

Knightly News

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Congratulations 2018 Valedictorian Autumn Pisarsky and Salutatorian Josie Masters



Autumn Pisarsky

Autumn is the daughter of Jewel Engle and Jeff Pisarsky. She has two sisters, Amber and Megan.

Autumn participated in choir, show choir, Cross Country, Track, was a representative for Student Council, and National Honor Society member. She is also active in Parkview Youth Group, volunteering, and Centerbury Swim Team. Autumn enjoys photography, fine arts, reading, hiking, and spending time with family.

Autumn is going to major in Environmental Science at Cedarville University.

Jocelyn Masters

Josie is the daughter of Suzannah and Darrin Masters. She has two sisters, Evelyn and Camryn.

She was active in Varsity Soccer, Varsity Track, choir, National Honor Society, Project More, and volunteering. In her spare time, Josie attends church, coaches soccer, likes to travel and has lots of interest in Chemistry. She also enjoys running, watching *The Office*, and reading.

Josie will attend the University of Cincinnati to study Biomedical Engineering.

The Class of Two-Thousand Eighteen would like to generously thank all of those who helped prepare them for graduation and all who helped prepare the commencement exercises. Your care and support have allowed us to enjoy a celebration that closes a thirteen-year journey in our lives.

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www.vbschools.net**

Van Buren High School also graduated eight students with a 4.0 GPA. Congratulations is extended to these students on all their hard work and accomplishments.



Sarah Dishong, Amelia Durliat, Morgan Jackson, Lisa Simmons, Maria Trusty, Brandon Wehrle, Drew Insley, Brendon Ring.



School News



Congratulations to Mr. Michael Brand on his retirement!
Thanks for being a great support to the students, faculty, and staff
at Van Buren for the past 28 years!
You will be GREATLY missed!



On Wednesday, May 23, 2018, a gathering of epic proportions took place to celebrate the outstanding career of Michael Brand, our Van Buren High School Principal. The surprise party was planned by current and former teachers who all share the common respect and admiration for Mr. Brand and his 28 year career at Van Buren. The gathering took place at the Arcadia Lions Community Center. There were former colleagues who traveled quite a distance to come back to celebrate the evening with one driving up from Columbus, Ohio, another driving up from Troy, Ohio and Mrs. Wasson surprising us all from North Carolina! All in all it was a great evening to share stories, visit with friends and all in attendance agreed Van Buren is lucky to have had Mr. Brand for so long as his love and pride for our district is deeper than anyone will ever truly understand!



Best of luck in your retirement years Mr. Brand and don't you dare be a stranger!



Yearbook News

CLASS OF 2019 STUDENTS AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS:

Your senior year is right around the corner, and that means you will be getting your senior pictures taken. I would encourage you to try to have your pictures taken this summer so you will not have any problems making the **Wednesday (December 19) before Christmas break deadline** to turn in the picture you want to appear in the yearbook. If you are not able to have your pictures taken during the summer, I suggest at least making the appointment during the summer so that the pictures can be taken in plenty of time to meet the deadline. The yearbook staff would also like to include a baby picture (any age) of each senior in the yearbook, and that can be turned in along with the senior picture. Those pictures will be returned to the student at the end of the school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Brian Bratt, yearbook adviser, at 299-3384 ext. 407 or bbratt@vbschools.net.

Middle School & High School News

VAN BUREN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Fourth Nine-Week Grading Period 2017 - 2018 School Year

ALL "A's"

- 6th Grade -** Vivian Brant, Yung Chien (Melody) Chang, Anna Durliat, Zoe Fruth, Madelyn Fry, Ryan Harmon, James Homan, Morgan Johnson, Abigail Leatherman, Kashinath Rohidas, Ella Serrano, Curtis Ware, Maggie Wehrle
- 7th Grade -** Allison Badertscher, Paige Bowman, Sasha Busey, Alexia Camarano, Jack Campbell, Casey Donaldson, Peter Harrington, Katie Krantz, Carter Miller, Alexis Nivison-Brassell, Hudson Sendelbach, Ryleigh Smith, John Wheeler
- 8th Grade -** Ali Bishop, Catherine Cavera, Rachel Cavera, Shane Coombes, Taylor DeBoo, Christopher Emerine, Emma Henry, Benjamin Hudok, Cassadie Jacobs, Madeline Northcutt, Brooke Riegle, Ashlynn Sortor, Taylor Stewart, Lindsey Stultz, Ella Webster, Karissa Welte
- 9th Grade -** Lillian Badertscher, Kaitlyn Baer, Gannon Bahn, Kaleb Bishop, Wesley Casselman, Mercy DeWalt, Steven Franks, Gabrielle Gearhart, Maxwell Greenawalt, Grace Heitkamp, Jada Hicks, Teja Hoge, Jonathan Hudok, Alexis Jackson, Blake Jones, Shaina Lako, Mia Leal, Madison Marks, Alexandra Marshall, Evelyn Masters, Isabelle Pawlak, Madilyn Pawlak, Reese Recker, Keana Rider, Annika Rinehart, Justin Ring, Peyton Sendelbach, Megan Sheeks, Kearstin Sherick, Breanna Tabler, Connor Waltmire
- 10th Grade -** Karissa Brown, Katelyn Chu, Hannah Davis, Agnes Durliat, Carson Gertz, Millie Hernandez, Zoe Horne, Justine Hunt, Jewelya Hutchison, Braden Losiewicz, Madison Parker, Amber Pisarsky, Allyson Rickenbacher, Camrie Roberts, Lindsey Shaw, Leah Stall, Grayson Temple, Kyle Van Horn
- 11th Grade -** Carrie Below, Joshua Bishop, Joshua Bowles, Faith DeWalt, Hope DeWalt, Miranda Eaton, Noah Frederick, Brady Harmon, Grace Hoerig, Kyle Hoyng, Andrea Iliff, Jordan Lonyo, Jenessa Miller, Connor Ohlrich, Nicholas Rettig, McKenzie Rigsby, Jessica Rinehart, Mackenzie Saltzman, Jacob Sanders, Wyatt Schlaepfi, Olivia Sexton
- 12th Grade -** Madelyn Badertscher, Elizabeth Conner, Sarah Dishong, Amelia Durliat, Jacob Emerine, Hunter Foltz, Anna Girdler, Quinton Graber, Matthew Iliff, Morgan Jackson, Jocelyn Masters, Mason Miarer, Miranda Mowrey, Autumn Pisarsky, Nathan Potteiger, Lydia Reineke, Brendon Ring, Jessica Roberts, Lisa Simmons, Madison Swope, Cora Thomas, Maria Trusty, Brandon Wehrle

ALL "A's" and "B's"

- 6th Grade -** Abigail Badertscher, Parker Beilharz, Rebecca Betts, Dillian Blosser, Abigail Bowen, Adam Carey, Erica Coffey, Kayla Fisher, Landon Fisher, Carson Foltz, Blake Francis, Ryan Gifford, Anthony (AJ) Griffith, Abigail Haley, Mussie Hanson, Reed Harmon, Landen Heath, Brooke Ingwersen, Andon Keckler, Tram Le, Sara Martin, Elijah Mason, Annie Moro, Walter Oestreich, Gabrielle Parsell, Brylee Ponn, Kenzie Steveson, Seth Van Horn, Collin Wagner, Caleb Waltmire, Grant Welte

- 7th Grade -** Shelbee Atchison, Brandon Buff, Bella Carroccio, Jillian Clymer, Nathan Curry, Schae Deerwester, Logan Dilgard, Ryleigh Doyle, Madison Elliott, Alexander Gearhart, Gabriel George, Mason Greenawalt, Jackson Gregory, Avery Heitkamp, Weston Heitkamp, Brienna Hutchins, Kennedy Jones, Ava Leal, Madison Martin, Ashton Moore, McKenna Morey, Peyton Odey, Claire Recker, Reese Reichley, Catheryn Roy, Nathaniel Ryan, Cassandra Saltzman, Summer Siefer, Faith Smith, Benjamin Stultz, Carter Thomas, Cody Thomas, Griffin VanScoder, Samantha Wilcox
- 8th Grade -** Eliya Amos, Grant Betts, Hayden Carr, Evan Clark, Owen Coffey, Morgan DeBoo, Clarence Durliat, Elise Fenstermaker, Ainsley Forsyth, Jordan Frederick, Nanako Fukuda, Melodie Garnes, Jared Hocanson, Clare Hoerig, Anthony Huffman, Adrienne Jackson, Tyler Krider, Abigail Losiewicz, Josiah McKeown, Kendra Odenweller, Annabelle Omlor, Megan Pisarsky, Trey Rampe, Sophia Reineke, Brody Runion, Ryan Strapp, Evan Van Vorhis, Dylan VanAtta
- 9th Grade -** Cody Beagle, Kaila Bowen, Aaron Bresler, Skylar Deerwester, Dino Donaldson, Jonah Frederick, Elijah Holman, Calloway Luke, Jace McCartney, Alec Muzy, Travis Neumeister, Kennedy Rader, Madalyn Riesen, Garret Simmermeyer, Brandon Smith, Alyssa Snyder, Sarah Stapley, Gage Swaisgood, Drew VanAtta, Ian Wall
- 10th Grade -** Logan Betts-Baldwin, DeLainie Bland, Zoe Brown, Tyler Cain, Aaron Clark, Garret Drake, Noah Elliott, Timmothy Emerine, Felicity Hocanson, Spencer Ingwersen, Michael Kramer, Kendall Kretzinger, Nickolas McCracken, Raegan Miller, Hannah Missler, Andrew Overmyer, Madelyn Parsell, Alyssa Potteiger, Emma Reineke, Christopher Routson, Jordan Spoon, Hunter Stone, Madison Trumbull, Jared Wiegiers
- 11th Grade -** Hannah Betts, Dominick Donaldson, Johann Franks, Emma Geyman, Marisa Gilbert, Natalee Harris, James Koehler, Tyler Lambert, Sydney Leeper, Mason McMonigal, Megan Muzy, Thomas Piccirillo, Natasha Simons, Amanda Strapp, Sean Trenkamp, Daniel VanAtta, Natalie Williamson
- 12th Grade -** Graham Anderson, Briony Brink, Lydia Brown, Clayton Eichman, Khail Fasone, Hunter Fleck, Alexander Godzak, Andrew Godzak, Drew Insley, Janelle Keck, Emily LeCroy, Samuel Phillips, Isaac Smith, Kylie Sonnenberg, Carrigan Stacy, Kade Steveson, Jaden Tabler

Have a Safe
and Enjoyable
Summer
Vacation

2017 Van Buren Graduates
The following alumni need to pick up their Graduation (cap and gown) pictures - Brittany Arnold, Kurt Kuhlman, Justen Stall, Jared Zimmerman.
Please stop to pick these up in the Superintendent's office at your earliest convenience during school hours. Thank you.

School News

Van Buren Alumni Lands College Head Coach

Intensity is a word which has always been in Jon Tropf's vocabulary. As a high school student, he showed it in the classroom, on the field, and when arguing with his classmates about sports. Now, first as the interim and now as the head coach for the Goshen College men's basketball team, that intensity takes the shape of floor-kicks and hand claps to inspire his players as they compete in the NAIA Division II Crossroads League.

A 2008 graduate, Tropf was involved in a variety of activities throughout high school. Music played a big role in his life, as he was part of both choir and show choir for four years; solo and ensemble contest for four years; county honors choir his freshman, junior, and senior years; men's chorus his senior year; and the musical his sophomore and senior years. He was also a three-season athlete for four years as he participated in golf in the fall, basketball in the winter, and track (freshman) and baseball (sophomore-senior) in the spring. Even with the time he put into his extracurricular activities, Tropf also excelled in the classroom, as evidence by his induction into the National Honor Society as a junior.



After high school, Tropf attended Eastern Michigan University (Ypsilanti, MI), where he worked as a manager for the men's basketball team and was the head manager for his last three years. After graduating summa cum laude with a B.A. in history, he moved on to Oakland University (Rochester, MI) to pursue his M.A. in history and worked as the graduate manager for the men's basketball team for two years.

All of those experiences led him to Goshen for the 2014-2015 school year, where he earned his first full-time assistant coach position under the tutelage of head coach Neal Young. In August 2017, Tropf, who had already advanced to the position of associate head coach as he prepared to enter his fourth year at Goshen, became the interim head coach when Young took a head coaching job at a school in Georgia.

During his first season at the helm, the Maple Leafs finished the season with an 11-19 record (4-14 in the Crossroads League), but in January the term interim was removed from his title, so players he was recruiting for the 2018-2019 season knew Tropf would be there for their first season and beyond. With at least four new recruits committed for next season joining the eight returning players, Tropf will have the opportunity to build a winning tradition using the intensity which helped him earn the job in the first place.

Congratulations Jon and best of luck on your next season of basketball!



Consider giving the gift of reading, the building block for school and lifelong success.

Van Buren Middle School needs volunteers for our Project MORE program, a one-to-one volunteer reading mentoring project for students who need extra help in becoming a proficient reader. In addition to rich reading materials, a key component to the success of this project is the relationship between the mentor and student. We ask that mentors meet with their student at least two times a week in the morning.

Please consider volunteering your time and talents toward this worthwhile project.

Contact Rosemary Salisbury to learn more:

rsalisbury@vbschools.net or
419-299-3384



Middle School News

The Washington D.C. Trip That Nearly Wasn't!

A huge thank you to our board of education for loaning the eighth grade class the funds to make their Washington, DC trip a reality after the tour company closed and filed for bankruptcy. We have raised over \$25,000 thanks to amazing community support and need just over \$4,000 to complete our efforts.

The 12th annual eighth grade Washington, DC trip was rainy, but our students and chaperones made the most of the opportunity. This year's trip included a wreath-laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery with both of the Van Buren Middle Schools from Ohio (one from Van Buren and the other from Kettering, near Dayton). We enjoyed seeing many of the landmarks learned about during U.S. History class this year including the Gettysburg Battlefields.



Middle School News

Virtuous Knight Luncheon

Our final Virtuous Knight luncheon for 2017-2018 honored our March and April Virtuous Knights. Special thanks to La Charrita for a delicious lunch including tacos and nachos! Thanks to Mrs. Gephart for her work in securing local businesses to support our luncheons!



Washington D.C. Trip



Mudhens



❧ First Day of School ❧
2018 - 2019 School Year
Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Middle School Year End Events

Summer Oasis Party



8th Grade Moving Up



Put-in-Bay



Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Madelyn Dana Badertscher
Matthew & Kathleen Badertscher
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
University of Florida



Lydia Rose Brown
Phil & Amy Brown
Honor Society
M. Margaret Foster Scholarship
Liberty Univ Academic Scholarship
Liberty Univ Scholars Grant
Liberty Univ Book Scholarship
Liberty Univ Awards & Grants
Liberty University



Elizabeth Lea Conner
Jeff & Jennifer Conner
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - Treasurer
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Miami RedHawk Excellence
Scholarship
Miami University



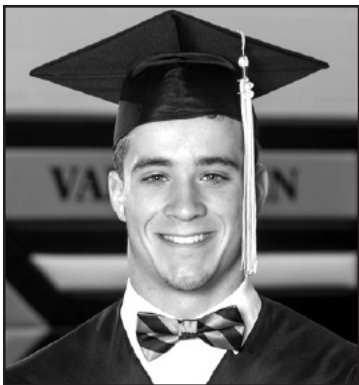
Jessica Lynn DeBouver
Jeff & Sharon DeBouver
Honor Graduate
BGSU Freshman Academic
Scholarship
Bowling Green State University



Sarah Elizabeth Dishong
Chris & Karen Dishong
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
President
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Herbert A. & Clara Rickeard
Mahler Fund
OSU Trustees Scholarship
The Ohio State University



Amelia Luran Durliat
Dean & Laura Durliat
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Vice President
Academic Booster Book Scholarship
ROTC Scholarship
Blanchard Valley Auxilliary Scholar
National Lime & Stone C. Paul
Memorial Scholarship
St. Marks Youth Stewardship Scholar
Leo & Virginia Woodward
Memorial Scholarship
John 'Bill' Stacy Book Scholarship
OSU Hancock County Alumni
Association Scholarship
The Ohio State University



Jacob Walter Emerine
Dan & Sherry Emerine
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
University of Cincinnati



Khail Radix Fasone
Nick & Shelly Fasone
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
BGSU Freshman Academic
Scholarship
Bowling Green State University



Carl William Fleck
Daniel & Mary Fleck
Honor Graduate
Undecided



Hunter Noah Foltz
Donald & Stacey Foltz
Honor Graduate
Findlay Area Golf Association
Scholarship
Univ of Findlay Deans
Scholarship
Univ of Findlay Mens Golf
Scholarship
Univ of Findlay Founders Award
University of Findlay



Best Of Luck Class of 2018

Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Anna Elizabeth Girdler

Sam & Laurie Girdler
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
UF Presidential Scholarship
University of Findlay



Andrew Joseph Godzak

Jeffrey & Susan Godzak
Honor Graduate - Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Univ of Toledo Excellence
Scholarship
University of Toledo



Quinton Edward Graber

Bill Graber & Julie Graber
Honor Graduate
Grand Valley State Laker
Scholarship
Grand Valley State Equalization
Scholarship
Grand Valley State University



Matthew David Iliff

Jim & Tracey Iliff
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
UF Presidents Scholarship
University of Findlay



Drew Michael Insley

Scott & Rebecca Insley
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
University of Toledo Excellence
Scholarship
University of Toledo



Morgan Evelyn Jackson

Brent & Ann Jackson
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Secretary
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
One Energy Scholarship Megawatt
NB Masonic Lodge Scholarship
The Ohio State University



Janelle Ellen Keck

David & Ellen Keck
Honor Graduate
Grace College Endowment
Scholarship
Grace College Award
Grace College Grant and Incentive
Grace College



Tyler David Ludwig

Brian & Raquel Ludwig
Honor Society
BGSU Freshman Academic
Scholarship
Bowling Green State University



Jocelyn Danielle Masters

Darin & Susannah Masters
Salutatorian
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Jennifer Masters Scholarship
Intersil Science & Engineering
Scholarship
University of Cincinnati Grant &
Federal Grant
Cincinnatus Century Scholarship
University of Cincinnati



Mason Michael Miarer

Mike Miarer & Michelle Miarer
Honor Graduate - Honor Diploma
Georgetown College Opportunity
Grant
Georgetown College Science
Honor Scholarship
Georgetown College Athletic
Scholarship
Georgetown College Founders
Scholarship
Georgetown College



Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Miranda Louise Mowrey

Lance & Mary Beth Kennedy-Mowrey
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
BVH Auxiliary Scholarship
One Energy Scholarship Megawatt
Marie Berry Scholarship
John W. Hollington Scholarship
Mary Jo Urshalutz Scholarship
Zonta Club of Findlay Scholarship
Ursuline College



Samuel MacGregor Phillips

Rodney Phillips & Jennifer Phillips
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Army Reserve Scholarship
Xavier University Event & Early
Filer Grant
Xavier University Book Scholarship
Xavier University Scholarship
Xavier University



Autumn Jade Pisarsky

Jeff Pisarsky & Jewel Engle
Valedictorian
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Student Council
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Franklin B. Walters Scholarship
One Energy Scholarship Megawatt
Whirlpool One Energy Scholarship
Cedarville University President's
Society Fellowship Scholarship
Cedarville University



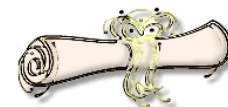
Cheyenne E. Potteiger

Jason & Sabrina Potteiger
Honor Graduate - Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Old Fort Bank Scholarship
Marie Berry Scholarship
UF Instituion Grant
UF Founders Award
UF School Competition Award
UF Presidents Scholarship
University of Findlay



Nathan A. Potteiger

Robert & Sarah Potteiger
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
5K - 10K Boys Soccer Scholarship
UF Presidents Scholarship
University of Findlay



Lydia Paige Reineke

John & Cheryl Reineke
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Student Council
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
OSU Provost Scholarship
The Ohio State University



Brendon Robert Ring

Robert & Jennifer Ring
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Student Council
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
L. Frick & Hellen Hoadley Scholarship
Tuition Remission Scholarship
Bowling Green State University



Jessica Paige Roberts

Todd & Heather Roberts
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Hancock Youth Leadership
Scholarship
Univ of Kentucky Bluegrass
Spirit Scholarship
University of Kentucky



Lisa Ann Simmons

'the late' Joe & Terry Simmons
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Student Council
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Marathon Petroleum Scholarship
Matthew R. Copus Memorial
Scholarship
Amanda Simon Scholarship
UF Supplemental Grant
UF Founders Award
UF Competition Award
UF TLB Christian Fellowship
Scholarship
UF Trustees Scholarship
University of Findlay



Carrigan Ann Stacy

Tony & Terena Stacy
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
University of Cincinnati



Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Kade Allen Wayne Steveson
Ted & Joni Steveson
Honor Society
Tall Timbers Assn Scholarship
BGSU Freshman Academic
Scholarship
Bowling Green State University



Madison Irene Swope
Michael & Holli Swope
Honor Graduate
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
Hancock Wood Electric Scholarship
Owens Community College



Jaden Michael Tabler
Mike & Amy Tabler
Honor Society
Ohio Dominican Merit Scholarship
Ohio Dominican University



Cora Ashley Thomas
Kyle & Katrina Thomas
Honor Graduate - Honor Diploma
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
VB Lions Club Scholarship
Jon A. Schlueter County
Scholarship
The Ohio State University



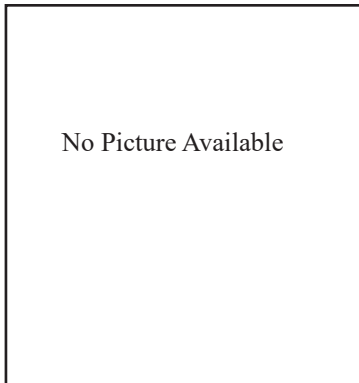
Maria Ann Trusty
Alvin & Anjie Trusty
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Academic Booster Book
Scholarship
OSU Trustees Scholarship
The Ohio State University



Brandon Patrick Wehrle
Kevin & Jeanna Wehrle
Honor Society - Honor Graduate
Honor Diploma - 4.0 Grade Point
Academic Booster Book Scholarship
FAGA Scholarship
Ohio Dominican Tuition Exchange
Ohio Dominican Honors Scholarship
Ohio Dominican University



Drace Alan Wilson
David & Ginger Wilson
Honor Society
Undecided



Dominic Ezekiel Adkins
Daniel & Kathy Adkins
Undecided



Graham Thomas Anderson
Gil Anderson
Owens Community College



Matthew Gregory Ayers
Greg & Angie Ayers
VBEA Teachers Scholarship
United Steel Workers Scholarship
BGSU Freshman Academic
Scholarship
Bowling Green State University

Class Colors
Orange and White

Class Flower
White Rose

Junior Class Escorts
*Grace Hoerig &
Connor Ohlrich*

Class Advisor
Linda Schwemley

Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Zayne A. Bair
Glenn & Jessica Bair
University of Toledo



Kevin Maxwell Beall
Robert Beall & Kristine Lause
Owens Community College



Nicholas Gary Beitzel
Todd Beitzel & Tara Griffiths
UF Deans Scholarship
University of Findlay



Briony Joy Brink
Donald & Fiona Brink
Undecided



Marc Anthony Coffman II
Marc Coffman & Brooke Bowlin
Undecided



KC Mae Critchet
Justin & Amber Butler
Owens Community College



Abram Eugene Cunningham
Russell & Jamie Cunningham
Owens Community College



Adam Patrick Cunningham
Scott & Melissa Humm
Undecided



Jared Anthony DiNarda
Bryan & Elizabeth DiNarda
Millstream



Thomas Gregory Mills Drake
Greg & Cheryl Drake
Undecided



Clayton Paul Eichman
Paul & Carol Eichman
Owens Community College



Hunter Alexander Fleck
Brian & Susan Fleck
BU Opportunity Grant
BU Trustees Scholarship
Bluffton University



Courtney Alexis Frost
Brian & Tammy Geckle
Undecided



Samuel Theodore Frost
EJ Frost & RaShea Frost
BGSU Freshman Academic
Scholarship
Bowling Green State University



Angel Julian Garcia
Nick & Carla Reinhart
UF Deans Scholarship
University of Findlay

Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Blayze Alan Gibson
Donald & Barbara Anderson
Undecided



Alexander Jeffrey Godzak
Jeffrey & Susan Godzak
UT Trustees Scholarship
University of Toledo



Brendon Kaleb Gordon
Paul & Nicole Flores
Undecided



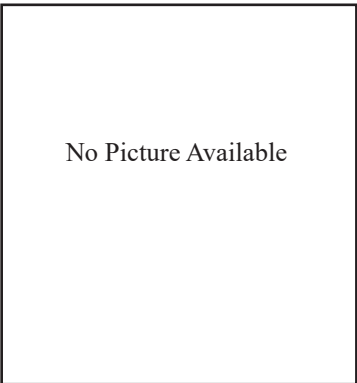
Lauren Nicole Hensel
Timothy & Michelle Hensel
Bowling Green State University



Cameron W. Hudson
Michael Hudson & Tonya Hudson
Undecided



John A. Hutchison
John & Kari Hutchison
Undecided



Logan Michael Kauffman
Aaron Kauffman & Melanie Kauffman
School



Jacob Andrew Leal
Gabe & Melissa Leal
Work



Codi Alan Leonard
Ryan & Staci Leonard
University of Toledo



Emily Rose LeCroy
Richard LeCroy & Kara Auge'
University of Toledo



Logan Carl Marshall
Tony & Gail Marshall
University of Toledo



Cheyenne Mercedes Mendoza
Josie Rosario
Undecided



Brendan Cole Miller
S. Craig & Tonya Miller
UT Assistance Award
UT Trustees Scholarship
University of Toledo



Clay Anthony Noblit
Brent Noblit & January Babione
Undecided



Sadie Morgan Piehl
Jeff & Erin Reinhart
Morehead State University

Congratulations to the Class of 2018



Kylie Renee Riffel
Thomas & Kathy Riffel
Millstream



Sara R. Rosenberger
Robin Hammer
UF Presidents Scholarship
University of Findlay



Emmalee Ann Scarberry
Bob & Linda Tedrow
SAA - School of Advertising Art



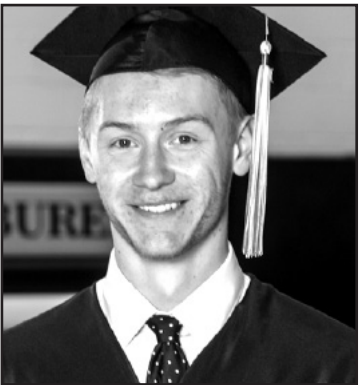
Brandon Matthew Shaffer
Tim & Rhonda Shaffer
Undecided



Isaac Matthew Smith
Andrew & Christina Smith
4 Way Speech Contest
Owens Community College



Kylie A. Sonnenberg
Kenneth & Carrie Sonnenberg
University of Northwestern Ohio



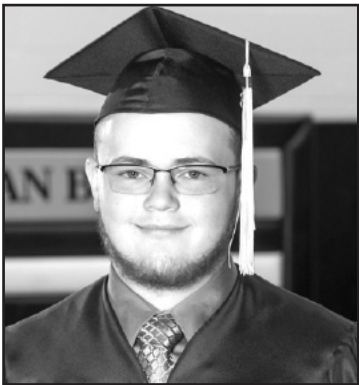
Brock A. Thomas
Harold & Erica Thomas
Undecided



Alina Marie Turner
Raquel Turner
Owens Community College



Nicholas Christian Winkel
Kurt Winkel & Lisa Winkel
Millstream



Trevor Dwight Wolford
Greg & Cinda Wolford
Eagle Scout Troop 313 Scholarship
Undecided



Madilyn Rose Youngpeter
Bill & Jill Youngpeter
Marie Berry Scholarship
Otterbein College

Class Motto

*"Together we have experienced life.
Separately, we will pursue our dreams.
Forever our memories will remain."*

~ Unknown

This year's seniors have received over \$1.8 million worth of scholarships from several different colleges. Some seniors have received scholarship offers from several different schools. A total of 60 of the 81 graduating seniors have indicated that they will be attending a two-year or four-year school.

Elementary News

Knights of the Round Table

Students selected by their noon monitors enjoyed lunch and an ice cream treat as “Round Table Knights” — a reward for their positive attitude and behavior during the month of May. Students were also able to invite a friend or family member to join them at the round table.



May - Back Row: Sammy Deerwester, Madisyn Nye, Carter Finley, Alexandria Hintz, Agnishekhar Basu-Sarkar, George Thomas, Morgan Walters. **Middle Row:** Nix Runion, Liz Hammond, Genesis Davis, Gourav Rohidas, Caeden Tussing, Jack McMaster, Carter Jackson. **Front Row:** Meggan Vermillion, Adelaide Paterson, Ella Sansom, Avery Brown, Claire Miller, JT Gehrish, Emrey DeLaCerde.

Hancock County Toll-Free Crisis Hotline 1-888-936-7116

Do you or someone you know need help, need to talk, or feel stressed?
Please call 1-888-936-7116, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
This is a toll-free crisis hotline number.

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High School Opening Knight Wednesday, August 8, 2018

6:30 P.M. - Seniors & Juniors
7:30 P.M. - Sophomores & Freshmen
8:30 P.M. - New School Year Info
Detailed information
will be sent to
students in August.

Middle School Opening Knight

Thursday, August 9, 2018
5:30 P.M. - 6th Grade
6:15 P.M. - 7th Grade
7:00 P.M. - 8th Grade
Detailed information will be
sent to students in August.

Elementary Open House

Monday,
August 13, 2018
5:30 - 7:00 P.M.
More information
will be sent to
students in August.

Elementary News

2018 Read Live School of the Year Runner-Up

Runner-up winner, Van Buren Elementary School, has been using Read Naturally Strategy programs for 15 years. Special Education Teacher Mariah Hohman, who has been working with Read Naturally Live since 2016, oversees a program that targets 45 students in kindergarten through 5th grade, using Read Live for at least 20 minutes, three times per week, for the past two years. Students are averaging a year and a half growth on reading levels, and their confidence has greatly improved.

Ms. Hohman submitted data in the form of charts and reports that indicated students using Read Naturally Live at Van Buren Elementary during the course of the current school year made significant progress in their reading proficiency.

"Read Live has made a significant impact in the lives of our students at Van Buren Elementary," Ms. Hohman wrote. "Read Live is used exclusively for students with disabilities or students receiving additional interventions in the areas of reading comprehension and reading fluency.

"Students in kindergarten through 1st grade, 2nd grade through 4th grade, and 3rd through 5th grade resource rooms have utilized Read Live for at least 20 minutes, three times per week for the past two years, and the original Read Naturally computer program was used for over 15 years prior to the switch to the online platform.

"The progression of skills we have seen in fluency and comprehension is incredible! In just the 3rd through 5th grade classroom, three students have mastered their reading fluency and comprehension IEP goals early this school year. Students are also averaging a year and a half growth on reading levels, and their confidence has improved tremendously.

"Within the past year, four students who previously received pull out reading instruction in the resource room were transitioned back to the general education classroom with little to no support due to the drastic gains in their reading skills. Read Live is the primary reason behind this growth!

"Most of the students we service in our special education program are young boys. The nonfiction stories pique their interest and help them to not only improve their reading fluency and comprehension, but to also learn new facts they are excited to share with others. Students who previously had no desire to read are excited to use the program and not only listen to the stories, but practice reading on their own. The excitement has carried over to their day to day routine as students ask to read to self more often.

"The progress of our students has been tracked in the Read Live program, as well as other progress monitoring programs. The results are consistent and telling--Read Live has substantially improved their reading skills and helped to close the gap between our students with disabilities and their typical peers!"



Elementary News

Music and Art Extravaganza 2018

The Van Buren Elementary School held their annual Music and Art Extravaganza on Thursday May 3, 2018, to celebrate Music and Visual Art with a “Night at the Movies”!

The performance began promptly at 6:30 p.m. with music from the Fifth Grade Band, under the direction of Mr. Mike Procyk. They played two selections including: “12 The Clock Strikes” and “Alien Crossfire!” The band really showed that they have been working hard all year.

The band was followed by the first graders under the direction of Miss Van Vlerah. The students showcased their talent during their performance of “Star Spangled Banner”. The first graders also performed selections from the movie The Lion King including “I Just Can’t Wait to be King” and “Can You Feel the Love Tonight”.

Miss Van Vlerah then directed the second graders in singing “We Know the Way” and “How Far I’ll Go” from the feature film Moana. It was evident that they had been working hard to practice these selections.

Following the second graders were the third grade students who performed two songs, “Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious” and “Let’s Go Fly a Kite”. Both these selections were chosen from the movie Mary Poppins. The performance was accentuated by the help of several teachers and elementary staff who played a special role in “flying a kite”. The combination of elaborate props and challenging music made for an impressive performance.

The fourth graders did an excellent job playing their recorders for the next part of the performance. First, and foremost, the music department wishes to thank the Van Buren Parent’s Association for purchasing a recorder for every fourth grader. The investment is really priceless in that this introduction to music oftentimes lasts a lifetime. Miss Van Vlerah also introduced a “karate style” program in which the students earned colored “belts” that they earned by testing out of certain levels. Many students had their recorders decorated with a rainbow of colored “belts”.

The students performed three songs on their recorders: “Gently Sleep”, “Merrily We Roll Along”, and “Hedwig’s Theme”. All of these songs were selected from various Harry Potter movies. The students were able to display their skill and hard work through these three selections.

The performance came to an exciting conclusion as the fifth graders performed two familiar songs directed by Miss Darci Van Vlerah. They sang “We Go Together” and “Born to Hand Jive” from the classic film Grease!

The Art Gallery presented by Mrs. Erin Zehender was open for viewing before and after the concert in the elementary building. Every student in grades one through five had one piece of artwork in the show. Mrs. Zehender worked diligently with the help of high school volunteers, middle school volunteers, and several teachers and staff from the elementary building to set up the show. More than 400 pieces of art were prepared for show using a wide range of media from oil pastels to clay. The artwork was organized and displayed by grade level throughout the first level of the elementary building.

Special thanks to the following people (in no particular order) for their contributions in making the Extravaganza a success: V.B.P.T.O., All Elementary Teachers and Staff, everyone who helped hang artwork, the maintenance staff, Mr. Will Baughman, Mr. Mike Procyk, Mrs. Leslye Winkle, Miss Jordan Hector, Mr. Mike Newcomer, Mrs. Meg Ramlow, Mrs. Tammy Routson, Mrs. Pam Stumpp, Mrs. Shanda Still, and all the parents for their support



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School News

VAN BUREN LOCAL SCHOOL
2018 - 2019 School Calendar

August 14	Tuesday	Teachers and Staff Meetings
August 15	Wednesday	First Day for Students
August 29 - 31	Wed., Thurs. & Friday	No School - Hancock County Fair
September 3	Monday	No School - Labor Day
September 4	Tuesday	School Resumes
September 21	Friday	No School for Students - Teacher Inservice
October 19	Friday	End of 1 st 9 weeks
November 15, 19, & 20	Thurs., Mon., and Tuesday	Parent/Teacher Conferences <i>[Thursday evening, Monday evening, and Tuesday (9:00-3:00)]</i>
November 19	Monday	No School for Students - Teacher Inservice <i>~ No School for students Monday - Friday (November 19 - 23) ~</i>
November 21, 22, & 23	Wed., Thurs. & Friday	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December 20 - January 2	Thursday through Wednesday	Christmas Break
January 3	Thursday	School Resumes
January 11	Friday	End of 1st Semester - (End of 2 nd 9 weeks)
January 18	Friday	Early Release (1:00 P.M.) Teacher Inservice
January 21	Monday	No School - Martin Luther King Day
February 15	Friday	No School for Students - Teacher Inservice
February 18	Monday	No School - President's Day
March 15	Friday	End of 3 rd 9 weeks
April 18, 19, & 22	Thursday, Friday, & Monday	No School - Spring Break
April 26	Friday	Early Release (1:00 P.M.) Teacher Inservice
May 23	Thursday	Last day for Students - End of 2nd Semester
May 24	Friday	Teacher Work Day
May 26	Sunday	Graduation

Calamity/Weather Make-Up Days - Will be added to the end of the school calendar

9-Weeks Grading Period

Aug. 15 — Oct. 19 = 44 days
Oct. 22 — Jan. 11 = 45 days
Jan. 14 — March 15 = 43 days
March 18 — May 23 = 46 days

Interim Schedule

Wednesday, September 19
Wednesday, November 28
Wednesday, February 13
Wednesday, April 24

2018 - 2019 School Year
Middle School and High School

Class Fees

Class Fee (Grades 6-8)	\$15.00
Class Fee (Grades 9-12)	21.00
Chromebook Insurance (6-12)	20.00
Science 6	5.00
Science 7	5.00
Science 8/Physical Science	5.00
Home/Resource Mgmt. 7	10.00
Art 6	10.00
Art 8	10.00
Design 8	20.00
Intro to Ag 7	9.00
Cooking Basics	20.00
Weight Training & Life Styles	10.00
High School Choir	15.00
Music Theory/History	20.00
MS/HS Marching Band	18.00
MS Band & Choir Students	17.00
Art 1, 2, 3, 4	40.00
Food & Nutrition	36.00
Life Skills	26.00
Int. Cultures & Cuisine	38.00
Physics	5.00
Chemistry	20.00
Chemistry 2	20.00
Biology 1	10.00
Anatomy & Physiology	30.00
Fund Biology	10.00
Fund Science	10.00
Physical Science	10.00
Science & Technology	10.00
Woods 1, 2, 3, 4	25.00
Graphic Arts	35.00
Design 1	15.00
Design 2 (Adv.)	15.00
Web Design 1, 2	10.00
Computer App. 1, 2	5.00
English 9	15.00
American Literature	14.00
English Literature	4.00
Real World Reading	14.00
Poetry (Rhythms of Life)	9.00
Spanish 1, 2, 3	5.00
Spanish 4	10.00
Ag Food & Resources	20.00
Ag Animal & Plant	20.00
Ag Business	20.00
Ag Science & Tech Food	20.00
Ag Wood & Forestry	20.00
Ag Mechanical Principles	25.00
FFA Membership	17.00

Elementary Class Fees

Kindergarten	\$50.00
Grades 1-3	50.00
Grades 4-5 (includes netbook ins)	70.00

MS/HS Workbook Fees

Language Arts 6	\$23.00
Language Arts 7	23.00
Language Arts 8	4.00
English 9	6.00

MS/HS Workbook Fees

Math 6	\$14.00
Math 7	14.00
Math 8/Algebra I	14.00
U.S. History 8	6.00

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Lunch Prices effective 2017-2018 school year

Elementary

Student Lunch	\$2.35
Adult Lunch	\$3.00
Sandwich	\$1.90
Pizza	\$1.90
Ice Cream	\$1.00
Snacks	\$1.00
Extra Fruit or Vegetable	\$1.00



Middle School/High School

Student Lunch	\$2.60
Ala Carte Lunch	\$2.85
Salad Bar	\$2.85
Adult Lunch	\$3.00
Sandwich	\$1.90
Main Dish	\$1.90
Pizza	\$1.90
French Fries	\$1.75
Extra Fruit or Vegetable	\$1.00
Soup	\$1.35
Ice Cream	\$1.00
Cookies	\$0.90

For more information on
Van Buren Black Knight
Sports, visit
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**First day of School
for students is
Wednesday,
August 15, 2018.**

**Have a Safe and
Enjoyable Summer Vacation**

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