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From the Desk of Mr. Roby

Next week, Twin Cedars will host the Blue Grass Conference basketball tournament, which now happens once every thirteen years. January 28th, 29th, and 30th, four girls and boys teams will be competing for the conference title. This is a very special event that you definitely don't want to miss out on.

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Coaches vs Cancer

HUGE Thank you goes out to everyone who helped make our Coaches Vs. Cancer event a success. We couldn't have done this without the support of all these businesses and community members for their donations.

Casey's Katy Dids Knoxville Raceway Denise McNally Mr. C's Knoxville Vet Clinic Shelly Huston Twin Cedars PTO Twin Cedars Athletic Boosters Amanda Bacus Twin Cedars Varsity Girls Basketball Alice Nace University of Iowa (Hawks Nest) Homestead (Midwest Health) Subway (Knoxville) The Micetich Family Judy Sytsma

Helen Kay Wares Deana VanderSluis Trish McCarty Carson Kelderman **Jana** Crozier Lillee Carlson Megan Anderson Kim Roby Brandy Dunkin Anonymous donor Angela Bacus Ramaeker's Mark Bacus Clow Raceway Tire & Exhaust State Bank of Bussey

Thanks to all of our athletes, parents, and coaches for bringing in the donations for the meal. We had another successful event and look to send in a donation to the American Cancer Society in the amount of \$3200.

FFA

The Twin Cedars FFA chapter has been pretty busy lately with all our upcoming contests and events. Kids are starting on science fair projects, sub-dis-



trict contests, and district contests. To catch you up a little bit... We recently had hat day in which our chaplain Mr. Tanner DesPlanque won. We took officer pictures, and completed our monthly meeting. Also, our own



President Mr. Spencer McCarty qualified for his Iowa Degree. We won't know if you receives until State convention coming up at the end of April. Coming up we have planned; Legislators symposium visit (Jan. 26th), Swine Show and annual blood drive (Jan. 28th), and the Ottumwa Ag. Show (Jan. 29th). Also February 2nd our FFA chapter is making its way to Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont school to participate in DONKEY BASKETBALL! That's right, you can come watch some of our very talented FFA members play basketball while on donkeys! Tickets are only \$6 in advance or \$8 at the door. Talk to the Twin Cedars or EBF office today to get your advance tickets! And Finally don't forget about FFA Week starting Feb. 22-26 and we will be having an appreciation supper Wednesday the 24th from 5-7 come out and support the chapter!

P.T.O. Newsletter

Saber Students, Families & Community,

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to give a big shout out to the people who helped make the Polar Express such a successful event; Knoxville's HyVee, Knoxville's Fareway and both the Knoxville & Oskaloosa Wal-Marts. We also owe a big Thank You to the each & every volunteer! Without all this help, we wouldn't have been able to pull off such a great event!

We are also planning many exciting things for 2016! Right now, we are prepping for Teen Night which will be held on Friday February 19th from 6-9pm. This is open to all junior high & high school students & they can sign up in the office. P.T.O. used to hold regular Teen Night's years ago & we'd like to bring those back. Teen Night activities are currently being planned & here are some ideas being thrown around: human hungry hungry hippo, open gym including a possible dodgeball game, as well as movies, roku, playstation and Xbox & maybe even a tie-dye center. We'll also have free snacks & drinks! Again, if you're interested in Teen Night, make sure to sign up in the office ASAP.

Some P.T.O. members were approached about having a dodgeball tournament that was open to the community. If we can get enough interest in this event, P.T.O. would be happy to host. We are looking at having this tournament on Saturday March 19th at 2pm. We are working on details but here is what we have so far. \$40 per team of 8 co-ed players. Double elimination, bracket play. A waiver & entry form will need to be completed & turned into the school. We'll award prizes for overall winner, best dressed team, best team name so get your thinking caps on & get signed up.

Also, in addition to Teen Night & the dodgeball tournament, we're also planning MORP {Prom spelled backwards for junior high students}! Details for this are still in the early stages but add MORP to your calendars. April 9th from 4-8pm.

Lastly, we are also still recruiting new members for P.T.O. If you enjoy being involved in & helping plan activities for your kids, join us on the Saber P.T.O. If you have any ideas or suggestions for a P.T.O. event, please contact one of us.

We look forward to the upcoming months events & hope for great attendance.

Twin Cedars P.T.O. Members

Ashlee Carlson, Deanna DeJong, Kristen McCombs, Kim Roby, Trish McCarty, Ashley Schippers, Jolinda Fairchild, Karrie Keegel, Johanna Puyear, Andrea Moore, and Carrie Micetich,

Jump Rope 4 Heart

The elementary physical education classes will be participating in the fundraising event, Jump Rope for Heart, this month. Students will be working on assignments to help them understand nutrition and health. They will also be participating in various jump rope activities. Finally, students will be raising money to help others who have cardiovascular disease, including kids! Gifts will be awarded to students for their donations. There will be ducks awarded to donors. Information about the event, ducks, and other prizes are on the packets your child will receive. There will also be a very special prize for the class who donates the most money. Donations with cash and checks are acceptable. Checks should be made out to the American Heart Association. You can also donate online at donate.heart.org. There will be duck prizes for online donors as well as a gift for the top the online donor. We are very excited about this year's Jump Rope for Heart event and the experience it offers the students.

Thanks, Aaron Allspach physical education teacher

NCRC

win Cedars Students take the National Career Readiness Certificate assessment.

Juniors at Twin Cedars recently were given the NCRC test. This is the National Career Readiness Certificate assessment administered by Iowa Workforce Development.

These assessments measure a range of essential work skills, including the ability to:

• Perform basic mathematic operations relevant to the workplace

• Read and understand documents commonly found in the workplace

• Find information presented in common workplace graphics

• Set up and solve complex work-related math problems

• Determine the relevance of written information to work-related tasks

• Apply information derived from graphics to workrelated problems

Twin Cedars Students were awarded four levels of proficiency

The ACT NCRC is awarded at four levels, based on the scores achieved on the component assessments.

• Platinum: Scores of Level 6 or higher on all three exams

• Gold: Scores of Level 5 or higher on all three exams

• Silver: Scores of Level 4 or higher on all three exams

• Bronze: Scores of Level 3 or higher on all three exams

Benefits of the ACT NCRC

• Job seekers and incumbents: A valuable work skills credential with the potential to improve career outcomes.

• Students and educators: A credential that helps students succeed in a variety of career pathways.

***Over 100 business in Marion County alone look for qualified candidates with a NCRC certificate. Students were given a list of these employers as part of the assessment opportunity.

Scholarship Applications Due

A pplications for Twin Cedars Dollars for Scholars scholarships are due to be submitted by midnight on March 1, 2016. TC students must use the Twin Cedars Dollars for Scholars website to submit a TC DFS scholarship application. Go to our Chapter's website at TwinCedars.DollarsForScholars.org, click on the Students & Parents button, and be sure to read the Login page for information regarding requirements, deadlines, payments, and opportunities. While logged in, you may also see information regarding other scholarships, which may have application deadlines as early as January or February. If you have questions, contact Barb Nichols at 641-891-6384.

Jan. 6, 2016 Athletic Booster Minutes 6:00p.m.

Those in attendance: Kim Roby, Cameron Parker, Andrea Moore, Danisha Durian, Deb Haselhuhn, Trish McCarty, and Brandy Dunkin

Treasurer's Report \$25,390.22

Old Business: AEA is working on senior posters for basketball.

Spirit Jerseys second order request will be put in the announcements. We must order 10 to get the previous price. We will order extras to sell in order to make that amount.

Coaches Vs. Cancer updates: some donations have come in from various businesses. Trish reported on several more donations.

T-shirt orders have been placed, and Trish has very few extras to sell. Silent auction will stop at halftime of the boys' game. We will honor a cancer survivor. Also we will have a bucket to walk through the stands for donations. Chuck a Duck will also be done at halftime of the boys' game with proceeds going to the American Cancer Society. Trish also told KNIA to advertise it. Supper will be from 5p.m. to 7 p.m.

New Business: Trish said that Mr. Roby requested \$500 for bats for softball and baseball teams, as well as our annual \$1000 for uniforms. It was unanimously voted to approve both.

Brandy said that Mark Bacus wanted to ask about paying registration for camps for junior high athletes. It was motioned to include junior high in individual camp payments (upon request) in the amount of \$25 for an athlete in one to two sports and \$50 for an athlete in three to four sports. It was voted and approved. Brandy will further clarify with Mark for team camps.

Mr. Parker said that the Bluegrass Conference tournament is January 28-30, 2016. Between NHS and TAG, concession stand would be covered. Mr. Parker would get times later.

Andrea motioned to adjourned and Brandy seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes of Meeting

Twin Cedars Board of Directors January 11, 2016 5:00 PM

he regular meeting of the Twin Cedars Board of Directors was held on the above date.

President Kelly Carlson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. Directors Steve Gilkerson, Paul Haselhuhn, and Ashlee Carlson were in attendance. Director Brian Moore was absent. Kim Roby and Dave Roby were also in attendance.

A motion was made by Director Gilkerson and supported by Director Haselhuhn to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director A.Carlson and supported by Director Gilkerson to approve the December 15 2015, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial reports were reviewed and filed for audit.

A motion was made by Director Haselhuhn and supported by Director A.Carlson to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Communications

There was no communication received through board members and no citizens in attendance.

Administration Reports

Mrs. Roby shared the results of the ACT Aspire tests that the sophomores took before the break. For Reading, 9 students showed as Ready, 7 Close and 7 in need of support. In Math and Science 4 students showed as Ready. Ready meant that it is estimated that these students would score a 21-24 on the ACT test at this time. She also handed out a proposed calendar for next school year. It is similar to this year with the year starting on August 24th and would end on May 23rd. This will be discussed and approved at a later meeting.

Mr. Roby reported that 14 students went to see Bernie Sanders in Pleasantville today. Twin Cedars will be hosting the Bluegrass Conference Basketball Tournament on January 28-30th.

Mr. VanderSluis talked about the upcoming budget. A preliminary budget will be presented in March. Negotiations – insurance renewal should be coming in March. Day Care – Mr. VanderSluis talked to our auditor and received some information about finances of a daycare and how it should be handled in the district. He will be setting up a meeting with the group to discuss.

New Business

Good news is that Twin Cedars' valuations have increased this year by \$3.6 million. Other budget impacts are the declining enrollment. Our supplemental weighting has increased due to the sharing of the superintendent and curriculum director positions. Expenditures continue to decrease so far this year. These are all considerations for the upcoming budget discussions.

Action Items

A motion was made by Director Gilkerson and supported by Director Haselhuhn to approve the Budget Guarantee Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Budget Guarantee Resolution

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Twin Cedars Community School District, will levy property tax for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14, Code of Iowa.

A motion was made by Director Carlson and supported by Director Gilkerson to name the Knoxville Journal Express as our official newspaper for publications. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

The next board meeting will be Monday, February 8th at 5:00.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Director Gilkerson and supported by Director A.Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM. The motion carried unanimously.

Yearbook

\$125+

Wallace Tire Hawkeye FM & RE L & C Photos Mick Furniture & Appliance Jim & Charlie's Summers Insurance Bluff Creek Archery State Bank of Bussey Cornerstone Dental of Albia Ulrich Ford Lincoln **Quality Home Care Professionals** Motor Inn of Knoxville **Treasured Portraits** Studio 92 Photography Kevin J Wadle, CPA, PC Travis J. Egesdal, DDS, PC **Knoxville Raceway** Spring Valley B & B **Knoxville Hospital & Clinics**

\$100

H Cleaning Services RE Allen Trucking Taso's Raceway Tire & Exhaust Pearson Bros. Construction Todd E. Lundy, DDS, PC Pella Corporation

February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 = 2:00 PM Community Open Gym	1 =6:00 PM Democratic Cau- cus =6:00 PM JV G BB @ ACA	2 Groundhog Day JH TAG Field Trip = 4:30 PM JV B BB @ Grand- view Christian = 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Grand- view Christian	3 = 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	4	5	6 = 9:00 AM JH G/B BB Tourney
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
= 2:00 PM Community Open	lowa Testing					Solo/Ensemble 5–8
Gym	 5:00 PM School Board Meeting 6:00 PM JV/V B BB vs Sigourney 7:30 PM JV G BB @ Melcher-Dallas 	Elementary Play = 6:00 PM V G/B BB @ Melch- er-Dallas	= 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	Sing fest 10-12	Lincoln's Birthday	
14 Valentine's Day	15 Washington's Birthday	16	17 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	18	19 = 6:00 PM Teen Night	20
= 2:00 PM Community Open Gym	 7:45 AM NO SCHOOL - Teacher Workday 12:45 PM -6:45 - Parent- Teacher Conferences 					
21		23	24	25	26	27
2:00 PM Community Open Gym	FFA Week		 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 5:00 PM FFA Appreciation Supper 		FFA Assembly	
28 2:00 PM Community Open Gym	29	1 = 11:00 AM ICDC-SC JH Hon- or Choir	2 = 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	3	4 = 1:00 PM Saber Dance	5

March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 2:00 PM Community Open Gym	29	1 = 11:00 AM ICDC-SC JH Hon- or Choir	2 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	3	4 = 1:00 PM Saber Dance	5
6 = 2:00 PM Community Open	7 BGC Honor Band	8	9 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	10	11	12 Music Carnival
Gym						
13 Daylight Saving Time Begins	14 5:00 PM School Board Meeting	15 End of 3rd Quarter 5th-12thSolo/Embl&Band/Choir	16 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19 TAG Trip
= 2:00 PM Community Open Gym						 1:00 PM Dodgeball Tourna- ment
20 TAG Trip	21	22 2:00 PM Early Dismissal	23 NO SCHOOL – Spring Break	24	25	26
= 2:00 PM Community Open Gym 27 Easter	 8:15 AM Senior Announcement Delivery 28 			31	1 Music Trip April Fools Day	2

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4	5
Breakfast pizza	Pancakes	Egg & Sausage Toast	Cereal	Donut
8	9	10	11	12
French toast sticks	Waffles	Bacon, egg & cheese biscuit	Sausage on a stick	Egg & cheese burrito
15	16	17	18	19
Breakfast pizza	Pancakes	Egg & Sausage Toast	Cereal	Donut
22	23	24	25	26
French toast sticks	Waffles	Bacon, egg & cheese biscuit	Sausage on a stick	Egg & cheese burrito
29	March 1	March 2		
Breakfast pizza	Pancakes	Egg & Sausage Toast	All breakfast served with fruit or orange juice and choice of milk. Menu subject to change	

February Breakfast Menu ~ 2016

February Lunch Menu ~ 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4	5 Elem:cereal bowl
Hamburger w/bun	Sweet sesame	Santa fe wrap	Turkey & gravy	HS: BEC biscuit
Pears	chicken	Chips w/salsa	Mashed potatoes	Little smokies
Broccoli w/cheese	Brown rice	Kidney beans	Salad	Hashbrown
Baked beans	Pineapple	Fresh carrots	Roll	Diced sweet
Fruit (9-12)	California blend	w/ranch	Mixed fruit	potatoes
	veggies	Apples	Fruit (9-12)	Juice cup & fruit
	Fruit (9-12)	Oranges (9-12)		(9-12)
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8	9	10	11	12
Bbq pork w/bun	Beef veggie soup	Chicken alfredo	Chicken quesadilla	Chicken patty
Baked beans	Bosco stick	Steamed broccoli	Tortilla chips	w/bun
Mixed veggies	Fresh cauliflower	Salad	w/salsa	Steamed peas
Pears	Mandarin oranges	Banana	Corn	Fresh carrots
Applesauce (9-12)	Fruit (9-12)	Breadstick	Peaches	Jell-o w/fruit
	Crackers (9-12)	Mixed fruit (9-12)	Grapes (9-12)	Fruit (9-12)
	Clackers (9-12)			11uit (9-12)
15	16	17	18	19
NO SCHOOL		Тасо		
NO SCHOOL	Turkey sub		Chicken nuggets	Shrimp
	w/cheese	Cheese cup	Brown rice	Banana
	Salad	Lettuce &	Fresh oranges	Steamed peas
	Tomatoes	tomatoes	Steamed corn	Fresh cucumbers
	Strawberries &	Black beans	Fresh broccoli	w/dressing
	bananas	Applesauce	w/ranch	Cheese stick
	Baked chips	Graham cracker	Mixed fruit (9-12)	PB sandwich
	Pears (9-12)	Fruit (9-12)	Graham cracker	Fruit (9-12)
			(9-12)	
22	23	24	25	26
Crispito	Chicken patty	Beef burrito	Chicken & noodles	Homemade hamb
Coleslaw	sandwich	Black beans	Mashed potatoes	pizza
Brown rice	Fresh carrots	Corn	Hot roll	Steamed corn
Red peppers	Apples	Peaches	Steamed green	Salad
String cheese	Pears (9-12)	Fruit (9-12)	beans	Pears
Graham crackers	Celery w/pb cup	Graham crackers	Oranges	Fruit (9-12)
Mixed fruit	, , , ,		Fruit(9-12)	Ice cream bar
Fruit(9-12)				
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29	March 1	March 2		
Corn dog	Popcorn chicken	Super nachos		
Fresh broccoli	Cheesy potatoes	Black beans	All meals served	
Peaches	Green beans	Fresh carrots	with choice of	
Pears	Apples	w/ranch	milk.	
Steamed carrots	Mandarin oranges	Pears, cantaloupe	Menu subject to	
Steamed carrots	Manaarin oranges	(9-12)Chocolate	change.	
		Pudding, Graham	chunge.	
		Cracker (9-12)		

Carnival



Saturday, March 12th

4:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Supper starts at 5:00 pm

when Frīday February 19th, 2016 6pm — 9pm

where High School Gym & Cafeteria

FEATURING ·Human Hungry Hungry Hippo ·Dodgeball Games ·Open Gym ·PS3 ·XBox ·Movies ·Tie Dye

FOR Saber Students in the Jr. High & High School FREE ADMISSION Sign up sheet is in the office

SNACKS & DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED Pizza, Chips & Dip,

Pizza, Unips & Dip, Popcorn, Pop, Candy

SPONSORED BY Twin Cedars P.T.O.

{Do you have an idea for an activity? Talk to a P.T.O. member!}



Saturday March 19th, 2016 - 2 P.M. Twin Cedars High School Gym

No team? No problem! Come cheer on your family, friends & neighbors!

Concession stand will be open! \$2.00 admission fee!

Team Name:		
Captain (Player 1):	_Phone #:	_Email:
Player 2		~~
Player 3	/	Small Prizes
Player 4	/	Small Prizes will be awarded for:
Player 5	/	• Will be awarded for: • Overall Winner • Best Dressed Team • Best Team Name
Player 6		• Best Dressed Team • Best Team Name
Player 7		
Player 8		

Mail or drop off form & payment to: Twin Cedars High School, Attn: Ashlee Carlson 2204 Hwy G71, Bussey, IA 50044

Twin Cedars HARD SURFACE ONLY Bus Routes

We will notify you when and if we need to start this plan. Any questions please call Michelle Clayton @ the school (641) 944-5245 ext. 236

Martie -- Bus # 5 (Pershing)

7:25	Rylie Smith/Courtney (s	stop on corner) 3:36
7:26	"E" Ave	3:37
7:27	"D" Ave	3:38
7:28	"B" Ave	3:39
7:30	Swopes	3:41
7:36	Tina Clark/Weldon/Pov	vell 3:47
	Leann Bus # 6	
7:24 a.m.	310th & Elba	3:44 p.m
	(Whedan, Dykstra, & Keye	es)
7:26 a.m.	1358 310th St.	3:42 p.m.
	(Rozenboom)	
7:28 a.m.	310th St. & Dover	3:40 p.m.
	(Stewart & Schippers)	
7:29 a.m.	1245 310th St.	3:38 p.m.
	(Hunts)	
7:32 a.m.	1075 310th St.	3:35 p.m.
-	k/Reed, Pettyjohn & Willian	nson)
7:34 a.m.	4th & Jackson	3:33 p.m.
7:35 a.m.	3rd & Jackson	3:32 p.m.
7:36 a.m.	2nd & Madison	3:31 p.m.
7:37 a.m.	0	3:30 p.m.
7:38 a.m.	2nd & Marion	3:29 p.m.

Michelle -- Bus # 10

Leave bus barn @ approx. 7:25 a.m. BUSSEY ROUTE AS NORMAL (first stop by park 7:30)

Randy Bus # 8 (Hamilton & Marysville)				
7:20 a.m.	Wolfe	3:30 p.m.		
7:21 a.m.	Carlson/French	3:31 p.m.		
7:22 a.m.	Hastings	3:32 p.m.		
7:23 a.m.	Anderson & Weldon	3:33 p.m.		
7:24 a.m.	Shobe	3:34 p.m.		
7:26 a.m.	Peterson	3:36 p.m.		
7:29 a.m.	Carter	3:39 p.m.		
7:30 a.m.	Hamilton Comm Center	3:40 p.m.		
	(Newman)			

7:31 a.m.	Goemaat's	3:41 p.m.
7:34 a.m.	Dunkin's	3:44 p.m.
7:38 a.m.	Marysville Kids	3:48 p.m.
(Fortune	, Vancenbrock's, & Ki	rkpatrick)
7:41 a.m.	Bailey's	3:51 p.m.

Dennis -- Bus # 9 (Tracy)

7:00 a.m.	Ariana Puyear	3:59 p.m.
7:02 a.m.	VanWyhe & Stevenson	3:58 p.m.
7:04 a.m.	Sedlock/Jerkins	3:56 p.m.
7:06 a.m.	Jessie Grice	3:55 p.m.
7:13 a.m.	Bottom Rd Elev. Corner	3:50 p.m.
7:15 a.m.	Boondocks	3:49 p.m.
7:17 a.m.	Old Groenendyke Garage	3:47 p.m.
7:19 a.m.	Hunter McCombs	3:45 p.m.
7:20 a.m.	Megan Doty	3:44 p.m.
7:21 a.m.	Culver Corner	3:43 p.m.
7:23 a.m.	Lundy Corner	3:41 p.m.
7:26 a.m.	Haines	3:38 p.m.
7:30 a.m.	T-17 & Pierce	3:33 p.m.
7:32 a.m.	T-17 & Quebec	3:31 p.m.
7:35 a.m.	Levi Haunstein	3:29 p.m.

	Maureen Bus # 12	(Attica) Leave school 7:02
7:10	Crooks/Hines	3:32
7:18	Kloster	3:38
7:19	Hochs	3:39
7:22	VanKlootwyk	3:41
7:24	Goemaats	3:43
7:26	Smith/Lambirt	h 3:45
7:30	Old Attica Fire	Station 3:47
7:32	New Fire Stati	on 3:48
7:34	Kreimeyer	3:50
7:40	School	3:57