It’s great to be young and a Comet!

Comet Calendar

March 5
Winter Athletic Awards Night

March 6
FFA Banquet

March 6
Booster Club Mtg.

March 7
Spring Concert

March 8
End 3rd Quarter

March 8
Faculty/Student Basketball Game

March 11
Freshmen Orientation

March 14
DACC Placement Testing

Ajster takes 2nd at State!

Reed takes 5th at State!

VVC Champs!
Cyphers named Comet of Month
Howie honored for courage; Frerichs is top athlete

The OHS Student Recognition Committee has chosen Rachel Cyphers to be the March Student of the Month.

Cyphers, a senior, is very active in FFA, serving as vice president. Cyphers is Growing Leaders Chair and was recently in charge of the FFA Career Fair.

Sophomore Sam Howie is the winner of the Character Trait Award. This month’s award was for Courage. Sam battled back from an illness to come back to the basketball team at the end of the year. He also plays soccer.

Senior Paiton Frerichs was named the Athlete of the Month for her contributions to the volleyball, basketball and softball teams.

Hicks named March staff member of month

Mr. Lyle Hicks was chosen as the Staff Member of the Month for March.

Hicks teaches Info Processing, Business Tech and Accounting.

He is also the golf coach and the assistant track and field coach. This is just Hicks’ third year at OHS, but he has a long teaching and coaching resume.

“He also volunteers his time to assist with activities within Oakwood High School.”

Hicks has had success guiding the Comet golfers the last three seasons. The team has qualified for the Sectional in two of Hicks’ three seasons, including this year.

Hicks can also be seen at various other sporting events throughout the year, helping wherever he can.

Mr. Hicks poses with the honorary ‘O’ after being named March Staff Member of the Month.
NHS inducts new members at banquet

The National Honor Society inducted 18 new members on February 27.
The new members are juniors Anniston Brant, Grace Hance, Madison Heaton, Caleb Lashuay, Skylar Mackiewicz, Madyson Moore, Abigail Peace, Allie Plotner, Jackson Powell, Katherine Thompson, Riley Walker, Aubrey Wells, Marci Wilt, Madeline Woods, and Katelyn Young.

The new senior members are Dawn Brown, Antonio Carrion, and Lilly Woodward.
The returning senior members are Katleyn Blankenship, Andrew Cook, Kara Howie, Hadiya Jagroop, Noah Kimmell, Kylie Neuman, Kerrigan Shafer, and Sam Wiese.

Freshmen Orientation set for March 11

The Class of 2023 will be the guests of OHS at 7 p.m. on March 11 for the annual freshmen orientation.
The 8th graders and their parents will be invited to the school to get tours, talk with teachers, learn about class options and gather information about their freshmen year.
All students who are enrolling next year are encouraged to attend.

Post Prom committee to host art fundraiser on March 9

The OHS Post Prom Committee will be holding a fundraiser from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on March 9 at Sleepy Creek Vineyard.
The cost is $30 per person, ages 18 and over.
This will be a guided artistic experience in which participants will paint a 16 X 20 canvas. Instruction will begin at 7 p.m.
Submit your registration form to OHS Post Prom by March 1. Visit our event page on Facebook for more details -- Oakwood Post Prom Events.
Registration forms can be found attached to this newsletter.

Read The Oakwood Times, at OakwoodDailyTimes.com
Juniors to take SAT on April 9

The SAT exam will be given to all juniors on Tuesday, April 9. This is the second year the state of Illinois has used the SAT as their state mandated assessment.

Students will be assessed in reading, writing, language, and math. The test is given at no cost to students and they will be able to use their scores for college admission, college course placement and scholarship purposes.

In order to prepare for testing, juniors were given the PSAT (a pre-SAT test) in October and scores were made available to students in December.

In January, Mrs. Lee met with juniors in Mr. Hayworth’s English classes to register for College Board and Khan Academy accounts. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the free, personalized instruction and sample tests that are available through these websites.

There will be some class time set aside for Khan Academy practice during English III, American History, Algebra II and Pre-calculus classes, but for maximum results students should plan to practice outside of school.

Spring conferences on March 20 and 21

OHS will hold parent-teacher conferences on Wed., March 20, and Thu., March 21.

We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity and schedule appointments with one or all of your child’s teachers.

The conference will allow teachers and parents to meet and discuss the progress of the student. At this time, you will be able to voice any concern you might have.

To schedule a conference, go to our website and click on the Parent-Teacher Conference link located at the bottom left-hand corner.

If you do not have computer access, please call the office by March 19. If a teacher wishes to schedule a conference with you, you will be notified.

Parents can begin signing up for the conferences on the website on March 7.

Staff gets to kiss goat for FFA week reward

Upcoming Athletic Events

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Spring Break – March 22 to March 31
Save Your Pennies!

Join us in supporting PENNIES for the Essentially Basic Pantry. Pennies will be collected from March 4 through April 5.

Our district goal has been set at 77,625 pennies. Shake those couch cushions! Empty your car's cup holders! Help Oakwood students meet our penny goal!!

Where are your pennies going?

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Start saving your pennies and send them to school with your students on March 4.

Booster Club

The Booster Club will host their annual Nostalgia basketball tournament from March 29 to March 31.

The tournament is for alumni of local schools to take the floor again with their classmates.

The tournament is held at Oakwood Grade School.

Wells takes over track

Ryan Wells, a former Comet standout distance runner will return to take over the boys track team this year.

We are excited about having Coach Wells as our coach!

FWC breakfast fundraiser!

The Fithian Womens Club issues a scholarship each year to a deserving Oakwood High School senior.

To assist in raising funds for that scholarship, the FWC will be serving breakfast from 7-11 a.m. on March 16 at Muncie Baptist Church.

Donations will be accepted to help the scholarship fund.

They hope to see all of you there!
Seniors vs. faculty!

If you are looking for an evening of food and entertainment at a reasonable price and want to back your Comets baseball program, then you will want to be at OHS on Friday, March 8. Blue Line BBQ will serve dinner from 5 to 7 p.m.

Baseball players will be pre-selling tickets starting February 25 or meals can be purchased at the door. Carry outs are available.

At 6:15 p.m. the gym doors open for the third annual Senior/Faculty basketball game as Unit 76 faculty go head to head with this year’s senior class.

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. and tip-off is at 7. Admission for the game is $3 for adults and $2 for students. Tickets for the game will only be sold at the door. All proceeds from the supper and basketball game go toward providing equipment for the baseball team.

Baseball team members will also be selling 50/50 raffle tickets in advance as well as at the door. The 50/50 raffle winner does not have to be present that night to win.

The staff team has won the last two years.

Blood drive a success

Counseling calendar

Upcoming Events:
- March 4 – DACC scholarship applications for seniors or dual credit students are due.
- March 5 – ThyssenKrupp Apprenticeship Applications are due.
- March 12 – College Express Applications are due.
- March 14 – DACC Placement Tests for Seniors, College Express and Dual Credit students
- March 19 – Air Force Recruiter Lunch Visit

Scholarship Applications Due in March:
(Check the website for more information.)
* AMVETS
* Andrews/Brummett Memorial Scholarship
* Balloon Association Of Greater Illinois
* Illinois Sheriffs' Association Scholarship
* Vermilion County High School Principals' Association Scholarship
* HonorsGradU Scholarship
* Vermilion County Retired Teachers Scholarship
* Illinois Society of Professional Engineers
* AMBUCS - Lori Lyons Special Education Scholarship
* Cameron Cunningham Foundation Scholarship
* Christie Foundation Health Profession Scholarship

The Art Club is on Instagram at Oakwood.Comets.art
# College Express Calendar for March 2019

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- **March 24**: Spring Break Begins
- **March 25**: No College Express this week
12th Annual Celebration
Presented by The Dragonfly at
Sleepy Creek Vineyard
Saturday
March 16, 2019
6 p.m.
The Dragonfly at Sleepy Creek Vineyard

Sponsorship Levels

- **Presenting Sponsor:** $2,500 (one only) — Name above event title in advertising, table of eight at Celebration, name of business in Celebration program, and banner at Celebration

- **Purple:** $300 and up — Table of eight at Celebration and name of business in Celebration program

- **White:** $200-$299 — Two tickets to Celebration and name of business in Celebration program

- **Silver:** $100-$199 — Name of business in Celebration program

- **Raffle Basket** — Name of business in Celebration program

- **Celebration Tickets:** $25 individual/$50 couple

100% of the money raised benefits the kids and their teachers by providing academically enriched programs and equipment that otherwise would not be available to our students.

For tickets and information, contact any OCEF board member or call Lara Conklin at (217) 354-2725.

Return sponsorship to: **PO Box 654, Oakwood, IL 61858.** To contact the Board Member who gave you this form, please call ________________________________

Yes, we will support the OCEF Celebration Banquet!

Sponsor Name: (as it should appear in program)

Sponsorship Amount:

Sponsor Address:

Sponsor Phone:
2019 NOSTALGIA TOURNAMENT

Friday March 29, 2019
5:30 – 9:30 pm

Saturday March 30, 2019
Noon – 9:30 pm

Sunday March 31, 2019
1:00 – 5:30 pm

All games will be played at the Oakwood Grade School Gymnasium

GO COMETS!

Hosted by: Oakwood High School Booster Club
## Participating Schools

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### Vermilion County

**It only makes CENTS!**

**BRING YOUR PENNIES TO SCHOOL MARCH 4 – APRIL 5**

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Paint for a Purpose Night

Hosted by Oakwood High School Post Prom Committee

WHERE: Sleepy Creek Vineyards
WHEN: March 9th from 6:30 to 8:30 PM
Cost: $30 per person
Ages: 21 and older (18 to 21 year olds are welcome when accompanied by someone 21 years or older)

The Oakwood High School Post Prom Committee will be hosting a guided artistic experience as a fundraiser for the 2019 OHS Post Prom.

Participants will paint a canvas
Instruction will begin at 7 PM, but you are welcome to join us beginning at 6:30 PM for some social time while we finish preparations.

You just need to show up ready to talk, laugh, create and have fun! Consider bringing an old shirt or an apron to protect your clothing, just in case.

Complimentary appetizers and non-alcoholic refreshments are included in the registration fee. Other beverages are available for purchase from the staff of Sleepy Creek Vineyards.

To register, please mail registration form and payment (checks made payable to OHS Post Prom) by March 1st, to:

OHS Post Prom
PO Box 492
Oakwood, IL 61858

Questions? Message us on Facebook, or email Amy Brant at amyj8490@yahoo.com
“Paint for a Purpose Night” Registration Form

Sponsored by the Oakwood High School Post Prom Committee

One entry form per person, cost: $30.00 per participant

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

City, State, ZIP: ____________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________

Shirt Size: ____________________________________________

I certify that I suffer no conditions likely to cause injury or illness to myself from participating in this event. I waive and release all rights I may have against the Oakwood Community Unit #76 School District, OHS Post Prom Committee, and Sleepy Creek Vineyards for damages, injuries, or losses I may suffer as a result of this event. I grant permission to the aforementioned to use my name and/or photography or videotape of this event without limitation or obligation.

Signature (Required): ____________________________________________ Date: __________

Please mail registration form and payment (made payable to OHS Post Prom) to:

OHS Post Prom – POB 492 – Oakwood, IL 61858
OHS/OSF WINTER SPORTS AWARDS

OHS and OSF winter sports athletes and parents/guardians are invited to attend the winter sports awards night on **Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30PM** at Oakwood High School. **Everyone will meet in the Gymnasium for the presentation of special awards at 6:30PM.** After the presentation of special awards, groups will go to the following rooms:

1. OHS Boys Basketball parents and athletes will stay in the Gym.
2. OHS Girls Basketball parents and athletes will go to Room #5.
3. OSF Wrestling parents and athletes will go to the Cafeteria.
4. OHS Cheer parents and athletes will go to the Library.

We look forward to honoring those student-athletes who have taken part in a winter sport. Please plan to attend and give these students a deserved recognition for their dedication and commitment.

Sincerely,

Austin Wenger
Athletic Director