The PawPrint

ODE Excellent Rating 2001-2008 2003 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

Calendar Notes

Feb. 21
Honoring
Coach Kortokrax
K of C Hall
Following the
Boys' BK game

Feb. 23 8th grade HS Orientation 6:30 PM

March 3
KHS Spring
Blood Mobile

March 8
Athletic Boosters'
Chicken BBQ
11:00 AM
Carry Out Only
KHS Vo-Ag Shop

March 20 No School Quarter Break

April 1-5 Senior Class NYC

April 10-13 Easter Break No School

April 16-18 Spring Musical *The King & I*

Notes from the Superintendent

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank the voters of the Kalida School District for their overwhelming support at the polls on February 3. The elementary construction levy was passed with 683 votes in favor of the issue and 274 votes against the issue. We are very excited about getting started on the project as soon as possible. We have a meeting scheduled with the architect at the end of February and we hope to start building by September. The goal is to start demolition of the existing elementary this summer and have the entire project completed by the start of the school year in 2010. We will keep you informed with updates in the Paw Print and on the school website. The 2009-2010 school year will be a very busy and exciting year as we complete one construction project and move directly into the next phase of construction.

High School Construction

The high school project continues to move ahead on schedule. We have lost some of the early gains we made on the schedule in the fall since the weather this winter turned very cold and wet, but we are still on pace to have the high school completed this summer. The high school students will be moving into the modular units at the beginning of April and the demolition of the old high school will begin in late April. This move will allow us to have the entire high school project completed in time for the first day of school in August of 2009.

Enhancement Committee Teacher Requests Granted

We would like to thank the reserved season ticket holders and the enhancement committee for a number of teacher driven projects that were approved in January. When the new building was constructed a group of district residents formed a committee to raise private funds to add things to the building project that the Ohio School Facilities Commission would not provide. The committee added a number of enhancements in the first phase of construction including computer lab/computer equipment, the auditeria sound system, science lab upgrades/science equipment, risers for musical/ concert seating, scoreboards/scorer's table, and additional seating in the gymnasium just to name a few. One of the goals was to find a way to have a continuous revenue stream from the enhancement fund, and the reserved season ticket seating was one of the answers to this goal. This year the seats allowed us to fund approximately \$4,200 in projects. The committee was able to help in the purchase of Orff musical instruments for use in the elementary, ten microscopes for the new junior high science lab, a competition buzzer set for the Academic Club, and a wireless weather station and the necessary support software. These items will further improve the ability of our staff to improve instruction and enrich the academic experience of our students.

Don Horstman, Superintendent

All A Honor Roll Second Quarter



5th Grade-Brandon Erhart, Sarah Hovest Brittany Kahle, Brady Laudick

6th Grade-Rhovin Almonte, Katey Buss Mariah Doepker, Devin Kortokrax

Logan Roebke

7th Grade-Alexis Decker, Joseph Gerdeman Ryan Kahle, Meredith Kromer Brooke Loveland, Patrick Millott Kiersten Recker, Kylie Siebeneck Whitney Smith, Jarrod Stober Elizabeth Turnwald, Justine Verhoff Randy Zeller

8th Grade-Andrea Bellmann, Ryan Erhart Carrie Gerding, Rich Langhals Amy Smith, Eric Warnecke Freshmen-Amanda Giesige, Nicole Kaufman

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Kristopher Osterhage, Amanda Schulte, Emily Turnwald, Jillian Wehri **Juniors**-Julia Fuerst, Amy Hamburg

Trisha Horstman, Stephanie Verhoff Margaret von der Embse Kyle Hoffman-Vantage

Seniors-Kasie Bellmann, Leah Gerding Jenna Kahle, Neal Lammers

Erica Schmenk, Gina Verhoff Matt Warnecke, Scott Schroeder-Vantage

Essay Winner

Congratulations to senior Gina Verhoff whose essay "Fishy Failure" that she entered in a scholastic writing competition has been chosen as a winner! Her essay now proceeds to national competition!

FFA -Congratulations to Levi Blake & Alanah Tschuor who both received Gold Ratings in the District FFA Public Speaking Contest.

Kindergarten Screenings

Kindergarten Screenings (2009/2010 school year) are scheduled for April 1. More information will be sent this month to anyone who registered. If you have not registered your child for kindergarten for next year, please call the elementary office.

AB Honor Roll Second Quarter

5th Grade-Cathy Basinger, Kylie Buss Maddison Edelbrock, Alexa Ellerbrock, Trent Gerding, Devin Geisige Adam Goergens, Erica Honigfort Drew Hovest, Joni Kaufman Angelea Kimmel, Austin Klausing Jordan Kortokrax, Christian Laukhuf Brooke Lucke, Danielle Maag, Trevor Maag, Nathan Meyers Samantha Nagy, Nathan Nordhaus, Kylie Osterhage, Andrea Rall, Allison Recker, Evan Recker, Samantha Recker Paige Roller, Kaleb Selhorst Allison Siebeneck, Katelyn Siebeneck Austin Swift, Grant Unverferth Brandon Verhoff. Alex von der Embse Renee Vorst, Kassie Warnecke Sidney White, Allison Wurth 6th Grade-Ben Burkhart, Jacob Dunn Molly Ellerbrock, Lindsey Erhart Zach Erhart, Jacquelyn Gardner Kennedy Hoffman, Trevor Holtkamp Brent Hovest, Melissa Jorrey Mitchell Kerner, Erin Knueve Taylor Lamb, Luke Langhals Cole Miller, Morgan Niese Rachel Rall, Nicole Recker Olivia Schmenk, Derek Schroeder Bradley Siebeneck, Taran Truesdale Alexis Vorst, Austin Vorst Makenna Vorst, Casey Wehri, Grant Zeller 7th Grade-Thaddeus Backus, Dana Cattell Trevor Guisinger, Dylan Hoffman Bethany Kimmel, Katelyn Kortokrax Andrew Krouse, Adam Langhals Cody Niese, Nicole Reindel Michael Schroeder, Derek Verhoff Sarah Verhoff, Sarah Wortkoetter 8th Grade-Jessica Doepker, Anthony Dunn, Summer Holtkamp, Kristi Honigfort Austin Horstman, Kendra Hunter Adam Knueve, Phillip Loveland Cody Mathew, Neil Recker Kayla Siefker, Alex Snavley Casey Unverferth, Julia Vandemark

Freshmen-Levi Blake, Jordan Ellerbrock, Neil Gerding, Brian Good Nick Guisinger, Deanna Kahle Nathan Kortokrax, Tyler Kortokrax Haley McIntyre, Brandi Merschman, Megan Meyer, Austin Roebke, Connor Schmenk, Cody Schnipke, Aaron Siebececk, Drew Stechschulte, Kevan Unverferth, Ben von der Embse, Karly Westbeld, Alexis Wurth, Halie Zenz Sophomores-Ben Bockrath, Alex Cattell, Samantha Edwards, Allison Fitzgerald, Chad Goergens, Jeff Good, Tyler Hoffman, Michelle Jorrey, Derek Korte, Kelsey Miller, Austin Neidert, Brianna Recker, Alex Schroeder, Alyssa Verhoff Andrew Warnecke Juniors- Michael Bockrath, Jeff Gerding Stacie Heitmeyer, Brant Kahle Kara Kaufman, Kelly Kehres Stephanie Kortokrax, Katie Kromer Renee Langhals, Kylie McIntyre Anna Tenwalde, Michael Turnwald Devin Warnecke Vantage Juniors- Devan Lewis, Aissa McVicker, Michael Niemeyer, Michael Peck, Bryan Recker, Mark

Schmitz, Abigail Schnipke, Tyler Schroeder, Katelyn Schumaker, Brandon Selhorst, Ryan Unverferth, Tyler Verhoff

Seniors- Derek Birkemeier, Brittany Bockrath, Dana Bruskotter, Lauren Erhart Megan Jorrey, Kyle Kahle

Jessica Knueve, Darcy Langhals

Doug McIntyre, Matt Schulte

Emily Selhort, Amy VonderEmbse Vantage Seniors- Matt Erhart, Nikki Ford, Leanna Pitts, Bill Schumaker, Josh Wehri

Join 4-H

Kaylyn Verhoff, Shelly Verhoff

Kalida Sew & Sew 4-H Club is accepting new members for students in grades 1-12. If you are interested in joining please contact:

Sue Clementz 532-3315
Jenny VonderEmbse 523-6095
Mary Lou Hoffman 532-3373
Beth Moening 538-6500

Guidance Notes from Mr. Clement

Corrected from previous listing:

Post-secondary/Dual Enrollment Meeting

On Tuesday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a meeting in the auditeria for the parents of any high school student who may be interested in taking a college course during next school year. We offer two options at Kalida High School to students to take college courses. One option is of the postsecondary option through James A. Rhodes St. College and the other is Dual Enrollment through Wright State University. There are a couple of significant differences between the two programs so representatives from both institutions will be present to clarify them and answer questions. The following courses at Kalida High School are high school courses which can also be taken for college credit: Psychology, Accounting, Computer Applications, Personal Finance, CAD II, Calculus, Anatomy & Physiology, and English 11. Thus, it is important that parents of students planning to take these courses attend this informational session. In addition, the Ohio Department of Education mandates that parents must attend an informational meeting before their students are eligible to participate in the program.

AP Course Meetings - There will be meetings next Tuesday, February 24 at Kalida High School for students and their parents taking any advanced placement (AP) courses next year. AP courses offered at Kalida include: U.S. History, Government, Statistics, Biology, and English. For convenience, these meetings will begin at approximately 7:15 and will follow the above mentioned PSEOP/Dual Enrollment session since many parents will need to attend both. The schedule of the meetings is as follows: U.S. History for sophomores-seniors (7:15) - Mr. Gasser's room, English for seniors (7:15) - Mrs. Gerding's room, Biology for sophomores-seniors (7:30) - Mr. Gordon's room. Government for seniors (7:30) - Mr. Gasser's room, Statistics for interested juniors or seniors (7:45) - Mr. Huber's room.

OGT'S AROUND THE CORNER

A reminder that the five sections of the Ohio Graduation Test will be given the week of March 16-23 to all sophomores and any upperclassmen who have not passed respective parts. These tests will be given each morning from 8-10.45 in the auditeria. Students can practice for all sections of the Ohio Graduation test online at http://ohio.measinc.com/Content.htm. All other testing in grades 3-8 will take place April 20-May 1 this year.

JUNIOR JOB-SHADOW DAY

Wednesday, April 1 has been designated as "Junior Job-Shadow Day." All juniors will be expected to participate in this activity which could be a valuable source of information for a career. Paperwork will be sent home with students the week of March 5-9.

PSAT/PLAN RESULTS-In the last couple of weeks, results have been reviewed with sophomores who took the PLAN (pre-ACT) in December and with juniors and sophomores who took the PSAT in October. Each student was given a score report, his/her original question booklet, and a brochure explaining the scores.

SCHEDULING- Pre-registration for course scheduling for students entering grades 10-12 next year will be addressed Feb. 23 during school. Schedule sheets will need to be returned by Friday, Feb 27. A parent signature is required on the student's scheduling form. A reminder that we have a opportunity to satisfy the physical education (PE) requirement for graduation. By participating in certain extra-curricular activities, students will be excused from PE and will earn credit toward graduation. Any student who is in marching band, a cheerleader, or member of the school's interscholastic sports' programs will be eligible to participate in this opportunity.

MARCH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS

The March scholarship listing for seniors contains new scholarships that were not listed on February's listing. Nearly all are local scholarships and several will be awarded to Kalida seniors only! This listing is also available on the school's webpage by clicking the guidance department link.

Music Department News - Congratulations to the following students for their accomplishments at *Solo*

and Ensemble Contest on Jan. 24-Lauren Erhart- Superior Class A Piano solo, Eric Hill- Excellent Class C Piano solo, Levi Blake- Superior Class C Alto Saxophone Solo, Stephanie Verhoff- Superior Class B Trombone solo, Kelsey Miller- Excellent Class B French Horn Solo, Lana Tschuor-



Excellent Class C Tenor Saxophone Solo, Kelly Kehres-Excellent Class B Baritone solo, Cody Spicer- Excellent Class A Tuba Solo, Lora Tschuor- Excellent Class B Tuba Solo, Ben Ridinger- Excellent Class C Snare Drum Solo, Shaunna Basinger- Excellent Class B Trumpet Solo.

All-County Band and Choir performance will be held on Sunday, Feb. 22 at 2:00 PM at the Fort Jennings High School Gymnasium. Students participating in the All-County Band and Choir include: Lauren Erhart, Megan Erhart, Makenna Basinger, Shaunna Basinger, Alexis Hill, Eric Hill, Julia Fuerst, Ben Ridinger, Josh Verhoff, Levi Blake, Lana Tschuor, Lora Tschuor, Emily Turnwald, Kelsey Miller, Jessica Knueve, and Stephanie Verhoff.

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Brian Laudick-VP Rhonda Osterhage Gary Stechschulte Dennis Turnwald-President Don Wehri

School Board Meetings

Second Wednesday 8:00 PM - High School - Media Center

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Music Booster \$50.00 winners

Rita Iliff Roger and Lisa Unverferth Greg Knueve Bill Mack

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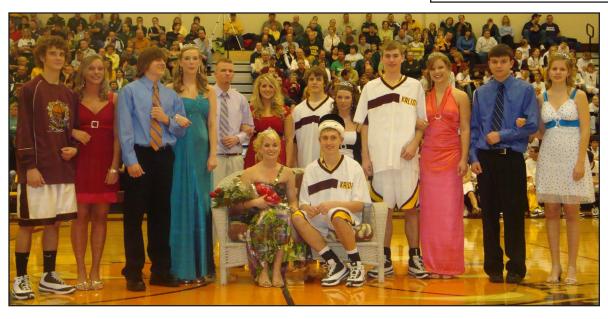


Got Spirit? -The KHS
Art Department was
extremely busy early in
February printing over
180 t-shirts honoring
Coach Kortokrax's last
home game on 2/21.
Fear the Blazer maroon
shirts were a hit with
the staff and students.
Art instructor Mr. Steve
Myers and senior Justin
Kahle display the freshly
printed shirts.

Bloodmobile at KHS - The KHS spring bloodmobile will be March 3 from 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM in the old high school gymnasium. To give blood, a donor must be 17 years old, at least 110 lbs., and in basic good health. If you would like to set up an appointment, call Mrs. Beth Grime at the high school (419-532-3529). Walk-ins are always welcome.



Kalida Athletic Booster Chicken BBQ March 8 11:00 AM - till gone Take Out Only. KHS Vo-Ag Building Drive Through



Homecoming 2009- Congratulations to Queen Kendra Kerner and King Ryan Kleman and their court. Representing the Freshmen class were Paul Utendorf and Nicole Kaufman, Seniors Kevin Roehrig and Amy VonderEmbse, Sophomores Michael Turnwald and Renee Langhals, Seniors Matt Warnecke and Jenna Kahle, Sophomores Jeff Good and Jill Wehri. Adam Unverferth and Jenna Schroeder, 2008 King and Queen, were also present for the ceremony.