Wildcat Community News

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News from Anthony Wayne

Anthony Wayne's Ethiopian Sister School

Anthony Wayne is beginning a sister school program with The Footsteps of Light School in Ethiopia. This is an exciting opportunity brought to Anthony Wayne through Pastor Chuck Wolfinbarger of The Vineyard Community Church.

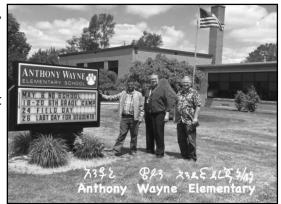
The idea of the sister school program is for schools to exchange information about their identities, cultures, and experiences.

During Anthony Wayne's Career Day, students were lucky enough to be visited by one of the educational leaders from Ethiopia, "Woody," who started The Footsteps of

Light School.

Both Woody

and Pastor Chuck Wolfinbarger shared information about their careers and The Footsteps of Light School, plus information regarding life in Ethiopia.



"Woody," Principal Jim Rhoades, Chuck Wolfinbarger on Career Day. The lettering above shows "Anthony Wayne Elementary" written in Ethiopian.

Career Day at Anthony Wayne

Community members visited AW to share information about careers. Speakers included a librarian, a DARE officer, a military veteran, a teacher/coach, a minister, an IT professional, a member of the dental profession, and a physician's assistant.

Teacher Jill Osleson organized and coordinated this event.

Students were treated to a surprise guest speaker from "The Footsteps of Light School" in Ethiopia (see article above). Students were introduced to what life is like for kids in Ethiopia through an interactive slide show presentation.



Wax museum

Anthony Wayne's 4th graders showcased "Ohio State Greats" at their annual wax museum. Students portrayed



famous people
who were born in
and/or contributed
to the history of
Ohio. The range
of professions represented included

sports figures (Pete Rose, Jesse Owens, Jack Nick-laus, Cy Young), astronauts/aviators (Judith Resnick, Neil Armstrong, Eddie Rickenbacker), entertainers (Doris Day, Drew Carey, Halle Berry, Steven Spielberg), and inventors (Thomas Edison, Orville Wright, Wilbur Wright) to name a few.



AW's Girls on the Run completed a 5K at Paul Brown stadium on May 7. Plus, the girls sang the National Anthem to kick off the event! The girls not only physically trained for this event for 3 months, but also participated in classroom

sessions designed to encourage positive emotional, social, mental, and physical development. The 5K run is a non-competitive, culminating event where the girls learn that anything is possible through hard work and determination. The girls realize this



when they cross the finish line and gain a sense of accomplishment.

News from Hampton Bennett & the ECC

Enrolling your child in school

You may enroll your child in school at the Franklin City Schools Welcome Center Registration Office, 150 E. Sixth St., in the Hampton Bennett Building. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For your convenience, and to minimize waiting time, a parent/guardian must schedule an appointment with the Welcome Center to complete the registration process in person. Contact the Welcome Center via phone at (937) 743-8602 or email at register@franklincityschools.com

In addition to the completed registration packet, the following documents must be provided for enrollment in our district.

- Original birth certificate
- Custody Papers/Court Ordered Placement (if applicable) (Divorce Decree, date stamped and signed by judge/ magistrate). Note: If you are in the process of acquiring custody, you must have documentation from the court confirming legal proceedings have been initiated. There is a 60-day legal completion process for the student to continue enrollment at Franklin City Schools.

- Shot/Immunization records
- Parent/Guardian driver's license
- Proof of residency (rental/lease agreement, settlement statement, land/purchase contract, copy of deed, utility receipt, electricity, or water bill). Items listed are the only items that will be accepted.
- IEP/504/MFE (if applicable)
- Transcript from previous school attended (Grades 9-12 only)
- Social Security Card

When all documents have been verified, you will be directed to contact your child's assigned school building to complete the enrollment process for orientation, scheduling, and transportation. You may also be required to complete additional building forms.

We want to make your child's first day a positive experience; therefore, we need time to prepare for him/her to join our classes. Due to scheduling and transportation, students enrolled may start the day after registration requirements have been met.

Help wanted

Franklin City Schools needs qualified applicants to serve as substitutes in all Classified positions including Transportation, Custodial, and Food Services. For more information on CDL requirements and training to become a bus driver, please contact the Transportation Office at (937) 743-8670.

If you would like to obtain more information on applying to be a substitute in our Custodial or Food Service Departments, please contact the Business Office at (937) 743-8600.

Senior Citizen Activity Passes

Senior citizens (age 62+) living in the Franklin City School district may pick up a pass in the Superintendent's office that will allow them to attend school-sponsored activities, including sporting events and arts performances, at no charge

End of the year fun

Early Childhood Center students ended their year with a visit from some animals including a parrot, snake, and baby kangaroo!

Classes also had the chance to get a taste of summer fun on Field Day, with games, activities, and bouncy houses.

News for incoming Kindergarteners

Letters will be mailed to parents on Fri., Aug. 5 with details about Kindergarten orientation, which will be held the following dates: Thurs., Aug. 18; Fri., Aug. 19; Mon. Aug. 22; and Tues., Aug. 23. The first day for all kindergarteners will be Wed., Aug. 24.

Class lists will be posted on August 16 and there will be a "Meet the Teacher" event on Wed., Aug. 17, 2 to 3 p.m.



News from Schenck

Spring field trips at Schenck

Students always look forward to taking field trips, and

this spring, each grade at Schenck had the opportunity to make learning come alive outside of their classrooms.

- First grade enjoyed a lunch theatre production of *Duck for President* at LaComedia;
- Second grade focused on science and history at Boonshoft Museum of Discovery;
- Third grade met, had a picnic, and became acquainted with their Pennyroyal Pen Pals;
- Fourth grade experienced life as pioneers at the Learning Tree Farm and Miamisburg Mound;
- Fifth grade visited the Montgomery County Environmental Learning Center & Solid Waste Recycling Center;
- Sixth grade enjoyed seeing and tasting the variety of cultural foods from around the world at Jungle Jim's.

Second Grade Business Fair

Miss Masters' and Mrs. Pecor's second grade classes learned about economics through their Business Fair.

Students worked in groups to market a product, advertised by videotaping a commercial and creating posters, and then set up a store in which students and staff used play money to buy goods and services such as food items; hand-made art, masks, and jewelry; and nail painting.



Summer reading

For the second year, Mrs. Tarango, Title I teacher, coordinated the Summer Reading Program to encourage reading over the summer and to help build excitement about book ownership. Title I and PTO funds were used to provide books, spanning a variety of levels, interests, and topics, from which each student chose approximately five books to keep.

Zoodles

Zoodles Animal Education Program taught students about animals, their traits and habitats, and entertained the school with a baby kangaroo, a python, a large macaw, a skunk, and a bearded dragon. Students could hold and have their picture taken with the animals.



MOM PROM * A NIGHT ** UNDER THE STARD

Mom Prom

Schenck boys and their mothers enjoyed the theme of "A Night Under the Stars" with an evening of Star Wars laser limbo, line dances, contests, games, music, and food at the school's first "Mom Prom" on May 13. This event was coordinated by Schenck's PTO, with staff and parent volunteers.

Awards

Two very special students were honored at the school's year-end Awards Assembly.

Jesse Heiser was presented with the "Eli



Nardi Award." This award is given each year in memory of Eli Nardi to a sixth grade student who demonstrates a great attitude toward learning and the characteristics of being

kind, honorable, hard-working, and persevering. Mr. and Mrs. Nardi and Eli's brothers presented Jesse Heiser with this award, alongside Jesse's parents.

Second grader Ronnie Charles received the "Best CATTITUDE Award." This recognition was given to Ronnie in celebration of his Wonderful Wildcat Attitude.



News from Pennyroyal

Career Day

Pennyroyal students had a firsthand look at a variety of professions at their annual career day. Visitors who shared info about their work included excavators, a car salesman, a flight operations officer/certified weather observer, a veterinarian's assistant, an oncologist, a 3D model technician, a pet groomer/boarder, and a police captain. Students moved from station to station, hearing a brief presentation, then asking questions and seeing a demo.



Above, students learn the ins and outs of dog grooming and boarding.



Above, students learn about weather as they make fog in a bottle. At left, an oncologist explains a bone marrow kit, specifically, a needle used for aspirating marrow.

Mold fossils

Mrs. Fry's class studied how fossils are formed, studying trace, mold, and cast fossils.

They had the chance to create their own mold fossil using plaster of Paris and every-



day objects such as buttons, pop tabs, leaves, flowers, Legos, shells, and feathers.

Students mixed the plaster of Paris, which represented the sediment, then pressed their object into it to create an impression. After 20 minutes, the object was removed and a mold of it remained.

Third grade pen pals

Third graders at Pennyroyal and Schenck were paired up as pen pals to correspond all year. Students wrote once each month using guided writing topics, telling about themselves, and asking their pen pal questions. In May, Schenck students took a field trip to Pennyroyal to meet their pen pals, do some team building, and to have a picnic. Teachers noted that this early introduction to students from another building helps to break the ice at Sixth Grade Camp.



Above, a fun, interactive game breaks the ice!

News from Hunter

Achievement awards

A number of Hunter Elementary students received Presidential Awards for academic achievement.

Achievement: Eryn Back and Savannah Creech.

Excellence: Jeremy Dunn, Trinity Ellis, Emma Madden, Payton Penny, Natalie Reed, Hanna Roy, Reilly Ruppert, Riane Todd, Gabby Barber, Zach Barrett, Tori Brown, Lily Cooke, Lucinda Curry, Anthony Fisher, Hayla Gadd, Tess Johnson, Brooke Jordan, Rachel O'Bryan, Adam Osborn, and Domanic Tomlin.

Attendance awards

The following students were recognized for outstanding attendance, having only one absence or one absence and one excused tardy: Brianna Tussey, Wesley Brooks, Drew Sanders, Alyssa Avey, Ty Hubbard, Raegan Moore, Olivia Wright, Marissa Wagner, Brady Lucas, Alyssa Duncil, Katie Keidel, Adrian Allen, Asher Osner, and Noah Beidelschies.

Sixth grade camp

Sixth grade camp is a Franklin City School District tradition. Students have a chance to meet students from the other elementary buildings, engage in outdoor learning, and, of course, avoid the Green-nosed Harpy!



Spring Musical



Hunter 4th, 5th, and 6th graders performed *At the Band Stand*. The spring musical was a throwback to the 50's and included poodle skirts, leather jackets, and — of course — a dance off.

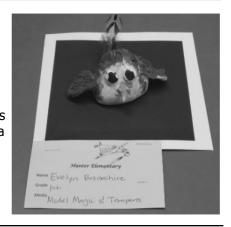
Luke Kennard visit

Hunter alum Luke Kennard stopped by to visit and pick up the sign that Hunter students had made for him during the NCAA tournament.



Fine Arts Showcase

Art from every grade and building was on display at the district Fine Arts Showcase this spring. Shown here is a piece by Hunter first grader Evelyn Brookshire.



News from Gerke

Walking for a good cause!



Gerke students participated in their annual Cystic Fibrosis Walk at the end of the year. The total amount raised was \$588.50.

Vehicle Day

Gerke students had a chance to see and explore a wide variety of vehicles at Vehicle Day in May. Vehicles on hand included the library van, a national guard transport, a highway patrol vehicle, a hearse, a Formula One car, construction equipment, a Duke Energy vehicle, a Fire Truck an

EMT vehicle, and a semi from Kroger. Students learned about the vehicles and the type of work they were involved in, and in some cases, got some hands on experience.

Presidential Award winners



Six Gerke students received Presidential Awards for the 2015-16 school year. The Presidential Award is awarded to any 6th grader who has maintained at least a 3.5 GPA from the beginning of 4th grade through the 6th grade. Students who earned this honor were Ashley Back, Mya Burge, Nina Lin, Alexis Moore, Kaylah Purvis, and Dylan Trenum



News from Franklin High School

FHS Class of 2016 receives honors, awards

Students in the Class of 2016 received a number of honors and awards based on their academic and personal achievements.

Outstanding senior in English was Anna Eyink; in math, Alyssa Harris; in Social Studies, Anna Eyink; in Spanish, Lucas Smith; in French, Anna Eyink; in Web Design, Justin Spiller; in Art, Savannah MacGloan; in Science, Lucas Smith. The outstanding senior performer in drama was Jacob Hurst, and the outstanding senior crew member in drama was Kylie Gomia. The outstanding senior in instrumental music was Kasey May.

Perfect attendance awards (4 years) were given to Julie Kidwell and Martin Moore. Semper Fidelis awards were given to Robert Biggerstaff and Desiree Cooper. Marine Scholastic Excellence Awards went to Lucas Smith and Madison Thompson.

The Athletic Department gave a number of senior recognition awards: US Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Awards were given to Zachary Miller and Hannah Zeedyk. Army Reserve Scholar Athlete awards were given to Sam Hauser and Alyssa Harris. The Con and Catherine Riley awards were given to Sam Hauser and Mikayla Abner. The John Lowman Award went to Megan Centers. The Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award went to Patton Akers and Braxton Lawill. NFHS National Awards of Excellence went to Brianna Woods and Gavin Crase. The Ohio High School Athletic Association "Scholar Athlete" awards were given to Tyler Adkins and Alyssa Harris.

SWBL Scholar Athlete Awards were given to Mikayla Abner, Tyler Adkins, Patton Akers, Trey Barnard, Gavin Crase, Jayna Farmer, Brittany Fitzgerald, Alyssa Harris, Kyla Hartley, Sam Hauser, Logan Jobe, Khenady Leonard, Jenna Morris, Jordan Mullins, Jade Paris, Jacob Ruppert, Lucas Smith, Jordan Snively. Jamilee Sponaugle, Emily Temple, Madison Thompson, Brianna Woods, and Hannah Zeedyk.

Twenty students received Top Ten Percent awards: Mikayla Abner, Tyler Adkins, Patton Akers, Trey Barnard, Desiree Cooper, Anna Eyink, Brittany Fiztgerald, Kylie Gomia, Alyssa Harris, Kyla Hartley, Sam Hauser, Booklyn Hurley, James Jenkins, Julie Kidwell, Braden LeForce, Khenady Leonard, Lucas Smith, Ashleigh Whiteman, Brianna Woods, and Hannah Zeedyk.

Nine students earned the Presidential Education Award: Tyler Adkins, Patton Akers, Eric Benjamin, Anna Eyink, Austin Hall, Alyssa Harris, Sam Hauser, Lucas Smith, and Hannah Zeedyk. The award requires students be in the Top 10% of the class (the minimum GPA this year was 4.0), score at the 85th percentile or higher on a test such as the SAT or ACT, and demonstrate qualities such as initiative, integrity, intellectual depth, and leadership.

Twenty nine students graduated with Honors Diplomas: Mikayla Abner, Tyler Adkins, Patton Akers, Trey Barnard, Eric Benjamin, Kaitlynn Click, Hailey Cole, Gavin Crase, Jacob Dazet, Anna Eyink, Brittany Fitzgerald, Austin Hall, Alyssa Harris, Kyla Hartley, Sam Hauser, Destiny Heindl, Samantha Huiet, Brooklyn Hurley, James Jenkins, Julie Kidwell, Braden LeForce, Khenady Leonard, Jordan Mullins, Lucas Smith, Taylor Squires, Madison Thompson, Ashleigh Whiteman, Brianna Woods, and Hannah Zeedyk.

First year academic letters were given to Vera Huff, Samantha Huiet, Jade Paris, Bradley Roberts, and Jacob Ruppert. Academic Awards of a Swiss Star were given to Mikayla Abner, Tyler Adkins, Patton Akers, Trey Barnard, Kaitlynn Click, Hailey Cole, Desiree Cooper, Gavin Crase, Jacob Dazet, Destiny Disher, Anna Eyink, Jayna Farmer, Brittany Fitzgerald, Seth Gabbard, Kylie Gomia, Austin Hall, Alyssa Harris, Kyla Hartley, Sam Hauser, Destiny Heindl, Brooklyn Hurley, James Jenkins, Logan Jobe, Shyann Keith, Julie Kidwell, Braden LeForce, Khenady Leonard, Rebekah Lewis, Jenna Morris, Jordan Mullins, Isaac Sharrett, Lucas Smith, Jordan Snively, Taylor Squires, Emily Temple, Madison Thompson, Ashleigh Whiteman, Brianna Woods, and Hannah Zeedyk.

The Community Blood Center and FHS recognized 35 seniors who donated blood 3 or more times during their high school careers: Mikayla Abner, Lauren Bender, Caleb Bicknell, Hunter Black, Cassie Blackford, Jenna Cagg, Megan Centers, Desiree Cooper, Tristan Duff, Anna Eyink, Jayna Farmer, Brittany Fitzgerald, Caitlin Fugett, Seth Gabbard, Alyssa Harris, Sam Hauser, Bailey Hendrix, Kylah Hobbs, Samantha Huiet, Logan Jobe, Shane Johnson, Dustin Jung, Braxton Lawwill, Braden LeForce, Jack McCurry, Christopher Miller, Donald Montgomery, Jordan Mullins, Jacob Quillen, Lucas Smith, Jordan Snively, Brittany Watts, Katie Wolsefer, Brianna Woods, and Timothy Wright.

FHS productions receive 15 DayTonys

FHS's `15-'16 theater and musical productions received 15 DayTony awards at the June 2 awards gala at Sinclair Community College. DayTonys recognize outstanding performance, whether on stage or behind the scenes, at Daytonarea theaters. Awards are given for high school, collegiate, and community theater productions.

The Theater Department received six Awards of Excellence. For *Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play*: Jeff Sams—Direction of a Play; Tim Guth—Lighting Design; Paul Dunn, Jake Hurst, and Nick Kakaris—Actor in a Supporting Role; For *The Great Gatsby*: Chris Newman—Scenic Design.

The Theater Department received seven Awards of Merit. For *Vintage Hitchcock:* A Live Radio Play: Jeff Sams—Scenic Design; Cast—Ensemble Performance; J. Gary Thompson—Original Music; Lindsey Hurst—Actress in a Supporting Role; Bill Franer—Actor in a Supporting Role; Caedmon Mills—Actor in a Leading Role. For *The Great Gatsby:* Jake Hurst—Actor in a Supporting Role.

The Music Department's production of *Cinderella* received two awards: Paul Dunn, Award of Merit as an actor in a supporting role and Ms. Marilynn Johnson, an Award of Excellence for Costume Design.

2015-2016 is the fourth year that FHS has been involved with the DayTony program.

News from Franklin Junior High

Franklin Junior High inducts 38 into NJHS

FJHS inducted 38 students into its chapter of the National Junior Honor Society on Thurs., May 12. The chapter was established in 2014; this was the second class inducted.

The 2016 inductees were Jared Kremer, Noah Stephens, Evan York, Addie Imundo, Jessie Ferguson, Tanner Biltz, Lexi Lewis, Tristen Brown, Maddie Woods, Adeline Taylor, Brooke Stover, Joseph Current, Skylar Cox, Victoria Hamilton, JJ Davis, Nick Back, Madison Earles, Hannah Cundiff, Hannah Hall, Anish Patel, Jackie Greene, Gavin Lloyd, Garvin Adams, Alex Griffith, Joseph Clayborn, Lydia Elam, Kyla Williams, Fiona Baker, Bryan Thacker, Devyn Powell, Noah Went, Kristin Earles, Madison Meadows, Ashley Hall, Harliegh Hanks, Katy Trevino, Liza O'Hara, and Mariah Brannam.

NJHS chapter advisor Matt Franklin talked about the inductees attitudes and characteristics, noting that, "They don't know it, but these students are leaders of the building." Franklin said that one of the induction requirements was 10 hours of community service but that many had far more, amassing 30, 40, or even 50 hours. Another requirement was writing an essay on "Giving Back to the Community."

The 38 students inducted joined those inducted last year including Aiden Kinser, Alessandra Clavel-Hernandez, Alison Perez, Allisyn Brinkman, Braden Woods, Caden Johnson, Chloe Miller, Drew Lawson, Elyce Aldridge, Evan Krasnonski,

Jett Tinch, Joshua Weeks, Karsen Quillen, Kaylee Harris, Kelsea Madden, Kody Viers, Madison Powell, Marisa Turnmire, Olivia Faulkner, Samantha Earnhart, Shannia Mangroo, Tyler Dishun, Zach Johnson,



Carsen Bowling, and Austin Begley.

The National Junior Honor Society was established in 1929. According to its website, NJHS is "one of the nation's premier organizations established to recognize outstanding middle level students." Students must demonstrate excellence in not just academics, but in leadership, service, and character.

FJHS Open House Aug. 16

Franklin Junior High will hold its open house on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Information will be set up outside and all departments will have their own tent stations to talk with parents and to pass out important information. Students will receive their schedules and can walk the buildings to find their classrooms.

Hot dogs and water will be available for families that evening as well.

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