

Ambulance Evac
12:50 p.m.
Having sustained internal injuries and unresponsive to first responders, senior **John Tolander** is transported to an ambulance by EMS personnel and fire fighters.



Loading the Hearse
1:14 p.m.
Senior **Reagan Head**, dead on scene and zipped into a body bag, is transported on a stretcher to the back of a hearse by first responders.



Court Decision
2:254 p.m.
Having been served multiple sentences for intoxication manslaughter by Judge Edna Staudt, senior **Alexis Breed** is escorted out of the court room to return to prison.



In a matter of minutes

Photos by Hannah Williamson, Godson Iheanacho, Lauren Campbell and Ashton Priddy

It seemed like a good idea at the time. A few friends, a little Wednesday night fun. And when senior **Reagan Head** couldn't hold her alcohol, the logical decision seemed to be to take her home. Senior **Alexis Breed** was thinking only of her friend, not of her own drunken state. But her impairment led her to cause a two-vehicle crash

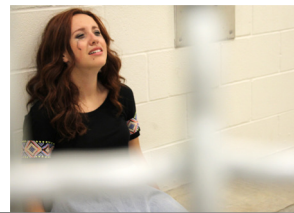
with Biology teacher **Brent Grissom**, who was on his way to pick up senior **Branden Gonzalez**, also drunk, from the party. In the resulting scene, the lives of all involved were changed forever. "This coverage depicts a mock drunk driving accident. No actual injuries or fatalities were sustained."



Two Dead on Scene 12:11 PM
Immediately following the crash, Biology teacher **Brent Grissom** and senior **Reagan Head** are dead on scene, killed by the impact of the two-vehicle collision.



Starflight Air Lift 12:58 p.m.
Due to his injured neck, senior **Branden Gonzalez** is transported to a helicopter by Starflight personnel to be air lifted to a nearby hospital.



Jail Time 1:51 p.m.
After being arrested the night of the party, senior **Monica Harkins** cries in a holding cell after finding out about the crash. Harkins was arrested for providing alcohol to minors at the party.



Photos by Godson Iheanacho

YOU'RE GONNA MISS ME WHEN I'M GONE Mourning his friends' deaths, junior **Noah Webster** recites the eulogy of senior **John Tolander**, while Chemistry teacher **Christopher Cieri** and seniors **Branden Gonzalez** and **Emily Sisk** listen. "In the movie, John and I were best friends, but in real life, we'd only known each other a few weeks, so I didn't think giving his eulogy would be that bad," Webster said. "It was so much harder than I thought it would be. I kept thinking about the movie and the crash, and for the rest of the day I couldn't focus. I kept thinking about how someone actually dies every fifteen minutes because of drunk driving." Shattered Dreams did not only affect students, however. Cieri later recited the eulogy of his friend and co-worker, **Brent Grissom**, who died in the two-car collision caused by drunk driver **Alexis Breed**. "The eulogy was sad, because it was like a goodbye to Grissom," Cieri said. "As powerful as Shattered Dreams was, the students knew that their friends were okay, and that they would see them again. But Grissom is really leaving, and this school isn't going to be the same without him."

"Seeing the scene, once it all came together with the funeral. It made it realistic for a person that thought it would look like..."
"Seeing the parents' reactions when they saw their son's body. It was scary. It made it more real, because they have a family."
"Thinking it could happen to anyone, especially myself. Even if you aren't drinking, you can be killed by a drunk driver."
"How loud it was. It was compelling. Monica did a beautiful acting job. She was really great."
"It was really freaky to see Kristen Kelly involved in that. She said she was a minor character, but then she was in the crash."
"At the car crash sight, the driver was the only one alive and conscious. She looked sad and afraid. It was upsetting."

Sarah Flores (11)

Kasey Saechling (10)

Allyssa Mc Rae (11)

Evan Terry (12)

Jordan Telira (11)

Helen Vidrine (10)

Matthew Eleniss (12)

Shattered Dreams

Students react to mock party, drunk driving crash, hospitalizations, deaths and funerals of their classmates



Dylan Hernandez (12), Malika Green (11)



Montrell Honorable (12), Leonor Martins (12)



Tamara Voor (12), Rebecca Stewart (12)



Joelle Marchiani (11), Kevin Prabhu (11)

Photos by Kara DiClemente

Sirens wail in the distance. Actors cry out in pain and fear. Blood dries a dark, angry red in the golden afternoon sun. First responders flock to the scene. The hour passes in a blur.

Then all that's left is to mourn the dead.

The scene was staged, the arrest, planned, the party, set up, the funeral, fake. Yet the powerful scene evoked very real emotions. Shock and confusion rippled through the crowd as they watched first responders take away their blood-stained friends. Tears fell freely as eulogies were read. Faced with the consequences of drinking and driving, many students, even those uninvolved in Shattered Dreams, were impacted by the apparent reality of the crash.

"The most powerful part of Shattered Dreams was the accident scene," senior **Autumn Whaley** said. "Seeing the bodies being placed onto stretchers and inside body bags made it seem real. I have always thought 'Something like that will never happen to me,' but seeing it in such a real simulation with people I know made me start to reconsider that."

For many, the fact that the actors were their friends and fellow classmates made Shattered Dreams more difficult to experience, and more impactful.

"I've known Reagan and her family my whole life so I started to ball like a baby when the police went to tell her parents what had happened," senior **Paige Carter** said. "The crash scene also made it seem very real and seeing these people that you know in a situation like that is really hard to swallow. I think especially seniors start to think that since life is just starting out in some aspect, it can't end. Shattered Dreams, especially with the true police stories, serves as a reminder that we aren't invincible."

The involvement of classmates and friends in Shattered

Dreams also added an element of realism.

"We hear about drinking and driving all the time, but the fact that I got to see people I knew hurt physically and emotionally makes it more realistic and breaks your heart," senior **Mireya Murillo** said. "It doesn't just affect a few friends, it affected the whole school."

The involvement of parents, too, impacted many students.

"Seeing the interviews with the parents after the accident made me realize that a decision to drink and drive could affect not only me, but also my family and friends," junior **Jack Dodge** said. "It would destroy my family reputation and impact the rest of their lives."

The funeral also inspired similar reactions from other students.

"The funeral was impactful because you got to see what it would be like if your peers died, and it felt real," senior **Mauricio Degregori** said. "It highlighted for me how all of your decisions don't only affect you, but those around you. It makes you think twice about deciding to do something, whether it be drunk driving or anything else."

Thoughtful consideration was not an uncommon reaction. Shattered Dreams caused many students, especially seniors, to reflect on the future.

"When Lexi's letter to Reagan was read at the funeral, it really put the whole story in perspective and made everyone realize that could happen to any of us," senior **Riley Hoover** said. "The emotions revealed through the letter made it so realistic and made you stop and process how one careless action can completely change so many people's lives. It was incredibly impactful. Shattered Dreams this year made me realize that every day is a blessing. You never know when it will be your last."

Underage drinkers account for **11%** of all the alcohol consumed in the U.S.

1.4 million people arrested for **DUI** each year

13 million living dead

14 Extras in the party scene

8 Flower Arrangements created by **Floral Design for the Funeral**

8.2% of teens have driven while drunk

8 hours spent **seventeen** **STAND** Members

3 Caskets at the funeral

10.8 million underage drinkers in the United States

4,700 deaths caused by teen alcohol use each year

82% of fatal car crashes are caused by drunk driving

20 first responders on the scene

15 of teens have ridden with a drunk driver

Information courtesy of Edgar Snyder and Associates
Photos by Hannah Williamson and Godson Iheanacho

Q & A:



"I applied to be a part of Shattered Dreams because I have had multiple friends and family that have become hurt in collisions involving a drunk driver. When I was first called out of my class, my best friend, Meredith, looked at me and said 'I love you.' After being pulled from my class, I was brought to the lecture hall where the dead resided and the face painting took place. Then we were taken to the PAC for the video and then to the street for the collision scene, and I got the weirdest stares. I had no idea my sister, Reagan Head, was apart of the film until then. She laid through the window with blood dripping down. It was so surreal to me, because she is my only sibling and she was 'dead-on-scene.' After taking in the thought of 'losing my sister,' I went to the memorial wall to read the notes people left for my sister and I. My friends wrote some really nice things to me and the whole experience became even more real to me. I don't know how my mom wrote the obituaries for her only two children. It's important for people to be aware of the impact of drinking and driving, because so many people, especially teens, get hurt or even die from these incidents. It's not fair to potentially hurt another person's future in a situation so easy to prevent."

-Allison Head (11)

"I applied to take part in Shattered Dreams because when my grandfather was in high school, he was invited to a party but declined. His two best friends at the time ended up getting drunk and driving around, resulting in a collision that left one of his friends dead and the other severely brain damaged. Had he been with them, he could have died and I wouldn't be here today. Shattered Dreams was a fun but serious event to be a part of. I was supposed to be pulled out of my first period class to become one of the Living Dead, but because I was in an ACC class, they couldn't find me. They eventually found me during attendance office aide. After having my face painted, I received many strange looks and I almost laughed at times, however as the day went on it became more serious, especially after the crash. It felt very real after reading my obituary. After school, the living dead were bused to Hill Country Bible Church where we listened to guest speakers and discussed the dangers of drunk driving. The dangers of drunk driving cannot be overstated and Shattered Dreams is a great way to portray these preventable tragedies to high school students."

-Mason Priddy (11)

What was it like to be part of the *Living Dead*?



Parker Speich (9), Julien Mallet (11)



Shattered Dreams Director Brianna Ray (12)



Macy Loyd (10), Shane Radecki (12)



Camryn Rettinger (10), Alexis Green (12)

BEHIND THE SCENES OF SHATTERED DREAMS

While many people were involved in the making of Shattered Dreams, perhaps one of the most integral and under-recognized groups that played a role in the event was Broadcast. CPHS-TV was responsible for the making of the videos shown to the student body, which were later combined for purchasable DVDs. Different crews, each responsible for a specific scene in each movie, spent hours filming and editing. Broadcast students even stayed at the school past 2 a.m. Thursday, March 12 in order to complete the last movie to be shown at the funeral the following day.

Photos by Hannah Williamson and Lindsey Buggi



Samuel Oliveira (12), Haley Speich (12)

What most affected you about Shattered Dreams?