

The Senatorial

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A Year of Many Changes

The 2013-2014 school year has come to a close. This was a very demanding school year for teachers, staff, and students. I truly appreciate the school community work ethic, dedication, and care. I feel that we have become a strong school district through meeting the expectations that we were faced with at the start of the school year. We could not meet our goals and expectations without working together.

The district has implemented many changes. I believe that progress is impossible without change. Change can be painful and stressful. The following quote is appropriate for our end results of the 2013-2014 school year. "Working together, ordinary people can perform extraordinary feats. They can push things that come into their hands a little higher up, a little further on towards the heights

of excellence."

The 2014-2015 school year will start on August 15th. Students first day will be August 19th. Everyone have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Go Senators!

Mr. Jeff Stricklett,
Superintendent,
Washington-Nile Local
School District

PWHS 2014 Class Valedictorian and Salutatorian

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow; Learn as if you were to live forever."

Mahatma Gandhi

Special points of interest:

- Senior Class Valedictorian and Salutatorian
- Scholarship & Awards Banquet
- W-N Early Childhood Center
- Trashasaurus Rex



Valedictorian Aaron Blevins, son of Kevin and Elizabeth Blevins of West Portsmouth. Aaron also received the Morehead State Honors Scholarship and the Russell Alloto Memorial Scholarship.



Salutatorian Barrett Elrod, son of Steve and Janice Elrod of West Portsmouth. Barrett received the following scholarships. The W-N Board of Education. Sch. From Ohio University

versity Barrett received several scholarships including the Achievement Sch; the Carolyn Clutter Sch; the Pathways Sch; the Signature Award; the Distention Sch; and the Focus Scholarship. He was also awarded with the Portsmouth Area Arts Council Sch; the Steven Howard Memorial Sch; and the Sun Coke Energy Scholarship.

Congratulations and best wishes to Aaron and Barrett!

Portsmouth West High School

Washington-Nile Senior Class of 2013-2014

Kassandra Abrams, Kyra Adkins, Kaley Andre, Taylor Arnett, Hunter Bailey, Suellen Baker, Rebecca Baldwin, Herman Ball IV, Brooke Bays, Brooklyn Belcher, Melissa Bennett, Joshua Besco, Aaron Blevins, Richard Blevins, Christian Boggs, Birttany Book, Andrew Bradford, Caleb Bradley, Katie Bragdon, Lilly Bragg, Austin Bricker, Autumn Brickey, Madison Caldwell, Peter Chapman, Aundrea Cline, Kyle Colley, Taylor Conley, Brandon Cooper, Morgan Cottle, Alex Cox, Courtney Cox, David Denis, Zachary Dials, Zion Dials, Ashley Eldridge, Barrett Elrod, Kady Essman, Erin Evans, Jamie Farris, Katelyn Fitzgerald, James Fletcher, Noah Foster, Andrew Frederick, Kyle Galloway, Todd Gal-

loway, Mark Gifford, Danielle Ginn, Kyle Green, Rikki Guilkey, Michael Hafer, Aaron Hall, Makala Hammonds, Brandon Hannan, Juan Hayek, Chelsea Hayslip, Jered Holsinger, Austin Howard, Bobbie Jo Howard, Hailey Howard, Emily Jo Howell, James Howell Jr., Jonathan Howell, Kira Huff, Sara Lynn Hurley, Haley Jamison, Bennie Jenkins, Carl Jenkins III, Kayla Jones, Mariah Jones, Tabith Jones, Whitney Kleinman, Brady Knittel, Dylan Koons, Kristen Lightner, Natalie Marasek, Christian Martin, Stephen Matthews II, Hannah Maynard, Ruby McCleary, Kaleb McHenry, Chelsey McNutt, McKenzie McNutt, Ronald Meddles, Whitney Middleton, William Moore, Jacob Morgan, Luke Morgan, Dasha

Mullins, Sabrina Myers, Nicole Plummer, Bessie Potts, Taylor Prince, Kelsi Puckett, Katlyn Redoutey, Marisa Reeder, Nathan Reynolds, Andrew Richards, Kara Richards, Alexandra Ridout, Timothy Roe, Dalla Rushford, Tag Sadler, Destinee Savage, Madison Scarberry, Alexis Scott, Justin Scott, Summer Shepherd, Jonathon Shultz, Travis Smith, Hope Boyd, Jerrid Speck Jr., Nathan Spradlin, Richard Stone Jr., Brooke Strickland, Halie Swords, Stephanie Syroney, John Thompson, Nicholas Toppins, Christopher Vogler Jr., Nolan Wagner, Timothy Welch, Tristain White, Devon Yazell.

Congratulations Graduates!

Scholarship and Awards Banquet

Students, teachers, administration, parents and sponsors all came together this May for the annual scholarship and awards banquet. Students were awarded scholarships recognizing outstanding achievements in academics, athletics, music, arts and sciences, and community service.

Sponsor's were present to meet and give the awards to some of the recipients. It was a very special evening for everyone. Thank you to the scholarship sponsors for your generosity and continued support for all of the PWHS graduates.

"Education is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a fire."

William Butler Yeats



Kassandra Abrams: Board of Edu, Charles Robert Rhea Mem. Sch.; Class of 1960; Class of 1965



Katie Bragdon: Harry James Memorial Scholarship



Courtney Cox: OU Signature Award; Lee Staggs Memorial; Ed Monk Scholarship; Red



Erin Evans: Rocky Dunkin Memorial Scholarship



Chelsea Hayslip: Charles Robert Rhea Memorial Sch.



Ruby McCleary: Haxeldean Meyers Scholarship



Hannah Maynard: Angela R. Arnett "DIAMOND" Memorial Sch.; SSU Softball.



Ashley Eldridge: Marathon Scholarship; OU Signature Award



Emily Howell: Board of Edu; Charles Robert Rhea Memorial Scholarship



Nolan Wagner: Friendship United Methodist Sch.; Veazey Memorial Scholarship



Zion Dials: Nauvoo Masonic Lodge; Portsmouth West Memorial Scholarship



Zach Dials: OU Signature Award; Portsmouth West Memorial; Lee Staggs Memorial.



Kady Essman: OU Signature Award; Friendship United Methodist; Sun Coke Energy Sch.



Michael Hafer: Kentucky Christian College-Servant Leadership; Board of Edu; Harry James Memorial Sch.



Steve Matthews: Medical Mutual of Ohio; Washington Fire Dept.; Ports West 3 Point Club; Monk Sportsmanship



Christian Martin: Board of Ed; Dry Run Church of Christ; Gillium Mem; Kentucky Christian College-Great Commission



Bobbie Jo Howard: Charles Robert Rhea Mem; Nauvoo Methodist Church; Phyllis York Memorial; Roger McDermott Memorial; 3-Point



Kara Richards: Board of Edu; Ira Swearingen Memorial; OU Signature Award; Portsmouth



Scholarship and Awards Banquet 2014



Summer Shepherd: Jeremy Pitts Memorial Sch.; Legacy Sch.; OU Russ Vision Scholarship; OU Signature Award; Raymond Wiltshire STEM Scholarship; Sun Coke Energy Scholarship



Nathan Reynolds: Andy Piatt Memorial; Angela R. Arnett "DIAMOND" Memorial Sch.; Earl Thomas Memorial Sch.; Portsmouth West Memorial; Portsmouth West Varsity Club Scholar-



Class Valedictorian Aaron Blevins receiving award from Mr. Stricklett >

Portsmouth West High School

High School Athletic Recognitions

Basketball: AP All Ohio Team Div III, Michael Hafer Honorable Mention: Oh High School Basketball Coaches All District, Taylor Conley 2nd team, Michael Hafer 3rd team: AP SE All District Div III, Taylor Conley 2nd team & Michael Hafer 1st team, Michael Davis Special Mention: All SOC Div II, Taylor Conley & Michael Hafer 1st team, McKenzie Whittaker & Michael Davis 2nd team.

Baseball: Luke Morgan, Mizuno All-State, SOC Player of the Year, 1st team all-district, 1st team SOC; Brady Knittle, 1st team All-District, 2nd team SOC; Austin Howard, 2nd team All District; Todd Galloway, Oh HS Baseball Coaches Assoc, Academic All-Ohio; Todd Galloway, Trevor Welch, Wesley Book, SE Ohio District Coaches Association Academic All District.

Softball: Hannah Maynard, 2nd team All-District, 2nd team SOC: Bobbie Jo Howard, Impact Player of the Year, All District Honorable Mention: Alex Ridout, 1st team All-District, All State Honorable Mention, 1st team SOC: McKenzie Whittaker, Megan Shupert, Haley Tolliver, All-State Honorable Mention.

High School Musical Recognitions & Events

Band: Josh Hall, National HS Honor's Band, All County Band, Josh also performed at Carnegie Hall: Deanna Shepherd, Adrienne Sadler, Devyn Houchin, Morehead State Honor's Band.

Choir: Sydney Kouns, Jacob Farris, Jerome Evans, Adam Lucas, Tag Sadler, Kirstin Smith, All-County Choir: Sydney Kouns, Tag Sadler, Barrett Erod, Jordan Hileman, Ohio University Honor's Choir.

Chorus members took a trip to the Bahamas >>>>>>>>>>

Portsmouth West High School Chorus and Ensembles perform throughout the school year at a wide number of events and venues.



^ SMOW members: Owen Guiliams, Seth Ewing, Brandon Hall, Barrett Erod, Dawson Vernier, Wade Wetzig, Aaron Blevins, Trevor Holsinger, Noah Foster, Tyler Pennington, and Tag Sadler performing the National Anthem.



^ Chorus members performing at the Spring Concert

“Les Mis” cast members Wade, Nathan, Owen, Jerome, Andrew, Josh>>>>>>

High School Honor Roll

SENIOR 4.0 GPA: Barrett Elrod, Kady Essman.

SENIOR "A" HONOR ROLL: Kasandra Abrams, Brooklyn Belcher, Aaron Blevins, Katie Bragdon, Courtney Cox, Zachary Dials, Ashley Elbridge, Erin Evans, Bobbie Jo Howard, Haley Jamison, Christian Martin, Ruby McCleary, Nicole Plummer, Andrew Richards, Kara Richards, Madison Scarberry, Summer Shepherd.

SENIOR "B" HONOR ROLL: Brittany Book, Caleb Bradley, Kaley Conley Andre, Taylor Conley, Aaron Hall, Emily Howell, Brady Knittel, Natalie Marasek, Stephen Matthews, Hannah Maynard, McKenzie McNutt, Dasha Mullins, Taylor Prince, Kelsi Puckett, Marisa Reeder, Alexandra Ridout, Alexis Scott, Jerrid Speck, Nolan Wagner.

JUNIOR 4.0 GPA: Taylor Blevins, Kelsey Davis, Martin Holsinger, Bryson, Hurd, Kyle McGraw, Levi Meadows, Derrick Mershon, Abby Shupert.

JUNIOR "A" HONOR ROLL: Wesley Book, Korie Callihan, Courtney Culver, Owen Guilliams, Austin Hammond, Trevor Holsinger, Lindsey Johnson, Hailey Odell, Megan Shupert, Trevis Stallins.

"Music expresses that which can not be put into words and that which can not remain silent."

Victor Hugo

Cast members during the "Les Miserable" performance >

JUNIOR "B" HONOR ROLL: Zakery Burton, Zachary Conley, Andrew Crawford, Chase Davis, Michael Davis, Brooke Duncan, Sara Entler, Joshua Hall, Luke Houseworth, Steven Irwin, Jason Light, Tyler Mauk, Cody Moore, Levi Pack, Hannah Pelphrey, Bryan Sammons, Jordan Spencer, Kaitlyn Spriggs, Michelle Stahler, Alexandra Tackett, Cassidy Tackett, Austin Watts, Trevar Welch, McKenzie Whitaker.

SOPHOMORE 4.0 GPA: Jody Berry, Emma Blevins, Jordan Hileman, Deanna Shepherd.

SOPHOMORE "A" HONOR ROLL: Hayley Ayers, Kelsie Callihan, Sierra Culver, Gabbie Dunn, Cody Finley, Samantha Foster, Austin Kammer, Karli Kozee, Michael Matthews, Austin Opperman, Brice Osborne, Haleigh Pollard, Macayla Reeder, Alysa Vulgamore, Kenzie Zaph.

SOPHOMORE "B" HONOR ROLL: Cortney Adams, Dennis Bays, John Berry, Jeri Bressler, Mason Bridwell, Chris Chambers, Drake Conrad, James Copas, Jillyn Cunningham, Molly Daniel, Josh Davis, Madisyn Dillow, Anna Joy Durant, Morgan Essman, Ryan Ferguson, Nicholas Frasure, Joey

Holsinger, Nathanael Hoover, Drew Howard, Erika Howell, Baylee Jenkins, Nathan Kraft, Sandra Matthews, Hannah Mayberry, Brandon Meadows, Jacklynn Murphy, Cambria Oiler, Cassidy Parr, Tiffany Payne, Casandra Pickard, Braden Reynolds, Hannah Richards, Makenna Rister, Alexis Speck, TJ Swords.

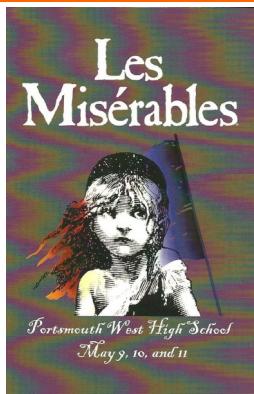
FRESHMAN 4.0 GPA: Terra Butcher, TJ Hoggard.

FRESHMAN "A" HONOR ROLL: Olivia Berry, Amber Bledsoe, Paul Boggs, Josie Book, Alissa Boyd, Kayleigh Coleman, Collin Colley, Katelyn Conklin, Hannah Dixon, Gracie Evans, Brooklyn Fields, Nickelos Hoover, Lindsey Howard, Morgan Howell, Megan Matthews, Jacob McCoy, Caitin Russell, Emily Taylor, Haleigh Throckmorton, Katelyn York, Robin Zendejas.

FRESHMAN "B" HONOR ROLL: William Bentley, Kevin Carver, Alexis Caudill, Bailey Davis, Zachery Haynes, Kayleigh Holland, Tiffany Jenkins, Latisha Journey, Corey Lepore, Ariel Lewis, Alyssa McNeil, Chase Meadows, Kyle Miller, Maicie Parker, Tre Patrick, Camden Robinson, Haley Stapleton, Madison Williams.



Bravo! Bravo!



A huge THANK YOU for the efforts of all who were involved in this year's production...students and adults alike. Many hours of preparation and dedication were given to the production to ensure its success. Kudos to the many workers who spent countless hours behind the scenes and to the students who were tireless in their efforts and commitment.

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^Rylee McDermott as young Cossette.



< Aaron Blevins as Inspector Javert.

Ryan Thompson as Garoche >>>>



^ Barrett Elrod in the lead role of Jean Valjean



< Halie Swords as Eponine with Josh as Enjolras



Mrs. Tiedman receives applause & appreciation >



Cast and crew of "Les Misérable"

Senator Spring Sports

Senator Tennis SOC II Champs

The 2014 Portsmouth West Tennis Team took their first ever SOC II Championship with a 10-2 record. Team members are: Richard Blevins, Juan Jose Hayek, Drew Howard, Brady Reynolds, Josh Davis, Nicholas Frasure, Derrick Mershon, Levi Meadows, Kyle McGraw, Martin Holsinger, Chase Meadows, Morgan Howell. The team is coached by Carolyn Callihan with assistance from Mitchell Blevins.

Congratulations Senator Tennis Team!



Portsmouth West 2014 Baseball Team. Coach Chris Rapp, assistants Mark Bradford, Gary Kenyon, and Scott Hayslip. The team was ranked 14th in the state with a 14-5 record and were the Rocky Nelson Wooden Bat Tournament Champs. Seniors: Brady Knittel, Todd Galloway, Austin Howard, Justin Scott, Travis Smith, Dylan Koons, Andrew Frederick, Luke Morgan, Nate Reynolds. JV Coach, Kyle Phillips, assistants Brent Rollins and Josh Dawson.



Portsmouth West Girls Softball Team. Coach Phil Ridout, assistants Tom Hoggard, Anthony Tackett, and Bill Swords. Team members: Alex Ridout, Bobbie Jo Howard, Hannah Maynard, Megan Shupert, McKenzie Whittake, Lindsey Johnson, Cassidy Tackett, Haley Toliver, Lexie Dials, Kelsey Callihan, Gabbie Dunn, Kassidy Parker, Hannah Mayberry, Erika Howell, Terra Butcher, Kayleigh Coleman, Hayleigh Throckmorton.



Portsmouth West Boys Track Team. Coach Keri Bivens Team members: Ryan Roe, Jerrid Speck, Tyler Moore, Devin Yazell, Kyle Galloway, David Denis, Jay Pitts, Alex Flagg, Levi Pack, Frankie Donahue, Austin Kinker, Chase Davis, Austin Watts, Trevis Stallins, Nathan Bragdon, Brandon Meadows, Jeremy Blount, Nate Hoover, Shannon Fish, Koty Fisher, Dakota Wear, Michael Matthews, TJ Hoggard, Derreck Carver, James Copas



Portsmouth West Girls Track Team. Coach Julie Conrad Team members: Kira Huff, Kayla Jones, Madison Scarberry, Katie Bragdon, Jordan Spencer, Dominique Sadler, Erin Matthews, Abby Shupert, Brooklyn Cline, Alexis Speck, Joy Durant, Makayla Baker, Nyriah James, Mae Fletcher, Lexi Caudill, Taylor Carver, Victoria Zamora, Desiree Sadler, Lauren Wellman

Middle School Honor Roll

8TH GRADE 4.0 GPA: Tasha Bentley, Tyler Tackett.

8TH GRADE "A" HONOR ROLL:
Alyra Adkins, Alec Arnett, Alan Barnhart, Eli Cole, Jason Collins, Madison Compton, Jason Cottle, Kaelan Cremeans, Jordan Frasure, Jakeb Gilkey, Emily Hatfield, Faith Herbst, Kadie Jone, Matthew Lewis, Emily Middleton, Brandon Moore, Fern Musick, Mackenzie Newlan, Candice Orris, Dalton Pertuset, Alexa Pistole, Abbie Powell, Jade Ratliff, Hunter Reed, Blaine Runion, Brandon Runion, Kayla Sammons, Brittany Scott, Donald Shepherd, Alexis Stapleton, Samantha Tatman, Adrianna Winters.

8TH GRADE "B" HONOR ROLL:
Breighanna Avery, Madison Ayers, Austin Baldwin, Chandra Baldwin, Drew Cantrell, Bryce Cassidy, Madison Cochran, Alison Coleman, Megan Cottrell, Nickolas Crabtree, Mercedes Craft, Nathan Davis, Caleb Deaver, Christopher Dials, Charles Evans, Kailea Ferrell, Bryon Frost, Denver Fifford, Johnny Grizzell, Ty Hall, Shawnee Herbert, Daisy Holsinger, Hannah Holsinger, Jerry Igaz, Harley Journey, Kaelee Leavitt, Charles Lenegar, Anthony Lepore, Layla McGinnis, Marissa McGraw, Dalton Meyers, David Moore, Alison Malone, Ginger Payne, Derek Pickard, Kaitlin Pistole, Tyan Reynoso, Austin Scott, Kadin Scott, Madison Shepherd, Ryan Spriggs, Dakota Staggs, Mariah Stegall, Patrick Thurman, Michayla Toppins, Jonathon Tripp, Makayla White, Shyanne Zellner.

7TH GRADE "A" HONOR ROLL:

Joshua Berry, Joel Cyrus, Schylur Evans, Addison Guilliams, Ashton Hall, Shane Howell, Victoria Journey, Brianna Koch, Kristin Maynard, Darren McNeil, Madison Mullins, Davis Norman, Molly Taylor, Kimberly Tieman.

7TH GRADE "B" HONOR ROLL:

Blake Adkins, Dylan Bradford, Mary Brickey, Halee Butcher, Charles Cooper, Cameron Day, Joel Durant, Ivory Ferguson, Emily Funston, Levi Gleim, Savannah Hamilton, Payton Hart, Garrett Hurd, Jesse Johnson, Hannah Matthews, Isaiah Mullen, Cade Powell, Abigail Riley, Phillip Robinson, Megean Rowland, Jerrod Rushford, Sidney Shifflet, Alicia Smith, Cole Staggs, Timothy Thompson, Hailey Traylor, Alexis Vandyke, Kaytlin Vogler, Brady Whitt.

6TH GRADE "A" HONOR ROLL:

Joshua Allgood, Austin Arnett, Mason Avery, Delainey Ayers, Brennan Bauer, Carl Biggs, Gracie Boland, Brycen Buckle, Kori Conley, Sarah Donahue, Nicholas Donahue, Nicholas Gray, Choi Hayslip, Trenton Hayslip, Alexis Holsinger, Gevin Huff, Tyler Ingles, Scout Isgett, Jocie Jones, Caleb Journey, Levi Kouns, Breanna Malone, Hunter Maynard, Jayla McGraw, Kaitlynn Miller, Jeffrey Mosley, Kaleigh Parr, Randy Patrick, Violet Price, Nathaniel Shepherd, Breanna Skaggs, Brice Slusher.

6TH GRADE "B" HONOR ROLL:

Marshall Baker, Savannah Baker, Danielle Brannon, Blaine Cantrell, Dillyn Coe, Austin Conschafsky, Christopher Craft, Nickolas Davis, Christian Evans, Trenton Fike, Shelby Flagg, Jesikah Guilkey, Rebekah Holsinger, Jacob Howell, Joseph Igaz, Nathan Jenkins, Andrew Jones, Brooklynn Kazee, Juan Kilgallion, Mitchell Malnar, Owen McNeil, Kierston McNutt, Alexandra Nolan, Lezus Oiler, Abbigail Pack, Blake Partlow, Tyler Payne, Charles Pennington, Abigail Perdue, Kelsea Ramey, Bryson Ratcliff, Morgan Rigsby, Elizabeth Rodgers, Ethan Sines, Emily Sissel, Dustin Sowards, Skyeleigh Stanley, Gabriel Thurman, Mika Tidrick, Chad Whitt.

5th GRADE 4.0 GPA: Jacob Bays, Mackenzie Boggs, Sydney Carter, Noah Coleman, Cameron Davis, Gerald Estep, Evan Green, Bryson Hall, Angel Hammond, Jordan Hammond, Caleb Hazelbaker, Charles Hicks, Haven Hileman, Luke Howard, Anna Lovins, Noah Nichols, Jared Opperman, Virginia Parker, Shealynn Patrick, Ashlynn Pfau, Maegan Rhoden, Hayden Runions, Ryan Thompson.

5TH GRADE "A" HONOR ROLL:

Robyn Benedek, Luke Bradford, Jason Carr, Isaiah Coleman, Allison Cooper, Heidi Craft, Jacob Deaver, Gracie Diamond, Gabriel Elliott, Mason Essman, Matthew Evans, Craig Galloway, Macie Galloway, Savanna Grizzell,

5TH GRADE "A" CONTINUED:

Brooke Hammond, Olivia Holsinger, Kyle Howell, Gary Jenkins, Caleb Johnson, Brock Journey, Brandon Koch, Skyler Litz, Gabriel Longmire, Cheyenne Lyon, Robert Marasek, Domenik Mathews, Layla McCleese, Chandler McClurg, Kaleigh McHenry, Rodney Moore, Ethan Mynes, Zachary Neal, Talisha Osburn, Neavida Scott, Lucas Tackett, Austin Throckmorton, Elijah Tilley, Kyle Ulloa, Evan Whitt, Bailee Wireman, Luke Wroten.

5TH GRADE "B" HONOR ROLL:

Gavin Adams, Ashayla Adia, Elijah Adkins, Jaclynn Adkins, Kyla Aeh, Madison Aeh, Brooklyn Barfield, Ethan Bishop, Tucker Brickey, Hunter Brown, Jessy Burton, Haylie Caldwill, Tori Carr, Eric Chamberlin, Tanner Crawford, Hunter Dials, Bryce Gam-bill, Madison Gilley, Madison Gills, Misty Goodwin, Kenzie Hayslip, Brooklyn Hinkle, Shawn Howard, Mi-guel Kilgallion, Jasmine Monk, Hunter Mueller, Cathleen Mustain, Marion Phillips, Kylee Ratcliff, Demitreus Re-my, Ethan Ruark, Steven Sadler,

Chariey Shaffer, Lacey Spencer, Ian Stout, Reagan Weghorst, Jalynn Wil-liams, Hailey Wiltshire.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Jacob Deaver, Brandon Koch, Evan Whitt, Brianna Koch, Jacob Hall, Emily Mid-dleton, Dalton Pertuset.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND HONORS:

The Ohio State University Junior High Honor's Band: Timmy Thompson, J.P. Igaz, and Jerred Rushford.

Congratulations!

Washington-Nile Early Childhood Center—Preschool Program

Washington-Nile Local School District's Early Childhood Center houses 54 children, ages 3-4. The program provides a strong foundation for young children preparing to enter kindergarten. Children explore, through developmentally appropriate play, as directed in Ohio's new *Birth-Kindergarten Entry Early Learning and Development Standards*—the focal point for each child's growth and development. Head Preschool teachers, Marcy Augustin and Abbey Cox, are highly qualified professionals with bachelor's degrees in the field of early childhood education. These teachers work in close collaboration with

Lindsay Mitchell, Head Start teacher.

Preschool children must be either 3 or 4 years of age by September 30 and must be potty trained. Washington-Nile Schools provides transportation to/from children's homes to PWES on the elementary bus routes/times. Breakfast, lunch and a snack are provided as well. Preschool is scheduled for Monday-Thursday each week.

Parents interested in preschool for their child(ren) are encouraged to contact or stop by Portsmouth West Elementary School (858-1116) or check out our PS website online

<http://www.west.k12.oh.us/preschool/>. Families are asked to complete a 1- pg "Interest Survey" to let school staff know that you are interested in the program. Preschool spots are filled based on state guidelines/criteria: income, family needs and each child's age. If a child qualifies for a spot in the Preschool Program, parents will then be directed to complete registration paperwork and complete a physical and dental exam. Questions regarding the Preschool Program (ECC) may be directed to Lisa Cay-ton, Curriculum/Federal Programs Coordinator (858-1116) or llcay-ton@west.k12.oh.us.



Preschool students performing at the Preschool Spring Program and Graduation

Portsmouth West Elementary School

Elementary Honor Roll

4TH GRADE 4.0 GPA: Natalie Mershon, Brennan Overby, Laikyn Roberts, Madison Russell, Eli Sayre.

4TH GRADE "A" HONOR ROLL:
 Andrew Abrams, Abigail Adkins, Keima Bennett, Ethan Blankenship, Brody Boggs, Abigail Boland, Catherine Brickey, Eden Cline, Cayden Coleman, Maxwell Cyrus, Jacob Davis, Jackson Doughman, Zachary Elliott, Stevie Jo Hayslip, John Jones, Ashton Klaiber, Gabe Kouns, Alexa Leist, Emily Lore, Emma Miller, Gabriel Myers, Emma Nelson, Cianna Newman, Landon Perkins, Tanner Redoutey, Kinslie Scarberry, Madison Staggs, Ryan Tatman, Charity Teeters, Aouston Tilley, Madison Warren, Jasmine Wilson, Abigail Winters.

4TH GRADE "B" HONOR ROLL:
 Hannah Bauer, Kacy Book, Deven Book, Madison Campbell, Emma Carver, Hailey Clay, Jesse Dixon, Kortni Evans, David Flannery, Gavin Houchin, Preston Howard, Sailor Isgett, Ethan Journey, Joshua Kleinke,

Zoe Leist, Chasity Lumpkins, Sharon Macias, Gage Martin, Aaron Masters, Ben McGraw, Jayson McGraw, Miracal McGraw, Anthony Merritt, Mackenzie Miller, Jacob Myers, Daven Penn, Haley Perdue, Shalyn Phillips, Nataya Richards, Madison Riley, Lathan Roy, Charlie Sadler, Joshua Sadler, Kimberly Stanley, Kyle Syroney, Gabriel Taylor, Kaleb Thurman, Alathea Wolfe.

3RD GRADE 4.0 GPA: Jacob Cole, Ethan Hazelbaker, Carson Horner.

3RD GRADE "A" HONOR ROLL:
 Brandon Anderson, Elisha Andre, Leah Barnhart, Alexis Boldman, Shelby Brown, Kodi Burton, Sydni Callihan, Lexi Carver, Haley Coleman, Alexia Deaver, Hannah Deaver, TJ Evans, Henry Feight, Dakota Ferry, Trevor Fike, Samantha Gray, Emily Howard, Julia Heck, Issac Horner, Charlie Jo Howard, Maelynn Howell, Mitchell Irwin, Lindee Lozier, Sydney McDermott, Hannah McLaughlin, Paloma Meade, Ethan Nesser, Trenton Patrick, Devon Phillips, Jason Riley,

Aiden Robinson, Kenny Sanderlin, Emily Scaff, Anna Schlaegal, Andrew Stamper, Mallory Swords, Abby Taylor, Brayden Vernier, Gracie Vernier, Madison Whittaker, Karlee York.

3RD GRADE "B" HONOR ROLL:
 Baylee Blankenship, Olivia Cameron, Faith Claypool, Riley Coche, Carlie Cooper, Skylynn Craft, Kristin Fields, Zain Fodge, Cadyn Galloway, Cameron Ginn, Charlotte Gray, Jaelyn Himes, Jerry Holsinger, Damon Jenkins, Matthew Johnson, Macie Jones, Ethan Jordan, Hunter Jordan, Jack Jordan, Latishis Manchester, Chloe Martin, Abbygail Mayhew, Ashton Minix, Braydon Monk, Timothy Mosley, Abigail Nesser, Emma Penix, Buddy Perry, Abigail Rodgers, David Rodgers, Brody Scott, Mackenzie Shope, Ryan Sissel, Alayna Sites, Alyvia Sites, Asalyn Stone, Audrey Thoroughman, Nicholas Vernier, Wyatt Weghorst, Kirsten Whisman, Layne Windsor, Ethan Wise.

Spelling Bee Winner, Madison Staggs.

Runner Up, Zach Elliott



**4th grader
Jasmine
Wilson at
Jump Rope
for Heart.**

Jump Rope for Heart

Elementary students participated in the "Jump Rope for Heart" event again this year raising \$2934 for the American Heart Association. In the "Pennies for Patients" fundraiser, students raised \$2990 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Awesome Job!

Classes visited many different local businesses and attended several events this spring. Kindergarten visited SOMC for "Love your Heart", Portsmouth Fire Station, Minford Airport, Portsmouth Library, & Lowes.

Other trips included going to the VRCFA at SSU to see "Seussical the Musical", "Junie B. Jones", and "Les Miserable". There were trips to the SSU Planetarium, Shawnee Forest, Columbus Zoo, Cincinnati Children's Museum, Cincinnati Red's game, ETC Riverside Park.

Thank you to all of the businesses and organizations that welcomed our students, providing unique learning experiences.

Visual Arts with Mrs. Platzer

What do dinosaurs, trash, the right to vote, and Vincent Van Gogh have in common? The answer is Elementary Visual Arts teacher Mrs. Kim Platzer. This year Mrs. Platzer and the elementary students created "Trashasaurus Rex" out of non-recyclable trash items. Thousands of pieces of items and many glue sticks were used to create the 9 ft. tall, 13 ft. long dinosaur.

Rex was taken to the Boneyfiddle Arts Center for display and is now displayed at the EPA in Columbus, Oh. This summer you can also see "Rex" at the Ohio State Fair.

Rex was not the first non-recyclable work of art Mrs. Platzer's classes have created. Prior students created Vincent Van Gogh's "Starry Night" from over 7,000 plastic bottle caps. It too was displayed at Boneyfiddle Arts Center.

"There is nothing more truly artistic than to love people."

Vincent Van Gogh

Visual Arts is not just simply painting and sculpting, with today's technology it also includes the art of videography and using it to share a message. John Husted, Ohio Secretary of State, asked students to create a poster or video about the importance of voting. The class created a video and placed in the top five, competing against middle and high schools, from over 100s of entries. You can see the finalists at <http://www.sos.state.oh.us/>.

Van Gogh and bottle caps, art and science, dinosaurs and trash, technology and social studies, it's all part of the imagination and creativity students find everyday in Mrs. Platzer's Visual Art's classes.

Thank you Mrs. Platzer!

"Every child is an artist."

Pablo Picasso



Vincent Van Gogh's "Starry Night" using plastic bottle caps.



First grade students enjoy drawing with chalk.



Mrs. Platzer with Mrs. Hurst's and Mrs. Adkin's 3rd grade classes, proudly show off "Trashasaurus Rex".

Max Rapp gives a big smile finishing his chalk drawing.



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SUMMER REMINDERS:

Students entering 7th grade are required to have an immunization booster. Students with allergies are required to have new documentation from their physician.

Have a great summer!

Washington-Nile 2014-2015 Calendar:

August 15, Staff Reports
August 19, 1st Day for Students
Sept 1, Labor Day No School
Oct. 24, P-T conference No School
Nov 26-28, Thanksgiving Break
Dec 22, Christmas Break
Jan 5, 2015 Classes Resume

Beta Club Attends State Convention



National Beta Club is a leadership-service organization for HS students that promotes the ideals of honesty, service, and leadership among high school students of America, to reward meritorious achievement and to encourage and assist students to continue their education after high school .

Results of this year's National Convention were: Banner, 1st; Living Literature, 1st; Mixed Media, Kara Richards 1st; Painting, Kara Richards 3rd; Agriculture, Martin Holsinger 1st; Creative Writing, Bryson Hurd 4th; English, Barrett Elrod 1st, Bryan Sammons 3rd; Math Derrick Mershon 4th; Poster 1st; Science, Christian Martin 2nd, Katie Bragdon 4th; Scrapbook 4th; Campaign Skit 2nd; Club placed 6th in overall convention success.

Portsmouth Area Children's Theatre's production of "Seussical the Musical"

Elementary students
Josh Mershon & Hen-
ry Feight



Kyla Aeh, Middle Sch.



Middle School Student
Anna Lovins



Middle School production of "Dinner
in Oz" Shealynn Patrick, Cameron
Davis, Haven Hileman, Munchkins.

