# .12 Hart Family Press

#### We welcome twins to the family!!

With all that has gone on this year, we thought everyone could use some joy and decided to adopt a kitten. However, once I saw the kitten I couldn't take just her, I had to bring her sister home to. So we now have twins, their names are Sparkles and Sprinkles and they are a great addition to our family. The only big difference between them are their noses. Sprinkles has a brownish nose, and Sparkles has a pink one. They join Saba and Scarlett and all four are getting along great.



### Connor is a 6th Grader

Connor has not been in a school building since March, yet he managed to finish the 5th grade and is now in 6th grade. He has managed to improved on his testing scores and get all A's and B's getting High Honors this semester. He doesn't do zoom calls, but instead works on all the work independently.

It is looking like he will finish the 6th grade as a e-learning 🛛 student so it will be interesting to see how the rest of the school



#### rently aced all his classes, and has impressed us with his maturity, all while getting on the honor roll! We are so proud of how great he is doing! Hopefully he can get some days at the high school before 10th

We have a

Freshman!!

In August David started at

the High School and has fin-

ished his first semester as a

Freshman! He didn't get the

and friends, instead he has

had it all online. He has cur-

usual chance to meet teachers

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<b>David</b> Height	5'5" tall 4 inches taller then mom

5'2" tall Connor: As tall as mom Height:



#### Middle School Graduate

In May David graduated from middle school . They had an 8th grade only dance, a catered lunch, and cap/gown graduation ceremony. This year David got something different, because of the pandemic and Illinois being shut down, the school honored the 8th graders with a Drive In Movie Ceremony. David had his picture on the big screen along with all the other 8th graders at Big Hollow. They also received shirts that said Big Hollow Drive In Graduation. It may not have ended his years as a Big Hollow graduate the way we assumed it would, but instead gave us all something special and unique we won't ever forget.



grade!





## Chicago Bulls Game

Connor has been wanting to go to a basketball game for a few years now, for his 11th birthday this year we decided to get him tickets to a Chicago Bulls Game, right down on the court! We were lucky enough to get them for the middle of February right before all the panic set in for the pandemic. We spent the night watching them play, the boys were able to play some games and we all had a lot of fun. They may have lost their game, but we did make it on the TV and made some fun memories as a family.



# A few extra notes for the year.

Mike and I celebrated our 15th wedding anniversary back in March, in style with the kids and Pizza Hut because of the pandemic. David received his confirmation a bit late, instead of in March like originally planned. He became David Joseph Michael Hart confirmed in August.



## **Blue Man Group**

David turned 14 this year and we celebrated that with a trip to see the Blue Man Group, again we got it in a week before the pandemic shut everything down! Talk about lucky kids with birthdays in the beginning of the year. It was a fun time in the poncho section, and David loved being able to see them play the different instruments and of course pictures with the Blue Man Group performers after the performance.





Usually sports keep us so busy, but since Connor only had some baseball games this year, and football was cancelled we had the opportunity to go pick pumpkins as a family.









# Washington D.C. Trip

The other highlight of the year was a trip to Washington D.C. with David and some fellow 8th graders. It was a trip we won't forget! We got to visit so many memorials, and historical sites, along with the Capital. Some favorites where the WW II memorial, the Washington Monument and the Abe Lincoln statue. We also had the opportunity to walk down to the White House and see the statues in the Capital. We ended the trip going to Arlington National Cemetery and watching the changing of the guards for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It was an amazing experience that I hope David always remembers.



