

POLAR BEAR PRIDE



Molly Null, Julia Null, Jimmy Powell, Emily Powell, Joy Powell, Donna Powell, Charlie Null, Jim Powell, Jonah Smith, Addie Powell, Ben Smith, Zachary Smith, Grace Powell. Not pictured are grandkids Christopher Manse and Jon Powell.

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US News and World Report recently ranked Jackson High School 33rd among 881 Ohio public and charter high schools (top 4%) and 870th among the nation's 21,000 public high schools. Take a look at the center section of this issue and you will see that our seniors have earned \$3,694,954 million in scholarships. This kind of success does not just happen. It is the result of inspiring teachers, hard-working students and supportive parents.



Polar Bears work hard and play hard

Our students shine in the classroom and on the athletic field. Jackson athletes won the Federal League All-Sports Trophy for the fourth consecutive year. The 2014-15 athletic teams stacked up 245 wins, 94 losses and 8 ties for a winning percentage of 72%. See pages 15-16 for some impressive student and coaching statistics.

Student and staff safety, an ongoing priority

We continually seek the best practices available to manage the safety challenges of our six public buildings. Part of our safety plan includes having School Resource Officers (SROs). For many years, police officer Dave Trubisky served as our SRO until he returned to the road at the end of this school year. Jackson Township Trustees and Police Chief Mark Brink have assigned Tonya Leon to replace him as our full-time SRO. We welcome officer Leon to our school community along with officer John Angelo who will serve on a part time basis with officers Brian Ayers and Matt Demyan. I recently attended a Jackson Township Board of Trustees meeting to publicly thank the trustees and Chief Brink who worked corroboratively with our administration to provide our students and staff with the valuable services of these officers.



Thanking Twp. Trustees



Officer Tonya Leon

Have a safe and relaxing summer

We hope you enjoy your summer break after dedicating so much effort to academic excellence. Our students have accomplished much this school year, and we look forward to seeing them in the fall.

Summa scholars recognized at JHS

This year, Jad Hamdan, Dana Sutton & Saurabh Vasil earned the class distinction of valedictorian, while Emily Cao, Tyrus Jones, John Heropoulos & Robert Dysart earned the rank of salutatorian.

At the close of the school year, JHS Principal, Monica Myers and Superintendent Chris DiLoreto welcomed 90 students, their families, and honored guests to the school's annual Summa Celebration. Students receive the title of Summa by earning a 3.9 or higher cumulative GPA each of their four high school years.

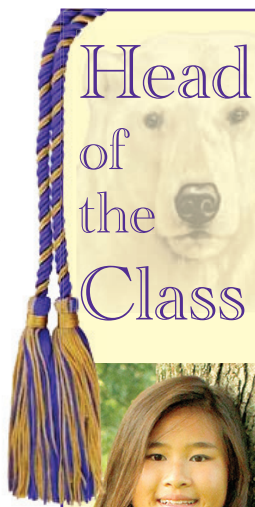
"These students are far more than academics. They are volunteers who made their school a better place; they hold leadership roles that speak to their fine character and capabilities; and they are mentors and role models who are looked up to by fellow classmates and underclassmen. I will watch

with interest as they make their marks upon the world," said JHS Principal Monica Myers.

As each summa student came forward to accept an honor cord to be worn as a mark of distinction at graduation, junior class officers, Jackson Tirmonia and Nathaniel Webb read statements of pride written by the

students' parents.

Prior to the celebration, each student invited two honored guests and wrote gratitude statements about how these people had helped him or her succeed. The statements were bound in a Summa Celebration keepsake book as a gift to each Summa student.



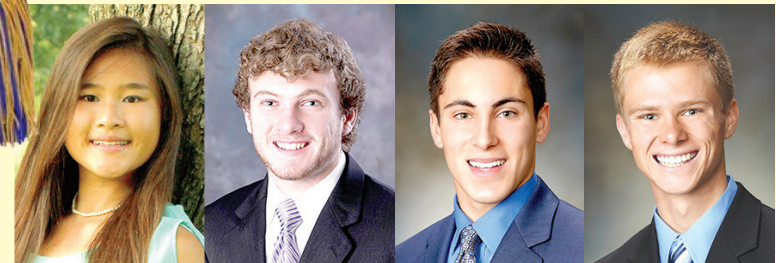
Head of the Class



JAD HAMDAN VALEDICTORIAN

DANA SUTTON VALEDICTORIAN

SAURABH VASIL VALEDICTORIAN



EMILY CAO SALUTATORIAN

ROBERT DYSART SALUTATORIAN

JOHN HEROPOULOS SALUTATORIAN

TYRUS JONES SALUTATORIAN

CLASS OF 2015 SUMMA STUDENTS

Mariel Augustine	Jared Fehlman	Elizabeth Howie	Laura Maggiore	Shashank Rajkumar	Nicole Tank
Kiersten Bair	Madeline Firestone	Alexandria Huat	Jonathan Markle	Matthew Reed	Caleb Ternent
Daniel Basch	Jared Fitzpatrick	Elise Johnson	Dominic Martello	Hailey Richardson	Lauren Vaccaro
Victoria Belden	Julia Fleiner	Tyrus Jones	Alaysha Matronia	Bailey Richterman	Saurabh Vasil
Claudia Benincasa	Caroline Franks	Puneet Kang	Jonathan McCormick	Michael Ross	Haley Warden
Julia Brooks	Audrey Funk	Ross Klauer	Jared McCully	Abbey Saadey	Clayton Weatherbee
Ellen Camerato	Christina Grubb	Spencer Kohmann	Alexandra Metzger	Katherine Schnepf	Tyler Weber
Emily Cao	Haleigh Guerra	Kaitlin Kulich	Brett Miller	Emma Schoepfner	Sydney Welch
Diana Ciocan	Jad Hamdan	Morgan Kyle	Nicholas Miller	Shannon Sellari	Mitchell Wendt
Mark Dickerhoof	Cloe Harder	Traci Langenderfer	Casey Murray	Madison Shoff	Alyson Wickemeyer
Abigail Duffy	Tricia Hart	Kennedy Lawver	Rielely Nelson	Anthony Sisson	Samuel Wolfe
Erin Duncan	John Heropoulos	Nathaniel Lehrer	Cindy Pan	Laurel Smith	Kristin Woodard
Robert Dysart	Taylor Heston	Jonathan Li	Justin Pancoe	Stephanie Spencer	Vincent Yacono
Jillian Eckroate	Teresa Hill	Calvin Long	Mackenzie Peterson	Julia Spizzichini	Zachary Zablo
Joseph Ernst	Louise Hovhannisyann	Lisa Maccora	Kristin Piciacchia	Dana Sutton	Alayna Zalesny

ON THE BANNER

Polar Powell Pride

On the banner, we have grandchildren with their grandparents, Dr. James and Donna (Williams) Powell, who graduated from Jackson in 1963. Mrs. Powell (known as Mema to her grandchildren) has lived in

See POLAR POWELLS, page 2

JHS juniors thank Rotary for RYLA

Allison Parshall and Rishitha Panditi, students in the JHS Interact Club, attended a recent Jackson Rotary meeting to report on their RYLA experience. RYLA is a Rotary youth program that encourages leadership by recognizing 11th grade students for their leadership and service activities. Jackson Rotary Club selected Allison and Rishitha to attend an all-expenses-paid camp where they were inspired by a diverse group of exceptional speakers, made friends through fellowship activities, and discussed the ethical and social issues of today. Allison and Rishitha were truly inspired, calling it one of the best experiences of their life. The two will assume leadership positions in the JHS Interact club next school year. Interact is a service club for youth ages 12-18. The club patterns itself after and receives guidance from the Jackson Rotary Club.



POLAR POWELLS

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Jackson Township her entire life. Dr. Powell (Pop) has lived here more than 50 years.

There's a whole lot of Polar Power in the Powell family. James and Donna have four children who attended Jackson: Dr. Jim Powell, Heather (Powell) Null, Andrea (Powell) Smith and Dr. Robert Powell. Three of the Powells' 13 grandchildren have graduated from Jackson and 10 still attend our schools; five at JHS, two at JMMS and three at Sauder. Collectively, these children have been involved in the Jackson School for the Arts, the construction program, cross country, lacrosse, boys and girls volleyball, track, softball, soccer, baseball, tennis, basketball, choir, band and Jacks-N-Jills.

Mrs. Powell's mother, Bonnie Williams, was head cook for 26 years at Sauder and JMMS, (which once housed all 12 grade levels). The Powells' daughter, Heather, teaches art to our elementary students as part of the Connect the Arts program and has been a sub in all of our buildings for three years.

Mrs. Powell's sisters Nancy (Williams) Buzgan, Irene (Williams) Swallen, Janet (Williams) Caspersen and their children Dawn (Buzgan) Stitt, Melanie (Buzgan) Dower, Mark, Meredith and Clayton Casper all went to Jackson. Dawn is now an 8th grade science teacher and science department head at JMMS. Mark Casper, is a local accountant and Jackson Rotarian who works with the Police Department on the Hooked on Fishing program with our middle school students. Dawn's husband, Bill Stitt, also a Jackson grad and former Jackson police officer, has also worked as a monitor at JHS.

Dr. and Mrs. Powell had this to say about our schools and community. "Fifty years ago, we had a volunteer fire department, we depended on our safety from the County Sheriff and our school system was just beginning to grow. Since that time we have witnessed the visionary leadership of our community to create academic excellence in Jackson schools and a community with outstanding commercial and residential developments, a safety center and park system that is the very best in Stark County.

"So far, we have attended three JHS graduations and were so very impressed at how many graduated with honors, extremely high GPA, and were recipients of overwhelming amounts of scholarship money.

"We are so grateful and proud to have raised our family in Jackson Township as we not only have an excellent school system, but have enjoyed a beautiful, safe and growing community like no other."



Students learn about three calls their parents never want to receive

To send a prom safety message to students, JHS Principal Monica Myers, in partnership with Chris Fontes of Liberty Mutual Insurance, brought two crashed cars to the JHS campus.

As students gathered around the vehicles, police and fire sirens wailed their way to the scene. Student actors, Austin Young, Adam Reed and Katie Taray, sat inside the crashed cars to help enact a typical accident with a

drunk driver. Classmates watched as the fire fighter/paramedics took the three students out of the crashed vehicles, one as a drunk driver, one as an injured victim and one as a fatality. They also saw the Jaws of Life cut into a car.

Officer John Angelo from the Jackson Police Department and Deputy Fire Chief Tim Berczik told the somber crowd of students about the three calls their parents would not want to receive on

prom night or any other night. They would not want to hear that (1) their child was arrested, (2) injured, (3) or killed. The students listened intently and respectfully, then applauded the officials as they concluded their speeches.

Many students commented that the demonstration made them think about drinking and driving and the severity of what could happen to them or their friends.



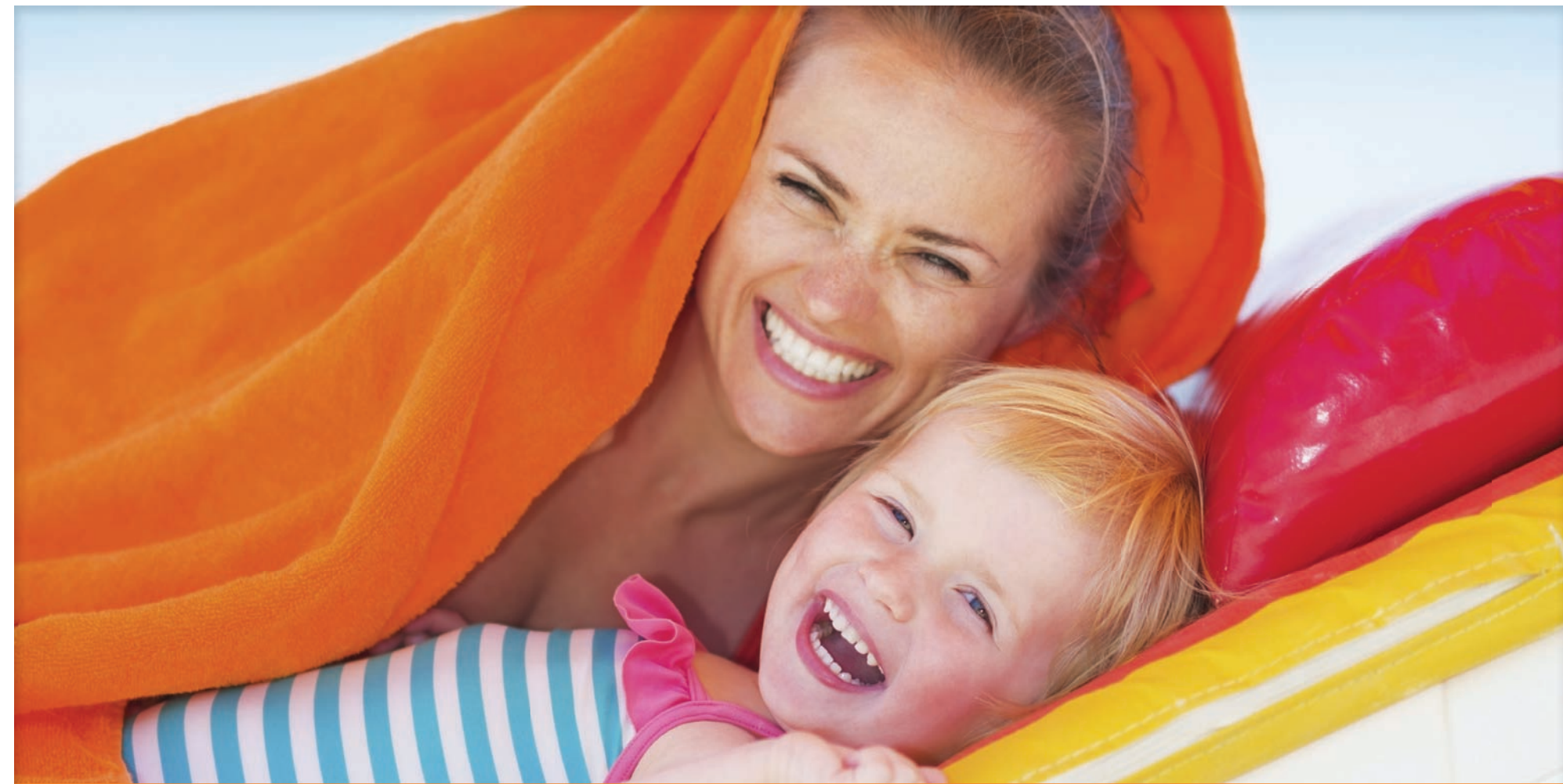
Band musicians shine at State Adjudicated Event

At the State Adjudicated Event held in April, the JHS Symphony Band (class AA), Chorale (class AA), and Women's Chorus (class AA) all received unanimous superior ratings. Concert Band (class B) and Freshman Chorus (class C) received overall superior ratings, and Men's Chorus (class AA) received an Excellent rating.



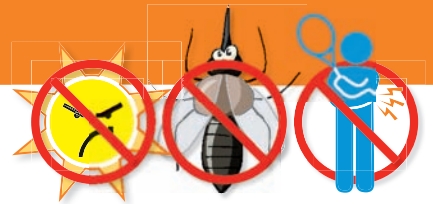
Big Band boys featured at festival

The JHS Seven O'clock Big Band gave an impressive performance at the Hoover Invitational Jazz Festival. Juniors Andrew Brathwaite (saxophone) and Brandon Tyson (Bass) were recognized for their solo work. Sophomore Nolan Monigold (trombone) was voted Outstanding Brass Soloist for the festival.



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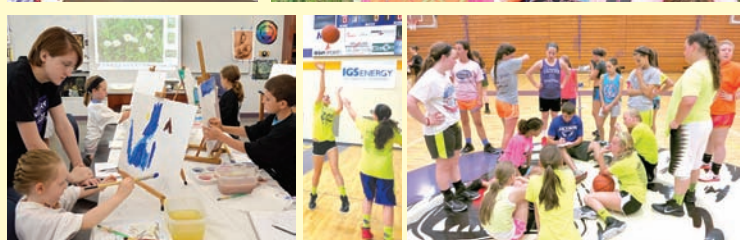
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Summer Camps

Here are just a few of the many activities that take place at school over summer break. ISA Dance/Physical Education Camp, ISA Musical Theatre Camp, Art Camp, Basketball Camp and summer gym.



High School

JHS students build training device for JTFD

Whether called to a private residence or a business, an initial concern for all firefighters is how to gain entry. When faced with a locked door, forcible entry techniques have to be employed. Firefighter/Paramedic Shawn Parsell came up with a training prop idea and asked the JHS Building Trades class to build it. Senior students Rachael Bare, Joey Boord, Tristan Bunnell, Rachel Chapman, Chandra Letcavits, Seth Reed and Jared Yoder accepted the challenge and recently presented the JTFD with the first generation forcible entry prop.

After sharing the training vision for the device, Firefighter Parsell instructed the class on forcible entry best practices and then gave the students a chance to test their prop.

“It took some time, but the students were soon able to perform entry techniques like professionals,” said Deputy Chief Tim Berczik.”

“The Jackson Township Fire Department cannot thank the students and their teacher, Brian Clevenger, enough for the hard work that was put into this project,” said Chief Tracy Hogue.

“It was a great to be asked to partner with the Fire Department,” said Building Trades teacher Brian Clevenger. “It showed the students that we are a viable resource in the community. The project not only saved the township money but also gave students an opportunity to use the skills they are learning; a true win-win for everyone.”



JHS junior Jonah Smith tests his forcible entry skill with Firefighter Shawn Parsell.

Students support WAGS 4 Warriors, fund second dog

The Community Matters Club at JHS, under the advisorship of teachers Andy Benson, John Durkin and Christine McKay, have raised the funds necessary to provide a second companion dog for a disabled veteran through the Wags 4 Warriors (W4W) program. To raise funds, the students sold t-shirts and their very popular home-made dog biscuits. They also enlisted others students in the district to help (JMMS 8th graders, FUSE, FACES and Interact Club).

W4W is a non-profit based in Northeast Ohio, cofounded by Frank DeLorenzo (Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran) and his wife Jen, to help service men and women affected by their combat experience. They seek appropriate dogs from rescue organizations then train the dogs to aid veterans suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). These



Community Matters Club members with advisor Christine McKay, WAGS founder Frank DeLorenzo, veteran Jason Arnold and their dogs Demon and Sophie who was rescued one week before her scheduled euthanasia.

dogs are helping vets remember to take medications, awaken them from nightmares and flashbacks, turning house lights on and checking the home before the vet enters, and generally tamping down the hypervigilant symptoms associated with PTSD.

“Dogs are the purest medication you can take for PTSD,” said Mr. DeLorenzo who started WAGS after his personal recovery. A local dog trainer helped him at no cost and he wanted to pay it forward. It takes approximately \$4,000

to prep a dog and vet to work together harmoniously, and no vet in the WAGS program is ever charged. The funds come from people like our hard-working, community-minded students.

WAGS has helped 270 vets in the past four years. Jason Arnold is one of them. He told our students that after having been to Iraq twice, and now suffering from PTSD, he would not “ever” have left his house if it weren’t for the WAGS program and his faithful dog, Demon.

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Seniors spend a day serving our community

Shrub beds are weeded and mulched, windows are washed, porches are painted, garages are cleaned, and odd jobs are done at 53 public and private locations throughout Jackson Township. Over 300 JHS seniors gave four hours of service to the community that gave them a great education. They pulled barrels of weeds, spread truckloads of mulch, sang to senior citizens, worked with young children, walked and bathed dogs, and helped ready the Jackson Branch Library for its summer reading program. They

assembled flags for the Field of Heroes and gridded the field where the flags flew over Memorial Day weekend. In all, they toiled at 12 churches, the Recycling Station, Jackson Parks, the Safety Center, Township Hall, the Humane Society, the Jackson Center one-room school, rest homes, all Jackson school buildings, and the private residences of 18 senior citizens. When the work was done, the properly-tired-but-satisfied students swapped stories of their service adventures at a picnic in Jackson's North Park.



Hort beautifies our community

During the annual spring plant sale, JHS Horticulture sold nearly 20,000 plants, which included hanging baskets, combo pots, herbs, vegetables, and annual bedding plants.

All plants were grown by our students, using multiple methods, such as propagating from cuttings and divisions, germinating from seeds, and nurturing patented plants that are protected by law and come to the class from a licensed grower. Only a few are purchased wholesale to expose the students to a greater variety of plants.

All proceeds go back into the program and the community to help pay for Future Farmers of America membership fees, contests fees and materials to enhance learning, such as new plants, hardscapes, equipment, and goods to beautify the school grounds.



The Jackson Wall of Fame is located inside Jackson High School.

It is a wall of plaques bearing the outstanding achievements of JHS alumni.

Nominate a distinguished alum to the Wall of Fame

The JHS Alumni Association holds an annual celebration for graduates who have distinguished themselves in one or more of the following areas: athletics, community contributions, professional accomplishments, political leadership, humanitarian contributions, or education.

Nominee must be a five-year graduate.

For a nomination form, email Paula Blanger at pmb1jc@jackson.sparcc.org

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JMMS students raise funds for 19 non-profits

“Never doubt that a few caring people can change the world, for indeed, that’s all who ever have,” said JMMS English teacher, Holly Bantum, paraphrasing Margaret Mead to a gymnasium full of students, parents, teachers and representatives from 19 local non profit organizations.

After a year-long fund raising effort, JMMS students raised enough money to award each of their 19 charities a check for \$930 in an assembly held at the end of the school year. The students held walk-a-thons, candy drives, garage sales, video game tournaments, a Staying-Up-All-Night for Charity event, recycled aluminum cans, went Christmas caroling for profit, and even created a human sundae to raise funds for

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”—Margaret Mead

and awareness of their 19 organizations.

They also donated money from their personal fund raising efforts such as raking leaves, removing snow, making and selling t-shirts, and even writing poetry books and selling them for a profit.

In addition, the students volunteered at the non-profits all year and gathered needed items for them, including 13 tons of food for the Akron Canton Food Bank.

In all, **537** JMMS students raised over **\$18,000** in cash, donated another **\$10,000** in materials, and contributed **1,000** hours of volunteering service.



The Nineteen

Lion’s Club, Habitat for Humanity, Humane Society, Hammer and Nails, Akron Zoo, Wishes Can Happen, Wags for Warriors, Pathway, GRIN, Meals on Wheels, American Cancer Society, Pegasus Farm, Salvation Army, Goodwill, Recycle Center, United Way, Canton Calvary Mission, Stark County Historical Society, and Akron Canton Food Bank.

SING IT LOUD, SING IT PROUD JMMS choir students had a phenomenal day at Solo and Ensemble in mid April. Of the students’ 26 events, 25 received superior ratings, and one event was rated excellent. “The kids knocked it out of the park,” said JMMS choir director Jennifer Vaughn. “Scott Eversdyke (JHS choir director) and I were fortunate to be able to spend the day with these fine young musicians.”

Jackson Seeks Substitute Custodians

Substitute custodians work on an as-needed basis, assisting the head custodian with cleaning and maintenance of buildings and grounds. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent. Experience in industrial cleaning is desired but not necessary. Must pass a BCI/FBI background check. \$10 per hour.

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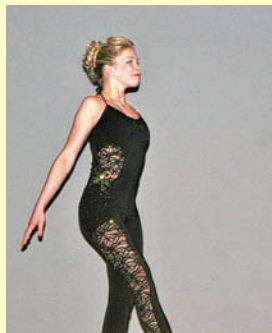
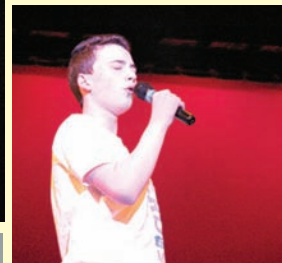
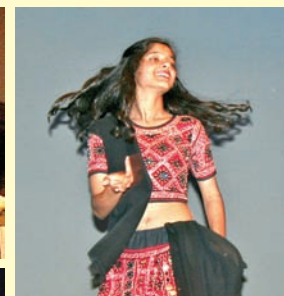
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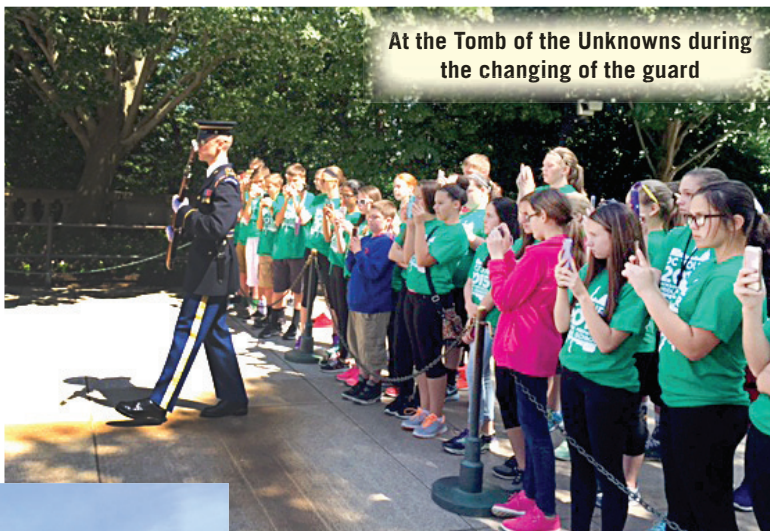
JMMS Talent Show



JMMS seventh graders visit the nation's capital



At the FDR Memorial



At the Tomb of the Unknowns during the changing of the guard



At the Marine Memorial



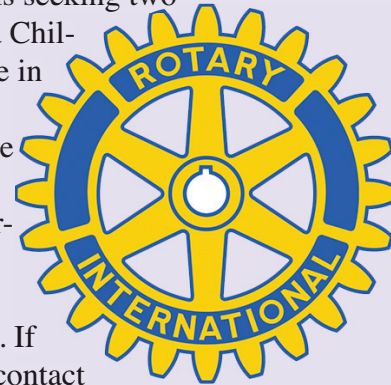
Jennifer Medley and Amanda Gray point out the name of Jackson grad Terry Welty on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall.



Jake Ryan pointing out Jackson grad Robert Ater on the Vietnam Memorial.



Hannah Edwards pointing out Jackson grad Richard Taylor.



This fall... HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM CHILE

The Jackson Rotary Club is seeking two or more host families for a Chilean student who will arrive in August, before the start of the next school. It is a three to four-month hosting commitment and a wonderful cultural opportunity for families who will have a student(s) attending JHS. If you are interested, please contact Aletha Carver at (330) 614-1367 or acarver@kwgd.com.

JMMS student receives prestigious Turpin Award

Isaiah Roberts, a JMMS 7th grader at was recognized as a Judge Ira G. Turpin Scholar. Isaiah was nominated by his school counselor, Debra Thomas, who said, "He strives to do well personally, academically, athletically, and socially. He is a great role model and he makes me very proud."

At a recognition banquet in May, Judge David Stucki presented Isaiah with a certificate, a medal, a Kindle and a chocolate gavel.

Isaiah is pictured with Ira Turpin, Jr. and his parents Jason Roberts and Dawn Thompson.



Jackson girls are top two in Canton Idol contest



Mary Grace Bentivegna

In April, 33 area vocalists from ages eight to 63 took the stage at Timken High School's auditorium for the Canton Idol finals show, and two Jackson students won first and second place in the age 11 to 13 category. Mary Grace Bentivegna won first place singing *Popular* from the Broadway show, *Wicked* and Grace Salvatore won second place for her performance of Bobbi Darrin's *Beyond the Sea*.



Grace Salvatore

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2015-16 School Calendar

August

- 12 Gr 6/New Student Orientation, 6-8:00 pm
- 12 Gr 9/New Student Orientation A-L, 7-8:00 pm
- 13 Gr 9/New Student Orientation M-Z, 7-8:00 pm
- 17 Open House - All Elementaries, 4:30-6:30 pm
- 18 1st Day for Students (K-12)
- 25 Open House - JMMS, Last Name A-M, 6:00-7:00 pm
Last Name N-Z, 7:00-8:00 pm
- 26 Open House - High School, 6:30-8:30 pm

September

- 4 Teacher In-Service - No School (K-12)
- 7 Labor Day - No School (K-12)

October

- 9 Teacher In-Service - No School (K-12)
- 12 Columbus Day - No School (K-12)
- 13 Parent Conferences (K-5) 4:00-8:00 pm
- 13 Parent Conferences (Gr 6-12) 4:30-7:30 pm
- 15 Parent Conferences (K-5) 4:00-8:00 pm
- 16 **End of 1st Marking Period - 40 Days**
- 21 Parent Conferences (K-5) 4:00-8:00 pm
- 21 Parent Conferences (Gr 6-12) 4:30-7:30 pm

November

- 25 Thanksgiving Break Begins

December

- 1 Classes Resume
- 18 **End of 2nd Marking Period - 41 Days**
- 21 Winter Break Begins

January

- 4 Classes Resume
- 15 Teacher In-Service - No School (K-12)
- 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School (K-12)

February

- 10 Parent Conferences (K-12) 4:30-7:30 pm
- 12 Teacher In-Service - No School (K-12)
- 15 Presidents' Day - No School (K-12)
- 18 Parent Conferences (K-12) 4:30-7:30 pm

March

- 18 **End of 3rd Marking Period - 51 Days**
- 21 Spring Break Begins
- 28 Classes Resume

April

May

- 25 Last Day for Students & Staff
- 25 **End of 4th Marking Period - 43 Days**

Academic Awards and Scholarships

SAIL Scholarships (Students Assisting with Instruction in Life Skills)

Colin Ihrig & Haley Nelson

J.M.E.A. Scholarships

Annie Dehnke & Austin Young

Math Club Scholarships

William Davila, Jonathan Li & Lauren Vaccaro

Evelyn Stark Scholarship

Jacelyn Litman

Jackson School for the Arts Scholarships

Julia Fleiner, Kate Hatcher, Kaitlin Kulich, Mackenzie Peterson & Kevin Walters

Benson Family Memorial Scholarship

Triston Falcone

Michael Jay Danner Memorial Scholarships

Diana Ciocan, Charlotte Clevenger, Megan Ludwig, Jared McCully, Briana Oliver, Seth Reed, Madison Shoff & Nicole Tank

Stephen Fenstemaker II Memorial Scholarship

Austin Young

Lucas Marcelli Wrestling Scholarship

Justyn Bostic

Anthony Sandy Memorial Scholarship

Samantha Snyder

Stephanie Beoglos Bartuseck Memorial Scholarships

Kaitlyn Kulich & Briana Oliver

Jackson Township Rotary Club Rick Rodak Scholarships

Madison Shoff, Julia Spizzichini & Kristin Woodard

Jackson High School Alumni Scholarships

Katelyn Baker, Audrey Funk & William Kanter

Aultcare Team Spirit Award

Zachary Zablo

Lloyd Seifer Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #206 Scholarships

Emma Irwin & Nathan Mast

Unity in the Community Scholarships

Claudia Benincasa & Katelyn Baker

Dr. Gregg and Kristine Elefterin Scholarship

Kevin Walters

Drs. Morgan, Bernard & Associates Scholarship

Madison Shoff

Danner Dental Scholarship

Jonathan Markle

North Canton Ministerial Association Scholarship

Adam Brokaw

The Young Artist Awards

Emily Cao, Katherine Hatcher, Kristin Piciacchia & Nicole Tank

National Art Honors Society Scholarships

Nicole Tank

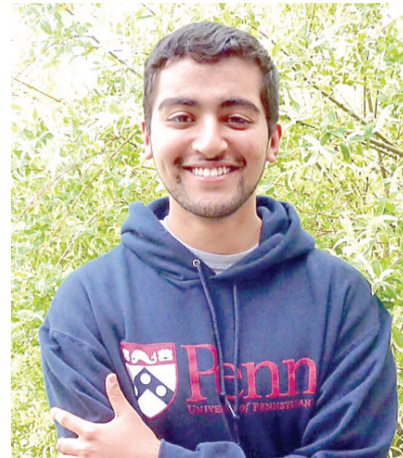


Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica Scholarships

Victoria Belden, Diana Ciocan, William Davila, Jillian Eckroate, Teresa Hill, Ross Klauer, Alexandra Metzger, Matthew Reed & Saurabh Vasil

Student Council Scholarships

Claudia Benincasa, Elise Johnson, Madison Shoff, Lauren Vaccaro & Zachary Zablo



National Honor Society Scholarship Winner

JHS senior Saurabh Vasil is the recipient of a \$1,000 National Honor Society (NHS) scholarship. He is among this year's top 200 NHS members nationwide to receive the award. Saurabh was selected on the basis of his leadership skills, academics, character and community service. He will attend the University of Pennsylvania to study Computer Science and Economics.

Band Scholarship

Jared Crum

Band Booster Scholarships

Justin Long, Jonathan Markle & Alex Starkey

Tom Holliday Scholarship

Zayna Dayeh

Bruce Shelley Scholarship

Melanie Stoll

Belden Village Kiwanis Scholarship

Jillian Eckroate & Jonathan Markle

Dr. Dean LeBeau Memorial Scholarship

Nicole Tank

W. Dale Haverstock Memorial Scholarship

Briana Oliver

William R. Thackwell, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

Evan Streator

Scott Santschi Memorial Scholarship

Jared McCully

Aultman Blood Center Scholarships

Joel Absalom, Alexis Hrabovsky, Sam Kinney & Hailey Richardson

Jackson Township Lions Club Scholarships

Adam Brokaw, Kerrie Perez & Samantha Snyder

Stephen Bowers Memorial Scholarship

Mackenzie Peterson

Larry Pritz Memorial Scholarship

Audrey Funk

Anne Gleason Barbin Scholarship

Jonathan Markle

Freshman Mentor Scholarships

Andrew Dascenzo, Audrey Funk, Haleigh Guerra & Sydney Welch

National Honors Society Scholarships

Diana Ciocan & Saurabh Vasil

Lois L. Baxter Scholarship

Kerrie Perez

Andy Steve & Harold Montgomery Citizenship Awards

Mark Dickerhoof & Mackenzie Peterson

Army ROTC Scholarship

Jared McCully

Naval Academy Appointment

Jonathan Heropoulos

West Point Academy Appointment

Tyrus Jones



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Jackson High School Cross Country Scholarships

Tyrus Jones, Nick Karageorge, Matthew Reed, Jared Fehlman, Brett Miller, Kaitlin Kulich, Nicole Tank, Alyson Wickemeyer & Audrey Funk

Jackson Girls Soccer Booster Club Scholarships

Hannah Angelo, Mariel Augustine, Devin Bossart, Elise Johnson & Lauren Vaccaro

Jeff Bates Memorial Scholarship

Ross Klauer

Joseph B. Armogida Inspirational Scholarship

Qynton Peterson

Akron Beacon Journal Scholar Athlete Nominees

Mark Dickerhoof & Alexandra Metzger

Akron Beacon Journal Scholar Athletes Honorable Mention Nominees

Kiersten Bair, Sutton Dana, Robert Dysart, Jared Fehlman, Jared Fitzpatrick, Audrey Funk, Olivia Funk, Tyrus Jones, Matt Kelly, Jacelyn Litman, Brett Miller, Kerrie Perez, Matthew Reed, Anthony Sisson, Evan Snow, Ricky Spradling, Eric Warne, Alyson Wickemeyer, Zachary Zablo

Mike Bessler Memorial Scholarship

Blake Ware

Hat Trick Award

Rieley Nelson, Eric Warne & Robert Warne

Jackson Youth Basketball Association Scholarships and Awards

Tyler Dunn, Nick Miller & Blake Ware

Phil Byham Scholarship

Noah Dehnke

Jackson Sideliners Scholarships

Alex Benson, Austin Young, Tyler Deagan & Anna Alkire

Federal League Leadership Student Athletes

Rachel Bender, Abby Duffy, Tyler Dunn, Matt Kelly

Heck Scholarship

Michael Ross

Mama Bears Scholarships

Matthew Kelly, Michael Ross, Nicholas Storey & Austin Young

Laura Byham Memorial Scholarship

Zachary John

Jackson Girls Softball League Awards

Kendra Frazee, Valer Maccioli, Hannah Osburn, Allison Spicer, Nicole Tank & Kayla Tyler

Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Awards

Anna Alkire & Tyler Dunn

OHSAA Courageous Student Award

Kaitlyn Kulich

OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award

Mark Dickerhoof & Alexandra Metzger

OHSAA Scholar Athlete Nominees

Emily Cao, Mark Dickerhoof, Tessa Hill

National Federation of High Schools Award of Excellence

Emily Cao & Tyrus Jones

Mike Bessler Memorial Scholarship

Blake Ware

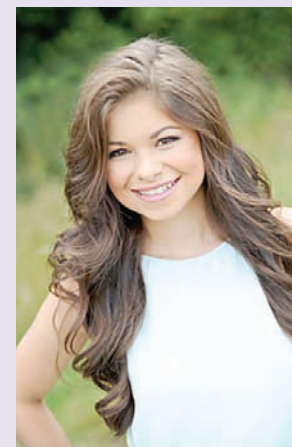
Federal League Sam DiBlasi Commissioner's Award Nominees

Tessa Hill & Ross Klauer

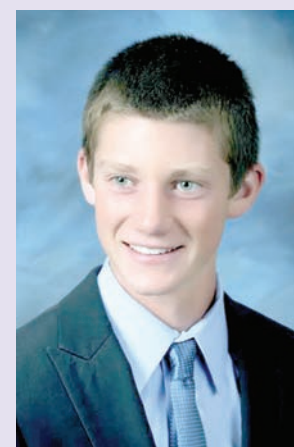
Federal League All-Academic

Mariel Augustine, Kiersten Bair, Daniel Basch, Julia Brooks, Emily Cao, William Davila, Mark Dickerhoof, Abigail Duffy, Erin Duncan, Robert Dysart, Jared Fehlman, Jared Fitzpatrick, Audrey Funk, John Heropoulos, Taylor Heston, Teressa Hill, Elizabeth Howie, Elise Johnson, Tyrus Jones, Ross Klauer, Kaitlin Kulich, Traci Langenderfer, Jonathan Markle, Alexandra Metzger, Brett Miller, Nicholas Miller, Rieley Nelson, Cindy Pan, Kerrie Perez, Kristin Piciacchia, Kesley, Putman, Matthew Reed, Michael Ross, Shannon Sellari, Anthony Sisson, Laurel Smith, Stephanie Spencer, Dana Sutton, Nicole Tank, Caleb Ternent, Lauren Vaccaro, Eric Warne, Clayton Weatherbee, Tyler Weber, Sydney Welch, Alyson Wickemeyer, Kristin Woodard, Vincent Yacono, Zachary Zablo, Olivia Zanolli

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Victoria Belden



Mark Dickerhoof

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This figure reflects a total that was voluntarily reported by students.



Full Ride

Kristin Piciacchia accepts a full tuition scholarship worth \$124,000 from Seton Hill University.

National Merit Scholarship Winner

Robert Dysart

Finalists: Robert Dysart, Jillian Eckroate, Jonathan Li

Commended Students: Emily Cao, John Heropoulos, Jonathan Markle, Matthew Reed, Dana Sutton, Saurabh Vasil and Kristin Woodard

Academic Booster Club

The JHS Academic Booster Club (ABC), under the leadership of the group's president, Sandi Werbeck, awarded three scholarships, based on academics and community service. Recipients were Jacelyn Litman (\$1,000), Jonathan Beels (\$100) and Reagan Wolfe (\$50).

The mission of the ABC is to offer students small gifts of encouragement if they have completed a minimum of eight hours of community service during the previous nine-week grading period and have earned a minimum 3.0 GPA or have increased their GPA by .5 or more.



Jonathan Beels and Reagan Wolfe



Jacelyn Litman with Sandi Werbeck, ABC president

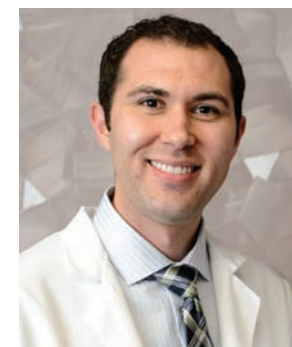


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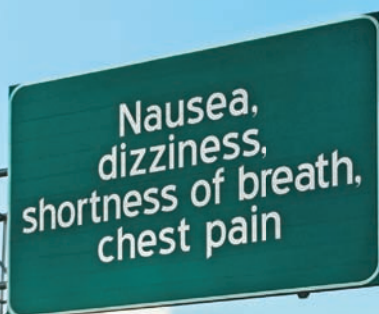
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Happy Mother's Day

Tammy Mundy's Amherst kindergarten class thanks Mr. Dria and the JHS horticulture class for supplying the beautiful Marigolds that the children replanted into the pots they hand-decorated for Mother's Day gifts.

Slice of Thunder Cake chases storms of fear

Second graders can be afraid of thunderstorms. Mrs. Able's second grade class at Amherst learned a way to laugh at the voice of thunder when they read the story Thunder Cake by Patricia Polacco. It is the true story of how the author conquered her childhood fear of Michigan thunderstorms with help from her grandmother. Grandma encourages the young Patricia to ignore an approaching storm by wandering, with her, outside to gather the ingredients for Thunder Cake while counting off seconds to measure the storm's distance from them. With the cake in the oven, grandma recounts the day's events, convincing Patricia that only a brave girl would leave her hiding spot under the bed to collect the ingredients (eggs from the chicken coop, milk from the cow, tomatoes from the garden). That's right, there are tomatoes in this chocolate dessert. Amherst students were treated to a slice of the cake baked by chef-mom, Denise McDaniel.



Mrs. McDaniel with her daughter Ellen

Amherst students have heart and do their part



Amherst third graders were, again, change bandits for the Have a Heart, Do Your Part campaign to aid Akron Children's Hospital. Students brought in their spare change, dollars and checks to help the cause. The third graders counted, rolled and totaled all of the money. After just one week, Amherst raised \$2200.26. The school even earned a pajama day for bringing in over \$900 in one day. Mrs. Mundy's class raised the most, bringing in \$326. 01. Second place was Mr. Rydquist's class bringing in \$186.73. Both classes were rewarded with a donuts and juice party. Over the last nine years, Amherst has donated \$24,449.58 to this cause.

Register for Kindergarten

See details on the back page of this Polar Bear Pride.

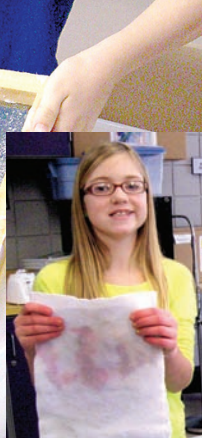
Roses beautify Lake Cable school yard

The 5th grade Student Council at Lake Cable donated and planted 10 Knockout Rose bushes on the school grounds. The children purchased the plants with money raised by their Easter basket raffle and by selling suckers on Fridays throughout the year. They also gave a water bottle and Popsicle to each Lake Cable student during field day activities at the end of the year.



Cable kids make paper, imitate da Vince genius

PTO again sponsored Art Week for Lake Cable students who created handmade paper, using a deckle and pulp. To add interest, they included skeleton leaves or flowers in their paper. The artist of interest was Leonardo da Vinci and his sketchbooks. Students were shown examples of his many sketches and designs as they discussed his art and inventions. The handmade paper became the cover of each student's sketchbook/journal. They were encouraged to imitate da Vince by filling their sketchbooks with genius ideas of their own.



Dr. Seuss and fluffy dogs enhance literacy at Lake Cable



Jackson seeks to serve children with disabilities

Within the intent of the federal statutes (Rehabilitation Act of 1973-section 504 and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act IDEA-public law 105-17), the Jackson Local School District continues its effort to locate and identify children with disabilities from birth through age 21. Children with disabilities have physical, emotional, and or mental impairments that may require special education. Public schools provide free and appropriate education regardless of a child's disability. However, before these children can be served, they must be found. Many of these children are not visible because they may not function in the community's mainstream, and many are preschoolers. Parents may not realize that programs and services are available through their school district or from agencies in their community. If you are aware of a child who may need a special education program or services, contact the principal of the school the child attends or would likely attend upon reaching school age.

Jackson seeks federal grants for special education

The Jackson Local School District is eligible to submit two applications to the Ohio Department of Education for federal grants to maintain and improve special education programs and services in the Jackson Local Schools: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) (Public Law 105-17) and Education of the Handicapped Act, Preschool Grant Program (Public Law 99-457). Residents within the Jackson Local School District may inquire and make program and service recommendations regarding the grant applications. For information, contact Kathy Brand, Director of Special Programs at 830-8006.



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Students learn about life by creating a mini society

Mrs. Summer Fritz and Mr. Bret Blackstock's Sauder fifth graders learned about entrepreneurship, economics, government, and ethics by establishing their own society, which they named Subukakah. They printed their own money, which they called Noskcaj, and opened their own businesses, using only five real dollars to purchase materials for the product they would sell on Market Day to parents, teachers and each other. To create the society, students applied for civil positions, such as money cutter, paymaster, treasurer, flag raiser, or temporary help. For the duration of the six-week project, students could earn up to \$7 Noskcaj a day. With their Noskcaj (and \$5 in real cash), they had to procure the materials needed to build their product, create advertisements and purchase advertising space, write a business plan and apply for a business license. Parents could act as business consultants, providing advice, encouragement, marketing ideas, problem solving, or transportation, but the student had to pay the parent a salary in either Noskcaj or personal services.

Students learned about: supply and demand, scarcity, goods and services, producers and consumers, allocation strategies, profit, inflation, interest, imports and exports, taxes, advertising, marketing, investing and taxes.

Brian Bailey, owner of Old Carolina Barbecue, talked with the students about entrepreneurship. Many local



businesses donated gift cards, coupons and free pizza to the society: Papa Bears, Family Video, Ianazones Pizza, Dominos Pizza, Sluggers and Putters, Laser Quest, Sky Max, Akron RubberDucks, Akron Racers, Rolling Greens Mini Golf, Old Carolina Barbecue, Baja Pizza Fish, Smoke, Park Centre Lanes,

First graders receive bike safety talk and helmet from Aultman



For more than a decade, representatives from Aultman Hospital have visited Jackson first graders to encourage bicycle safety through their *Safety First* program. The Aultman representatives teach students the rules of the road and give them a sports helmet to take home. Pictured here with Mrs. McConnell's students are Kathy Zimmer, Aultman Hospital's Associate Vice President of Clinical Informatics and Mark Wright, CFO of Aultman Health Foundation.



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0 Day at Strausser

Ohio Teams Day at Strausser Elementary found many students dressed in red, a color second only to purple!

We're at the top of the food chain



Strausser fifth grades students researched food chains and webs during technology class. Using their research, they created three-dimensional models of the food chains and webs they discovered.



WHAT BUS WILL I RIDE?

The Jackson Local School District Transportation Department will communicate the coming school year's bus stop information online, beginning in August.

Transportation letters will no longer be sent through the mail.

In an effort to be more efficient and to increase the security of student information, the district will give parents and guardians access to a computer program called E-Link that will be available on the transportation page of the school Web site at <http://jackson.stark.k12.oh.us>. Individuals will have a secure login and password to access their child's most current information directly from our routing software. Final bus routing information for 2015-2016 will be available in August. Look for additional information through our Web site, Facebook and newsletters.

Strausser students jump rope for healthy hearts



Strausser students improved their heart health by participating in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope For Heart, raising \$8,150.82 to help those with sick hearts.



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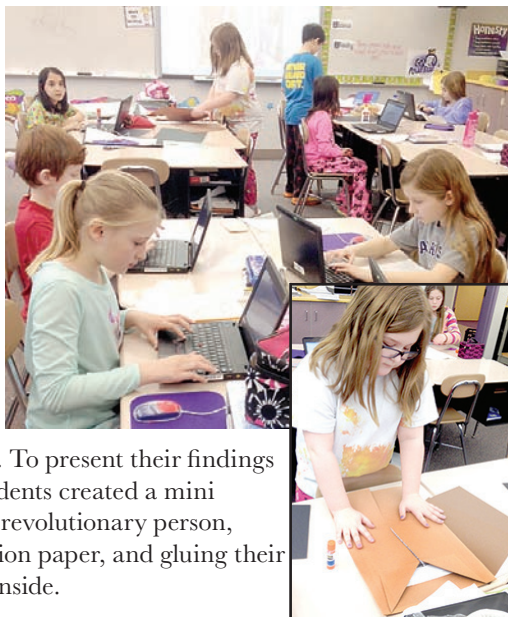


Connect the Arts creates 9,000 projects this year

Guest art teacher, Bridget Williams, teaches the principals of form, color, space, line and contrast as students build a pencil holder. Through this year's Connect the Arts program, Jackson elementary students produced nearly than 9,000 pieces of art that directly related to the literature they were studying.

Revolutionary Researchers

After studying the Revolutionary War, Miss Reber and Mrs. Crewse's fourth grade language arts students spent a week researching a famous person whom they believed was a revolutionary. To present their findings to the class, students created a mini version of their revolutionary person, using construction paper, and gluing their written report inside.



Runners are miles ahead

These 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade Strausser students regularly came to school early to be part of the Running Club. They walked, jogged and ran to improve their fitness, logging a combined 4,000 miles.

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ATHLETICS



Sam Kinney signed a national letter of intent to continue his swimming career at Clarion University. He was a two-time state qualifier during his career at Jackson, and he earned All Ohio accolades three times. Sam finished his career ranked 4th in school history in the 100 Freestyle, 5th all time in the 200 Freestyle, and 2nd all time in the 200 and 400 Freestyle Relays. He was also a team captain his senior year, and led his team to two consecutive Federal League and Sectional Championships.

Pictured with Sam are his parents Tom and Ann, his siblings Gigi and Ted and Coach Matt Ziders.



Madison Shoff signed a letter of intent with the Glenville State College Pioneers in West Virginia to compete on their 2016 Inaugural Competitive Acrobatics and Tumbling Team. Glenville will compete as NCAA Division II. Madison competed in gymnastics for the International Gymnastic Club in Akron as a level 10 in US Gymnastics and for Jackson High School as a High School State Qualifier in All Around in 2014. She is Jackson's first All Around qualifier and highest scorer.

Pictured with Madison are her parents Shad Shoff and Shauna Roach.

Tyler Deagan has signed a National Letter of Intent to play lacrosse for powerhouse Dowling College in Long Island, NY, where he will study to become a commercial pilot.

A multi-sport standout for the Jackson Polar Bears, the 6'2" 220 lb. Deagan earned varsity letters in three sports. He is a 3-year letter winner in both football and lacrosse and was captain of both the football and lacrosse teams. He is a three-year starter on the lacrosse team, and was voted to the All-Region Team twice. He is a two-year starter on the football team, and earned All-Federal League honors.

Tyler received eight athletic scholarship offers for football and two for lacrosse. "I like football a lot, but I love lacrosse," he said. "Dowling is a unique opportunity for me. Long Island is a lacrosse Mecca, and Dowling won the National Championship for D2 in 2012 and is consistently a top-level team. I want to play in games that matter. In addition to that, having a commercial pilot license in NYC provides endless opportunities for my career."

Dowling Head Lacrosse Coach Tim Boyle said, "I knew immediately that I wanted him on our team. His size, aggressiveness, speed, and knowledge of the game was very impressive. We are thrilled to bring him on board and look forward to him having a big impact on the program immediately."



Pictured with Sam are his parents John and Sharon, his brother Kevin and JHS Athletic Director Terry Peterson.

2014-2015 Jackson High School Sports Accomplishments
Bears win Federal League All Sports Trophy fourth consecutive year

The overall head to head record of all sports combined was 245 wins, 94 losses and 8 ties for a winning percentage of 72%. The overall Federal League head to head record was 94-35-1 for a 73% winning percentage. The Bears' teams combined for 9 Federal League championships, had

SCHOOL	FALL SPORTS	WINTER SPORTS	SPRING SPORTS	POINTS TO DATE	CURRENT STANDING
JACKSON	46.0	36.5	20.5	103.0	*1*
GLENOAK	41.0	26.0	26.5	93.5	2
HOOVER	35.0	28.0	20.5	83.5	3
LAKE	33.0	21.5	18.5	73.0	4
PERRY	25.5	24.5	10.0	60.0	5
MCKINLEY	11.5	17.5	14.0	43.0	6

14 of their teams reach regional play, had 4 teams place at state level competition, including three state runner-up finishes. The Bears won the Federal League All-Sports Trophy for the the fourth consecutive year, accumulating 103 points to outscore second place GlenOak by 9½ points.

Class of 2015 shines on the field and in the classroom

Over their four years, the class of 2015 has been part of these accomplishments:

- a 2014 baseball state championship
- 3 state runner-up finishes in girls' golf, as well as a 3rd place finish
- 2 state runner-up finishes in volleyball and a current Federal League winning streak of 50 consecutive matches
- a boys tennis team which finished state runner-up and 4th in the state
- a girls' lacrosse team which reached the state semi-finals twice
- a girls' swimming team which finished both 7th and 13th in the state
- a girls' bowling team which

- finished both 8th and 9th in the state
- a girls' cross country team which finished 10th in the state
- a boys' cross country team which finished 14th in the state
- 3 boys' and girls' soccer teams that have each won 3 Federal League and 4 District championships.

Class of 2015 wins All-Sport Trophy all four years

This all-sport statistic shows the overall dominance of these senior athletes over their four year high school career. Winning the Federal League All-Sport Trophy for four consecutive years is a feat that was accomplished at Jackson only one other time in the history of the Federal League since its inception in 1968.

Scholar Athletes

In addition to being great athletes, most of these students perform well in the classroom. Jackson had 50 student-athletes named to the Federal League All Academic Team. These senior athletes participated in at least one Federal League sponsored sport this year and maintained a 3.8 GPA throughout their high school career.

Look at these stats

The 4-year overall combined record of these senior athletes is 981 wins, 326 losses and 25 ties for a winning percentage of 76%, and for the most part, playing against some of the best schools in the state of Ohio.

2015 Jackson High School Spring Sports Accomplishments

BASEBALL

Coach Bill Gamble's baseball team finished the season with a 23-7 overall record and an 8-2 League record. They were Sectional champions, District Champions, and the Regional runners-up. The Bears won the Federal League title for the 2nd consecutive year and finished the season with a 27-5 record and 10-2 in the Federal League. Senior pitcher Brent Solinger, junior infielder Sam Miller and junior outfielder Nate Cobb were first-team All Federal League selections. Solinger was named Federal League Co-Athlete of the Year and Coach Bill Gamble was named the Federal League Coach of the Year.

captured the Federal League tournament title, giving the Bears the overall Federal League title for the third consecutive year. The Bears were Regional champions and finished as State Runners-up



to Cincinnati Sycamore. All 7 members of the team were First Team All Federal League selections which included; senior Mark Dickerhoof, juniors Joey Thomas, Jake Zalenski, Anthony Kanam, Wesley Piekarski, Mitch Sloan, and freshman Danny Thomas. Joey Thomas was the Federal League Player of the Year for the third consecutive year and won the Division 1 Singles state championship. Zalenski and Kanam finished 4th in the State doubles tournament and Dickerhoof and Piekarski qualified for the state tournament. Thomas, Zalenski and Kanam were all first team All-Ohio selections. Coach Thomas was named the League's Coach of the Year.

SOFTBALL

The softball team, under third-year coach Jackie Pitzo, finished with a 17-11 overall record and 4-6 in the Federal League. Senior outfielder Kesley Putman was named to the First Team All-League.

BOYS TENNIS

Louie Thomas' Boys' Tennis Team finished the season with a 19-4 overall record and a perfect 5-0 in the Federal League. They

GIRLS LACROSSE

Girls' Lacrosse, coached by Elizabeth McCormick, had another fantastic season, advancing to the state semi-finals for the second time in the past three years. The Lady Bears finished with a 15-3-1 overall record which included wins over New Albany, Hudson, Hoover, Stow, and Dublin Coffman. Junior Morgan Furbay was a first-team All Ohio selection and senior Jacelyn Litman was named to the 2nd team.

BOYS LACROSSE

The Boys' Lacrosse Team, coached by Hans Rydquist, finished the season with a 10-8 overall record. The Polar Bears had some big wins throughout the regular season, including victories over Medina, Strongsville and Hoover.

GIRLS TRACK

The Girls' Track team, coached by Rick Neitzelt, finished their season with a 3-2 overall and Federal League record.

BOYS TRACK

The Boys' Track Team, led by first-year coach Scott Stayer, finished the season 2-3 overall and 4th place in the Federal League.

Spring athletes honored at banquets

Baseball

Clutch Hitter - Sam Miller

Gold Glove

Jake Pallotta & Dillon Dingler

Most Improved - Jake Kempt

Hershberger Award - Nate Rearick

Joe Herman Coaches' Award

Nate Cobb

Academic Excellence - Andy Baldwin

Sportsmanship Award

Brent Solinger

Girls Track

Distance MVP - Grace Taylor

Sprint/Hurdle MVP - Rachel Bender

Field MVP

Anna Alkire and Abby Duffy

Rookie/Most Improved Distance

Bailey Junker

Rookie/Most Improved Field

Kaitlyn Daiger

Rookie/Most Improved Sprints/

Hurdles - Kim Kotitschke

Coaches' Award

Courtney Nunley, Whitney Mckinney and Emma Dillon

Captains' Awards

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Alan Mcdorman Memorial Award

Madison Rusu

Sportsmanship Award

Laura Bergstrom

Boys Track

Athlete Of The Year - Nate Mallue

Sprint MVP - Sam Hyde

Distance MVP - Jared Fehlman

Field MVP - Zach Arelt

Coaches' Award

Tyrus Jones and Devon Scott

Sprint Most Improved - Ethan Neidert

Distance Most Improved - Brett Miller

Field Most Improved - Ian Harty

Sprint Rookie Of The Year - Nick Dye

Distance Rookie Of The Year

Nick Regas and Patrick Baker

Field Rookie Of The Year

Joe Stambolziowski

Alan Mcdorman Memorial Award

Zach Arelt

Sportsmanship Award

Brandon O 'Neill

Girls Lacrosse

Defensive Player Of The Year

Elizabeth Davide

Offensive Player Of The Year

Jacelyn Litman

Midfield Player Of The Year

Julia Hartnett

MVP - Morgan Furbay

Coaches' Award - Anna Giulitto

Sportsmanship Award

Mackenzie Floyd and Emily Hershberger

Boys Lacrosse

Coaches' Award - Tyler Deagan

Sportsmanship Award - Justin Brady



Cheerleading

Freshman Standout - Katie Wilson

Sophomore Standout

Megan Whitehead

Junior Standout - Courtney Storey

110% Award - Olivia Hauritz

Most Improved - Mackenzie Boyd

Coaches' Award - Kaylor Greer

Leadership Award - Mikayla Aowad

Sportsmanship Award

Alaysha Matronia

Cheerleader Of The Year

Alaysha Matronia

Tennis

Golden Racquet Award

Mark Dickerhoof

Most Improved

Wesley Piekarski and Anthony Kanam

Anchor Award

Joey Thomas, Jake Zalenski and Anthony Kanam

MVP - Joey Thomas

Sportsmanship Award

Mark Dickerhoof

Softball

Offensive Mvp - Kesley Putman

Defensive Mvp - Kesley Putman

Polar Bear Award

Abbey Dulik and Natalie Meek

ESPN Highlight Award

Jenna Shatrigh

Sportsmanship Award - Kerrie Perez

Eagle Scout



JHS senior, Eric C. Warne, has earned the Eagle Scout Award. A member of Troop 927 at Lake Cable Recreation Association, Eric is the troop's 100th Eagle Scout since it was chartered in 1952. To receive the Eagle Award, a scout must earn 21 merit badges and complete a community service project. Eric installed hardwood flooring, two shower units and splatter paint walls in the recreation room of Canton's Hammer & Nails volunteer retreat center.

Throughout his scouting career, Eric held many troop leadership positions. He has been Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, Chaplain's Aide and OA Representative. Eric earned his 5th year Pipestone from Seven Ranges Scout Camp and a 3rd year Polar Bear Award. He is a Brotherhood member of Sippo Lodge, Order of the Arrow. Outside of Boy Scouts, Eric is a three-year letterman in varsity soccer, a member of National Honor Society, a soccer referee, and participated in various school clubs and activities. He is the son of Michael and Susan Warne.

JHS students win top awards on National Spanish Exam

Of the 196 Jackson students who chose to take the National Spanish Examination (NSE), 69 received achieved honorable mention. Nine received gold medals, 15 received silver, and 30 received bronze. The NSE is voluntarily given by teachers and voluntarily taken by students. Its mission is to recognize student achievement and promote Spanish language proficiency.

"Attaining a medal or honorable mention is very prestigious," said NSE Director Kevin Cessna-Buscemi, "because the exams are the largest of their kind in the U.S. with over 154,000 students participating in 2015."

Gold Medal winners (95th percentile and higher)

- Level 3: Bridget Washington (3rd place region)
- Level 4: Marisa Dinko, Kevin, Niu, Allison Parshall, Simran Vaidya, Mitchell Walker (2nd place region)
- Level 5: Diana Ciocan, Robert Dysart (2nd place region), Sofia Villegas (1st place region bilingual category)

Silver Medal winners (85th - 94th percentile)

- Level 2: Jake Humbert, Joana Kyle
- Level 3: Nicholas Regas, Danielle Veigel, Hayden Zelle, Andrew Zittel
- Level 4: Alexander Belardo, Carley Cestary, Jordan Floyd, Kajal Parbhoo, Sameed Pervaiz
- Level 5: Jillian Eckroate, Teressa Hill, Ross Klauer, Morgan Kyle

Bronze Medal winners (75th - 84th percentile)

- Level 2: Gabrielle Bachtel, Maddison Oakes
- Level 3: Matthew Cope, Noah Charlick, Katherine Grabowsky, Alec Haines, Cecilly Kelleher, Emory Loescher, Amanda Maxim, Abigaile Morrow, Nadia Paonessa, Sarah Rohr, Piper Sereno, Ray Shock, Natalie Streb
- Level 4: Victoria Addis, Margaret Ash, Jaylon Grimes, Julia Hartnett, Benjamin Maas, Priyanka Podugu, David Rozmajzl, Julia Slogar, Emma Sours, Erin Wesner
- Level 5: Audrey Funk, Jad Hamdan, John Heropoulos, Matthew Reed, Saurabh Vasil



GOLD



SILVER



BRONZE

JHS Spanish teacher Parthena Draggett stated, "We proudly recognize our winners as well as those who accepted the challenge of this national assessment. I also thank all Jackson Spanish teachers for their excellent work in the classroom and for giving this exam to raise rigor and challenge students to reach for the stars."

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

To be eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 2015, your child must be 5 on or before Sept. 30.

FOR DETAILS AND FORMS, CLICK THE NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION LINK ON THE HOME PAGE OF THE SCHOOL WEB SITE AT JACKSON.STARK.K12.OH.US

Where to Register:

You can register at your school building **NOW**. Please call for an appointment.

Amherst 330-830-8024	Sauder 330-830-8028	Lake Cable 330-834-4673	Strausser 330-830-8056
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Important Summer Dates:

June 23 - July 29: Register at the Administration Office, 7602 Fulton Dr. NW (DOOR 5N) Registrations accepted from 8-10 AM and 1-3 PM on Tuesday and Wednesday. For inquiries, or to schedule an appointment, call 330-830-8000.

July 30 - Aug. 14: Register, by appointment, at your school building.

Your child does not have to be present for registration.

What to Bring:

- birth certificate
- proof of residence
- custody papers (if applicable)
- child's social security number
- immunization record

First Day of School

August 18



Exceptional Olympians

Jackson sent a team of students to this year's Exceptional Olympics, held at the Perry High School football stadium.

"For students with intellectual disabilities and their families, much of the student's education is focused on what they can't do. Exceptional Olympics is a day where hundreds of students and their families come together to celebrate what they can do. To witness an athlete throw their hands in the air after they've done their best is an awesome thing," said Lisa Parramore, parent and Communications Manager at Stark County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

"The students in my class look forward to Exceptional Olympics every year. It is a time for them to shine. The look on each child's face is one of sheer delight and pride, which brings joy to my heart," said Vera Brunie, JMMS intervention specialist.



Haydan Murphy



Adam Parramore



George Tully



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