



March 10, 2009

The Beacon

Youngstown City School District
Good News and Upcoming Events

“ There are three ingredients in the good life: learning, earning and yearning. ”

Christopher Morley

Alpha School of Excellence

Students at Alpha will be hearing about courage from Lucky Penny on March 10th.

On March 18th students at Alpha will be having a Black History program at 1:00pm and the community is invited.

There will be an Awards Assembly at Alpha on March 19th beginning at 7:45am and all students receiving an honor will be participating in a Spirit Day on March 20th.

Chaney High School

There will be an ENCORE performance of *A Raisin in the Sun* at Chaney on March 20th at 7pm!

Mayor Jay Williams and Councilman Herman Pete Starks will be speaking at the Chaney Sophomore Government Assembly on March 11th from 1:30 - 2: 30pm. All are invited to attend.

Congratulations to the Chaney Academic Challenge team who placed 3rd in their division for the academic year!

The Chaney Bridge Building Team placed 25th in the Case Western Reserve University Science Competition and the Electric Car Team placed 12th!

Chaney High School Continued

Chaney students attended the 2009 FIRST Robotics Competition in Cleveland and received medals!

Choffin Career & Technical Center

Congratulations to Choffin for winning an Excellence Award from The Empowerment Student Achievement Institute!

Five Choffin students received medals in the Regional Skills USA competition and will move on to State competition in Columbus on April 24th and 25th! Good luck!

The Diversified Health Occupations program at Choffin passed their two year accreditation inspection with the highest rating ever!

Choffin students who competed in the FIRST Robotics Buckeye Regionals in Cleveland finished as quarter finalists!

Choffin will be having a Dance on March 13th and will be crowning a king and queen of Choffin!

Students in the Multi Media Program at Choffin created a video for Saturday Tutoring that is airing as a PSA on the local news channels.

Harding

Congratulations to 285 students at Harding who had perfect attendance last week!

The Green Team, a program for excellent students, at Harding is going strong! Students with this distinction participated in small group activities where they were able to interact with the principal.

Hayes

Hayes Middle School teacher, Denise McMurray taught a lesson for "Making Mathematics Work": The Akron University project, which was filmed by the University.

Martin Luther King

Eight MLK teachers were honored by their former students in a program sponsored by F.A.M.I.L.Y.

MLK was presented with an Achievement Award for Continuous School Improvement!

On February 27th, about 30 parents and friends of MLK enjoyed participating in the students ' Valentine Dance.

Paul C. Bunn

P. C. Bunn will be celebrating it's 50th Birthday on March 16th with an all day celebration for both the students and the community!

Bunn ' s 2nd grade students celebrated "Read Across America" with a visit from "Pete the Penguin!" Students were also given a book and a goody bag of YSU materials.

Bunn ' s Kindergarten classes traveled to the DD & Velma Davis Garden Center at Mill Creek Park where they participated in a program entitled "Super Seeds."

Please join PC Bunn at Chuck E. Cheese on Thursday, April 2nd for their next fundraiser!

Paul C. Bunn continued

On March 19th the Kindergarten students at Bunn will be learning about "entrepreneurship" first hand when they visit Schwebel's.

The Green Team is scheduled to present the "Grouchy Ladybug" to the Kindergarten classes at Bunn on March 24th.

Taft

On March 6th, members of the Student Advisory Board presented bullying strategies to 5th graders at Taft.

Taft hosted a Movie Night for students and parents with popcorn and Kung-Fu Panda!

Congratulations to Taft for raising over \$500 dollars for the American Heart Association through their Jump Rope For The Heart fundraiser.

Students at Taft took part in many activities involving Dr. Seuss during the week of March 2nd for Read Across America.

Volney

All Volney students received 9 free Bluford Series books from Townsend Press.

Several Volney classes participated in a hands-on, distance learning project about air pressure and weather on March 2nd.

William Holmes McGuffey

McGuffey students raised over \$3,500 during their 2009 Jump Rope For the Heart activities!

Youngstown Early College

Several Early College students are participating in an after school Creative Writing seminar.

An Early College senior performed in the Top Hat production of Smokey Joe's Cafe.

Two Early College sophomore students have been invited to attend the 2009 "Sojourn to the Past."

YCSD Athletics

Congratulations to the 8th grade Northeast Lady Panther basketball team who completed their season by winning the All-City Middle School Tournament!

YCSD Option Program

Students in the Option Program, housed at Choffin, visited the Museum of Labor & Industry to learn more about the Industrial revolution and the Mahoning Valley.

YCSD Preschool

The preschool program has over 180 children transitioning to kindergarten for the 2009-2010 school year! They have started their transitioning program.

The preschool classes have been participating in Tiny Tots through the Youngstown Symphony. The program allows the students to hear music while stories are being told.