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THE BEACON

Good News and Upcoming Events

*"Character is a diamond that scratches every other stone."
Cyrus A. Bartol*

Alpha School of Excellence

10 YSU students are tutoring at Alpha in all subject areas this Semester and 8 YSU students are completing their Special Education Practicum at Alpha.

J'mon Davis, a 7th grade Alpha student, has been asked to recite the Dr. King "I Have A Dream," Speech at several schools for their Black History Program.

Several Alpha students visited YSU to see the play, "Boys Pull Your Pants Up" .

Twenty 7th Grade Young Ladies at Alpha were selected to attend a field trip to the Y.M.C.A. on February 20th.

Chaney High School

The 9th Grade Academy at Chaney has implemented a weekly Hip Hop Literacy Program, in an effort to increase literacy and lifelong learning.

The Chaney Kiwanis Key Club volunteered at the Salvation Army earlier this month. Members cleaned the facility for clients.

Choffin Career & Technical Center

Congratulations to the Choffin Engineering team for their 3rd place finish at the Mahoning Valley Miniature Bridge Building Competition at YSU.

Choffin Career & Technical Center continued

Choffin's Student Ambassadors are helping area families by collecting non-perishable pantry items through the end of March for Harvest For Hunger. The community may also drop off items to Choffin.

The Manufacturing Tech Prep program at Choffin created a customized tool for the Youngstown Fire Department to use.

Good luck to the Choffin students who will be competing in the Skills USA Regional competition on Saturday, February 28th.

The Saturday Tutoring program at Choffin kicked off this past Saturday. All students are encouraged to attend until March 21.

East High School

The East boys basketball team still remains undefeated in the SVC conference.

The girls basketball team will be playing against Lake on Tuesday, Feb. 24th at the Canton Civic Center at 7 pm.

The East Literacy Team will be hosting a Literacy Fair on Saturday, Feb. 28th from 9-11 am.

East hosted a Woman of Color Expo last Saturday.

Harding

Harding will be having a Black History assembly Feb 27 at 2:00. Various classes will perform a tribute to Dr. King and several students will portray famous Black Americans.

Harding continued

Over 200 Harding students received small tokens for having perfect attendance last week.

Hayes

The ABC Valentine Dance at Hayes was a great success. The students enjoyed Lucky Penny as D.J.

Students at Hayes are creating posters featuring African American personalities who have made a significant contribution to society.

Good luck to the Destination Imagination Team from Hayes who will be competing at YSU on Saturday, March 14!

Kirkmere

Congratulations to Kirkmere for making their conference goal of 65% participation. Thanks to all of our students and parents.

The 5th and 6th graders at Kirkmere may attend a dance held at the school on March 6th if their parents attended conferences and the K - 4 students receive a treat and a "free" homework pass.

Several Kirkmere students visited the Children's Center for Science and Technology and participated in the Channel 21 Lunchbox Weather TV.

Martin Luther King

Many parents attended MLK's Spelling Bee to see Jonathan Graham become the champion!

MLK's Youth Leadership Team has started a school wide Community Project of writing letters to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Martin Luther King continued

MLK is inviting the community to their Valentine's Ball on Feb 27 at 1:45.

MLK received 80 sleds and saucers donated by the Second Harvest Food Bank for students who made the Honor Roll.

McGuffey

The Physical Education classes at McGuffey will be participating in the 9th annual JUMP ROPE FOR HEART the week of Feb. 23rd - 27th. The students will attempt to reach their goal of \$4,500 this year.

Congratulations to the hard working students at McGuffey no longer need Reading Recovery Services.

Paul C. Bunn

Three staff members from Paul C Bunn received a DiVorio Charitable Foundation and Schermer Charitable Trust Grant: Samie Winick, Rachel Seelye, and Chryse Ellinos.

P.C. Bunn hosted another successful fundraiser on Feb. 5th at Chuck E. Cheese. Our next Chuck E. Cheese fundraising event will be Thursday, March 5th from 3-9pm.

On Feb. 18th Bunn's Kindergarten Students toured the Butler Institute of Art.

On Feb. 20th Bunn hosted a coffee hour for parents to acquaint them with renzullilearning.com which will soon become available to students attending our building.

Earlier this month, the Mahoning County Experimental Farm personnel visited

Paul C. Bunn continued

Bunn kindergarten classrooms and presented their "Little Red Hen" program.

Students at Bunn were rewarded for positive behavior with 4 free tickets to the YSU Women's Basketball Game against Wright State U.

On Feb. 27th The Magic Carpet Theater Troupe will perform "Alice In Wonderland" at Bunn. This project was made possible through the Wear Foundation Grant.

P Ross Berry

Students at P. Ross Berry are participating in a free book give-a-way from Townsend Press. The company providing students with 9 free books.

Youngstown Early College

In celebration of Black History Month, Youngstown Early College students will visit the Butler to see artist Bill Dotson's art exhibit.

YCSD Preschool

The preschool classrooms at Martin Luther King are participating in Martin Luther Kings' Thumbs Up program where parents write something positive about their child to be hung in the hall for all to see.

Students in the preschool class at Paul C. Bunn performed the *Bear Hunt* song for the parent meeting .

YCSD Option Program

Former Pittsburgh Steelers Superbowl XXX Champion, Jerry Olsavsky visited students in the Option Program to discuss the importance of education, reading, and goal setting.

