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April 2017



**2017 Boys Basketball
WCAL Champs!
Div. 3 District Champs !
Div. 3 Regional Runner-up**

Congratulations!!

**2017 Girls Basketball
WCAL Co-Champs!
Div. 3 District Runner-up**



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The middle school drama production
"The Comic Artist" was a huge success!!

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**District Twitter Account
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A note from our superintendent...

Yet again we are bracing for state budget cuts for most rural schools and our budget for next school year (which begins July 1st) is murky and not expected to be finalized until June. Our governor has presented an initial budget which is anticipated to cut Northwestern operating funds by more than \$400,000 over the next two years. When the dust settles in June the best we are hoping for is another year of flat-lined state funding, which has been the case for 4 of the last 6 years. A cut in the magnitude of the governor's proposal would result in less state funding in each of the next two years than we received 6 years ago. Those districts with business base are receiving more money from the state, which makes no sense, as they have the business tax base to support their schools while we do not. In Northwestern the tax burden falls upon our heavily taxed farmers and residents to bear nearly all of the burden.

In addition, we are bracing for additional education cuts from the federal government that will undoubtedly result in cuts for our special education programs, Title I efforts, professional development, and other areas. Federal cuts combined with state cuts could result in a loss of more than \$600,000 in funds for our children.

Community members can help support at least flat funding by contacting your area legislator (easy access by googling "Ohio senator" or "Ohio representative" and urge them to maintain adequate funding for our rural schools.

Somehow we here at Northwestern defies the odds and successfully improves the quality of education we provide to our students with an efficiency that is unmatched. These combination of factors continue to propel us forward:

- A clear direction through our District Strategic Plan.
 - Ongoing, nimble planning through our many community-college-business-school Advisory Councils and other collaborations.
 - Wisdom of our Board of Education.
 - Administrative leadership through an incredible administrative team that has been in together for the most part for 12 years.
 - Remaining student focused – keeping our sights on what is best for our students.
 - Pursuing funding through open enrollment revenue, Peterson Scholarship revenue, income tax revenue, the operating levy revenue approved in Nov., 2015, and grant revenue.
 - Always studying efficiency of operations and sustainability of programs.
 - Purposeful innovative, progressive, effective strategies for improving student engagement and learning.
 - Continuing our strong culture of caring – where rigor, relevance, and relationships matter.
 - Continuing rigorous layers of interviews before hiring the best people – then investing in these people through.
 - Recognizing that our success lies within our investment in and value of human capital, our belief that we are a family, and our dedication to our children and community.
- On the heels of our fantastic Girls Basketball and Boys Basketball runs this winter we head into our spring athletic seasons – Baseball, Softball, Boys Track, and Girls Track are all expected to have strong seasons as well. Our drama program has been growing and excelling to a level bringing it to the high level of our other fine arts programs! Academically, we also continue to shine with students achieving high and public officials and other schools continue visiting us to learn how we have created such fantastic schools and programs.
- In sum, there is little that we do not do well here. Northwestern is a place where we indeed "make all things possible". There is little question as to the effectiveness of our athletic, academic, and supports programs here at Northwestern. As always, I appreciate the support of our community, dedication of our faculty and staff, as well as the leadership of our administrators and trusting support of our board of education as we

continue our mission of "preparing our students today for tomorrow's opportunities."

We are proud of the excellent education we provide our students through community support, staff dedication, as well as our common sense approach and frugal school operation. Our dedicated teachers, strong leadership, and supportive community promote our continued excellence, innovation, and mission to "prepare our students today for tomorrow's opportunities."

I am always willing to listen to ideas, questions, and concerns from students, parents, and anyone in our community. It is only by asking, sharing, and participating that we can continue our important work. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason and "thank you" for your ongoing support!

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District News

Challenging Our Highest Achieving Students!

Regardless of the needs of our students we strive to meet them.

- We serve gifted students at all levels –whether cognitive, Math or other content area, or fine arts.
- We individualize instruction for all students
- We offer several career pathways that begin in the middle school and are anchored with 4-year programs throughout high school – with College credit and for some high achieving students with Associate Degrees obtainable by graduation from Northwestern!

Serving our Students!

In another Northwestern effort in “leading the pack” last year Northwestern collaborated with a group of teachers and administrators as well as Ashland University to put together an affordable and practical program to expand our licensed Gifted Students and for these teachers to share individualized accelerated instruction with all of our faculty!

We have replicated last year’s gifted Teacher Cohort partnership with Ashland University, Northwestern Teachers, and Northwestern Schools.

Two years ago we had 3 licensed gifted teachers in the district. After cohort #1 has concluded this Aug. we will have 11 licensed gifted teachers. After cohort #2 completion in Aug. 2018 we will have more than 20 licensed gifted teachers K-12 who will be better trained to challenge and serve our students! They will also collaborate & provide ongoing Differentiated Learning professional development for our faculty and staff district-wide to promote individualized learning and rigor!

NORTHWESTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE – March 2017

We have 242 incoming open enrolled students – an all-time high

Greenhouse – Clean Energy Lab:

- 30 X 100 ft. \$300,000 facility (\$55k district, \$75k contributions, remaining amount through grants)
- Geothermal HVAC, Wind Turbine, Solar Array, Biofuel Plant
- PUCO Energy Credits as well as feeding electricity and reducing costs for our existing 30 X 80 ft. storage building and this new greenhouse-clean energy lab
- Romich Foundation Grant and Wayne Cou. Retired Teachers Grant for Aquaponics System and recycled materials benches
- Finishing the Geothermal hole boring (10 bores – 1 vertical, 5 horizontal, 4 diagonal)
- Expect completion in early April with dedication 5:00PM on April 27th



Involved with 2 “Straight A Fund” professional development consortiums over the current SY:

- 5-district Rural Collaborative LDC–PBL(Literacy Design Collaborative–Problem-Based Learning)

[Northwestern, Black River, Mapleton, Hillsdale, Loudonville-Perrysville]

[Partners: Battelle, The PAST Foundation, HSTW]

- 6-district Blended Learning Collaborative

[Northwestern, Mentor, Worthington, Forest Hills, Lawrence County ESC, Plain Local]

[Partners: Battelle for Kids, The PAST Foundation]

New 4-year HS Career Pathways (most are 6-year programs 7-12):

- Existing pathways: Engineering & Robotics, Biomedical, Clean –Renewable Energy, Environmental/Agri-Business, Family/Consumer Science

• 16-17 SY Computer Science PLTW

• 17-18 SY Teacher Education Pathway

• 17-18 SY Business Finance & Entrepreneurship Pathway

College Credits available through each of these programs on our campus!

CTE (Career Technical Education) Initiatives:

- Pre-Apprenticeship Certification & Program: Our current student internship program has been in place for 2 years and we are applying for state pre-apprenticeship approval from the state to further strengthen our program and expand business partnerships.

• Career Credentials: Already began OSHA Training for all pathway students, more credentials to follow! Students benefit by the knowledge and application, as well as an edge with job applications and college applications.

- Student Organizations: FFA, FCCLA, HOSA, currently and “Skills USA” (17-18 SY)



Northwestern Schools "Home of the Huskies"

District Update, continued

ES STEM Application:

- Our MS STEM Designation and HS STEM Designations occurred 3 years ago
- By adding ES STEM designation Northwestern has our sights on being the first approved OSLN STEM K-12 Districts in Ohio!

Makerspace Innovation Multimedia Centers:

- ES, MS, and HS multi-building initiative
- Received Wayne County Retired Teachers Grant funds to help with the initiative
- Planning new furniture, I-pads, software, 3-D printers, Scanners, and other equipment as our multi-media centers continue to evolve student collaboration and engagement

BE IN THE KNOW - FOLLOW US ON NORTHWESTERN TWITTER!

Please register for our Northwestern "Twitter" account!

Registration can be completed on our Northwestern website and by registering at the twitter address on the front page of this newsletter!

We initiated this account two years ago and have sent thousands of tweets since!

We generally send 2-10 tweets per building per week.

There is a significant amount of research that indicates parents and community members are more likely to read brief one or two liners with a picture than lengthy posts, newsletter articles, etc. Northwestern wants to continue sharing the amazing things happening in our classrooms through every avenue possible!

Our area newspapers provide too little coverage for the many amazing things that our outstanding teachers do each day. While we do utilize the West Salem Messenger, WQKT, The Post Newspaper, our website, and our own "The Northwestern" newsletter it is time to make more ongoing and immediate newsbytes. The answer is regular twitter postings.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support of our teachers and our students!

Greenhouse Update Come one, come all!

We are organizing our Greenhouse-Clean Energy Lab dedication for April 27, 2017 at 5:00PM.

We expect numerous public officials and brief presentations by our students!

This is a magnificent 3,000 Sq. Ft. & \$300,000 facility which will be utilized by students K-12 and by our community alike.

Our construction has been frustratingly slow, yet has been valuable for our students – who have been involved from the ground prep, footers and foundation work, business plan creation, etc.

Below is a general timeline of this successful project!

- Discussed in district strategic plan Dec., 2015 and January., 2016
- Discussed in Agri-Science Advisory Council March, 2016
- March 2016-May 2016 intensive multi-grant writing effort
- July, 2016 Grant successful grant awards confirmed
- July, 2016 School District \$55,000 commitment
- Aug-Oct intensive fundraising contribution efforts
- We broke ground on the project on Oct., 2016
- Structure completed Dec., 2016
- Infrastructure completion anticipated by Easter
- April 27th Dedication ceremony
- May-July, 2017: Remaining inside components such as benches and working hydroponics system expected to be completed, also exterior landscaping, and the "buy a brick" sidewalk.

Our "BUY A BRICK" donation program will continue through sidewalk construction – anticipated to occur in summer 2017!

Reasons/celebrations to "BUY A BRICK":

- Easter – in celebration of Christ and/or as a unique gift
- Birthdays
- Weddings
- Anniversary
- In memory of a loved one
- In celebration on a special event

Order forms are available on the Northwestern website, in the office of any district building, and through any Agricultural Science teacher or student!



"Home of the Huskies"



"COME EXPLORE NORTHWESTERN"

We are the ONLY area OSLN (Ohio STEM Learning Network) certified STEM School!

Northwestern Middle School & Northwestern High School.

We are the ONLY School District in the area with "National PLTW/STEM Accreditation" for our Middle School and our High School!

Open Enrollment seats available – tuition-free.

No athletic fees and very low academic school fees.

Applications available on-line or by contacting the office of the superintendent.

Call & schedule a visit or tour of our schools.

"We prepare our students today for tomorrow's opportunities!"

- Engineering! Flight & Space! BioMedical! Renewable-Clean Energy!
- Animal Science! Agri-Science Business!
- Delivering a "World Class" Education! 21st Century skills! Student Engagement
- Rigor – Relevancy – Relationships! Spanish! Technology!
- Effective Schools Practices! Future Fridays – Careers! Technology Innovations!
- Leadership! Character Education! French! Individualized Instruction!
- Robotics! Fine Arts! Engaging Project-Based Learning! Internships!
- Entrepreneurship! K-12 STEM Schools! Senior Seminar Capstone Project!
- Flexible Credit Options! "Husky Huddle" Student-Staff Mentorship Programs!
- High School Associate's Degree Program! Innovation Station STEM Lab!
- Computer Science! Enrichment/Acceleration/Gifted/Post-Secondary Programs!

Our Northwestern Culture:

- Caring, hard-working, dedicated teachers & staff!
- Small, individualized classrooms!
- Extraordinary community support!
- STEM Labs!
- Numerous extra-curricular programs, athletics, arts, drama, etc!
- Many clubs and activities!

High Expectations: Did you know that over the past 6 years more than 66% of Northwestern 8th Gr. Students have completed Algebra I before entering High School?



Be part of OUR STORY at West Salem Branch

Help to make a difference in your community by volunteering in your local library!

Share the magic of reading with children

*Help our patrons find materials
Share your knowledge of various genres and authors*

Deliver books and other materials to our home bound patrons

Share your love of reading with others

Ask a staff member how to get involved today!

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Northwestern Softball 2017

Girls Varsity

Tuesday	04/04/17	Dalton High School	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/05/17	Dalton High School	Away 5:00 PM
Thursday	04/06/17	Clear Fork High School	Home 5:00 PM
Tuesday	04/11/17	Chippewa HS	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/12/17	Chippewa HS	Away 5:00 PM
Thursday	04/13/17	Clear Fork High School	Away 5:00 PM
Tuesday	04/18/17	Smithville High School	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/19/17	Smithville High School	Away 5:00 PM
Thursday	04/20/17	(WENDY'S SPRING CLASSIC)	Away TBA
Friday	04/21/17	(WENDY'S SPRING CLASSIC)	Away TBA
Saturday	04/22/17	(WENDY'S SPRING CLASSIC)	Away TBA
Tuesday	04/25/17	Rittman High School	Away 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/26/17	Rittman High School	Home 5:00 PM
Friday	04/28/17	Keystone Prebis Memorial Classic	Away TBA
Saturday	04/29/17	Keystone Prebis Memorial Classic	Away TBA
Tuesday	05/02/17	Hillsdale High School	Away 5:00PM
Wednesday	05/03/17	Hillsdale High School	Home 5:00 PM
Thursday	05/04/17	Tuslaw High School	Away 5:00 PM
Tuesday	05/09/17	Norwayne High School	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	05/10/17	Norwayne High School	Away 5:00 PM

Northwestern JV Softball

Tuesday	04/04/17	Dalton High School	Away 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/05/17	Dalton High School	Home 5:00 PM
Thursday	04/06/17	Clear Fork High School	Away 5:00 PM
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Northwestern Varsity Track 2017

Tues.	03/28/17	Tri Meet w/Hiland & Lucas	Home 4:30
Tues.	04/04/17	Tri @ Hillsdale w/Dalton	Away 4:30 PM
Thurs.	04/06/17	Frosh/Soph Meet	Home 4:30 PM
Sat.	04/08/17	McCay Relays	Away 9:30 AM
Tues.	04/11/17	Tri Meet @Hillsdale/Dalton	4:30
Sat.	04/15/17	Health Point Husky Invite	Home 1:00
Tues.	04/18/17	Tri w/Chippewa/Waynedale	Home 4:30
Sat.	04/22/17	Triway Invite	Away 9:30 AM
Tues.	04/25/17	Rittman High School (Tri Meet @Rittman w/Smithville)	Away 4:30
Fri.	04/28/17	Red Rider Relays	Away 5:00 PM
Tues.	05/02/17	Norwayne High School	Home 4:30PM
Fri.	05/05/17	Galion Kiwanis Track Invite	Away 4:00
Tues.	05/09/17	Frosh/Soph Meet @ Smithville	4:15
Sat.	05/13/17	WCAL @ Norwayne	Away TBA



**** Stay Informed ****

SPRING SPORTS 2017

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Northwestern Baseball 2017

Boys Varsity

Saturday	04/01/17	Black River High School	Home 11:00 AM
Saturday	04/01/17	Black River High School	Home 1:00 PM
Tuesday	04/04/17	Dalton High School	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/05/17	Dalton High School	Away 5:00 PM
Friday	04/07/17	Triway High School	Away 5:00 PM
Saturday	04/08/17	Strasburg High School	Home 11:00 AM
Saturday	04/08/17	Strasburg High School	Home 1:00 PM
Tuesday	04/11/17	Chippewa HS	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/12/17	Chippewa HS	Away 5:00 PM
Tuesday	04/18/17	Smithville High School	Home 5:00PM
Wednesday	04/19/17	Smithville High School	Away 5:00 PM
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Northwestern JV Baseball

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HOME OF THE HUSKIES

Good Luck

Huskies!!

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**Mr. Mike
Burkholder
Northwestern
High School
Principal**

Hello from Northwestern High School,

This school year has really flown by! We are now involved in the high stakes end of course testing. The following courses have state tests that will be a factor in meeting graduation requirements: English 9 & 10, Algebra I, Geometry, Biology, American History and American Government. The state has shifted to a single end of course test, but it still has two parts. To give the impacted students the best opportunity to perform their best we will be on a late start on test days for the non-testing students. This will allow our testing students to be in a smaller group setting. We have the test dates and times on our High School calendar, which is assessable from the High School webpage. We are doing the best we can to find ways to deal with the impact of assessment delivery, while maintaining a structure that delivers the best education that we can provide to our students.

We are in the process of interviewing to fill open positions and anticipate having a recommendation for a new Agricultural Science soon. We also have two open positions for evening custodians and one paraprofessional position to fill. We will be working with the Middle School to work through the process for a new 5-9 Guidance counselor. There is a possibility that we will have at least one more open position to fill later this spring. The majority of these positions are open due to retirements or other life circumstances. We take the interview process very seriously, as hiring the best possible candidate allows us the opportunity to continue to grow as an organization.

Our students did an exceptional job with their science fair projects at the local and district level. Many of our students received recognition and honors at the district level and will advance to the State Science Day in May.



Congratulations and thank you to our students, families and staff that made this possible. We also have students competing in various STEM related contests with many of them advancing to higher levels of competition.

In addition to the curriculum that is taught in the classroom, we see many instances of students applying what they have learned to scenarios outside of the classroom. Mrs. Crabtree, our vocal music and drama teacher, recently shared the following story:

In the midst of the fog machine mishap the other day, something really cool has come out of it. I walked into rehearsal yesterday to be greeted by three students working to calculate how much fog it would take to fill the stage area. From what I understand here's what they did:

1. Found a box that was 1 cubic foot in volume
2. measure the dimensions of the stage and backstage
3. calculate the volume of the stage/backstage area
4. fill the smaller box with fog, timing how long it took to fill the small box (it took about 3 seconds to fill the box with fog)
5. knowing the time it took to fill the smaller box, calculate how long it would take the fog machine to fill the volume of the stage area.
6. Knowing that I don't want the whole stage to be filled with fog, they then took about 33% of the final total to come up with a total time of 12 seconds of the fog machine spray.

The best part of this, to us, is that the students saw the issue and figured out how to address it without having an adult lead them through the process.

Schedule requests have been submitted and we will be looking to create next year's master schedule. We are very proud of the fact that we have been able to maintain an impressive array of curricular offerings.

Dual credit offerings for next year include US History to 1877, Music History, English 12 CCP, English 11 CCP, Literature Appreciation and Calculus. We are also looking to add a CCP Chemistry class, as well as launch courses in a teacher education pathway and add online college credit plus classes in our Business pathway. We are continuing to offer the capstone class in both the engineering and biomedicine curriculums – Engineering Design and Development and Biomedical Innovation and will add a capstone course in Clean Energy. If a student has completed the pre-requisite courses, these classes may be chosen as a yearlong alternative to their senior seminar class. Seniors may also choose to participate in an Internship as a means of meeting the senior seminar graduation requirement. Once we see the numbers from course requests, we will know if we will have a stand-alone Agricultural Internship class or if we will work these through our general Internship program. We will continue to look for ways to expand our offerings and provide our students with quality and innovative course offerings. New course offerings at the High School for 2017-2018 include Greenhouse & Nursery Management, Food Markets & the World and Business Management for Agricultural and Environmental Systems in the Agricultural Science curriculum, Biology II in Science. The Social Studies department is adding an advanced World History and Advanced American History class. In Fine Arts we are adding a Theater Arts III class. Clean Energy will have the third and fourth courses in the pathway: Clean Energy Strategies and Clean Energy Innovations and we will be adding the second course in Computer Science pathway, Computer Science Applications, along with a Robotics II class. Family Consumer Science has some revised classes including Human Development and Textiles and Culinary Fundamentals. The Visual Arts curriculum has also been revised and will be working from a semester format, with a variety of options.

At present, we are planning to offer at least one summer course: Physical Education. We may also look at providing some summer on-line course, with required seat time, to address credit recovery needs. Further information will soon be available in our guidance office.

As we move toward May we are looking toward many significant events.

The largest of these events is the High School Graduation. On May 28th at 2:00, in the Northwestern High School gym, the class of 2017 will be receiving their diplomas. The Class of 2017 has lived up to the strong traditions of our school and community. I always look forward to the Senior Awards Assembly, as this is a time when we get to celebrate their successes and learn more about the recognitions and scholarships they have accumulated, as well as what their future plans are. Senior Awards will be Monday, May 22nd at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the theater. Please join us for this celebration, if your schedule allows. Underclassman Awards have been moved to Monday, May 15th at 7:30 a.m. This will be held in the gym. All parents and community members are invited to attend this event!

Important dates to note as we move toward the end of the school year:

- 5/3 Spring Band Concert @ 7:00 p.m.
- 5/8 Northwestern Ruritan Student Recognition Program
- 5/9 Spring Choir Concert @ 7:00 p.m.
- 5/15 Underclassman Awards @ 7:30 a.m.
- 5/18 & 5/19 Senior Exams
- 5/22 Senior Awards Assembly @ 7:00 p.m.
- 5/25 Senior Graduation Practice @ 9:00 a.m.
- 5/26 Senior Class Picture & Graduation Practice @ 9:00 a.m.
- 5/26, 5/30, 5/31 Underclassmen Final Exam
- 5/28 Graduation @ 2:00 p.m. – High School Gym

Note on exams:

Senior exams are scheduled by their teacher during the final two days. We will not be on an adjusted schedule.

Underclassmen exams will be as follows:

- 5/26 - Periods 1, 8, 6
 - 5/30 - Periods 2,4,7
 - 5/31 - Periods 3,5
- The exam schedule will be:
 Exam Period One : 7:25-8:45
 Exam Period Two: 8:55 – 10:15
 Exam Period Three: 10:25 – 11:45
 Lunch: 11:55

Make Up or Rescheduled Exams: 12:40

The format for exams will be open. Students do not need to come in until their first exam each day and may leave after their final test each day.

** *Stay Informed* **

All classes, excluding study hall, will be having a final exam or culminating activity. If a student has an exam, study hall and then an additional exam they must stay the entire time.

If your child must be here the entire day, we will have supervised areas for study or for recreation. The buses will be running on their normal schedules. For the safety of your children, we ask that arrangements be made to pick up your child when his/her academic day is complete. Please do not have your child walk or ride a bicycle on State Route 301.

If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact the high school at 419 846-3833 or you may contact me at nrws_burkhol@tccsa.net.

We are very proud of our students and of our community. We appreciate your continued support of our school!

UPCOMING ACT DATES

Students can register online at www.act-student.org for an upcoming test date. It's important for juniors to take the test so they have test scores ready to submit to colleges starting fall of their senior year. We have a lot of sophomores also starting to take the ACT test for "College Credit Plus" purposes if they are hoping to take classes here at the high school or on a local college campus for college credit starting their junior year. For the first time, all juniors took the ACT here at Northwestern on March 21, 2017 as part of the new graduation pathways created by ODE. More information will be coming about that test as it is available to us.

For any student, here are upcoming national ACT test dates:

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Regular Registration Deadline</u>
June 10	May 5



Northwestern High School
Honor and Merit Roll
3rd Nine Weeks
2016-17



1ST HONORS (4.010-OVER)

Seniors: David Agnes, William Arthur, Shelby Aulger, Jacob Besancon, Kyle Burgan, Riley Carlson, Tyler Devore, Erin Gordon, Sydney Harmon, Elizabeth Hartman, Eugenia Kobak, Jesse McCullough, Shelby McKay, Tyler Morr, Reiley Murphy, Riley Rechnitzer, Mackenzie Smith, Katie Stull, Brock Thut, Charles Walker

Juniors: Emily Bouffard, Blair Colter, Steven Cozzuli, Garrett Dever, Maverick Duncan, Sierra Duvall, Justin Ebert, Emily Finley, Tatum Franczek, Christie Franks, Sarah Fraser, Spencer Garrison, Quinten Garver, Ariel Harper, Jonathan Hoff, Kennedy Hoffer, Hannah Kardoheley, Chase Lambert, Lucas McLellan, Nicole Russell, Parker Smith, Hunter Stidham, Cody Tegtmeier, Katherine Tenney, Amaya White, Mason Wilhelmy, Nicole Winkler, Austen Wood, Kelseigh Wright

Sophomores: Mikayla Beegle, Carrie Boak, Tyler Carlson, Grace Chupp, Jaimie Critzer, Skylar Dawson, Kaylie Dye, Isaac Franks, Hannah Fricke, Mackenzi Gray, Cortney Hoff, Nikolas King, Katherine Koontz, Annabelle Martin, Cassandra Nutter, Benjamin Pollizi, Kaylee Reed, Kailey Schwartz, Kaitlyn Secrist, Brianna Shearer, Jadah Smith, Allison St. Clair, Olivia Wakefield

Freshmen: Colin Agnes, Jordan Allshouse, Claire Bond, Alexander Borton, Joshua Cline, Travis Cochran, Zaine Garver, Taylor Howman, Jordan Melegari, Karlie Mowrer, Makenzie Nowell, Mehli Rogers, Katherine Shambaugh, Lindsey Sykes, Brock Tegtmeier, Rachel Winkler

2ND HONORS (3.75-4.00)

Seniors: Benjamin Bloom, Matthew Boreman, Knoble Carpenter, Lene Goodman, Jesse McCullough, Allison Ruegg

Juniors: Jared Alberts, Abigail Copsey, Daniel Critzer, Jordan Gilbert, Nicolas Grassman, Jacob Hudson, Taylor Jackson, Shawn Newman, Christopher Orosz, Jessica Preston, Hayden Tiliske, Mia Tope, Devin Whisman

Sophomores: Weslea Arthur, James Blake, Emily Cromer, Trevor Ferriman, Jacey Fulton, Raini Hershey, Jessica Moats, McKenna Perry, Caleb Purdy, Claire Vaughan, Mallory Witucki

Freshmen: Austin Beegle, Elliot Coffman, Jordyn Ference, Logan Haven, Isabella Ingraham, Natalie Mareno, Hunter Miller, Leeanna Ruegg, Aidan Spitler, Kenneth Strait, Brianna Teal

3RD HONORS (3.000-3.740)

Seniors: Tyler Austin, Matthew Boreman, Brittany Brown, Macie Buzzard, Knoble Carpenter, Luke Chaffee, Colton Corbett, Dawson Flinn, Lene Goodman, Lindsey Gortner, Sierra Kamps, Kourtney Kliner, Derek Koch, Cory Leighty, Summer Nairn, Brandon Reed, Allison Ruegg, William Smith, Dylan Stoltz, Joshua Tope

Juniors: Chase Adkins, Holli Asbury, Lindsey Asbury, Jessica Bair, Michael Campbell, Tylar Coen, Madison Cook, Taylor Dawson, Derick DuVall, Jr., Aaron Eicher, Isabella Gill, Caleb Groves, Skyla Harp, Peyton Hendricks, Nicholas Hinton, Hunter Kanzeg, Chianne Neider, Michael Nutter, Rae Rempher, Bryce Rush, Devin Smith

Sophomores: Alexis Arnette, James Blake, Trenton Boatner, Gwynneth Casto, Lindsey Ciolek, Emily Cromer, Avery Crumley, Daniel Dietrich, Tristan Estep, Isabella Flickinger, Nicholas Howman, Alora Hughes, Kolton Kliner, Christopher Kovacs, Erica Leiby, Jonathan Lenz, Nicholas Mahr, Jaydan McMillan, Carter Melicant, Jessica Moats, McKenna Perry, Alec Praisler, Caleb Purdy, Joren Rickard, Pedro Rosales, M. Westley Schaad, Bethanie Schaefer, Jalen Severs, Elizabeth Siders, Shane Smith, Silas Smith, Nathan Smithberger, April Strait, Mason Taylor, Kamy Tope, Jack Triplett, Mallory Witucki

3rd Honors continued

Freshmen: Jett Conley, Kevin Diaz, Skylar Edington, James Evans, Rebecca Hall, Brooke Hinton, Phillip Howman, Savannah Hunt, Treyton Jester, Kaya Johns, Allison Kandel, Matthew Kobak, Chase Leighty, Robert Martin, Riley Masengill, Sasha McConahay, Justin McElfresh, Kaitlyn Praisler, Abigail Ramseyer, Cal Rhamy, Sarah Roder, Brock Rush, Gabriel Sarno, Ceili Smith, Lydia Smith, Montana Stidham, Makayla Stormer, Coby Stough, Haley Webb, Matthew Yates



Northwestern Middle School Tech Team

This year's Northwestern Middle School Tech Team members are front row from left: Nathan Stoltz, Brooke McNeil, Craig Wellert, Josh Long, Gabriel Chupp, Joshua Spencer, Cooper Stephens, Hannah Dickson, and Jesse Evans. Middle row: Kiley Murphy and Dominic Wallace Top row: Steven Widdows and Brennen Topp. Absent from photo: Ethan Miller and Mary Wellert. Mrs. Shelly Dailey is the adviser of the group.

The role of the Tech Team is to help out in any way we are needed. Each student has a work day during their extra help period and the eighth grade members teach the seventh and sixth graders during this time. The eight graders are a dedicated and helpful group. Some of the things we do for the school are as follows: set up microphones and monitor the sound for assemblies and the talent show, video tape assemblies, work the sound and light board for eighth grade promotion, assist teachers with technology problems, assist staff with computer set-up for standardized tests, assist students with software problems, and put the day's announcements on the school-wide TV system to be shown to students in the cafeteria.

Along with our daily activities we have been fortunate to help out this year by setting-up and digital videoing our school's Veteran's Day assembly, editing the video of the assembly and making DVDs of the footage to be given to James Stephenson Post 499 of the American Legion and this year's guest speaker, Captain Pat Purdy, ret. We have also created a web page and a video play on Plotagon detailing what we do. The web page address is: <http://nmstechteam.weebly.com/>

We are grateful for the support of Northwestern Middle School staff and administration.



Northwestern District

Varsity Softball Thanks Sponsors

The Lady Husky Varsity Softball Team will be playing in three tournaments this spring. First, they will travel to Louisville, KY to play in the Ballard Invitational. The team will play Carmel High School from Indiana on Friday, April 14. On Saturday, they will face Lebanon and Walsh Jesuit. The next weekend the team will be playing in the Wendy's Classic in Ashland on Friday, April 21 at 6:15 PM vs. North Canton Hoover at Brookside West #1. The team will then play two games on Saturday, time and opponents to be determined based upon the results of Friday's games. The team will also be traveling to the Prebis Memorial Classic hosted by Keystone High School. Our games will be played in Wellington at Wellington Community Park on Friday, April 28 at 4:30 PM. Saturday's games will see the Lady Huskies facing Toledo Whitmer and Parma. Come out and support the softball team! **The TEAM would like to THANK the following sponsors for making the Louisville, KY trip possible:**

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Dick & Karen Ferrell



**IT'S NOT THE TEAM
WITH THE BEST
PLAYERS THAT WIN.
IT'S THE PLAYERS
WITH THE BEST
TEAM THAT WINS!!!**

MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



Mr. Joey Brightbill
Northwestern
Middle School
Principal

Message from Mr. Brightbill

NMS is preparing for one of the busiest times of the year as we head into the final quarter. The testing season is upon us, as well as, scheduling for next year, interviewing candidates for open positions and keeping our academic focus.

Beginning next week, the students will be taking the AIR state assessments. The tests will be given in the morning for the first few hours on the scheduled dates below. It is important to be on time for school so students don't miss the tests. After the tests are completed, we will run an adjusted schedule to ensure that students will get all of their academic classes for the remainder of the day. We are asking that all electronic devices are shut down during the school day so that they will not interfere with the testing security and wifi connection. Listed below are the tested subjects and dates per grade level. For more information on the test and help to prepare visit <http://oh.portal.airast.org/ocba/students-and-families/>.

Test	Grades	Date
ELA	6-8	March 28 & 29
Math	6-8	April 20 & 21
Science	8	April 26 & 27
Social Studies	6	April 26 & 27

As we finalize the course selection book and schedule for next year, students will begin their course selections for grades 6-8. We will be adding a several electives for next year as well as more advanced pathways in other content areas. We want to keep our focus of setting high expectations throughout the building as we prepare our students for their future. 8th grade students have already completed their scheduling forms for high school classes.

With this being the final quarter of the year, it's always a great time to remind students to keep their academic focus. This is a common time that students begin to lose focus as the end of the year gets closer. It's important to note, academic performance impacts students academically and athletically for next year. We want to finish the year on a positive as it takes a team effort to keep student focus at the front. Thank you all for your continued support for Northwestern Middle School. Have a safe Spring Break.

NMS Upcoming Dates:

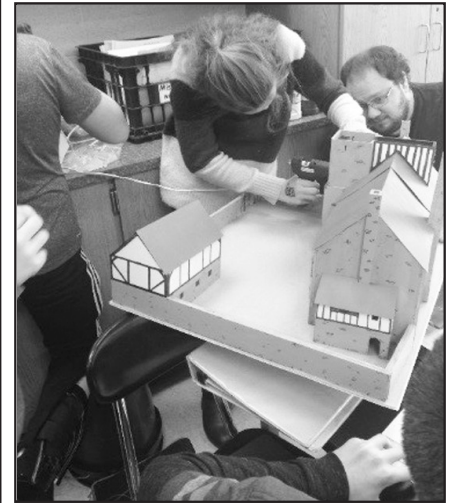
- 3/28-3/29 ELA Testing
- 3/30 Safety Drill
- 5K Hero Run-5:30pm
- 4/10-4/14 Spring Break
- 4/20-4/21 Math Testing
- 4/26-4/27 Science and Social Studies Test (6th and 8th grade only)



NMS Staff receiving our "Top Performing School" Banner during the academic assembly.



8th Grade Students participating in learning CPR during their Health class.



The 7th graders have been working on a cross-curricular project in World Studies and Math. Students have researched how a manor village during the early Middle Ages worked and then using scale factor they have built model villages. Along with creating a group presentation students also had to find the volume and surface area of each building in their model.

Middle School News

Academic Honor Roll 3rd Nine Weeks 2016-17

All "A" Honor Roll

8TH GRADE: Jillian Beun, Gabriel Buchholz, Cierra Hershey, Elizabeth Howman, Valerie Imhoff, Katherine Linder, Morgan McCoy, Halie O'Loughlin, Noah Pack, Allison Spencer, Megan Tomechko, Briana Troyan, Tamar Walton, Jacob Westover, Haley Wilson

7TH GRADE: Shayna Allshouse, Arianna Borton, Taylor Haley, Sarah Miller, Macie Sexten, Clara Zemancik

6TH GRADE: Marina Ulger, Brailee Beun, Florida Blake, Addie Bodager, Carissa Brinker, Jesse Evans, Arianna Firebaugh, Madelyn Fricke, Madison Gray, Charlie Herman, Cole Hoffer, Caitlyn Leighty, Katie Maffett, Brent Mann, Jacquelyn McLaurin, Charleigh McMillan, Brooke McNeil, Ava O'Loughlin, Gavin Phillips, Kylee Purdy, Daylie Rickard, Kaleb Sadie, Morgan Sexten, Trenton Sigler, Ava Stoller, Isabella Vacco, Jacob Wakefield, Paige Walter, Danielle Wilkes, Hanna Wilson, Samantha Yates

All "A" and "B" Honor Roll

8TH GRADE: Rilee Ammon, Samantha Barnette, Eleanore Bond, Max Carlson, Sara Cassady, Colston Cutter, Zane Fast, Brooke Frybarger, Mitchell Gray, Emily Hoff, Ashton Mackey, Mary Nixon, Lariah Severs, Breanna Slanczka, Desiree Smith, Robert Soueid, Betty Stevens, Hayden Stoller, Riley Stull, Liam Sykes, Hailie Tomsik, Cole Wharton, Brooklyn Woodruff, Emma Zemancik

7TH GRADE: Weston Arthur, Grant Dever, Deanna Devore, Stefanie Ecker, Hayley Franks, Laurissa Fulton, Avery Garver, Dominic Guidetti, Mariah Hill, Peyton Hostetler, Ariel Hughes, Nathaniel Jackson, Kathleen Kindall, Abigail Miller, Ethan Miller, Jackalynn Mosher, Gunnar Mullet, Emma Nicholson, Zander Shepherd, Rachel Smithberger, Thomas Stawicki, Ryan Walter, Steven Widdows

6TH GRADE: Brett Alberts, Della Amstutz, Braiden Barthalow, Julia Beard, Aubrey Bowersock, Jasmine Bradford, Aubrey Browning

Joseph Buchholz, Brooklyn Buzzard, Gabriel Chupp, Carter Clarke, Phoenix Cuthrell, Emma Fisher, Anna Gendron, Collin Good, Karissa Groves, A'Kia Hardin, David Hiner, Alexa Hively, Anthony Huber, Nathaniel Hunt, Melanie Imhoff, Mark Ingraham, Logan Kolp, Anthony Linscott, Lindsey Luther, Aiden MacFarland, Louisa Morris, Breanna Neider, Hayden Novak, Julia Ours, Gabriel Pelfrey, Paige Pellshaw, Sophia Pentito, Ethan Reed, Haley Schaad, Austin Seaton, Ariel Smith, Joshua Spencer, Samuel Terwilliger, Mariah Thompson, Shelby Thorpe, Thomas Tomechko, Andrew Tope, Lauren Vaughan, Jay Velez, Charles Westover



8th Grade Students working during their science lab on Newton's First Law.



Nick Tomechko competing at the Wayne County Spelling Bee.



Exploring STEAM students working on coding with Spheros.

Thermal Energy

"Students in Seventh Grade Science created insulated containers to prevent thermal energy transfers as part of the Rural Literacy Design Collaborative Grant. Students had to work in teams of three to research the different types of thermal energy transfers, design and create a prototype of an insulated container following constraints with a budget, and write a final design report. The teams across the grade level competed against each other with their prototypes to determine which group had the smallest amount of heat loss with the lowest amount of money spent. The winners of this challenge were the team of Jackie Moser, Isaac Ott, and Lynzi Smith.

A special thank you to Bill Burkhart from Buckeye Corrugated Inc. in Wooster for the generous donation of corrugated board for the creation of the students' prototypes!"



The winners of the thermal energy challenge were the team of Jackie Moser, Isaac Ott, and Lynzi Smith.

Middle School Highlights

MARCH IS YOUTH IN ART MONTH

The Wayne County Junior High Art Exhibit was held at Wayne Center for the Arts from March 3-16, 2017. The exhibit featured art works from seventh and eighth graders from the county schools and also included Wooster, Triway, and Orrville schools. Because of the potential number of participants, to have art work displayed at this exhibit is an honor of itself. Students of Shelly Dailey's art classes had award winning work exhibited. Allison Spencer procured First Place in the painting category with her painting of bamboo in the Asian brush style. This painting was runner-up to the Best of Show. Allison Spencer also earned Third Place in a difficult competition with her black and white drawing of the interior of a gallery. In the same category, seventh graders, Ariel Hughes and Addie DeSanto earned Honorable Mention. Ariel's drawing was of an old-fashioned microphone and Addie's picture was of a decorative sailor's compass. Northwestern Middle School eighth graders swept the Textile category with First Place being achieved by Jerry Fricke with his Husky blue and gray modified weaving. Macey Carlson collected Second Place with her origami crane nesting bow. Brandon Casto rounded out the category with his Third Place victory of his intarsia weaving of a bowl with an apple on it.

Other students who had entries were eighth grader Noah Pack, and seventh grader Paige Melicant who had entries in the colored drawing category. In printmaking, seventh graders displaying works were Allie Rowland and Avery Garver. Eighth graders Tamer Walton, Kellie Perry, Cassie Moran, and Merissa Hesse had 2 Dimensional Designs displayed. Along with Allison Spencer's painting, eighth graders Noah Pack, Rosa Ixcoy-Sica, and Valerie Imhoff all had paintings of bamboo at the exhibit. Other participants in the Black and White drawing category were eighth graders Rosa Ixcoy-Sica and Valerie Imhoff with their gallery interiors, and seventh grader Avery Garver entered her drawing of Steve the pig. Eighth graders Cassidy Brown and Rilee Ammon both had coil bowls displayed in the Textiles category.

Dr. Michelle Muro, Fine Arts Consultant from Tri-County Educational Service Center was the coordinator for this exhibit.

Participants in the art exhibit are back row left to right: Rosa Ixcoy-Sica, Addie DeSanto, Ariel Hughes, Valerie Imhoff, Megan Tomechko, and Rilee Ammon. Middle Row L to R: Noah Pack, Paige Melicant, Avery Garver, Macie Carlson, Jerry Fricke, Tamar Walton, Cassidy Brown, Allison Rowland. Front Row L to R: Kellie Perry, Cassie Moran, Allison Spencer, and Brandon Casto. Missing from picture is Merissa Hesse)



NW ELEMENTARY



Mrs. Julie McCumber
Northwestern
Elementary
Principal

Second Grade Field trip to OARDC

Pollination Jubilation at OARDC - "A Bug's World" field trip



Eating insects at Cafe Insecta at the OARDC - "A Bug's World" field trip in 2nd grade



2nd grade students during Whiz Bang Science Show with Dr. Dave at OARDC field trip exhibiting the power of friction.

Dr. Seuss' Birthday Week



Principal, "Cat in the Hat" with Mr. Kline, visited students during Dr. Seuss' birthday week.



Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration. Mrs. Chance's class built "Cat in the Hat" fruit kabobs.

Northwestern Elementary

STEM Project

Honor Roll

3rd Nine Weeks
2016-2017

3rd GRADE HONOR ROLL

Kaylee Cherry, Makenna Connelly, Jason Diehl, Logan Fiala, Coralyn Hall, Millie Sexten, Hayden Sigler, Josey Thomas, Audri Yeagley

4th GRADE HONOR ROLL

Harmony Blake, Sara Corn, Kayla Cutter, Mallory Gilbert, Gino Guidetti, McKensie McCoy, Mason Meininger, Logan Shriver, Jule Stoller, Allie Stoltz, Alysa Troyan

5th GRADE HONOR ROLL

Emma Adkison, Grant Bond, Kirsten Boreman, Jacob Farner, Quinn Fast, Alyssah Fisher, Ellie Han-shaw, Maddie Hunt, Ben MacFarland, Ethan Mausolf, Tristan Miller, Jennie Riffle, Ella Saal, Kade Tegtmeier, Lillian Wakefield, Luke Walton, Jon Widdows

3rd GRADE MERIT ROLL

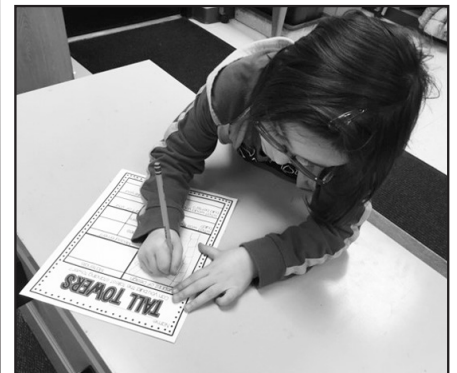
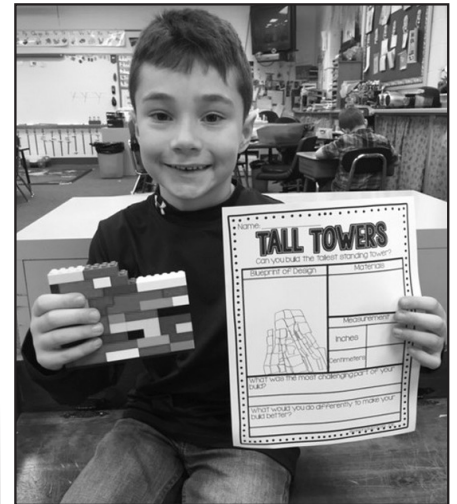
Sophia Ahrendt, Camryn Boak, Claire Buchholz, James Cassady, Addie Cassidy, Corbin Chanay, Addy Connelly, Emma Connelly, Linsey Coots, Nick Coots, Asher Erf, Jackson Evans, Wahied Fasihi, Caden Grier, Sami Herman, Kace Hixson, Kate Johnson, Bella Kelley, Nevaeh Kirk, Gabi Klinect, David Mcle, Kolten McKinley, Jesse McLaurin, Chet McNeil, Lexie Palker, Zander Pauley-Farber, Mia Rosales, Collin Rouse, Olivia Scarbrough, Kelsee Smith, Wesley Stoltz, Alaric Trimble, Sarah Wellert, Kiera Whisman, Holly Widdows, Cyrus Witmer

4th GRADE MERIT ROLL

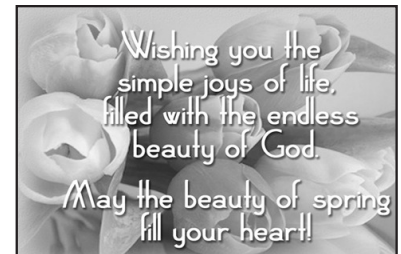
Jack Belding, Isaac Beun, Carter Boreman, Gabby Cubur, Hyatt Danyel, Ashton Good, Elaine Groves, Will Hamey, Ayden Hendricks, Taya Kaufman, Kelli Kearney, Noah Lee, Colton Mark, Lilly May, Dani McClure, Sydney McConahay, Josiah Moats, Avery Mullet, Gabe Nicholson, Katherine Orosz, Emilie Ott, Alexa Riffel, Rylee Stafford, Bella Stutz, Joshua Webel, Jailynn Woodruff, Taylor Wurst

5th GRADE MERIT ROLL

Kaleb Badger, Brandon Barnette, Kara Burgan, Reece Chanay, Hayden Cline, Jacob Farner, Owen Ferriman, Cayden Fiala, Virginia Hamers, Gavin Hines, Taylor Howton, Jacob Huebner, Mikalah Jones, Sofi Linder, Jocelyn Lucas, Julia Norby, Zoey Oldaker, Gabby Ream, Hattie Sciortino, Hunter Sciortino, Kiersten Skelly, Cade St. Clair, Easton Thomas, Keturah Weaver, Anthony Welch, Carissa Whisman, Connor Winland



Mrs. Agnes' kindergarten class making blue-prints to build tall towers out of 50 Legos



"The 29th annual Smith Foods Youth Track and Field Meet

will be held Saturday, April 29th at Orrville High School. Registration forms can be found at www.goredriders.org under the "youth sports" tab. Questions - Jason Ayers 330-466-2820 or orvl_ayers@tccsa.net

Elementary Highlights



Dr. Seuss' Birthday Week – Wacky Wednesday
– Mrs. Tiano's class
Working on the floor – tables and chairs disappeared on "Wacky Wednesday"



"Wacky Wednesday"



Kindergarten students with their clay snowmen they made in art class.



Continuing celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday week with "Wednesday". Students were to come to school dressed "wacky". Mrs. Hartler's class used their creative minds and created a "wacky" hat.



SCIENCE FAIR

Fifth grade Science Fair was held on Tuesday, Feb. 21st during the school day. High school students came over to the elementary and helped in the judging. Congrats, to all the students on doing such a nice job with their projects.

Quote of the Day:

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once we grow up."

NES Highlights!

FAMILY NIGHT

Our family night at the Book Fair was February 22nd from 4:00-7:00 PM. This year we hosted a "Popcorn & Portrait Party" during family night. Many families came to family night and enjoyed an evening looking at books, painting, and enjoying the science fair. Thanks to the ladies of our PTO, Mrs. Orr, and Mrs. Tiano for all their hard work to make this evening a success.



Our 5th graders using GPS units

to mark out the scale distance between the planets and the sun. The sun started out by the outside of the younger students' playground. Students headed west using the GPS units to mark where each planet would be in relation to the sun. Pluto (not really a planet, but a dwarf planet) was out by the birdhouses by the woods.



A few CALENDAR reminders....

- April 6 Early Release
- 2nd grade concert
- April 18 PTO meeting 4:00
- April 20&21 Kindergarten screening at Mohican Church
- April 20 Early release
- Girl Scout meeting
- May 4 1st grade concert
- May 11 5th grade concert
- May 17-19 Grandparent's Days
- May 18 Girl Scout Meeting
- May 29 No School
- May 31 Last day of School

Northwestern Alumni & Friends Association

It is time to be thinking about the annual Northwestern Alumni & Friends Community Banquet. The form for the dinner reservation for this years banquet is in this issue. This will be the only issue with the reservation form, as the next issue of 'The Northwestern' will be in May and your reservation must be in to the Association by the 31st of May. The reservation form is on the school web site and is down loadable. To find it go to the school web page and click on the 'Alumni' link then look for the reservation form.

The Association is in need of your help, both community and alumni. We need nominations for both the 'Alumni Hall of Fame' and the 'Community Hall of Honor'. The basic qualifications for being considered for either of the halls are contained in each form. The Association does not fully investigate the claims you make about the person being nominated, we depend a lot on you being truthful about the person. The forms for these may also be found on the 'Alumni' link and are down loadable.

If you cannot down load any of these forms please send us a letter at; Northwestern Alumni & Friends, 7571 North Elyria Rd., West Salem, OH 44287. Include your name and mailing address the forms you need and how many, we will send them to you by return mail. These forms are also available in all the school offices and in the board office. Nominations for either of the halls are to be submitted my October 31, 2017 in order to be considered for the 2018 induction class.

NORTHWESTERN ALUMNI & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION Fourteenth Annual NW Reunion & Community Banquet

Saturday June 17, 2017 at Northwestern High School

Social time: 5:00 P.M. Catered Dinner 6:00 P.M. Program: 7:00 P.M.
Dinner reservations required, non-refundable, Children 5 & under-Free
Children 6 thru 11 - \$9.50, Children 12 thru Adult \$19.00

RESERVATION DEADLINE May 31, 2017; Reservations not confirmed without payment.

The 50 year class of 1967, and 60 Year class of 1957 will be recognized.

For a downloadable on-line printable reservation form visit:

www.northwestern-wayne.k12.oh.us

Click on Alumni link then on reservation

For further information contact any of the following;

Richard & Jo-An Young: 330-264-6847; e-mail, oldtoad2@juno.com

Helen Raudebaugh: 330-264-0253; e-mail, raudebaugh1@outlook.com

Dwight & Judy Wasson: 330-465-5943; email, dwrightwasson@yahoo.com

Northwestern Alumni & Friends Association Dinner Reservation Form
RESERVATION DEADLINE MAY 31, 2017; non-refundable, not confirmed without payment.

Enclose a check made payable to: Northwestern Alumni & Friends Association

Children under 5 __, 6 thru 11 __, 12 thru Adult __.

TOTAL # attending _____

Mail To; Helen Raudebaugh, 1579 Avalon, Wooster, OH 44691

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION & NAMES as you want them to appear on NAME TAGS

NAME _____ NW grad __ Yes __ No NW Class of _____

NAME _____ NW grad __ Yes __ No NW Class of _____

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PHONE NUMBER _____ Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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Included in my check is a donation of \$ _____ to assist with 2018 HOF/HOH Ceremonies

Included in my check is a donation of \$ _____ to assist with general expenses of Association

Included in my check is a donation of \$ _____ to assist with NA&F Scholarship fund

The Association is tax exempt. Donations of \$25.00 or more will receive a receipt.



Northwestern FFA

Northwestern FFA Members Learn About Fire Safety

On Friday, January 27th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter had the opportunity to listen to speakers talk about fire safety. The speakers were Brad Stull and John Eberly, two local firefighters at Wooster and New Pittsburg Fire Departments. They spoke about hazards and ways to prevent fires to members who attended. Mr. Stull and Mr. Eberly also talked a little about other safety concerns while in an agricultural shop setting. Austen Wood, the Chairperson of the safety committee was very happy with the presentation. "I think everyone who attended learned a lot." The lesson was very informative and interesting, and members learned important parts of fire safety such as how to use a fire extinguisher. The Northwestern FFA Chapter would like to thank Brad Stull and John Eberly for coming in and informing members of fire safety using their experiences.



Safety committee member Tyler Carlson learns how to properly put out a fire with a fire extinguisher.



Northwestern FFA Has a Successful Sausage Sale

The Northwestern FFA Chapter has had another successful year selling sausage. On Saturday, January 28th, members gathered at Hefelfinger Meats Inc. to make the sausage. FFA members David Miley, Brock Tegtmeier, Katie Stull, Austen Wood, Cody Tegtmeier, McKayla Linscott, Maria Chellis, Jessie Bair, Mallory Witucki, Taylor Dawson, Emily Finley, Rae Rempher, Katelyn Praisler, Kyle Badger, Alex Borton, Zach Smith, Aaron Zavesky, and Cody Morrow helped with sausage. Northwestern FFA Alumni and Friends who assisted were Lynn Bridenstein, Rachelle Howman, Greg Dague, Sabrina Johnson, Becca Harbaugh, Ken Wood, Laura Wood, Kierstyn Wood, Emily Flinn, Shania Reed, Kade Tegtmeier, Brian Bowers, Jerry Badger, Dave and Molly Devore, Mary Flinn and FFA Advisors Heather Tegtmeier and Dan Fulk and student teacher Miss Balint also helped with the sausage making. A special thanks goes Rick Hefelfinger and HMI for supporting the chapter with this fundraiser. This year the chapter sold a little more than 3,500 pounds of sausage. Northwestern FFA would like to thank the community for their support during this fundraiser, as well as those who came and helped with making the sausage.

Northwestern FFA Judges at Mt. Gilead

On Saturday, February 18th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter participated in multiple judging contests at the Mt. Gilead Invitational. The career development events that members competed in were Wildlife Management, General Livestock, Poultry Management, Milk Quality and Products, and Equine Management. Ally Ruegg participated in the Poultry Management judging contest. The Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event encourages learning through activities relative to production and management, processing, marketing and food safety and quality of poultry and poultry products.

Cody Tegtmeier, Alex Borton, Brock Tegtmeier, Ari Borton, David Miley, and Jadeyn Berry competed in the Milk Quality and Products judging contest. The focus of the Milk Quality and Products Career Development Event is raw milk quality, federal milk marketing orders and attributes of selected milk products. The team placed 2nd overall with Cody Tegtmeier placing 1st and Alex Borton placing 5th individually.

Jazon LeMaster and Kaitlyn Praisler participated in Equine Management judging contest, and they placed 24th as a team. The Equine Management CDE is an educational activity designed as a practical method of teaching students current horse evaluation and selection techniques in addition to developing management skills necessary for success in the equine industry.

In the General Livestock judging contest, Shelby Anderson, Skylar Dawson, Hailey Reed, Kyle Badger, Cody Morrow, and Taylor Dawson competed. The General Livestock CDE

*FFA articles written and submitted
by Ally Ruegg
Reporter
Northwestern-Wayne FFA Chapter
Northwestern High School*



FFA at Mt. Gilead, continued

is an educational program designed as a practical method of teaching students to recognize quality production animals. The team placed 19th overall. Austen Wood, Hunter Kanzeg, Michael Nutter, and Robert Stinemetz competed in the wildlife management judging contest. To stimulate interest and to promote instruction in the areas of fish and wildlife management, as well as to provide recognition for those who have demonstrated skills and competencies as a result of natural resources instruction. The team placed 5th overall, with Wood being 7th individually.

Northwestern FFA Celebrates FFA Week

The Northwestern FFA Chapter recently celebrated FFA Week February 21-24, 2017. The purpose of FFA Week is to inform people throughout the school and community about the great opportunities available through FFA. From its beginnings in 1928 as the Future Farmers of America, the National FFA Organization today reaches out to all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. FFA is committed to developing character and leadership skills, as well as preparing members for a lifetime of civic leadership and career success.

As a part of FFA Week, the Northwestern-Wayne Chapter members held many special events. Tuesday was Red, White, and Blue day, Wednesday was Tourist Day day, Thursday was Crazy Blue and Gold and/or Official Dress day and the members served pancakes and sausage to the faculty of the high school that morning. Finally, Friday was "Dress Like A Farmer" day.

Also on Friday, an assembly was held to get the entire school involved. At the assembly, competitions were held between grade levels. The following contests were held: Bale Toss contest, Cow Milking contest, Pedal Tractor race, Pudding

Digging contest, Milk Chugging and Ice Cream Eating races. Money to give to Heifer International was collected throughout the week and the total amount raised was announced at the assembly. In total, the students at Northwestern High School raised \$155.

FFA week is a fun way to get the school and community involved in the chapter's activities. It is held every year at the high school and the Northwestern FFA would like to thank everyone who participated and those who continuously support the chapter to make it as successful as it can be.

Northwestern-Wayne FFA holds Greenhand/Chapter Degree Ceremony

On Wednesday, February 22, 2017, the Northwestern FFA Chapter handed out 50 degrees to 1st and 2nd year FFA members. This night was very important to our newer FFA members. The night kicked off with a PowerPoint of all the members receiving degrees. Then, the officers performed opening ceremonies and introduced the speaker for the evening, Ohio FFA State Vice President at large Trisha Seckel. Trisha gave a motivational speech about "overcoming obstacles" throughout life. Next, the Greenhand Degree was presented to the qualified 1st year members.

The Greenhand Degree is a degree given to the 1st year FFA members that meet standards set by the chapter and the National FFA Organization. On Wednesday, 33 members received this degree. These members were: Kyle Badger, Austin Beegle, Jayla Berry, Alexander Borton, Travis Cochran, Jordan Deming, Douglas Fieg, Avery Garver, Zaine Garver, Treyton Jester, Aaron Kline, Andrew LeMaster, Dylan Martin, Jordan Melegari, Makenzie Nowell, Tucker Ott, Kaitlyn Praisler, Abigail Ramseyer, Ceili Smith, Zachary Smith, Nathan Smithberger, Coby Stough, Kenneth Strait, Jacob Studer, Brock Tegtmeier, Claire Vaughan, Mallory Witucki, Andrew Williamson, Madelyn Wohlford-Cherry, and Aaron Zavesky. After the Greenhand Degrees were presented, Jim Borton spoke to members about "life happening" in the midst of making future plans. Next, the Chapter Degrees were awarded. The Chapter Degree is for 2nd year members that meet standards

set by the Chapter and the National FFA Organization. These standards include giving a 6-minute speech, leading a class discussion, and investing 50 hours or earning \$150 in an approved Supervised-Agriculture-Experience Project. This degree is the highest degree that a chapter can award its members. The members that received the Chapter Degree on April 22 are: David Agnes, Maria Chellis, Lindsay Ciolek, Emily Cromer, Skylar Dawson, Brianna Faltisco, Jacey Fulton, Tate Hixon, Beth Kanzeg, David Leiter, McKayla Linscott, Cole Marley, Carter Melicant, Cody Morrow, Beth Schaefer, Joey Shaw, and Lexis Switzer.

The chapter is proud to have so many dedicated members of the FFA. Congratulations to these members on their hard work to earn their degrees.

Northwestern FFA Members Participate in Bowling Night

On Thursday, February 16th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter met at Triway Lanes in Wooster for a night of bowling and pizza. Kade Tegtmeier, Sydney Harmon, Joey Shaw, Carter Melicant, Emily Finley, Robert Stinemetz, Michael Nutter, Katie Stull, Taylor Dawson, Leeanna Ruegg, Brock Tegtmeier, Kaitlyn Praisler, Cole Marley, Kyle Piscione, Cody Tegtmeier, Rae Rempher, Tatum Franczek, Claire Vaughn, Skylar Dawson, David Miley, Austen Wood, Cody Morrow, Ally Ruegg, Colt Slanczka, Kyle Badger, Hailey Reed, Austin Beegle, Jayla Berry, Aaron Kline, and Maddy Cherry all attended. This event serves as a reward for members who have participated in the chapter's fundraising throughout the year, although it is open to all members. Any member who sold 10 or more units of fruit, sausage, or strawberries received free bowling. This event was also a kick off for FFA Week.



FFA Bowling Night continued

Everyone in attendance received free all-you-eat pizza. This annual spring event also serves as a time for younger members to get to know older members better. The chapter would like to extend a thank you to Triway Lanes for the opportunity to bowl, as well as East of Chicago Pizza for providing the pizza for this event.

Wrestling News 2016-17

The Northwestern Wrestling team went 9-9 this season. The team placed 5th at the WCAL tournament and 9th at the Sectional Tournament. Cael Rowland placed 6th at Districts and 2nd at Sectionals. Derick Duvall got 3rd at sectionals, Bobby Flores got 3rd, Luke Chaffee got 4th, Dylan Martin got 5th, and Garrett Franks got 6th.



CONGRATULATIONS to SUMMER NAIRN, KELSEIGH WRIGHT and ALLY ST. CLAIR for also breaking a few school basketball records this season! Summer broke the records for **BLOCKED SHOTS** with 8 in a game, 50 for a season and for 115 in a career! Kelseigh now holds the records at NHS for **REBOUNDS** in a game with 17 and rebounds in a season with 257! Ally has tied the record for **THREE POINT SHOTS MADE** in a game with 5!!

**Northwestern Huskies
Winter Season
Records Broken by
DEREK KOCH and
CARLEY KANDEL**



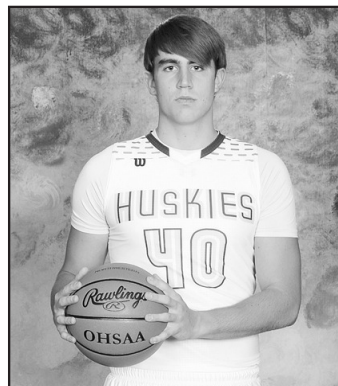
Derek Koch and Carley Kandel, Class of 2017, finished their basketball careers at Northwestern High School with many great memories and many school records broken. The Lady Huskies had a season record of 22-3, were WCAL Co-champions and ended as Division 3 District Runner-ups.

The boys team had a season of 22-6, were WCAL champions, Division 3 District Champions, and Regional Runner-ups. Two fantastic seasons for the Huskies!!

Derek broke the following records for basketball at NHS: Career points 1,967; Career rebounds 1,489; Career assists 400; Career blocks 171, and Career consecutive double-doubles 55. and Derek Koch now holds the all time OHSAA State of Ohio rebounding record!

Carley now holds the following school records: Game points 36; Season points 487; Career points 1,507; Game assists 8; Season assists 112; Career assists 262; Game steal 12; Season steals 140; Career steals 384; Game 2 point FG 9; Season 2 point FG 178; Career 2 point FG 494; Season FT Made 127; Career FT Made 427.

Congratulations to Derek and Carley!! You will be truly missed! BEST WISHES to both as they continue their careers in college. Derek will be attending Bowling Green University and Carley will be attending Lake Erie College to play soccer.



Northwestern Local Schools Calendar 2017-18

2017

Monday, August 21	Convocation Day
Tuesday, August 22	First Day for Students
Monday, September 4	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
Monday, September 11	NO SCHOOL - Fair Day
Tuesday, September 12	NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day
Friday, October 20	End of First Nine Weeks (41 Pupil Days)

Thursday, November 2	Parent/Teacher Conferences: H.S. and M.S.
Tues./Thurs., Oct.31&Nov. 2	Parent/Teacher Conferences: Elementary
Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation
Monday, November 27	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation
Tuesday, December 21	NO SCHOOL - Compensatory Time
Wednesday, January 3, 2018	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Vacation
Friday, January 12, 2018	School Reconvenes End of Second Nine Weeks (48 Pupil Days)

2018

Monday, January 15	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day
Tuesday, January 18	Parent/Teacher Conferences: H.S. and M.S.
Mon./Wedn., Jan.29 & 31	Parent/Teacher Conferences: Elementary
Friday, February 16	NO SCHOOL - Compensatory Time
Monday, February 19	NO SCHOOL - President's Day
Friday, March 23	End of Third Nine Weeks (47 Pupil Days)

Monday, March 26 -30	NO SCHOOL - Easter Vacation
Thursday, April 5	Parent/Teacher Conferences: H.S. and M.S.
Monday, May 28	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
Friday, June 1	Student's Last Day (44 Pupil Days)

Monday, June 4	Teacher's Last Day
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Days in Session with pupils present including 2 parent/teacher conference comp & waiver days	180
Professional Development	1
Convocation Day & Teacher work days	3
(One of the work days needs to be between August 1-21)	
TOTAL	184

MAKE UP DAYS

First	March 26	Sixth	June 5	If make up days are necessary, teacher work day will follow the last make up day.
Second	March 27	Seventh	June 6	
Third	March 28	Eighth	June 7	
Fourth	March 29	Ninth	June 8	
Fifth	June 4	Tenth	June 11	

DON'T MISS OUT !!

Board of Education Meeting

Board President Phil Keener
3rd Monday each month 7:00 p.m.
HS Library

District Facilities Committee

Chair Kim Wellert
Meets 4 times a year
Watch newspaper for dates and times
District Conference Room

All Sports Association

President Julie Ulrich
1st Monday each month 7:30 p.m.
HS Commons

Music Boosters

President Audrey Pollizi
3rd Tuesday each month 7:00 p.m.
(Do not meet June, July, December)
HS Band room

Ruritans

President Kim Wellert
2nd Monday each month 7:00 p.m.
HS Commons

Football Club

President Craig Wellert
3rd Monday each month 7:00 p.m.
HS Commons

Soccer Club

President Hans Ley
1st Tuesday each month 6:00 p.m.
Elementary Cafeteria

Elementary PTO

President Kim Witucki
Meetings 3:45 ES Library - TBA

**CONGRATULATIONS To the 8th Grade Boys
2017 WCAL Champs!!**



February was CHD (Congenital Heart Defect) Awareness Month - Mrs. Lees class wore red in support of their classmate CJ.



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