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Sue Hickman Spreads Positivity To Mr. Koh's Asian **Students Through Her Job**

By: Asia Mills

Have you ever thought about who picks up after the kids who leave a mess at lunch? One of those people is Sue Hickman (known to many students as simply "Sue"). Sue is a CHS janitor who helps pick up the trash and clean the tables during lunches. Her favorite part of her job is the amazing students and all the positivity they bring to her. In fact, she enjoys interacting with students so much that it brightens the whole job. When asked what the most enjoyable thing about the job for her, she said, "Simply all of it because of all the interaction that it comes with." She has had more than one favorite student over the years, and each semester, she connects with new ones. Something about Sue that some don't know is that if she has a chance to talk, she will take it, so the job is perfect for her because it allows her to have lots of conversations with students. She says, "When they are all happy and talking to me, it warms my heart." She of course has things she likes to do outside of her job at school, too. When the opportunity presents itself to go shopping, she takes it. Sue loves to spend her budget at West Town Mall. But her heart is at school. Sue has such a kind heart when the students are stressed out. She becomes very stressed out as well because she cares deeply for every student that takes the time to chat with her. Her colleague Chris Lane also wanted something to say about Sue: "She is just an amazing woman who helps do so much of the work and doing all she can with the students, building relationships for a lifetime with them and being such a happy person." One of her favorite students, Jayden Winston, states, "When I am having a hard day Mrs. Hickman takes the time to just listen and that means so much to me." Not all students talk to Sue, but when they do, it's the most enjoyable time and conversation they will have.





Club

By: Lexi Hunt

In Room 519 in Vocational Building. Mr. Koh, who teaches Pre-Calculus and Geometry classes, sits at his desk with a handful of students around the table. A bowl of Asian candy, a bowl of fried rice, a container of soy sauce, and cups full of green tea sit on the table. As the students try the Asian food, Mr. Koh explains the history and significance of each item. Mr. Koh's Asian Club is a wonderful way for students to learn about different cultures through food. Students get to learn about Asian culture and history, socialize with other students, and meet Mr. Koh. "In this part of our county, we don't really get to experience other cultures, and I want them to experience different kinds of foods and cultures," he says. He enjoys hosting the club, as he gets to cook food for the students and learn about them. If you join the club, you get to eat Asian food and talk about different cultures. Sometimes you even get to do origami with Mr. Koh. Not only does he think that this is a great club to join, but so do the members of the club. "I think that the club is fun and I learn a lot from it," says Diana Escobar, a freshman and a member of the club. She enjoys learning about Asian culture and eating the food. She wanted to join the club because of the advertisements. Also, she thinks that Mr. Koh is the perfect host for the club.

Carter Wrestling According to the Wrestlers

By: Malaney Etherton

The Carter wrestling team is enjoying the matches and tournaments this season. Carter's wrestling team is newer to our school's sports compared to basketball, baseball, softball, and more. There are over a dozen wrestlers from the 2022-2023 season of freshmen to seniors. Their matches are usually on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, but some matches are different. The team is led by coaches Tim Free and Tony Holguin. "It's helped me grow as an athlete and allowed me to put my season in my own hands as an individual," said Roman Webb, a junior wrestler. Wrestling is an individual sport within a team concept. Each wrestler has matches they must perform in for theteam to do good at the meet. The team

gets points by a takedown, an escape, a reversal, a near fall, and penalty points. Those points increase each team's total score, and the team with the highest at the end of all the matches wins for that day. "It helps you make friends, it gives you memories you will remember the rest of your life, and it puts you in the best shape you will ever be in," explains Zane Dukes, a freshman wrestler. It's not always easy. Both wrestlers described how challenging the conditioning was. The Carter wrestlers condition and run the first section of their practices. Their practices are about every day in the school week and they last from 4 pm to 6 pm. We wish the wrestlers good luck, especially Roman Webb, Aiden Loy, and Chloe Greenwell, who

will be competing in the TSSAA state wrestling tournament on Thursday and Friday of this week.



Zane Dukes, freshman, wrestles at Morristown East.

Musical Theatre to Perform The Little Mermaid This Weekend

By: Haley Puleo

February 24th through the 26th, the musical theatre class will be doing the play The Little Mermaid in the Carter High School auditorium. Tickets cost \$10 if bought in advance, \$12 at the door, and \$3 for kids ages 2 to 6. All Carter staff get 1 ticket for free. To buy tickets in advance you can go online at carterhightheater.ludus.com. On the 24th and 25th of February, the play will begin at 7 pm, but on the 26th of February, it is at 2 pm. Shelby Berkley, the new musical theatre director, says, "The kids have put in a lot of effort to make this happen, and they have been working very hard to put together a show in such a short amount of time." He also adds, "I'm thankful for all the students who have dealt with adversity this year and put in so much time after school for their peers. I am especially thankful for Carlie Cole for coming back after graduating early to play the role of Ursula." Carlie Cole is a former student of Carter High School. At the beginning of the school year, she had gotten the role of Ursula and even after graduating early, she came back to continue with the role of Ursula. She says she is excited

to play the villain, as it is her first time ever being someone seen as "evil." For many, this play has become an inspiration and a way to find themselves. Many of the students in both stage tech and musical theatre have faced challenges in order to keep the play afloat. Julian Hernandez, one of three sophomores who worked on the "rock" stated, "We made the rock." But overall, it's been a good experience. Carlie Cole states, "To the kids in theatre, I'm forever grateful for them. I can't thank them enough for making my senior year feel like I was worth it." Carlie also added that she was very excited to work so closely with Avery McGee and Jazz McInally, two very hard-working people. Assistant stage manager and light board worker, Kaitlyn Rutherford, says she is most excited about the whole show being put together - and that there will be no more after-school rehearsals. All the people in the play have their own personal worries. Some have the normal stage freight while others are more concerned about the lights not working to their full potential. Despite these worries, however, all the theatre kids truly believe the show

will be their best yet. Kaitlyn states, "Though through everything that's happened, this show hasn't turned out to be that bad and that's because of the cast."

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