



# WEEKLY WILDCAT

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## Academic Awards

Written by: Ms. Weisner

The National Honor Society hosted the 2007-2008 Academic Awards Ceremony on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Various students and teachers presented their awards for a crowd of more than 100 community members. Kendra Westrich sang an awesome rendition of the *Star Spangled Banner* to kick off the event. Students were recognized for making the honor roll, having perfect attendance, and being a part of post-secondary option. Mrs. Gleim awarded the girls' varsity volleyball team for maintaining a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.59. Organizations such as the Academic, Envirothon, and Power of the Pen Teams

received certificates and awards. Courtney Galbreath was recognized as the outstanding senior volunteer for the year based on her amazing amount of community service hours. The teacher of the year was presented by Kasey Sosby and was awarded to Tom Wessner based on student popular vote. Mr. Roush awarded Jeremy Alexander, Clarinda Knight, and Ashleigh Blaylock plaques for most improved students, and the students of the year were presented by various NHS members. Those awardees were Graham Douglas (7<sup>th</sup>), Melynda Rogers (8<sup>th</sup>), Danielle Marler

(9<sup>th</sup>), Olivia Osborn (10<sup>th</sup>), Stephanie Docter (11<sup>th</sup>), and Kasey Sosby (12<sup>th</sup>). Congratulations, Whiteoak, on an excellent year! (For a list of Senior Medalist winners, see page 2.)



Mr. Wessner saying a few words after receiving Teacher of the Year.

## Athletic Events

- 5/17 SB Sectional Tourn. @ Fairfield 1:00
- 5/19 SHL Spring Sports Awards @ Eastern 7:00
- 5/21 District Track Meet @ Chillicothe 5:00
- 5/23 District Track Meet @ Chillicothe 5:00

## Lunch Menu

- 5/19 Pizza, Carrots, Dip, Fruit, Milk
- 5/20 Pork Chop, Bun, Mashed Potatoes, Peaches, Milk
- 5/21 Hamburgers/ Bun, Fries, Fruit, Milk
- 5/22 Beef & Bean Burrito, and Milk
- 5/23 Pork BBQ, Cole Slaw, Fruit, Milk

## Breakfast Menu

Choice of Juice or Milk everyday.

- 5/19 Pancake or Pancake Stick.
- 5/20 Danish or Pop Tart.
- 5/21 Sausage Sandwich.
- 5/22 Biscuits and Gravy.
- 5/23 Bagels with Cream Cheese.

## Wessner Ponders



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## 8th Graders Attend Ponderosa Luncheon

Written by: Rebecca Herzog

This past Monday, the eighth grade classes took a trip to the Hillsboro Ponderosa Banquet Hall to learn about different career fields. Thanks to the OACHE Grant, local businessmen and women attended the banquet

to talk to the eighth graders about daily tasks and information about certain careers. A big thank you goes to Ponderosa for preparing lunch. Lunch was provided through the OACHE grant.



## Senior Spotlight

Written by: Britanni Cresie

Shelbie Pitts is one of our seniors for senior spotlight this week. She was born on September 9, 1990, at Highland District Hospital. She is the daughter of James and April Pitts. Shelbie's favorite food is fettuccine alfredo and her hobbies are hanging out

with Cortney and Clari, taking pictures, and talking on the phone. After she graduates she plans to move to Dayton and attend the Ohio Institute of Photography and Technology.



Shelbie Pitts

## Education in Action



Mr. Rahe's class having a debate. Pictured are Aaron Neal, Conor Kimble, and Brice Burrier.

## Senior Medalist

Art: Kayla Seip

**Science:** Elysia Setty, Kurt Yochum, Skye Lucas, Todd Bandy

**Computer Science:** Michelle Cope

**Drama:** Katie Phelps, Clarinda Knight

**English:** Cortney Shannon

**Government:** Tyler Osterloh

**Math:** Meghan Barr

**Media Skills:** Zach Behm

**Video:** Zach Behm

**Music:** Kasey Sosby

**Chorus:** Mary McFarland

**Psychology:** Daiquiri Maxwell

**Spanish:** Kayla Seip

**Vo Ag:** Brandon Hill

**Senior of the Year:** Kasey Sosby

## Senior Spotlight #2

Katie Phelps is the other senior for senior spotlight. She was born at Highland District Hospital. She is the daughter of Mark and Darla Phelps. Her favorite teacher is Mrs. McKee and her favorite food is mashed potatoes. After Katie graduates she plans on going to OSU Lima for 2 years then transferring to main campus to major in speech pathology.



Katie Phelps

## Gas Reaches a Record High!!!

Written by: Heather Brewer

As gas prices have reached a record high, most people hope the prices will begin to drop. As the price of 1 gallon of regular gas hit an average of \$3.75 this week, we will only see the price rise even higher with the approach of Memorial Day. Gas is expected to reach the 4- dollar mark as summer traveling season draws closer. Due to the increase in prices, the Senate voted on Tuesday, and exceeded the 2/3 vote required to override the President's expected veto, to stop filling up the petroleum reserve in an effort to bring prices down. President Bush says, "Limiting supplies to the reserve could have national security consequences in the event of a natural disaster or terrorist attack, and the daily amount of oil put into the reserve in comparison to worldwide consumption, therefore would have a negligible impact on the price at the pump." All we can do is wait to see what happens with the price as we hope to see the prices fall.

## Becca's Question of the Week

"What are your plans for this summer?"



"Working on a farm."  
-James Allen



"Baling straw."  
-Mark Jolly



"Playing paintball, a lot."  
-Branden Adler

## Announcements

**May 19th & May 20th**– Senior Exams.

Senior Farewell Dinner will be held **May 20th** at **7pm** in the Whiteoak Student Center.

**May 21st**– Senior cookout at 12noon and graduation practice at 1:00pm. **Must be present in order to walk at graduation.**

Yearbooks are still available to order for \$35.00 each.

Summer P.E. will be **June 9th-20th** (8:00-3:00). Sign up sheet is on the office door. There will be a \$75 non-refundable registration.

Summer School will take place **June 9th-20th** (8:30-11:30). Transportation will be provided at our community spots. There is no charge for summer school.

OGT testing this summer will take place **June 16th-20th**. \* You must attend 10 hours of tutoring in order to take the test (new state requirement).

**May 27** Even period exams.

**May 28** Odd period exams.

**May 29** Make-up exams.  
2- hour early dismissal.

**May 30** attendance make-up day; no bus transportation.

## Birthdays!

**5/16** Bruce Wright

**5/17** Bobby Wendell

**5/18** Amber Frazer

**5/19** Todd Bandy  
Scott Stevens  
Stephanie Westfall  
Jenna Tennant  
Katlyn Garrison

