

# School Lines

January 2014

Findlay City Schools  
1100 Broad Ave.  
Findlay, OH 45840



SHOCKWAVE, the Findlay Middle School Indoor Drumline won first place at the Ohio Indoor Performance Association with a 79.1 this past Saturday. SHOCKWAVE beat Licking Valley HS (2013 State Bronze Medalists) as well as Cloverleaf HS and War Eagle Drumline.

After three weeks of the Drumline Season SHOCKWAVE is ranked #1 in the Regional A Division for the State of Ohio!



Kaitlyn Harrington, a student at Jefferson Primary School, had the honor of her penguin artwork being displayed at the Mazza Student Art Exhibit. Her artwork was inspired by "A Penguin Story" by Antoinette Portis. Her art teacher is Matthew Bower.



The Donnell JAZZ Band & Donnell Student Council went on their “Getting Jazzed About Books” Tour. The JAZZ & Student Council went to Lincoln, Jefferson & Chamberlin Hill to perform Music, read a story and Student Council donated \$50 towards each school’s library. The tour is to advocate the value of reading every day. All the students had fun with the Music and had a great time!



FHS We the People are state champions for the 13th straight year and the 23rd time in the 27 years of the We the People program!!!!!!



These Whittier Primary School students are showing their Trojan Pride!

Go Trojans!!!!



FHS Hockey team served dinner at Birchhaven Retirement Village. Before dinner the residents watched a re-broadcast of the FHS 4-1 victory over Northview. Way to go team!





Mr. Alvarado and Mrs. Rooker gave Sen. Rob Portman a tour of Glenwood Middle School. Senator Portman stopped by to see the Red Cross station that was opened at Glenwood on December 23rd.



The annual spelling bee was held at Lincoln Elementary. Christopher Strzempka was the winner and Abigail Henthorne was the runner up of the spelling bee. Christopher will go on to the County Spelling Bee to represent Lincoln Elementary.



Whittier students learn about nutrition using the go slow whoa program at lunch times. Susie Polder and Miss Chesebro teach it during the lunch periods and every 2 weeks they award a class trophy at each grade level. They watch for healthy eaters and select the class that has worked the hardest! The children love it! This first grader is holding the class trophy by Susie Polder's bulletin board.





On Saturday, November 23, members of the FHS varsity soccer team partnered with Ethan Finlay of the Columbus Crew to provide a free soccer clinic for youth at the YMCA. Ethan Finlay is the son of Findlay YMCA CEO Brent Finlay.



January Rotary Students of the month are: Destiny Shoemaker – Culinary Arts and Victoria Terry – Teacher Mentorship.



- Mrs. Dangelo's math class successfully determined the linear regression to allow an egg to safely "bungee jump". The students did a great job!
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AT &T has awarded Findlay Digital Academy \$7,500 to develop the Career Mentor program.

AT&T's support of the Findlay Digital Academy will provide every student with a post-graduation career plan. A Career Mentor will facilitate each student in completing a career interest survey and then assist in aligning possible future careers with his/her interests. Each student will then explore the education needs for that career and what colleges or technical schools provide the required training. The Career Mentor will help students develop a resume, learn job interview skills, and develop the skills to fill out college applications.





## Millstream Adult Education

***Are you dreaming of warmer weather?  
Why not take a class while you wait!!***

February

Many classes are forming, call for details.

### **Computers:**

Keyboarding,  
Introduction to Personal Computers  
Transition to Windows 8/Office 2013  
Microsoft Office Excel, Word, &  
PowerPoint  
Adobe Photoshop & InDesign  
Macintosh Basics  
iCan! iPad, iPhone, iPod  
Google is ALL THAT

### **Enrichment:**

Experimental Digital Photography  
Pottery—Mixed Level,  
Cake Decorating  
Woodworking: Shaker Boxes  
Beginning Knitting  
Welding Level 1



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### ***Preview for March:***

*Maintain Your PC/Best Online Practices, Photoshop Portrait Touch-Up, SmartPhones 101, Dreamweaver Basics, Design for Desktop Publishing, Emily's Wedding Quilt, Pottery: The Crafted Plate, Floral Design: Centerpiece, Wreath, or Swag, Cooking: Introduction to Hot Water Bath Canning & Pressure Canning, Welding For Personal Use.*

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### THE ARTS PARTNERSHIP WINTER/SPRING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Arts Partnership of Greater Hancock County is pleased to present the following programs for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year. Register now for these programs!

The **School Day Performances** are approximately 1 hour in length. All seats are \$3.00 and study guides are available for all performances.

**Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day – February 20, 2014; 10am; at Winebrenner Auditorium** (Musical ideal for pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)

Have you ever had a really rotten day? Alexander has . . . he wakes up with gum in his hair, trips on a skateboard and accidentally dries his face with his sweater — all before breakfast! Alexander can already tell — it's going to be a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day. Alexander's day continues to go downhill as his teacher doesn't like his drawing of an invisible castle, the shoe store is out of the sneakers he wants and he accidentally makes a mess in his dad's office. There's no dessert for lunch, there's Lima beans for dinner and he has to wear his polka-dot pajamas to bed! Laugh and sing along with Alexander's misadventures in this hilarious musical written by Judith Viorst, author of the best-selling classic book, and produced by Two Beans Productions. Discover along with Alexander that sometimes, everyone has a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day. (Both performances on February 19 are SOLD OUT.)

**Snow White and the Magic Mirror, a Grimm Tale – April 25; 10am and 12:30pm; R.L. Heminger Auditorium, Findlay High School** (Ideal for 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

From the creator of last season's 1940's, Findlay-themed *Nutcracker* we bring you the premiere of *Snow White and the Magic Mirror, A Grimm Tale*. Neos Dance Theatre and the Findlay Academy of Ballet team up again to create a contemporary twist to the classic story. Shadowy trees and animated visual effects alongside local musicians and dancers will transport you to an innovative world where anything can happen through the Magic Mirror! Don't miss this ground breaking event. Neos Dance Theatre is known for inventive, original productions and high quality performances throughout the region.

#### Professional Development Workshops

**February 13, 2014, 4:30pm to 6:30pm, Millstream Career Center, Incorporating Digital Arts into your Teaching with Tami Wallace**, geared to teachers of grades K-12.

Increase student engagement, personalize learning, and watch creativity flourish when using 21st century tools to incorporate digital arts into your teaching. Come away with tips for planning and evaluating projects and many mobile tools for digital storytelling and photo and video editing. Desktop computers provided, but laptop computers welcome. The Partnership for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills advocates a "4 C" approach to teaching. Our instruction should include these 4 "super skills": communication, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity. This workshop will demonstrate how these skills can be incorporated into your teaching through the creation of digital arts throughout your core curriculum.

Workshop participants will be given opportunity to interact with valuable web resources, multimedia sources, web-based applications, mobile device applications and project ideas. The areas of graphic, photography, video, animation and audio production and editing will be explored. The resources and projects shared will be scalable for any K-12 setting and will be applicable to all content areas. Pre-registration is requested.

**March 4, 2014, 4:00pm to 7:00pm, Mazza Museum, The University of Findlay – Helping Students Develop and Tell their Stories with Judy Thibault Klevins**, geared to teachers of grades 3-7. Teachers will learn ways to help students understand story structure by developing personal narratives with a clean beginning, middle and end, and using storytelling techniques to tell stories more vividly. Participants explore a process for helping students choose appropriate topics, visualize the story and use simple sketching and writing to organize and capture their own and others' stories. Teachers also learn how to coach students to project their voices and use appropriate posture and gestures for more effective storytelling. *Back by popular demand!*

Youtheatre activities are scheduled as follows:

**January 18, 2014 – So you want to be a Star? Workshops**, age appropriate workshops by area theatre professionals; **openings available for students in grades 4 through 12**; held at First Presbyterian Church. Pre-registration is required.

**March 14-16, 2014 – Disney Aladdin JR.**, Musical featuring students in grades 1-5. Auditions are on Monday and Tuesday, January 27 and 28. Applications are due on January 20 from students in grades 6-12 interested in working as Youth Assistants. All activities are held at First Presbyterian Church.

**Young Playwrights Group** – Sessions begin on January 25, 2014 for students in grades 6-12. Students will work with local professionals to write and refine scripts. One script will be chosen to be produced for a world premiere on April 10, 2014.

**June 2014 – The Red, White and Blue Radio Hour**, A radio show starring students in grades 4-12.

For additional information or to register for programs, please contact Peggy Grandbois, Executive Director, at 419-422-3412, ext. 3 or [education@artspartnership.com](mailto:education@artspartnership.com) or visit The Arts Partnership website at [www.artspartnership.com](http://www.artspartnership.com).



## SYMPATHY

Our thoughts are with the following employees who experienced the loss of a loved one:

Rosemary Rooker's (Glenwood) father-in-law passed away.

Tracy August's (Treasurer's office) father passed away.

Dianna August's (Donnell) father passed away.

Lana Blunk's (transportation) mother passed away.

Pam Rice's (Glenwood) mother-in-law passed away.

Shelley Starr's (transportation) sister-in-law passed away.

Elaine Leman's (Whittier) father passed away.

## New Arrivals



Justin (FHS) and Juliann Shank welcomed their son on November 24th.

Brynn (Whittier) and Andreas Baumgartner welcomed their daughter on January 10th.

***Kudos to the following buildings and departments that were accident free for the month of January!***

Bigelow Hill, Chamberlin Hill, Jacobs, Lincoln, Northview, Washington, Whittier, Wilson Vance, Glenwood, Donnell, Custodial, and Grounds/Maintenance.

***Keep up the safe work!***

Tip of the Month:

Attention to walking conditions and adjusting for such conditions will help prevent a painful winter! Loss of traction is the leading cause of slips. Slips can be caused by wet surfaces, spills or weather hazards such as ice and snow. Slips are more likely to occur when a person is in a hurry or runs, wears the wrong type of shoes or doesn't pay attention to where they are walking.

