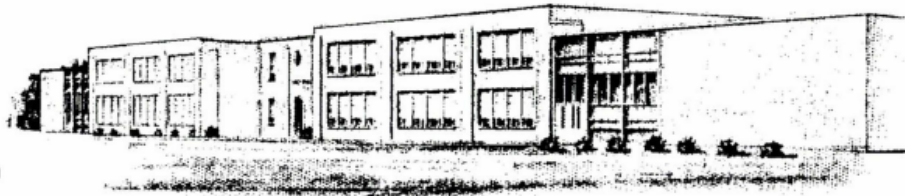


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From the Desk of Geoff Palmer, Superintendent

As the relaxation, recreation and enjoyment of another summer rolls around, work is already well underway as we prepare for the start of another school year in the fall. The maintenance staff and summer help are taking on many tasks to prepare the building while the office staff and administration are making final adjustments to their plans for the start of another successful school year.

Another major item “on our plate” for the upcoming months is the ongoing discussion and information gathering related to our facilities. On May 27, our architectural firm, Fanning-Howey, made a presentation to approximately fifty community members. This informational presentation, which has also been aired on Bascom Cable Channel 14, also asked questions of those in attendance to begin the information gathering process.

Of those in attendance:

- 62% were graduates of Hopewell-Loudon School;
- 78% were between the ages of 31-59;
- 84% indicated they had been in areas of the school other than the “public areas” (gym, cafeteria, auditorium) in the past three years;
- 75% ranked the condition of the original 1939 building to be in the range of average to poor;
- 63% recommended the district continue to explore an Ohio School Facilities Commission opportunity, and
- 53% suggested that IF Hopewell-Loudon pursues a building project, they would more likely support a combination of property tax and income tax funding over one of those two individually.

This unscientific information is just the beginning of the process. The Board of Education “deferred” participation in the Ohio School Facilities Commission work at this time. This deferral simply means we are not ready to make a decision at this time. It does NOT mean we are saying “no” to the opportunity to participate.

During the May meeting, many people volunteered to serve on an expanded version of our Facility Needs Committee. These people will be contacted near the end of the summer as we continue to look at the opportunities we have to provide for the children of the district.

Finally, as we continue to gather information about our district, we are conducting an online Community Survey. Please go to www.surveymonkey.com/hopewell-loudon to participate in the short survey. We appreciate your help in providing feedback to help us make necessary improvements to the district’s overall operations.

HAVE A SAFE, RELAXING SUMMER!



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From the Desk of Veronica Reinhart, Treasurer

In May, the Board of Education hosted the State of the Schools address. During this meeting, Mr. Palmer and I discussed issues facing the school. At that time, I reviewed the financial outlook of the district. I'd like to summarize some of that information for you. Our financial year ends on June 30th, so the numbers I presented are estimates, but should be fairly accurate. We will have revenues this year of over \$6.8M. Of this, \$2.2M came from real estate tax collections, \$2M from state aide and \$1.5M from open enrollment. Our expenses will be about \$6.6M. The majority of our expenditures are in salaries and benefits, which together amount to \$4.7M, with another \$1.1M for services, such as heating, electricity, educational programs, and open enrollment students leaving the district.

Our district residents are currently paying 26.4 Mills in real estate taxes. One Mill in the district will collect a little over \$90K. Starting this year, senior citizens were able to take advantage of the new homestead/rollback program from the state to help reduce their property taxes. The district is still paid the full amount in taxes through the homestead program. Open enrollment numbers were around 265 students coming into the district. Each one of those students brought \$5614 with them, amounting to the \$1.5M revenues in open enrollment. For each student who left the district, they also took with them \$5614. We had 82 students leave the district for a total loss of \$457K. The net open enrollment numbers generate enough money to equal 11.5 mills. In other words, our local residents would have higher taxes if those students were not attending Hopewell-Loudon.

An important topic to our district, financially, that was addressed was the loss of personal property tax revenue. These are the taxes that businesses pay on their machinery, equipment and inventory. Calendar year 2007, payable in May, 2008, was the last time businesses had to pay taxes on those items. Each year, Hopewell-Loudon had been receiving over \$500,000 from these taxes. Through 2011, the State of Ohio is going to 'make us whole', or pay us the difference between what we did collect and what we are collecting. However, in 2012, the state will start to reduce those payments until 2018 when we receive the last subsidy from the state. In short terms, we will be losing over \$500,000 in revenue. This equates to just about 6 mills.

Other pressing factors for our district is the expiration of our current 6.4 Mill emergency levy in 2009, the loss of personal property tax revenues, overall increasing energy costs, Bascom Sewer Project (which we have been setting money aside for), continued strong open enrollment numbers and working within the new governor's education plan and budget, which we will learn more about in the upcoming year.

If you missed the Community Forum presentation by the architectural firm Fanning-Howey, free dvds from that presentation are available in the Board office.

From the Tech Desk

Steve Acton, Technology Coordinator

Another school year has passed and what a memorable one it has been! Windows Vista has been a challenge to students, teachers, and to me as well. We will be upgrading two additional labs this summer so students will get hands on experience with Vista and Microsoft Office 2007 operating systems. Mrs. Kelbley is in the process of updating her curriculum to teach these products in her classes. We wanted to do this last summer, however there were too many issues with the operating system that would have hindered the students and teachers alike. Since the Vista Service Pack 1 upgrade, it has been smooth sailing. Mr. Rothrock's classes did some really cool applied mathematics spreadsheets with Excel.

I am typing this letter on one of the new 8" Cloudbook computers. I can visualize the benefits from these for the teachers and students in the classroom. If these little jewels go down in price some more, we can really start to consider a 1-1 student /computer ratio for our 9-12 students in the future. A special thanks to Adam Ramsey (senior), Josh Breidenbach (sophomore), Ryan Tran (freshman), Marissa Reinhart (8th grade) in setting up the new Cloudbook lab over spring break. Mrs. Sayre is well-informed on issues and the second graders seem to really like them.

Have a safe summer, and I look forward to the next school year.



Pictured above are Mrs. Dorothy Roush, Mrs. Barb Shine, Mrs. Deb Clouse, and Mrs. Elizabeth Beisner. These four teachers are retiring at the end of the 2007-08 school year.

Thank you for your dedication and service to the Hopewell-Loudon School District. Congratulations and best wishes to you!

Exiting Students - Parent Survey

For those parents who live in the Hopewell-Loudon School District but send your children to school elsewhere, the deadline for your participation in the Exiting Students - Parent Survey has been extended to August 1. Please call the school at 419-937-2216 or email Jan Brickner at jbrickner@hlschool.org for the link to the survey.



HOPEWELL HAPPENINGS

Bill Dobbins, High School/Junior High School Principal



The 2007-08 year has ended and what a great year the students and staff of Hopewell-Loudon High School and Junior High have had. A successful year would be an understatement, but that is how I will describe the achievements of our students and staff.

Congratulations Class of 2008

On May 25th seventy-three seniors graduated from Hopewell-Loudon High School. Twenty-eight students graduated with honors. The class Valedictorians were Nathan Siebenaller, Patrick Sulken, and Abby Yoakum. The Salutatorian was Alex Herman. Along with Nathan, Patrick, Abby, and Alex, Nicole deVlugt, Megan Kapelka, Alex Martishius, and Matt Zoeller represented the class with the top ten percent distinction. Although they are leaving and will be greatly missed, each student is leaving Hopewell-Loudon prepared to accept the many challenges that life will bring. Sixty-one students will be attending either a four-year or two-year institution of higher learning. Two students will be serving our country in the military. The remaining ten students have decided to move right into full-time employment. Congratulations to all of the graduates and best of luck in the future.



Ohio Graduation Test & Ohio Achievement Test

Results from the March OGT testing have been received. Seventy-two percent of the tenth grade students passed all five areas as compared to sixty-five percent across the state. Sixteen percent have passed four of the five areas as compared to eleven percent in the state. Each student who participated in the test had their individual results sent with their final grade card for the year. If any student or parent has any questions regarding the test or interpreting the results, please call the office and we will be happy to assist.

Our seventh and eighth grade students participated in the Ohio Achievement test in May and the final results were not received when the newsletter article was written. The final results are scheduled to be received at the end of June and will be mailed to parents and students. If there are questions regarding the achievement test results, please call if you need help interpreting the scores.

Student Extra-Curricular Achievements

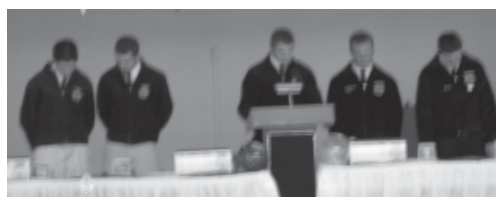
The spring sports season brought more success for our student athletes and coaches. The Chieftain Baseball team ended the season as MAL champions and Coach Tony Swanagan was named MAL Coach of the Year. In tournament play the baseball team finished the season as District Runner-Up. The Chieftain Softball team ended their year as District Runners-Up and Coach Sarah Haynes was also named as Coach of the Year. Congratulations to all of the players and coaches for a very successful season.

The Chieftain Boys Track team finished the season at second place in the MAL. The success from the regular season continued into tournaments as several individuals and teams made it to regional finals. The Chieftain Girls Track team finished seventh in the MAL as the season concluded. Although finishing seventh the team was very competitive. Congratulations to all of the athletes, and coaches who competed this track season.

Preparing for 2008-09

As we move into the summer months, many improvements and updates are under way for next year. Prior to the start of school next year we will once again be holding our new student orientation/schedule pick-up night. August 12, 2008 has been scheduled for students and parents to pay fees and pick up schedules. The evening's schedule will be as follows:

Students' Last name Beginning A-L	4:30 pm-6:00 pm
New Student & 7 th Grade Orientation	6:00 pm-6:30 pm
Students' Last name Beginning M-Z	6:30 pm-8:00 pm



Students who choose not to participate on August 12th will be able to pick up schedule on August 15th in the office. Thank you to the students and staff for another great year. We have accomplished a great deal and look forward to many more challenges.

Honor Roll Grades 7-12, Fourth Nine Weeks

High School 4.0 GPA

Grade 9 - Alyssa Davidson, Nicholas Rumschlag, Logan Wolph

Grade 10 - Krystal Brant, Alyssa Cleveland, Morgan Hill, Adrienne Hohman, Brianna Richey, Megen Snyder

Grade 11 - Alexandria Bishop, Heath Brickner, Ashley Davidson, Zachary Ickes, Nathan Richey, Nouran Salem

Grade 12 - Nicole Dull, Alexandria Herman, Eric Hohman, Mariel Huss, Alexander Martishius, Matthew Ritter, Patrick Sulken, Abby Yoakum

High School 3.50 - 3.99 GPA

Grade 9 - Erica Adkins, Eugene Begue, Taylor Bishop, Jocelyn Black, Joshua Breidenbach, Lucas Brickner, Sarah Brown, Joseph Cippus, Anne Fruth, Lauren Hartsel, Julia Jordan, Jessica Livesay, Darren Lored, Koann Loy, Jennifer Lucius, Tyler Parkins, Chelsey Miller, Meghan Scherger, Zeppelin Schindorff, Alexandra Scholl, Alexa Six, Tyler Wise

Grade 10 - Codee Adams, Elizabeth Bentz, Rebecca Berner, Brandi Boes, Brandon Burns, Alexis Creeger, Brittany Egbert, Corey Gabel, Alexandra Hossler, Eman Khwaja, Kaitlynn Kirkpatrick, MeKenna Klaiss, Brook Kracher, Samantha Logan, Mary Ellen McAllister, Ashley Miller, Matthew Painter, Dustin Reinhart, Megan Risner, Adam Shellhammer, Stevie Shook, Daniel Steyer, Emily Swartzmiller, Ryan Wood

Grade 11 - Colin Andrews, Katie Armon, Tom Ballash, Ethan Below, Brandi Boes, Tyler Brown, Amanda Cholodewitsch, Alexander Cramer, Mitchell Dandurand, Bradley Daniel, Randi Dewald, Paul Fruth, May Gao, Stephanie Harper, Madison Herman, Joshua Hoover, Taylor Hoschar, Spencer Kirby, Ian Kuhn, Yordano Lored, Jessica Lynch, Emily Molyet, Monica Otte, Amber Perrine, Samantha Reichert, Brennen Schleter, Samantha Siebenaller, Nicholas Steve, Jay Yost

Grade 12 - Brittany Armbruster, Amanda Ballash, Joe Biller, Anna Bodart, Sarah Brenamen, Adam Brickner, Melissa Brickner, José Degollado, Nicole deVlugt, Thomas Flechtner, Jacob Frisch, Nathan Frisch, Alisha Hoover, Kelly Hopple, Megan Kapelka, Katelyn Lang, Brianna Lucius, Ryan Miller, Ashley Nichols, Kaitlyn Ranker, Danielle Reinhart, Megan Reinhart, Molly Risner, Mandy Saalman, Jessica Schetter, Kayla Shellhammer, Nathan Siebenaller, Audrey Smith, Kayla Sowards, Nicholas Steyer, Janelle Tanner, Lindsay Vaughn, Troy Weaver, Logan Williams, Travis Wise, Nicole Wood, Matthew Zoeller

High School 3.0 - 3.49 GPA

Grade 9 - Natalie Brandt, Courtney Cippus, Emilena Daniel, Kyle Foos, Kyle Frank, Emily Gilbert, Mitchell Gosche, Jacob Hohman, Cody Ickes, Kourtney Jesko, Walker Keller, Andrea Kuzma, Ashley Mock, Brittany Poole, Maggie Yost

Grade 10 - Sierra Avalon, Cody Feathers, Joshua Fox, Justin Fox, Ethan Fuller, Samantha Gosche, Ashley Harrison, Aric Hoover, Aaron Kapelka, Derick McGee, Stacy Nichols, Rachael Saldusky, Hudson Smith, Carmen Welly

Grade 11 - Jamie Babcock, Ashley Benner, Matthew Bouillon, Andrew Brickner, Katherine Britton, Ethan Day, Jesus Degollado, Andrew Depinet, Kaitlyn DeWald, Chelsea Jacobs, Benjamin Kuzma, Marie Portentoso, Daniel Romanko, Samantha Rumschlag, Adam Wenzke

Grade 12 - Jenna Brandt, Ethan Brickner, Tia Day, Jennifer Fox, Josh Hammer, John Hodkinson, Brandon Lucius, Deanna Nichols, Robbie Oldaker, Nicholas Painter, Anthony Reinhart, Lukas Schalk, Stephanie Scholl, Aleah Thomas, Justin Thomas

Jr. High All A

Grade 7 - David Beleny, Jenna Gosche, Cassandra Hohman, Marissa Reinhart, Alayna Rowell, Olivia Wolph,

Grade 8 - Robin Bloom, Jessica Dull, Austin Kuhn, Paige Reinhart-Anez, Ryan Tran, Makenzie Watkins, Leanne Wood

Jr. High A-B

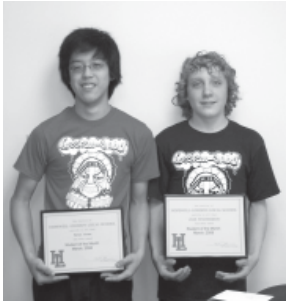
Grade 7 - Aubrey Affholder, Brennon Boes, Mark Bouillon, Gabrielle Brandt, Katelyn Brickner, Kailey Coleman, Kevin Cippus, Emily DeWald, Logan Frank, Katelin Freeman, Erin Gilbert, Alec Gregg, Noah Grine, Candace Haugh, Brock Hill, Eva Hunter, Kaleigh Kessler, Kyrsten King, Marissa Kirian, Hunter Kline, Robert Kniss, Amanda Martinez, Tyler McConaha, Nathan McCormack, Nicholas McCormack, Julia Parkins, Joseph Reichert, Erin Reinhart-Anez, Tyler Ruble, Brittany Schindler, Haley Schreiner, Samantha Taylor, Arion Tiell, Lauren Trumpler, Megan Vaughn

Grade 8 - Samantha Brimmer, Austin J. Burns, Rachael Cowell, Emily Cramer, Macy Dell, Eric Depinet, Richard Fox, Alicia Frank, Avery Gatchell, Adam Grine, Domic Guzman, Katie Hale, Austin Harrison, Matthew Heater, Zoe Keckler, Logan Kirby, Amanda Kirkpatrick, Justin Leiter, Andrew Lommerse, Kaylee Loy, Aaron Lucius, Troy Lucius, Rebecka Mock, Jennifer Molotla, Joseph Ranker, Jordan Reinhart, Trevor Risner, Clinton Rumschlag, Logan Sendelbach, Dylan Shellhouse, Kasey Siegel, Eric Tanner, Eva Tanner, Kendra Welly, Miriah White, Brandon Wise

High School/Junior High Students of the Month

March

April



Ryan Tran, Josh Breidenbach



T.J. Brown, Katie Brickner

Art Show Winners

Congratulations to the art students below who all won First Place awards for their colored pencil drawings at the 41st Annual Five-County Art Show at Oak Harbor High School.



Kelly Hopple and Morgan Hill



Kayla Shellhammer



News From the Red and Gray Cafe

This school year was an exciting year for the cafeteria. Lunch and breakfast participation have increased. To promote breakfast in May, the cafeteria gave treats to students if their tray had a smiley face on it. We exceeded our goal of serving 100 students for breakfast, serving 101. Sarah Hickle was the 100th student to receive her breakfast. Our highest number of students eating breakfast this year was 126. Breakfast is served from 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. The cafeteria staff thanks you for your participation!

Breakfast winners:

Troy Halcomb, Tabbitha Yonts, Braydon Burkhart, Bryce Robinson, Shaina Bouillon, Daniel Arbogast, Isaha Schmidutz, Abby Schmidutz, Ben Kuzma, Josh Lytle, Adam Bour, Tony Ringle, Ethan Coward, Eric Steinmetz, Dylan Shellhouse, Charlie Dell, Meghan Sayre, Natalie Brandt, Chet Swartzmiller, Sarah Hickle, Hudson Hill, Walker Keller, Brandi Boes, and Hailey Coppus.

Athletic Department News

The Hopewell-Loudon athletic boosters and the Chieftain athletic teams will be conducting their door-to-door booster drive on the evening of Wednesday, August 6. Teams will be leaving the school between 5:30 and 6:30 that day. The past couple of years have been a great success, and we would like to thank our booster members and the entire Hopewell-Loudon School District for the tremendous support. The athletic department will hold its mandatory fall sport meeting on Monday, August 4, in the school auditorium. Any student that is participating in a fall sport and his/her parent(s) must attend the general informational meeting that will begin at 6:30. After the general session, a sport specific meeting will take place in a designated location. Both athlete and parent(s) must also attend that meeting. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend these meetings.

AN UPDATE AND A THANK YOU The Hopewell-Loudon Athletic Boosters have donated well over \$25,000 to the athletic department this year. Those donations have gone toward just about every program we have. This money has gone toward new uniforms for track and girls' basketball, reconditioning of equipment for football, and new equipment for other sports such as cheerleading, track, and baseball. At some point in time, all of our programs reap the benefits of this tremendous support. The athletic department would like to thank our booster officers as well as the countless people who donate their time and effort to provide the things that help make our athletic programs first rate. We would like to send out a special thank you to Dr. Tim Beidelschies and a number of other area doctors for administering athletic physicals on May 21 and 22. On those two days, 113 of our athletes were given physicals for the 2008-2009 athletic seasons. Helping Dr. Beidelschies were Dr. Carolyn Garcia, Dr. Chris Sears, Dr. Masood, and Dr. Mike Tremain. In addition to the time and effort they provided for our student-athletes, we also appreciate the tremendous financial donation that was made to the athletic department. It is these kinds of generous contributions that help make our programs so successful.

News From the Elementary School

Billboard Contest Winners



The OSS Joint Solid Waste Management District put on a Billboard Design Contest for 5th graders in the three counties.

The students were to design a billboard that had to deal with recycling and/or litter prevention. Hopewell-Loudon had two of the three overall winners, Natalia Risner and Savannah Hoover. Both students' work can be seen in the elementary showcase. The actual billboards were displayed until May in Tiffin. Natalia and Savannah were presented with their awards at the Earth Day Celebration at Hedges-Boyer Park in Tiffin on April 20. Both are students in Miss Karen Rumschlag's fifth grade, and they participated in the contest through their art class with Mr. Eric Beidelschies.

TAG Field Trip



The TAG students in grades 3-7 attended The MAZZA Gallery at the University of Findlay last month. This Gallery is the only collection of famous artwork from children's literature. Children were given a tour with a knowledgeable docent, who shared information about the illustrations and their creators. Following the tour, students were able to create an art project using supplies from the Museum. We had a great time getting an up-close look at the original creations made from various supplies. Students were encouraged to try their own hand at creating some fantastic artwork over the summer.

Students of the Month

March - Jackson Hurst, Peyton Hoover, Morgan Searles, McKenzie Coleman, Stephanie Wilfong, Macey Avalon, Jacob Simonis, Libbey Siebenaller, Bryndon Young, Hunter Starkey, Darien Tey, Kevin Fruth, Alaina Gosche, Haeleah Williams, Noah Breidenbach, Ryan Lommerse, Brianna Schindler, Waleed Salem, Blayne Depinet, Sabrina Vargas, Emily Burks

April - Regan Bower, Elizabeth Falter, Levi Kuhn, Kasey Thompson, Zach Radebaugh, Kirstyn Sadler, Annie Settles, Ben Meade, Derek Foos, Hunter Brady, Ethan Coward, Mateo Muniz, Trent Ardner, Anthony Botello, Stephanie Young, Tayler Kline, Hannah Williams, Morgan Boes, Adam Foos, Kassandra Welly, Ben Bodart

May - Kasey Livesay, Kyle Rumschlag, Amy Cook, Owen Schumm, Caden Hoover, Aspen Coward, Darek Feindel, Thomas Chhay, Brendan Herbert, Trent DeWees, Noah Babcock, Kaylee King, Makenzie Bouillon, Madison Klaiss, Colin Gooding, Anson Tran, Tony Brimmer, Adam Bour, Marisa Twigg, Audrey Ranker, Aleta Daniel

Honor Roll - Fourth Nine Weeks

All A

Grade 4 - Maria Faber, Lileigh Heiser, Rebekah Jones, Sean Steele, Michelle Wilfong

Grade 5 - Alex Beleny, Megan Brown, Bryce Gorrell, Ryan Lommerse, Leah Reinhart, Anson Tran

Grade 6 - Allison Arnold, Ben Bodart, Shaina Bouillon, Ryan Depinet, Jarid Gelinias, Brady Kohlenberg, Ruthann Schreiner, Marisa Twigg

All A & B

Grade 4 - Dylan Alvarado, Sierra Beers, Noah Breidenbach, Cody Brickner, Jayden Church, Madison Cooper, Alex Daniel, Garrett Hedrick, Madison Klaiss, Cambria Kohlenberg, Mikayla Ludwig, Emily Maksemetz, Michael Preble, Kensy Siegel, Logan Tyree, McKenna Twigg, Damion Vitt, Dillon Williams, Erica Yerkes, Braxton Young, Stephanie Young

Grade 5 - Meghan Benner, Morgan Boes, Adam Bour, Jordan Donaldson, Matt Huth, Tyler Imes, Zane Keckler, Tayler Kline, Jenson Nutter, Braden Park, Ross Sears, Waleed Salem, Kiley Siegel, Bernie Somers, Alex Wood

Grade 6 - Wesley Armon, Cody Brady, Morgan Brant, Hope Brickner, Eric Cassidy, Zach Clouse, Aleta Daniel, Colton Feathers, Brandon Mock, Brendan O'Connor, Audrey Ranker, Nick Scaife, Kassie Shaver, Raelynn Six, Jordan Stewart, AnDrea Taulker, Kassie Welly



The students pictured above were recognized for being on the honor roll all school year. They are:

Grade 4 - Dylan Alvarado, Sierra Beers, Noah Breidenbach, Cody Brickner, Jayden Church, Alex Daniel, Maria Faber, Lileigh Heiser, Rebekah Jones, Mikayla Ludwig, Emily Maksemetz, Michael Preble, Sean Steele, McKenna Twigg, Logan Tyree, Damion Vitt, Michelle Wilfong, Dillon Williams, Erica Yerkes, Braxton Young

Grade 5 - Alex Beleny, Meghan Benner, Megan Brown, Bryce Gorrell, Matt Huth, Tyler Imes, Zane Keckler, Ryan Lommerse, Braden Park, Leah Reinhart, Ross Sears, Anson Tran

Grade 6 - Wesley Armon, Allison Arnold, Ben Bodart, Shaina Bouillon, Cody Brady, Morgan Brant, Hope Brickner, Eric Cassidy, Zach Clouse, Aleta Daniel, Ryan Depinet, Colton Feathers, Jarid Gelinias, Brady Kohlenberg, Brendan O'Connor, Audrey Ranker, Nick Scaife, Ruthann Schreiner, Kassie Shaver, Raelynn Six, Jordan Stewart, AnDrea Taulker, Marisa Twigg, Kassie Welly

Elementary Award Winners



Students who kept their Gold Cards the entire school year



2007-08 Student Council Members



Science Fair Award Winners



Alice Kretsinger Writing Award Winners



Sixth grader Hope Brickner received an award for having perfect attendance every year from kindergarten to sixth grade.



2007-08 Perfect Attendance Award Winners

Art Awards



Kayla Reinbolt



Max Harris



Bailey Jameson



Kayla Siebenaller



Madison Klais



Brooke Fruth

Track and Field Days 2008

Thanks to everyone that made this year's Track and Field Days a success: Mrs. Akers, classroom teachers, Angie Bloom, Ashley Schumm, Karen Irving, Donna Gosche, Cindy Diaz, Anne Arnold, Sue Pummell, Sue Bodart, Veronica Reinhart, Carol Vaughn, Jan Brickner, Mary Mora, Alamar Graphics, David Hossler, Tom Swanagan, H-L Broadcasting, the Twigg, Lommerse, and Stewart Families, and anyone I may have forgotten to mention. The days were fun and rewarding for all.

Thanks,
Mr. Ream



Thank You!

Thank you to everyone for supporting Market Day this year. We look forward to seeing you in September. Our first sale for the 2008-09 school year will be September 23, 2008. Any questions, please contact Tammy Arbogast at 419-937-1689. Thank you again and have a great summer.

Notes From the Music Department



Marching Chieftain Pride Campaign

Thank you to everyone who has made donations to the Marching Chieftain Pride Campaign. As you may know, due to our successful campaign, the band will be marching in new band uniforms for the 2008 season. We are very proud to be a part of such a generous community. We could not have raised the funds needed without the strong support that you gave.

Music Boosters Cell Phone/Ink Jet Cartridge Collection

The Music Boosters are collecting used **cell phones** and other similar devices. Other items that are being collected through this program are **ink-jet cartridges, DVD movies, DVD video games, laptop/notebook computers, mp3 players and digital cameras**. This service is being run through a company called EcoPhones, who will recycle these items. Please send any items which you would like to have recycled to Mr. Nelson at school. There is no time limit on the collection. Any time you replace an old cell phone, ink jet cartridge, or another device listed above, simply send it to school to be recycled. Thank you for your participation.

OMEA District II Honor Festival

Congratulations to the following students for earning the right to perform in the OMEA District II Junior High Band, Choir and Orchestra Festival. Choir: Drew Ardner, Eric Depinet, Emily Cramer, Jessica Dull, Logan Kirby and Brandon Wise. Band: Kasey Siegel and Ryan Tran.

Upcoming Events

T.E. Camp - July 15, 16 and 17. (Check mailboxes for more details.)

Band Camps - Underclass & Percussion Camps – July 28-August 1; Band Camp - August 4-8 and 11-15 (Check mailboxes for more details.)

Music Booster Meetings

The Music Boosters hold meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month, pending conflicts. These meetings are held in the Choir Room at 7:00 pm. If you are a parent of a 5th-12th grade student, you are invited to attend these meetings. Your support and ideas are greatly needed.

2008 Meeting Schedule: September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8

Scholarship Winners

Due to the timing, the following scholarships were not included with the others recognized at the Senior Awards ceremony.

The Imagine America Foundation is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to advancing career education in America by providing scholarship programs, elevating public awareness of the vital role of career colleges, conducting research, and honoring the achievements of professionals and students involved in career education. A \$1,000 Imagine America Scholarship was awarded to Ethan Brickner on June 2, 2008. Congratulations Ethan and best wishes at Nascar Technical Institute.

The Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship is a federally funded academic award made to outstanding high school graduates who show promise of continued excellence, in an effort to recognize and promote student excellence and achievement. The Byrd Scholarship is a competitive award providing up to \$1500 per year for up to four years of post-secondary study in an accredited institution of higher learning in the United States. The scholarship is awarded equally across all of Ohio's congressional districts. Hopewell-Loudon is pleased to announce that Patrick Sulken is one of the 2008 recipients of this award. Congratulations Patrick and best wishes at Northwestern.

Bus Drivers Needed



The Hopewell-Loudon School District is in need of bus drivers - regular route and substitutes.

For more information, please contact Suzanne Frank, Director of Transportation, 419-937-2216, ext. 334.

WSOS Preschool

The WSOS Early Childhood Program in Bascom is now accepting applications for the 2008-2009 school year. Please call 419-447-0084.