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OCTOBER 2013 NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

- School Board Meeting, Oct. 8
- Statewide Staff In-Service; no school for students, Oct. 11
- Community Health Fair, Oct. 11
- End 1st Quarter, Oct. 17
- Parent/Teacher Conferences, Oct. 23-24; 5-8 PM

Superintendent Message

For the most part, the people in our part of the country are hard working, self-reliant, and proud. I like to think that our school is the same. We have a unique strength here at Adrian where all students feel welcome. That feeling of 'belonging' leads to goal achievement. Our kids and staff have the mural conviction to 'make it happen'.

I would like to see more community support for our activities. Do what you can to schedule a visit to our school. FFA, music, student government, sports teams etc., are all going strong.

Sheriff Brian Wolfe and Deputy Travis Johnson attended a meeting here at Adrian. The topic of discussion was school safety. Sheriff Wolfe has indicated that his department will work with Adrian. to provide some school resource officer time. Details are yet to be arranged, but that is exciting stuff for us here at Adrian.

Our overall enrollment is up slightly over last year. That is a good thing as school funding is tied directly to enrollment numbers.

Thanks,
Gene Mills

ATTENTION

**Students,
Parents, &
Adrian
Community**

The Oregon State Department of Education is holding a state-wide Teacher In-Service on October 11, 2013.

The Adrian School District calendar shows an RSD Friday school day for October 11. In order to participate in the in-service programs, **October 11 will be a non-school day for all Adrian students.**

High School Principal

A note to parents:

As we pass the halfway point of the first quarter, you should have received the mid-term report cards. If your student's progress report did not make it home, please contact Stephanie in the office so that we can keep you apprised of your child's progress. If you have concerns about specific grades, please contact your child's teacher. Our desire is for each student to succeed in their educational endeavors. Just a reminder, these grades represent a progress report and do not appear on final transcripts.

Activities In Brief

Activities are in full swing around here as preparations are being made for the annual leadership trip to the OASC Conference in Seaside and the Advanced Biology classes are making arrangements for their annual excursion. Our athletic teams are off and running with JV and Varsity schedules in football and volleyball. The football team is 2-1 with a tough loss to a solid Imbler team and big victories over Cove and Prairie City. The volleyball team is 3-1 in dual matches, winning their first two league matches over Prairie City and the combined team of Harper/Huntington.

Counselor's Corner

SAT and ACT Test Dates

Important dates for Seniors (and Juniors) to know:

SAT 2013-2014

U.S. Registration Deadlines

2013-2014 Test Dates	Test	Regular Registration Deadline (postmark/submit by)
October 6, 2013 (IN ADRIAN)	SAT & Subject Tests	September 6, 2013
November 3, 2013	SAT & Subject Tests	October 3, 2013
December 8, 2013 (IN ADRIAN)	SAT & Subject Tests	November 8, 2013
January 25, 2014	SAT & Subject Tests	December 27, 2013
March 9, 2014	SAT only	February 7 2014
May 4, 2014	SAT & Subject Tests	April 4, 2014
June 8, 2014 (IN ADRIAN)	SAT & Subject Tests	May 9, 2014







ACT 2013-2014

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
October 26, 2013	September 27, 2013	September 28 – October 11, 2013
December 14, 2013	November 8, 2013	November 9 – 22, 2013
February 8, 2014	January 10, 2014	January 11 – 24, 2014
April 12, 2014	March 7, 2014	March 8 – 21, 2014
June 14, 2014	May 9, 2014	May 10 – 23, 2014

Your Health Matters

COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

Friday, October 11, 2013
9 A.M. to 2 P.M.
Adrian School Cafeteria
305 Owyhee St.

-  Blood Donation
-  Bone Density Testing
-  Blood Pressure
-  Flu Vaccinations
-  Body Mass Index (BMI) Testing
-  AND MORE

To make an appointment for a mammogram
or to donate blood, please contact
Raquel DeHoog or Stephanie Allison
541-372-2335

FFA NEWS

The Adrian FFA is working hard to finalize finances for their upcoming trip to Louisville, Kentucky for the 86th National FFA Convention. They recently held a yard sale which profited nearly \$600. An enormous thank you to all those who donated items and those who also bought something at the sale! It looks like this may become an annual event. The chapter members continue to collect scrap metal and thanks to the White's, the chapter has 10# bags of fresh red potatoes for



sale. The FFA Chapter will be in charge of concessions during the Mitchell/Spray game and will also offer a baked goods sale at half time of the football game. Competition wise, the Adrian Advanced Dairy Judging team recently took first place at the district contest. The beginning team finished fourth. Advanced team members included: Tane't Campbell (1st overall), Becca Furtado (3rd), Scotlyn Eavenson (7th), Mike Griffin and Luke Campbell. Top beginning team members included: Brooke Meyer, Drake Wilson, Wes White, Miriah McLay and Lauren Barraza. It was a fun contest and it was exciting to see Tane't win! There were over 150 students who participated.

Anna-Marie Chamberlain



PTO Halloween Carnival

When: Saturday October 26

What Time: 5-7:30

Where: Cafeteria

Come dressed in your costumes if you want! Be ready for a night full of FUN!

Nacho Feed, Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawing, Games and LOTS more.

NOTICE OF SPORTS SCHEDULE CHANGES

10/15 Volleyball vs Greenleaf has been changed to 10/3. Times are still 5:00 and 6:00

Additional Middle School Volleyball on 9/30 vs Huntington at 4:00

Used Book Sale

During fall conferences on October 23 and 24 a used book sale will be held in the Adrian School Library. All books will be priced at \$0.25 and any 5 books will sell for \$1.00. Several of the books have been withdrawn from the library, but others (including some cook books and novels) have been donated by community members. Come to the library before or after you talk to your student's teacher(s) to see what is available.



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DHS Foster Child Christmas Drive



Because every child deserves a Christmas!

To sponsor a child in foster care, please contact
Amanda Hunter
Or
Stephanie Allison
541-372-2335

K-8 Students of the Month

Kindergarten

Brooks Martin...Exceptional Helper
Mya Osborn...Great Listener



1st Grade

Taylor Homeniyk & Edgar Munoz...Being a Model Student

2nd Grade

Lucy Martin...Excellent AR Reader
Ayden Peterson...Outstanding Citizenship

3rd Grade

Jace Martin & Sydney Davis...Dedicated AR Student

4th Grade

Riley Lucas, Conley Martin & Katie Martinez...Amazing Quality of Work

5th Grade

Chris Ayarza...Most Improved Student

6th Grade

Mariah Furtado & Ethan Sheets...Hardworking Student

7th Grade

Angelina Martinez...Excellent Citizenship and Awesome Grades

8th Grade

Kayleigh Bradford...Excellence in Science

K-8 Principals Office

Henry Ford said "Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs." Our students are learning to do that from parents and teachers as they do their school and home chores.

We had Oregon Department of Education here this week to look into the workings of our school. In their exit report they were highly impressed at the quality of our teachers and the family like atmosphere in our school.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
William H. Ellsworth



Cafeteria Scoop

Cafeteria Prices

- Breakfast K-12 \$1.60
- Breakfast Adult \$2.00
- Lunch K-5 \$2.45
- Lunch 6-12 \$2.60
- Lunch Reduced .40
- Lunch Adult \$3.50
- Extra Milk \$.35

Breakfast Served From
7:30-7:55 a.m.

Lunch Times
K-5 ~ 11:00-11:45
6-12 ~ 11:50-12:30

As summer fades and fall begins we find ourselves wondering when the snow will fly, if at all. With cooler temperatures, the cafeteria has planned a warm menu to help fuel our students and staff.

October 14th-18th is National School Lunch Week. What is National School Lunch Week? NSLW is an annual celebration of the National School Lunch Program. NSLW was established by John F. Kennedy in 1962. The purpose of this event is to provide the opportunity to highlight the important, positive role of school lunch nationwide. The 2013 NSLW theme, "School Lunch Across The USA", celebrates the regional culture and dishes from across the country.

Studies show that students with healthy eating habits have higher test scores, better attendance, improved concentration, fewer discipline referrals and greater overall achievement. School lunches help expose kids to a variety of healthy foods and are safe and affordable. Nearly 32 million kids across the nation participate in the school lunch program.

Applications are available, for free and reduced lunch and free breakfast, in the Elementary or High school office. It is important to fill out this form and return it to the school so that children who qualify can receive free or reduced lunch prices. The Oregon legislature provided funding to eliminate the reduced price payment for School Breakfast. For the school year 2013/14, breakfast will be accessible at no charge to students who qualify for reduced price meals. The application is easy to fill out and is completely CONFIDENTIAL. If you have any questions please contact Darla Witty at 541-372-2335.



Foster the Hope Awareness Walk



November 16, 2013
Ontario, Oregon

Please help us in our cause to help bring awareness to the Foster Care program.

For more information & registration forms, please contact

Quiani Baker, Chantelle Baxter, or Stephanie Allison
Adrian High School
541-372-2335



One in a million—Camille De Lara

Submitted by: Rebecca Furtado

Adrian High School has foreign exchange students from all over the world; some come from places that people don't even know that they existed. I had the opportunity to interview one of the nine foreign exchange students.

Camille De Lara journeyed to America from Curitiba, Brazil. Camille's hometown consists of 1,760,500 million people. When she arrived in Adrian and realized how small it was, her first impression was "I love it."

Camille is an only daughter in her family. She has a younger brother who is in the sixth grade. Her mother who owns a clothing store and her Father works is a businessman, with a career in advertising. This is Camille's second year of high school. When Camille returns to Brazil, she will be required to finish her last year of high school as a senior and then plans to attend college to become a Veterinarian

The reason why Camille desired to come to America was to improve her English language, meet new people, and the experience to travel and try new things. She has been studying the English language for six years and very fluent in English. However, if Camille is having trouble understanding something she says the American people are very patient and understanding to her.

Her host parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth. She really enjoys staying with her host parents because they are really nice and they let her do as many school activities as she can handle. Camille also likes to stay with the Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth because she is not the only exchange student living there and they live really close to the school so she can get extra help if it's needed!

Camille is a soccer player back in Brazil. However, since Adrian does not offer soccer to high school students, she is going to participate in volleyball, basketball, softball, and track. She loves to play sports in a small town because everyone gets a lot of playing time.

Welcome Camille and have a fun and exciting year.



The Little Things We Take for Granted—Marieke Frerichs

Submitted by: Rebecca Furtado

In life most of us forget to look at the little things in life with deep appreciation. We look over the very things that could make us happy, whether it be a flower in the spring, the smile of a child, or even the feeling of family within a community. Marieke Frerichs (aka Marie) first noticed the welcoming smiles of the Ellsworths as they picked her up from Boise Airport and as she traveled into the little desolate town of Adrian, her mind was confused, but as she began to explore this little part of America, she could feel the warmth radiating from the souls of all the people she met. This concept of friendship was very new to Marieke; in Germany people could walk past each other on the street without so much as a smile. The fact that Adrian is such a homey, honest, and welcoming community reassured that Marie would learn to love it here.

Marie was born to Ute and Harald Frerichs in Aurich, Germany. Her mother is a dietician and her father works in the police force. Her 21 year-old brother Ole is a truck driver. In Germany, she is going to be an 11th grader. School was not a huge challenge for Marie; she had certain classes Monday and Thursday and then other classes on Tuesday and Wednesday. She was allotted more free time to do the things she loved like go shopping, spend time with her friends, and go to the cinema. Coming from a school of over 2,000, she was

shocked to see that she only had 15 kids in her class, but instead of being aggravated with the size, she said, "The smaller the class, the more quality time I get to have learning about ALL of them. Now I can say my entire class is my best friends!" Marie is quite enjoying her physical education class because it is getting her in shape for sports and keeping her fit and healthy.

When Marie was asked why she wanted to be an exchange student she said it was because she loved high school. Everything about an average American high school sounded fantastic. Marie took advantage of the opportunity to play sports. She will be competing in volleyball, basketball, and track this year. Marie strongly believes in soaking up every experience she can in the U.S.. She also wanted to learn the culture of America. "The movies just don't do it justice," Marie simply stated, "America is a beautiful country, full of beautiful people."

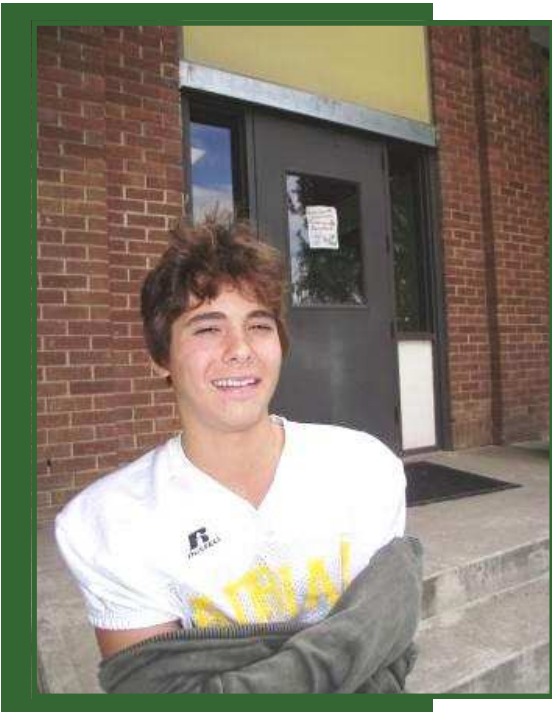
Most exchange students appreciate pizza, McDonalds, and hamburgers, but Marie would be quite content with a simple sandwich. She said when she returns home she will eat a sandwich every day as well as continuing to live like an American. After all, it's the little things in life that mean the most to her.



From Big City to Big Hearted Community – Ramon Dalla

Submitted by: Quincy Pendergrass

When everyone thinks of Adrian the first thing that comes to mind is small. Although Adrian maybe be small compared to other places we definitely have a big hearted community! Traveling from Brazil, Ramon Dalla had no idea what to expect about his home for the next 10 months. Upon arriving he realized his home would be small; however, his experience would be sincere!



Ramon is a senior at Adrian high, and traveled all the way from the big city of Vitoria, Espirito Santo where the population exceeds 313,000. His parents, Tereza and Ricardo, both work as tax lawyers. He has one brother, Bernardo (20), that is working to become a tax lawyer. While in America, Ramon lives with the Purnell family; he really enjoys it and said that Mr. Purnell is funny!

When talking to Ramon about his experience at our high school, compared to his high school, he said that back in Brazil he goes to a private school with about 3,000 kids compared to our 73. Another school aspect that is different is that in Brazil the students stay in the same classrooms all day and the teachers switch classes. He said that his favorite class so far is photography, and he wishes that he could be in band so that he could play his guitar, but he couldn't fit it into his schedule.

Ramon is hoping that through being an exchange student he will learn how to speak nearly perfect English, learn about how our culture differs from his in Brazil, and lastly to meet new people and overall have a great experience!

He is very excited about trying some new things here in America. One of

these new experiences is sports; he is going to play football, basketball, and possibly do track. When asked what favorite American food he enjoys, Ramon replied Mrs. Purnell's pancakes; however, Ramon later realized that it was not pancakes he was thinking of, it was actually breakfast burritos! After high school Ramon is undecided as to whether he will attend college at home in Brazil, or here in America. Ramon is very excited for this year, and he hopes to make both his new family, and his family back home proud.

New to Adrian but not education—Mr. Aaron Mills

Submitted by: Kellie Barraza

The Adrian community is very familiar with the name Mills. When you hear this name you think of superintendent, basketball, and the Oregon Ducks, but this year is the first year that we have two generations of Mills' in our school district. Aaron Mills has been hired on to the Adrian staff. He is teaching three history classes as well as three physical education classes. Mr. Mills Jr. also plans on taking over the boys basketball coaching position.



After graduating from Cove High School, Mr. Mills went on to study at Eastern Oregon and Boise State University. It was there that he earned his degree in education. Aaron Mills chose teaching for the pure fact that he wanted to coach; little did he know that coaching would fit him very well in regards to a life-long profession. He taught first in Garden Valley, Idaho and then his next job was at Neah-Kah-Nie. After two years at the Neah-Kah-Nie, he moved back closer to home and began teaching in La Grande. 11 years later, he accepted a teaching job in Fruitland, just outside of Ontario. He spent two years teaching in Fruitland before he was hired on to the Adrian staff to take over the history department.

History is Mr. Mills' subject; he teaches it because he finds it important to educate students on the past so that they can be better equipped for their future. Aaron's biggest goal for his students is to get them fired up and motivated to **learn and work hard**.

Mr. Mills' favorite high school memory was playing basketball and running track! Sports are in his blood so because he was so passionate, athletics became a major part of his life! It's an honor and a privilege to have Mr. Mills and his 15 years of coaching experience in our athletic program. The boys basketball program as well as the community is excited to see where he takes the boys in terms of discipline, commitment, and of course, **BASKETBALL!**

Pretty in Pink!

The Lady 'Lopes Volleyball team asks for your support as they support Breast Cancer Awareness Month on October 10, 2013. Please show your support by wearing pink to the volleyball match vs. Spray/Mitchell.



Adrian School District #61
Adrian, OR 97901

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
August 8, 2013

Members present were: Paul Shenk, Neil Allison, Casey Walker, Jake Speelmon, and Ryan Martin.

Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Neil Allison, at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Oath of Office Reelected board member Casey Walker, Zone 1, took the Oath of Office for a 4 year term beginning July 1, 2013.

Adopt Agenda Motion was made and was seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Staff Reports/Requests -National FFA Trip Request Anna-Marie Chamberlain requested an overnight trip to National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY, October 28 through November 3, 2013. There are 16 Adrian FFA members and 4 other area FFA Members and 3 chaperones, including Mrs. Chamberlain, interested in going. They plan to stay in Cincinnati, due to the availability and cost of lodging in Louisville. The Adrian students are being asked to pay \$300 toward the cost of the trip and the balance will be paid by the chapter fundraising. Discussion centered on the large number of students going and the impact it would have on the sports teams. That week is state first round playoff games for volleyball and a league game for football. Some board members felt it important to put the responsibility on the students to weigh their priorities and make a choice. This item was tabled for two weeks to give more time for plans to be discussed. A special meeting was scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2013 at 8 p.m.

-FFA Officer Retreat Request Anna-Marie Chamberlain requested an overnight trip to Anthony Lakes for an officer retreat on Aug. 23-25, 2013. The district will provide a mini-bus and the chapter will pay the cost of lodging and meals. Motion was made and was seconded, to approve an overnight trip for the FFA officer retreat. Motion carried unanimously.

Elementary Principal Report Mr. Ellsworth reported that he had attended sessions on the Title I and Homeless programs at the Malheur Summer Institute.

High School Principal Report Mr. Purnell reported on some specific changes to the High School Student Handbook; the month's that shorts may be worn has been removed and the cell phone language was changed to be consistent throughout the handbook and in line with our current practice. Mr. Purnell asked for feedback on the idea that Mrs. Esplin had presented in May for the concession stand. The board stated their concern was about the consistency and quality of the concessions regardless of who ran the concession stand. It was the consensus of the board for the staff to move forward with their plans for the concession stand. Registration will be held Monday for high school and middle school students.

Superintendent Report Mr. Mills reported on the situation with the football field lights. The Nyssa LDS church offered us some lights from their softball field; however, they will not meet our needs. We had a company from Meridian look at the field and give us a quote. The quote is not something that we can do this year and will need to be planned for in the next budget. The legislature did not pass any further PERS reductions or additional revenue package. The governor will call a special session if he feels the votes are there to pass the legislation. The eighth draft of the OSAA (Oregon School Activities Association) redistricting plan has Huntington in the Old Oregon League and Adrian in the High Desert League. This draft will go to the OSAA board in September. The teacher in-service begins Wednesday of next week. The board members were invited to the barbeque and potluck on Friday. There is a Back-to-School night sponsored by the PTO on Tuesday, August 27, at 6 p.m. The board members were invited to greet the students on the first day of school.

Financial Report Darla Witty reported that the audit field work went well and she provided the board with the final balance sheet and a summary of receipts and expenditures for June 30, 2013, as well as, a scholarship fund report.

Public Comment There were none.

Consent Agenda Motion was made and was seconded to adopt the July 11, 2013 minutes as presented and to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$171,366.71. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items Work Agreements for classified staff It was recommended to offer classified staff work agreements to Karen Bumgarner for 1 run of Bus Driving, to Nick Castro for 2 runs of bus driving and to modify his Groundkeeper work agreement to six hours per day on the days he drives bus. Motion was made and was seconded to offer work agreements as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

Appoint Budget Committee Members George Martin, Zone #1, and Carl Morton, Zone #3, were recommended for appointment to three year terms beginning July, 1, 2013, on the budget committee. Vicky Osborn, Zone #2, was recommended to complete the final year of a three year term vacated by Quinten Shenk, who moved from the district. Motion was made and was seconded to appoint the budget committee members as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session Executive Session as provided by ORS 192.660 (d) negotiation strategy was entered at 9:30 p.m. Regular session reconvened at 9:35 p.m.

Action from Executive Session Motion was made and was seconded to ratify the Agreement between the Adrian School District and the Adrian Education Association as negotiated, to ratify the Agreement between the Adrian School District and the Adrian Classified Staff Association as negotiated, and to set administrative, managerial and confidential salaries and benefits as follows: Gene Mills, an additional 10 hours of personal leave and salary and benefits remaining the same, William Ellsworth, Kevin Purnell, Julie Morton, and Stephanie Allison 1% increase in salary and \$25 increase in the amount the district will contribute toward insurance benefits, John Gordon, .5 FTE, salary at \$23,181 and \$512.50 per month toward the cost of medical, dental and vision insurance; Darla Witty salary at \$47,170 and \$1,000 toward the cost of medical, dental and vision insurance, and the extra-duty stipend for the athletic director to remain the same. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment Motion was made and was seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was declared adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Special Meeting of the Board Aug. 22, 2013

Members present were: Paul Shenk, Neil Allison, Casey Walker, Jake Speelmon, and Ryan Martin.

The agenda was revised after the being sent to the board members, adding item #3 Revised Groundskeeper work agreement. Motion was made and was seconded to adopt the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Neil Allison, at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

FFA Overnight Trip Request Neil Allison, board chairman, reminded the board that their job is to approve or disapprove the trip, not decide who goes. Mrs. Chamberlain handed out an updated itinerary for the trip. On the suggestion that only Adrian upper classmen and officers be included on the trip this year, the list has dropped to 11, possibly 12 if the new student decides to go. Mrs. Chamberlain and another person will be the chaperones from Adrian and four students and one chaperone from other chapters will be traveling with our group. They plan to leave on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 and return Sunday, November 3, 2013. Dialogue included the need to develop a policy for future years and questions about what the policy might look like. Motion was made and was seconded to approve the overnight trip for FFA National Convention. Motion carried on a 4 to 1 vote; voting yes were Jake Speelmon, Casey Walker, Ryan Martin and Neil Allison, voting no was Paul Shenk.

Revise Groundskeeper Work Agreement Mr. Mills recommended that the groundskeeper position be reduced from 8 hours/day or 40 hours/week, to 7 hours/day or 35 hours per week, and that Nick Castro's work agreement be adjusted accordingly. Mr. Mills explained the reasoning from a budget perspective as it relates to bus driving services. Motion was made and seconded to change the Groundskeeper position and Nick Castro's work agreement as recommended. Motion carried unanimously

Adjournment Motion was made and was seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Complete copies of the minutes are posted in each building and on the district website, www.adriansd.com. Copies may be requested from the District Office.

Notes from the Music Department

High School advanced band and choir students will have the opportunity to audition for the Treasure Valley Honor Band/Choir Festival this month. Choir auditions will be held Oct. 21st at Middleton High School. Band auditions and chair placements will take place on Oct. 28th, also at Middleton. Students who pass the audition process will join students from across the Treasure Valley on Nov. 16th for a fabulous concert on the beautiful stage of the NNU Brandt Center Auditorium. For more information about the audition and rehearsal information, please give me a call!

We are currently in the process of planning a music department fundraiser. Watch for more information coming soon!

Our Winter concerts will take place on Monday, Dec. 9th. The k-5 program will be at 2:00 pm in the High School Gym, followed by the Middle and High School concert that evening, at 7:00 pm.

Keep music alive!
Mrs. VanCorbach

