

# ***Flinthills Flyer***

***USD 492 HOME OF THE MUSTANGS***

**April, 2017**

## **Helping Hands for Wildfire Recovery**

".....I pledge my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to large service for my club, my community, my county and my world.....I believe in the future of ag....I believe in leadership from ourselves....I believe that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community, which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task."

The weekend of March 25<sup>th</sup>, the 4-H motto and FFA Creed were prevalent and integrated well as youth from Butler County 4-H, Bluestem FFA and Flinthills FFA teamed up and headed west to Ashland, KS. The damage and devastation from the Starbucks Fire was huge and recovery will be ongoing for years. When the fires settled, Charlene Miller, Butler County 4-H Youth Agent teamed up with Skyler Myrick, Flinthills FFA Advisor, along with Kasie Kieffer and Barb McCaffree, Bluestem FFA Advisors, to gather donations and put together a work team to take to Clark County.

Our crews departed at 6:00 a.m. on March 25<sup>th</sup>. After stopping for breakfast in Pratt, we continued our journey on West. At Bucklin, we headed south towards Ashland. "As we started reaching the northern portion of the fire along Hwy 34, tears filled my eyes and a since over overwhelming swept over me. To read about it in the paper and see the posts on Social Media is one thing. But to see it firsthand takes it to a whole other level. Miles upon miles of fence destroyed, dead livestock still scattered about. If you weren't grounded in your thoughts before about the fire, you certainly were as you began the journey into thousands of acres of blackened land. Seeing the magnitude of destruction truly puts it all into perspective when you can stand and look in a 360 degree direction and it's black as far as the eye can see" said Mrs. Miller.

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Upon arriving in Ashland, the teams went to the Ashland Christian Camp which served as our housing and base camp until we left. We were greeted by wonderfully kind volunteer coordinators who ran the check in and volunteers like a well-oiled machine. Tears were shed by some as we arrived with a semi loaded with equipment and fencing supplies, 4 other vehicles loaded with a tractor, bob cat, ATV's, welding material and more fencing supplies. Our teams were quickly placed with multiple families and we were off to their property to begin work and do what we could in the short amount of time we were there. Upon returning to camp Saturday night, we were greeted with a wonderful pulled pork dinner by the volunteers at the Christian Camp. We were not the only volunteers staying at the Christian Camp. There were others from out of State who had come to help as well. After a cold night's sleep (which we did not properly plan for), the biscuits and gravy served by the volunteers warmed us up before we were back in the pastures by 7:30 a.m. where we stayed until we returned to camp between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to begin our journey home.

While we were there, one of your youth helped unload square bales of hay at a local ranch while the remainder of our 40 plus member team helped with approximately 20 miles of fence. Those 20 miles included anything from building new fence to cleaning up the fire ravaged fence. The clean-up meant that our workers took clips off posts, pulled posts, rolled the burnt wire, along with gathering up and loading all those items onto trailers. Building new fence, meant drilling holes for and concreting in pipe corners and braces, stringing new wire, and setting new fence posts....all having to meet the Government specifications for those hoping to receive some support back for the huge financial losses they incurred. When you look at what we accomplished Saturday

afternoon and Sunday morning, we know it's only a drop in the bucket compared to the big picture. But our youth learned and witnessed firsthand in disasters like this, every bit helps and begins to set the course for the next group of volunteers coming in.

One family gave a tour of their ranch to the crew that worked for them right before heading back to camp on Sunday afternoon. They had a building with the American Flag painted on both sides of it. Almost simultaneously,

everyone pointed and said "Look at that". That image was a great way to wrap up the trip. Our Country's great flag, with our 4-H and FFA members that had been out working for ranchers, one of the foundations of this Country. Our hearts and hands reached out to help others, two of the very things that make our world we live in so great. We shared laughter and tears, listened to their stories, built new friendships, and no doubt left a piece of our heart with them. We met amazing volunteer coordinators and families that opened their hands and hearts and welcomed us, complete strangers, into their lives to help them as much as we could.

One rancher said, "Come back out and help again. This isn't a short term disaster that will be over in 3 or 6 months. This is a disaster that will be a long recovery, not only physically rebuilding, but the emotional roller coaster for those of us affected." As he said that, one could tell by the look on his face and the sound in his voice,





the “shock” of the disaster was wearing off and the emotional toll was beginning to set in. The financial, emotional and time required to rebuild toll is huge. Like our caps we had donated to us for the trip from Western Associates in Marion, KS said: “Together we can rebuild.” Recovery will go on for years, and volunteers will be a crucial part to help these families out as much as possible. If you have experience and you’re willing to donate time, we challenge you to make a trip out and help.

Our trip would not have been as successful as it was without the wonderful generosity of those who donated food, fencing supplies, equipment and necessities. Thank you to our amazing donors and sponsors: Wal-Mart, Tractor Supply, Linda & Alan Peterson and Betty Carlson, Benton Busy Bees 4-H Club, Triple V 4-H Club in Onaga Kansas, Butler County Farm Bureau, El Dorado Animal Clinic, Dr. Davy & Mary Gail Harkins, Kathy Daily, Anonymous Donors, Western Associates in Marion Kansas, Oleta McKinney, Rod Wohlge-muth, Joel & Kim Ligon, Butler County Health Departments, David & Cherrie Kehler, Larry & Jane Doornbos, Barry Black, Cory Miller, Stephanie Girty, Bluestem Shock Foundation, Whitestar, Curtis Willhite, Curtis Gauthier, Carol Johnson, Butler County 4-H, Bluestem FFA, Flinthills FFA, .....



We pledged our hearts and hands, we believe in the future of ag, leadership and ourselves. We came together as 4-H & FFA to help the Clark County community. Individually we are great, together we are greater. It was a privilege and humbling experience to help and work with the wonderful families and volunteers in Clark County.



# Big News From TSA!

Eight Flinthills High School students spent three days competing in the Technology Student Association (TSA) State Competition in Salina the last week of March. With 6 new members and 2 returning members we were overall a young team, but they worked hard preparing and were as ready as you can be to compete. When the competition was over and the winners announced I discovered it wasn't how they performed in the competition that made me proud. It was their grit. That these young people stepped up and competed in competitions they had never heard of, with no idea what to expect, was inspiring. They conducted themselves with maturity and respect, enough so that I received many compliments on my team from the judges and other advisors.

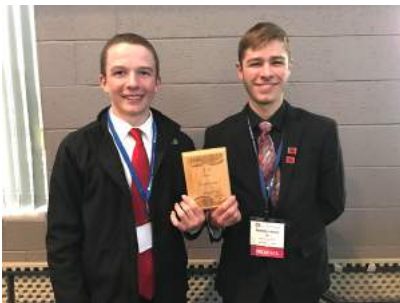


Philip Humig (FR), Caden Sangals (SO) and returning member Bryant Harris (SO) competed in Video Game Design where they created a video game using Unity software. While they didn't place this year I have no doubt the experience of this competition will help them tremendously in the future. Caden also competed in Technology Bowl alongside Alyssa Howard (SR) and Trey McNemee (SR). They took a quiz to determine seeding, and ended up falling to the #5 seed in the Tech Bowl tournament. Hunter Travnichuk (SR) competed in Photographic Technology. She aced her interview and the judges loved her creative take on the given challenge, but she fell just short of placing.



Alyssa and Trey's main focus was Digital Video Production. Their video earned them a solid 4th place in the final standings, one place shy of qualifying for the national competition.

Brandon Henson (SR) had a computer glitch which cost him an hour of work in CAD - Architecture, but despite the loss of time he still earned a 5th place title at the state level.



Brandon Henson and Hadley Girty (FR) created a tiny house for the Architectural Design competition. Mr. Worrell was a tremendous help to the boys, whose true-to-scale tiny house model made them the state champions! This qualified them to compete at the national competition.

All TSA members also competed in Technology Problem Solving and On-Demand Video. It was a busy 3 days but the experiences were worth every second!

At the Advisor's Meeting I was appointed to be a member of the TSA State Advisor's Committee, which is an unexpected honor!

Submitted by Michal Austin



# THE BUTLER DID IT, AGAIN OR DID HE?

*Who REALLY committed the Crime?*

The Social Secretary...Jane Moe! Who would have known?

On March 10th and 11th, FHS Theatre presented *The Butler Did It, Again*.



“Who Done It?”



“He looks like an Ape.”



“The swamp is just ...  
Magnificent!”



The Cast and Crew of *The Butler Did It, Again*!

# Flinthills Mustangs Receive State-wide Honors

*The Wichita Eagle*, *Topeka Capital-Journal* and *Kansas-sports.com* all released their All-State Basketball selections and two Flinthills Mustangs were recognized.



Flinthills Mustang senior Alyssa Howard was named First Team All-State Class 2A in the *Wichita Eagle* and was named 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Class 2A All-State in the *Capital-Journal*. Howard was also named 1st Team Class 2A All-State on the *Kansas-sports.com* All-State Team.



Mustang junior Ashley Melugin was named honorable mention Class 2A All-State in the *Wichita Eagle* and *Topeka Capital-Journal*.

## School Records Broken

The Flinthills Mustangs girls' basketball team went 19-4 during the 2016-17 basketball season. In addition to having a successful season as a team, several members of the Lady Mustangs left a lasting imprint on the school record book. Members of the 2016-17 Lady Mustangs currently hold or share 31 out of 62 statistical records kept for a game, season, or career. Members of the Mustangs holding school records are:

<u>Individual Category</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Career</u>
Points	Alyssa Howard-39	Alyssa Howard-464	Alyssa Howard-1273
Assists	Alyssa Howard-10		
Blocked Shots	Payton Gawith-8	Payton Gawith-63	Payton Gawith-175
3-pt FG Attempts	Ashley Melugin-14	Alyssa Howard-163	Alyssa Howard-490
3-pt FG Made	Alyssa Howard-6	Alyssa Howard-61	Alyssa Howard-173
FT Attempts		Alyssa Howard-146	Alyssa Howard-390
FT Made	Alyssa Howard-14	Alyssa Howard-123	Alyssa Howard-310
2-pt FG%	Taylor Bisbee-100% (6-6)	Payton Gawith-61%	
3-pt FG%		Alyssa Howard-41%	Alyssa Howard-35%
FT%	Alyssa Howard-100% (10-10)	Alyssa Howard-84%	Alyssa Howard-79.4%
Points/gm		Alyssa Howard-20.2	
Assists/TO Ratio		Ashley Melugin-1.83	
<u>Team Category</u>			
Victories		19 – (2016-17) (2006-07)	
Longest Winning Streak		9 – (2015-16)	
FT% (Minimum 10)	92% (12-13) vs South Haven – (2016-17)		
3-pt FG Made	11 vs Otis-Bison (2015-16)	132 (2016-17)	
3-pt FG Attempts	36 vs West Elk (2014-15)		

## 2017 All-League Girls Basketball

### First Team

1. Alyssa Howard	Senior	Flinthills
2. Macy McClendon	Sophomore	West Elk
3. Haley Williams	Senior	Sedan
4. Cora Vineyard	Sophomore	Argonia
5. Hanna Stuewe	Senior	Caldwell
6. Breckyn Rowley	Junior	Udall

### Second Team

1. Justi Sims	Junior	Sedan
2. Payton Weber	Junior	Udall
3. Ashley Melugin	Junior	Flinthills
4. Jesse Tracy	Senior	Argonia
5. Tylyn Ward	Sophomore	Caldwell
6. Megg Lebeda	Sophomore	Caldwell

### Honorable Mention

1. Hailey Grantham	Junior	CV/Dexter
2. Marissa Bratcher	Junior	CV/Dexter
3. Shaylie Hamilton	Junior	Central
4. Sarah Patteson	Senior	Udall
5. Brooklyn Hilton	Sophomore	West Elk
6. Alyson Hurt	Senior	Sedan
7. Megan McClendon	Freshman	West Elk



Alyssa Howard: 1st Team  
All-League

Ashley Melugin: 2nd Team  
All-League

## 2017 All-League Boys Basketball

### First Team

1. Kiefer Brewer	JR	Sedan
2. Colten Ward	SR	Caldwell
3. Seth Hemberger	SR	Argonia
4. Cade Miller	JR	West Elk
5. Kylar Walker	JR	Sedan
6. Dilyn Volavka	SR	Caldwell

### Second Team

1. Jacob Berkley	SR	CV/Dexter
2. Camren Clements	JR	Oxford
3. Dustin Handlin	JR	Central Burden
4. Jalen Risley	SO	Caldwell
5. Braydyn Wilkey	SR	South Haven
6. Noah Rhodd	SR	CV/Dexter

### Honorable Mention

1. Alex Burger	SR	Sedan
2. Cal Shimkus	JR	Oxford
3. Trevor Pierce	JR	Argonia
4. Stevie Becker	SR	Flinthills
5. Karsten Walker	JR	West Elk
6. Cody Jimenez	SR	Central Burden
7. Jaden Uhls	SR	Sedan
8. Steven Eichelberger	SR	Oxford



Stevie Becker: Honorable  
Mention All-League



# Middle School Wrestling

Middle School Wrestling, here and gone !!! The entire season runs 15 days. We teach 8-9 maybe 10 moves and drill these moves for an hour and a half each day.

Cylan Lakin practiced well and participated in the first two meets before missing the last two due to illness.

Gavin Girty wrestled well in the first meet of the season but he too was sick for the rest of the competition.

Colton Smith won his last three matches of the year, one was against a boy that had pinned him twice in prior meets.

Cody Noel did a great job learning the moves, combined with his aggressiveness he posted a 6-2 record.

Evan Taylor and Tayler Brown each brought some prior knowledge and experience and were very helpful in teaching the others. Evan finished the year 7-1 and Tayler was 9-4.

Thank You to the boys and also to the parents, Coach Bisbee

80 EVAN TAYLOR, 7th grade

105 TAYLER BROWN, 7th grade

110 CYLAN LAKIN, 7th grade

134 CODY NOEL, 8th grade

148 GAVIN GIRTY, 7th grade

155 COLTON SMITH, 7th grade



*Evan Taylor, center*



*Colton Smith, far right*



*Cody Noel, center*



*Tayler Brown, far left*



## UPCOMING CONCERTS

May 2nd

Primary Spring Program

Cassoday

7:00 p.m.

May 9th

5-12 Band Concert

Rosalia

7:00 p.m.

May 18th

3-6 Vocal Concert 6:30 p.m.

7-12 Vocal Concert 7:30 p.m.

Rosalia



## High School

### Track Roster 2017

Coach: Jody McCollum

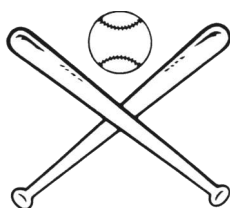
Mary Bisbee (12)  
 Payton Gawith (12)  
 Javen McCreight (11)  
 Sarah Harris (11) - Manager

## Middle School

### Track Roster 2017

Coach: Chuck Bisbee

Madison Alvord (6)  
 Lauren Donner (7)  
 Alissa Henson (7)  
 Danielle Howard (7)  
 Adley Humig (6)  
 Larrissa Lakin (6)  
 Taren Lakin (6)  
 Savannah McCreight (7)  
 Jessie Mooney (7)  
 Lynsee Olbrey (7)  
 Laura Scribner (6)  
 Matison Totty (8)  
 Madilynn Thomas (6)  
 Kylee Weis (8)  
 Chloe Wieckhorst (8)  
 Gavin Girty (7)  
 Brandon Gleason (7)  
 Christopher Grimwood (8)  
 Jonathan McCreight (7)  
 Cody Noel (8)  
 Colton Smith (7)  
 Cael Sorum (7)  
 Cooper Studebaker (7)  
 Dylan Taylor (8)  
 Evan Taylor (7)



## High School

### Baseball Roster 2017

Coach: Erik Sorum

Issac Bugner (9)	Trey McNemee (12)
Sam Colangelo (10)	Kolton Melugin (11)
Jack Donner (9)	Kedryn Morse (9)
Jeffrey Garcia (10)	Christian Roller (9)
Hadley Girty (9)	Caden Sangals (10)
Peyten Girty (10)	Dylan Steinhauer (10)
Bryant Harris (10)	Brayden Taylor (11)
Brandon Henson (12)	Drew Taylor (9)
Justus Humig (9)	Heath Town (11)
Ethan James (10)	Jesse Town (9)
Lucas James (9)	James Wieckhorst (10)
Terry Jones (9)	Braden Wight (9)
Cody McNeil (9)	

## High School

### Softball Roster 2017

Coach: Kent Harms

Taylor Bisbee (10)	Olivia Leslie (12)
Courtney Brown (12)	Lyndee Martin (9)
Nyah Brown (9)	Kadyn Nuncio (9)
Vanessa Caylor (12)	Bailey Smith (11)
Savannah Hale (9)	Sarah Sorum (9)
Brooke Harris (10)	Janea Totty (9)
Sarah Hinnen (9)	Hunter Travnichuk (12)
Jada Humig (10)	Haley Wright (11)
Makenzie Jackson (11)	Harley Wright (12)





# FLINTHILLS CHEERLEADING NEWS



While the basketball season may be over, the cheerleading season is never over. Spring brings us to the season for tryouts and I'm thrilled to announce that this is the first time in several years that Flinthills schools has had enough interest in cheerleading for tryouts. Both the middle school and the high schools have had a 50% increase in interest in cheer over last year. If we end up having try-outs, they will be on Wednesday, April 19th from 3:30-5:00. Try-outs will be closed, meaning that only the judges and the candidates will be in the tryout room. I have procured Butler County Community College cheerleaders for our judges this year.

Practice for cheer will be on Wednesday, April 5th, from 3:30-5:30 and on Sunday, April 9th from 2-4. Practices will continue on subsequent Wednesdays and Sundays until tryouts. If you are interested in cheerleading you must attend either the 5th or the 9th because the following week we will progress onto something new. You may attend both Wednesday and Sunday practices if you wish. I'm looking forward to all the new faces!



Photos are from Sub-State Tournaments

~Coach Green~

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Keep up with the latest news for Flinthills Cheerleading  
on Facebook!

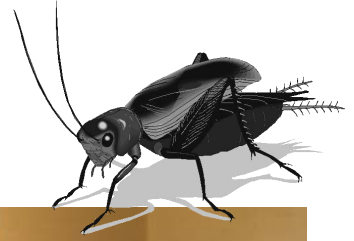


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# Bug Eating for Reading

Read Across America was an exciting week around Flinthills Intermediate School. The students were working very hard and reading a lot to reach a goal of 5,000 minutes. When the students met the goal, Mr. Gawith said he would eat a chocolate covered bug. After Mr. Gawith ate a cricket and worm, some students had the chance to do the same. We had quite a few brave kids take the challenge.



*Mr. Gawith leads the way by eating a chocolate covered bug.*



*Cameryn Finley bravely takes a bite of the insect she chose.*



*Many of the students and staff volunteered to eat a bug, and many others chose to sit back and enjoy the show.*



*Kolby Holcomb chooses between the white chocolate larva or milk chocolate cricket.*



*Sydney Sorum didn't hesitate to chomp down on her bug.*

## Other moments from Dr. Seuss week.



# Dr. Seuss Week at the Primary

Everyone loves Dr. Seuss week! The kids know they are going to have a lot of fun and the teachers and staff like to bring their favorite Seuss book or quote to the forefront of their mind. Friday is the culmination of Dr. Seuss week and there are several different activities the kids are able to do. Each activity is centered around a specific Seuss book that is read at each activity.

There are also dress up days for this week. They were as follows:

**Monday—Crazy Sock Day**

**Tuesday— Green Day**

**Wednesday— Mustache Day**

**Thursday—Pajama Day**

**Friday—Hat Day**



"The Cat in the Hat"



"Green Eggs and Ham"



"Yertle the Turtle"



"Bartholomew and the Oobleck"



"Horton Hears a Who"



# Student Technology Conference

On March 9th, Mrs. Austin loaded up the suburban with four 7th graders and two high school students to attend a Student Technology Conference hosted by Greenbush. Students learned about coding games and virtual reality, explored the world of robotics, and competed in a Lego competition. The boys learned about Classcraft, a classroom management game, and are anxious to try it out in class. High schoolers Bryant Harris and Philip Humig were able to learn some coding and resources to help them with their TSA state competition video game they are creating. Middle school students were brimming with excitement, but have no current place in the curriculum to fit these new learning

interests. Mrs. Austin brainstormed with the boys and is starting a brand new Technology Club the first week in April. Since this is a new club they will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays during Tutoring, with changes being made to best fit the needs of the students. We will start with basic HTML coding so students can begin writing their own coding. This club is open to all middle school students.



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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
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## "MUSTANGS ON STAGE" THEATRE WORKSHOP

TEACHES INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS ABOUT ACTING, BACKSTAGE  
WORK, AND SET ARTISTRY

Seventeen Intermediate Students explored the world of theatre at the "Mustangs on Stage" workshop presented by FHS Theatre Students. The after-school opportunity covered the painting techniques which created the distressed look of *The Butler Did It, Again* set. Students learned how to create peeling paper, cobwebs, grungy wallpaper, cracks and creative textures. They ventured behind the scenery and discovered how a set is built for safety, and visual accuracy. The young girls and boys experimented with various movement, dialects and line delivery of several character types. Last, improvisation exercises highlighted the evening when the 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade students were required to think about several things at once in order to stay in the game!





On Saturday, April 29, 2017,  
Representatives, Mary Martha Good and  
Doug Blex, as well as Senator Bruce Givens,  
will be holding a community meeting with  
coffee and donuts in the High School  
Auditorium in Rosalia from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.



They will talk about what they see  
happening in the current legislative  
session and then will open the  
conversation up to an informal  
Q&A session. I would strongly



encourage anyone to come and visit with those who represent your interests  
in Topeka. I believe it to be especially important that we have as many people  
from our communities come to this meeting as we can. It certainly would  
encourage our legislators to return next year and continue conversations  
about what we value in our communities.

## Board Elections

I believe it was almost two years ago when the legislature moved Board elections from April to November. At the same time they extended current Board members terms six months, which means that there is no election this April and those elected this November will take a seat in January 2018. Due to these changes, anyone interested in running for a Board position must file at the Butler County Courthouse by June 1. The Board positions that are up for election are: District 1, Position 4 (currently occupied by Pat Hannon); District 2, Position 5 (currently occupied by Josh McNary); and District 3, Position 6 (currently occupied by Jed Morse).

-Jeremy Boldra

## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Kristin Sangals was selected as the February Employee of the Month. Mrs. Sangals currently teaches 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in the Intermediate School, and is in her 26<sup>th</sup> year of education, all of them at Flinthills.

Mrs. Sangals is characterized as a helpful, supportive team member who works hard to keep students motivated through new activities. She does a great job working with students especially during professionally and personally challenging years like this one. We appreciate Mrs. Sangals, her dedication, loyalty, and work ethic at Flinthills.

Mrs. Sangals will receive a certificate and an engraved Yeti.

### **FREE FAMILY FUN!**

### **Join us for our EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA**

**Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2-4:00 pm**

**First Presbyterian Church**

**400 W Central**

***Games, Egg Hunt, Snacks & Crafts***

**Easter Photography Mini Sessions**

**Also Available (starting at \$11)**



# Father Daughter Dance



Grades— Pre K - 6th

Open to Flinthills students and community children.

Date - Saturday, April 22

Where – High School Commons

Time - 5:00– 7:00 P.M.

Theme - Western

Snacks will be provided!!

Price—\$5.00/ person

Grandpas, uncles, older brothers, or other father figures are welcome.

Please RSVP to 620-476-2218 or

[b.long@usd492.org](mailto:b.long@usd492.org)

Sponsored by Tri-M Music Society

# Music News

This semester middle and high school music students have been busy preparing for music competitions. The South Central Border League Junior High Music Festival was held in Dexter on Friday, March 31. Several high school students took part in the High School Regional Music Festival on April 1 at Butler Community College.

Middle school vocal performers were Trena Garcia (I rating), Reagan Heimgartner (I rating), Kylee Weis (I rating), and Savannah McCreight (II rating). Trena Garcia, Reagan Heimgartner and Savannah McCreight also participated with a vocal trio which received a I rating.

Individuals receiving a I rating on instrumental solos were Kylee Weis, bass clarinet, Matison Totty, trumpet, Tabitha Brown, flute, Savannah McCreight, flute, Danielle Howard, flute. II ratings were received by Madison Alvord, trumpet, Jonathon McCreight, percussion, Madilynn Thomas, flute, Karly Girty, flute and Morgan Holcomb, tenor sax.

Cylan Lakin, Chloe Wieckhorst, Brandon Gleason, Trena Garcia and Jonathon McCreight received a I rating on a percussion ensemble. The percussion trio (Trena Garcia, Savannah McCreight and Brandon Gleason) and the trumpet trio (Matison Totty, Landon Lamb and Lauren Donnor) both received a I rating as well. A mixed trio (Morgan Holcomb, Danielle Howard and Alissa Henson) received a II.

The middle school choir received a I and the band received a II.

High school vocal participants were Bailey Smith (II), Sarah Hinnen (II) and Haley Wright (III). The women's trio (Bailey Smith, Haley Wright and Tessa Bragg) received a II rating.

High school instrumental solos receiving a II were Sarah Hinnen, trumpet and Gina Brown, flute. Corbin Gauthier received a I rating which qualifies him to participate in the State Music Festival on April 29.



Middle School Band at League Music Festival



Percussion Trio at League Music Festival



Senior, Holton Nelson, made a new shelf for the high school office!!!! It looks so nice and he even helped decorate it! Nice job, Holton!

There will be  
No School on  
Good Friday,  
April 14th.







**If you were a pioneer traveling on the Oregon Trail, what five items would you bring?**

**The third graders are learning about the history of the Oregon Trail. They shared their ideas with us on what would be important to them. Here are a few examples.**

If I were a pioneer on the Oregon Trail, I would need a ton of things. I would need a cooking pot to cook for the trip. I would need a saw to build a house when we get there. I would need string and thread to repair the cover on the wagon and sew clothes. I would bring a knife to skin the meat. I would bring a blanket at night if it was cold because it would warm us up.

Maddy Willard

If I was traveling on the Oregon Trail, I would bring many things in my wagon. I would bring a knife for protection and skinning animals. I would bring flour and sugar to make some food. I would also bring a blanket for cold nights. I would also bring a hammer and nails to repair things. A needle and yarn to sew clothes and the top of the wagon to protect my family from rain would be important too.

Jacob Kane



If I was a pioneer on the Oregon Trail, I would need several things in my wagon. First, a knife because I would use it as self defense and to skin animals. The second thing I need is pots and pans because I would use them to cook food and boil water. A third thing that is necessary is a blanket because it would keep me warm on cold nights. The fourth thing is a saw. I would use it to cut wood for a fire and a house. The last item is a hammer and nails to repair wagon wheels and to hold my house together.

Levi Beard

If I were a pioneer, I would take some important items. I would take a pan for cooking food. I would take a saw for cutting down trees to build a house. I would take a gun for hunting animals. Oxen for transportation is another thing. The last thing I would take, I would take a needle for sewing clothes.

Brock Donner



If I was traveling on the Oregon Trail, I would need some supplies. I would need sugar and flour for making food. I would also need a gun to shoot lots of animals so we could eat. I would also need a knife for cutting open lots of animals. I would need to pack a lot of pots and pans for making a ton of food. I would need scissors for cutting my clothes and blankets too. These things could be important to survive on the Oregon Trail.

Katelyn Corter

# Students of the Month



**Trey McNemee**

12th Grade

Parents – Mark McNemee & Jody Schneeweis

Hobbies – Listening to music

Activities – Baseball, football, basketball broadcaster, TSA, STUCO, band, theatre

Favorite Class – Office Aid



**Tucker Travnichuk**

8th Grade

Parents – Josh and Staci Travnichuk

Hobbies – Making Youtube videos, taking pictures, and hanging out with family and friends.

Activities – Volleyball, basketball, scholars' bowl, math relays and Tri-M

Favorite Class - Band



**Maddy Willard**

3rd Grade

Parents – Joey Willard and Tiffany Willard

Hobbies & Activities – Playing games, and playing with her cat, Hershey, and her dog, Mac.

Favorite Class - Reading

## Game Night

High school game night took place the evening of March 16th. The event was sponsored by Stuco.





# Up! Up! And Away! It's 120th Day!

Miss Boyd's 1st Grade class celebrated the 120th Day of School on Friday, March 10th! The day's theme was "Up, Up, And Away! It's the 120th Day!" Students got to wear super hero capes and make some superhero symbols to wear. The whole day was centered around the number 120! They had a great day!





Kansas Commissioner of Education, Randy Watson, & Kansas State Board of Education District 9 Chair, Jim Porter, visited Flinthills on March 6th.



Randy Watson, along with Flinthills Superintendent Jeremy Boldra, and Jim Porter



Students Alyssa Howard, Vanessa Caylor, Seth Purdy, and Dakota Alvord help out with a game during the assembly.



Brylee Heimgartner and Hunter Davis play "Are You Smarter Than a Third Grader."

## Page for a Day in Topeka

On April 4th, 2017, four Flinthills students traveled to Topeka to serve as Pages for Kansas House of Representatives Mary Martha Good and Doug Blex. Morgan Holcomb, Reagan Heimgartner, Kady Nuncio and Colton Gauthier had the opportunity to serve on the Chamber Floor in the Kansas House and other public areas throughout the Capitol, including the documents room, state library, and Capitol post office. The students were able to witness first hand, the workings of our state government in action. After serving in the House Chamber the students took both the Historic tour of the Capitol and the Dome tour. The State of Kansas Capitol building dome is the second highest in the country and even taller than the Capitol building in Washington.



*Pictured (l-r): Morgan Holcomb, Kady Nuncio, Doug Blex, Chase Casteel, Mary Martha Good, Reagan Heimgartner, and Colton Gauthier.*

Congratulations to the newest TSA State Champions, Brandon Henson & Hadley Girty, for Architecture renovation.





## Students Turned P.E. Teachers

Using the Internet, third and fourth grade Reading Rally students researched new PE games. After finding 3 games they liked, they chose their favorite game, and then taught it to Mrs. Gray. If Mrs. Gray approved it, and felt the student was ready to teach the rest of the class, the student became the PE teacher for the day. It was his or her task to teach the other students the directions for the game and field questions their peers had regarding the game. When everyone felt ready to play, the group went to the gym to play.

The student-teacher was in charge of all equipment preparation, and leading the game as it was played. Shown is the class playing Addison Cartmell's game, Hungry, Hungry, Humans.



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## Wax Museum

On Tuesday, February 28, 2017 Ms. Hodge's 5th grade class presented their Living Wax Museum Projects to the Flinthills School District and Community. More photos can be found on our website [www.usd492.org](http://www.usd492.org).





# Game Night was a Success!!!

Family game night was held on the evening of March 13<sup>th</sup> at the Primary School.





# Students Learn the Polka

Intermediate PE students learned to dance the Polka. As a child, Mrs. Gray went to Polka dances with her parents, and she decided it might be fun for the kids to learn the lively dance. They learned ballroom dance position, and the boys learned to start left, so they could lead. Girls started off the right foot and were to follow the boys' lead. However, some of the girls were seen dragging their partners around at times. 😊



## 4-H News

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club held their March meeting on Saturday, March 4. The club met at the First Presbyterian Church in El Dorado to serve "Pizza for the Hungry."

"Pizza for the Hungry" is a meal served on the first Saturday of every month at the Presbyterian Church. It is sponsored by the church and anyone who needs a meal is welcome to attend. Pizza is donated by Pizza Hut and Gambino's. Other food items are provided by church members and other groups.

4-H members enrolled in the foods project met in the afternoon and made desserts to be served at the meal.

Following the meal, the club held their monthly business meeting.

-Submitted by Trena Garcia, Reporter



Cassoday Boosters Serving "Pizza for the Hungry"



Foods Project Members Preparing Dessert for the Meal

# April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 Forensics @ FHS Regional Solos & Small Ensemble
2	3 FFA @ Ft. Scott SB/BB @ Udall 4:00	4 FFA @ Allen County MS TR @ Howard 3:00 JV Baseball @ Leon 4:30	5 FFA @ South Haven	6 SB/BB vs. CV/Dexter 3:00	7 SCBL Forensics @ Udall 8:00	8 Prom ACT Test
9	10 BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 MS SCBL Music Festival SB/BB vs. Oxford 3:00	11 PTO @ Rosalia 6:00 Ag. Mechanics @ McPherson HS TR @ Howard 3:00 V/JV Baseball @ Eureka 4:30	12 MS TR @ Emporia 9:00	13 Spring Parties— Primary 2:15 Intermediate 2:45 State Large Music Group HS TR @ WSU	14 Good Friday NO SCHOOL HS TR @ WSU	15 Alumni Baseball Game 10:00
16 Easter	17 FFA District Banquet SB/BB @ Burden 4:00	18 HS TR @ Burlington 9:30 MS TR @ Yates Center 3:30 JV Baseball vs. Oxford 3:00	19	20 SB/BB vs. West Elk 3:00	21 HS TR @ Fredonia 3:00	22 Earth Day Regional Forensics
23 30	24 Booster Club 6:00	25 MS TR @ Flinthills 3:00 JV Baseball vs. CV/Dex 3:00	26 NHS Induction 1:30	27 MS TR @ Eureka 3:15	28 HS TR @ Madison 3:00 JV Baseball @ Oxford 3:00	29 FHS Theatre Awards 7:00 State Solos/Small Ensemble Festival



# May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1 FFA @ Kansas State Teacher Appreciation Week SB vs. South Haven 3:00 BB vs. Central 3:00	2 FFA @ Kansas State HS TR @ Burlington 3:00 Primary Spring Concert 7:00	3	4 SCBL MS Track @ Howard 1:30	5	6 State Forensics
7	8 BB/SB Tournament 12:00	9 5-12 Band Concert 7:00	10 Freshman Ag. Mechanics @ Kingman	11 BB/SB Tournament @ Winfield 4:00	12 HS SCBL Track @ Central 3:00	13
14 Mother's Day	15 BOE @ Rosalia 7:00 Regional SB & BB	16 Regional SB & BB PTO @ Rosalia 6:00	17 Senior Finals—1-2-3-7	18 Concerts— 3-6 Vocal 6:30 7-12 Vocal 7:30 Senior Finals—4-5-6	19 Regional Track HS Academic Assembly 8:30 Graduation Practice	20
21 Graduation 2:00	22 Booster Club 6:00 8th Grade Promotion 7:00 8th Graders Last Day MS Academic Assembly 1:00	23 HS Finals—1-2-3-7 3rd-6th grade Field Day, Talent Show, and Awards Assembly	24 Last Day of School Primary Rodeo Day 9:00-12:30 HS Finals—4-5-6	25 Staff Dev/Work Day State SB & BB @ Great Bend	26 State TR @ WSU State SB & BB @ Great Bend	27 State TR @ WSU
28	29 Memorial Day	30 FFA State Convention				

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## **Showcasing Photography**

*Focusing on illusions and black & white, and sepia.*

Left: Kayden Nuncio's photo with an Optical Illusion featuring Makenzie Jackson and Ashley Melugin

Right: Colton Gauthier's photo with a filtered tree picture.

