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THE BEACON

Good News and Upcoming Events

"The dictionary is the only place where success comes before work."

~Mark Twain

Alpha School of Excellence

On January 27, several students participated in a Character Trait of Punctuality awards assembly.

Congratulations to Della Bennett & Dereck Gonzales who were Silver Key winners in National Scholastics Art competition at Youngstown State University!

Chaney High School

The Chaney Science Team will be selling carnations and Valentine's cards this week to raise money for Science Team activities.

The Chaney Kiwanis Key Club participated in the Annual Goodwill Auction at Stambaugh Auditorium this past Saturday. Members acted as "runners", delivering bids and items.

The Chaney High School National Honor Society in conjunction with Akron Children's Hospital is hosting their annual Family Health & Safety Expo on Thursday, February 12th from 5:00-8:00PM.

Choffin Career & Technical Center

Congratulations to Choffin students for having a 99.39% attendance rate!

Choffin is proud to announce that the school had only one out of school suspension for the first semester!

Choffin kicked off National Career & Tech Month with a team Choffin Tailgate Party. Students in Construction Tech Prep made games and the Culinary Art students made food that the whole school enjoyed!

Congratulations to Michael Giles, a Biotechnology students at Choffin, on his 1st place win at the All City Science Fair.

Earlier this month, students in the Choffin Health Magnet program visited Harding and Williamson to educate 4th graders on proper care of domestic pets.

East High School

For the first time, the "All-City Science Fair" was held at East High School on Saturday, February 7th.

Congratulations to East's Dominique Bell who received first place at the All-City Science Fair!

East High School is currently offering OGT intervention courses after-school. All students are encouraged to attend.

The East Boys Basketball game against Warren JFK was the "Game of the Week" on Fox.

The East Senior Class Basketball Homecoming Dance will be Saturday, February 14th in the school's cafeteria from 7-10 pm. Tickets are \$5 and the dress attire is semi-formal.

East's Basketball Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned during an assembly on Thursday, February 12th at 2 pm. The drum line, cheerleaders, and ensemble will perform during the assembly.

Harding

Congratulations to the 104 Harding students who made the Honor Roll for the 2nd grade period! The students received sleds from the *Gleaners*.

Approximately 240 students at Harding had perfect attendance last week! Each student received a Harding Tiger Cub pencil for their dedication.

Harding is having a Black History program on February 27th at 2:00PM.

Hayes Middle School

Congratulations to Akeera Mitchell who is the Hayes Spelling Bee champion!

Congratulations to the following Hayes students for placing first at the Science Fair: Toshi Hudson, Treshawn Thomas, Troyvonne Smith, and Cheyenne Daniel.

Kirkmere

Congratulations to Kirkmere's Kathrin Ritz, who received Honorable Mention at the All City Science Fair.

Kirkmere had 100 students on the honor roll! Students received either a sled or a snow board that was donated by the Food Bank in Youngstown.

Kirkmere will hold their second Marketing Committee Meeting on March 3rd. All are invited to attend to help promote the school!

Martin Luther King

315 students participated in the MLK Ice Cream Social due to their excellent behavior in January.

Martin Luther King continued

The First and Second graders at MLK made Valentine cards and pictures as a community outreach project for Danridge's Burgundi Manor, which is a neighborhood nursing home.

MLK's Project Peace was received with great anticipation. Teachers have noticed students monitoring each other so they may win a peace sign necklace. So far MLK has 6 classroom winners.

McGuffey

Congratulations to Hannah Woodward a 6th grade student at McGuffey who won the Spelling Bee!

Congratulations to the following five McGuffey 1st place Science Fair winners: Kaitlyn Geisel, Nacko Stanford, Alex Schlosser, Esperanza Cabrera and Miranda Fonce.

Congratulations to Alexander Schlosser and Roosevelt Cooper for of McGuffey for their 1st place Math Awards at the Challenge 25 Mahoning County.

The Star Dazzle Award was also given to Alexander Schlosser by the Senator of the 33rd District and President of the Ohio Senate for community service.

Paul C. Bunn

Bunn held a very successful Chuck E. Cheese Night for families earlier this month! Fundraising events for the school are held at this venue on the first Thursday of every month from 4 - 9 p.m. The public is invited to the next event on Thursday, March 5.

All City Science Fair winners from Bunn included 6th graders Kenneth Cunningham and Karesha Brown. Congratulations!

Bunn Principal Maria Pappas had a Book Review, "A Reflective Planning Journal for School Leaders", selected for publication in the Winter Edition of Principal Navigator, the journal of The Ohio Association for Elementary School Administrators.

Parents as well as the public are invited the Academic Rally for the 2nd grading period on Wednesday, February 11, beginning at 1:30. Children will be recognized for their academic achievement, good attendance and citizenship. "Operation Blessings" donated sleds to award the children with!

Bunn will host this month's Luncheon for Special Education Parents on Wednesday, February 18, from 11:30 am - 1 pm. Parents will see a performance by the Bunn Jump Rope Team at 12:15.

Taft

Congratulations to the following 1st place Science Fair winners at Taft: Bryan Nipper, Shyla Montero, and Jawalen Shaw.

Three Taft students read poems at the African American Read In at Barnes and Nobel earlier this month.

Volney Rogers Middle School

Three Volney Rogers students received awards in the 2009 Northern Ohio Regional Scholastic Art Exhibition. Paige Villafane won a Silver Key Award also, Shaliyah White-Walker and Autumn Dixon won Gold Key Awards.

Williamson

On February 11th, Williamson will be having an Award's Assembly for their outstanding students.

On February 24, all Williamson Honor Roll students will attend the Phantoms Hockey Game!

Williamson received a donation from the Second Harvest Food Bank! They presented students with sleds.

YCSD

Organization CIVICA Y Cultural has formed a partnership with YSCD to provide a community leader that is assigned to the Hispanic population. Nelly Vega can be seen regularly at East, P. Ross Berry, Williamson and Martin Luther King.