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State Qualifying Athlete: Grace Blonde

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This month at the state cross country meet, hosted in Fort Obetz, Grace Blonde was there to represent Columbian. Grace is a sophomore who is currently involved in not only cross country, but band and track as well. After many long practices and fierce races, Grace would be the sole member of her team to qualify for state by placing 7th at regionals. The following week she ran at the State Meet, placing 143rd in the D1 race while running a time of 21:05. Even though it wasn't her best race, she still enjoyed being able to compete at state and is incredibly proud of the season she had. While I could continue to tell you about her experiences, why not hear from her instead?

Joaquin: *How was it to run at state?*

Grace: It was an amazing experience! I am so happy I was able to qualify and compete with the best in the state. I really appreciate everyone who came down to support me.

Joaquin: *What was a challenge you had to overcome in order to qualify for state?*

Grace: A challenge I had to overcome was trying to stay healthy throughout the weeks before state, since it seemed like everyone was getting sick. Also, I had to make sure I got out fast enough during the first mile [at regionals] if I was going to be able to qualify.

Joaquin: *How would you say your season as a whole went?*

Grace: Overall it went pretty well. For a while I struggled with an ongoing cold, which resulted in me missing a race. But in the long run, I was able to learn how to drop time without slowing down significantly after the first mile. I'm also really glad I was able to get closer to the seniors this year- we are all definitely going to miss them.

Joaquin: *Final question, what are you looking forward to next cross season?*

Grace: I am looking forward to SBCs and regionals. We have some really fast girls coming up. I'm excited to get to know them and see how far we can get as a team. It would be awesome if the team qualified for state next year.

State Qualifying Athlete: Grace Blonde (Cont.)

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Grace wasn't the only one interviewed for this article. Her coach, Bob Fittro, had quite a bit to say about her and the girl's season.

Coach Fittro: Grace had an unbelievable year and as her coach, I couldn't be more proud of her. Her attitude and work ethic is at the heart of her success. She gives her all every day and always with a smile.

At the start of the season I was expecting our two seniors to lead us and the underclassmen to follow in no particular order behind them. But once we got into the hard workouts, Grace was pulling others more than pushing. I kept telling her she was going to break 20 minutes, which is kind of a benchmark time in girls cross country, but I'm not sure she really believed me until we got to Lakota. That day Grace really went for it. She was sitting second place most of the way and finished a strong third with a time of 19:53. The time was good enough to land her a spot on Columbian's All-Time Top 25 List, and also put her in the conversation as far as potential individual qualifiers to state.

At the regional race, most of our attention was on advancing as a team. "One Team – One Dream" had been our slogan all year and we knew if we could all run our best on the same day, we'd have a shot. The girls gave it everything they had, but we wound up [coming in] third. One spot short [of making it to state].

Individually, Grace was right where we'd talked about. Coming up the final hill behind the bandshell she was in tenth, but she didn't give up. Over the final 800 meters she passed three girls to climb into 7th. That was no easy feat; those were very fast girls, but it just shows the tremendous determination she possesses. No one who knows Grace outside of cross country would probably think of her as being tenacious or gritty, but anyone who's seen our team run this season knows she and her teammates are all fighters. We may not always win, but we're always gonna give it our all. Grace really embodies our team's fighting spirit.



Members of the varsity girls cross country team. From left to right: Coach Fittro, Maddie Gurney, Carmen Lewis, Dallas Poll, Grace Blonde, Kelsie Weingart, Maddie Hardenia, Makiah Gurney, and Assistant Coach Katie Poll.

Her Regional race time was 19:37, putting her 10th of All Time on Columbian's top runners list, but the real reward for that time was her standing on the podium, being introduced as a state qualifier. It's something every cross country runner dreams of and she did it. Her making the trip to state to compete against the best of the best was the reward for her efforts and [was] well-deserved. I'm sure the experience is something she'll never forget, nor will I, but I wouldn't be a bit surprised to see her down there again next year...hopefully with a full team.

Thank you to both Grace and Coach Fittro for contributing to this article highlighting Grace's season. It wouldn't be possible without them, and good luck to Grace and the girls cross team in their future seasons!

International Stress Awareness

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Stress: something everyone encounters. Students have classes back-to-back, homework to complete, responsibilities to fulfill, and their fast-coming adulthood to think of. Teachers have papers to grade, classrooms to manage, material to teach, and their at-home lives to balance. We all experience stress. And with the holidays on the raise everyone is ready for a break. (And sometimes even the holidays are stressful!) This November contains International Stress Awareness week, where we raise awareness for stress prevention. This November it is important that we look at how to manage and prevent our stress but to also recognize that our colleagues, teachers, and students all feel stress as well.

But what is stress? Stress is our body's response to pressure. That feeling of the world coming in on you. Feeling wound-up, irritable, or anxious. Stress can take on many faces. But all the same stress affects everyone. So, how can we manage or even prevent stress? In order to manage stress we can exercise, listen to music, read, lift weights, and meditate. It's important to know that not all ways of managing stress work for everyone and that we must find what works best for us. We can also find ways to prevent stress in our everyday lives. This can be by taking care of our bodies and staying healthy, practicing breathing skills and meditation, and staying positive in hard situations. Everyone deals with stress and it's important for stress not to over take us. Practice skills and management options.

Stress. Everyone has it. But it doesn't have to define us.

King Charles III's 74th Birthday

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Charles Philip Arthur George was born on November 14, 1948 at Buckingham Palace in London, England. His parents were Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip. At just the age of 3, he was heir-apparent when his mother ascended the throne and took on the title that most of us know her as, Queen Elizabeth II.

He earned a bachelor's degree attending Trinity College at Cambridge University, being the first heir to the British throne to go on to get a degree. In 1969, his third year of college, he was officially titled Prince of Wales. After attending the 4-year college, he served in the Royal Navy for 6 years, following the footsteps of his father and grandfathers.



At age 31, he started dating Lady Diana Spencer when she was 19. They had met three years earlier, when Charles was dating her older sister, Sarah. Their engagement was announced in February of 1981, and on July 29, 1981, they were married at St. Paul's Cathedral with over 750 million people watching on television. They had two children, Prince William and Prince Harry, before they separated in 1992 and divorced in 1996. On August 31, 1997, Diana was killed in a car wreck in Paris. Many people believe a conspiracy that The Queen was involved in the crash, although there is little evidence to prove that. In 2004, at age 56, Prince Charles announced his engagement to 57-year-old Parker Bowles, and they married a year later.

On September 8, 2022, Prince Charles's mother and longest-lasting monarch of Britain Queen Elizabeth II passed at the age of 96. An official coronation date hasn't been announced, but it is expected to be sometime in 2023 at London's Westminster Abbey. King Charles III is also head of the commonwealth, which includes 54 countries, and he is the head of state in 14 of these. His son, Prince William, is now heir-apparent at 40 years old.

Native American Heritage Month

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It's November, which is Native American Heritage Month or also known as American Indian and Alaskan Native Heritage Month. We celebrate Native American Heritage Month by recognizing the history, culture, and people from all of the different tribes. Ever since European settlers came to the U.S., Natives have had to face many adversities. The French were the most friendly with the Natives and would engage in fur trading during the mid-1500s. The French never forced the Natives to change their beliefs or to relocate to different areas. Intermarriages between the French and the Natives became quite common, so there's a good chance that if you have French heritage in northern America or Eastern Canada then you may have Native heritage too. Relations between the English and the Natives were not as friendly. The English believed the Natives to be inferior and that they were in the way of the English's "god-given right" to the land in America. Natives were forced to fight off the English but eventually, the English took over most of the land the Natives lived on. Not much Native American land remains except for small reservations that the government created for them to live on. Ever since white settlers came to the U.S., over 55 million Natives Americans, or 90% of their population, have died or been killed because of white settlers. Native Americans still face many struggles even today with many of the reservations that they live on having very poor living conditions. Some reservations have dirty, untreated water, and other reservations have no access to education. Native Americans have had to face many hardships throughout history and still many Natives struggle during today's time, but it is very important that Native American Culture isn't forgotten. Native American traditions and beliefs are very important to them and are a part of their everyday lives. Music and dancing play a big part in their culture. Different tribes would have different dances or music that they would play but a common dance between tribes was called the Stomp Dance. Natives would perform the Stomp Dance during the height of the crop season and the dancers would arrange themselves in a circle around a fire and then would stomp and shuffle around the fire in a counterclockwise motion. Many Native tribes also treated women with great respect and that leadership and responsibilities were shared equally between the men and women. Almost all Native tribes share a common belief in their connection with the Earth and nature. Bison is a very important part of their culture as they would hunt the bison and use every single part of the bison. The hide would be used for clothing, housing, tools, etc. The bones would be used for tools and so forth. Native Americans believe that every part of the bison's body should be used and not go to waste. They only killed animals for their use and would never hunt for sport. They have very spiritual connections with nature and the animals that they hunted. Some of Ohio's county names come from Native Tribes that were here such as Ottawa, Seneca, and Wyandot. The main 6 tribes originally from Ohio were the Shawnee, the Seneca-Cayuga, the Lenape, the Ottawa, the Myaamia, and finally the Wyandot tribe which I have heritage from and is where part of my last name comes from. Native American culture and heritage are so very important to preserve and protect. Losing Native culture is losing American culture as the Native Americans were the first people to live on this land. Native American culture is very expansive with many different tribes and different beliefs, it's just a shame that only in the past few decades have we made efforts to preserve their history and culture.

Chadwick Boseman's Birthday and Legacy

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Chadwick Boseman was born on November 29th, 1976 in Anderson, South Carolina. His Mother, Carolyn Boseman, was a nurse, and his father, Leroy Boseman, was a factory worker. Even as a child, Chadwick Boseman had aspirations of becoming a movie star. He wrote his first play in his junior year of high school, titled *Crossroads*. He attended Howard University in 2000 earning his bachelor of fine arts degree in Directing. He also attended the British American Drama Academy in London. He was able to go because of Denzel Washington's funding. Afterward, he moved to New York where he got his first job at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, located in Harlem, as a drama instructor. Then, in 2003, he appeared in his first television role in an NBC drama. He also appeared in many other shows up until 2008 where he starred in his first feature film, *The Express: The Ernie Davis Story*. His first major role was in *42*, a film where he portrayed Jackie Robinson in 2013. In 2016, he begin arguably his most famous role as T'challa (Black Panther) in *Captain America: Civil War*. He also later starred in the 2018 film *Black Panther*, which is currently the 14th highest-grossing film of all time, and as his own character in Marvel's *What if...?* in 2021.

Boseman secretly started dating Taylor Simone Ledward in 2015 and later became married in 2020. Back in 2016, he was diagnosed with stage III colon cancer. Eventually, it progressed to stage IV. Despite these adversities, he continued to star in films throughout chemotherapy, never releasing his diagnosis to the public. He even visited terminally ill children that were also battling cancer. Sadly, after battling colon cancer for 4 years, he passed away at the age of 43 at his home on August 28th, 2020 with his wife and family by his side. The MTV Video Music Awards that premiered on August 30th, 2020 were in dedication to him. Sadly, Chadwick Boseman will not reappear as himself in Marvel's *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*.







Fibonacci Day

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Fibonacci Day is on November 23, for a very specific reason. The fibonacci sequence is a series of numbers where each number is the sum of the two numbers before it. And, if you were to write out November 23 in numbers it would be 11/23. This demonstrates a part of the sequence because 1+1=2 and 2+1=3. This sequence was created by Fibonacci who was also known as Leonardo Bonacci. Leonardo Bonacci is a famous Italian mathematician, born in 1170. Bonacci studied in Algeria, a North African Country, and was the one to introduce Arabic numerals to Europe. The Fibonacci sequence can also be attributed to the Fibonacci spiral. This spiral can be found naturally occurring in nature, such as in the growth of plants or flowers, shells, hurricanes, and pine cones. As useless and tutting as math may seem, it can be anywhere: you just have to look!



Edmond Halley: Halley's Comet

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You have probably heard of Halley's Comet, which comes around about every 76 years, but did you know it is named after Edmund Halley? It is often said that Halley's comet is the most famous comet; this is because it was the first time astronomers understood that they could be seen more than once. The last time Halley was visible in the sky was in 1986, and it will not be visible again until 2061. Before Edmond Halley's birth, it was commonly believed that comets only made one appearance. Edmond Halley was born in 1656, but it was not until 1705 that he made his first discovery. He computed the orbits of several comets using Isaac Newton's gravitational and planetary motion theories. He also found similarities in the orbits of three comets reported in previous years. He hypothesized that these appearances were a singular comet making repeated visits to the sky. In doing this, he correctly predicted its return in 1758. This was the first comet to make known periodic occurrences and was named in his honor. Halley's comet has been connected to sightings dating back more than 2000 years. The Bayeux Tapestry, created in 1066, features the comet. Halley's comet creates two meteor showers every year, in May and October, because its nucleus spews ice and rock into space when it enters the inner solar system. The comet is also one of the darkest objects in the solar system because it only reflects 3% of the light that falls onto it. Comets usually have a lifetime of about 1000 years, and periodic comets only have a lifetime of around 200 years; however, Halley's Comet has shown no signs of deterioration for its 16,000 years of orbiting the sun.



New Store Coming to Tiffin

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It was announced on November 21, 2022 that Tiffin is going to receive a Hobby Lobby store. The new store will be located in the Tiffin mall where JCPenney used to be located. Hobby Lobby will create 80 new jobs by opening this store in Tiffin. Hobby Lobby plans to invest about $4 million into the future location including a full interior renovation and parking lot restoration. This announcement is great news for the Tiffin Mall which has been slowly dying out over the past decades. The addition of Hobby Lobby to the Tiffin Mall will hopefully revitalize the mall and maybe other stores and restaurants will want to come to our mall in the future. The new Hobby Lobby store will hopefully be open by late 2023.

SpaceX : Elon Musk's Private Space Exploration and Research Company

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The initial statement of SpaceX's goal is "[T]o revolutionize space technology, with the ultimate goal of enabling people to live on other planets." The company officially entered the arena of space travel with the Falcon 1 rocket which is a small, two-stage liquid-fueled craft that had sent small satellites into orbit. SpaceX is an infamous company formed and created in 2002 by billionaire extraordinaire, Elon Musk. The first goal of this company at the time: to normalize space travel.

Before long, Elon started pushing the idea of colonizing and inhabiting Mars. Yes, the red planet in our Solar orbit. Mars colonization was and still is the top goal and real priority of this company. As time started to pass, SpaceX had started working with NASA, the government agency that investigates and solves space exploration and solar studies within and out of our own galaxy.

The two major companies started investigating life on other planets or possible colonization on another planet in the event of Earth's demise. The two genius organizations of science and space technology had, at first, started with a deal in 2014, costing about $ 2.6 billion, but had later on decided to start working together in August of 2012. That started with the first goal of developing an original space capsule with the capacity and ability to hold a crew of astronauts, to travel to space by 2017.

Another mission of this popular company is to launch USSF 44, a Falcon heavy rocket. The plan for launching the USSF 44 is to deploy two spacecrafts into the Geosynchronous orbit, one is the Falcon heavy rocket while the other is a military microsatellite named TETRA 1. Recently, on November 12th 2022, two SpaceX satellites had been launched in a record-tying 14th mission. The two satellites were designed for two telecom satellites for Intelsat, a multinational service provider, by using a Falcon 9 rocket to fly.

The most recent launch by SpaceX and NASA was the Artemis 1, an uncrewed test of Orion and SLS's first test flight for the mission of returning to the moon. The goal of this first test of the mission is to place Orion into lunar orbit before returning it to Earth.

After the first goal is accomplished the SLS will then use the ICPS second stage, which is performing Trans-Lunar injection burn to send Orion into Lunar space. In other words, the TLI is supposed to be sized and precisely timed towards the moon as it revolves around the Earth.

In conclusion, while SpaceX is not currently ready to inhabit Mars, mankind is closer than they have ever been.

Game of the Month: *Pokémon Firered and Leafgreen*

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Not all remakes in gaming history are bad, some are just okay. But some surpass the original's quality in every way. *Pokémon Firered and Leafgreen*, released in 2004 remade *Pokémon Red and Green* (or *Pokémon Red and Blue* for us Americans). *Firered and Leafgreen*, despite almost 20 more years of Pokémon games, remain as some of the best in the series and are -simply put- just good games.

Pokémon Red and Green didn't exactly have the most complex or deep plots. Their basic plots were to just beat all 8 gym leaders, deal with team rocket's shenanigans, battle the elite 4 and become the Pokémon league champion. That's pretty much it, and *Firered and Leafgreen* keep that simplicity. Sure, these stories don't have much in terms of themes or deeper meaning, but it's that simplicity that's so appealing. It's a game you can just pick up and play because the story isn't so lengthy or convoluted. And when so many games nowadays are so story-heavy, that simple story is remarkably refreshing.

The characters of this game, like its story, are simple. There's not much to most of them, but it works for them. No characters ever overstay their welcome or really ever get annoying. Very little gets revealed about the characters and that perhaps aids the experience of the game. The lack of information creates mystery and lets the player theorize why things happened or are the way they are. This encourages the player to be creative and make the story their own. I haven't mentioned Red or Leaf yet, the two playable characters of these games. While they are characters, they're blank-slate characters, meaning the player shapes what these characters are. They both fit that role well and are well-designed, not something every pair of Pokémon protagonists can accomplish.

On top of this, the game looks visually appealing to this day. The sprite art continues to use the same style as Pokémon Ruby and Sapphire, and has aged quite well. The game is bright and colorful, the Pokémon sprites are full of personality, and everything looks the way it should.

In *Pokémon Red and Green*, some sprites were just terrible, and hardly conveyed what they were meant to be. Kanto's visual design may be simple, but it's so well-conveyed through the games' gorgeous pixel art.

The games also just work and improve what Red and Green did. *Pokémon Red and Green* could have a whole Wikipedia article worth of bugs, glitches, and unrefined aspects. While they were playable, they could be incredibly tedious and cryptic. *Firered and Leafgreen* just fix most of those inconveniences, and unlike some remakes, don't remove copious amounts of content for no reason. Battles run smoothly, menu navigation is simple and orderly, the game isn't overly cryptic (*Pokémon Red and Green* do a great job at telling the player nothing about what they have to do), and the game's simplicity keeps the story moving along at a brisk pace. It never really drags or becomes unenjoyable. They also add in the option to play as Leaf rather than Red, seeing as *Red and Green* sorely lacked an option to play as female pokemon trainer.

To keep it brief, *Firered and Leafgreen* are just great games. While they may be incredibly simple in some aspects, that just works so much in their favor. Even with 26 games being released after them, *Firered and Leafgreen* are timeless classics and are some of the best in the series.

Movie of the Month: *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*

CONTAINS SPOILERS: Do not read this if you have not seen the movie!

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Black Panther: Wakanda Forever directed by Ryan Coogler is the most recent movie in the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU). *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* is also the final film in phase 4 of the MCU. I think *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* is a very strong way to end phase 4 because phase 4 of the MCU hasn't been that good in my opinion. I watched this movie opening night with some of my friends and it was a great time.

After the unfortunate passing of actor Chadwick Boseman who played T'Challa in the MCU they decided not to recast the role for *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*. Chadwick Boseman played T'Challa aka Black Panther, in 4 movies in the MCU including *Captain America: Civil War, Black Panther, Avengers Infinity War, and Avengers Endgame*. So *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* already has a tough challenge of having to deal with in-universe death of T'Challa. I think *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* is a great sequel to *Black Panther* even without having T'Challa. This movie is the best a follow-up could have been without T'Challa. They handle his in-universe death with a cold open instead of the usual Marvel credits of Shuri trying to save her brother and failing. That guilt will stick with her throughout the course of the film. The movie spends the right amount of time focusing on T'Challa's death; it never overstays its welcome or lingers. This movie is not afraid to have slow scenes and a mostly serious tone which I loved. The MCU, especially phase 4 in particular, has been lacking movies with serious tones recently. Despite this movie being close to the 3 hour mark, the pacing is very well handled. The movie admittedly does drag in some spots, but it is not a huge complaint of mine. If you really want to shorten the runtime of the movie, just cut some of Everett Ross scenes because they really don't have that big of an impact story-wise.

This movie handles its characters marvelously, no pun intended. The main focus of the movie is obviously on Shuri and she is given a lot of good character moments and development. Namor, who is the antagonist of the movie, is also great. You can understand where Namor is coming from even though he is still in the wrong. Namor is also a legitimate threat and not some random guy either. Ironheart is a great addition to the MCU; the plot also really can't happen without her. M'Baku is given not a lot to do in this movie, which is disappointing because he is one of my favorite characters. Okoye and Nakia both serve their purpose and are pretty good characters. The acting is pretty top tier for MCU standards and just in general the acting was quite good. Queen Romanda is very important story-wise considering the fact that her character dies before the climax of the movie. The more emotional moments and story beats allow for the actors to give more emotional performances. Props to all the actors- they all did great especially Letitia Wright and Angela Bassett.

The cinematography is just gorgeous, especially in all the underwater scenes. This movie does a great job at world-building as well. There is a lot more to praise about this movie. Overall though this movie is a great time and a great addition to the MCU. I would give this movie a 8/10. I also like *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* more than the original *Black Panther*. Thanks for reading!

Thanksgiving

By Ema Thom



The unique smell of turkey and stuffing that reminds me of Thanksgiving.
The smell of perfect pumpkin pie and my grandma's mouth watering.
Applesauce cake, that reminds me of Thanksgiving.
Playing cards and making memories with my family, that reminds me of Thanksgiving.
Being thankful for everyone in my life, that is the meaning of Thanksgiving.

The Perilous Battle: A Tale of Two Sides

By Joe Edwards

I clutch my musket as I close my eyes and pray that this battle is not my last. I hear the enemy's commanding officer shout to the first row of soldiers, "FIRE!" This is followed by several loud booms coming from in front of me. Cannons start firing on us, what was once an organized group of soldiers is now scattered across the field. One after another, cannonballs pelt the ground. Wounded and dying men lay on the ground all around me, red blood staining their blue coats. Ironic to me it seems that our enemy wears the color of red, it's as if every time one of us bleeds we are reminded that we are dying due to the military might of the British.

From the center of the field I hear a yell that chills me to my core, "Lay down your arms, you rebel scums, or prepare to die at the hands of his majesty's army!" A man in a clean red coat sat atop a black horse swinging a sword above his head. I'm reminded that it is said death would come to man riding the earth atop a black steed.

What is left of our soldiers begins to run from the battle. They are overcome by fear, I do not blame them. I feel an immense pressure in my stomach, followed by a fiery burning sensation. I instinctively bring my hand to the point of pain and its color immediately turns to red. I realize I have been shot. I sink to my knees as the enemy soldiers advance. The commanding officer is now close enough that I can hear him chuckling to himself as he talks, "So, these fools have chosen to die."

I begin to feel lightheaded and fall to my back. My eyes are now fixed on the sky above me which is a lovely blue color, the clouds are puffy and white, the sun is shining brightly in elegant rays of golden grace. I think to myself about what a beautiful scene this is to gaze at while dying.

I know that I will finally be rid of this war and I am at peace with that. While we fight for a cause I do believe in, I often ask myself at what cost and to what lengths do we have to go. Over the course of this treacherous war I've become acquainted with many good men only to later watch them die in battle. Perhaps now, we will reunite.

Boots begin striking the ground all around me, enemy soldiers are charging past me, their red coats draping over my body as they run. One soldier stops amidst the charge, musket in hand. Seeing that I am still alive, he points the bayonet downward and drives it through my heart. I feel the same pressure as before, but only for an instance. All turns dark, I slowly fade away.

My soldiers and I are all lined upon the field, assembled in neat rows. We are met by an enemy who thinks they are fighting for a noble cause. The cannons are being loaded, both sides are preparing for battle. For the enemy soldiers, this will be their last.

Seeing that the cannons have been loaded, I give my command: "FIRE!" Immediately, our cannonfire begins to drive our enemy back. Soldiers are abandoning their posts in droves. My army begins to move forward. Seeing that we are already showing signs of victory I give what soldiers are left a chance to be granted mercy. Swinging my sword above my head as I project my voice across the battlefield, I yell, "Lay down your arms, you rebel scum, or prepare to die at the hands of his majesty's army!"

More soldiers begin to shuffle off in the opposite direction, fools. "FIRE!" Several soldiers are being pelted in the back by musket fire as they run, not one soldier is going to escape the wrath of our army today. For escaping would allow them some sliver of a chance to regroup, and I will not have that.

Some of the enemy soldiers return musket fire, striking down a few of my men. Nevertheless we continue our advance, a force to be reckoned with. We may lose a few, but they will lose all. Some of the enemy soldiers lay on the ground as we move past, fatally wounded but not yet dead. I order my men to begin bayonetting them as we pass.

I see some of the enemy soldiers still fruitlessly trying to fight, I chuckle as I speak to myself, "So, these fools have chosen to die." They should not have tried their luck against the might of the crown. As I continue my advance down the field I notice how much thinner their ranks look. Towards the end of the field by the woodline, they have tried to regroup.

Seeing this, I begin commanding my men once more, "FIRE!" Smoke and musket fire scatter the field, men are hit and wounded on both sides. When the dust is settled, our enemy has been vanquished. None of their soldiers remain. Once again, his majesty's army has prevailed.

I order my men to go through the disarrayed bodies of those who have fallen and bayonet those that are alive but wounded. Another day, another battle won. Our losses are not heavy, their losses are many. We have triumphed over the colonists once again.

