



Superintendent Update: February 14, 2014

Quote for the week: “Excellence is not a skill. It is an attitude.”—Ralph Marston

Attitudes To Get You Ahead In The Workplace: Yun Sun Long

1. Enthusiastic

I know, how can you ever feel enthusiastic about work especially when you already feel sluggish with the same work after a few years? It is precisely this reason I ask you to be enthusiastic. To be enthusiastic at work is about a mental state. You need to make the decision to be enthusiastic. Start by saying, *“I will be an eager participant in this project or task.”*

Attack your task with energy. Do not drag your feet. The more you tell yourself, *“This is so boring,”* or whatever the excuse maybe the worse you will feel. Get interested in the work and the energy will come naturally. Then decide to be eagerly involved. Being enthusiastic and energetic are attitudes in the workplace that can get you ahead. You cannot get ahead without energy.

2. Efficient

Strive to be the most efficient worker in your team. According to Webster’s Universal College Dictionary, to be efficient means “performing or functioning effectively with the least waste of time and effort.” When you are effective, you are producing the intended result. When you are efficient you do it with the least waste of time and effort. That means you are capable and competent.

If you carry with you the attitude in the workplace of constantly striving to be the most efficient worker, then you will sooner or later get ahead in your career. You will get a career boost because you are the most capable and competent on the team.

3. Excellence

Of the five attitudes in the workplace, this one probably calls for you to give yourself some pressure. A little pressure is good since it makes you push yourself harder. Strive for excellence in everything you do. Do not be contented with good. Go for great.

Exceed expectations by knowing good is sometimes not good enough. Give everything your utmost best. You will naturally see how this becomes your career booster. When you strive for excellence in everything you do, you quite naturally surpass others in your work. That gets you ahead.



4. Early

Have you ever thought about being early as an attitude in the workplace that can get you ahead? Start early at work. Some of my most productive days are those I start early before the phone rings and before my staff walks in with questions. Clear your e-mails from last night, craft that important e-mail when there are no disturbances.

5. Easy

Make every effort to be the easiest to work with in the office. Now, I am not saying compromise on your need for excellence. For example, this means not to complain and grumble each time there is a team meeting. No one likes to work with someone who nags all the time.

When you are easy to work with, you make working enjoyable for the rest too. Such attitudes in the workplace are welcomed everywhere and you make yourself a competitive edge of any team. This competitive edge is your career booster.

There is no need for complicated plans to get a career boost. Simple steps with these attitudes in the workplace can get you ahead in your career.

News for the week:

I enjoyed the completer breakfast held at MHHS on Tuesday morning. The students completed 178 programs of student and 84 seniors were completers. This number represents almost 40% of our Senior Class. Way to go seniors!

Clint Lee, a 2013, graduate gave an inspiring speech to his former peers by simply encouraging the students to “go for a dream, make a difference in people’s lives, stay busy, work hard and don’t let people deter you from doing good.” I would say these were some very wise words from a young man who recently graduated from our system. I was very encouraged to hear such positive remarks from Clint!





The Bombers and Lady Bombers swept Searcy on Tuesday evening. The Bomber Belles performed a half time routine in honor of Austin Snyder. The student section was amazing in cheering our teams on and the band kept us enthusiastic all evening! It was just a great evening for our school and community to come together in unity to show our Bomber Pride!



On Thursday, both boys and girls swim teams received first place at the East District Championship swim meet in Cabot.



Have a great week everyone! Enjoy this [Simple Truths](#) video

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Friday Update From Assistant Superintendent: Leigh Anne Gigliotti, Ed.D

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Friday, Feb. 14, 2014

Happy Valentine's Day!

HUB Meeting with AR Public School Resource Center (APSRC): On Monday, Feb. 17 the district will host a HUB meeting from 9:00am -2:30 pm in the Board Room at Central Office.

The topic is: Common Core Through the Lens of Technology.

Mountain Home Public Schools Strategic Plan –

Mountain Home Public Schools (MHPS) offers a variety of curricular and extra-curricular programs to capture the interests of each student. Student success is paramount, and when state mandated test scores are reviewed, it is evident that students are achieving academically. As educators, it is critical that we continue to monitor data to make informed decisions so that the tradition of excellence continues.

With the help of a variety of school and community stakeholders, Mountain Home Public Schools created a five year strategic plan. The purpose of the plan is twofold: to describe student achievement and to enumerate the district's strategy for making improvements. The plan includes the district vision and mission statement, student achievement landscape, annual measurable objectives, implementation strategies, successes, financial requirements, facilities, community involvement, communication/public relations strategies, and stakeholder/community pledge.

The district vision "Excellence in Education"... "Every Student-Every Time".

The district supports students and teachers by providing assessment, instructional strategies, and curriculum that is up to date and research based.

Teachers are provided with resources and professional development to help them remain on the cutting edge of education. The district has 39 licensed teachers that have obtained the license of National Board Certification. New teachers to the district are provided with mentors. Also, the district has provided resources and training in Common Core, Partnership for Assessment of

Readiness of College and Careers (PARCC), Teacher Excellence and Support System (TESS) and technology.

The district has impressive successes that include 92% of all students in 3rd grade being proficient or advanced on the state mandated assessment in literacy. Of 3rd graders, 94% of all students are proficient or advanced in mathematics on the state mandated assessment. To support high student performance, Kindergarten through 3rd grade teachers collaborate together to provide lessons to meet the needs of the different learning styles and academic needs of students. Research shows that students reading well by 3rd grade are less likely to struggle with their studies the remainder of their school career. If a student needs additional academic assistance, the district provides students with intervention plans. Other impressive successes include:

- MHPS prepares students for the ACT. The composite score for students taking the ACT is 22.1 with the state composite score at 20.2 and the national at 20.9.
- Technology for the district has increased dramatically. Each campus will have wireless capabilities by the end of 2013-14 school year.
- Hackler Intermediate is the second school in Arkansas to have a Drug Abuse Resistance Education D.A.R.E. educator. Mrs. Sondra Monger, Principal is qualified to train officers to teach D.A.R.E. in the educational settings of schools.
- Guy Berry College and Career Academy opened during the 2011-12 school year.
- Pinkston Middle School has been recognized by the AR School Recognition and Reward Program as being in the top 20% of all schools in Arkansas for high student performance.
- Mountain Home Junior High received recognition for being in the top 10% of schools in Arkansas for high student performance.
- Mountain Home High School received “model status” for all three career academies from the National Career Academy Coalition.
- The district offers two (2) Environmental And Spatial Technologies (EAST) labs, one at the high school and another lab at Pinkston Middle School.
- The Gifted And Talented Education (GATE) Program received a state award called Act 56 for offering an outstanding program to identified gifted students.
- The FIRST Robotics Team called Bomb Squad claimed the world title. The district is not only state accredited but has championed to national accreditation from AdvancED.

To maintain and rise to even higher levels of achievement, the district commits funds to support teaching and learning.

As the district focuses on each student’s academic, social, and emotional needs, the district also strictly monitors school safety. The district has three (3) School Resource Officers and one (1) Sheriff’s Deputy on duty during school hours. In the last four (4) years, the district has provided radios/base radios, Bomber the Dog (in partnership with the Mountain Home City Police

Department), Alertnow, active shooter training, and Raptor sign in/sign out method at each campus.

For students to perform well academically, they need to feel safe and have little distractions as they learn. Mountain Home Public Schools provides safe and clean school facilities for students. Since the millage, the district has committed funds to building renovations and projects such as opening Hackler Intermediate School for grades 3-5. Other facility improvements include: Nelson Wilks Herron (B) Hallway remodeling, M and M Concrete now called Auxiliary Services, door replacements, Pinkston Middle general improvements and high school general improvements. The district appreciates the community and stakeholders for supporting the millage in order to provide students and teachers with exceptional facilities.



Students thrive in an environment of support. Stakeholders and patrons can get involved by volunteering. Another way to get involved is to be a mentor. For more information, contact

Dr. Leigh Anne Gigliotti, Assistant Superintendent at 870-425-1201 or lgigliotti@mtnhome.k12.ar.us.

Part of the Mountain Home Public Schools strategic plan is to communicate to stakeholders. To stay up to date, the district provides a weekly e-newsletter. To receive a copy of the e-newsletter, contact Mrs. Marissa Byler at mbyler@mtnhome.k12.ar.us. Also, the Baxter Bulletin provides a monthly insert called the Bomber Bulletin. Another way to stay involved is to visit the school website at <http://bombers.k12.ar.us/> and go to “state required information”.

The plan also includes a commitment to the community. Mountain Home Public Schools will:

- **Promote educational opportunities inside and outside the classroom that prepare students to become productive members of our community.**

- **Prepare students for further educational pursuits for career and tech. education, college, military, university, and/or workforce.**
- **Maintain a graduation rate that is above the state average.**
- **Sustain ACT Scores that are above the state and national scores.**
- **Continue to exceed Arkansas standards of accreditation and AdvancED National Accreditation.**

To learn more about Mountain Home Public Schools strategic plan, you are invited to view the PowerPoint on the district website at

<http://bombers.k12.ar.us/AdvancED/mountainhomestrategicplan.pdf>.

Personnel and Professional Development

AR Department of Education (ADE) Professional Development (PD) Rules (proposed revisions): According to ADE, the Rules Governing Professional Development are in the process of proposed revisions. To review go to:

<http://adesharepoint2.arkansas.gov/memos/Lists/Approved%20Memos/Attachments/1110/ADE%20207%20Professional%20Development%20Rules%20-%20PROPOSED%20for%20public%20comment%20SBOE%202014.01.10.pdf>

North central Arkansas Education Service Cooperative:

www.naesc.k12.ar.us

Please register for these events at www.escweb.net/ar_esc/ (SESSION ID # in ESC Works)

January 30: NAESC Tech Meeting – 9:00-12:00 – Jeff Johnston (209692)

February 19: NAESC Paraprofessional Training for Unlicensed Assistive Personnel in the School Setting and Glucagon Administration Training (for registered school nurses)– 8:30-3:30 – Cindy Schaefering (209021)

February 19: NAESC Extending Children’s Mathematics (ECM) Year One (2-13-14) – 8:30-3:30 – Sulphur Rock Training Room – Margie Pliggee

February 19: NAESC Senior High Quiz Bowl – Ozarka College – Jill Clogston

February 21: NAESC CGI Year Two (2013-14) 8:30-3:30 – Sulphur Rock Training Room – Alisa Gray & Sarah Hogg

February 26: NAESC Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC) – ICC - 8:30-3:30 – LDC Team

March 04: NAESC ELLA Year Two (2013-14) – 8:30-3:30 – NAESC Literacy Room – Sharon Walker

March 06: NAESC Roll Out of Literacy Design Collaborative and Math Design Collaborative for Cohort 3 – 9:00-12:30 – CIV – NAESC Distance Lab (209741)

March 06: NAESC Child Nutrition – 1:00-4:00 – CIV (206428)

March 11: NAESC Instructional Leaders Meeting – 9:00-12:00 – Mark Gipson (209599)

March 12: NAESC Teacher Center Committee Meeting – 9:00-12:00 – Mark Gipson (209600)

July 30 – NAESC Win-Win Classroom Management 9:00-12:00 at UACCB in Batesville (205253)

July 31 – *NAESC Win-Win Classroom Management 9:00-12:00 at Dunbar Auditorium in Mtn. Home (205254)*

NAESC Updates From Mark Gipson

1. PARCC/CCSS:

- ADE will be releasing a Commissioner’s memo concerning the 2015 testing windows including those for PARCC testing.
- The testing windows for the PARCC field tests shows one week less for the PBA for those participating in 3-8 PBA and EOY than those participating in the PBA only. The reason for this difference is the time required for PBA scoring.
- Literacy and Math Design Collaboratives (LDC/MDC)
 - Application packets for the 2014-15 school year will be available on March 6. A CIV will be scheduled for that same day explaining the process. NAESC specialists will attend the CIV and will follow the presentation with additional information for our schools. Principals and curriculum coordinators for those schools wishing to participate should plan to attend the CIV to learn more about the LDC/MDC training.
 - The application deadline is March 21. Co-ops will be informed of the schools chosen to participate on April 4.
 - The initial training days for schools in the NAESC region has been set for June 24-26, 2014.
 - This training is for grades 9-12 with an emphasis on 9-10. Teams are made up of one teacher from each of the following subjects: Algebra I, geometry, English, CTE, science, and social studies.
 - Co-op support for those in year 2 and beyond will be determined by the district.

2. Teacher Excellence Support System (TESS):

- A valuable resource that might be of interest to you can be found at: <http://www.danielsongroup.org/article.aspx?page=SpecialEd> It goes along with the evaluation framework but is more specific to teachers of special education students.
 - TESS Coaching 2.0 and Data Literacy for TESS trainings for the upcoming summer may be moved from the original dates presented in January due to a change in scheduling by the ADE.
 - The ADE will be providing Bloom Board Observation Software for all public

school districts in the 2014-15 school year. You can watch the video found at <http://www.bloomboard.com/schools> for more information. Training will be provided this summer for administrators. Districts will also have a software "Super User" to customize the TESS input software for the district. This representative will attend additional, more extensive training. These individuals will provide training to teachers within their districts.

- ADE will be providing training to a counselor and library media specialist from each co-op concerning TESS for these positions. These individuals will attend a TOT then come back and provide training to all the other counselors and LMS's in our region during the summer.

3. Other Information

- Please don't forget the Professional Development Needs Assessment Survey. Participation is very low.
- The Arkansas Teacher Cadets Program - ADE will be hosting a meeting to provide information and address program questions on February 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport. Interested districts are urged to attend.
- Teachers will soon be able to add an endorsement to their license in Disciplinary Literacy. Successful completion of a 45-hour online class through AR IDEAS and a passing Praxis score will be required to add this code to a teacher's license. More information will be forthcoming.
- Catherine Mackey has been hired as the ADE Science Program Manager.
- Teachers will continue teaching the science frameworks that are currently in place and students will be assessed through the benchmark exam until new science standards are adopted. It could be two years before new standards are in place.
- All certified staff members are required to have 2 hours of parental involvement training during the 2014-15 school year.
- Dyslexia:
 - ADE has stated that all teachers will have to have professional development in *Dyslexia Professional Awareness* for the 2014-15 school year. This training will be available through AR IDEAS.
 - A facilitator/resource guide is available with the training so that you can have a facilitator provide this training face-to-face in your district.
 - District Considerations:
 - Set aside (estimated 2 hours) in the 2014 PD plan for administrators/teachers to complete *Dyslexia Professional Awareness*
 - Decide whether you will assign the training "on your own" in AR Ideas, facilitate it in the district, or if you wish for Arch Ford to facilitate the training.

- To summarize, required PD for licensed educators in 2014-15 includes:
 - Dyslexia Awareness (2-3 hours; will be online or can be group facilitated in-district)
 - Parental Involvement (2 hours)
 - BloomBoard Observation Software (Should know more specific information about hours needed for teacher training next month)

Upcoming Events

Feb. 17 – HUB Meeting in the Central Office Board Room 9am-2:30pm

Feb. 20 – 6:00pm School Board Meeting in the Central Office Board Room

March 17 – 3:30 District Curriculum Committee Meeting in the Central Office Board Room



Dear Arkansas Educator:

The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) is pleased to announce the launch of its new Common Core State Standards (CCSS) section of www.arkansased.org<<http://www.arkansased.org>>.

The new CCSS section can be found by navigating to the Division of Learning Services section of the site or by using one of these links:

Full Link: www.arkansased.org/divisions/Learning-services/common-core-state-standards<<http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/Learning-services/common-core-state-standards>>

Shortened Link: <http://goo.gl/Gdhyzw>

This CCSS section contains information, resources, and toolboxes for parents, community members<<http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/Learning-services/common-core-state-standards/parents-and-community>>, and educators<<http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/Learning-services/common-core-state-standards/educators>>. The toolboxes<<http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/Learning-services/common-core-state-standards/ccss-toolbox>>, which include resources for English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Literacy in the Content Areas, are organized by both target audience and subject area.

In addition, all CCSS listserv messages have been and will continue to be archived within the CCSS section of www.arkansased.org<<http://www.arkansased.org>> at <http://www.arkansased.org/divisions/Learning-services/common-core-state-standards/ccss-announcements>.

Please share this information with others that might be interested. Thank you for serving the students of Arkansas.

Want to be added to the ADE CCSS ListServ? If so, please send your name, e-mail address, and district name to abby.cress@arkansas.gov<<mailto:abby.cress@arkansas.gov>>

Mountain Home Kindergarten
February 14, 2014

At the MHK we are working through snow days, flu, 100's day and Valentine's Day. It's a great week to be living the Kindergarten Life.





Working on 100's day chains



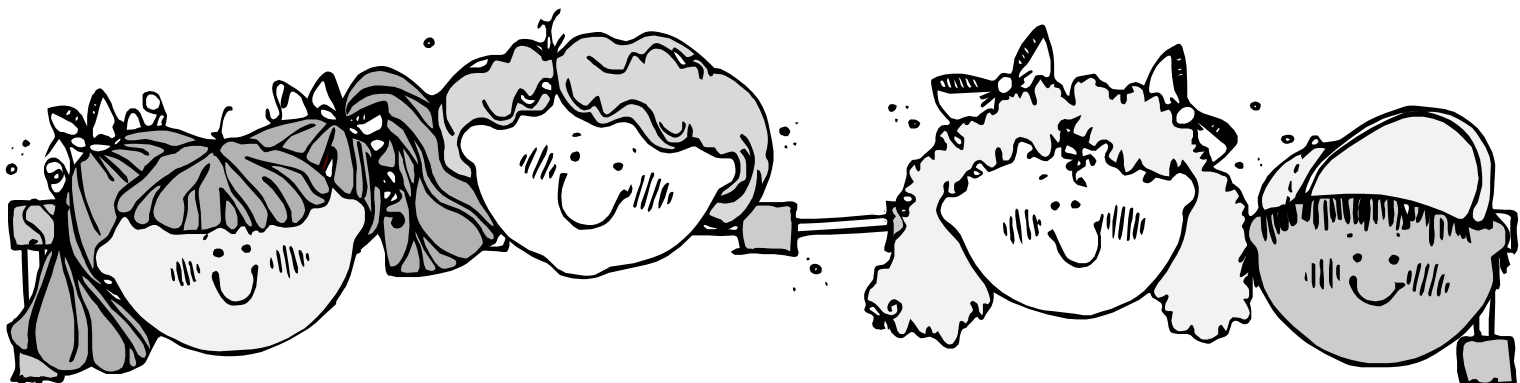
Count by Ten Number Chain



Mrs. Goettler and her students dress up for 100's day.



Even when your 100 years old, you should still be using technology!!



Mountain Home Kindergarten February 14, 2014

Words of the Month

GOOD DEEDS

RIF (Reading is Fundamental) is scheduled for the same week we will be celebrating "Read Across America" which is March 3-7. This coincides with our Spring Book Fair and Dr. Seuss week! Let's make it fun and celebrate by dressing up each day!

Monday (March 3) – *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish* – wear your favorite color and to add flair, you can add your favorite number and even some fish scales.

Tuesday (March 4) – *Fox in Socks* – wear crazy socks to accent your comfy pajamas (girls must wear bottoms under nightgowns)

Wednesday (March 5) – *Daisy-Head Maize* – crazy hairstyle or wear a crazy head-piece (crazy hat/bow/headband)

Thursday (March 6) – *If I Ran the Zoo or Circus* – dress up as your favorite zoo or circus animal

Friday (March 7) – *Happy Birthday to You!* – dress as your favorite Dr. Seuss character in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday...so many possibilities!

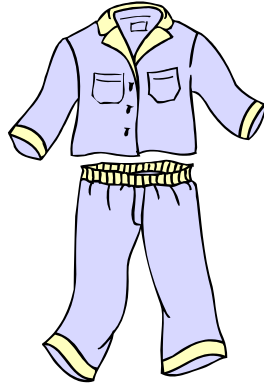
Benefit for Austin Snyder: There is a benefit luncheon for Austin Snyder on Sunday, February 23 from 10:00am to 1:00pm, dine in or carry out at First United Methodist Church. Advanced tickets are \$10 for adult and \$5 for children and may be purchased at Nelson-Wilks-Herron Elementary, Hackler Elementary School or the First United Methodist Church.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- ✚ February 27-March 7 - Read Across America/RIF/Seuss Week/Book Fair
- ✚ February 21- deadline to order a yearbook on-line
- ✚ March 4-8 Rhea Lana's Children Consignment at Baxter County Fairgrounds -for more information call or text 870-321-5630
- ✚ March 27-28 - Spring Break
- ✚ April 3 - Spring Pictures
- ✚ April 7 - Report Cards - 3rd quarter
- ✚ May 15 - Spring Music Program at Dunbar (evening performance)

NELSON-WILKS-HERRON

PJ's Day for Austin Snyder



NWH staff & students raised
\$688.09 for Austin & his family!

100th Day of School Activities

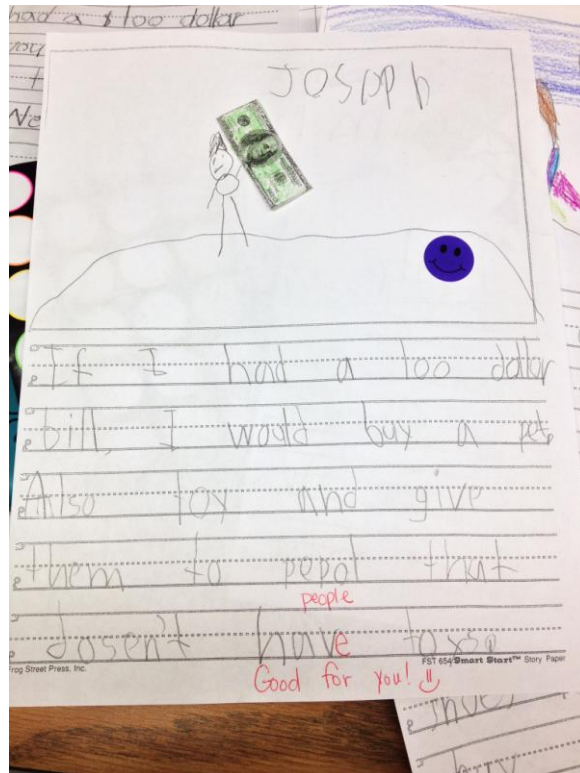
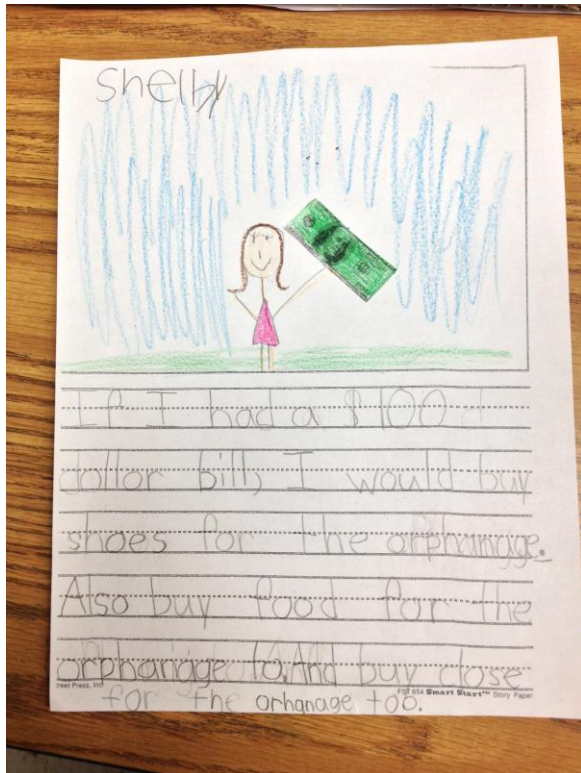


Some students dressed up like 100 year old people...

Some used 100 items to make things.....



Others wrote about what they would do with 100 dollars.



NWH 2nd Grade Ambassadors Field Trip

Mrs. Cotter and Mrs. Sabo went with 2nd grade Ambassadors to the Mtn. Home Christian Clinic. Students toured the clinic and learned about all the services they offer to people in our community.



MOUNTAIN HOME JUNIOR HIGH

MHJH Social Studies teacher, Mr. Bud Zorman, takes a group of Mountain Home youth each summer on an educational trip to Washington D.C. The Elks donated a \$900 scholarship to Haley Herron and her family to help with the finances. Thank you, Elks!! Congratulations to Haley!!



Pictured are Mrs. Linda Stansfield, Mr. Herren, Mrs. Herren, Haley Herren (recipient), Mr. Bud Zorman, and Mr. Stu Friend (Elks representative).

The following Students Volunteered at the American Legion Pancake Breakfast to raise Money for the Wounded Warrior Project. Glenn Sailor - Ransom Lavedas - Patrice Beam - Christian DeRouen - Alyssa Armstrong - Kayla Lehman - Nicole Ellis



It's a celebration of HONOR!



The **Mountain Home Junior High Performing Arts** presented the ninth grade **CELEBRATION OF HONOR** on Tuesday, January 28, at 9:30 in the morning, at Dunbar Auditorium. The musical showcase features songs from the 1930s and 1940s, including Glen Miller's show-stopper ***In the Mood***. There was also a 97 year old guest BRANSON PERFORMER who shared stories about growing up as a young lady in north Arkansas during the 1930's and 1940's. She also took time to play the fiddle and sing a few songs to entertain our students and community guests.



Putting it together...

Bit by bit!

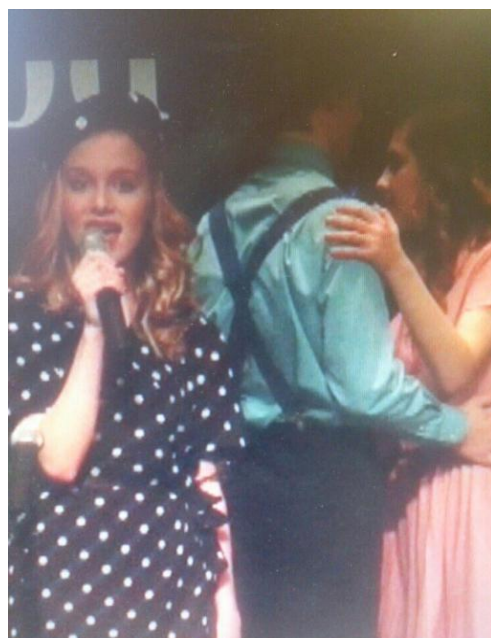
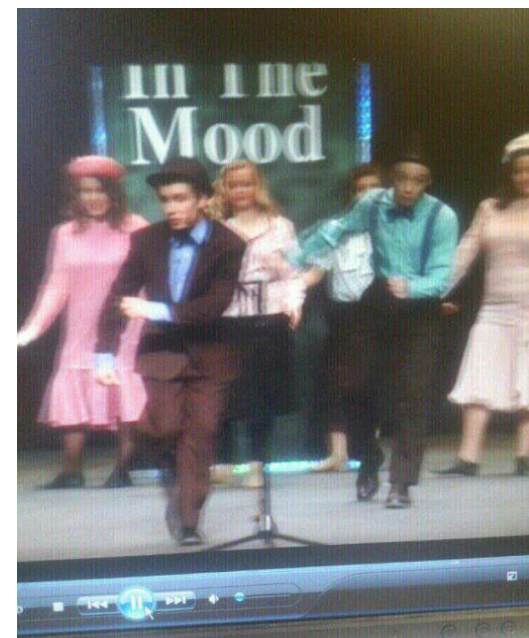
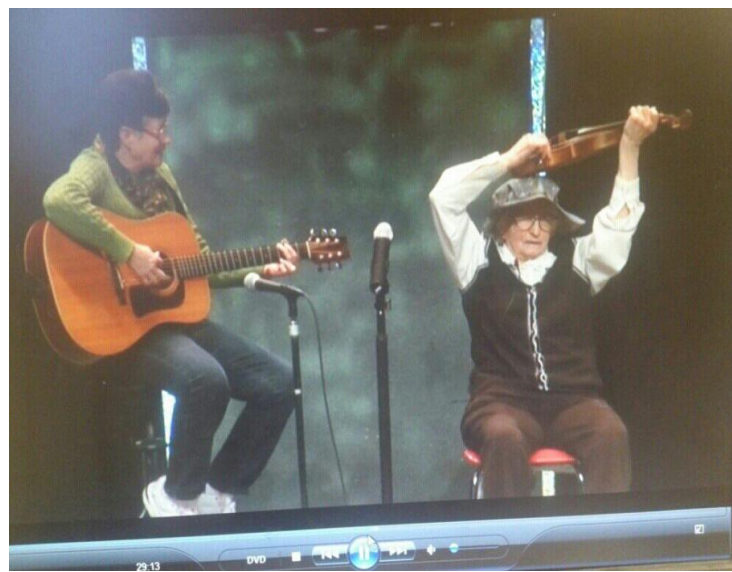
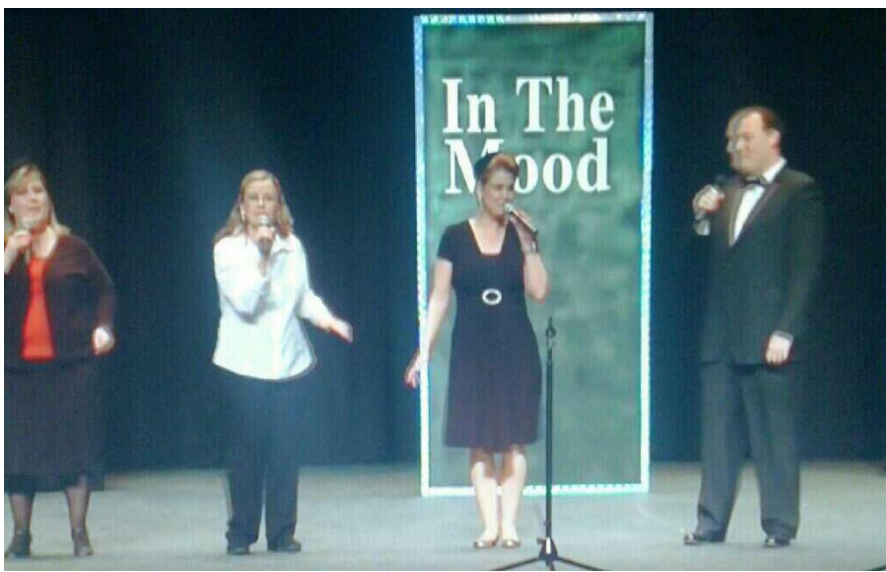
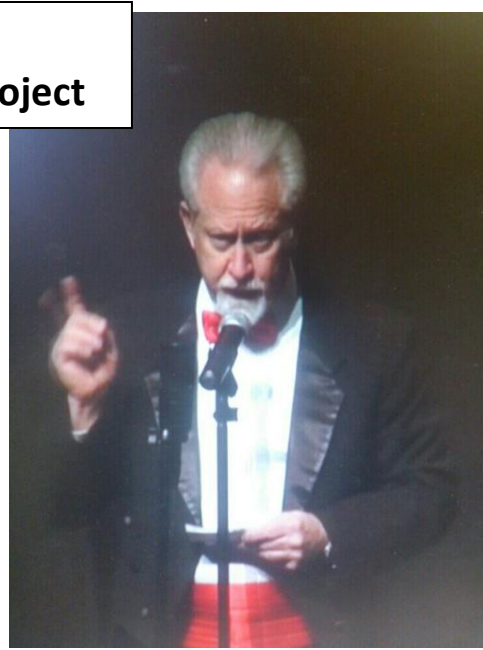


The musical *Annie* takes place in the heart of the Great Depression. Two songs from this play will be featured in the musical showcase.





Celebration of Honor
Ninth Grade Integrated Project



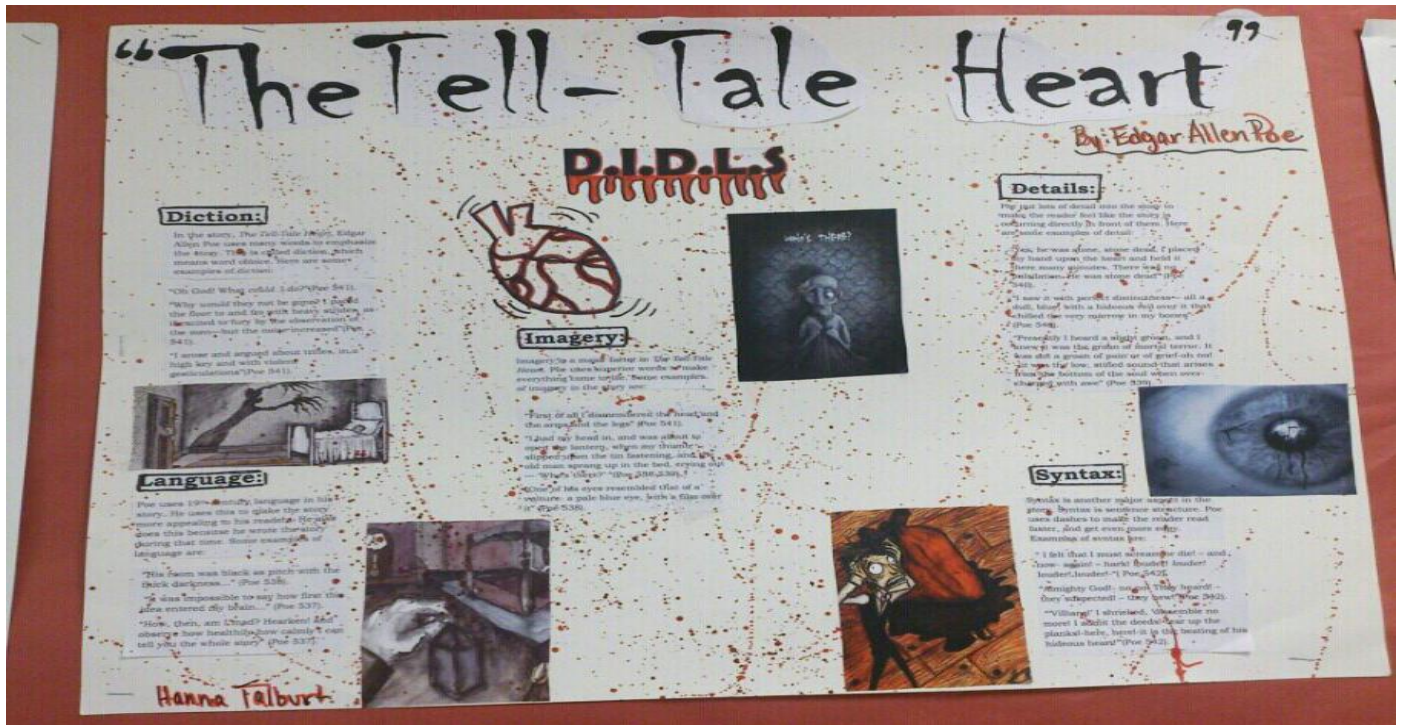
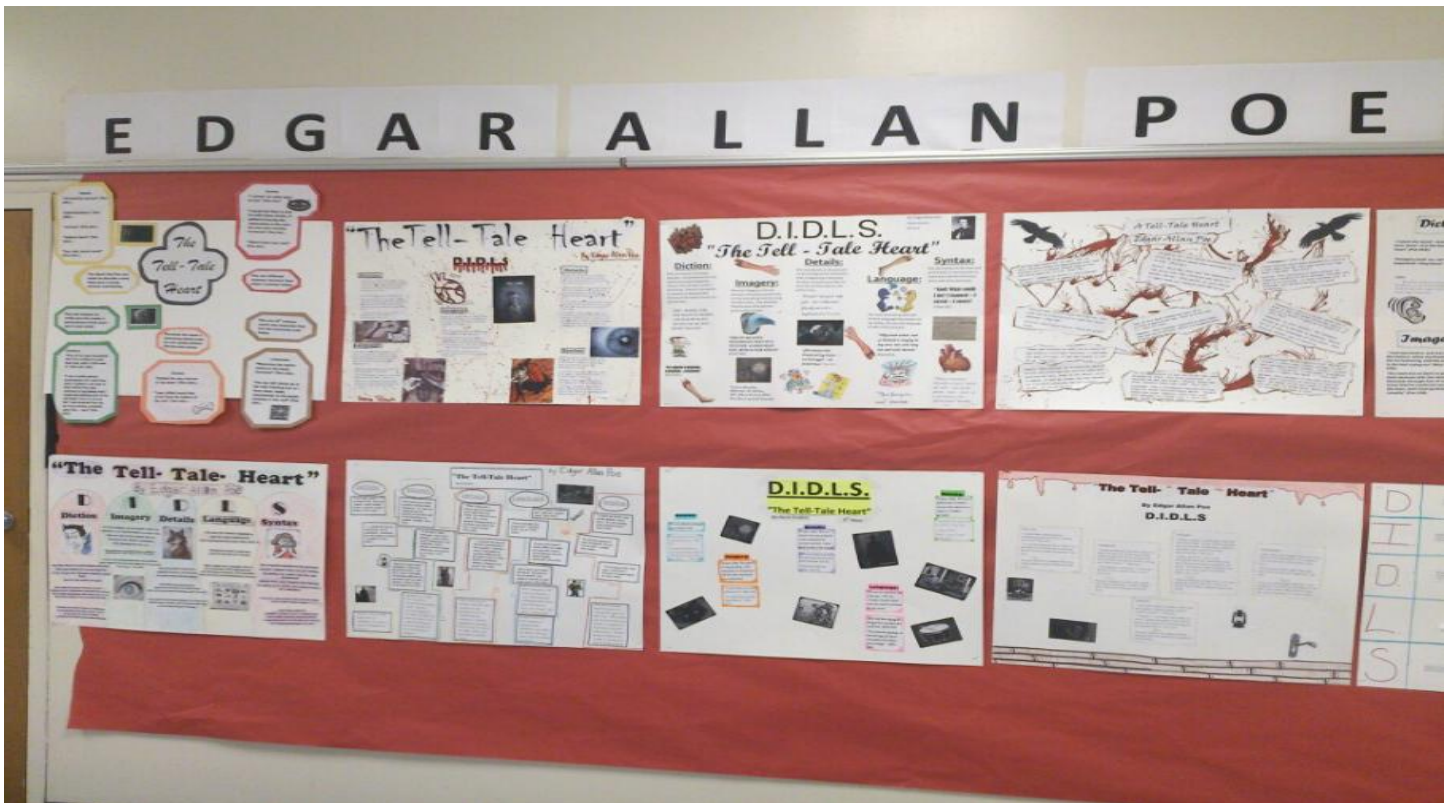
There was also a “museum” in the MHJH Library that the students visited after the Honor Celebration. The museum consisted of all kinds of artifacts from the 1920’s – 1940’s.



MHJH Photography Club students are presented a “challenge” each month, and the club members vote on the photograph that best addresses the challenge. The challenge last month was “Circle It.” Addison Ray’s picture below was the winner of the challenge.



Mrs. Hickey's 8th Grade Pre-AP English students recently analyzed Edgar Allan Poe's story, *The Tell-Tale Heart*



Hackler Intermediate School

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Asst. Principal: Kevin Roach
Asst. Principal: Cassy Fowler

Counselor: Terry Berry
Counselor: Kristyn Goodwin



Where Individual Learning Develops

February 13, 2014

AROUND OUR SCHOOL

- Benchmark Testing will begin April 7th through 11th. Please do not schedule any appointments during this week.
- All lunch charges need to be paid as soon as possible. If you have any questions, call Mrs. Debbie at Food Service 425-1225.
- Deliveries made on Valentine's day will be distributed to students after 2:00 p.m.. This is in accordance with the handbook on page 20. Also, items taken on the bus will need to be contained as to not block the driver's view or security cameras. The school is not responsible for lost or damaged deliveries at school or on the bus.
- February 28th is the last day to order a yearbook online. Go to www.inter-state.com/yearbook and use code 410069.

HEALTHY TIPS FOR FLU SEASON

1. Wash your hands when they are dirty and BEFORE eating.
2. DO NOT cough into your hands.
3. DO NOT sneeze into your hands.
4. Above all, DO NOT put your fingers into your eyes, nose or mouth.



HATS FOR HEART

On Friday, February 14th, students can pay \$1 to wear their favorite hat.
All proceeds go to the American Heart Association.

5th grade Valentine's Dance

- The 5TH GRADE dance will be held on Friday, February 14th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m in the cafeteria at Hackler Intermediate School. ONLY 5th grade students may attend.
- Parents can pick up students after the dance in the 5th grade car loading area.

BACKPACK BENEFIT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 2014 at Baxter County Fairgrounds Educational Building 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Free Admission - FUN activities for all ages

Help us alleviate hunger & food insecurity for
Mountain Home School Children

Food Concessions offered by: Knights of Columbus * Arena Sports Grill * Pizza & More



From your Hackler Principal

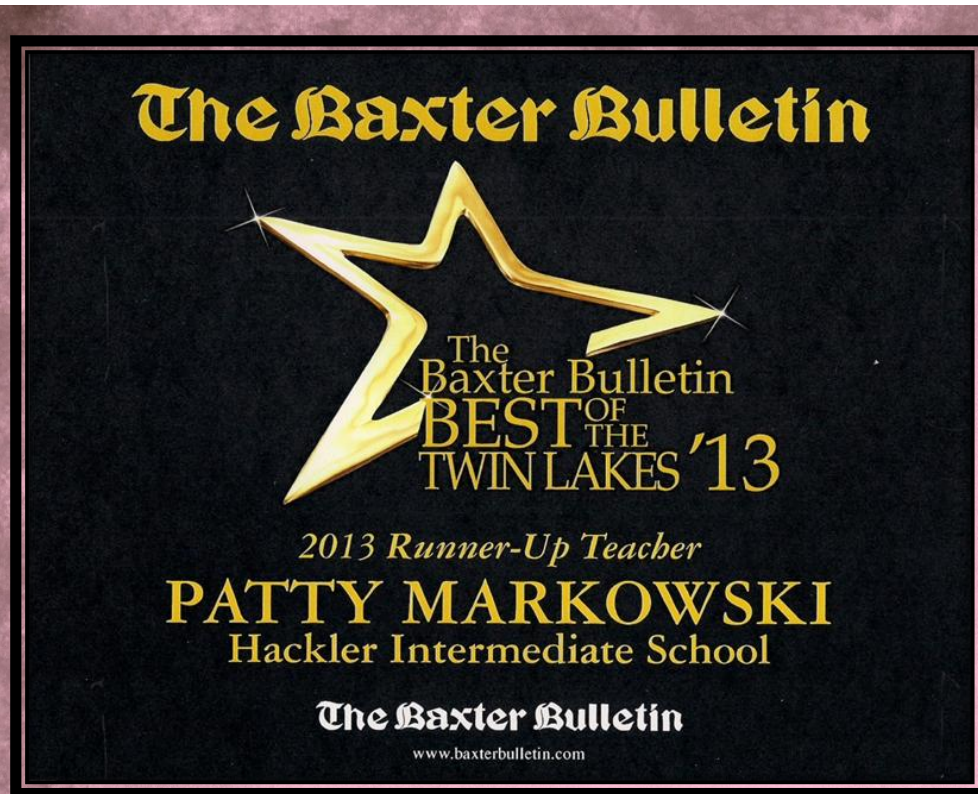


Mrs. Monger



HACKLER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL WEEK ENDING 2-14-2014

Hackler's STAR Teacher



Ms. Markowski is an AWESOME teacher at Hackler Intermediate School where she has taught 5th grade math for 4 years. Before teaching at Hackler, Ms. Markowski taught 10 years at Nelson Wilks Herron. She teaches Common Core Math and makes connections to daily life experiences so her students understand the math concepts.

Outside of school life, her hobbies include bicycling, water sports, gardening, and landscaping.

*Congratulations Ms. Markowski
Hackler is PROUD of you!!!*

Hackler Students = Future Ecologists

Q. What is an Ecosystem?

A. Plants and animals that are found in a particular location are referred to as an ecosystem. These plants and animals depend on each other to survive.

4th grade students from the Emerald team (Hardin, Norcross, and Pope) have been busy learning about different ecosystems. They have covered the living and non-living parts of each ecosystem and discussed how different parts are interdependent. The classes wrapped up this topic by creating their own miniature models also known as biomes.



Terrestrial



Aquatic



Great Job Hackler Students!

100 year old ladies visit Hackler



These "old" ladies graced our building on 100's Day. Thank you ladies for representing Nelson Wilks Herron so well. Your former students loved seeing you, and they still love you.

Pictured: Mrs. Stone, Mrs. King and Mrs. Roberson.

Last seen heading back to Nelson Wilks Herron.

Austin is a Mountain Home, Pinkston student battling Osteosarcoma and Leukemia at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, TN



Menu

- chicken salad croissant or BBQ pulled pork on bun
- chips
- triple chocolate brownie
- tea or lemonade

Kids meal

hotdog, chips, brownie

Austin Snyder

Luncheon Benefit

tickets

\$10 adults
\$5 children

Dine in or carry out
Sunday, February 23rd
10:00 am to 1:00pm

Advanced tickets available at Nelson-Wilks-Herron, Hackler, Pinkston & First United Methodist Church

Proceeds Will Benefit Austin, Robyn, Danny, & Erika Snyder
Family Medical Expenses

First United Methodist Church UMAC

Pinkston Middle School

Week ending 2.14.14



Pinkston students send Candy-grams to each other February 13 and February 14, Valentine's Day! Students also had an opportunity to give \$1 to the American Heart Association "Hats for Hearts" sponsored by Pinkston's Physical Education Department.

Thank you PIE!!!!

Pinkston - Tech in the Classroom

Students are savvy tech users. They are probably more creative about ways to utilize technology than any other population. Studies in education show that students that use technology are more likely to be engaged at a deeper level and are more likely to stay engaged. Students throughout Pinkston can be found using different types of technology including tablets, PCs, interactive boards, smart phones, etc. The pictures below are 6th grade students researching various history topics that they will report to their classmates.

If a parent or community member would like to donate a piece of technology to Pinkston Middle School for student use, they can contact principal, Michele McWilliams.



It's that time of year!
6h Graders hear about Space Camp



Bethany D. 6th

PINKSTON STUDENT PHOTO CONTEST

EAST students are hosting a photography contest. This contest is supporting EAST and their trip to conference. There is a \$2 entry fee to participate in the contest. Entry forms are available in the main office and library. Please turn your photo into the library by ~~February 7th~~. **(deadline extended!! Get those photos entered!!)** The photos will be judged and showcased. There will be one winner for every category and one overall winner chosen by student vote! This is an event for students and staff. Thank you for all your support!



Pinkston Middle School @Pinkstonmiddle

EAST at Pinkston @AdunavanEast

7th Grade Promise @deniselauerman

Pinkston Choir @Pinkstonchoir

DARE @mandeelove32

Pinkston Media Center @pmslibrary12

Upcoming Events for Pinkston Middle:

February 27 – Band Concert @ Dunbar

March 6 – PASTA NIGHT!

GBCCA STUDENTS PROMOTE PROGRAM TO THE COMMUNITY



Guy Berry Senior Marissa Andres

Guy Berry College & Career Academy seniors, Marissa Andres and Shayla Galla, together with 2012 GBCCA graduate Bethany Fore, wrote and recorded public service announcements at KTLO.

Students shared their testimony regarding their experiences at Guy Berry, and the positive impact GBCCA has had on their lives.



Guy Berry Senior Shayla Galla

December/January Volunteer Board Report 2,706 Volunteer Hours

Kindergarten - 15 volunteers, 447 hours

Volunteers copied, laminated, and cut materials for teachers. They copied and created student books. Volunteers counted BoxTops and took home items to cut out.

Nelson-Wilks-Herron - 38 volunteers, 960 hours

December NWH Volunteer hours:412:30, vols:37

Volunteers copied & assembled handouts for 1st & 2nd grade teachers. They used their creativity by planning Christmas activities & projects for the students. Volunteers helped pop & serve popcorn for 1st & 2nd graders Christmas movie!!! Also, volunteers helped Mrs. Human with BookFair!!

January NWH Volunteer hours: 547:25 hours, vols: 38

Volunteers have been helping teachers by making copies, cutting & organizing classroom work. Also, they have been copying & assembling books for teachers' literacy lessons. Volunteers made s'mores & popped popcorn for students who had perfect attendance and good behavior. Lastly, Volunteers have been using their creative skills by helping teachers prepare for Valentine's Day.

Hackler - 34 volunteers, 879 hours

Volunteers decorated for and helped with the Holiday Bash. They also created festive door decorations for teachers. Volunteers copied materials, laminated work, copied newsletters, created bulletin board displays and decorations. We also worked counting BoxTops.



Johanna Hill created minion valentine cans for Mrs. Childress and Mrs. Paden and the lunch room. These are helpers, Christopher and Mason.

Pinkston - 12 volunteers, 105 hours

Volunteers copied materials and created bulletin boards. We distributed weekly snack packs to students. Volunteers worked with staff and administration to plan the upcoming Annual Spaghetti Night March, 6. We will continue to work on maintaining the student clothing closet.

Jr High - 4 volunteers, 20 hours

Volunteers assisted with hall monitoring during the lunch hour, photocopied materials, and collected and organized items for the clothing closet.

High School - 37 volunteers, 295 hours (Band Booster hours not reported)

Athletics volunteers (18) worked 276 hours as assistant coaches and athletic game organizers, and provided food for team members. Band Booster volunteers ran game concessions. Volunteers also helped with general copying and assistance. Community Mentors (19) also worked 19 hours with students in their classes.

Feb. 14, 2014

MHHS CAREER ACADEMIES

Mountain Home Community,
You are invited to the
**Bomb Squad
Robot Reveal**

February 18, 2014
7pm-8pm
ASUMH- Vada Sheid



Come join us for the revealing of the 2014 competition robot!
Admission is free and open to the public.



Support our 2014 season
Ask us about our VIP Reception
Contact: Jackie Meissner (870)405.9848

For more information visit

 @frcteam16

 Bomb Squad

baxterbombsquad.com

Celebrating National CTE & FBLA Month

FBLA: Celebrating National CTE (Career & Technical Education) Month and FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) Month, Hunter Myers was selected as one of two Arkansas FBLA State Officers to attend National CTE Day at the State Capitol in Little Rock on Thursday, February 13, 2014. The day started with a meeting of state officers from other CTE organizations, their advisers, and staff from the AR Career and Technical Education. Students and advisers went on a brief tour of the capitol followed by pictures and the reading of the Proclamation signed by Mike Beebe, Governor and Mark Martin, Secretary of State. CTE students greeted State Representatives as they entered a luncheon provided by the Apprenticeship Division of AR Dept. of Career Education. Students representing their designed organization visited with representatives answer questions regarding the importance and needs of courses within Career & Technical Education. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Branham were also in attendance with Hunter.



Rachel Ford, FBLA State President
Hunter Myers, FBLA State Treasurer



Officers from various CTE Organizations



Mrs. Smith, Hunter Myers, and Mrs. Branham

Today Representative Fonda Hawthorne and I enjoyed meeting Hunter Myers, the state treasurer for FBLA, at an event for the Arkansas Department of Career Education. Hunter's mother is Tracy McHaney from Marmaduke. cc: **Fonda Hawthorne for State Representative**



**Posted on Social Media ~
Also pictured is Mary Broadway**





Sheri Smith, ABEA Board of Directors District VI Representative attended a planning meeting February 2-3, 2014 in Little Rock. Order of business included planning for the upcoming ABEA Conference to be held in Hot Springs, AR late July. As ABEA board member, Sheri is excited to announce the 2014 SBEA (Southern Business Education Association) Conference will be held in Little Rock, AR in October 1-4, 2014. Sheri serves on the by-laws committee for ABEA and is hospitality chairman for SBEA.

MHHS Extracurricular Events

- February 14 - MHHS Basketball @ Cabot starts @ 4:45 JV**
- February 14 - Wrestling State Tournament @ UALR**
- February 15 - French Club 5K @ 7:00 am @ the 1st Presbyterian Church Parking lot on Spring Street**
- February 15 - Wrestling State Tournament @ UALR**
- February 15 - Mountain Home Classic Cattle Show @ the MH Fairgrounds**

