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Seeing Double

By Kenzly Schmidt
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Aiden and Lauren Blankenship



Elijah and Eric French

Elijah and Eric French are sophomores here at AHS. On December 8, 2005, Eric was born. Six minutes later, Elijah was born. Although they are fraternal, they say they still like to dress alike. The twins say their personalities are fairly alike because they are both very kind. However, Elijah states, "Eric is the evil twin. He pours his milk before his cereal." The twins describe one another as strange, twisted, and mysterious.

Aiden and Lauren Blankenship are sophomores here at Altus High School. They are fraternal twins. According to them, they do not look anything alike, and they do not have the same personality. Aiden was born three hours before Lauren. Lauren states, "Aiden is stubborn, loud, and annoying." The twins both agree that Lauren is the evil twin. Although they get annoyed with each other, the twins say they enjoy watching Netflix together.

Lorenzo and Hailey Chapa are fraternal twins. Lorenzo was born an hour and twelve minutes after his sister. Hailey graduated last semester and Lorenzo is currently a senior here at Altus High School. The twins say they can sometimes feel each others pain. Lorenzo states, "I was admitted to the hospital for my appendix rupturing. Hailey was perfectly healthy, but felt pain on the same side." The twins agree that Hailey is the smarter twin since she is already attending college.



Lorenzo and Hailey Chapa



Colby and Carlee Fort

Colby and Carlee Fort are seniors here at AHS. They agree they do not have telepathic powers, but they do say they can feel when something is emotionally wrong. Although they are fraternal twins, Carlee says her and Colby used to coordinate their outfits to look alike. The twins were born thirty minutes apart from each other. Carlee was born first on December 20. Carlee says, "I am hardworking and respectful, and Colby is hard headed and aggressive."

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Kenli and Kelbi Greer

Kenli and Kelbi Greer are freshman here at AHS. Although they are identical twins, most people tell them apart by their hair. Kenli has black hair and Kelbi has blonde. On August 2, 2007 Kenli Greer was born three minutes before Kelbi Greer. They describe each other by using words such as smart, beautiful, inspirational, and wonderful. Kelbi says, "My twin sister is pretty much like me, and I could not imagine life without her!" One thing that the Greer twins hate is when the other thinks they are winning an argument. They both agreed on Kenli being the evil twin.

Rebecca McCasland and Bethany Brown are fraternal twins. Although they are fraternal twins, they agree they can feel when something bad is going to happen to the other. When Mrs. McCasland's niece was born, she says, "I woke up at 3 in the morning and just knew something was wrong." They have also shown up places wearing the same shirt without planning it. Most people can tell them apart because Mrs. McCasland is shorter, but that did not stop them from switching places in school! Mrs. McCasland states, "My twin sister is my best friend and my rock!" Bethany describes her sister as energetic, adventurous, and funny.



Rebecca McCasland and Bethany Brown



Maci and Madison McKee

Maci and Madison McKee are juniors here at AHS. When they were younger, the twins were mischievous. They would switch places because they're identical. Most people can tell them apart because Madison has braces. The twins sometimes have telepathic powers because they say the exact same thing at the exact same time. On March 15, Maci was born two minutes before Madison. Madison states, "My sister is not my built in bestie like everyone says. She is just someone who happens to have the same face as me."

Caitlyn and Chloe Owenby are sophomores here at AHS. They are fraternal twins and it is very easy to tell them apart. Their personalities are different in many ways. Chloe states, "My twin sister is a very special and hardworking girl." Although they are always hanging out together, they do get annoyed with each other. Caitlyn and Chloe both agreed Caitlyn is the evil twin. On January 14, Chloe was born 2 minutes before Caitlyn. Although they did not necessarily look alike growing up, they did dress alike. The twins say as they get older they feel like their twin telepathy grows emotionally.



Chloe and Caitlyn Owenby

Emma Gregg

Senior Manager
Savannah Shipman



Emma Gregg is a freshman here at Altus High School. Emma has lived in Altus all of her life.

She is the daughter of Shane Gregg and Stacey Dobbins. Her step-mom is Dina Gregg.

She has two brothers Tristen, who is a senior here and Noah, who is in the second grade. She also has twin sisters who are one year old. Emma's family is very supportive and always there when she needs them.

She also has two dogs, Ava, who is a German Shepard and Alley, a Chihuahua.

Growing up, Emma has always been little, but that has not stopped her from all of her accomplishments. She is 4'11, runs track, and has won ten medals in her relay.

She is also in cheer. Her grandma, Sandra Ford, wanted her to get into cheer and she ended up loving it. She loves tumbling and flying in stunts. She has made a lot of new friends on the high school cheer team.

She wants to attend the University of Oklahoma and cheer for the Sooners. She also wants to become a plastic surgeon.

Her favorite thing about AHS is lunch. She likes eating outside.

Emma states, "My mom motivates me because she always talks to me about stuff that I should not do that she didn't do to become more successful."

Emma's favorite verse is, "Whenever you look to the right or to the left, your ears will hear this command behind you. This is the way; walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

Hayden Joyce

Senior Editor
Patrick Broughton

Hayden Joyce is a freshman at Altus High School. He has lived in Altus for the majority of his life.

Hayden lives with his mom and sister here in Altus while his dad lives in New Jersey. His mom's name is Amber, and she is a realtor. His dad's name is Chris, and he is a boom operator for the Air Force. Hayden also has an older sister named Jadyn who is a senior here at Altus High School. He has three dogs named Colt, Athena, and Sarge.

Hayden is a part of the high school wrestling and baseball teams. He is also the freshman student council vice-president.

In his free time, Hayden enjoys hunting, playing video games, wrestling, playing base-

ball, and fishing.

His favorite thing about the high school is that we are allowed to have phones, and he enjoys the baseball and wrestling programs.

After graduation, Hayden plans on going to welding school. He is also considering being a mechanic.

Something many people at Altus High School may not know about Hayden is that he has visited Hawaii, Germany, and England.

Hayden is motivated in life by his mom. He looks up to all of her success in life.

Hayden's favorite quote is, "If your not going all the way, why go at all."



Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Ray

By Savannah Shipman
Senior Manager

Mrs. Ray is a new teacher here at Altus High School. She taught for two years at Altus Junior High.

She grew up in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. She attended school at the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Alaska.

She lived in Alaska for three years and Hawaii for three years before moving to Altus. She is the oldest of six girls.

Her husband is active duty Air Force. She has been married to her husband, David, for ten years. They have two boys Giovanni, who is nine years old, and Lorenzo, who is five years old.

She has two dogs, Daisy who is a ten year old shih-tzu, and Diesel, who is an 18 month old labradoodle.

She teaches Algebra I and Bulldog Academy Math (7th-12th grade).

Mrs. Ray states. "From the



time I was little, I used to pretend to teach my younger siblings. I studied secondary education in college, but it was hard to be certified when we moved every few years. I went to work in the debt settlement, management and budgeting for a while. It was such a sad job, seeing people lose everything because they did not budget their money correctly; I decided it was

time for me to impact lives before they got to that point, so back to the classroom I went.

Her favorite verse is, "For I know the plans I have for you, 'declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'" Jeremiah 29:11

Bulldog Homecoming Court!

By Clayten Guerra
Senior Editor

This past week, the senior class voted for the 2021-2022 homecoming court. The first part of the process is to vote for the top ten.

The top ten boys include: Canyon Bain, Donovan Bradley, GianCarlo De La Paz, Clayten Guerra, Bryce Kahla, Devin Madison, Joe McBride, Lane Pearl, Jared Raasch, and Lane Snapp. The top ten girls include: Heaven Alfaro, Nadia Flores, Carlee Fort, Jadyn Joyce, Pamela McKee, Ravyn Pascascio, Kenzly Schmidt, Brooklynn Strickland, Addison Stults, Carly Thomas, and Malorie Wood.

Next, the senior class was asked to vote for the top three. If chosen for top three, the candidates will give a speech and interview the morning of homecoming. Then, they have the opportunity to ride in the homecoming parade.

The top three girls include: Heaven Alfaro, Nadia Flores, and Carlee Fort. The top three boys include: Donovan Bradley, GianCarlo De La Paz, and Clayten Guerra.

Heaven Alfaro's favorite quote is,



"I just thought if you see somebody smile give 'em yours." -Dolly Parton

Nadia Flores's favorite quote is, "Be the reason someone smiles."

Carlee Fort's favorite quote is, "Don't think about the short term effects. All we do is so the future kids can be the best they can be." - Jeff Hastings

Donovan Bradley's favorite quote is, "If you

are not first, you are last."

GianCarlo De La Paz's favorite quote is, "Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift. That is why it's called the present." - Master Oogway

Finally, Clayten Guerra's favorite quote is, "All we have is now." Congratulations to everyone, and best of luck!

Mauro Garcia

By Kenzly Schmidt and Emma Sasse
Senior Editors

Mauro Garcia is a junior here at Altus High School. He is a part of the foreign exchange program.

Mauro states, "I came to the United States because I was curious to learn English and to learn about the American culture." He has only attended Altus High School for three weeks.

Mauro was born in Spain, in the city of Torrejon de Ardoz. It is close to Madrid.

Mauro has one sister named Paula who is twelve, and his parent's are Alberto and Raquel Garcia. In Spain, he has a house with a pool.

Mauro also enjoys watching films, traveling, and cooking with his family.

After high school, Mauro plans to become a financial director.

Mauro's favorite thing about Altus High School is football. He en-

joys playing for the Bulldog football team. He is number 37 and a kicker.

Something cool about Mauro that Altus High School students may not know is that he won the Torrejon de Ardoz Soccer League where he is from.

Mauro is motivated in life by his family, his friend Pablo, and playing sports such as soccer. These things keep him going in life.

Some of Mauro's friends that have helped him at AHS are Keythan Kellison, Nathan De Los Santos, Tucker Taft, and Daylen Mccaskill.

Mauro says that his favorite thing here at Altus High School is football, and his favorite coach here is Coach Dabelstein.

During high school he wants to be on the basketball and soccer team.



Arancha Villa

By Emma Sasse
Senior Editor

Arancha Villa is a junior here at Altus High School. She is a part of the foreign exchange program. Arancha came to the United States from Seville, a city in Spain.

In Spain, Arancha has an older brother Borja who is 20 and sister Julia, who is 18. She also has a younger brother Iñigo, who is 15. He is also currently in Illinois.

Here in Altus, she has two younger sisters Leah who is six, and Delylah who is nine. She has four dogs Gunner, Trigger, Lola, Bowan, and 26 chickens. Arancha states, "I love my host family!" After high school, Arancha wants to go to college, but she does not know where.

What inspired Arancha to come to the states was she wanted to get out of her comfort zone for a while and to meet new people.

Arancha's interests are trav-

eling, being with people she loves, and helping people. Her mother is the one that inspires her because she always helps her with everything she has needed.

Arancha's favorite thing about high school are the people because everyone is so nice, and they help her with everything she needs.

Something interesting people may not know about Arancha is that she loves to travel with her family in Europe. She has been to France, Germany, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Switzerland, Italy, and Portugal.

This is the first time she has left Europe, so she was excited to visit another continent.

One thing that motivates Arancha is her family. They support her and are very important to her.

Arancha's favorite quote is, "Everything happens for a reason."



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Bulldog Bites

By Emma Sasse
Senior Editor

"What do you miss most about Summer?"



Freshman Elizabeth Risinger states, "Hanging with my friends."



Sophomore David VanSwearingen states, "I miss not being busy all the time."



Junior Devin Podoll states, "Sleeping in."



Senior Solomon Arrington, states, "Not going to school."

Senior Spotlight: Devin & Hayleigh

By Clayten Guerra and Janise Rodriguez
Senior Editor and Staff Writer



Devin Madison is a senior here at Altus High School. He has attended Altus since his freshman year. However, Devin grew up in Oklahoma City.

His mom, Courtney Madison, is a teacher here at Altus High School and his little brother, Braylon, is a sophomore here as well. He also has an older brother, Jordan.

Devin has played sports since he was about four years old. He plays baseball and basketball, number 11, for the Altus Bulldogs. He is also a part of the football team, number 15. He has played

throughout his high school career.

After he graduates high school, Devin plans to get his certification at the Southwest Technology Center to become an aircraft mechanic. It takes two years to get certified for full-time employment and three years for part-time. Devin plans to do full-time.

Devin's favorite thing about Altus High School is the people here and watching other sports play.

What motivates Devin in life is his mom. His favorite quote is, "Only he who can see the invisible, can do the impossible."

Hayleigh Buckner is a senior here at AHS. She has attended AHS since she was a junior.

Hayleigh was born in Chicago, IL. She has traveled around the world because both of her parents were in the military. She comes from a biracial family. She says, "Being mixed allowed me to learn and experience both of my cultures."

After graduation, she plans to attend MSU, WOSC, or Alabama to become a Neonatal Nurse or play basketball.

Hayleigh is motivated by her dreams. She says, "I may hate waking up for school everyday, but the

thought of either playing basketball or becoming a nurse makes me get up." She also states, "People that are rich or make it far in life, can't be lazy."

Something cool about Hayleigh is she has lived in England, Nebraska, Chicago, and Altus.

Her favorite thing about Altus High School is being coached by Coach Terbush.

Hayleigh is involved in basketball, track, FFA, and is one of the Altus High School mascots.

Her favorite quote is, "I can't relate to lazy people, we don't speak the same language, I don't understand you, I don't want to understand you."

