

ADRIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT #61 NEWSLETTER

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Report from the High School Principal

By Kevin Purnell, HS Principal

We are definitely on the downhill side of the school year. It is hard to believe that three-fourths of the year is behind us. It seems like just yesterday, that I was walking into my new office, meeting new students and teachers. I honestly wondered if I would even be able to learn the names of all of these new students! Well I think I have and it has been a pleasure getting to know them.

In the December Newsletter I made mention of the need for Seniors to finish strong. That same story of the boy at the grand piano with master pianist Ignace Jan Paderewski holds true now more than ever. The tendency is to lighten up and coast the rest of the way home. Don't coast, finish strong! Third quarter will end March 6th, so be looking for reports the following week.

Exciting times the last couple of weeks at Adrian High School as the Boys & Girls Basketball teams went over to John Day for the District 8-1A Basketball Tournament. The boys finished 4th behind some very tough competition, as all HDL teams advanced to the second round and 2 remain in the field of 8 to be played in Baker City this weekend. Maurus Hope was named to the All-Tournament Second Team. The girls battled a tough Monument-Dayville team for the tournament championship advancing as the #1 seed from our district. They then dispatched the Elkton Elks to advance to the Elite 8 in Baker City. Paige Branstiter and Terra Rust were named to the All-Tournament team. Spring sports are underway and the Drama Club is working hard in preparation for their Spring Musical.

*Winter Sports Awards Night
has been tentatively
scheduled for
Tuesday, March 18
at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.*

*You are cordially invited to the 7th annual
Senior Citizen Luncheon
Friday, March 14, 2008*

12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Adrian School Cafeteria

*Come and enjoy a hot meal, entertainment, door prizes,
and visit with friends and students!*

Please RSVP by March 7th

You do not have to be a Senior Citizen to attend.

For more information,

please contact Stephanie Allison

or Lorine VanCorbach

at 541-372-2335.

FFA News

The Adrian FFA Chapter has been quite busy this past month. The second to last week of February was National FFA Week, for this, we put on a breakfast for the teachers and also had a Kiss the Pig contest. The teacher with the most tickets has to kiss a pig in front of the whole high school. The coming months also hold a bit of excitement; our Annual Banquet is coming up fast, and we hope to see you all there.

Til next time,
FFA Reporter
Andrea Shenk

Correction:

*In the February newsletter,
under Students of the Month for January, it
should have read:*

Fourth Grade - **KrissAnn Nelson** and Kianna Scott, "Great Listening Skills"; Congratulations on being chosen as Students of the Month!

K-8 Principals Corner

Our Middle School this month was invited by the High School to attend the Rachel's challenge assembly. The High School Leadership class did some activities with them before the assembly. All of the students were respectful to the speaker and the subject of the assembly. You can be proud of this community's children. I find the same kind of respect in the Kindergarten through fifth grade during our assemblies.

The High School Leadership class has done a great job of involving our younger kids in developing their own future leadership skills by working with them in assemblies and workshops. Their instructors are doing a tremendous job for our school.

In our Teacher Inservice this month one of the subjects from the Master Teacher series was on helping students choose to tell the truth. Teachers were encouraged to help their students to continuously build their character by telling the truth and not skirt around the truth. Another subject this month was about classroom control that works for you and students. Our teachers are good at participating in these inservices. They are continually improving themselves in order to give our students the best and supporting the good principles their parents are teaching at home.

Thank you for your continuous support.

William H. Ellsworth
K-8 Principal

Students of the Month

The following students have been chosen as Student of the Month for the month of February - Kindergarten: Austin Shepard, "Giving Best Effort" and Triston Bertalotto, "Enthusiastic Reader"; First Grade - Halli Osborn and Saira Ramirez, "Model Student"; Second Grade - Ashley Sifuentes, "Most Improved Academic Progress"; Third Grade - Alexis Thompson and Marcus Furtado, "Fantastic AR Reader"; Fourth Grade - Aaron Alwes, "Improved Quality of Work" and D.J. Jamison, "Finishing Work on Time"; Fifth Grade - Jillian Nielson and Rebecca Furtado, "Outstanding Academic Effort"; Sixth Grade - Chantelle Baxter; Seventh Grade - Jasper Snyder, "Excellence in Science"; and Eighth Grade - Brandon Trotter. Congratulations to all Students of the Month!



Cafeteria Scoop

This has been a petty cold winter, hasn't it? Seems like lots of snow. The children were so happy to be able to bring their sleds to school and slide down the hill. Pretty fun recesses! Hope it is over now though, spring can't be too far behind now, can it?? Spring break is coming up. Hope you can plan something fun with your family.

Basketball is over, Congratulations to the boys, making it to District, the girls also, they took first at District. State playoffs will be played in Baker City; the girls will be playing to see if they can bring home the hardware! Now the training for spring sports is ready to begin. Go Antelopes! Be sure you stop in and see our kids play some sport or another! With Softball, Track, and the newly added Baseball, there should be something you are interested in.

Have you taken the time to come look at our new school? It is sure looking good. Can't wait to take a tour of it myself. It will be fun when we are all moved in.

Hey lots of things coming up in the way of activities, keep the newsletter to mark your calendar so you won't miss anything you should attend!

As always you are invited to come in and have lunch with your students, or if you don't have a student, come on in anyway, sit anywhere, you can find out lots of information from the little ones you may choose to sit by. Just don't be offended when they abruptly get up and leave you when they are told they can go out for recess!

Until next month,

Jan Sillonis and Staff

Musical Notes

The Advance Band has experienced an extended pep band season, thanks to our awesome Boys and Girls Basketball teams. We traveled to John Day for the District tournament and played for 4 amazing games! We had opportunity to play at the state basketball competition as well, a first for our band in many years!

Now it is time to focus on our Festival season. We will be playing at the Snake River Festival in Payette Wednesday, March 19. This is a non-competitive festival that acts as a dress rehearsal for our District IX Festival, which takes place in April. These are busy times and many of the Band students are also involved in Spring sports and the Adrian Drama presentation of "Hello Dolly" This shows what outstanding and talented students we have here at Adrian. Keep up the good work and keep practicing!

Mrs. VanCorbach
Adrian Music Department

News from the Library

Thanks again to this wonderfully supportive community! The Scholastic book fair held in the library on January 24 and 25 brought in over \$2300. Most of the money goes back to Scholastic to pay for the books, but the library gets to keep new books worth \$600 and about \$350 in cash. The cash will be used to help pay the expenses of the teams of Adrian students participating in the Oregon Battle of the Books.

The statewide Battle of the Books will be held in Salem on April 19. Adrian students are currently reading from the prescribed lists of 16 books (one list for elementary students and one for middle school students). Teams of 4 students will work together to answer questions about the books in a game show format. Representing the middle school at the Oregon Battle of the Books will be Chelsey Heller, Kurt Nielson, Spencer Boster, and Madison Purnell. Elementary students Tyler Reay, Jett McCoy, Talia Esplin, Rebecca Furtado, Quincy Pendergrass, Jillian Nielson, Mike Griffin, Mariah Richardson, and Emily Case have been reading books and attending practices. They will hold practice Battles with teams from LaGrande via V-Tel on March 7. Names of elementary students participating in the state contest will be available soon.

A successful AR store was organized by Shawn Snyder on February 22. Students were able to choose rewards based on the amount of reading they have done.

Students participating in the Reading is an Investment program sponsored by State Treasurer Randall Edwards must have their materials completed and returned by March 14. All children who complete the program are entered into a drawing to receive one of 50 \$500 Oregon College Savings Plan scholarships to be awarded in April. More information is available at <http://www.ost.state.or.us/Read/Index.htm>.

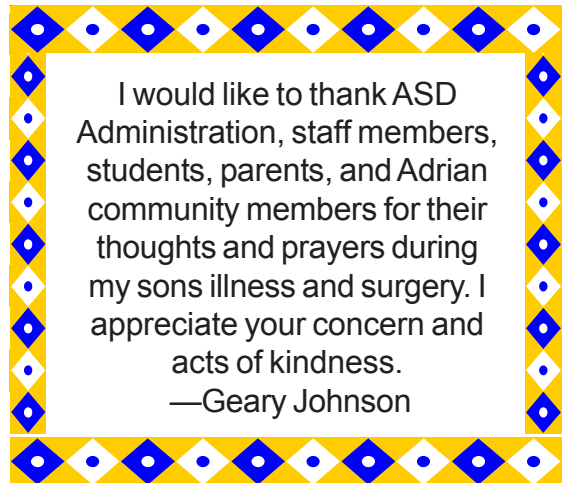
We appreciate all the ways you encourage Adrian students in their reading.

Student News

By Samantha Bowns

Congratulations to the boys basketball team for taking fourth place at Districts and to the girls basketball team for taking first. Continue the good work up at State!

On March 14, 2008, the Adrian High School will be hosting the 7th annual Senior Citizen Luncheon. The luncheon will take place in the cafeteria from 12:00 noon to 2 p.m. Come and enjoy a hot meal, entertainment, door prizes and more. Please RSVP by March 7th. For more information, call the high school at 541-372-2335. Remember, you don't have to be a senior citizen to attend!



I would like to thank ASD Administration, staff members, students, parents, and Adrian community members for their thoughts and prayers during my sons illness and surgery. I appreciate your concern and acts of kindness.
—Geary Johnson

Schedule of Events

- March 11 Regular Board Meeting, Library, 8:00 p.m.
- March 13 Parent Teacher Conferences, HS 5:00-8:00 p.m. in Gym; K-5/MS Scheduled
- March 14 Parent Teacher Conferences, HS 8:00 a.m.-Noon in Gym; K-5/MS Scheduled
- March 14..... Senior Citizen Luncheon, 12:00-2:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria
- March 18..... Tentatively scheduled Winter Sports Awards Night, 7 p.m. in the Cafeteria
- March 24-28..... Spring Break, No School
- March 31..... School Resumes

Spring Sports


- Tuesday, March 11 HS Track Meet @ Nyssa, 4:00 p.m.
- Friday, March 21 HS Track Meet @ Harper, 12:00 p.m.

- Thursday, March 20 Baseball @ Prairie City, 1:00 p.m.

Watch for complete sports schedules in the April Newsletter.

March Menu

Milk served with every meal.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2		3 French Toast Hay Stacks Fruit Veggies Birthday Cake	4 Biscuits & Gravy Fajitas Rice Beans Cookie	5 Muffins Mac & Cheese Veggie Fruit Pudding	6 Hash Browns Beef Nachos Salad Fruit Cookie	7 RSD Day	8
9	Daylight Savings Time Begins Move Clocks Forward	10 Waffles Wiener Wraps Fries Fruit Cookie	11 Sausage Tacos Rice Beans Fruit, Cookie	12 Pancakes Hamburger Gravy Mashed Potatoes Fruit Hot Roll	13 Eggs Chicken Fries Fruit Cookie	14 No School	15
16		17 Hash Browns Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Fruit, Cookie	18 Biscuits & Gravy Chili & Cheese Salad Fruit Cinnamon Rolls	19 Muffins Ham Potatoes Fruit Cookie	20 French Toast Hamburgers Tots Fruit Cookie	21 No School	22
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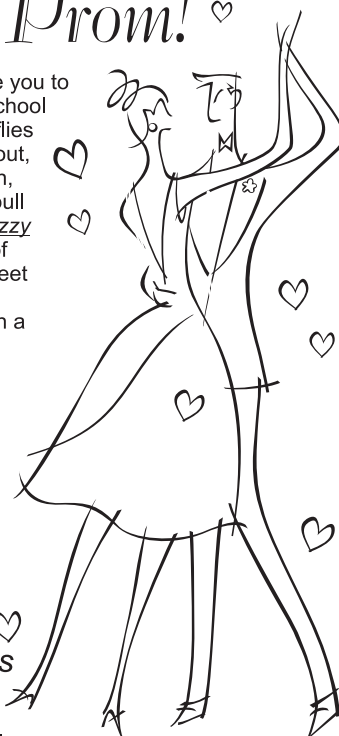
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Community Prom! ♡

The Junior Class would like to invite you to relive the excitement of your high school years: the sweaty palms, the butterflies in your stomach when you ask her out, the perfect hair and dress - come on, you remember...**PROM!!!** Time to pull that favorite dress of yours and snazzy tux out of the closet for a night full of **memories**. And after you tire your feet from **dancing** to the music, relax yourselves and rest those soles with a plate of delicious potluck **food**.

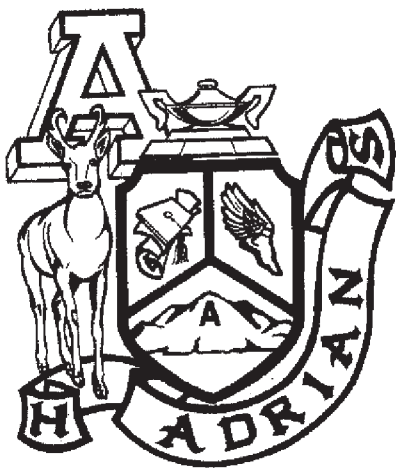
Everyone's a **winner** this evening but if that's not enough, enter the **raffle** to win some amazing **prizes!** Forget life's stress and spend a **worry-free evening** with your special someone

When:
Saturday,
April 26, 2008 ♡
*Time and Ticket Prices
to be announced*
-Donations accepted-
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