for reading this article about March Madness. We hope you enjoyed reading it and we hope you all learned something about the championship games.



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Girls On The Run

Written by Audrey and Ellie

GOTR (Girls On The Run) is an after school program for girls grades 4-6, who like running and learning lessons about how to navigate relationships and learn how to help your community. It starts in April, and practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays every week. We have a snack, do our lesson, and then warm up and stretch. After that we run or walk laps around the neighborhood. In June there is a practice 5k around the school with some snacks and homemade medals to prepare for a big 5k (three miles) where GOTR from all of Minnesota come together somewhere (last year it was the State Fair) to run. At the end of the season we have a community project where we do something to help the community like making blankets for animal shelters, donating to homeless shelters, or anything that helps people in our community. There are two teams, one called The Goats, and one called The Rizzlers. GOTR is a very fun program! Thank you for reading. I hope you enjoyed our article.

5th Grade



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Q/A with 5th graders

Topic: How do you feel about going to 6th grade?

Q: What are you excited for in 6th grade?

A: To get iPads, new teachers, 6th vs Staff volleyball game. -Ivy

Being more mature and older-Terrin

Playing the Volleyball game, having new teachers, and having an Ipad- Freya

Mr. Hanson. -Oscar

Skiing trip. -Gavin and Viggo

Q: What are you nervous for in 6th grade?

A: Harder subjects, hall passes -Ivy

Meeting different teachers, oldest in school - Freya

Class being different- Terrin

New teachers -Oscar

Hard math-Viggo

Reading-Gavin

Q: What do you think about the transitions between classes?

A: I'm excited to try something new. -Ivy

I already have transitions so it's not going to be anything new. -Oscar

Happy-Viggo and Gavin

Q: Are you excited about getting an iPad?

A: Yes, I'm excited to be able to use something that just mine, and have more responsibility. -Ivy

Yes, I hate Chromebooks -Freya and Terrin

No, because I already have one. -Oscar

Yes, I hate Chromebooks -Gavin and Viggo

Q: Which subject are you most looking forward to?

A: Science -Ivy

Math-Freya and Terrin

Math-Oscar

Math-Gavin

Math-Viggo

Q: Which subject are you least looking forward to:

A: Math -Ivy

Math -Freya

Science- Terrin

Science-Oscar

Literacy-Viggo and Gavin

Forming Rocks

By: Hunter Ellis, 5th Grade

Rocks are formed over millions of years. They make up the earth's shape. There are three kinds of rocks. They are called igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. Igneous rocks were once molten liquid that got hard at the surface of the earth. The liquid rock is called lava. The others were formed by pressure, heat, or when small pieces get pressed together and buried. There are many types of rocks that fall into the categories. These types of rocks are formed with many different particles of minerals or gasses that get trapped. Did you know that coal is a type of sedimentary rock? Rock salt is a sedimentary rock too! They get formed in different ways but are still sedimentary because they started out as a small piece that got buried and compacted over a long time.



Molly Lemon Art

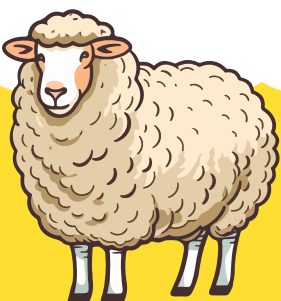
By: Mary Raverty, 5th Grade

A few months ago, my dad showed me a video by an artist named Molly Lemon. She was working on a wood engraving of sheep; it was very cute! I wanted to learn more about Molly and her art because it was a form of art I had not seen before.

Molly Lemon is a printmaker from the United Kingdom who specializes in wood engraving and prints. Wood engraving is a traditional form of art that was first created during the late 1700's. To make a wood engraving, you need soft wood (Molly uses English boxwood and lemonwood) and sharp metal tools. Then you carve on the wood; higher areas of wood will have ink on them and lower areas of wood will be lighter or no ink. When the engraving is done, you roll ink on to it and then place a piece of paper on top, and then press down on the paper - Molly uses a press for this part. It reminds me of a stamp. Molly has been making wood engravings for about 7 years. Molly also makes collages and reuses the scraps so she doesn't waste paper and materials.

Molly is inspired by the rural landscapes that are around her, by nature, and by her dog Winnie who travels with her when she travels to places to make art and when she is on vacation. I personally love her Winnie pictures. Every time Molly sells a piece of her art, she donates to an environmental charity. Right now, if you buy her art, she will donate to the North Wales Rivers Trust.

Molly Lemon posts videos on Instagram and YouTube of her collages, wood engravings, and her vacations with Winnie. You can find her by searching @mollylemonart.



Winnie at Mawddach 2024 (wood carving) by Molly Lemon



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Books!

By: Grant Penrod, 4th Grade

If you're in the library and you're looking for a good book but you don't know what it is, I can help! In this article I'll be telling you about some of my favorite books from picture books to chapter books.

My favorite book of all time is "The Smartest Kid in the Universe". Some other good books I love are "Daughter of the Deep" and "Diary of a Wimpy Kid".

If you're looking for a long series that takes a while to read I highly recommend "Keeper of the Lost Cities". Or "The Smartest Kid in the Universe". "The Smartest Kid in the Universe" only has three books.

If you're looking for good picture books I think you should stop by "Elephant and Piggie", "Creepy Carrots", and "Frog and Toad".

If you're in the mood for a graphic novel my highest recommendations would be "Dog Man", "The Baby Sitters Club" or "The Bad Guys".

My all time favorite picture book is "Elephant and Piggie". My all time favorite graphic novel is "The Bad Guys".

That's all for this month's article. Thanks for reading it!



Stormy Sky Collage 2024 by Molly Lemon



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Falco Tales is a collection of news articles written, organized, and published by the students of Falcon Heights Elementary School.

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If you are in grades 4th - 6th and would like to help on a future issue, please talk with Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Schroeder, or ask your teacher.

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6th Grade Wonders

By: Lillie Krey & Leona Murray,
4th Grade

Hello Falcon Heights!

Today we are going to tell you a little more about 6th grade. We asked some 6th graders some words to describe 6th grade. Here are some of the words I got back: crazy (in a good way), loud, happy, fun and exciting! Then I asked what Mrs. Wendlandt's class was reading. They responded to the book Jawbreaker. Mr. Hanson's class is reading Home of the Brave. We couldn't quite figure out Mrs. Freomming's class book.

In 6th grade, you might notice their classes are Hanson: Social Studies and Health. Wendlandt: Literacy. Froemming: Math. The 6th graders recently in February went skiing at Highland Hills. Lastly, some 6th graders said that their favorite part of 6th grade was hanging out with friends! Soon the 6th graders will be making their way to the 7th grade. If you want to learn more about 7th grade, go to me and Leona's other article! By Falcons, I hope you had a great time reading. Till next time!

BYE

Results

Mostly A's: Garfield (from Garfield) - You are a witty person who needs to exercise more.

Mostly B's: Odie (from Garfield) - You are a happy person who needs to face reality.

Mostly C's: Hobbes (from Calvin & Hobbes) - You help people who get in trouble.

Mostly D's: Calvin (from Calvin & Hobbes) - You are a smart kid who tends to get into trouble.

Mostly E's: Lucy (from Peanuts) - You are a mature grumpypants.