

Wayne Local Schools

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Good News Friday

December 18, 2009

GOOD NEWS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Christmas Break: December 21 – January 1. Enjoy your break.

School reopens: Monday, January 4, 2010.

“COOKIES FOR A CAUSE”

“Cookies for a Cause” was a great success. We prepared over 341 dozen and made a profit of \$1,154. We are writing a check to the American Legion for \$577 to support their efforts with families in need, and we are placing the remaining \$577 in our school’s student support funds. The building counselors and teachers can use the funds to assist students in need with every day type essentials.

Our district has seen an increase in students and families in need. Our goals for our efforts were:

- 1) Provide funds to help our community members.
- 2) Bring Awareness to the community that the need is growing and groups are stepping up to help
- 3) Support the efforts of the American Legion as they work hard to assist our school and families in need.
- 4) Provide a team building project that would involve volunteering and service.

The following employees have worked very hard to make this a success:

Glinda Hartman, Jeanne Miars ,Lisa Pennington, Dee Wilms, Brenda Barbosa, Lisa Cook, Milissi Schear, Lynn Hatfield, Sharon Smith, Jeannie Camery, Linda Woody, and student Tyler Callahan and past Waynesville graduate Billie Pennington, all were present for many volunteer hours to make this a rewarding event.

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Cincinnati Scholarship Foundation application will be available on the web in mid January. The web site is www.cincinnati-scholarship-foundation.org This organization has several scholarships for which you can apply.

The Dayton Foundation is once again offering the GM/Frigidaire Scholarship to children or grand children of current employees and retirees. Online applications are not available. Hard copy of the application is in Ms. Joefreda’s Office. Deadline Feb 1, 2010.

Financial Aid Information

Copies of the FAFSA Web Worksheet for 2010-2011 (graduates of the class of 2010 will use this to apply for federal aid) will arrive soon. A copy is also available on the website now. Go to www.fafsa.ed.gov . In addition the *College Preparation Checklist* will be available for any student about mid-January.

www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov is a comprehensive web site that can assist you with basic information about federal loans and aid as well as detailed instructions for every FAFSA form question! Check it out.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at cjoefreda@wayne-local.com

GREETINGS FROM THE SIXTH GRADE

It's that wonderful time of the year! As we approach the holidays, we continue to work on the parts of speech, literary terms, and improving our vocabulary. As we head to break, we are wrapping up our focus on learning our Greek and Latin roots for the year. When we return in January, the students will begin a vocabulary program that is new to the middle school and offers the students an excellent way to enrich their vocabulary.

In both of my Language Arts classes, we have finished the book Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli. The students enjoy reading this story about an orphan their age that is "looking" for a place to call home. It is an exciting story that shows how a boy recognizes and deals with prejudice for the first time. The students have used the book to examine and discuss the literary elements. In addition to reading Maniac Magee, my students have been following the serial story Whistles through the Rocks which has been running weekly in the Dayton Daily News and ends next week.

When we come back from Christmas break, the end of the second quarter will be quickly upon us. Students are told to keep reading over the break. Reader's Workshop will be due in January. When there is "nothing" to do or the weather is less than delightful, be sure to curl up with a good book!

All of the sixth grade teachers wish you and your family a safe and joyous holiday season!

Tracey Poole
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ATTENTION ALL CURRENT K-5TH GRADE STUDENTS!

Camp Invention is coming back to Wayne Local Schools! This weeklong adventure is led by certified educators during the summer for children entering grades one through six (next school year). The Camp Invention program is a unique opportunity for your child to experience hands-on learning through FUN activities that will stick with them for years to come. Students will learn about alternative sources of energy by building their own motorized creature and will recreate an online virtual world that is disappearing! They will have the opportunity to explore what soap bubbles, honeycombs, and lightning bolts all have in common as well as create inventions and transform old-school games in fun, new ways to rock the playground! Don't miss out on a great learning opportunity! This opportunity would make a wonderful Christmas gift! Register by March 31st and receive \$25 off the base price!

SAVE THE DATE: camp will be June 21-25 in the High School!

Check out www.campinvention.org for more information and payment details!

Look for your Camp Invention flyer that will be coming home Friday!

Hope to see you there,

Denise Blevins
Waynesville Middle School
Science Department
Camp Invention Director
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SPRING MUSICAL READY TO START!

There will be an informational meeting after school on Wednesday, January 6 in H.S. room 12 for anyone interested in being part of the cast or crew for *Seussical the Musical!* The meeting will include an overview of the show, requirements for taking part, and an opportunity to ask questions. Parents/guardians interested in asking questions or hearing more about the show are invited to stop by H.S. room 12 between 6-7 PM on January 6, or contact Mr. Hamen at jhamen@wayne-local.com or 897-2776, x. 442. Downloads of *Seussical* documents will also be available soon on the [W.H.S. Drama website!](#)

CALLING ALL 8TH GRADERS!

Auditions to be in the cast of *Seussical* are open to current 8th graders. This is a great opportunity to build experience at auditions or onstage before high school. All roles for *Seussical* are open to 8th graders, and they must follow the same audition requirements. Pick up info in Room 12, visit the [W.H.S. Drama website](#), or come to the meeting on January 6 for more information!

OH, THE THINGS YOU CAN THINK WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT SEUSS!

Seussical is a new musical that takes characters and stories right off the pages of over 15 different Dr. Seuss stories and weaves them in fun and surprising ways! W.H.S. Drama will present the “theatre for young audiences” version of the show, which is designed to be creatively challenging for actors and technicians, but to run in only one act to appeal to the smallest of small in our audience! Horton the Elephant, the Whos, the Cat in the Hat, Yertle the Turtle, and other Seuss citizens will show the importance of being yourself and the power of the imagination in what is sure to be the most exciting show to ever appear on our stage!

Mark your calendar for *Seussical the Musical* from April 15-17!

Jason Hamen
Drama Director
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ART NEWS

This past quarter high school art students have had the honor and pleasure of special events and guests to highlight the art of Japan. 3D ceramic students research the Japanese tea ceremony and turned the library into a tea room for the afternoon of December 4. Mr. and Mrs. Kawai were the guests of honor. Mrs. Kawai, dressed in traditional kimono, performed the tea ceremony while Mr. Kawai explained the significance of the movements. The Japanese tea ceremony is an aesthetic tradition rooted in the history of the Samurai and Buddhist monks. The Japanese Tea Ceremony (chanoyu) is unlike anything

in the American culture where simple movements and dress are elevated to a high art form. Students used their hand-made ceramic tea bowls to drink authentic matcha green tea prepared by Mrs. Kawai. Students planned the ceremony and decorated the space in an attempt to bring a bit of “wabi-sabi” into Waynesville High School. Japanese treats accompanied the green tea. The backdrop to the tea ceremony was a calligraphic wall hanging created by Kanako Sehara who had visited the high school painting class November 13. She, with Mr. Kawai interpreting, demonstrated her calligraphic skills and her graphic art with students. Kanako currently lives in Japan and works as a professional artist. We are so thankful and fortunate to have had her visit the classroom during her visit to the United States and the Kawai family.

Leanne Foley
High School Art Instructor
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SUPPORT ONE OF OUR OWN

Please show your support of senior Stephen Gossard by purchasing a lime green bracelet which reads: For “Goose” Cure Lymphoma

Bracelets will be on sale in the high school main office for a minimum donation of \$2.00. ALL PROCEEDS will go to the Lymphoma Research Foundation (LRF) in Stephen’s honor. It is our hope to sell all 700 bracelets and raise over \$1,400 for the foundation.

Plans are being made to sell the bracelets during lunch and at selected home basketball games. Thank you for your support in advance.

WL LIBRARY NEWS:

Check out some new features on INFOhio.

Research Project Calculator 2.0 the latest version is available on INFOhio. The Research Project Calculator can be a helpful tool in re-enforcing 21st century skills by helping students and teachers manage research projects. Students enter the starting date and due date of their project and then are provided with a timeline and resources to help guide them through the research process.

Need to make a timeline. Checkout INFOhio’s Timeline Builder. Access the timeline feature either through World Book Student or World Book Advanced. Not only can you view prebuilt timelines on various Political Leaders, World History, Arts and Literature but WorldBook offers a “Create Your Own Timeline” feature.

You can also find very valuable information on the High School library page at <http://kelley.purkey.googlepages.com/> . You can visit INFOhio at <http://www.infohio.org/> . To access from home you will need a username and password. Please contact one of the librarians for that information.

TEST HELP IS HERE FOR YOU!!!

Whether you are.....

- an elementary, middle, or high school student facing Ohio Achievement Tests, Ohio Graduation Test, AP Testing, PSAT, ACT, or SAT

- a college grad facing an entrance exam into a graduate program
- an adult facing a host of career placement or certification exams
- an individual facing a citizenship exam,

.....HELP IS AT YOUR FINGERTIPS!

Whatever your goal, *LearningExpress Library*, part of the INFOhio Core Collection, will help you succeed! The various Learning Centers listed on the left side menu of *LearningExpress Library* offer free practice tests, practice exercises, and courses to build *student skill levels*. Find help for the OAT, OGT, AP, PSAT, ACT, SAT, GED, GRE, GMAT, PRAXIS, Citizenship, and much MORE . . . even career placement or certification exams like real estate, nursing, firefighters, electrical, plumbing, etc.!

Those who are preparing for the world of work will find job-search tools and workplace-skills practice materials - from crafting the resume that will get you hired to interviewing and networking skills.

LearningExpress Library users must create an account with password so that test practices can be saved under your specific user name. You can access *LearningExpress Library* through the INFOhio website at www.infohio.org (The INFOhio username and password can be requested from your school librarian as listed below or by e-mailing central@infohio.org.) You may also go directly to www.learningexpresslibrary.com to access the information.

Links to these sites are also available on our school's website at www.wayne-local.com.

District Librarians:

Elementary:	Linda Benson	lbenson@wayne-local.com
Middle School:	Kathy Hale	khale@wayne-local.com
High School:	Kelley Purkey	kpurkey@wayne-local.com

BCI AND FBI BACKGROUND CHECKS

All volunteers and coaches must have BCI and FBI background results on file at Wayne Local Schools that are no more than 5 years old before the beginning of the new school year. The Superintendent's Office has the capability to process these checks. The Superintendent's Office or building offices can tell you what results we currently have on file.

The Superintendent's office will be open to do fingerprinting on TUESDAYS from 9:00 – 2:30. The cost for this service is: \$25 – BCI \$30 – FBI \$50 – Both

CASH OR MONEY ORDER ONLY

YOU MUST BRING A PHOTO ID

Call if you have questions. 897-697

SPORTS NEWS

Spartan Swim Team wins First Invitational meet!

Waynesville Girls and Boys High School Swim Team Score Big at Greenon-Trotwood Fall Invitational. **Both teams placed first this past weekend!** This is the first "first" for the Staffan coaches.

The girls won with 263 points beating 16 other teams and the boys won with 243 points beating 20 teams.

Leading the girls team was Sophomore Hannah Warfel whom placed 1st in the 100 yd IM and 50 Butterfly. Other top scorers were McKenna Warfel who placed 2nd in both the 100 Free and 50 Back.

Freshman Kathryn Spitznogle placed 3rd in 50 Back and 7th in the 100 Free. Freshman Leslie Turner placed 5th in the 50 Breast . The girls 200 Medley Relay placed first consisting of McKenna & Hannah Warfel, Grace Williams and Alivia May. As well as the 200 free relay placed first consisting of McKenna & Hannah Warfel, Kathryn and Alivia.

Leading the boys was Senior Jacob Kramb placed 3rd in the 50 Fly and 1st in the 50 Back tying the meet record of 27.49. Senior Andy Hoeweler placed 5th in the 100 IM and 3rd in the 50 Breast. Freshman Taylor Petersen who placed 3rd in the 100 Free and 5th in the 50 Free. Junior Michael Austin placed 3rd in the 50 Back and 2nd in the 100 IM. The boys 200 Medley relay consisting of Michael, Trent Fruhwirth, Nathaniel Richards and Andy placed 4th while the Free relay consisting of Andy, Michael, Jacob and Kyle Petersen placed 3rd.

Lady Spartans Win!

The Waynesville Lady Spartans Basketball team defeated Preble Shawnee last Saturday and came back with a win over Dixie on Thursday by a score of 72 -21. In both games 9 different players scored for the Spartans. Waynesville will be in action on Monday, Dec 21st vs Clinton Massie. The Frosh will begin at 4:30 and Reserve at 6 with the Varsity at 7:30. The game will be available also on Spartanslive and WYNS 89.3 FM with the voice of the Spartans Ron James doing the play by play.

Boys split!

Boys split week. The Boys Basketball team defeated Carlisle last Friday and then lost at Preble Shawnee on Tuesday. The team will be in action tonight vs Dixie in a key SWBL match-up. The frosh game will begin at 4:30, reserve at 6 and Varsity at 7:30. The game will also be on Spartanslive and WYNS 89.3 FM.

Spartan Wrestling returns to action in January

The wrestlers improved their records this week in action at the Northwestern Dual Tournament and in a tri match against Withrow and Fenwick. Junior Josh Powell raised his record to 5-3 and Freshman C.J. Beery went 4-0 last Friday to raise his record to 6-4. Sophomore Cody Steiner remains unbeaten on the season and Freshman Michael Hooser has already accrued 4 wins.

The wrestling team continues practice over break and will return to competition on January 8th and 9th at Madeira High School.

Schedule over Break

December 21st - Girls Basketball Home with Clinton Massie -4:30, 6 and 7:30 Varsity

December 28th - Girls Basketball at Braggin Rights Classic in Columbus at Harvest Prep – 8:45 pm vs Toledo Mt Norte Dame

December 29th - Girls Basketball Braggin Rights Classic in Columbus at Harvest Prep – 1:15 vs Cleveland Glenville

December 29th - Boys Basketball at Dayton Belmont 4:30 frosh, 6 reserve and 7:30 Varsity

Jan 2nd - Boys Basketball home vs Troy Christian 6:00 and 7:30 No Frosh game

Hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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ATHLETIC SEASON PASS 2009 - 2010 SEASON

ADULT PASS **\$80** - This includes admission to all Waynesville home contests high school and middle school

STUDENT PASS **\$50** - This includes admission to all Waynesville home contests both high school and middle school

FAMILY PASS FOR FAMILY OF FOUR **\$200** - This includes admission to all home games for a family of four. Each additional family member will be \$15 each.

At the gate your name will appear on a pass list.

If interested in purchasing a season pass, contact the Waynesville athletic department at 897-8756 or Tim Gabbard at 897-1862.

Individual prices for league games are: high school games, \$6 for adults and students, middle school games, \$4 for adults and students. As you can see, the season pass is a real bargain.

WLS resident senior citizens (age 62 and over) are eligible for a free pass for all home sports events - Senior citizens who live in the Wayne Local School District can contact Helen at the central office for the passes. 897-6971

All schedules and scores can be found on www.Highschoolsports.net

PTO NEWS

PTO WINDING DOWN IN 2009, SPINNING UP FOR 2010!! Whoa, dizzy already.

Have a Safe and Merry Christmas and a fantastic New Year. Read many books, play outside, sing, put on a play, build a family craft, be joyous, be thankful, help your neighbor, take a walk downtown, take a walk in your neighborhood, write a poem, stay up late and sleep in, scream, bake, eat dough, and everything else that makes this season great.

Santa Shop was a great success this year, we set a new standard for performance. Over 640 children shopped for their family and friends over three days in this traditional event. The PTO gave out over \$600 in "Santa Bucks" again this year, so everyone got to play Santa!! Many Thanks to coordinators Holly Papanek and Heather Perkins for putting on the best Santa Shop we have had in years and their many hours of planning and preparation!!!

We did have one item give us a bit of trouble, if any of you bought one of the 36" Foldable Mini Lamps", a battery operated light - it can fail and batteries heat up. Our first Santa Shop Recall -- Simply bring the toy to the office for a refund or an exchange at the Waynesville dollar mart.

We have many activities planned for Jan and Feb, can't wait to see you back in the New Year!

The Next General Meeting is on Monday, January 11 (2010!) at 6:30 in the Media Center! First Mondays is general schedule for the year, but the first day back is no time for a meeeeeeeeting. For more information please contact Rachel Barnett at RBigJohn1@aol.com or Tiffany Johnson at alissbeth@aol.com. See you there!

WEEKLY SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIP

Never walk behind the school bus. The bus driver cannot see you there and it is a danger zone. When crossing in front of the school bus, stay out of the danger zone at all times. It is about ten feet from the bus or three giant steps. The bus driver should be able to see you and you should be able to see the bus driver. If you drop something, tell the bus driver before going to retrieve the item.

WELLNESS

Free H1N1 Nasal Vaccine

The Warren County Combined Health District will now be offering free H1N1 vaccine to all Ohioans. There will be a walk-in clinic for anyone who would like to receive the H1N1 vaccine on Saturday December 19th from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. The clinic will be held at Urbancrest Baptist Church located at 2634 Drake Rd., Lebanon.

Both the H1N1 nasal spray and the H1N1 injection will be available at this clinic. The nasal spray vaccine is recommended for and will be given to healthy people 2 years through 49 years of age. The H1N1 shot is recommended for and will be given to all others in need of the H1N1 vaccination. As recommended by the CDC, children 9 years of age and under will need 2 doses of the H1N1 flu vaccine. There should be at least 28 days between the first and second dose. If your child has received their first dose of H1N1 flu vaccine on or prior to November 21, 2009 they are eligible to receive their second dose of vaccine at this clinic. Having your child vaccinated prior to the 28 day recommendation decreases the effectiveness of the vaccination in your child.

Additional information about upcoming H1N1 clinics can be found at

www.co.warren.oh.us/health.

A 3-DAY SUPPLY OF ESSENTIALS IS CRITICAL IN AN EMERGENCY

By James Cummings and Anthony Gottschlich – Dayton Daily News

Staff Writers Updated 6:51 PM Tuesday, December 8, 2009

If you need to hunker down at home for a while in a weather emergency — possibly without electricity, running water and telephones — you'll need supplies to help you stay safe, healthy and as comfortable as possible.

The Department of Homeland Security (www.ready.gov), the American Red Cross (www.redcross.org), the Ohio State University Extension and other organizations recommend you keep a three-day supply of essentials in your home at all times, including:

**A first-aid kit with an assortment of adhesive bandages, gauze and tape. You'll need germicidal wipes or a waterless hand sanitizer, medical- grade gloves and antibacterial ointment.

**Stock pain relievers, anti-diarrhea medicine and antacid. Also be sure to have a three-day supply of all needed prescription drugs on hand.

**Sanitation supplies including toilet paper, towelettes, soap and liquid detergent, disinfectant and household chlorine bleach. A supply of trash bags comes in handy for sanitation needs.

**Clothing to ensure you'll be prepared to go outside if necessary. Everybody in the family should have sturdy shoes or work boots and rain gear. Thermal underwear, hats, gloves and sunglasses should be available. And in case you must evacuate quickly, it helps to have a large, sturdy duffle bag or two into which you can pile emergency supplies.

**A supply of water, one gallon per person per day, as well as a supply of nonperishable packaged or canned food and nonelectric can opener. Change the stored water supply and rotate stored food every six months.

**An extra pair of glasses

**Special items for babies and elderly or disabled family members.

**A list of physicians and their phone numbers.

"The most important thing is to have a battery powered transistor radio and be tuned to emergency information while you're taking shelter and base your actions on the information you receive," said Jeff Jordan, director of the Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management.

Store the kit in an air-tight, easy-to-carry container and in a convenient place known to all family members. Keep a smaller version in the trunk of your vehicle.

Rethink the kit and your family's needs once a year. Replace batteries and update clothing for children.

The American Red Cross also sells a pre-made emergency kit. Kroger has teamed up with the Red Cross to create a list of supplies, which can be found online at www.cincinnati.redcross.org.

EVERYDAY ACTIONS TO STAY HEALTHY

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
- Stay home if you get sick, especially if you have a fever. CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- Follow public health advice regarding school closures, avoiding crowds and other social distancing measures. These measures will continue to be important after a 2009 H1N1 vaccine is available because they can prevent the spread of other viruses that cause respiratory infections.

LIL' SPARTAN CAFÉ BREAKFAST MENU

Open At 8:20 AM for all Elementary Students

Monday - Assorted Bagel Varieties and Go-Gurt

Tuesday - Mini Pancakes or Sausage Wraps (Maple or Blueberry Flavor)

Wednesday - Scrambled Eggs and Spartan Sausage Links

Thursday - Assorted Oatmeal Flavors and Mini Muffin-Kids Love it!

Friday - Toast and Jelly with Bacon

Juice or White Milk included with the above every day!

**Bagels with Cream Cheese will be offered daily as an alternative*

Students who ride the bus will enter the cafeteria at approximately 8:20 AM or upon bus arrival.

Walkers and car riders may enter the front elementary gym entrance.

Regular breakfast is \$1.25, qualified reduced breakfast is \$.30 and qualified Free breakfast is free.

Giving your child a Great Start to a Great Day!

SCHOOL SAFETY

The quickest and most accurate way we communicate with our parents is through our school district website at www.wayne-local.com. This is one of the first places you can look for information.

The next way to get fast information is from **Cnotify**. You can learn more about **Cnotify** on the school district's webpage. It takes about one hour to call all employees and parents, but text messages are almost instantaneous.

Of course, we will notify all local TV and radio stations, but it can take up to thirty minutes before they

report our information.

CHILD FIND

A Search for all children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21.

Child find is the process of identifying, locating and evaluating children with disabilities who may be in need of special education and related services.

Contact: Mrs. Mary Franzosa, Special Education Coordinator at 897-2761.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Community announcements are provided as a courtesy for the community. WLS does not endorse or promote any activity.

MARY L. COOK LIBRARY NEWS

FOOD FOR FINES

November 2 – December 31, 2009

This has been a difficult year for many area families hit hard by the economy. The Waynesville Food Pantry is seriously low on food stores. Please consider donating a food item in lieu of your library fine. If you don't have any fines, please consider making a donation. Just one item from each person who comes to the library would make a big difference.

Fines (up to \$10) will equal the price of the food item(s) donated. Please note: the pantry cannot accept any items in GLASS CONTAINERS OR BABY FOOD.

SAFE SCHOOL HELPLINE – 513-897-0800

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