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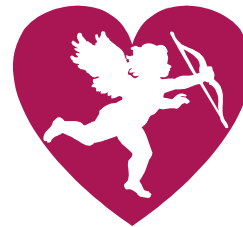
Principals Report

We are heavily into Tip-off week, which is the basketball version of Homecoming. The kids have been enthusiastically participating, with very few problems at all. I have decided that this inversion system that has moved into the area is not such a bad thing for the students. Nobody is daydreaming about getting outside, attendance is better and basketball practices are better attended. Who wants to hang out in foggy, 28 degree weather!

We had our 1st Semester awards assembly the second week of January and it went very well. It is great to recognize the students who are working hard to achieve good grades, strive for improvement and demonstrate outstanding citizenship. The PSAT results arrived the last week in December and we were able to go over the results with both the sophomores and juniors. Parents will probably want to look over the results with their children, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school.

The high school athletic teams are in full swing. The wrestling team continues to excel both in and above their classification, with individuals bringing home several top three finishes. The girls basketball team currently sits atop the HDL standings, while the boys are playing very competitively and sitting in third place.

Parents of seniors, if your child is remotely thinking about going to college next year, you need to get the FAFSA completed as soon as possible. Also, remind your kids to check for any new scholarship opportunities. Only 4 months remain until graduation!



*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

Board positions open

Board Director Election May 19, 2009, there are three positions up for election. Each term is for four years, beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2013. The terms up for election are: Zone 1, The area south of Mendiola Road to the south boundary of Lambert Dierking line or to the Ridgeview area. Zone 2, the area north of Mendiola Road to the Owyhee River, and Zone 3, the area north of the Owyhee River. To be eligible to be a candidate for election to a board position, you must be a register voter and have lived in the school district for one year immediately preceding the election. You must currently live in the Zone for which you file candidacy. You may not be an employee of the school district. To file for candidacy, you must file a declaration of candidacy with the Malheur County Clerk. The first day you can file your declaration of candidacy is February 7, 2009, and the last day to file is March 19, 2009. There are two forms that may be used to declare your candidacy, you may complete the candidacy declaration form and file the form with a \$10 fee, or a petition signed by 25 registered voters from district. The forms are available from the Darla Witty, at the school district office, or from the Malheur County Clerk's office at the County Courthouse in Vale.

Schedule of Events

February 6 No School
February 10.....Rescheduled Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Library
February 13.....RSD Day
February 16No School
February 20..... Full Day of School
February 27.....No School

Cafeteria Scoop

We got through the first month of 2009; sure hope the rest of the year goes as well. However it sure did go fast.

We changed a cookie recipe in January; we made the Special K cookies with Coco Puffs. Generally the students and staff thought they were pretty good. So I think I will do that recipe this month. If you have a favorite that you want printed, let me know please.

Special K Cookies

1 ½ cup white sugar 1 ½ cup Karo Syrup

Bring to a full boil, and then add:

2 cups Peanut Butter (smooth or crunchy)

Mix until melted, pour over:

7 cups Special K Cereal, or Coco Puffs

Mix until coated, and dip out on a cookie sheet.

Let set till stiffened somewhat, and enjoy!

This time we did some in bar form, that was good too, but cut while still warm.

The cafeteria is being used to it's fullest, first we start with Elementary PE, and while that goes on, we have Kindergarten and First graders getting snacks, then at 3:30, little league ball practice starts. That goes til late into the evening. The cheerleaders are practicing in there, too. Everyone is cooperating and sharing when it is needed. Thanks to all who are participating. If you need the cafeteria for your group or event, please go to the office and sign a Facility Use Permit, and then it will cement your time and date, unless it is already being used.

I hope you can make it to some of the events coming up, it is nice to see so many patrons involved in our school.

A big Thank You to everyone.

Til next month,

Jan Sillonis and Staff

Students of the Month

Students of the Month for the month of January are as follows: Kindergarten - Sebastian Munoz, "Friend to All", and Brayan Medina, "Meticulous Writing"; First Grade - Logan Griffin, "Academic Improvement"; Second Grade - Saira Amaral, "Outstanding Above and Beyond Student" and Sage Bowen, "Enthusiastic Scholar"; Third - Laynee Walker and Jarryn Bodine, "Excellence in Cursive Writing"; Fourth Grade - Kenny Purnell and Gavin Scott, "Most Avid Reader"; Fifth Grade - Reagan Shira and Bryson Shira, "Outstanding Science and Math Skills"; Sixth Grade - Rebecca Furtado, "Student with the Most Respect"; Seventh Grade - Sam Alwes, "Best Improvement in Science"; and Eighth Grade - Olivia Walker. Congratulations to all Students of the Month!

Math Minute

Second quarter P squared for P cubed awards go to: Sakolpath Prayoonrat, Lois Adam and Kyle Dondero. These were three students who were randomly chosen from students that were punctual to math or psychology class and submitted papers on time.

Basketball season is here. Students are practicing before and after school. Athletes practice regularly if they want to develop new skills and succeed on the court. Will high school basketball players succeed if they prepare and practice as they did at the elementary or middle school level? Will high school students succeed in the classroom if they prepare and practice as they did at the elementary or middle school level?

T.S.

FFA Chapter News

Sorry there hasn't been any recent news, it has been real busy these past few months. Open House was a success. Creed Speakers Olivia Morton (1st Place) and Maddy Pendergrass (2nd Place) will be going on to Districts on Wednesday, Feb. 4 at Jordan Valley. The Adrian chapter wishes Olivia and Maddy the best of luck. Upcoming events are National FFA Week, which is Feb. 16-21 and our next Chapter Meeting on Feb. 19 at 5 p.m. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Jessica Morton

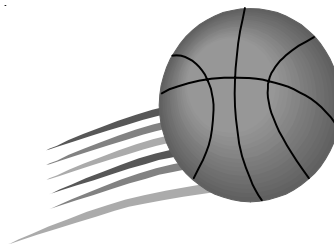
Chapter Reporter

Adrian 4-H Club news

We recently had a meeting on Jan. 5, 2009. We had an update on the aluminum can drive. This is a benefit for the Garner family. We also had a report on the Christmas caroling that we did after the Christmas tree lighting here in Adrian. We had demonstrations by Olivia Walker, Autumn Snyder, Tenet Campbell, and Jessica Morton. The next two meetings will be held on Feb. 2 and Mar. 2 We will be discussing the upcoming livestock judging. Remember, members are expected to attend half of all the club and project meetings.

Adv. Biology has items for sale

The Adrian High School Advanced Biology class has a few sweatshirts, t-shirts, beanies and headbands for sale. Call the high school office at 372-2335 for more information.



Where Are They Now?

Submitted by: Jinell VanCorbach

The Senior class is beginning to see the end of their long journey to graduation as the school year is now halfway over. Although some seniors may already be celebrating that they are almost done with this yearlong project, others look ahead toward the research paper and presentation segments, and for a select few, their physical projects - case in point, myself. While I have already met the required amount of hours for my physical project, I chose to continue writing and editing these articles until the month of June. Each article will spotlight a past Adrian graduate that I have interviewed concerning their experiences with Senior Project, how it affected them, and what they are currently pursuing as a career. The articles will be posted on the Adrian High School web site in the news section and printed in the monthly newsletter. For the month of January, I decided to interview an exchange student who survived and thrived in Senior Project.



Timea Pusztai – Adrian Class of 2005

Timea, aka Timi, graduated from Adrian High School while completing an academic year in America. During her stay in Adrian, Timi experienced what every Senior in Adrian does – Senior Project. Because of Timi’s love of foreign languages, cultures, and countries, she

decided to do her Senior Project on Tourism. Another reason she chose this particular subject is because she planned to study tourism and cuisine when she returned to her home country to attend college. For Timi’s physical project, she organized a Hungarian Evening. The evening consisted of Hungarian food and a presentation about Hungary’s history, culture, and geography. Timi’s research paper title was “The Effects of the September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attack.” “I looked through many articles about how the attack caused damages in the economy and especially in the tourism field,” Timi states.

Timi job shadowed at two businesses: the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and Uniglobe Travel Agency in Nampa, Idaho. “I was lucky, because Mrs. VanCorbach, my project advisor and also my host mom helped me find and contact these places, without her it would have been really hard, since I didn’t know anybody outside Adrian,” Timi says of finding businesses to job shadow as an exchange student. “But after I got the phone numbers, it was easier than I thought.”

Timi describes Senior Project: “It was hard, but also the most challenging task during my exchange year. I had to concentrate on many things, I had to push myself even when it was a tough situation and I had to be enduring because it

was a long project. It was also a good experience, because the feeling, when the board said ‘well done’ is unforgettable. It’s just a good moment, when you work a lot for something and in the end you reap the reward.” Senior Project helped Timi improve her writing, speech, and presentation skills. The overall project made a positive impact in her life.

If Timi could change anything about Senior Project, it would be to prepare students their Junior year for the upcoming project and to figure out what they’re interested in. As a result, choosing a project as a Senior will not be as difficult to do. Timi says, “If you have a topic you’re interested in, it will be an exciting project, but working on something you don’t care about is useless and boring.”

In Budapest, Hungary, Timi’s hometown, Timi is studying Tourism and Catering at one of the best colleges focusing on economics. This is her last year in college and she has many projects to complete before graduating. Next September, Timi plans to start working in one of the hotels in Budapest or work for a conference or wedding planning company.

Some advice for the Senior class from an Adrian alumnus: “Don’t give up! It seems harder than it is, and you will profit a lot from working with it. Also try to do your best, because then you will be proud of yourself in the end.”

Good luck in your future career in the tourism industry, Timi, and thanks for the advice!

The K-8 Principal

The New Year has started and our staff and students are more excited than any year that I can remember because of this new school we have to work in. I remember one year in the old school when I had to use a wet vacuum to get over 50 gallons out of my classroom during Christmas break so students could come back to class. This building has increased our teachers ability to maintain a classroom environment conducive to learning.

Our classrooms are set up to use a variety of instructional technologies that help reach the different learning styles of each individual student. I have no clear numbers at this time but I believe we will find our attendance rate has greatly improved with the sanitary conditions of a new improved building. Each room has a sink with soap and drinking fountain.

Our middle school boys’ basketball team is starting their games. We have great hopes for this team. What an exciting time of year as we also prepare for State Testing.

Thank you for your support to our school.

William H. Ellsworth
K-8 Principal

Adrian High School 2009 Basketball

Hom	Date	Opponent	JV Girl	JV Boy	Varsity
Home	2/3 Tuesday	Greenleaf Girls only	6:00		7:30
	2/5 Thursday	@ Jordan Valley	2qt 4:00	4:30	6:00 & 7:30
Home	2/6 Friday	Ukiah		1/2 5:00	6:00 & 7:30
Home	2/7 Saturday	Long Creek (No Girls)		2:00	3:30
Home	2/7 Saturday	Ontario JV & JV 2 girls only	5:00		6:30
	2/12 Thursday	@ Crane	4:00	5:30	7:00 & 8:30
	2/13 Friday	@ Burnt River		1/2 6:00	7:00 & 8:30
Home	2/14 Saturday	Harper			2:00 & 3:30
	2/18-2/21	District @ John Day			TBA
	2/24 - 2/28	1st 2nd Round State			TBA
	3/4-3/7	State @ Baker			TBA

Adrian High Wrestling Schedule, 2008

Day	Date	Event	Weigh Ins	Time
Sat	Feb 7th	Heppner	TBA	
Mon	Feb 9th	Ontario	TBA	
Tues	Feb 10th	Marsing	TBA	
Sat	Feb 14th	Pine Eagle Invitational	TBA	
Fri/Sat	Feb 20th and 21st	District Wrestling at Pine Eagle	TBA	
Fri/Sat	Feb 26th through 28th	Rose Garden in Portland	State Championships	TBA

All Times are Mountain and Schedule is Subject to Change

8-Jan-08

Honor Roll

Highest honor roll 4.0

Annie Bowns
Madison Pendergrass
Tayler Martin
Olivia Morton
Ester Gordon
Amanda Peutz
Blake Purnell
Madison Shira
Samantha Bowns
Heather Thompson
Claudia Beltran
McKenzie Purnell
Jinell VanCorbach

High honor roll 3.5-3.99

Dulce Beltran
Carla Combe
Amber Mazac
Alysha Sifuentes
Amanda Thompson
Natasha Garner
LaRae Mazac
Jessica MOrton
Madolynne VanCorbach
Rebekah VanCorbach
Katharina Kusch

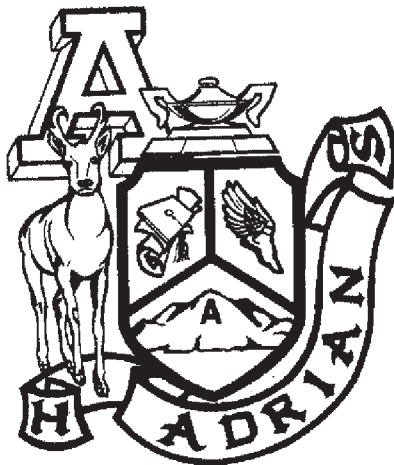
Andrea Shenk
Evan Sneider
Katie Bowns
Roman Voigt
Karolina Wojyla
Rodrigo Magri
Erica Griffin
Lois Adam
Lene Bratlie
George Ellsworth
Nicholas Strauch
Tais Grote

Honor Roll 3.0-3.49

Mark Ishida
Andrew Martin
Casey Parsons
Elizabeth Furtado
Te Zheng
Bryan Reay
Jacob Wilde
Robyn Acock
Blake Ishida
Naomi Wilson
Kyle Dondero
Marcy Strauch
Terra Rust
Edison Puebla
Nga (Teddy) Tran
Adriana Miranda

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