

# Northwest News

Northwest Local Schools  
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## Students Honored at Commencement

Northwest High School held its 57th Commencement on Saturday, May 28, at the Akron Baptist Temple.

**Here are the top ten students in the graduating class of 2011:**

**JOSEPH SMITH, Valedictorian**

*\*Perfect attendance in four years of high school*

Parents: Forrest and Monica Smith

College: The College of Wooster

Major: Physics

**ALEXANDER KING, Salutatorian**

Parents: Bernie and Angie King

College: Carnegie Mellon University

Major: Mechanical Engineering

**GABRIELLA SIEGENTHALER, Salutatorian**

Parents: Mark and Amy Siegenthaler

College: Malone University

Major: Intervention Specialist Education

**NATHAN FLORO**

Parents: James and Rebecca Floro

College: Cornell University

Major: Anthropology and Linguistics

**VICTORIA FOX**

Parents: Mark and Stephanie Fox

College: University of Akron

Major: Nursing or Early Intervention Special Education

**KRISTEN JOHNSON**

Parents: Jeff and Dana Johnson

College: Undecided

Major: Equine Veterinarian

**TAYLOR LASH**

Parents: Brian and Trish Lash

College: Eastern Michigan University

Major: Occupational Therapy

**DEREK LENARDOS**

Parents: Derek and Donna Lenardos

College: Ohio Northern University

Major: Mechanical Engineering

**JESSICA SETTE**

Parents: Vince and Jennie Sette

College: Baldwin-Wallace College

Major: Criminal Justice

**AMY THIELKE**

Parents: Scott Thielke and Stacey Coulson

College: University of Akron

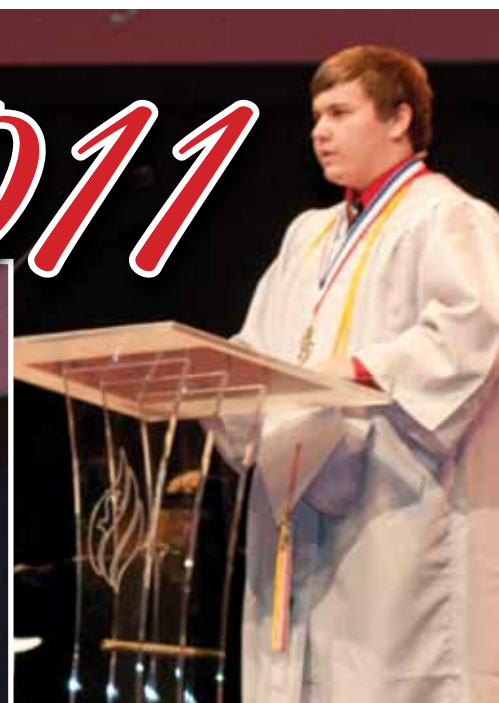
Major: Undecided

## Congratulations Northwest Class of 2011



### Joseph Smith Valedictorian

"To make a difference in our world, don't look to the past since it is set in stone, look towards the future for it is only limited by the depth of our imaginations."



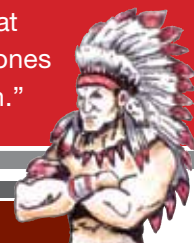
### Alex King Salutatorian

"We will never be defined by what we got on a random calculus test, or an accumulation of magic fairy dust points from Mrs. Crawford. It's about what we have gained as people that truly matters."



### Gabriella Siegenthaler Salutatorian

"I believe that the people that enjoy life the most are the ones who embrace their passion."



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## SCHOLARSHIPS RECEIVED BY THE CLASS OF *2011*\*

***Congratulations to the Class of 2011 students who  
were awarded more than \$4.7 million in scholarships!***

Jacob Ayers

Crystal Baglia

Jessica Baker

Crystal Baglia

Stephen Bueno

Courtney Cannon

Elizabeth Casto

Amanda Cihon

Gabrielle Custer

Bethany Dill

Connor Doyle

Allison Engelman

Christian Evrard

Robert Fleming

Nathan Floro

Blake Foutty

Victoria Fox

Joshua Gabriel

James Galley

Anna Gensimore

Natalie Goffee

Andrew Gromofsky

Melissa Hamilton

Andrew Haney

Tricia Harlan

Nathan Harper

Andrew Hart

Cory Hoffman

Kathleen Horrell

Gavin Hutchison

Kristen Johnson

Alexander King

Arissa Kyler

Taylor Lash

Derek Lenardos

Seth Lumpcik

Samantha Miletich

Jordan Mundell

Nicholas Noble

Nicole Ogg

Cassidy Patterson

William Peters

Keyana Roberts

Emily Russell

Dane Schwartz

Jessica Sette

Daniel Shetler

Gabrielle Siegenthaler

Joseph Smith

Nicholas Smith

Caitrin Sparling

Amy Thielke

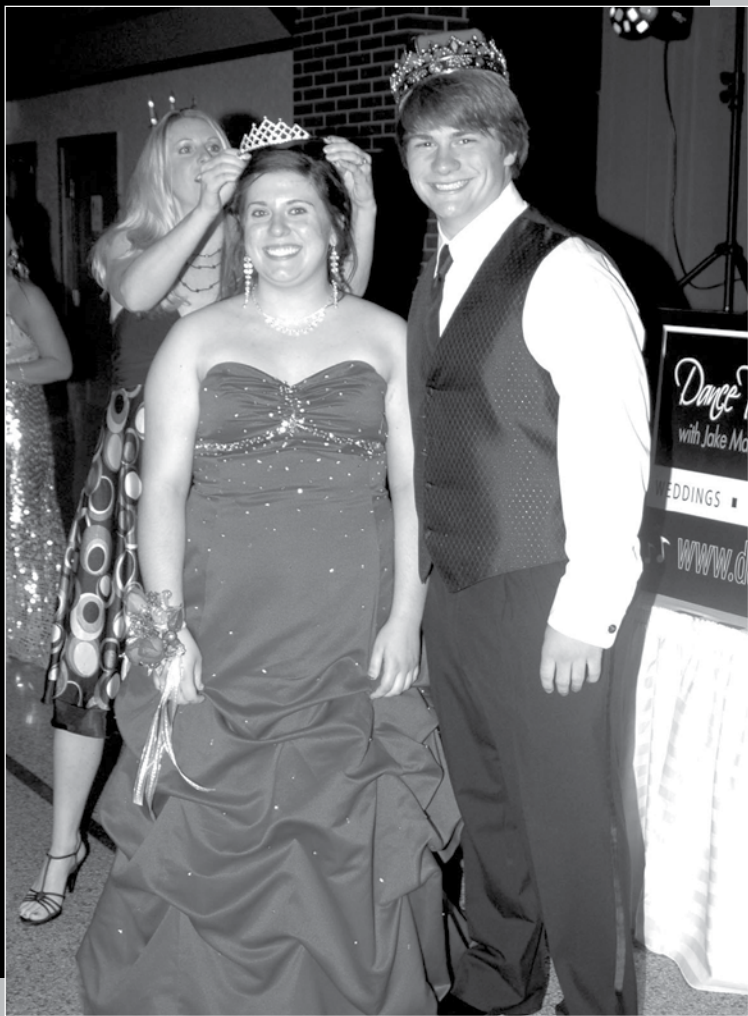
Andrew Watkins

Brandon Wilhelm

Lynn Wirfel

Jessica Wormald

(\*As of May 27, 2011)



## Royalty at the Junior-Senior Prom

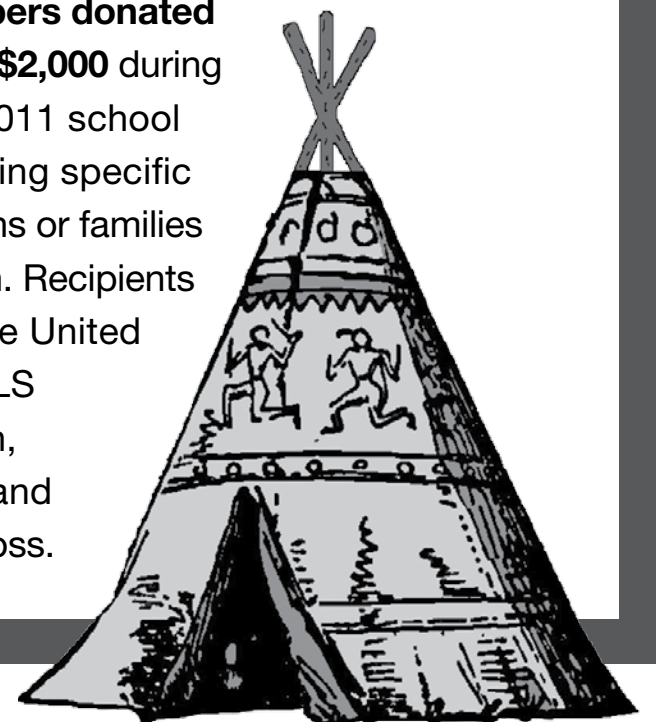
Andrew Gromosky and Hannah Kosco were named King and Queen of the Junior-Senior Prom held on Saturday, May 7, at the Saint George Serbian Orthodox Church.

## Lindic Finishes Second at State Meet; Peters Takes Seventh

Northwest High School junior Allison Lindic cleared 5 feet, 5 inches to finish in a tie for second in the Division II high jump at the state track meet in Columbus. Her jump ties the school record set by Richelle Teeling in 2005. Matt Peters finished seventh in the 1600 meter run with a time of 4:23.32, his personal best.

## Stinson Opens their Hearts and Wallets

Stinson faculty and staff members donated more than \$2,000 during the 2010-2011 school year, targeting specific organizations or families each month. Recipients included the United Way, the ALS Association, St. Jude's and the Red Cross.



## Miss Northwest & Mr. Northwest Named for 2011

The prestigious titles of Miss Northwest and Mr. Northwest were awarded to Victoria Fox and Nicholas Noble at the May Honors Banquet. Victoria will be attending the University of Akron, and Nicholas will attend Miami University.



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## Middle School Principal Jay Baughman to Pursue New Career

Middle School Principal Jay Baughman, an 18-year veteran of Northwest Local Schools, will be leaving the district to join the First Baptist Church of Jackson as a High School Youth Pastor. Baughman completed First Baptist's Bible Institute five years ago simply to learn more about the Bible and "to be able to better serve the Lord Jesus Christ." The experience has led to his decision "to move from Principal to Pastor," as Baughman explains, "God has blessed me in every place He has directed my family and me."

Baughman says he has enjoyed his work here: "I am truly going to miss the great relationships with students, parents, and staff and being here day to day with everybody. But, I hope to still have a close connection to the Northwest community, just in a different and amazing new capacity!"

Bob Venables, currently the assistant principal at the high school, will return to the middle school to replace Baughman. Venables will do an excellent job in his return because of his relationships with the staff and students as well as knowledge of the building which is being remodeled.

## High School Roof Being Repaired this Summer



One facet of the facilities project this summer will involve repairing leaks in the high school roof. Braun & Steidl Architects, Inc., and RoofTEC, the district's roof consultant, will repair the steep slope, shingled areas of the high school.

The board of education, in conjunction with legal counsel, is moving to recover the repair costs of the leaky roof at the high school from the responsible parties. Board members are unable to comment on the details of that process because it involves possible legal action.

Superintendent Bill Stetler explains, "These repairs are absolutely necessary. The district wants to assure the community that we are doing our best to hold the responsible parties accountable."

The repair work is the final step in the process begun by Braun & Steidl Architects, Inc., and RoofTEC to plan a fix and to develop a conceptual design and budget.

# Strategic Planning keeps us in touch with our community

*During this school year, local residents and educators in the Northwest District participated in Strategic Planning and developed a set of core values. As we work to attain our vision and complete our mission, we must not lose sight of these core values. In each issue of the Northwest News, we will examine the values as we turn to committee members who will explain the meaning of each value in relation to the school district. This month's committee representative, Middle School Principal Jay Baughman, discusses honesty and integrity.*

"One of the Northwest School community's agreed upon core values is that of honesty and integrity in all we do. Spencer Johnson wrote the motivational book *Who moved my cheese?* and once stated, 'Integrity is telling myself the truth, and honesty is telling the truth to other people.' Our integrity is who we are as people on the inside, while honesty is how we behave toward each other based on our integrity. We agree and commit in the Northwest community to lead lives of integrity when people are watching, and when they are not. Our commitment to integrity then translates into honest relationships with each other where we speak and act honestly and respectfully as we work through issues together. Our success as the Northwest community is truly hinged on this core value of honesty and integrity in all we do. Having honesty and integrity at the Northwest core will build trust, and that will make us united, strong, and successful in our mission."

## Athletic Charitable Committee

Supporting Athletics in our local Northwest community

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

**JUNE 11 – Girls Soccer** Car Wash  
@ Canal Fulton Giant Eagle  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**JUNE 18 – Takedown Club** Golf  
Outing @ Lyon's Den Golf Course

**JULY 7 – Girls Soccer** Dairy Queen  
Fundraiser Night 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**JULY 14 – Girls Soccer** Blood  
Drive @ Canal Fulton Dominoes  
Parking Lot 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**JULY 17 – Touchdown Club** Family  
Fun Day @ Clay's Park  
**\$20 per person includes:**  
swimming, fishing, live band, DJ,  
food, drinks and more!

**AUGUST 21 – ACC** Chicken Dinner  
Auction (Live & Silent Auction,  
Basket Raffle)  
**Tickets will go on sale in July.**  
Call Adrey Schley to make a  
donation 330-715-7776.

### Calendar of Meetings

**ACC** – 1st Sunday of each month,  
5 p.m. at Middle School Library

**TOUCHDOWN CLUB** –  
1st Monday of each month,  
7 p.m. at VFW

**TAKEDOWN CLUB** – 1st Tuesday  
of each month, 7 p.m. at VFW

**NORTHWEST CHEER ASSN.** –  
1st Monday of each month,  
7 p.m. at Middle School Cafeteria

**LADY INDIANS BASKETBALL  
BOOSTERS** – 2nd Monday of  
each month, 6 p.m. at Middle  
School Library

**GIRLS SOFTBALL BOOSTERS** –  
3rd Wednesday of each month,  
6 p.m. at HS Commons

**RUNNERS CLUB** – 1st Sunday of  
each month, 4 p.m. at Middle  
School Library

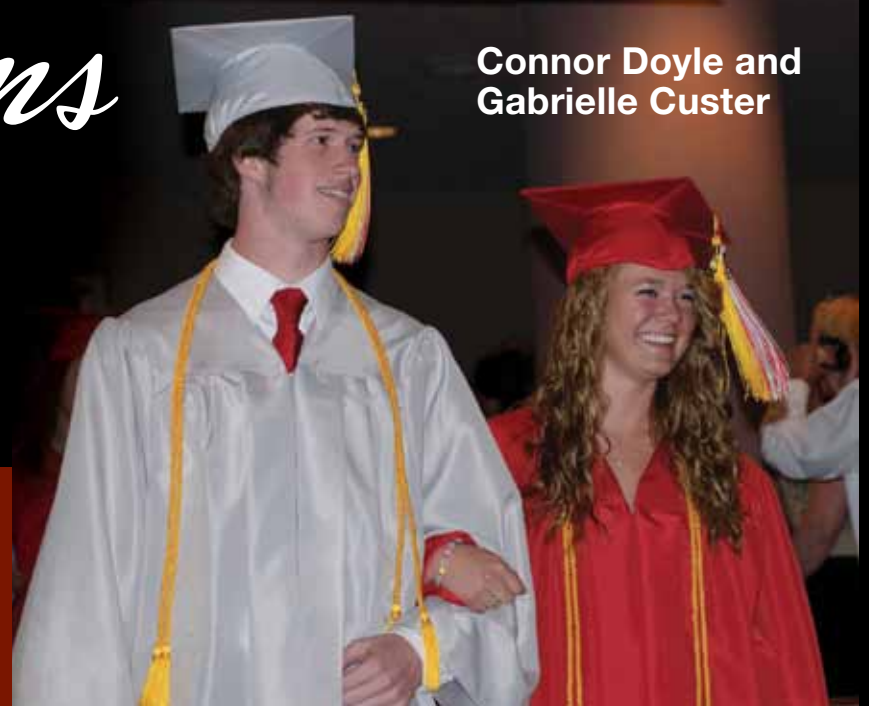


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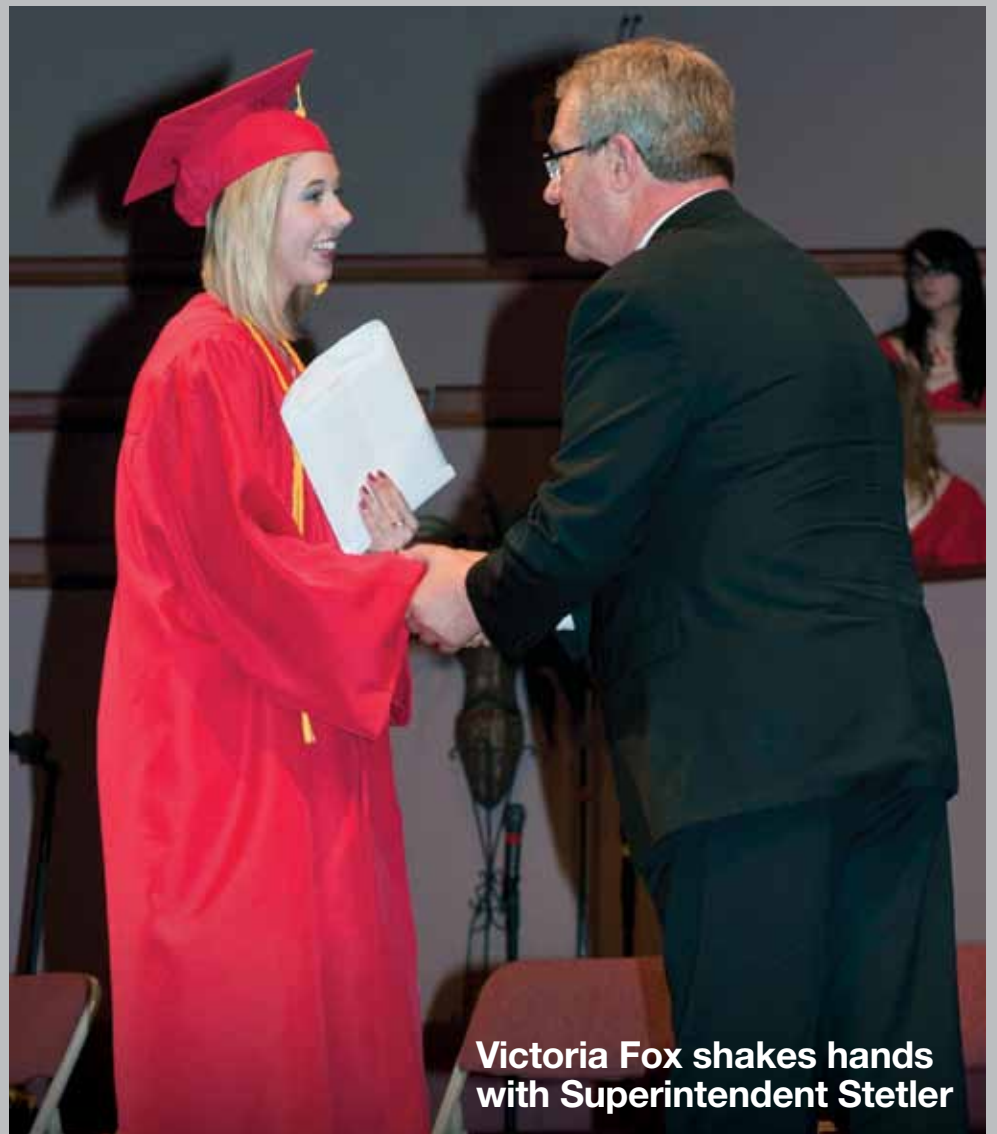
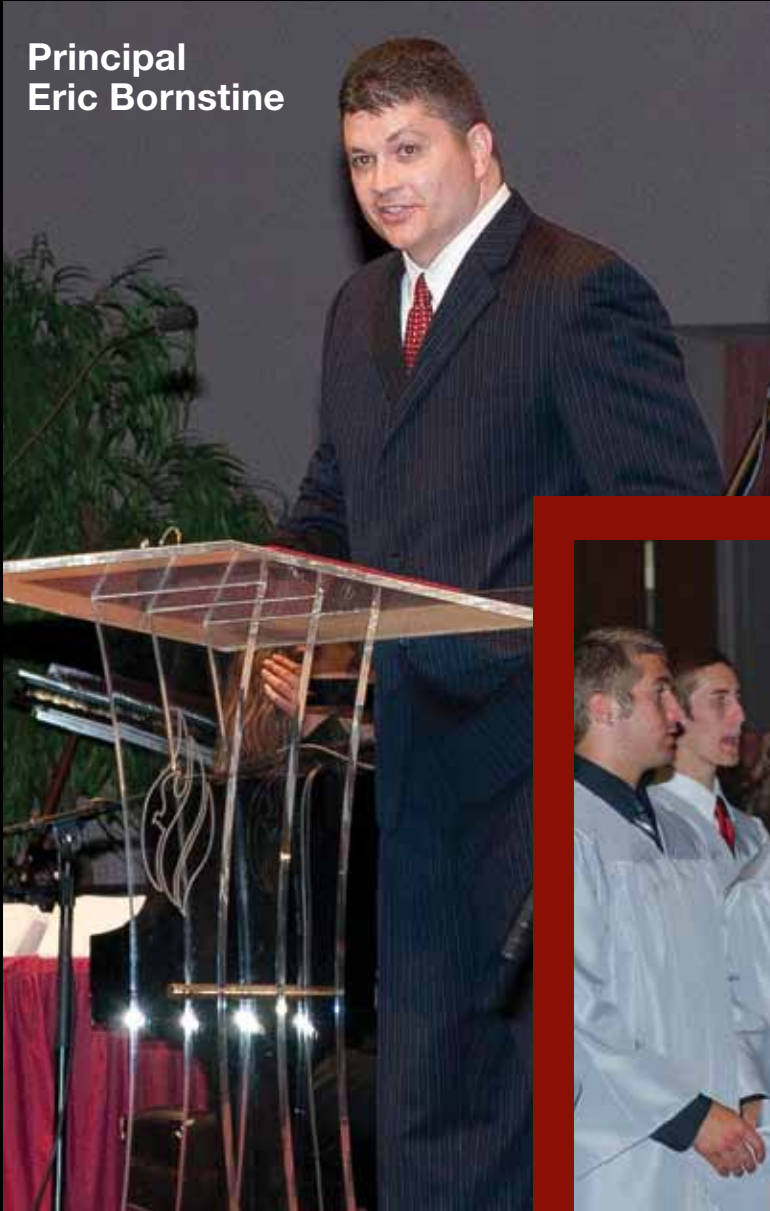
Connor Doyle and  
Gabrielle Custer



### **Northwest Local School District Board of Education:**

(L-R) Bruce Beadle, Rita Gearhart, President Jim  
Gindlesberger, Vice President Steve Jones,  
Superintendent Bill Stetler

### **Principal Eric Bornstine**



Victoria Fox shakes hands  
with Superintendent Stetler



# SWORD 2011

Northwest High School held its annual “Seniors Work Out Reach Day,” or SWORD, on Saturday, May 21st. Students worked at Echoing Ridge, the Ohio Veterans Memorial Park, Camelot/Spring Valley allotment, the Canal Fulton parks, the local fire station, and Heritage Square. Through Mr. Dave Orr, coordinator of SWORD, students learn the importance of giving back to their community.



## Canal Fulton Lions Club Citizenship Awards

This year, the Canal Fulton Lions Club began a new annual program in which they recognize students in grades 2, 5, 8, and 12 who demonstrate exemplary personal qualities of citizenship. These students accept responsibility, respect authority, earn respect from others and do more than what is asked of them. The eighth grade winners, who were recognized at the annual spring assembly, are Jeff Shimko and Emma Canfield.



## Primary School Balloon Lift-Off

As a culminating event for the Northwest Primary Reading Club, a balloon lift-off was held on May 20. Every year students are encouraged to participate in “2,400 Minutes,” setting a goal that each child will read 2,400 minutes outside of the classroom during the 2010-2011 school year.

Halle Taggart, Noel Lovett, Olivia Meighen, and Abigail Meighen experienced the adventure of a hot air balloon ride. Mrs. Holl and Mrs. Denholm were the navigators, and Terry Hostetler was the pilot.



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Board of Education



Bruce Beadle, Rita Gearhart, Steve Jones, Nikki Metzger, and Jim Gindlesberger

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## Thank You For Your Support

The Northwest Local School District would like to thank the community for its support of our renewal levy.

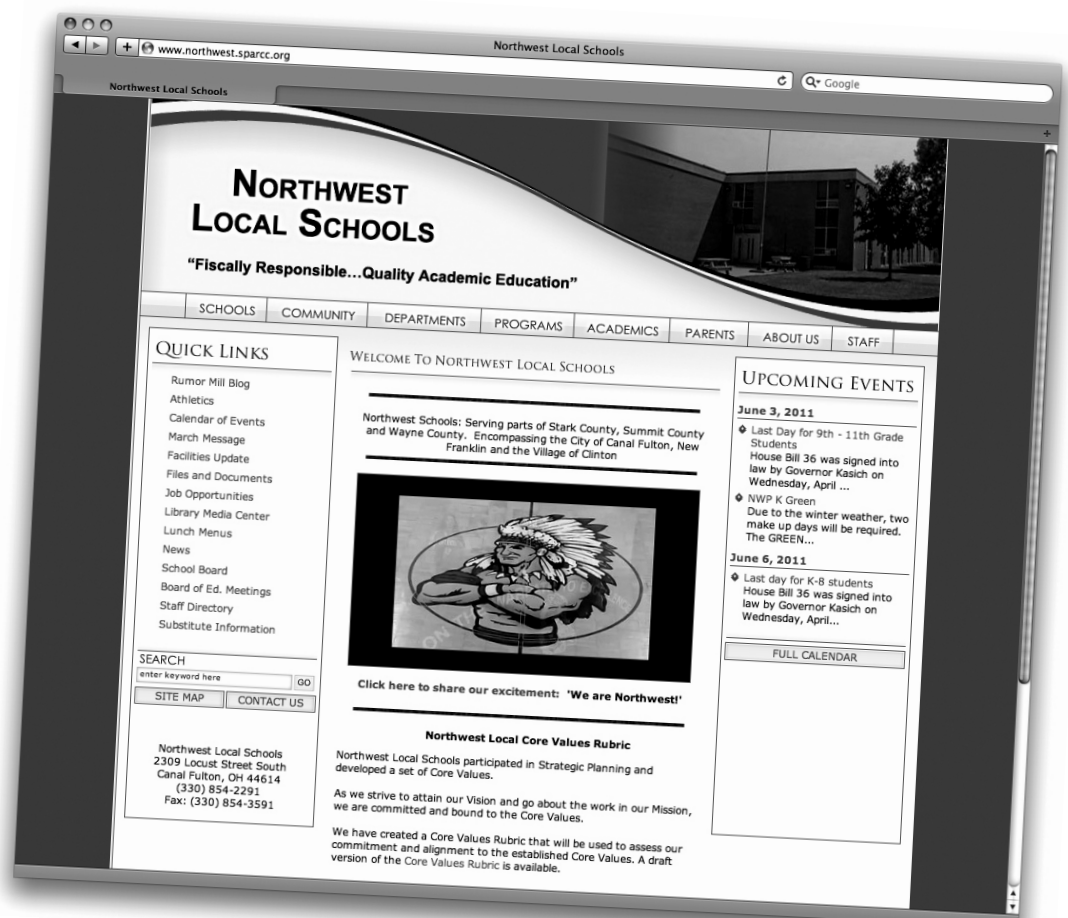
Passing this renewal ensures that the district can move forward with its strategic plan to provide the best education we can for our students. Our strategic plan also focuses on building and maintaining a positive relationship with our community members, as you are a valued and important part of our district. To view the full report, visit our website, [www.northwest.sparcc.org](http://www.northwest.sparcc.org), and click on the Strategic Plan link under About Us.

We can now ensure that class sizes will remain low, athletic programs will remain intact, we will be able to reduce the cost of pay-to-play by half and we will continue to provide all-day/every day kindergarten.

***The district and its students Thank You!***

## Visit Our Website

Please remember to stop by our Web page on a regular basis to see what is happening with our schools. Our front page features a new video promoting our district as well as an explanation of our core values.



**Remember [www.northwest.sparcc.org](http://www.northwest.sparcc.org)!**



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Lacrosse Clinic: M-TH, July 25-28 &  
Aug 1-4 for grades 1-8 @ St. Helena  
Heritage Park in Canal Fulton.



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## 2011 GIRLS SOFTBALL

**Front Row (L-R):** Kylie Begue, Abby Siegenthaler, Rachel deGuia, Hannah Gordon, Coree DiLauro, Caitlyn Hamrick, and Anna Sharier.

**Back Row (L-R):** Coach Dean Everhart, Amber Meyers, Amy Kellar, Taylor Lash, Ashley Sees, Jordan Bowman, Caitlin Hull, Coach Jeff Bowman, and Coach Stephanie Pound.



## 2011 BOYS BASEBALL

**Front Row (L-R):** Colton Carihfield, Cory Hoffman, Alex Lenardos, Dan Shetler, Tyler Borotkanics, Nate Reed, Matt Heitger, and Mike Pribronic.

**Back Row (L-R):** Coach John Johnson, Jim Galley, Tyler Dillon, Nick Zervos, TD Culp, Carlos LeBron, Tyler Bowman, Jacob Cochran, Robby Fleming, Jackson Knight, Shane Hippli, and Coach Brian Ries.



## 2011 BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK

**Front Row (L-R):** Macy Hamad, Andy Gromofsky, Lauren Steiner, Kathleen Demaree, Matt Peters, Natalie Goffee, Nick Noble, and Haleigh Hamad.

**Row 2 (L-R):** Josh Waddle, Jared Malbeouf, Mike Bechtel, Haley Ries, Taylor Snelick, Maddie Shaw, Megan Jackson, and Ashley Porter.

**Row 3 (L-R):** Alex Earnsberger, Tyler Hinkle, Jacob Hare, Josh Comes, Rachel Horrell, Holly Knight, Hannah Pullen, Ali Loretto, Jordan Smith, Vanessa Tudor, and Lindsay Konen.

**Row 4 (L-R):** Jordan West, Meghan Fennell, Ellie Stockert, Samantha McKimie, Amanda Crites, Rachel Laury, Kaitlyn Thompson, Ali Lindic, Ronnie Beers, Kelsey Kincaid, and Mason Tesch.

**Row 5 (L-R):** Tyler Coughlin, Justin Smith, Justice Miller, Cheyanne Sartoski, Kayla Estock, Lizzie Lampe, Robbie Meisner, Jordan Benson, Michael Millard, and J.C. Pawlyk.

**Row 6 (L-R):** Anton Jones, Mark Bell, Chuma Roberts, Brandon King, Milton Greek, Kyle Stover, Angelo Kolinoff, Matt Schley, and David Casalinova.

**Row 7 (L-R):** Head Coach Brian Armstrong, Jumps Coach Megan Green, Throws Coach Dave Maculaitis, and Volunteer Coach Mike Bechtel.

**Missing:** Sprint Coach Mike Calcei, Kyle Harris, Zach Shuttleworth, Austin Slusser, Paul Wellman, Jeanna Ardman, Kirsten Mitchen, and Tyler Shoff.

## WOODS Recognized for Excellent Work



Athletic Director Gary Woods has recently been recognized by three different organizations for his service to the athletic community. The Northeastern Buckeye Conference recently presented him with an award for his exemplary service to the conference at its annual spring banquet. The District 5 Basketball Coaches' Association has presented him with its Distinguished Service Award. Woods has been a member of that organization for 25 years and has served as Executive Secretary/Treasurer the past 20 years. Finally, he was recognized by the Ohio High School Basketball Coaches' Association and was inducted as a charter member into its Hall of Honor. This was in recognition of his distinguished service to the association as a non-coaching member.