

School Lines

August 21, 2009

Findlay City Schools
1219 W. Main Cross
Findlay, OH 45840

Findlay City Schools Honors Outstanding Employees
At This Years Convocation!



Bruce B. Hill Award
Cindy Lininger – Jacobs



Dorothy and Stephen Secor Award
Brooke Imke—Jefferson



C. Robert Baker Award
Becky Bern—Chamberlin Hill



The Courier Language Arts Award
Becky Pfaltzgraf—Findlay High School



National Lime & Stone
Outstanding Social Studies
Award
Jo Croy—Donnell



Millstream Career & Tech
Center Vocational Award
Becky Bucher—Millstream East



Classified Employee Award
Yvonne Nowlan—Chamberlin Hill



Welcome New Staff!

Administrators

Nancy Allison – Director of Secondary Instruction
Barbara Peterson – Lincoln Principal
Vickie Swartz – FHS Principal

Teaching Staff

Jennifer Belza – Washington Grade 4
Angela Dieter – Northview Special Needs Pre-School
Whittany Hartman – Chamberlin Hill PT Reading
Candice Korkos – Wilson Vance PT Reading
Kathleen Rayle – FHS Intervention Specialist
Angela Nunn – Northview Intervention Specialist
Michele Prater – FHS Intervention Specialist

Classified Staff

Rita Casper – FHS Licensed Interpreter
Elizabeth Hall – Whittier Pre-School Aide
Silas Larsen – Lincoln Computer Aide
Pam Rice – Donnell Aide
Francesca Tremante – Jefferson Aide
Sherry Sullivan – Donnell Enrichment Aide
Deb Troyer – Lincoln Office Aide
Anna Welker – Washington Secretary

Some Old Friend and Some New Friends

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Honor Flight Northwest Ohio

Several months ago Findlay High School Football Coach Mark Ritzler approached us and said he wanted to turn his off-season lifting program into a "Lift-A-Thon for Honor Flight Northwest Ohio." **The results are in** - his students raised **\$4,800!** It's one of the largest donations that Honor Flight Northwest Ohio has ever received. Honor Flight Northwest Ohio is a 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization dedicated to flying our veterans to Washington, D.C. to see their memorials. So far they have conducted nine flights on seven fly dates - escorting 256 veterans to the nation's capital including many from the Findlay area.



What Can I Do To Prevent The Spread of H1N1 Flu?

The role of students and parents is a very important one. Take a common sense approach to limit the spread of germs. Make good hygiene a habit and ***teach these habits to your children:***

- Washing and drying your hands properly is one of the best ways of protecting yourself against the spread of germs.
- Wash hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water. Teach your children to sing Happy Birthday twice while washing hands to ensure they are washing long enough. You can use an alcohol based rub if soap and water is unavailable.
- Wash and dry hands frequently but especially before handling or eating food, after coughing or sneezing, blowing your nose or using the bathroom.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and dispose of the used tissue in a covered, lined wastebasket right away. Cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve if you do not have a tissue rather than sneezing into the air or into your hand. Wash your hands.
- Try to stay several feet away from sick people to avoid catching their germs.
- Monitor your school aged children for illness every morning. Keep your child home if he/she is sick. If your child is suspected of having H1N1 flu they should remain home until he/she has been symptom-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication to prevent the spread of flu to others.
- Students who are sick should not be sent to group day care and should not be out in public places except to receive medical care. Ill students should not be at the mall, at sporting or social events, in restaurants etc. while they are out sick from school.
- Plan for how you will care for your child if he or she is home sick.

Stay informed. Get fast reliable information on H1N1 and seasonal flu developments at www.cdc.gov or by calling your local health department. Information provide by The Hancock County Health Department

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(ren). If you are interested in receiving district information via email please register at the website.



Pay your child's school fees on-line.

You can pay with a credit card, debit card, or electronic check.

- 1) Just go to www.findlaycityschools.org
- 2) Set up an account (one time requirement)
- 3) Select your student's school
- 4) Select your student's type of fees
- 5) Type in amount you want to pay

● **Adult Education Fall Catalog is now available. Contact us for a copy or visit our new website at www.millstream-adult-ed.org for a complete listing. We offer over 80 classes with new classes starting weekly through December. We also offer on-line classes through ED2GO. Register now for classes starting in September. Call 419-427-5422**

YOUTHEATRE 2009-2010 Schedule

October 16, 17, and 18, 2009 – Seussical Jr., musical for students in grades 6-12. (Auditions August 24 and 25 at 6 p.m.).

November 21, 2009 – Workshops for students in grades 1-12.

March 5, 6, 7, 2010 – Humpty-Dumpty is Missing!, play for students in grades 1-5.

(Auditions January 13 and 14 at 6 p.m.).

In addition YOUTHEATRE is holding a **Max & Erma's Fundraiser Breakfast on Saturday, September 19, 2009** at Max & Erma's in Findlay. The tickets are \$5.00 and include all-you-can-eat pancakes, two sausage links, orange juice, and coffee. Advance purchase is preferred. Tickets are available at The Arts Partnership located at 618 S. Main St.

For additional information or to register for programs, please contact Peggy Grandbois, Director of Education, at 419-422-3412 or education@artspartnership.com or visit The Arts Partnership website at www.artspartnership.com.

THE ARTS PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCES 2009-2010 PROGRAMS

The Arts Partnership of Greater Hancock County has announced its education programs for the 2009-2010 school year. Register now for these programs!

The **School Day Performances** are approximately 1 hour in length and are held at Central Auditorium. Seats are \$3.00 and study guides are available for all performances. The schedule includes the following productions.

The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere – October 28, 2009; 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

(Musical ideal for 4th through 8th grades)

This musical makes American history accessible and exciting through a unique combination of music, drama, and humor. Based on the book by Ben H. Winters, *The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere* tells the inspirational story of how ordinary people can make a difference.

The Jungle Book – November 10, 2009; 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

(Musical ideal for 2nd through 4th grades)

With the help of his companions, Bagheera, the black panther, and Baloo, the loveable bear, Mowgli learns about friendship and survival as he faces his fears and foils his nemesis, the tiger Shere Khan. This musical version of Rudyard Kipling's classic will delight both the young and the young at heart.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favourites – January 19, 2010;

10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

(Musical ideal for K through 2nd grade)

This triple-bill performance includes the story of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, *Little Cloud*, and *The Mixed-Up Chameleon*. The whimsical tales told through this acclaimed black-light stage production have enchanted students with upbeat tempo, colors, voice, movement and music.

Henry and Mudge – February 17, 2010; 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

(Musical ideal for pre-K through 2nd grade)

Henry can't find a playmate in his new neighborhood so he instead enjoys adventures with Mudge, a 182-pound canine buddy, who also comes with lots of responsibilities. Henry eventually gets upset with Mudge and runs away. Will the two be reunited? Find out in the Theatreworks musical, based on the best-selling series of books by Cynthia Rylant.

Findlay City School educators who register their students for a performance of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favourites* or *Henry and Mudge* can participate in our "Dramatic Connections" Program and upon submission of the required application, may receive free books for students.

In the **Professional Development Workshops**, teaching artists demonstrate how to integrate the arts into the curriculum. All workshops are held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and are FREE to educators from Findlay City Schools. Each participant earns 3 contact hours. One semester hour of graduate credit is available through the University of Findlay for those attending all three workshops and completing associated lesson plans or a grant proposal.

September 24, 2009, FHS Library – Selecting and Integrating Art Resources into the Curriculum, with Floyd C. Dickman. Mr. Dickman will present the best literature and professional tools to select art and music resources to make an impact on the curriculum. Fulfills Ohio Academic Contest grade-appropriate standards for language arts, math, science, social studies, and fine arts.

November 5, 2009, Mazza Museum, The University of Findlay – Integrating Visual Art with the Curriculum with author Bob Barner. Using his non-fiction books, music and art, Mr. Barner will share techniques that engage young students in reading and science. Workshop fulfills Ohio Academic Content grade-appropriate standards for life sciences and fine arts.

February 23, 2010, First Presbyterian Church – Dividing Time/Dividing Space with teaching artist, Terry Boyarsky. Workshop demonstrates how to use musical games and rhythmic exercises to teach the concepts of how math relates to time and space. Workshop fulfills Ohio Academic Contest 5th grade Standards for language arts, math, and fine arts.

Dial 2-1-1 to get connected to help

Did you know you can dial 2-1-1 from anywhere in Hancock County and get connected to assistance from local health and human service organizations?

The Hancock County 2-1-1 Collaborative launched the 2-1-1 information and referral line on December 15, 2008. The easy-to-remember phone number is especially vital to our community right now as a resource for residents facing challenges due to the current economy.

“Hancock County 2-1-1 is able to provide resources for many of the needs people are facing right now including food, shelter, utility assistance, counseling, and many others,” said Keith DuVernay, United Way president and chair of the Hancock County 2-1-1 Collaborative. “2-1-1 encourages people to call earlier rather than later for assistance. For example, if a family thinks they might fall behind on their utility bills this month, it’s much easier to get on a payment plan now. If they wait and call after their gas has been shut off it is much more difficult to find assistance.”

The Hancock County 2-1-1 Collaborative began in June of 2008, when citizens were recovering from local flooding. It was recognized that a system to access information needed to be a community priority. Several organizations in Hancock County came together to form the Collaborative and named Keith DuVernay, United Way president, as chair of the group.

Hancock County 2-1-1 has contracted with United Way of Greater Toledo and United Way 2-1-1 to provide this valuable service. United Way 2-1-1 also operates the service in Lucas, Wood, Ottawa, and Erie counties. An information & referral specialist from United Way 2-1-1 serves in Hancock County as a liaison to agencies; attending meetings, health fairs, updating data, and promoting the service to local residents.

“We’re proud the Hancock County 2-1-1 Collaborative chose United Way 2-1-1 as their service provider,” said Jeanette Hrovatich, director of United Way of Greater Toledo Outreach Services. “We are confident Hancock County residents will be pleased with the level of knowledge and customer service our information & referral specialists provide.”

The line is answered by trained information & referral specialists, offers a Spanish option, and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If dialing 2-1-1 rings busy or an operator says the service is not available, a toll-free number, 1-800-650-HELP(4357) can be used to get connected. Residents can also visit www.hancockcounty2-1-1.org to access the service online.

In order to continue the collaborative spirit, the following funding partners have committed to financing the program for the next three years: Blanchard Valley Regional Health Center, Century Health, City of Findlay, Citizens Sheriff’s Academy Alumni Association, Findlay City Schools, Findlay Health Department, Hancock County Agency on Aging, Hancock County Alcohol, Drug Addiction & Mental Health Services Board (ADAMHS), Hancock County Health Department, Hancock County Job & Family Services, Hancock County Schools-Educational Service Center, HHWP Community Action Commission, Hope House for the Homeless, Open Arms Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Services, Owens Community College, and University of Findlay, Findlay Noon Rotary and United Way of Hancock County.