

The Phoenixes' Call

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The “Dad-abase”

By: Mr. Kirk C. Watts, Esq.

Q: What is the strongest sea creature in the ocean?

A: A Mussel!

Announcements

-Students – Don’t forget you are required to check your MCC and MCS email daily!

-MCC will have a Spanish Tutor available on Wednesdays in the library from 9:20 am – 10:50 am. Stop by the library for more information.

-The ASVAB will be given at MCEC on November 12. The ASVAB test is an Armed Services aptitude test. Any student, regardless if you are interested in joining the military, is welcome to take this exam to learn more about their strengths. See Mrs. New to sign up or if you have any questions.

-Happy Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month – MCEC is proud to join our nation in honoring Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month. Many notable Hispanic Americans have changed the course of history and contributed to our nation’s success. Their contributions impact your daily lives! Please email Dr. Seawell if you would like to share information about a particular person to be recognized in the daily announcements.

- Preseason swim workouts have started. Swimmers will meet in the auxiliary gym at 3:00 on Monday and Wednesday. Practice should last until 4:30. If you are not playing a fall sport and are interested in swimming, you are welcome to attend. You must have a current physical on file as well as the sports participation packet completed prior to workouts.

-Please remember to treat MCEC’s facilities and Phoenix Family members with respect. MCEC students do not damage school property and report if they see anything amiss.

- College Math Students – Don’t forget Mrs. Hare offers Math assistance from 12:45 pm – 1:15 pm every Friday. If this time conflicts with another class, please email Mrs. Hare at kymberlie.hare@montgomery.k12.nc.us

Volunteer Opportunities

All Clubs –

Mt. Gilead is seeking volunteers for their Fall Festival on Saturday, October 16.

On October 30 the Town of Troy is seeking volunteers to assist with the Kid Zone Area from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

Help Wanted –

Do you have a free period and would like to volunteer in the office?

See Dr. Seawell for more information.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Arturo Alfonso Schomburg

By: Connor Poole



Arturo Alfonso Schomburg was born January 24th, 1874 in Santurce, Puerto Rico to Mary Joseph, his African mother from St. Croix, Danish Islands and to Carlos Frederico Schomburg, his German and Puerto Rican father. From an early age, he dedicated his life to the documentation and study of culture. He moved to the United States in 1891, where he researched and raised consciousness of the contributions that Latin Americans and African Americans made to society as a whole. Schomburg was an important intellectual figure in the Harlem Renaissance. He collected literature, art, books, manuscripts, and other materials of Latin American and African American history, which were purchased to become the basis of the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, named in his honor, at the New York Public Library branch in Harlem. Following dental surgery, Schomburg became ill and died in Madison Park Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, on June 10th, 1938.

Beta Club Induction Ceremony



MCC Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration



Thank you for reading The Phoenixes' Call! This publication was created completely by Montgomery County Early College students. We write, edit, and publish this work on our own. We are using this publication to showcase all of the wonderful students of MCEC and to show the community what it means to be a Phoenix. We apologize for any typographical errors or misspellings. Please see Ms. Heather Dunlap or Connor Poole if you have an idea for a new story or if you would like to be involved.

Humans of MCEC

“Humans of MCEC” is a project that came to life through MCEC’s Journalism class in the spring semester of the 2019-2020 school year. This project spotlights MCEC students by sharing their stories and the impacts they have on the Phoenix Family



Phoenix Spotlight: Gaochia Amandy Lee

By: Gwennyth Greene

Family. Often considered the defining factor in an individual's life, concerning how they fare, of course. If this statement is true, it is a direct reflection on the phenomenal human, Gaochia Amandy Lee. Lee has a love for her family beyond compare; her parents and siblings are one of the major focuses, and motivations, of her existence. However, they are only one aspect of the complex personality of Amandy Lee. Her character is best defined as astonishing, which can be seen in her personality traits, opinions, and future goals.

When prompted with the question, “What’s one thing that can instantly make your day better?” Lee immediately responded with a thorough explanation of the bond between herself and her four-year-old sister. She calls her sister as her “little twin,” and elaborates on the joy she can bring Amandy at any time. Regarding the upbringing of Lee, some may question who holds responsibility for Lee’s personality. In short, her parents have influenced her the most. They’ve taught Lee the importance of hard work, as well as motivated her to be better for them.

One example of Lee's motivation is one of her passions, making the world a better place. Whether it be helping heal the environment or being a leader, which she defines as being a positive influence for change, Amandy is a whirlwind of good, soon to be taking the world by storm.

In fact, she's already seen a change in others, herself included. Gone are the days of being reserved and closed off, the present Amandy is a world of difference from the past. Lee's opinion on change is not merely restricted to her influence over others, but it continues to her thoughts on MCEC. Amandy first came to MCEC because of her parents, but she ended up loving the advantages and wonderful friendships MCEC has to offer. Her favorite aspect of MCEC is the small environment, as she feels that it allows for a closer connection between students and faculty. Essentially, the family created by MCEC is what Amandy loves the most, including the staff members.

The goals Lee has set for herself are as plentiful, just as they are thoughtful. She hopes to travel, improve upon herself, challenge herself academically, and focus on learning and growing from her experiences to be better for those around her.

In conclusion, Gaochia Amandy Lee is truly a wonderful person, and her traits, opinions, and goals all prove this fact correct. Lee's family is a vital factor in her life, and though she hopes to illustrate more personal growth, change can already be seen from her newfound openness. MCEC has been yet another family for Lee, and she reciprocates the love for the school. Her various goals will carry her far in life, as well as influence those around her. Amandy's awareness of the impact she possesses is a rare trait, that should be valued as such, and should be mirrored as well. We are grateful that Amandy has been a part of the Phoenix Family for the last four years.

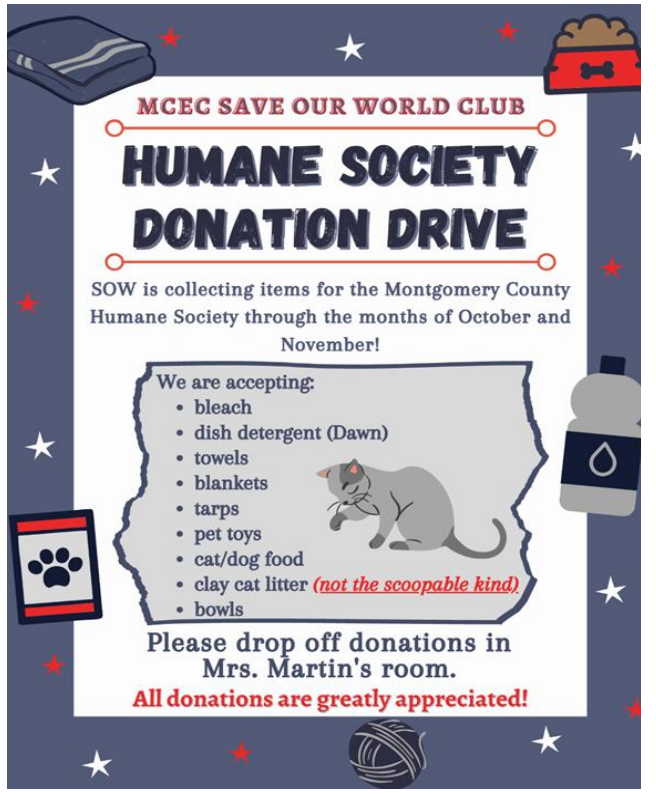
Profiles In Nature: Aye-Aye

By: Mauricio Aguilar



The aye-aye is a mammal from Madagascar that is closely related to the lemur and was thought to be extinct until 1957. They are also related to humans, chimpanzees, and apes. They can be black or brown and their tail is bushy. Their tail is also bigger than their entire body and they have big eyes, slender fingers, and large ears.

Their diet consists of insects and coconuts, which classifies them as being an omnivore. The way their body is built allows them to dangle from limbs, as well as spend most of the day in trees.



ZOO-WEE-MAMA: A Rowley Jefferson Anthology

By: Makayla Boone

