



WHITEOAK HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY WILDCAT

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Whiteoak Holds Veteran's Day Ceremony

Written by: Kristen Seip

Wednesday, November 11, was Veteran's Day and Whiteoak Jr./Sr. High took a little time out of the school day to honor the men and women who fought for our country with a Veteran's Program. First, Mr. Roush welcomed all the brave veterans in attendance, and then announced the Voice of Democracy winners. Next, Ethan Hawkins, Senior Class Secretary, gave an opening prayer, which set the mood for the

event. The prayer was followed by Mr. Roush's recognition of the veterans. Then, the senior class officers took it from there for the flag presentation, while band members Jessica Jones, Brian Simmons, and Ashley Crone prepared to play the National Anthem and Taps. Sophomore and Student Leadership member Bailey Walker gave a tear-jerking speech about how much she appreciates all the men and women who are

risking their lives to make hers better. Lastly, Mr. Roush gave his closing remarks with a special thanks to Ms. Hahn for her assistance with the program.



A group picture of the student leadership with the Veterans.

Voice of Democracy Winners Announced

Written by: Bailey Walker

Created in 1947, the Voice of Democracy program is an audio-essay contest that provides more than 3 million dollars in scholarships to American students each year. The national winner will receive a \$30,000 scholarship that is given directly to the recipient's American university. This year, three Whiteoak stu-



Pictured l-r: Kaitlyn Fannin, Kelly Rudler, and Taryn Watson.

dents were chosen by the Hillsboro Veterans of Foreign Wars as the school-wide winners. Congratulations to Kaitlyn Fannin, Kelly Rudler, and Taryn Watson for their achievements. Good luck to Kaitlyn Fannin as she goes on to speak in the regional competition!

Senior Spotlight

Written by: Kristen Seip

This week's Senior Spotlight is on Casey Valandingham. Her parents are Mike and Robin Valandingham. She has two sisters, Mikka (24), Courtney (17), and a brother, Matt (18). Casey's favorite subject is art and her favorite teachers are Janie, Mrs. Davis, and Mrs. Roberts. If she could go any-

where in the world, she would go to Paris to see the Eiffel Tower. Casey would not be a super hero, she would be Cinderella, the Disney Princess. She is involved in FFA, and Cheerleading. Her hobbies are hanging out with friends and reading. After high school, Casey plans to go to college to be a RN.



Casey Valandingham

ATHLETIC EVENTS

11/15 C103 Volleyball All-Star Game @ WHS 1pm

~LUNCH MENU~

- 11/16 Grilled Chicken/Bun, French Fries, Mixed Fruit, Graham Crackers, and Milk.
- 11/17 Hot Dog/Bun, Baked Beans, Sliced Apples, Corn Chips, and Milk.
- 11/18 Cheeseburger/Bun, Tortilla Chips, Mixed Fruit, Fries, and Milk.
- 11/19 Turkey/Gravy, Roll, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Strawberries, and Milk.
- 11/20 Pizza, Salad/Dip, Chips, Juice, and Milk.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

See Ms. Hahn to get your pencil!

- 11/13 Hollie Hicks
- 11/15 Kelsey Oliver
James Jones III
- 11/16 Jaimie Cherry



Photo taken and edited by Jerry Stuckey.

Sean's Fun Facts

-Michael Jordan makes more money from Nike annually than the entire Nike factory workers in Malaysia combined.

-In Chinese, the KFC slogan "finger lickin' good" comes out as "eat your fingers off."

-Brains are more active sleeping than watching TV.

Thank you!

Thank you to our staff members who passed out candy at the high school for trick-or-treat!



Pictured is Mr. Hunt passing out candy during trick-or-treat.

Annual Blood Drive

Written by: JOG Seniors

JOG students will be holding a **Hoxworth Blood Drive on Friday, December 4, 2009**. Any 16-year-old student wanting to donate must have proper paper work filled out prior to the Blood Drive. See Ms. Dietz. If you are 17 or older, you do not need parental permission. Please sign up and save a life!



Megan's Question of the Week

Would you rather be good looking or rich?



"Rich, because everything I buy makes me good looking!"
—Jerry Stuckey



"Rich, because I am already good looking!"
—Caleb Scott



"Rich because you can't fix being ugly!"
—Clint Richie

The Whiteoak Drama Club &
Thespian Troupe 6931 Presents:

Ace of Diamonds

By: T. James Belich

When: **November 20th and 21st at 7pm**
(both nights)

Where: **Whiteoak High School Old Gym**

*Bring a can of food to get \$1.00 off ticket price.

Whiteoak Drama Club would like to thank you in advance for your support to this production!



The postmaster of the Hillsboro post office is personally paying to have packages sent to our local service members in Iraq and Afghanistan. If you know of anyone or would like to donate anything to put in the boxes, please see Mrs. Janse van Rensburg. Suggestions would be toothbrushes and toothpaste, Irish Spring liquid body soap and those scrunchies to wash with, shampoo, deodorant, snacks of any kind, gum, individual powdered drink mixes, hot chocolate, coffee, cards, etc. They would also like letters of encouragement and sup-

Current Events

Written by: Justin Berkley

A month after the famous "Balloon boy" case, Richard and Mayumi Heene will plead guilty for hoax. Not only will the parents of Falcon Heene, a.k.a. "Balloon boy," find jail time, but the mother may possibly be deported. Mayumi Heene is a resident of Japan. As such, any felony conviction or certain misdemeanors could result in her deportation, even though her husband and children are American citizens. The parents' motive was to hopefully become more marketable for media intensions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Winter sports team pictures will be taken on **Tuesday, November 17**, starting at **1:30pm**.

The next Parent-Teacher Conference will be held on **Tuesday, November 17th from 4:30pm until 7:30pm**. Please have your parents call Janie in the office to schedule an appointment.

The next Bright Local School Board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 18, 7pm** at Whiteoak High School.

Thanksgiving Break is **Wednesday, November 25- November 27**. **Monday, November 30**, is a Waiver Day and there is no school for students.