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Seniors win the 2019 Powderpuff football game



May 4

The day Jeremiah Jordan's life changed forever

Year-Round Support Jeremiah Jordan (12) makes his impact at the Pink Power Walk on Oct. 2 with his mom, a breast cancer survivor. "Honestly, October is that time of year where everybody is supporting and celebrating the women who have battled and I think it's the most amazing month on the calendar. But for me, that time of celebrating and supporting is each and every day," Jordan said. Jordan was just one of the students at the Pink Power Walk that had a personal connection to breast cancer awareness. Photo by E. Cortes

On May 4, 2016, Jeremiah Jordan's mother was diagnosed with breast cancer, which was life altering news to a young freshman. Jordan remembered exactly where he was when he heard the news.

"It all started the summer of 2016 going into my freshmen year. I came home from practice one day to see my mom in the kitchen on the phone crying looking at some papers. I had no idea what was going on so I asked her what was wrong and she told me the doctors diagnosed her with stage one breast cancer. All I remember is my face flooded with tears and I sprinted to my room and just cried for days because I didn't know what else to do," Jordan said.

He realized that the diagnosis was not about him, but about the person he loved the most. His mother taught him that if cancer couldn't stop her, it absolutely wasn't going to limit him.

"My mom did her best to assure me everything was going to be fine and I did my best to pretend everything was alright because in the end, it wasn't about me it was about her and this was her battle, not mine," Jordan said.

Within the next few years, Jordan's mom got better and Jeremiah began to think of ways to help reach the community more. His senior year, he served as the senior class president and as a varsity basketball captain.

"After about a year and a half of treatment and chemo, she was considered cancer free and it was one of the happiest days of my life knowing how strong my mother was being able to fight through, keep living her life to the fullest, and not let cancer cut her short," Jordan said.

The Pink Power Walk on Oct. 2 gave Jordan and people like him an opportunity to show what October means to them and the meaning it has for women that have gone through the same things as Jordan's mom.

"It's not just in October for me. Every time I see my mother is a time for celebration of a strong female in my life which is why the walk was so powerful for me. Just seeing all the participation and all the support that these women received that night brought joy to my heart and happiness in my soul and it's definitely a night that I will never forget," Jordan said.



Give It Your All On The Field Faking interest, Jayden Lavigne (11) and the junior team mock the seniors while they chant before the Powderpuff game. "The chants have to be some of my favorite traditions. We wanted ours to go off and really make the crowd cheer," junior coach Lavigne said. The cheers were also performed at the Friday assembly. Photo by K. Mwamba

Never Stop Smiling Quarterback Sydney Cole (12) runs the ball past the juniors during the Powderpuff game on Oct. 2. "It was kind of stressful living up to how good the juniors did last year, but it was fun being apart of something at CT that was going towards a good cause," Cole said. Cole could usually be seen running down the volleyball court as a setter on the varsity team. Photo by K. Mwamba



A night full of pink, flags, chants, and victories, the annual Powderpuff flag football game was one of the events available for students during Homecoming week. Under the theme, "BE CUREageous," the Powderpuff game focused on raising money and awareness for breast cancer. "[This year's theme] was important because as a community we need to show our support for these [tragedies] and try our best to raise money for the victims," Tori McDuffie (12) said.

In addition to enjoying the Homecoming spirit, students attended Powderpuff to see the competition between the seniors and junior girls. The competition was between the Class of 2020 and the Class of 2021, resulting in a back-to-back win for the Class of 2020 and the senior girls participating.

"My favorite memory from playing was game night when the energy was really high and everyone was there to just have fun, watching the girls be proud of themselves for doing good in a play. It was really rewarding and I was feeling that way myself," Powderpuff player Addyson Conroy (12) said.

Along with being a traditionally competitive event and giving back to the community, the Powderpuff game also offered many of the girls participating a chance to make new friends.

"One of my favorite parts about Powderpuff was making so many new connections with the girls that were on my team. Powderpuff is good for our school because it shows our community that girls can come together and play a sport that is typically just a guys' sport," Annabella Doll (11) said.

"Powderpuff was an event that brought everyone together for a better cause, while keeping the hype of Homecoming up.

Determined To Win Carrying the Powderpuff trophy for the second time, senior coach Torrey Sanders (12) looks back at all the effort that went into winning. "The best feeling ever is seeing all the hard work pay off. Being a coach for the second year was so great, I feel like I got better at coaching. Seeing the girls go out there and do their thing, it was crazy," Sanders said. Sanders was one of five senior boys that coached the girls. Photo by K. Mwamba

Cause, Fight

Leadership hosts first ever Pink Power Walk



High Spirits "The turnout was awesome and the amount of pink I saw was impressive. I was surprised how fun it turned out to be and it was an amazing and easy way to unite the students and community for the purpose of breast cancer awareness," Kathryn Nam (11) said. Photo by E. Cortes



Here To Support "I felt great walking and being around everyone else walking for the same cause and I felt like it brought everyone close together with all the support there for the bigger issue of breast cancer," Makayla Turner (11) said. Photo by E. Cortes



4 The Cause "I decided to participate because I have some family members who are cancer survivors and I felt like it was really cool how the school came together to walk for their loved ones," McKayla Kenshalo (9) said. Photo by E. Cortes



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