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# SUMMER PLAYLIST:

## Songs to define summer 2K15

The summer season is filled with water, sun and laughter, but it isn't complete without that defined summer sound. Each summer, the radio dictates which songs will be hot and which will not. The songs are generally upbeat with a big sound, but there are also some relaxed songs that are perfect for just lying around at the pool. Every summer brings a different sound that defines the season.

**"Budapest," George Ezra-** Ezra delivers a laid-back sound with a powerful chord. It is a great song to listen to while relaxing by the pool or driving around with friends on a sunny day with the windows down.

**"Homegrown," Zac Brown Band-** This country toe-tapper brings you back to a simpler time with a small-town feel. Zac Brown Band delivers an upbeat song that is guaranteed to get you singing along, no matter how much you hate country.

**"Shut Up and Dance with Me," Walk the Moon-** Walk the Moon brings a fast-paced, lively song that will have you shouting along to the chorus. It may be a tad repetitive, but the energetic tempo brings an element that guarantees it will be played at parties all summer long.

**"Love Me Like You Do," Ellie Goulding-** Goulding provides a quick tempo, but somehow manages to make it a laid-back song. Whether you're hoping for a summer romance or you just love a catchy song, this is the song for you.

## Retiring Staff Share Memories and Future Plans



MADHU LAL  
OPINION EDITOR

**Mike Siegert.** "My career has been full of many wonderful moments. It never gets old seeing the excitement of a student when he/she has an 'a ha' moment where difficult material becomes clear. It is also a thrill when graduates come back to visit or if I bump into an ex-student of mine in the community."

**Debbie Blake.** "[I would like to] travel (US National Parks, Nova Scotia, Europe, Iceland, road trips, St. John and St. Thomas, to name a few)."

**Larry Schofield.** "[My best moments were] watching students who were struggling finally understand a concept."

**Tracy Klink.** "[I would like to] help with next year's senior class...maybe substitute here some, enjoy my grandchildren, continue being a scout leader and Sunday school teacher and spend more time exercising and hiking."

**Sue Dodd.** "I can tell you that I will be busy. I will never stop learning, I will become a beekeeper, never stop doing yoga, and will enjoy sleeping in after getting up at 4:30 every morning."

**Jim Hill.** "[My best moment was] winning teacher of the year."

**Jack Thomas.** "[My best moments were] getting emails from former students saying that the class helped prepare them for college."

**Val Watson.** "[I would like to] move to the beach."

**Stan Eisenstein.** "[My best moments were] helping students to see everyday life in a different way - becoming aware of the physics that goes on beneath the experience we take for granted."

**Pamm West.** "[I would like to spend] 6 months in Florida and 6 months in Maryland."

**Caroline Frodyma.** "[I would like to] spend time with grand children, parents and [my] husband."

**Patty Bass.** "[My best moments are] seeing students I've worked with turn out very well."

**Catherine Lee.** "[I would like to do] international missionary work."

**Paula Gary.** "[My most memorable moments are] seeing how bright and airy the school is and being around such friendly staff members."

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# A YEAR IN REVIEW



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As the school year wraps up and the hallways empty out, we say good-bye to our seniors and begin to prepare for a new year, new memories and new experiences.

The 2014-2015 school year has been a successful and exciting one for Centennial. We've excelled in many different areas, including sports, theater and academics.

During the winter season, the boys' basketball team brought home Centennial's first-ever boys' basketball state championship, while Austin Kraisser won his second wrestling state championship. The spring saw many successful sports seasons as well, with the tennis team winning counties and placing in states, and multiple members of the track team winning state championships.

While the Eagles' sports teams were participating in physical competitions, the It's Academic team was excelling in a battle of a different type. The team won the TV Super Bowl in May, the second Super Bowl win for Centennial, and one of many other

awards and successes for the team throughout the year.

This year, the theater department decided to try something new and performed two musicals, instead of one musical and one play production. *Urinetown*, which showed in November, and *Aida*, the spring musical, were both widely successful productions for the Centennial Theater Department.

Mrs. Hafets, in her second year as Centennial's principal, received the Distinguished Educational Leadership Award from the *Washington Post* in April. She was recognized for her commitment to Centennial's community and for her advocacy of the success of the school.

All of these achievements have led to a tradition of excellence in the Centennial community, whether it be sports, arts, academics or service. As the 2015 class moves out, it is our job to work hard to preserve the tradition and create our own legacy.

This year, as we send the seniors forward to begin their futures, we are saying farewell to another group of individuals

who have left their lasting impact on the Centennial community in another way. Fourteen members of the Centennial staff are retiring after this school year, taking with them years of hard work, amazing dedication and priceless experiences.

Each new school year brings with it many changes and new adventures, but this year may bring more than usual for Centennial. From the many new staff members to the new turf fields being put in, the school will be experiencing a number of significant changes.

These changes provide the perfect opportunity to start fresh. As we wrap up the school year and look into summer, each of us has the chance to create something new and leave our legacy as an Eagle forever.



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# OUR FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE

Student Resource Officer Bryon Dietzel and security guard Mike Guizzotti make a difference in the lives of Centennial students

School Resource Officer Bryon Dietzel and security guard Mike Guizzotti spend their days protecting the students and teachers who walk the halls of Centennial High School. Although students may not realize it, both Guizzotti and Dietzel play a critical role in their lives.

Throughout the day, Dietzel and Guizzotti work to provide a safe school environment for the students, teachers and community. They make daily rounds to keep all doors locked, as well as help supervise all lunch shifts and provide security at all after-school events, two things they are not required to do. Guizzotti also helps with Best Buddies and special education, while Dietzel helps with the health classes and the Student School Improvement Team. Centennial's principal, Claire Hafets, said, "Whatever you need, they are at your beck and call."

After working as the school's security guard for four years, Guizzotti still enjoys it. "I am very happy to be here; I love Centennial," he said. He formerly worked as a police officer for Baltimore City and retired, leading him to his present job. According to Guizzotti, his favorite part of his job is his interaction with the students. "They are great kids to socialize with.

They brighten my day," said Guizzotti.

It has been 10 months since the Centennial students met the new School Resource Officer, Dietzel. Before the year started, Dietzel was looking forward to meeting new students and teachers, and has since been astounded by the warm reception and "overwhelming generosity" he received at Centennial. Dietzel said, "There are very kind students and staff here, and they were all just very welcoming."

Dietzel became an officer after studying child psychology and law en-



Officer Bryon Dietzel and security guard Mike Guizzotti.  
Photo: Shalini Malhotra.

forcement to the school is evident in the way they interact with the students. Audrey Lawrence, a sophomore at Centennial, has gotten to know them both this year. According to

Stephanie Boisvert.

One thing students appreciate about both of them is how they are different from teachers. "They know basically everyone, can relate to you in a different way than an instructor, and are always around," said Lawrence.

On Thursday, May 21, Guizzotti received the Centennial High School PTSA Commitment to Excellence School Staff Recognition Award. According to Centennial's PTSA President, Dave Reichenthal, "What stood out about Guizzotti is that it was clear from all the student nominations he received that he has a tremendous impact on the daily lives of our student population, which goes above and beyond his job description."

***"They are what make my day. If the students have a great day, I have a great day."***

forcement. "This way I can be an officer and work with kids." Every day, he tries to "interact with as many people as possible and help keep everyone safe." When asked how the students influence his day, Dietzel said, "They are what make my day. If students have a great day, I have a great day. If students are having a bad day, I do my best to try and change that."

Guizzotti and Dietzel's

Lawrence, "Mike [Guizzotti] does a great job and is really good at making everyone feel really comfortable. Officer Dietzel is super friendly and easy to approach."

Many students feel the same way Lawrence does. "They are serious when they need to be but otherwise they are super chill, funny, and I love them. They are the best people in the world," said junior

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# TRAINING:

## ATHLETES STRIVE TO MAINTAIN PERFECTION



MICHAEL MOORE  
SPORTS EDITOR

Offseason training is essential to the success of athletes. From playing club sports and doing skill work to running and lifting weights, the offseason training is the most important part of a successful athlete and team.

Rising junior Elijah White is coming off a breakout season with the basketball team that ended with a state title. He is already training to get ahead for next season, which will be the first without his brother, Isaiah, on the team with him. White explained what he is doing to prepare for next year.

“[I’m going to] really just work on trying to develop the weakness in my game through AAU [amateur athletic union]. I [have to] make sure I’m in the gym everyday or everyday I can whether it’s conditioning and weights, skills and drills, or playing. They all help,” he said.

While getting in the weight room is important, White is also going to look to become a leader in the offseason and begin to lead the team in his second year on varsity.

“Strength is a big part of my offseason workout plans but I would say my main focus is to develop in a

leadership role. I [also] plan to work on a lot of the mental aspects of the game,” he said.

White also stressed how important the offseason training is.

“The offseason is just as important as the season. If an athlete doesn’t put in the training during the offseason, most likely there won’t be much growth from the previous year, and I like to try to progress and grow in my abilities and skills as much as possible. The offseason is a perfect time for that because you don’t have to worry about games as much,” he said.

Maggie Sullivan, a rising junior, has been a key player on varsity field hockey since her freshman year. To improve throughout the offseason, Sullivan, as well as the team all together, does various offseason training programs and plays in various leagues.

“The only off season training that the team does together is spring league, where we have two games a week for about 2 months. Not everyone is required to do it, you have to sign up, but it’s a good way to see what the team for next year looks like so we can identify what we should work on. Usually when it draws near to tryouts, captains will invite the team to play and workout a couple times to

get ready,” she said.

“As a team we are looking to improve on communication on the field, working as a unit. We need to pass more and dribble less. We have been improving a lot in spring league though,” Sullivan said.

As for Sullivan individually, the work begins almost immediately after her lacrosse season ends.

“I individually play club field hockey, which keeps my skills from getting too rusty. After lacrosse season ends, I begin running on my own or with a teammate or two,” Sullivan said.

For all the work that she does, and the work that the team does, Sullivan believes that keeping in shape is the most important part of training.

“I would say the most important part of off-season training is keeping your body in shape so that in season practice time doesn’t have to be wasted getting the team in shape, instead of focusing on game technique and skill set,” she said.

Rising senior Jessica Jiang is one of the leaders on the girls’ cross-country team. After a disappointing end for the runners last year, the team is looking to ramp up the offseason workouts to bring back a state championship to Centennial.

“As a team this year, we’re really motivated to do

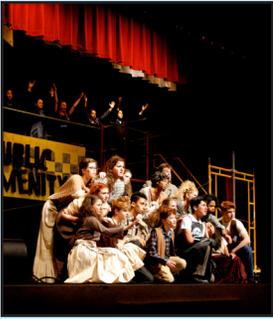
well this upcoming season. We’re definitely running a lot over the summer because last year that was kind of our downfall. We didn’t start off fully in shape and it kind of hurt us overall. So during the summer were keeping up with a lot of conditioning work and trying to keep ourselves in shape so we can get off to a really strong start and keep on improving throughout the season,” she said.

The cross country competition in Howard County is very strong, and the team knows that if they want to excel in the postseason, they will have to push it in their offseason workouts to get their bodies in shape.

“Our goal is to try and bring back another state title this year, and to do that we have to train. Running is almost purely just about how in shape you are, so it’s really important we train and work our bodies up so we can do what it takes. [Howard County] is always stacked when it comes to [cross country] and event track and field, especially 3A, so we have to train a lot to accomplish what we want,” Jiang said.

All of the sports teams at Centennial will be working hard in the offseason, and the work they put in now will benefit them during the season.

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# SENIORS OF THE MONTH



## DARIUSBAKER

**BIRTHDAY:** July 5, 1998  
**NICKNAME:** dbakes  
**MIDDLE NAME:** Allen  
**HOMETOWN:** Columbia, MD  
**FAVORITE CLASS:** THEATRE

**FAVORITE BOOK:** Anything from The Magic Treehouse

**FAVORITE TEACHER:** Mr. Whitaker

**QUOTE:** "How you gon' be mad on vacation?"

**HERO:** EJ Fowler

### WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH A MILLION DOLLARS?

Quit Safeway, buy Laurie's Ferrari



## STEPHANIEBOISVERT

**BIRTHDAY:** Nov. 14, 1997  
**NICKNAME:** Steph  
**SIBLINGS:** Elaina, Phoebe  
**COLLEGE PICKS:** Loyola  
**INTENDED MAJOR:** MEDICINE

**BEST WORD TO DESCRIBE YOU:** American

**FAVORITE FOOD:** Pizza

**FAVORITE SINGER:** Luke Bryan

**BEST PART ABOUT BEING A SENIOR:** Easy classes

### FUN FACT:

I love Izzie Chausse



## JESSICAKITZMAN

**BIRTHDAY:** Aug. 6, 1998  
**NICKNAME:** Bitsy  
**HOMETOWN:** Ellicott City  
**INTENDED MAJOR:** Biology  
**HERO:** Leslie Knope

**HOBBIES:** Drawing

**BEST PART ABOUT BEING A SENIOR:** Being a senior

**WORST PART ABOUT BEING A SENIOR:** Being a senior

**FAVORITE TEACHER:** Dr. Rosenfeld

### WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH A MILLION DOLLARS?

Roll in it.



## BARRYPLUNKETT

**BIRTHDAY:** Sept. 25, 1997  
**NICKNAME:** Perry  
**SIBLINGS:** Bryce  
**HOMETOWN:** Baltimore, MD  
**INTENDED MAJOR:** Economics, Poli Sci

**FAVORITE FOOD:** Bread

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *Wolf of Wall Street*

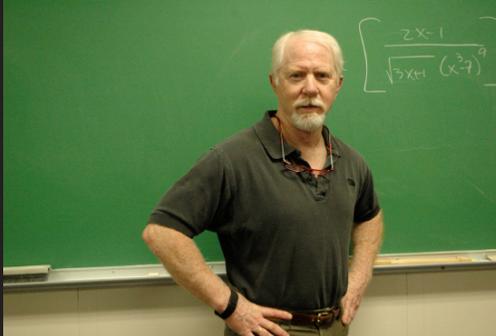
**BEST WORD TO DESCRIBE YOU:** Septugenarian

**DREAM VACATION:** Jurassic Park

### FUN FACT:

The capital of Thailand is Bangkok.

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