



Panther Pride



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TCN Class of 2009

The Tri-County North Class of 2009 graduated on Thursday, May 28th, at the Salem Church of God. There were eighty-eight graduating seniors overall, twenty-seven, of which, graduated from MVCTC as well. This year's Valedictorian was Nadine Wilson, daughter of Kelly and Karen Wilson. The 2009 Salutatorian was Sara Taylor, daughter of Doug and Karen Wombold and Steve and Trish Taylor.



Nadine Wilson



Sara Taylor

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The Tri-County North Board of Education, Administration and Staff would like to wish each graduating senior the very best in all of their future endeavors. It has been a pleasure having you represent TCN! Congratulations and best of luck to you!

Class of 2009



From The Desk Of The Superintendent

William Derringer

In today's tough economic times it is nice to know that we have a supportive community that truly values education for our students. I would like to thank each of you for your continued support with the passage of our recent levy. The dollars that we will collect from this levy will go for general operating expenses and will allow us to provide the quality of educational experiences that our children have grown accustomed to. Once again, thank you for your support!

I also wanted to congratulate the seniors from the Class of 2009. They have done an outstanding job and now enter the next phase of their lives. Some will go on to colleges or universities, some will enter the military, and some will go directly into the work force. Wherever their path leads, we wish them the best and encourage them to stop back to TCN and share their successes with us in the future. This year's senior class earned over **one million dollars** in scholarships, grant and aid. This is quite an accomplishment for a class that had only 88 graduates.

In an attempt to conserve energy, our hours of operation during the months of June and July will be from 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and will be closed on Fridays. By following this practice, the District has the potential to save 20% on energy costs for these two months. Starting August 1st, we will be back on our normal hours of operation from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

I hope each of you have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer. As always, please feel free to contact me at the district office, 937-962-2671 if you have questions, comments, or concerns.

The 2009/2010 school year begins August 19th!



Hats off to the Class of 2009!

Penny War A Success!



The TCNMS Student Council sponsored its annual Penny Drive from May 18-22. Fifth through eighth grade students collected coins to earn points towards the School Class Spirit Trophy. All pennies and paper money counted as positive points for each class, while silver coins counted as negative. Students from other grades could "bomb" another class by dropping silver coins in that class's bucket. Ultimately the 5th grade class won it! Overall, the coin drive raised \$530 to assist the family of Cassie Gibson with funeral expenses.

Elementary School



Denny Dyer

It has been another great year in the elementary! We want to wish our 4th graders the best of luck next year as they move on to the middle school.

We culminated our school year with a wonderful Field Day that was coordinated by Amy Kramer, Cindy Helt-sley and Rachel Davidson. The students collected box tops this year and raised almost \$2,000 to help offset the costs. We will be collecting the box tops again next year and hope to have an even bigger activity in 2010! Thanks to the 60+ parent volunteers who assisted with Field Day—we could not have done it without you!

School starts on Wednesday, August 19, 2009. Please refer to the upcoming events on the back page of this newsletter for some important dates. Just a reminder that all incoming Kindergartners need to be screened prior to starting school and students MUST register

before they can sign up for screening! Please call the District Office for registration information and materials.

During the summer months, our office will be open June 1-4 and 8-11 from 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. We will be closed on Fridays. The office will also be closed from June 12 through August 3rd. Please contact the District Office if you have questions during the summer months or email the Principal on the website. We will attempt to keep updated information on the website for your convenience.

Grade cards are coming home with students the last day of school and will include: grade reports, Terra Nova results, fee lists, supply lists, 2009-10 school calendar and other information pertinent to the grade level.

Have a safe and happy summer and we'll see you next year!

Middle School

Joe Finkbine

The end of the school year has come so quickly that it doesn't seem as though summer should be starting. Students and staff have worked extremely hard to wrap up the 2008-09 school year. The closing months have brought about a great amount of work and effort. Two of the things I wanted to highlight in this newsletter were the Ohio Achievement tests and staff appreciation week.

The Ohio Achievement testing was administered the weeks of April 20th and April 27th. In the middle school, we administered thirteen

tests which included over seven hundred test and answer booklets. Teachers spoke about the students' effort and overall, teachers were very pleased with the effort students put into the test. We are expecting great results from our students. I want to thank all the teachers and aides for the smooth administration of the test and a special thank you to Ms. Kathy Dowdy for coordinating the testing!

Staff Appreciation week was May 4th-10th. We are very fortunate to have such a hardworking and caring staff that works with your chil-

dren. They put extra effort in every day in one way or another. This community and the students get a quality education from this staff and they are to be commended for all the work they do. Again, thank you to all TCN staff members!

Here is some information for next school year. We will have our Open House/Meet the Teacher on August 17th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Our first day of school for the 2009-10 school year is August 19th. I hope each and every one of you has a great summer. I am looking forward to another great year at TCNMS!

High School

Jeff Parker

TCNHS held their Senior Awards on May 19th. Mrs. Cathy Norris, Guidance Counselor, did an excellent job organizing the event. Congratulations to the following seniors who received scholarships this year:

PTO—Sara Taylor, Harvest Land Co-op—MaryBeth Flory, Kenneth Garber Memorial—Sara Taylor, TCN Athletic Boosters—Cody Farley, Sarah Whitaker, Lewisburg Emergency Unit—Sarah Whitaker, Carolyn S. Anthony Memorial—Samantha Perry, Jim Scherman Memorial—Tara Macy, Reid Hospital—Sara Taylor, Lion's Club—Julie Heeter, OAPSE—Sara Taylor, Lewisburg Area Council of Churches—MaryBeth Flory, Delta Theta Tau Sorority—Sarah Whitaker, Megan Werner, TCNEA—Sara Taylor, Eaton Optimist Club/James Sheriff—Samantha Perry, University of Dayton—Matthew



Dudley, Wright State University—Derek Oda, Lewisburg Chamber of Commerce Joe Freeman & Bill Sewert Memorial—Sarah Whitaker, Larry Harmon Memorial & Honorary Scholarships—Zachary Eakes and Cody Farley, Vancrest Health Care Center—Jessie Downey, Chris Tucker Memorial—Ashley Molina, Trailriders Sportsman Club—Kaylee Conley and Chelsea Hite, Miriam Wilhelm Memorial—Ashley Molina, Bob Brown Memorial—Cody Burnside, Ideal Chapter of the Eastern Star In Memory of Cyril and Ruth Rice—Sarah Whitaker, Cody Holp Memorial—Zachary Eakes and Emily Ervin.

Congratulations to all of the seniors! Best of luck to you in your futures! Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer. School resumes on August 19, 2009!

Summer/Fall Athletics



June

8-11: Boys Basketball Camp

Grades 3-5—9:00-11:00 am

Grades 6-8—1:00-3:00 pm

12: Boys Varsity / JV Basketball Shootout @ Dixie

19-20: Boys HS Basketball Team Camp @ UD

22-July 3: Boys Varsity Basketball Summer League @ TVS

July

6-9: High School Volleyball Camp—9 am—2 pm

Middle School Volleyball Camp—4 pm—6 pm

9: Football 7 on 7—time TBA

13-16: Girls Basketball Camp—TBA

Cheerleading Camp—TBA

18: Football Camp for Grades 3-6: 10:30 am—3:00 pm

27-30: High School Volleyball Camp—9 am—2 pm

Middle School Volleyball Camp—4 pm—6 pm

28 & 30: Football 7 on 7—time TBA

August

13: Boys Varsity Golf @ Ansonia—9:00 am

24: Boys Varsity Golf vs. Newton—4:30 pm

25: Boys Varsity Golf vs. Tri-Village—4:30 pm

26: Boys Varsity Golf @ TVS—4:30 pm

28: Boys & Girls Varsity Golf @ Mississinawa—4:30 pm

Boys Varsity Football @ Brookville—7:30 pm

Girls Varsity Soccer @ Eaton—6:00 pm

29: Boys JV Football vs. Brookville—10:00 am

Girls Varsity Volleyball @ Tecumseh—10:00 am

Girls JV Volleyball @ Troy—10:00 am

29: Varsity Cross Country @ Milton Union—9:00 am

Girls Varsity Soccer @ Northeastern—11:00 am

Boys Varsity Soccer @ Northeastern—1:00 pm

31: Girls JH Volleyball @ Bradford—5:00 pm

Girls Varsity Soccer @ Eaton—6:00 pm

Schedules will change periodically. Please go to www.highschoolsports.net for an up-to-date 2009-2010 athletic schedule.

TCN HS / MS FOOTBALL CAMP

July 14, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23, 24

6:00 pm—8:30 pm

(except July 18, which will be 8:00—10:00 am)

Athletic Reminders

- ⇒ Sport physicals, emergency medical forms and the Code of Conduct (signature page) **must** be turned in to the Coach or the Athletic Office prior to the first day of practice in order to participate.
- ⇒ Participation fees of \$30 per sport **must** be turned into the Athletic Department prior to the first day of practice in order to participate.
- ⇒ Up-to-date schedules can be located at www.highschoolsports.net

REMEMBER.....athletes will NOT be permitted to participate in a sport until all required paperwork and participation fees are turned in!!!

Please call the Athletic Department at 962-2671 with any questions.

Elementary Field Day



The elementary recently held their annual field day on May 27th. It was a huge success due to our wonderful volunteers! The volunteers supervised activities and helped the day run smoothly. The students had a variety of activities that were paid for through the collection of box tops! We were able to raise approximately \$2000 which covered the cost of renting different activities such as gigantic twister, moon walks, parachutes and monster basketball. We are asking the community to continue to save box tops for us so that we can make next year's field day even better!



FFA Farm Day

The TCN / MVCTC FFA recently exhibited farm animals that pertain to their Supervised Agricultural Experience Program. The students were able to bring an animal that they kept records on to school in order to obtain one quarter credit. While exhibiting the animals, the student taught younger TCN students about the safe handling and feeding of their animal and what their primary use is. The student was also required to write a one page report about the species, how the animal is shown and develop a poster about their animal and themselves with at least six photos. All elementary and middle school students were invited to attend this event. The FFA gave away tomato plants to the elementary students as they left. The event was a huge success and the younger students seemed to enjoy the day very much!



Josh Hoff & Alex Goldy



Emily Franklin



Eli Davidson's Sheep

6th Graders Head To Dearborn, MI!

The 6th grade class took a trip to Dearborn, Michigan on May 14 & 15th. A total of 60 students and 5 chaperones enjoyed an overnight trip of educational and fun activities. We went to the Henry Ford Museum where we saw historical items popular in their day. The second stop was the Ford truck plant where we saw the assembly line of the F150 and the history of Henry Ford. The second day was spent at Henry Ford's house where the students could see many of the innovations Henry Ford incorporated into his house, such as producing his own electricity. Then it was on to Greenfield Village where the students enjoyed seeing the homes of historical people and the craftworks of yesteryear. The students had a fun trip and brought back many souvenirs and memories.



Annual TrigStar Exam Held

The results of the TrigStar exam are in and there were four students who tied for the top score. They were: Cody Farley, Clint Clark, Danielle Bennett and Bryce Kimbler. Since Cody finished in the shortest amount of time, he will be the recipient of the \$200 local prize. Mr. Kramer presented Cody with his prize during the Senior Awards night. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the test!

Gifted Testing Available

TCN provides specific services for academically gifted students in grades 3-6. "Gifted" refers to students who perform or show potential for performing at **remarkably** high levels of accomplishment when compared to others of their age. Typically, only 3-5% of the population is gifted. Students may be referred for testing by either teachers or parents in May or August each year. Either call the school or refer to our school website at www.tcnschools.com for more details.

Computer Students Compete

Computer students recently competed in the 2009 Art Show and the results are as follows: Computer Art 1 & 2—Ariel Clark (1st), Ariel Clark (2nd), Heather Baker (3rd); Commercial Art 1 & 2—Nate Hanson, Skyler Houseman (Honorable Mention); Commercial Art 3 & 4—Chelsea Hoffman, Samantha Ward (Honorable Mention); Computer Art 3 & 4—Heather Baker (2nd), Samantha Ward (Honorable Mention). TCN is so proud of their computer students!



Samantha Ward's Project



Heather Baker
Panther Pride

Students Participate in Preble County Art Show

Recently, several students participated in the Preble County Art Show, under the direction of Mr. Banks, TCN Photography Teacher. Students fared very well and placed as follows:

Amanda Young—1st place

Danielle Talley—2nd place

Levi Heindle—Honorable Mention

We are very happy and proud of these individuals and their accomplishments.



Amanda Young




Danielle Talley



Levi Heindl




Congratulations to this year's Prom King and Queen, Stephen Schlater and Sarah Whitaker!

Prom Prince and Princess were Zachary Biser and Dakota Arde.

Freshman Class Fundraiser



The Freshman class is hosting a golf outing at Penn Terra Golf Course on Saturday, July 25, 2009, to raise funds for their junior prom and graduation. There will be a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start. The cost is \$55.00 a person to play. The format will be a 4-man scramble. There will be many wonderful prizes that will be raffled off

following the closing of the event, along with a hole-in-one competition. Cash prizes will also be given to the first place team, the longest drive, the closest to the pin and the skins contest winners. The freshman students are very excited about this event, so come out and have a swingin' good time!

Healthy Eating Tips

Drink plenty of water every day for soft, plump skin and well-hydrated system.

Six small meals spread throughout the day can help keep blood sugar levels stable and keep you mentally alert.

Greens and beans are great cancer-protectors. Think cabbage, spinach, broccoli; French, kidney, chickpeas, soya.

For a healthy breakfast, blend strawberries, papaya and half a banana with skimmed milk and ice cubes.

Oregano is high in antioxidants and tastes great finely chopped and scattered over salads, grilled meats and fish.

Lack of water can make you think you're hungry for food, leading to overeating. Drink at least two liters daily.

Cut calories in small ways—have fewer snacks, smaller portions, chew food slowly when full, have smaller meals.

When you prepare meat and poultry, trim off all the visible fat and always choose lean cuts.

Store fruits and salads where they're visible in the fridge so you remember to eat them.

One Call System

As many of you know, Tri-County North utilizes a system called 'One Call' to send out pertinent information to TCN students and their families. We have found it to be a very beneficial system and hope that you have as well.

In order for the One Call system to be successful, it is **vital** that contact numbers (home, cell and/or office) remain accurate. If you change or cancel a phone number, please contact the school and inform them of the change immediately so we can update our system to reflect the correct contact numbers. Additionally, if you would like to add a contact number to One Call, please let us know. We truly appreciate your cooperation and will continue to do our best in keeping you informed of school happenings.

Tri-County North

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New Summer Hours at TCN:

June 1st—July 31st

Monday—Thursday

6:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

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Upcoming Events



June

15-18: 21st Century Summer School in Eaton

22-25: 21st Century Summer School in Eaton

July

4: Independence Day

20-24: Band Camp—8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

August

1-8: Preble County Fair

7: Kindergarten Screening (elementary school)

10: Kindergarten Screening (elementary school)

13-15: Derby Days

17: Teachers In Service Day

ES “Meet The Teacher” Night—5:30—7:00 pm

TCNMS Open House—5:30—7:30 p.m.

1st Grade Parent Meeting—5:30 pm

3rd Grade Parent Meeting—6:00 pm

2nd Grade Parent Meeting—6:30 pm

18: Teachers In Service Day

Kindergarten Parent and Student Orientation -

6:30 pm in the Multi-purpose Room

19: Student Classes Begin (kindergarten will attend on a staggered schedule the 19, 20 & 21)

Informational Zoo Held

The 1st grade students at TCNES held their first annual Information Zoo recently. This was a culminating activity that wrapped up our unit on zoo animals. Students researched an animal of their choice and wrote a detailed report including information about the animal’s habitat, family and foods they eat. The Information Zoo was shared with parents and other students from the elementary. This was an exciting educational activity for our students!

