



Washington-Wilkes Middle School students in the “Physics in Imagineering” camp Disney were (front row, left to right) Creed Tillman, Thatcher Meech, Ansley Smith, Danilyn Wright, Kate Johnston, Hagen Harkins, Lexis Moon, Avery Gaddy, Bailey Jackson, Morgan Dove, Sums Islam; (middle row, left to right) Andrew Harkins, Annabel Cox, Madelyn Davis, Molly Dawson, Hannah Grace Moon, Daniela Chavez, Kailee Durham, Zaniya Hill, Kayleigh Dooley, Maggie Thornton, Trenton King, Cash Richards, and Daylen Davis; (back row) Austin Simmons, Coley Tillman, Tyler Silvey, Nathaniel Willis, Ethan Hardy, Kimberlee Hamb, Jonathon Conard, BreAna Burgess, and Amar Jacobs.

Washington students travel to Disney World

Submitted by PAM HALL

Washington-Wilkes Middle School students enjoyed spending February 13-16 at Disney World participating in the Disney’s Imagination Camp coordinated by Mrs. Tara Simmons from Tales of the South. When asked about the Disney trip, eighth grader Kailee Durham stated, “I learned so much in the physics workshop. I had no idea the importance that magnets played in the roller coasters. It was quite exhilarating riding a ride once you knew how they worked.”

Students were especially intrigued with the Physics in Imagineering where they participated in various hands-on opportunities to apply a scientific method while they collaborated with peers in creative problem-solving scenarios. Students took part in brainstorming sessions, involving various design processes. They hypothesized and experimented to analyze how some theme park attractions work and brainstormed and designed concepts for a guest experience. Students compared and contrasted attraction experiences and the physics principles governing their operation while also defining speed, velocity, acceleration, inertia, force, and friction.

W-WMS sixth grade students participating in the Physics in Imagineering camp were Daylen Davis, Madelyn Davis, Avery Gaddy, Kimberlee Hamb, Hagen Harkins, Sums Islam, Amar Jacobs, Trenton King, Cash Richards, and Maggie Thornton. Seventh graders participating were Bre’Ana Burgess, Annabel Cox, Andrew Harkins, Catherine Johnston, Thatcher Meech, Alexis Moon, Tyler Silvey, Ansley Smith, Creed Tillman, Nathaniel Willis, and Danilyn Wright. Participating from eighth grade were Daniela Chavez, Jonathan Conard, Molly Dawson, Kayleigh Dooley, Morgan Dove, Kailee Durham, Ethan Hardy, Zaniya Hill, Ty Lamar, Hannah Grace Moon, Austin Simmons, and Coley Tillman. Teacher chaperones included Holly Ferguson, Pam Hall, and Assistant Principal Rob Jackson.



Amanda Christensen speaks to the Rotary Club

Rotary intern from Denmark speaks to to the Washington Rotary Club

By MORRIS BRANSON
Staff Reporter

Steve Albertson introduced the Washington Rotary Club’s Georgia Rotary Student, Amanda Christensen, and gave some background about the program. In 1946, shortly after WWII ended, the Georgia Rotary began sponsoring students to come to the United States from overseas to attend college. He explained that this incentive is exclusively in Georgia and not sponsored by Rotary International. Students are given a full scholarship including tuition to study for one year; Amanda is attending Augusta University.

Amanda proceeded to give a very entertaining talk on her background as well as about her home country, Denmark. Her family, consisting of a younger sister and her parents, live in Copenhagen. They are very active in sports and love to travel. They lived in India for three years, where her father worked. Her country is home to several multinational corporations, not the least of which is Lego.

Automobiles are very expensive to own; however, public transportation is excellent and citizens often use bicycles. Denmark is comparable in size to Minnesota with a population roughly the same as metropolitan Atlanta. It has many political parties but is considered one of the most socialistic countries in the world. The government provides healthcare and schooling for all citizens; this is of course at a high cost to taxpayers. While she was working, Amanda was taxed at 40% of her income. Her parents, with their larger incomes, are taxed at 65%.

Amanda is not sure what she eventually will decide on as a career; she is currently taking courses in, Principles of Accounting, Cultural Anthropology, and Mathematics for Business.



Jackson Chapel and Blackrock has a new phone number which is 1-617-793-8272. Additionally, the worship service time has been changed to 11:00. Worship service is now held in the church as well as virtually.

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The Roy L Burns Senior Center Schedule: Monday – BINGO 10 a.m., Wednesday – Exercise 10 a.m., Thursday – BINGO 10 a.m.

The Washington City Council will hold its next regular meeting on Monday, March 14, at 6 p.m. at the Pope Center.

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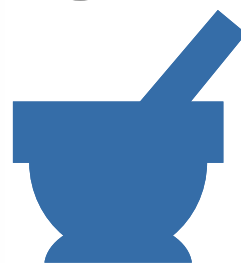
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