

School Lines

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Findlay City Schools
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Nick Kairys Receives Scholar Athlete Award



Nick Kairys, Findlay High School senior was awarded the National Football Foundation Scholar Athlete award at their 52nd annual banquet at the Seagate Center on March 10th. Thirty eight exceptional scholar athletes were honored at the banquet from high schools in the Northwest Ohio/Southeast Michigan area. Brady Hoke, Head Football Coach from the University of Michigan was the guest speaker of the event. Before the awards banquet started, the 38 young men boarded a bus from the Seagate Center and visited the Toledo Children's Hospital where they visited children and handed out footballs and other memorabilia. When they returned back to the Seagate Center, a sit-down dinner was served and then the awards were announced. Mr. Weihrauch and Coach Ritzler were extremely proud of Nick. The last person from Findlay High School to receive this award was in 2009.





BOWLING FOR KIDS

ANNUAL FUNDRAISING EVENT





On March 20, approximately seventy-five seventh and eighth grade girls attended seminars led by successful women who have “made it” in careers generally associated with men. Presenters were: Emily Pitney, Ohio Orthopedics; Amy Kennedy, Findley Davies; Amanda Crates-Steinmetz, Coldren –Crates Funeral Home; Dr. Melissa James, Blanchard Valley Veterinary Clinic; Beth Fulk, Dow Chemical Company. Also a technician from Apple did FaceTime with the group during lunch. The purpose of the day was to encourage these bright young ladies to take challenging courses in high school and college and perhaps choose a math/science career.





Mrs. Durbin's students helped with COSI at Jacobs School.



Jefferson principal, Mrs. Miller, was surprised with a new office chair by her staff!

Six Marketing students who had qualified to attend the Ohio DECA Career Development Conference competed this weekend at the Columbus Convention Center. Four of the students placed in the Top 10 in their event and two of the students advanced to competition at the DECA International Career Development Conference in Atlanta!

Alisha Schroeder & Ryan Price, Entrepreneurship Written Event. Alisha and Ryan developed a business, Topped Off International Cafe, and prepared a 30-page paper detailing the business including their target market, location, marketing techniques, financial viability and funding needs. This is a very popular event and the Top 20 teams were recognized Friday night at a mini awards ceremony. At this ceremony, Alisha and Ryan received medals for being Top 10 finalists and advanced to Saturday's competition. From the Top 10 teams, the Top 4 advance to the international conference. Alisha and Ryan didn't make the Top 4, BUT their paper and presentation were very impressive! They are first year DECA members and were competing against juniors and seniors who were multi-year DECA members. Here is a link to the requirements for their event: http://www.deca.org/docs/conferences-competitions/DECA_ENW_Guidelines.pdf

Javi Ramos & Alexander Majors, Marketing Communications Team Decision-Making event. Saturday morning Javi and Alexander were given a case study involving a marketing communications (advertising/promotion) situation and had 30 minutes to develop a solution based on the performance indicators provided with the case study. They then presented their solution to a panel of judges. Javi and Alexander were Top 10 finalists in their event and advanced to the final round of competition Saturday afternoon where they did another case study and presentation. At the Awards Ceremony Saturday night, they were called on stage, recognized with a medal for making the Top 10, and found out they received 4th Place overall and advanced to the international conference in Atlanta. Here is a link to the contest guidelines for their event: http://www.deca.org/docs/conferences-competitions/DECA_TDM_Guidelines.pdf

Please join me in congratulating these students for their achievements. They worked really hard and represented their school, their DECA chapter, and themselves in a well-behaved, professional manner all weekend.
Submitted by: Mrs. Lisa Willson



Findlay High School students help save the environment by recycling! Way to go!!!



Senior Violinist, Alex Harrada, performed in front of nearly 20,000 people at the Ohio High School Athletic Association Basketball tournament. He was amazing!

March Rotary Students of the month are: Cassandra Williamson—Early Childhood Education and Alexis Miller –Office & Print Technologies.



Meteorologist, Ryan Wichman stopped by Jefferson Primary School to visit with the Weather and Outdoor Beautification Teams. He also spent some time with the entire school.

Thanks, Ryan!!!!



Washington Preschool had over 65 families in attendance for a fun filled Literacy Night on March 20. These families were Wild About Preschool as they participated in a craft, parent take home activity, and a pizza dinner! They visited the Book Fair during their evening with their family too. Each child received a book so they can continue the fun of reading at home!

Please remember to visit the Student and Community Opportunities tab on our website www.findlaycityschools.org to see the opportunities available in the community for you and your child. If you are interested in receiving district information via emails or text please register on the website.

SYMPATHY

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

Dennis McPheron's (Administration) father-in-law passed away.

Kathy Foster's (Chamberlin Hill) husband passed away.

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

Bigelow Hill, Chamberlin Hill, Jacobs. Jefferson, Lincoln, Nothview, Washington, Whittier, Wilson Vance, Glenwood, Donnell, Grounds/Maintenance and transportation.

Keep up the safe work!

Yard Work Safety

Itching to get the yard into shape for the summer? Here are ways to help ensure your spring spruce-up is disaster-free.

- Always wear protective clothing when you handle pesticides and fertilizers.
- More than 60,000 people are treated in emergency rooms each year for lawn-mower injuries:
- Rake before you mow to prevent any stones and loose debris from launching into the air
- Never operate a mower in your bare feet and avoid wearing loose clothing.
- Never start a mower indoors.
- Refueling your mower, make sure the engine is off and cool. Don't spill gasoline on a hot engine - and DON'T SMOKE while pouring gasoline.
- Never leave your mower unattended.
- Don't use electrical mowers on wet grass.
- At least 55,000 people each year sustain injuries from trimmers, lawn edgers, pruners and power saws:
- Read the manufacturer's instructions carefully before using the tools.
- Inspect the product for damage and don't use it if there are problems.
- Use proper eye protection.
- Make sure blade guards are in place on all cutting equipment.
- Don't let tools get wet unless they are labeled "immersible."
- Unplug all tools when not in use.
- Make sure the tool is in the "off" position before you plug it in.
- Store gasoline-powered equipment away from anything that uses a pilot light.
- Make sure you use the right saw for the task, and always wait for the saw blade to stop before pulling away from a cut to avoid kickback.
- When pruning trees, be careful not to let metal ladders or trimmers contact overhead wires.



Before you do any "hands on" weed removal, be sure you know how to identify poison ivy, sumac, oak and similar toxic plants. Find out ahead of time how to treat the rashes they cause to reduce the irritation.