



GCA's *Newsletter*

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Passport to Your Future!

**Georgia Cyber Academy's Senior Prom
at Infinite Energy Arena (Gwinnett Center)**

June 2nd, 7pm-11pm

Are you a GCA high school student who needs help?

Want to be tutored four days a week in your weakest subject?

Come to National Honors Society Peer Tutoring!!!

Tuesdays 3-4 p.m.

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Wednesdays 8:30-9:30 a.m.

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Thursdays 8:00-9:00

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Fridays 11:00-12:00

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Students are provided a tutor on a first come first serve basis

Georgia Cyber Academy

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY VIRTUAL
TALENT SHOW!!

March 2nd
@4:00pm!

THE Rules

For NHS Talent Show

Entries: Send a 1 minute (MAX) youtube clip to NHS EMAIL

!DEADLINE EXTENSION! For Clips: February 15th!

TYPE ACCEPTED? : ANY TALENT!

NHS EMAIL: nationalhonorsocietygca@gmail.com

Club Spotlight

The Weekly Juice

- Do you like contests with prizes? Do you love reading or writing? Are you searching for a way to get more involved in the GCA student community?
- Then check out the Weekly Juice Newspaper publication! We have monthly contests, tons of articles, are almost completely run by a team of GCA students, and we encourage student submissions!



- You can read all of the Weekly Juice articles over at:
<https://gcaweeklyjuice.wordpress.com/>
- To submit an article, create an account (no worries, it only takes a minute) and submit over at:
<https://greensubmissions.com/574/the-weekly-juice/index.php>

- The Weekly Juice has plenty of categories for you to write or read from! Just a couple of our columns are:
 - Creative Corner
 - Editorials
 - Entertainment
 - National News
 - STEM News
 - And a bunch more!
- Even better, the Weekly Juice allows, and even encourages, for students to submit their own writing! Our editors are just waiting for your awesome writing to be submitted, so that other students can read it!
- The main guide, is that we ask all students to be school appropriate in their writings. You have complete creative freedom for what you write!
- Articles are sent to an editor and edited as we see necessary, and then head to publication after submission, for GCA to enjoy.

Teacher Appreciation

I would like to thank Mrs. Ashley Wallace, my AP Language and Composition teacher, for all of her help. Last year, due to complications with my personal life, my school performance dropped significantly. Mrs. Wallace was very understanding of this and even gave me extra time to submit my schoolwork. This really helped me a lot, and it was very comforting to know I had a teacher as kind as Mrs. Wallace. She has inspired me to improve my writing further and helped me to be able to accept and welcome critiques of my work. Mrs. Wallace is a really amazing teacher.

Inspirational Quotes

“It takes courage to love, but pain through love is the purifying fire which those who love generously know. We all know people who are so much afraid of pain that they shut themselves up like clams in a shell and, giving out nothing, receive nothing and therefore shrink until life is a mere living death.”

~ *Eleanor Roosevelt*

BE KIND.

FOR EVERYONE YOU
MEET IS FIGHTING A
BATTLE YOU KNOW
NOTHING ABOUT.



Jokes of the Month

Knock Knock
Who's there?
Emma
Emma who?
Emma hoping I get lots of cards on Valentine's Day!

Q: What travels around the world but stays in one corner?
A: A stamp

Knock, knock
Who's there?
Nobel
Nobel who?
Nobel, that's why I knocked!

Q: What state is surrounded by the most water?
A: Hawaii (this is really just a trick riddle)

Q: What did the guy with the broken leg say to his nurse?
A: I've got a crutch on you.

Joke One:
A man asks a psychiatrist: "How do you select who should be admitted to your facility?"

The psychiatrist replies, "We fill a bathtub with water and give the person a spoon, a cup, and a bucket. Then we ask that person to empty the bathtub."

The man smiles. "Ah, I understand. If you are sane, you would take the bucket."

The psychiatrist replies, "No, a sane guy pulls the plug. Do you want a room with or without a balcony?"

Joke Two:
That awkward moment when your entire Math class is discussing whether the result is 15 or 16 and your answer is -1053.

Joke Three:
A judge enters the courtroom and starts the proceedings, saying, "Before this process starts in earnest, there is one thing I have to clear first. The plaintiff gave me \$ 10,000 so I would rule in their favor. The defendant gave me \$ 12,000 so I would rule in their favor. To make this case a fair one, I'm hereby returning \$ 2,000 to the defendant."

Number Four and the Last Joke:

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Accordion.
Accordion who?
Accordion to the scientists, it is healthy to offer your friends money.

College 101

College is often portrayed as the ultimate climax of formal education or the finish line. You've gone through the basic training in elementary, braved through the complexity of high school, and prepared yourself for the in-depth courses of college. However, there's a daunting requirement that acts like a wall for incoming students: money. Attending college can be very expensive. There's tuition, course fees, and textbooks that need to be paid for. You may even need to pay for living in a dorm or apartment, and you may have to pay for travel if the distance is that great. The expenses may pile up into a money-sucking monster, but with a little preparation and saving, you'll be able to conquer the beast.

To start things off, you might want to talk to your parents about your college plan. There's a chance that they've been saving pretty pennies for your higher education. Discuss about the current amount and the investments made. You may also want to discuss living with them if your college is nearby. Staying at home means no bill for staying at a dorm.

After considering what your parents are willing to pay, maybe it's time for you to step up to the plate and take on some of the expenses. Whether college is four years away or at your doorstep, getting a job is a great way to earn some cash to pay off the bills. Additionally, some jobs have employer reimbursements, and if you continually meet the standards, they'll help pay off your tuition. When that paycheck arrives, dedicate a portion of it to paying for college. You can even go the extra mile and determine how much money you really want to spend on miscellaneous things.

However, even with all the money you and your parents accumulate, it may not pay off the tuition. This is where you start applying for money. It's always good to apply for FAFSA, also known as the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. It opens doors to federal grants and scholarships you may not know about. It's also good to look for grants and scholarships offered by the local community or the university itself. If those still don't help out, you may need to consider loans. Unlike grants and scholarships, you have to pay back the loans, so be a little wary of getting too much.

At the end of the day, researching more doesn't hurt. Go to sites like Collegeboard's Big Future to learn more about saving money; access useful tools; and compare colleges and aid. Additionally, figure out how much money you actually need to pay by finding the net price. It'll take some time to sort out the information, but figuring out what college to go to and how much money you need to attend said college is important.

At the end of the day, you have many ways to pay for the expenses. Your family can help you get a head start, and you can get off from their and earn money yourself. You can also look for support in the form of grants, scholarships, and loans. Additionally, googling more resources to sort out the payments is beneficial to figuring out how much money you need. Paying for college isn't easy, but it isn't impossible.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

With the weather conditions and everything that has been going on, we need more volunteers to give hope to the families that lost their homes in the tornado. Adel and Albany had a really bad tornado and are still looking for many volunteers. Go to the www.hands.org and make a difference in someone's life.



**ALL HANDS
VOLUNTEERS**

Poetry and Arts Corner

We Are All a Lot Alike

We Are All a Lot Alike ...But We Are Not ALL the Same

We All Can Relate to Music.
It's the Emotions They Project;
The Memories They Suffuse.
Yeah...
We All Can Relate to Music...

We All Can Relate to Stories.
It's the Emotions They Project;
The Memories They Suffuse.
Yeah...
We All Can Relate to Stories...

We All Can Relate to Pain.
Yes, I said Pain.
We've all Felt it.
It Burns you
It Suffocates you
It Maims you
It Angers you...
Yes. I've felt Pain.
We've All... Felt.

Pain.

But...

We are All **not** the Same.

Think Baby,

Think.

Not The Same.

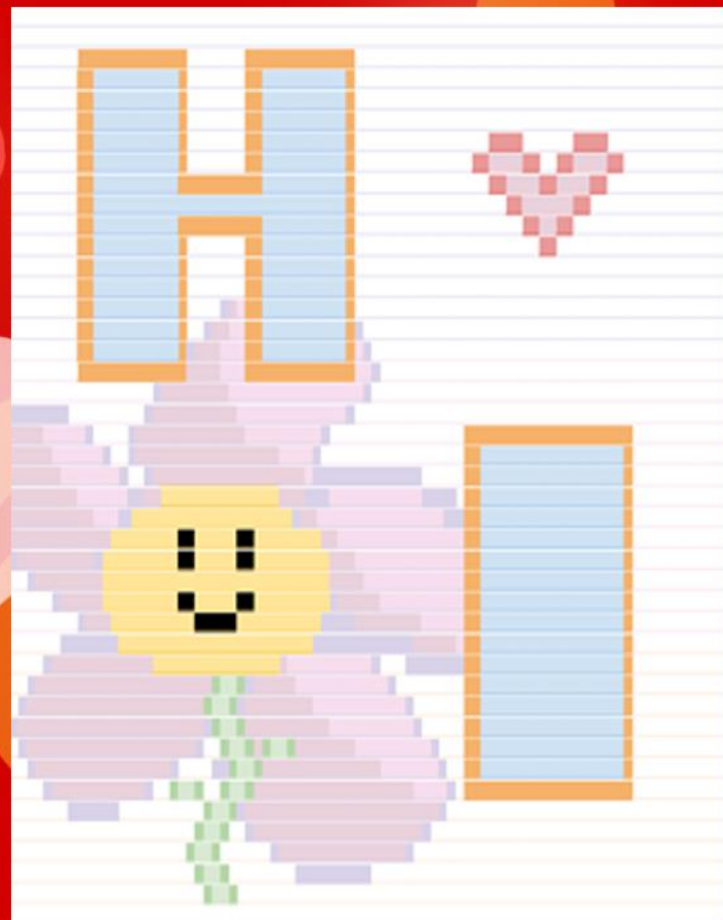
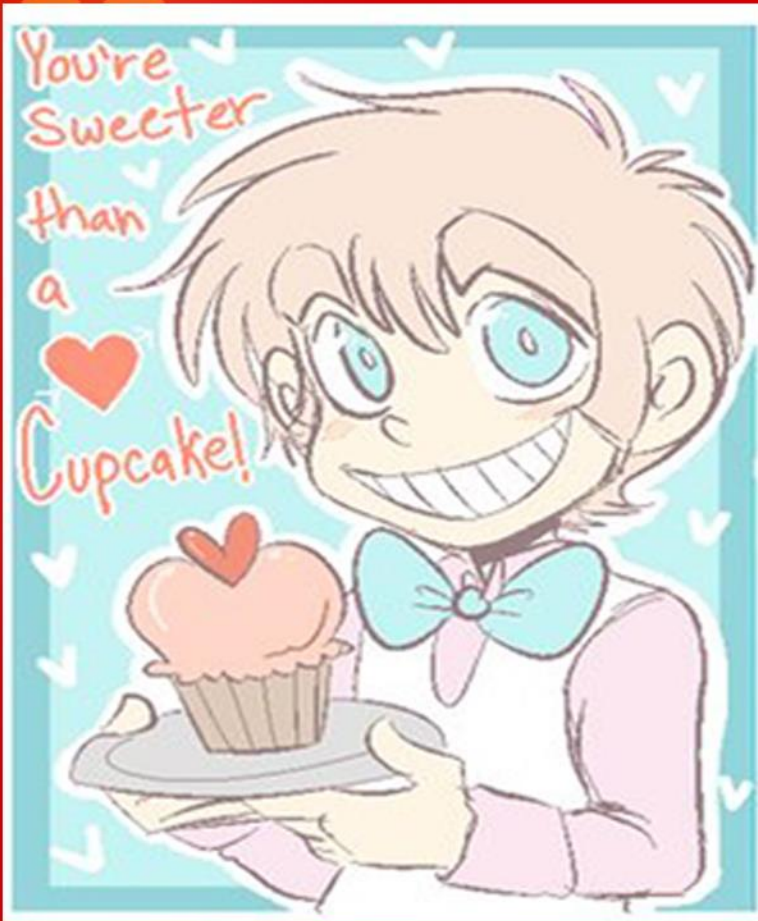
We are All,

Martin Luther King, Jr,
You have been Recorded.
You are in our Academia Now.
Your Story of Self-sacrifice & Determination,
Has Not Gone unnoticed.
Your perseverance against Segregation and the Pursuit of Equality,
Has Not. Gone. Unnoticed.
Therefore, Mr. King,
You Have Been Recorded.
And we Thank You.
Your People Thank you,
For Standing for Us.
Calling to Us.
Leading Us to Washington D.C that Day to say:
"[I Have A Dream that] ...black men ... would be guaranteed the
'unalienable Rights' of 'Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.'"
But Mr. King...
Our Fight does not End Yet...
There is still work to be done.
But...
Might I say Again.
Your Work Has Not gone unnoticed, for in Fact...
You Have Been Recorded.

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Poetry and Arts Corner



Craft Corner

Valentine's Day quickly approaches! In case you have a romantic partner or just want to get someone a gift, it can be hard coming up with an original, thoughtful gift! While chocolates and flowers aren't that bad, sometimes you can want something more creative. Luckily for you, you're reading the Craft Corner!

Now, this craft looks super cool and seems great if you and your partner are into reading! (As long as you don't get the materials from one of their favorite books.) It's called a Candle in a Bottle. All the needed materials and instructions are below!

Materials

Two book pages
Scissors
Glass bottle (or jar)
Glue
Rope or ribbon
Tea light candle

Steps

1. First, measure the bottle to see what size the paper should be.
2. Stick the two pages together, but make sure they're cut straight.
3. Measure where you want to put the heart (or whatever shape you want).
4. Fold the paper lightly and cut out the shape.
5. Before putting the paper into the bottle, put some glue at one end. Spread the rest of the paper out and stick the other end in the bottle.
6. Tie your ribbon or rope around the neck of the bottle.
7. Place the candle in the center inside.



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Savage Misunderstanding

"I can't believe I didn't give him the chocolates!" Julie groaned. She pitifully stared down at the poorly cut heart-shape chocolates she and her best friend Rika made. They would have looked worse if Rika didn't help her out.

"Aw, it's not so bad..." Rika patted Julie's back. "We can make yummier chocolates next year." Julie whimpered how long a year was, burying her face in what was supposed to be Luke's chocolates. "Hey, cheer up," Rika weakly smiled, "We're here already."

Julie looked up to see that they'd made it to the famous Valentine's festival. Many people gathered around the different booths, the bright colors and signs blinding Julie's eyes. Seeing the happy couples didn't help Julie's mood; if anything, it made her feel worse. Even all the free samples didn't make her feel any better! And she loved free samples!

Rika frowned as Julie stared at her measly sample. "Hey, I noticed there was game in one of the booths at the back," Rika said. "Why don't we play there?"

"Okay," Julie shrugged. "Just on one condition." She glanced once more at the chocolates she hugged before shoving it to Rika. "Keep these from my sight."

Rika smiled reassuringly and accepted the sweets. "I'll get some snacks. You can go on ahead." She watched as her friend walked away and then began to search for a booth. On her way to a booth, Rika accidentally bumped into somebody and began the typical apology. However, as soon as she recognized the person, her eyes widened. "L-Luke! H-Hi!"

Julie's notably tall crush turned towards Rika with a friendly smile. "Hey Rika! What's up?", was his casual reply.

"Chocolate. Try one. They're for you." Rika said in rather clipped statements, before abruptly shoving the chocolates in his hands..

Luke looked at her in surprise. "You... made these for me?"

Rika could have sworn her face had never felt as hot as it was right then. "No, I mean, I didn't make them for you; well, I did... But with a friend--with Julie from our class! And. Um! In my culture, girls give chocolates to guys they like."

There was a pause. "So... You like me?"

Rika facepalmed and snatched Luke's arms. "NO! I DON'T like you! I helped make these chocolates FOR you, but I. Don't. LIKE you!" She vigorously shook his arms once more before finally releasing him. "Julie does."

Standing in the distance, watching the scene play out was a heart-torn Julie. Rika gave Luke the chocolates... She couldn't believe that her best friend was going after her crush! Her heart ached at the sight of the two. Gathering all of her courage, she stormed in their direction. "RIKA, YOU SAVAGE!"

Rika whipped around in absolute horror. "Julie! This-- this isn't what it looks like!"

"Really? Because it doesn't look like you're getting food!" Julie snapped.

"I was! I promise!" Rika exclaimed. "It's just-- He came-- and I just!"

Luke awkwardly cleared his throat. "So," he said, "uh, which one of you actually likes me?"

"JULIE!" Rika yelled. "JULIE LIKES YOU. SHE WAS JUST SHY, and THOSE!" She motioned to the box in Luke's hands. "THOSE ARE HER CHOCOLATES!"

It clicked. "Oh." Luke then turned to Julie. "I liked you before all this." Then he tried one of the chocolates. "These aren't too bad though."

Editor's Note

Hello readers!

Thank you for reading this edition! I hope everything's going swell for you. Whether you're reading this right after IAs week or enjoying a good box of chocolates, we hope that these articles brightened your day or informed you.

I also like to thank the following participants:

Aleeah M.

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Geena R.

Laurie V.

Leonila E.

Malihah K.

I wouldn't be able to make this newsletter without y'all. You guys are amazing.

Remember, this month is known for love, so love yourself and those close to you!

Have a good day!

Lea

Contact Us



Interested in what we do?

**E-mail us at [gca.askthecouncil@gmail](mailto:gca.askthecouncil@gmail.com)
We'll happily answer any questions you
have.**

Have a Facebook account?

**Send a friend request to GCAHS Student
Council, and we'll update you about the
student council**

Like Twitter more?

No Problem! Tweet us @gca_stuco