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December 2015



Northwestern Elementary has Ashland County K9 Unit visit the school. Below is the Officer talking with the 3rd Graders.



Northwestern High School 2015-16 National Honor Society Seniors



Northwestern
Elementary
Stem Open House - Fifth
graders demonstrating the
Robotics Program



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up and live!**
Log onto @NW_Schools
Live broadcast of events
[http://www.ustream.tv/
channel/sportslive14](http://www.ustream.tv/channel/sportslive14)



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A note from our superintendent...

THANK YOU HUSKY STAFF & COMMUNITY!

WE ARE SO BLESSED IN SO MANY WAYS!

Our levy passed by more than 64% "yes" votes - nearly a 2/3 ratio!

Special thanks to those who put out yard signs, talked to community members, friends, and family regarding the issue.

Special, special thanks to Ailee Abrecht for volunteering to help with the campaign and distributing levy brochures; those writing letters to the editor in Dwight & Judy Wasson, Dan Wakefield, Linda Mowrer, and Bob Yomboro!

Thanks to the leadership of our fantastic 5 Board Members, Treasurer Lesa Forbes, our Administrative Team, and to each of our faculty and staff – who truly win over our community and provide our children each day with the exceptional teaching and other jobs responsibilities. Each person’s role each of you plays an important part in our collective effort!

Our Strategic Planning Committee (30 community members, Board of Education members, administrators, parents, staff, current, and former students) met for 4 hours on Dec. 5th to review data, surveys, and discuss our current strategic plan as we update this plan to guide the district forward through Dec., 2020.

Our mission “to prepare our students today for tomorrow’s opportunities” has progressed unwaveringly through our past strategic plans and focused vision.

Northwestern’s successes in educating our students through increased rigor, post-secondary opportunities, 7-12 STEM programs in Agricultural Science, Engineering, Biomedical, Clean Energy, Computer Science, and across all curriculum areas are the positive results of the vision of various committees throughout the years.

Focus has been to providing for our students’ needs as individuals – through expanded and deepening curriculum, fine arts, capstone courses, career pathways, business and post-secondary partnerships, job shadowing, internships, mandatory drug & alcohol testing, extracurriculars, expansion of networking and technology software, hardware, and internet tools, while remaining gatekeepers of our community values and limited finances. Northwestern has earned national recognition and academic acclaim for promoting rigor, relevance, and relationships comprehensively at all levels for all students through use of project-based and authentic instruction with practical meaning.

I have never been so blessed as I have been in my 11 years working with our amazing community and dedicated, talented, caring faculty and staff.

We are already seeing some trends as we plan strategically for the next five years in the future – our students as well as our community will reap some astounding benefits when we advance toward our renewed vision as a school district! The committee will meet again on January 9th and January 16th to finalize the revised strategic plan.

We are all about excellence and increasing expectations at Northwestern. All of this while maintaining practical and frugal limitations. Within our Northwestern family we will continue to focus on the needs of our students. We will continue to prepare our students today for tomorrow’s opportunities!

I wish blessed holiday wishes to family and friends throughout our community.

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. Here is for Northwestern Huskies continuing to “lead the pack!” Together, let’s continue full steam ahead!

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EMERGENCY DELAY OR CANCELLATION DAYS

We would like to remind parents about our delay and cancellation procedures. When our school buses travel over 1,436 miles each day in our 94 square mile school district, picking up students it is imperative that the roads are safe to travel. The safety of children and drivers is the only issue when considering whether to cancel school.

If conditions are questionable regarding student and bus safety, both the Northwestern Transportation Supervisor Scott Swysgood and Northwestern Superintendent Jeff Layton drive the roads prior to 5:00 a.m. - communicating with each other – in order to make the final decision before 5:30 a.m. At 5:30 many of our dedicated bus drivers have already begun their routes on poor weather days. The Superintendent also listens to weather forecasts and confers with other area school districts - all of who also do assessments of road conditions. A decision is made to delay or cancel school if it is unsafe for students and/or unsafe for bus travel. Since Northwestern stretches so far north-south we may not always make the same decision as other school districts. This is because we are concerned with Northwestern students first and foremost.

When the Wayne County Sheriff issues a Level 2 weather warning, telling motorists to drive only if it is an emergency, school is automatically cancelled. However, sometimes these announcements do not come before announcement of school closing has to occur. In addition, often the road conditions change quickly and dramatically – sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse - between the time of the final decision at 5:30 a.m. and the time MS and HS may begin with a 2-hour delay (9:15 a.m.) or Elem. may begin with a 2-hour delay (11:00 a.m.).

Information on school closing is available and most accurate by registering for communications through OhioAlerts.com (a link is also on our Northwestern website). Parents, students, and community members can register for text alerts and/or e-mail alerts. Announcements are also made through local radio stations WQKT and WNCO as well as TV stations

District News

MORE TIDBITS□

Principals and I have been meeting with various individuals and groups for several months – most recently with our local 1st responders – to develop comprehensive safety plans way beyond what we have had in past years. These safety plans were finalized before the Christmas holiday and submitted to the Ohio Dept. of Education and National Homeland Security. Most area districts paid a company to cut and paste their safety plans at significant cost. We felt that we should develop our own plans in-house for better understanding as well as the related cost savings of \$15,000-\$20,000 plus an ongoing fee. Ours cost is nothing but copy paper and our investment of time to create. Thank you to Mike Burkholder most especially for leading and organizing the plan development.

There are new requirements from the Ohio Department of Education requiring career development. Many of these components we have previously been doing. Increased career awareness from elementary-graduation will occur, as well as 6-12 career plans for each student. All but very few school districts in the area are paying \$5,000 annually for an outside individual to create and update these plans. Our tremendous guidance counselors have taken on all of these additional responsibilities, and since they know our students better, will do an even more incredible job with this. I am grateful for Juliet Thomas, Rachel Beun, and Joyce Bowman for their leadership and efforts in this endeavor and the additional responsibilities.

Cancellation Days ... Continued

WEWS (Channel 5), WKYC (Channel 3), and FOX WJW (Channel 8). The radio stations are the quickest to post the information. Television stations have between a 15-minute and 30-minute lag time before the information is posted an occasionally do post inaccurate messages. Also, a decision to close is announced by 8:00 a.m. at the very latest. Otherwise, we will remain open.

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Monitoring requirements not met for Northwestern Elementary School PWS

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the 2015 annual time period we did not monitor for the following contaminants and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time: TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES (TTHM), HALOACETIC ACIDS, FIVE (HAA5).

What Should I Do?

This notice is to inform you that Northwestern Elementary School PWS did not monitor and report results for the presence of the contaminants listed above in the public drinking water system during the 2015 annual time period, as required by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. You do not need to take any action in response to this notice.

What is Being Done?

Upon being notified of this violation, the water supply was required to have the drinking water analyzed for the above mentioned parameters. The water supplier will take steps to ensure that adequate monitoring will be performed in the future.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Northwestern Elementary Schools PWS at: Rusty Yarman 330-317-9787, 7571 N. Elyria Rd., West Salem OH 44287. (PWSID:OH8561712 Facility ID: DSI)

Informational Tidbits

2015-2016 SY Grant Awards, Business donations, and Foundation donations thus far:

\$41,011	JFS Title XX Counseling Center & ANAZAO
\$14,938	OSFC MARCS Radios
\$10,000	ODE CLEAN ENERGY EQUIPMENT GRANT AWARD
\$ 5,000	SREB Clean Energy Professional Development Award
\$ 1,000	Breakfast Program support
\$ 3,100	Romich Foundation STEM donation
\$89,987	TOTAL THUS FAR IN 15-16 SY

We are also involved with the following collaborative grants:

- 5,000 Cafeteria Equipment Grant (MS Cooler)
- WSCC RAMTEC Grant
- Battelle Blended Learning Grant
- University of Findlay Collaborative Masters Grant in Content area for CCP Teachers
- Tri-Cou ESC Collaborative Career Advisement Grant



FFA Student of the Month

The Northwestern student of the month for October is Kierstyn Wood. She is the chapter Secretary and is enrolled in the Ag Communications and Leadership, Food Science and Technology, and Ag Production class. Kierstyn participates in the Rural Soil Judging, Ag Sales, Food Science, Public Speaking, and Dairy Foods. She also helped park cars during the summer at the Twilight Tour and the Wayne County Truck & Tractor Pull. One member said, "She is always working hard in Ag Com." Another mentioned, "Kierstyn is always doing her part in the Chapter and knows how to get things done!" As part of this award, Kierstyn will receive rights to a parking space reserved for the FFA Student of the Month as well as a free ice cream in the cafeteria. Way to go, Kierstyn!



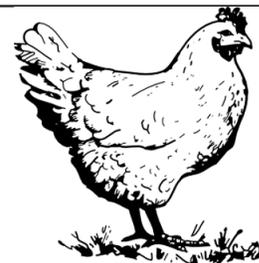
Team members were Emily Flinn, Marshall Geiger, Reiley Murphy, Shania Reed, and alternate Emily Finley.

Fair Chicken Dinner

HELP SUPPORT POST PROM

Friday, February 12 4-6 p.m.

Meal Available at Northwestern Middle School



DINE-IN OR CURB SIDE PICKUP

Shreve Businessmen Grilling 1/2 chicken, green beans, applesauce, roll, decorated cutout cookie by Jenny Leighty and drink.

****Prepaid Orders Only****

Eat, then watch a home basketball game, also Youth Cheerleading Night

Orders due by: February 5th

You will receive an order confirmation by February 8th

Name : _____

Phone : _____

Meals: _____ X \$10 = _____

Payable to: Northwestern Post Prom

Circle One: Eat In Take Out

Return to School Office or Mail to: Molly Stull 9304 Finley Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691 330-464-4383



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

Hello from Northwestern High School,

With winter sitting in on us, we are approaching the midpoint of the 2015-2016 school year. We are off to a great start. As usual we have experienced success in a multitude of areas. The choir and the band have provided the community with strong musical performances at their Christmas programs. Most of our seniors have met the demands of the senior seminar program. Our STEM curricula is strong, with many students beginning work on their science or engineering projects or continuing their work on their senior capstone. The robotics club is preparing for this year's contest. We have a couple of new clubs providing new and exciting opportunities. These include the FCCLA club under Rachel Wooding's guidance and the Chess Club, with advisors John Hugon and Ben Michalak. Our athletic teams competed well in the fall. With the change of seasons, our focus shifts to wrestling and basketball. As of this release, all teams are competing well.

One of the highlights from the fall was the fall musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown". Our students did a fine job with this presentation, which played to good crowds from November 13-15. Students are now preparing for the One Act Play, "Really Bad Advice". The students will be participate in the Wayne County One Act Play Festival, hosted by Northwestern on January 26th. There will also be a public performance on Saturday, January 23rd at 7:00 p.m. We are very proud of the continued growth of this program. This has been a journey over many years, with many people involved. Congratulations and thank you to all who have been involved.

While we continue to be in a time of uncertainty and change in the field of education, our staff has been able to meet the demands while maintaining a positive attitude and keeping the

focus on educating our children. We are working through the adjustments to the testing protocol and continue to focus on preparing our students to be successful adults. Sometimes this is reflected in the test scores, sometimes this is reflected in the student's day to day work and the result of problem based or project focused work. Sometimes overall test scores do not tell the whole story and are heavily influenced by the fact that not all schools are at the same point in curriculum delivery. We will continue to analyze and adjust to the testing environment that we are in but we will not allow assessment tests to become the most important thing.

An additional area where assessment scores can be important is our student's results on their ACT tests. In addition to a student's cumulative GPA, many colleges and universities rely heavily on ACT scores when determining financial aid. While much of the test preparation comes from working hard and being a good student, there are opportunities to improve by receiving focused instruction on the test structure, test taking tips and reconnecting students with prior curriculum. We will be continuing with our Spring ACT Test Preparation. The cost is \$100, which basically covers the cost of the materials. Instruction is provided by our teachers and is built into the husky period. Interested students should contact the Guidance office by January 5th to get signed up.

Thank you for your continued support as we continue the work of "Preparing our Students Today for Tomorrow's Opportunities".

NHS Foreign Language "NEWS"

This past month, students from Spanish II/III and IV helped support an organization close to home, COAR or Community Oscar Arnulfo Romero. They call themselves "COAR Peace Mission" and are located in Wickliffe, Ohio. COAR operates a children's Village in Zaragoza, El Salvador. Founded in 1980 it provides foster care for 120 students and schooling for 800.

Students here at Northwestern helped by translating the letters written by the children to their sponsors here in the United States.



In addition, Mary K. Stevenson Executive Director at COAR Peace Mission, Inc. came to speak at Northwestern about her experiences in El Salvador. Originally an engineer, Mary told the students the one thing that she highly recommends is to take advantage of all the language training they can get as a young person, as it becomes much harder the older one gets and is critical in today's job market.



High School Chess Club



**Northwestern High School
Honor and Merit Roll
1st Nine Weeks
2015-16**



1ST HONORS 4.010-OVER

Seniors: Jacelyn Alberts, Brent Bejcek, Katlyn Bing, Kayleigh Buchholz, Kyle Cayse, Deborah Eberly, Philip Eberly, Marshall Geiger, Audra Gill, Rachel Guidetti, Chloe Hagans, Emily Herbst, Gabrielle Hiller, Kyle Hinton, Joshua Melegari, Jewelia Mowrer, Isaac Sadzewicz, Brevin Shearer, Jordan Sims, Rachel Sykes, James Volcansek, Kaci Way, Taliyah White, Kierstyn Wood

Juniors: Bailey Adler, David Agnes, Shelby Aulger, Mary Baker, Jacob Besancon, Jeshua Boggs, Micah Boggs, Travis Bower, Kyle Burgan, Riley Carlson, Gabbrielle Cecil, Ashley Dunn, Erin Gordon, Lindsey Gortner, Elizabeth Hartman, Carley Kandel, Trevor Kline, Shelby McKay, Tyler Morr, Reiley Murphy, Summer Nairn, Karri Pajarinen, Savannah Pritt, Riley Rechnitzer, Brooke Rush, Ryan Schwartz, Katie Stull, Sierra Vants, Charles Walker

Sophomores: Emily Bouffard, Steven Cozzuli, Garrett Dever, Sierra DuVall, Justin Ebert, Aaron Eicher, Emily Finley, Tatum Franczek, Christie Franks, Sarah Fraser, Spencer Garrison, Quinten Garver, Peyton Hendricks, Nicholas Hinton, Hannah Kardohely, Chase Lambert, Margaret Linder, Sera Martin, Christopher Orosz, Jessica Preston, Joel Proben, Nicole Russell, Devin Smith, Parker Smith, Mykenzie Snyder, Hunter Stidham, Cody Tegtmeier, Amaya White, Austen Wood, Kelseigh Wright

Freshmen: Weslea Arthur, Mikayla Beegle, Carrie Boak, Nicholas Burns, Tanner Carlson, Grace Chupp, Skylar Dawson, Trevor Ferriman, Isaac Franks, Hannah Fricke, Nikolas King, Katherine Koontz, Elise Krajcik, Annabelle Martin, Cody Morrow, Cassandra Nutter, Benjamin Pollizi, Kaylee Reed, Kailey Schwartz, Kaitlyn Secrist, Brianna Shearer, Jadah Smith, Allison St. Clair, Olivia Wakefield

2ND HONORS (3.75-4.00)

Seniors: Chandler Dudte, Hunter Edwards, Frank Fiore, Courtney Hagans, Victoria Hall, Alexis Horst, Allison Jurenec, Nicolle Lamson, Nathan Schwartz, Jesse Wurm

Juniors: Tyler Devore, Keaton Edwards, Sydney Harmon, Jesse McCullough, William Smith, Brock Th

Sophomores: Chase Adkins, Holli Asbury, Michael Campbell, Blair Colter, Derick DuVall, Jr. Isabella Gill, Lisa Hagenbuchner, Jonathan Hoff, Kennedy Hoffer, Hunter Kanzeg, Kirsten Morr, Bryce Rush, Mia Tope, Devin Whisman

Freshmen: Tyler Carlson, Jaimie Critzer, Emily Cromer, Avery Crumley, Kaylie Dye, Mackenzi Gray, Raini Hershey, Courtney Hoff, Elizabeth Kanzeg, Sydney Pollizi

3RD HONORS (3.000-3.740)

Seniors: Bailey Allen, Jalynn Ball, Peyton Bebout, Anthony Brown, Noah Ferriman, Allyssa Flemming, Emily Flinn, Jordan Hostetler, Hannah Imhoff, Alexandria Johnson, Mason Kidd, Andrew McCoy, Cheyenne McElfresh, Shelby Miller, Kyle Mireiter, Dylan Norby, Melody Qiu, Shania Reed, Kevin Rowland, John Secrist, Trystan Snyder, Rachel Walker

Juniors: Amanda Adams, Tristan Ammon, William Arthur, John Bauer, Garrison Blake, Matthew Boreman, Brittany Brown, Macie Buzzard, Luke Chaffee, Marie Clements, Lene Goodman, Tyler Graham, Derek Koch, Cory Leighty, Brandon Reed, Allison Ruegg, Mackenzie Smith, Dylan Stoltz, AlanMichael Ulrich, Kyle Wharton, Katelyn White

Sophomores: Isabella Adkison, Jared Alberts, Lindsey Asbury, Logan Asbury, Bryce Beery, Nicholas Berry, Tylar Coen, Madison Cook, Daniel Critzer, Thomas-Jay Cromer, Taylor Dawson,

Maverick Duncan, Brandon Feist, Daniel Fernandez Rodriguez, Abigail Ford, Maria Fortune, Dylan Frybarger, Kaitlyn Gifford, Jordan Gilbert, Raine Glancy, Nicolas Grassman, Caleb Groves, Cassandra Harnishfeger, Skylar Harp, Abigail Hendershot, Joscelyn Hill, Jacob Hudson, Heidi Imhoff, Taylor Jackson, Jared Leasure, Robert Lechner, David Miley, Chianne Neider, Aileene Neuman, Michael Nutter, Nathaniel Oquendo, Isaiah, Matthew Pinkley, Kyle Piscione, Tyler Riffle, Cortney Shelton, Ashley Simons, Robert Stinemetz, Adam Tanner, Hayden Tiliske, Alyssa Toppins, Mason Wilhelmy, Megan Winkler, Nicole Winkler, Brooke Wittman

3RD HONORS (3.000-3.740)

Freshmen: Alexis Arnette, James Blake, Trenton Boatner, Aubrey Bodager, Gwynneth Casto, Lindsay Ciolek, Daniel Dietrich, Peyton Edwards, Tristan Estep, Isabella Flickinger, Jacey Fulton, Jeffrey Guidetti, Alexis Hall, Tate Hixson, Nicholas Howman, Alora Hughes, Kolton Kliner, Cole Marley, Jayden McMillan, Jessica Moats, McKenna Perry, Joren Rickard, Alexandra Rowe, Cael Rowland, Westley Schaad, Elizabeth Siders, Silas Smith, Nathan Smithberger, April Strait, Claire Vaughan, Mallory Witucki



INFORMATION TIDBITS .

We have been working diligently throughout this fall and over the past two years in particular to improve gifted service plans, increase gifted services, and further challenge all of our accelerate and advanced students with additional, challenging, and engaging learning opportunities. We are also increasing gifted testing opportunities and improving identification and monitoring processes. The district has again recently revised our gifted services policies. Thanks to Special Education and Gifted Director Christine Sykes, Elementary Gifted Teachers Maureen Besancon for leading this effort. In addition, MS Social Studies Teacher and Gifted Teacher Katie Stoneman, guidance counselors, and principals have been very involved with these advancements

**Mrs. Juliet
Thomas
Northwestern
High School
Guidance
Counselor**



The annual College Credit Plus meeting (formerly known as PSEO or Post-Secondary) will be held Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. It is strongly recommended that students and their parents who are interested in taking courses for both high school and college credit next year attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend but would like information, please let the Guidance office know and we will share information with you after the meeting. An overview of what College Credit Plus is will be provided as well as updates from local area colleges on their admission requirements, application process, etc. The meeting is open to students in grades 7-12.

The next ACT will be Saturday, February 6, with a registration deadline of January 8. Students must register online at www.actstudent.org. This is a great date for juniors to take the ACT for the first time if they haven't already done so as well any student who is interested in College Credit Plus for next year. This date will allow you to test and have your results back in time to meet CCP application deadlines and possibly re-test in April if you don't initially meet CCP requirements.

Please never hesitate to contact the Guidance Office with any questions. We're here to help!

NHS Yearbook Updates!!



There are still a few 2014-2015 yearbooks for sale. The cost is \$50 and checks should be made payable to NHS. Jostens is currently taking orders for the 2015-2016 yearbook, which is currently in production. Books must be ordered through Jostens by May 2016 to qualify for the pre-order cost. If you have not received an ordering mailer from Jostens, please visit Jostens.com to order your 2016 Northwestern High School yearbook.

Follow Northwestern Yearbook on Twitter for all the latest updates, news, and special sneak peeks of photos taken by our staff members! Follow @NHSHuskiesYrbk

Parents/Guardians/Loved Ones of members of the NHS Class of 2016 - Information will be available in early spring 2016 concerning the annual PDA (Parental Display of Affection) ad campaign. Each spring we offer ad space for sale to the loved ones of graduating seniors. This is a special space to leave a note, inspirational quote, and/or a photo. Ad sizes and prices vary. Please follow @NHSHuskiesYrbk or watch the newsletter and NHS announcements for information this spring!

Northwestern High School Highlights!!

Northwestern High School National Honor Society

On Tuesday, December 1, 2015 the Northwestern High School National Honor Society proudly inducted 26 new members (24 juniors and two seniors). The induction featured the traditional honor society candle lighting and pledging of the new members. Returning seniors were honored with gold graduation cords and a senior slideshow.

Members of the NHS National Honor Society are committed to upholding the tenets of scholarship, leadership, character, and service within the school and the surrounding community. This winter the honor society members will be serving as Salvation Army bell ringers, concession stand helpers at various NHS sports events, and in several other service capacities throughout the community.

If you organize community events/organizations and are in need of volunteers, please contact NHS National Honor Society Co-Advisors Maria Hines or Kristen Hudson at (419) 846-3833.

New Inductees are: Shelby Aulger, Mary Baker, Jacob Besancon, Jeshua Boggs, Micah Boggs, Kyle Burgan, Gabbrielle Cecil, Erin Gordon, Elizabeth Hartman, Sierra Kamps, Trevor Kline, Briana Lindeman, Shelby McKay, Tyler Morr, Savannah Pritt, Riley Rechnitzer, Brooke Rush, John Schuller, Ryan Schwartz, Katie Stull, Brock Thut, Sierra Vants, Charles Walker, Brent Bejcek, Kierstyn Wood.

Honored Returning Seniors: Jacelyn Alberts, Kyle Cayse, Debbie Eberly, Phil Eberly, Marshall Geiger, Audra Gill, Rachel Guidetti, Chloe Hagans, Courtney Hagans, Tori Hall, Kyle Hinton, Alexis Horst, Caitlyn Kline-Stough, Josh Melegari, Shelby Miller, Brevin Shearer, Jordan Sims, Rachel Sykes, Kaci Way, Taliyah White. National Honor Society Juniors pictured below.





Mr. Joey Brightbill
Northwestern
Middle School
Principal

Message from Mr. Brightbill

Happy Holidays! As we begin to wrap up 2015 and head into the new-year, it's important to reflect over the holiday break with your son or daughter about the educational experiences they have had this semester. Students have been introduced to PBL (Problem Based Learning) and Hybrid-Learning this semester to focus on one of our building goals, student engagement. We have provided all of our students' opportunities to access career and college readiness with business trips, presentations and opportunities to share out. We feel that is necessary to continue to prepare our students for the future and produce "well-rounded" individuals.

NMS will begin its academic scheduling talks for 2016-2017 at the beginning of next semester. We are very proud of the course electives that we offer here at Northwestern Middle School, and are excited about a few new courses that may be offered as a part of the middle school curriculum next year. We strive to progress academically by strengthening our curriculum, but still not losing sight on what is important, our students.

Our school values feedback from the community members and businesses that have made an investment in our students' education. We appreciate all of the feedback that we gained from the community survey, we will take all the comments and ratings into consideration once we begin our planning for the future.

Happy Holidays!

Best Wishes,

Mr. Joey Brightbill



MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Staff and Students participating in the "Whoville" School Spirit Contest!!!!



NMS Holiday Door Decorating Contest!!!



Mrs. Crabtree leading the choir at their concert



New Husky Mural located in the NMS library. The painting was done by Rachel Sykes.



NORTHWESTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Academic Honor Roll

All "A" Honor Roll

8TH GRADE: Colin Agnes, Jordan Allshouse, Austin Beegle, Claire Bond, Joshua Cline, Travis Cochran, Elliot Coffman, Zaine Garver, Taylor Howman, Jordan Melegari, Hunter Miller, Karlie Mowrer, Mehli Rogers, Leeanna Ruegg, Katherine Shambaugh, Morgan Stephenson, Lindsey Sykes, Brock Tegtmeier, Rachel Winkler

7TH GRADE: Wyatt Arthur, Jillian Beun, Eleanore Bond, Gabriel Buchholz, Sara Cassady, James Cooke, Cierra Hershey, Valerie Imhoff, Katherine Linder, Morgan McCoy, Halie O'Loughlin, Robert Soueid, Allison Spencer, Hayden Stoller, Riley Stull, Liam Sykes, Megan Tomechko, Briana Troyan, Tamar Walton, Jacob-Westover, Haley Wilson Emma Zemancik

6th GRADE: Shayna Allshouse, Arianna Borton, Deanna Devore, Hannah Dickson, Stefanie Ecker, Laurissa Fulton, Dominic Guidetti, Taylor Haley, Carley LeMaster, Margaret McCullough, Abigail Miller, Sarah Miller, Gunnar Mullet, Skylar Scott, Macie Sexten, Rachel Smithberger, Emery Tullis, Steven Widdows, Austin Wilhelmy, Clara Zemancik

All "A" and "B" Honor Roll

8TH GRADE: Alexander Borton, Jett Conley, Skylar Edington, James Evans, Jordyn Ference, Avery Garver, Rebecca Hall, Phillip Howman, Nathaniel Hudson, Savannah Hunt, Isabella Ingraham, Allison Kandel, Chase Leighty, Robert, Martin, Sasha McConahay, Grace McCullough, Tucker Ott, Abigail Ramseyer, Cal Rhamy, Bethany Rickey, Sarah Roder, Brock Rush, Gabriel Samo, Lydia Smith, Coby Stough, Kenneth Strait, Brianna Teal, Haley Webb, Madelyn Wohlford-Cherry, Matthew Yates

7TH GRADE: Rilee Ammon, Samantha Barnette, Hannah Bauer, Lillian Bower, Cassidy Brown, Macey Carlson, Max Carlson, Brandon Casto, Braden Colter, Colston Cutter, Blaze Day, Tyler Farner, Zane Fast, Gerald Fricke, Chase Fry, Brooke Frybarger, Mercedes Gecking, Kyli Gostlin,

Mitchell Gray, Elizabeth Howman, Haldon Huber, Ryan Leasure, Cole McClure, Tanner Meininger, Dakota Rainsberger, Amy Rempher, Matthew Savage, Will Schaad, Breanna Slanczka, Desiree Smith, Nathan Stoltz, Kylie Wellert, Brooklyn Woodruff

6TH GRADE: Weston Arthur, Lawrence Bair, Jadeyn Berry, Emma Boreman, Jagger Brown, Alexandra Burkett-Hostetler, Zion Caudill, Alexander Ciolek, Rylee Dawson, Addison DeSanto, Zoey Dudte, Alayna Duncan, Autumn Duncan, Charlee Franks, Hayley Franks, Avery Lynn Garver, Daniela Gomez-Rodriguez, Alicia Harland, Gabe Hendricks, Mariah Hill, Cassandra Hiner, Skyler Hines, Karijean Holbrook, Peyton Hostetler, Ariel Hughes, Nathaniel Jackson, Abigail Johns, Kathleen Kindall, Makayla Martinez, Dugan McLaughlin, Paige Melicant, Jackalynn Mosher, Jake Newcombe, Emma Nicholson, Isaac Ott, Cierra Phillips, Raelyn Raff, Emily Reed, Grant Rhamy, Isaah Rivera, James Rowe, Allison Rowland, Alexis Sandy, Andrew Sims, Steven Starcher, Cooper Stephens, Edward Stevens, Troy Tope, Brennen Topp, Dominic Wallace, Ryan Walter, Tyler Ward, Gavin Witucki, Araiayah Yoder, Nicole Yutzy

NMS Happenings

BioMed Field Trip



Mrs. Burkholder and Mrs. Alberts dressed up as "Mr. Brightbill and Mrs. Beun" for our Halloween School Spirit Day.



NMS Upcoming Dates:

- January 4- School Reconvenes
- January 15- Second Semester Begins
- January 18- MLK Day No School
- January 21- Parent Teacher Conference 4:30-8:00 p.m.
- January 26- Spelling Bee Contest at Wooster High
- February 12- No School-Compensatory Time

Middle School News



BioMed Field Trip



Storm Trooper Lunch Break



Sixth grade Christmas caroling at Brookdale



Happy Holidays!!!



HAPPY NEW YEAR 2016



As a reminder, we are asking students to be dropped off and picked up in the North parking lot closest to the gym and practice field. We need to keep the lane in front of the school clear for the buses to pick up and drop off the students. Thank You. **All winter athletes need to turn in a drug testing permission form and have a current physical packet on file. This all needs turned in to the office before they can start practicing. All paperwork is available in the office.**

Northwestern Elementary

Honor Roll

Elementary Students visit Military Cemetery

A few Northwestern students who belong to Girl Scout Troop #1118 attended the wreath laying ceremony at Case Western Reserve Cemetery.



3rd GRADE HONOR ROLL

Harmony Blake, Mallory Gilbert, Gino Guidetti, Will Hamey, Taya Kaufman, Dani McClure, McKensie McCoy, Josiah Moats, Avery Mullet, Ben Spencer, Joshua Webel

4th GRADE HONOR ROLL

Emma Adkison, Grant Bond, Quinn Fast, Cayden Fiala, Virginia Hamers, Ellie Hanshaw, Madalyne Hunt, Sophia Linder, Ethan Mausolf, Tristan Miller, Gabby Ream, Jennie Riffle, Hunter Sciortino, Kierstin Skelly, Cade St. Clair, Kade Tegtmeier, Jacob Ward, Keturah Weaver

5th GRADE HONOR ROLL

Brett Alberts, Marina Aulger, Braiden Barthalow, Brailee Beun, Florida Blake, Ryan Blount, Addie Bodager, Carissa Brinker, Joe Buchholz, Gabe Chupp, Jesse Evans, Owen Fetters, Emma Fisher, Madie Fricke, Maddie Gray, Charlie Herman, David Hiner, Cole Hoffer, Landen Horst, Anthony Huber, Nate Hunt, Melanie Imhoff, Caitlyn Leighty, A.J. Linscott, Katie Maffett, Brooke McNeil, Ava O'Loughlin, Julia Ours, Gabriel Pelfrey, Paige Pellshaw, Gavin Phillips, Ethan Reed, Daylie Rickard, Kaleb Sadie, Morgan Sexten, Ethan Siders, Trent Sigler, A.J. Smith, Joshua Spencer, Ava Stoller, Sam Terwilliger, Nick Tomechko, Isabella Vacco, Jolene Voshel, Jacob Wakefield, Paige Walter, Danielle Wilkes, Sammy Yates

3rd GRADE MERIT ROLL

Trent Becht, Jack Belding, Carter Boreman, Sara Corn, Gabby Cubur, Kayla Cutter, Morgan Ervin, Braiden Franks, Bladen Friend, Nate Fulton, Elaine Groves, Ayden Hendricks, Danyel Hyatt, Ethan Johnson, Chloe Kasubiencki, Kelli Kearney, Noah Lee, Cole Loy, Kate Mantell, Sydney McConahay, Mason Meininger, Nick Morris, Gabe Nicholson, Katherine Orosz, Emilie Ott, Cheyenne Sadler, Logan Shriver, Braydan Springer, Jule Stoller, Allie Stoltz, Bella Stutz, Alysa Troyan, Lily Tullis

4th GRADE MERIT ROLL

Brandon Barnette, Kirsten Boreman, Erica Bouffard, Leona Buettner, Kara Burgan, Haley Caldwell, K.P. Dickson, Jacob Farner, Owen Ferriman, Alyssa Fisher, Samantha Fraser, Chesney Hider, Gavin Hines, Taylor Howton, Jacob Huebner, Caleb Mackey, Zoey Oldaker, Caydence Scale, Hattie Sciortino, Aiden Sklenicka, Donovan Spratt, Easton Thomas, Lillian Wakefield, Luke Walton, Anthony Welch, Carissa Whisman, John Widdows, Connor Winland, Marc Wolboldt, Aiden Womack, Josie Wright

5th GRADE MERIT ROLL

Alex Albright, Aubrey Bowersock, Aubrey Browning, Brooklyn Buzzard, Carter Clarke, Phoenix Cuthrell, Arianna Firebaugh, Summer Franks, Anna Gendron, Collin Good, Kelly Harper, Alexa Hively, Logan Kolp, Lindsey Luther, Brent Mann, Charleigh McMillan, Kendrick Meuer, Louisa Morris, Breanna Neider, Cody Neubeck, Jayme Rickey, Alesia Samples, Geoffrey Spicker, Mariah Thompson, Shelby Thorpe, Andrew Tope, Mary Wellert, C.J. Westover, Hanna Wilson, Luke Wright

**Learn from Yesterday
Live for Today
Hope for Tomorrow!!**



NW ELEMENTARY



Mrs. Julie McCumber
Northwestern
Elementary
Principal

TAG

Congratulations to our 5th grade TAG team for competing online in Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl. They placed 3rd out of 22 teams from Ohio, Indian, Illinois and Missouri.



Pictured from left to right: (front row) Jesse Evans, Louisa Morris, Gavin Phillips, Morgan Sexten, (back row) Jacob Wakefield, Caitlyn Leighty, Brailee Beun, Julia Ours, Brooke McNeil



Fifth graders built STEM Robots & used the Design Process to collaborate in teams.

Northwestern Elementary students participated in Monarch Watch this past fall. We raised & tagged 109 Monarchs. Many we found in our Butterfly Garden.



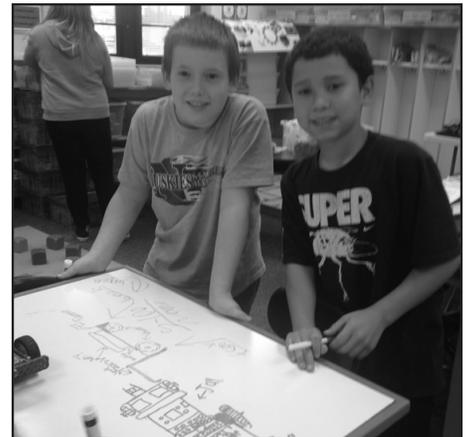
The last tagged monarch!



Mariah Thompson & Julia Beard collaborate on their robot design.



Jaren Sheehan and Jay Velez use our new STEM Lab tables to create their robot design. Thanks to Julie McCumber, Rod Ferrell and Steve McCumber who built and designed the tables



**HUSKY PRIDE
& TRADITION**

Stay Informed!!

Northwestern Schools "Home of the Huskies"

Fifth graders collected snacks and made cards to send to SGT. Edward Beard who is stationed in Iraq serving in the U.S. Army. His daughter, Julia, is in 5th grade



Columbus Children's Theatre Assembly



The Fifth grade bell choir spreading some Christmas cheer!



Katie Bing, an NHS Senior, taught 5th graders how to make Slime as part of our investigation of States of Matter. This project was part of her Senior Seminar



CONGRATULATIONS to Ellie Hanshaw for placing 2nd in the 2nd-3rd grade category at the STATE level for the Soil & Water Conservation Poster Contest!! Ellie is in Mrs. Condren's 4th grade class.



With the passage of the levy we are moving forward with the necessary HVAC upgrades. Tentatively, we anticipate S HVAC updates this winter through summer of 2026. The HS re-engineering and updates will take significantly more time and money – occurring summer of 2016-summer of 2017 tentatively. These updates are anticipated to cost more than \$1,100,000 dollars. The voted levy does not begin collection until January, 2017. As a result, we are forced to pace ourselves. Our HS Fire suppression will be updated within the next two years as well.

The initial meeting of our Agriculture Science Advisory Council was Dec. 15th. 17 business, community, post-secondary, and school leaders, as well as recent graduates and current student met to discuss strategic collaboration and increasing technology and breadth of our agricultural careers and industry. We agree that "Agricultural Science was the original STEM program". When considering the implications of California water problems and Agriculture remaining as the #1 industry in Ohio growth in agriculture in the Midwest and Ohio is forecasted to see strong growth. Various other trends, such as the constantly evolving use of technology in agriculture, larger, yet fewer farms, and continuously evolving and expanding agricultural careers require us to remain on the forefront through ongoing and relevant discussions and partnerships. I appreciate teachers Dan Fulk and Heather Tegmeier for their leadership – as well as those participating in this Advisory Council, and the many who have and continue working with our fantastic Northwestern Agricultural Science program!



Northwestern Alumni & Friends

Welcome to the new year, 2016. This is a special year for your 'Northwestern Alumni & Friends Association.' This being an even number year means there will be an induction into the Hall of Honor and the Hall of Fame. The selection committee, persons from within the district representing differing aspects of our community, has reviewed all of the nominations for each Hall. They have selected three to be inducted into each of the Halls. This ceremony will be held on June 18th 2016, which is a Saturday in the afternoon at the High School. Please mark your calendar now so you can attend. There will be more about this event in the coming newsletters.

The one selected for the 'Community Hall of Honor' are; Roy Bower, Carl Miley and Harold Weygandt. These gentlemen are all deceased, but during their lifetime gave back to the community of themselves in many differing ways. Those that knew them can attest to that. Those to be inducted into the 'Alumni Hall of Fame' are; Linda Kline, a long time religious education teacher in the district. No doubt well known by many reading this newsletter. the remaining two are persons that chose to serve their country in the military. Both gave their lives in the line of duty, so that we can enjoy life as we know it today. They are, Lt. Walter L. Wizbowski and Sgt. James R. Grissinger. This now makes three of our Northwestern Alumni that have given of themselves, the other being Lt. John Runkle. Come join us as we induct these six into their places in the Halls.

If you would like to nominate someone, there are nomination forms in each of the school offices and in the board office. they are also on line on the school web site, click on the 'Alumni' link button in the menu. You may also contact the Association by mail at 7571 N. Elyria Rd., West Salem, OH 44287 and we will mail you the forms.



Northwestern All Sports Association

All Sports will be purchasing new baseball and softball scoreboards for the start of the spring seasons.

The cake auction will be Jan. 22 during the Waynedale basketball game. Proceeds from the cake auction will go towards the new spring scoreboards. **Please consider joining All Sports for their monthly meetings on the 1st Monday of each month at 7:30 in the High School library.**



Huskies in ACTION!!



Northwestern FFA

Katie Stull Named Northwestern FFA Student of the Month

The Northwestern FFA Student of the Month for December is Katie Stull. She is the daughter of Brad and Molly Stull. Katie is currently serving as the Reporter of the chapter. Katie is an active member and participates in many CDEs, including Soil Judging, Job Interview, Parliamentary Procedure, and General Livestock Judging. This year, she also attended the Washington Leadership Contest. Katie takes part in multiple community service activities through the chapter such as bell ringing for the Salvation Army and parking cars at the many events the chapter participates in. When asked about her award, Katie said, "I feel appreciated." One nominator wrote that "She is always hard-working." As a part of this honor, Katie will receive a complimentary ice cream from the school cafeteria and rights to a parking space exclusively reserved for the Student of the Month. Congratulations, Katie!



Northwestern FFA Selling Whole Hog Sausage

The Northwestern FFA Chapter in cooperation with Heffelfinger Meats Inc. are selling fresh "Whole Hog Sausage." The FFA members are taking pre-orders of five pound bulk bags. They can be purchased slightly spiced (salt and

pepper) or non-spiced. Deadline for ordering is January 15th. If interested in supporting the Northwestern FFA Chapter please call 419.846.3833 ext. 1317. the bags are sold at \$18.00 for a five pound bag. You will be able to pick up the ordered sausage at the Northwestern High School Ag Shop, on the North-East corner of the building, from 3-5 pm January 30th.

Northwestern FFA Will Sponsor Christmas Tree Pickup

The Northwestern FFA Chapter will be collecting cleaned Christmas trees on January 5th, 2015 by appointment only. People living in the Northwestern School District may call the Northwestern High School FFA at (419) 846-3384 ext.1317 to arrange pickup of their tree. The FFA will deliver the trees to the West Salem Beagle Club for the protection of rabbits and other wildlife. This community service will act as a conservation project in a productive way of recycling used Christmas trees.

Northwestern FFA Members Competes in State Food Science & Technology Contest

On Saturday, December 5th, members of the Food Science and Technology Career Development Event competed at the Parker Food Science Building at the Ohio State University Campus. Members of the team were Philip Eberly, Debbie Eberly, Lene Goodman, Kierstyn Wood, and alternate Sydney Harmon. The team placed 11th overall with Philip Eberly placing 1st overall individually. Philip Eberly will receive a \$3,000 scholarship to The Ohio State University's Food Science Program.



The Northwestern FFA Food Science & Technology Team consisted of from left to right are: Lene Goodman, Kierstyn Wood, Philip Eberly, Debbie Eberly, and Sydney Harmon.

This career development event is designed to give FFA members the opportunity to learn about the Food Science Industry. Members competing in the contest had to identify aromas and flavors of food, complete a triangle test which is a sample of three food products with two of the products being the same and one of them being different and the students must identify the different one, sanitation violations, and customer inquiries that affect dealing in the food industry. As a team they also had to do a product development which consisted of the creation of a nutrition label and its calculations, marketing and packaging of the product, and answer questions analyzing the demographics and consumer needs. The chapter would like to congratulate the team on a job well done and for representing the chapter so well in the first year of chapter participation in this contest.





Northwestern FFA Member Competes in State Job Interview

On Saturday, December 5th, Katie, daughter of Brad and Molly Stull, competed in the State Job Interview contest in Columbus, where she placed 7th in her division consisting of 3rd year FFA members.



This career development event is designed to give FFA members the opportunity to learn about the interviewing process, as well as practice interviewing for a job. Members are required to fill out

a job application, complete a cover letter, create a resume participate in a mock interview, and complete a follow up letter.

Northwestern FFA Competes at the District Parliamentary Procedure Contest

On Wednesday, December 2nd, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter competed in the District 3 parliamentary procedure contest held at Northwestern High School. Parliamentary Procedure is an assessment of students' abilities to participate effectively in a business meeting or other group decision making situation. The team conducts a mock meeting and a written test based on Roberts Rules of Order and are evaluated by FFA Advisors from other districts.

The varsity team consisted of, Kaci Way (Chair), Phil Eberly, Cody Tegtmeier, Emily Flinn, Katie Stull, Christie Franks, and David Miley

The novice team consisted of, Cody Morrow (Chair), Brock Tegtmeier (Chair), Emily Cromer, Leanna Ruegg, Jordan Melegari, Claire Bond, Austen Beegle and Collin Agnes.

The varsity team placed 1st in the District 3 contest with the novice team placing second, and will advance to the state contest to be held on December 19th at The Ohio State University in Columbus.



Members of the Advanced parliamentary procedure team from left to right are: David Miley, Katie Stull, Emily Flinn, Cody Tegtmeier, Christie Franks, Kaci Way, and Phil Eberly.



Members of the Novice parliamentary procedure team from left to right are: Emily Cromer, Claire Bond, Leanna Ruegg, Brock Tegtmeier, Jordan Melegari, Collin Agnes, Cody Morrow, and Austen Beegle

*FFA articles written and submitted
by Katie Stull
Reporter
Northwestern-Wayne FFA Chapter
Northwestern High School*

Northwestern FFA Competes in Parliamentary Procedure and Job Interview

On Tuesday, November 22nd, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter competed in the Sub-District parliamentary procedure contest and District job interview contest held at Smithville High School. Northwestern had a novice and a varsity team compete in the parliamentary procedure contest.

The novice team was made up of Cody Morrow (Chair), Brock Tegtmeier (Chair), Emily Cromer, Leanna Ruegg, Jordan Melegari, Claire Bond, Austen Beegle and Collin Agnes. The team placed 1st in the Sub-District and advance to Districts on December 2, 2015 at Northwestern High School.

The varsity team consisted of Kaci Way (Chair), Phil Eberly, Cody Tegtmeier, Emily Flinn, Katie Stull, Christie Franks, and David Miley. The team placed 1st overall and competed in the District contest on December 2nd held at Northwestern High School.



Members of the novice parliamentary procedure team from left to right are: Brock Tegtmeier, Emily Cromer, Claire Bond, Austen Beegle, Cody Morrow, Leanna Ruegg, Jordan Melegari, and Collin Agnes.



Northwestern FFA



Members of the varsity parliamentary procedure team from left to right are: David Miley, Cody Tegtmeier, Christie Franks, Emily Flinn, Phil Eberly, Katie Stull, and Kaci Way.



Members competing in the Job Interview contest are from left to right: Christie Franks, Phil Eberly, Katie Stull, and Maria Chellis.

FFA Parliamentary Procedure continued

Both contests are designed to test FFA members' abilities in properly running a business meeting. Teams are scored on different abilities of parliamentary procedure, debates on main motions, the secretary's minutes, and the chairpersons' ability to run the meeting, a written test, and the overall look of professionalism throughout the team. The chapter also had four members compete in the district job interview contest. Katie Stull, Phil Eberly, Christie Franks, and Maria Chellis competed.

This career development event is designed to give FFA members the opportunity to learn about the interviewing process, as well as simulating a mock interview for a job in the agricultural industry. Members are required to fill out a job application, complete a cover letter, participate in an interview, and complete a follow up letter. Franks and Chellis placed 2nd in their respective divisions. Eberly and Stull placed 1st in their divisions and advanced to the state contest on December 5th.

Northwestern Ag Ed Department Food Science Class Attend Smuckers

On November 20th the Northwestern Ag Ed Department Food Science and Technology class toured the JM Smuckers Research and Development Discovery Building for a field trip. While there the class learned about Food Science Careers. They were able to see the following in the Discovery Building, Taste Test Panel, the testing labs, test kitchens, dry labs, wet labs and coffee research. The tour was a great learning opportunity for the class and they greatly appreciate the opportunity to go on the tour. The class would like to thank JM Smuckers for allowing us to tour their facility.



Northwestern FFA Serves at Wayne County Soil and Water District Banquet

On November 17, 2015 members from the Northwestern FFA Chapter helped serve dinner at the annual Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District Banquet. Members helping were TJ Cromer, Brianna Faltisco, Marshall Geiger, Tori Hall, Sydney Harmon, McKayla Linscott, David Miley, Rae Rempher, Cody Tegtmeier, Kaci Way, Austen Wood, and Kierstyn Wood. This was a very successful event and the members enjoyed spending time performing community service and each other's fellowship after their hard work.

Northwestern FFA Holds Meeting and Movie Night

On Saturday, November 7th, members of the Northwestern FFA Chapter gathered at the Flinn Farm for a meeting and movie night. The meeting was called to order by the President Philip Eberly at 6 pm. The officers then performed opening ceremonies and minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Kierstyn Wood. There was also Treasure and Reporter Reports that were reported on. Katie Stull moved to accept all officer reports. Committee reports were given by 10 committees. Ally Ruegg reported on the Ag in the Classroom committee. They have visited Northwestern Elementary one time so far this

year with the first lesson plan. The committee teaches elementary students about different aspects of agriculture, and will visit the elementary each month.

Isaac Sadzewicz reported on the Safety committee, which met to discuss having speakers come in to talk about agricultural safety.

David Miley reported on the Community Service committee. They have held one meeting where they discussed different community service activities such as bell ringing for the Salvation Army and Adopt-A-Highway.

Beth Kanzeg reported on the Earning and Savings Committee. They have had one meeting.

Ashley Dunn reported on the Public Relations committee. The committee met and talked about the scrapbook of all of the Chapter's activities.

Jessie Bair reported on the SAE committee, which discussed ways that the committee could assist members in their Supervised Agricultural Experience Projects.

Reiley Murphy reported on the Recreational Committee. They have met to discuss the chapter's activities for the year.

Brianna Faultisco reported on the Cooperation Committee. They have met once.

Christie Franks reported on the Leadership committee. They have held a meeting and discussed the different leadership opportunities for members such as leadership night FFA Student of the Month.

Ally Ruegg reported on the Skills committee. They have held a meeting and discussed the different contests that the Chapter participates in throughout the year.

Next members gave reports on different activities the Chapter has been involved in. Emily Flinn reported on grape picking. This year, members traveled to Jim Borton's farm to pick grapes. Emily Flinn reported on the FFA t-shirt orders, which will be due the November 20th. Katie Stull reported on officer retreat and Adopt-A-Highway. Austen Wood reported on the Twilight Tour. FFA members parked cars and served food at this events. Kierstyn Wood reported on the three members who attended Washington Leadership Conference in July. Shania Reed reported on the Wayne and Ashland County Fairs, where many

"FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA"

Northwestern FFA members had a successful showing. Sydney Harmon reported on Fair Recycling. Cody Tegtmeier reported on Greenhand Conference, in which Northwestern FFA attended and hosted. Reiley Murphy reported on the soil judging teams, who had a successful season competing. Cody Tegtmeier reported on the Fiber Fest.

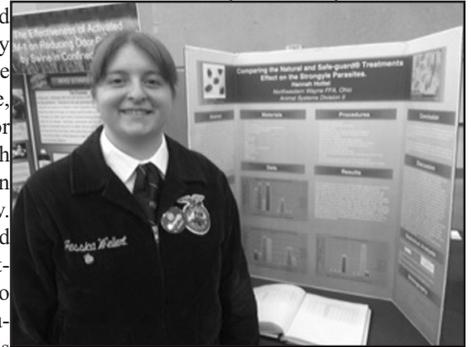
David Miley moved to participate in the annual fruit sales fundraiser. Katie Stull moved to help at the Soil and Water Conservation District Banquet on November 17th. Katie Stull moved to participate in the Job Interview Career Development Event. Emily Flinn moved to participate in Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army on December 21st. Kierstyn Wood moved to participate in the Parliamentary Procedure Contest again this year. Cody Tegtmeier moved to increase dues to \$20 on December 1st for members who have not paid them yet. Emily Flinn moved that our chapter participate in the Food Science CDE. Cody Tegtmeier moved that our chapter participate in the Ag. Sales CDE. Ashley Dunn moved that our chapter participate in the Public Speaking CDE. The meeting was then adjourned and officers performed closing ceremonies.

After the meeting, members enjoyed refreshments brought in by each class. Freshman brought a side dish, sophomores brought a main dish, juniors brought a dessert, and seniors brought drinks. Then members watched the movie, "Back to the Future," while enjoying each other's company.

Northwestern FFA Member Competes at National FFA Convention

On October 28th- October 30th, member Hannah Hottel and Advisor Heather Tegtmeier attended Louisville, Kentucky where Hottel participated in the National AgriScience Fair. Hottel is the daughter of Doug and Holly Hottel. She is currently a freshman at The University of Findley where she is

studying Pre- Veterinary Science. Hannah qualified to compete at the National AgriScience Fair by winning her category during the Ohio AgriScience Fair in May at the Ohio FFA Convention. In June, Hannah had to submit her research and paper for preliminary evaluations the competition was high and she qualified for the finals. Once at convention she was put to the test with an in-depth interview. She placed 4th in the Nation with her project titled Comparing the Natural and Safe- Guard Treatments Effects on the Strongyle Parasites. The two were also able to go to The Louisville Slugger Museum and The Kentucky Derby after Hannah's



competition was complete. Hannah is very grateful for all the support from her family and community.

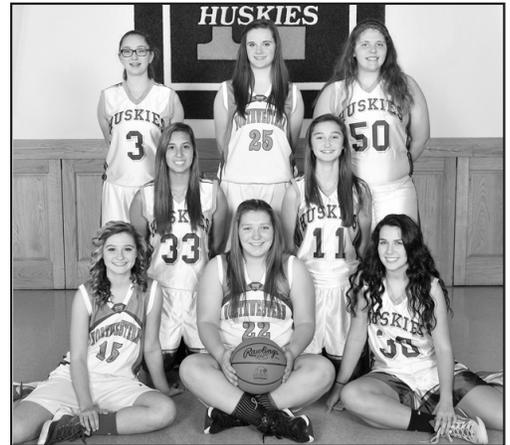
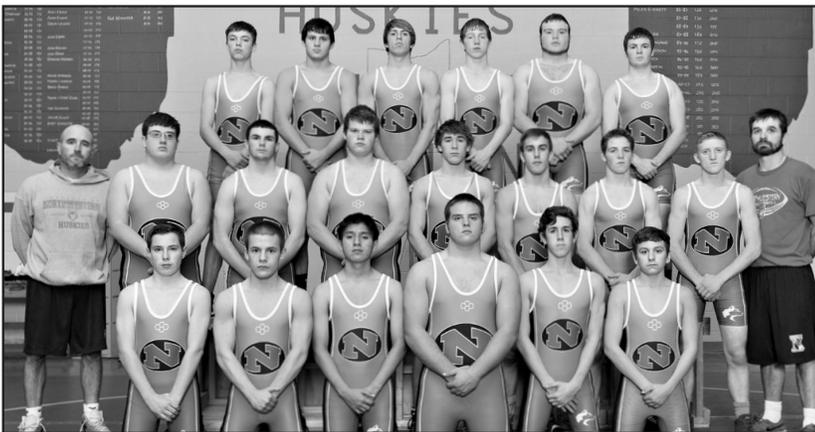
Northwestern FFA Student of the Month



The Northwestern FFA Student of the Month for November is Austen Wood. He is currently serving as an assistant officer. Austen is very active in the chapter and participates in multiple CDEs, including Parliamentary Procedure, Soil Judging, and Wildlife. He has also attended National and State Conventions. "I am so happy to have earned this honor," Austen said of his award. One of his nominators wrote. "He is always works to get things done". As part of his award, Austen will receive a free ice cream from the school cafeteria and a parking spot reserved specifically for the FFA Student of the Month. Congratulations, Austen!

NORTHWESTERN HUSKIES

Good Luck to our
Winter Sports
Teams!!





Christmas Spirit at the elementary school!!!!

HUSKY HAPPENINGS!!



Middle School Spirit Day - Pink Day!!

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