

## Editor's Note



*“History isn’t just dry dates and statistics. History is human. History can be a great source of strength and affirmation. An aid to navigation, especially in dark and dangerous times.”*

– **David McCullough**<sup>11</sup>

Our goal this year was to provide a broad view of students that fill our classrooms. Therefore. This year’s History and Political Science journal takes its readers from feudal Rome to the future demographics of our global population; from political discussions on the post-Soviet Era to cultural discussions on the importance of Jazz to the Civil Rights Movement.

Through such a broad lens, we see each new discovery is built on the knowledge of the past. Knowledge which we have learned here at the feet of our professors. Each lesson a student learns, each topic they internalize, provides the basis for the life they will lead. The futures of our students are as varied as the topics in this journal and the professors here have helped guide the future of our world. For “those who are taught, do. Those who teach, shape the future”<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> David McCullough, *In the Dark Streets Shineth: A 1940 Christmas Story*, performed December 2009 (Stevens Point, WI: Shadow Mountain, 2010), DVD.

<sup>2</sup> Suzanne Brockmann, *Frisco’s Kid* (Ontario: Mira, 1997), 206.