



# The Court Street Press

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## SENIOR THOUGHTS

By Gabi Lamb

**CSP:** *What will you miss the most about West?*

**Jason Christidhis:** Probably the teachers-- they're really fun and really interesting. It was great to get to know them, and learn different things.

**CSP:** *What are you most excited for after graduating?*

**Chris Arzberger:** I'm most excited for the freedom. I mean I guess you can say that we're already free right now, but just the fact of being out of school, and whatnot. I'm also excited to not come here at 7:00 in the morning every single day, because that sucks, and nobody is trying to do that.

**CSP:** *What would you tell your sophomore self?*

**Kaitlyn Sims:** Apply to college early; smile at as many people as you can even if you don't know them, and even if you don't talk to someone, still say "hi" to them.

**CSP:** *What is the most valuable thing you have learned at West?*

**Katie Champeaux:** I think learning how to work hard, because I kind of skated by in elementary and middle school. I love all my classes here, but they kind of kicked my butt and taught me how to work to get the things I wanted.

**CSP:** *What is your favorite West memory?*

**Elizabeth Howell:** I'd have to say my favorite West memory is probably prom, and the football games-- I really love them, being with my friends, getting to hang out. It's fun!

**CSP:** *How has West changed you as a person?*

**Drew Insley:** Well, I think it's a very accepting community, so I feel like I've been able to express myself more than I did in middle school.

**CSP:** *Who at West would you like to thank most?*

**Jessica Krapf:** I guess I'd like to thank all of my classmates, because we've worked really hard to graduate this year, and it's been a real effort, let me tell you. We had a rough year but I think everyone has worked hard, and I'd just like to thank my class.





## WEST’S ART SHOW



By Kristen Rice

Strolling into the West lobby, students are presently surprised to see the usually barren tables filled with a variety of the artistic work from the school year. Working for months on end, the dedicated students of West get the chance to display their craft in classy cases near the gymnasium and auditorium. "It's inspirational," says senior Sarah Lepitre "it brings the community together". Her colorful birdhouse is displayed in the lobby along with a plethora of eclectic pieces. Students decorated stools, raw wood, glass, instruments, china and clay.

With classrooms receiving laptops, Smartboards, and new technologies every year, ceramics teacher Ms. Jen Waldner expressed the necessity of art in the classrooms. She believes art gives a "much needed break from the technology students deal with on a daily basis".

Art also connects the community, as Senior Liv Fitzgerald explained, “it gives me an insight into what students I haven't met at West are like". Sophomore Chloe Mordan agrees, stating that "you gain cool ideas you can try in your art from theirs" benefiting artistic students as well as passionate peers.

The students of West love gazing into the displays, honoring their classmates hard work and innovation. Senior Gianna Darreff believes "art is not usually recognized, so it's important it's being displayed. It impacts the creativity and imagination in our school".

Artwork Pictured Made By: Mia Woo and Lily Petro

## SPORTS FEATURE: BUCKS LACROSSE

By Eli Baylin

The 13-4 Central Bucks West Boys Lacrosse team is red hot this year. Coach Coverdale has led the boys to great success as they look for more in the playoffs. Led by the 2018 Suburban One League First Team senior attackman and Catholic University commit, Joey Rockovich, the Bucks have impressed many this year with their dangerous offense and dominant, physical defense. Another large threat is SOL Second Team senior midfielder John McCreary. The 5’8” Attacker will be taking his talents to Gwynedd Mercy University next year. With nineteen seniors and impressive young talent like junior defenseman Blake Ewaskey, offensive twin duo Jake and Erik Ojert, and sophomore goalie Max Dunar to accompany the committed stars, the boys finished third in the Suburban One Conference this year and achieved a team record number of wins in the regular season. Show out and root on the boys on as they take the field during crunch time in the playoffs!

Not only are the boys impressing, but the girls are too! Coach Schmucker, White, and Cartee-Haring are pushing their players to the limits this year. It has paid off as they ended their regular season with a record of 13-4. The girls dominated the turf against their rivals this year as they pummeled East 16-3 on West’s home turf. The girls are loaded with talent this year, as several are carrying on their success to the collegiate level. Finley Ueland will be taking her talents to the University of Southern California, Dani Dundas will be continuing her lacrosse career at Old Dominion, and Maddie Maio is committed to University of Delaware. “We are a super close team and have great chemistry on and off the field” says junior Iona commit Abby Fennell. The girls found a spot in the Suburban One playoffs and look to get a shot at states!

## WALKER’S PUZZLES

By Walker Anderson

**Angular Loop:** Draw a single loop traveling horizontally, vertically, and **diagonally** between adjacent cells in the grid. The loop must visit **every cell** in the grid and may **not cross over itself**. If there is a number in a cell, that number is the number of degrees in the angle that the loop makes when passing through that cell.

Puzzle 1

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90			135	180	

Puzzle 2

	135	45			
135				135	
90		180			
			45		90
	180				90
			135	180	

# THE REVIEW

## MOVIE REVIEW: DEADPOOL 2

By Eric Conor Lutts

*Deadpool 2*, also known as *Not Appropriate for School 2: Electric Boogaloo*, is exactly what one might expect from the sequel to *Deadpool*. The only bad mark against it is that there is no after credits sequence parodying Ferris Bueller's Day Out.

*Deadpool 2* and its predecessor are the only superhero movies to come out in recent memory that are not tied to any overarching franchise where one would need to see every film prior to that one to comprehend the general concepts (Infinity War). This makes the comedy a lot more punchy, which is good for *Deadpool 2*'s tone, which had me laughing from end to end.

CSP Review Score: 9/10



## SUMMER READING PICKS

By Amanda Dunn

Never sure which book to read for summer reading, so you just choose the shortest one on the list? Here are my pics for the best summer reading books on the list for each grade:

**10th Grade:** *The Secret Life of Bees*, By: Sue Monk Kidd

A worthwhile, semi-short read, this book follows the life of 14 year old Lily Owen. In Lily's short life, she has already lost her mom and dealt with relentless abuse from her father. Seeing that her life is no longer bearable, she runs away with her caregiver and begins to stay with a group of African American women. This book accentuates family values and the importance of the content of character over skin color in society.

**11th Grade:** *Stiff*, By: Mary Roach

Stiff, an odd yet entertaining read, is a non-fiction compilation of the ways in which our bodies can contribute to the world, even after we leave it. It is all about cadavers and death, however it is told in a way that is not depressing. There are facts, mixed with some humor, and a reiteration of the idea that we still have something to contribute when we are gone. This book gives alternatives to burials and cremations. Roach teaches that when we no longer need our physical bodies, they can be donated, dissected, and studied in the hopes of saving lives.

**12th Grade:** *The Zookeeper's Wife*, By: Diane Ackerman

The Zookeeper's Wife is set in Poland, where Jan and his wife, Antonia, live with their son. They run a zoo which is eventually shut down due to the Nazi invasion. Antonia's motherly instincts and dire need to stand as a protector for all living things lead her to open the underground levels of her zoo to hide and protect the Jewish people from oppression and capture. This book depicts the horror that innocent Jewish families were forced to face every day, and it accentuates the selflessness and kindness of the mother figure to all, Antonia.

## WEST ATHLETIC COMMITMENTS

By Drew Cox

Congratulations to the many talented senior Bucks that plan on pursuing their future athletic and academic careers at some of the nation's finest universities and colleges next year. Shout out to...

### Baseball:

Jake Boehm - Lock Haven University

### Field Hockey:

Taylor Mason - University of Maryland  
Kaci Murray - Gwynedd Mercy University  
Bridget Naylor - Kean University  
Laura Kubit - Cornell University  
Olivia Fitzgerald - Colgate University  
Peyton Fischer - Bucknell University  
Hanne Scheel - Juniata College

### Football:

Jake Reichwein - Holy Cross University  
Michael Taylor - Bentley University

### Boys' Soccer:

Tarin Morris - La Salle University

### Girls' Soccer:

Samantha Lubin - Misericordia University

### Cheerleading:

Erin Dwyer - Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
Emily Patterson - Delaware Valley University

### Boys' Basketball:

Collin MacAdams - California U. of PA

### Softball:

Sam Trafford - Kutztown University  
Angelina Sherba - Longwood University

### Girls' Lacrosse:

Finley Ueland - University of Southern California  
Danielle Dundas - Old Dominion University  
Maddie Maio - University of Delaware

### Boys' Lacrosse:

Joey Rockovich - Catholic University  
John McCreary - Gwynedd Mercy University

### Boys' Track and Field:

Brian Baker - Virginia Tech  
Ben Bunch - Saint Joseph's University  
Nick Ferrentino - Wagner University  
Jake Claricurzio - Virginia Tech

### Girls' Track and Field:

Samantha Ronald - Towson University



# SENIOR EDITOR REFLECTIONS

By Drew Cox

As I complete my final issue as editor of the Court Street Press, I think back to how I unintentionally ended up joining this newspaper in the first place. In Mrs. Waldron’s journalism elective class, first marking period of sophomore year, third block, we were all encouraged to submit the articles we wrote in class to the school newspaper. My first reaction was -- wait, we have a school newspaper? I was a confused, overwhelmed sophomore who did not know how to decipher which hallway was the C hallway and which was the D hallway (I still really don’t), let alone be able to explore the myriad of clubs and organizations at West and discover which was the right fit for me. Not thinking anything of it, I submitted a sports article I had written as a class assignment. To my surprise, it appeared on the back page of the school newspaper a few days later. Regardless of how many people actually saw and read it, I was amazed to see my name and article printed in a real-life newspaper. Before I knew it, I was writing for the paper every issue.

Although I may have started writing for this newspaper simply because a teacher made me submit an article at first, I have greatly valued the privilege to write about this school and the incredible students and staff within it. Thank you to Mrs. D’Alonzo, readers, and the Court Street Press team for your dedication and support.

By Eric Conor Lutts

An open letter to the students who still read the school newspaper:

Well, here we are. The last issue of my career as Layout Editor of the School Newspaper. And as I shuffle off this mortal coil, simply called Central Bucks West High School, I ponder what led me to this fate. Why I must pass this title, as well as the seventeen acres of the land that come with it, to the future Layout Editor and current junior, Kristen Rice.

At least we will still have the good times. Like last issue, how I called out [NAME\_REDACTED] as the aspiring valedictorian, or how I accidentally spoiled all of seasons 1 through 6 of Game of Thrones that one time.

Thank you to all those who continue to support the school newspaper, either through joining the club, or simply reading every new issue. You all deserve a medal for putting up with me.

## Junior Prom



Photo Credit: Kristen Rice

## HEARD IN THE HALLS

Those five minutes are precious time for getting to classes and essential conversing with friends. Our beloved hallways hold over 1,500 students, and everyone can always hear the little snippets of conversations going on around them as they make that mad dash to the other side of the school.

If we heard you and quoted your conversation we do not mean to insult you or your conversations in anyway (we are assuming that in context it made sense...). We are simply having a laugh and making you aware of the fact that *we can hear you, Greg.*

- “1.7 GPA, here I come!”
- “Woah! I need a Mama!”
- “He asked if I copied and pasted and I said NO, it’s all in my head.”
- “Mmmmm . . . cookies”

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