



# THE DISTRICT DISPATCH

The monthly update for Northridge Schools & Community



FFA members participated in the Subdistrict and District Ag Soils Judging Career Development Event (CDE)! During this contest, students evaluated the soil to determine how to best use it for agricultural use. In the subdistrict competition, the top 5 team members placed 2nd (other schools represented were Johnstown, Licking Valley, and Utica). At the district competition, the top 5 members placed 7th out of 15 teams (schools from Licking, Knox, Fairfield, Franklin, Pickaway, and Ross counties attended). Congrats to Lyla in 17th place, Aiden 31st, Kinsely 32nd, John 49th, and Lane 59th out of 75 competitors! FFA members also had the opportunity to attend Farm Science Review. They learned about new ag equipment and practices, plus played bingo to explore different parts of the show.

## Beating Breast Cancer is the Goal



Northridge teams help to raise money and spread breast cancer awareness during the month of October for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Co-ed soccer team painted pink pumpkins and the volleyball team held a "Volley for the Cure" event.



[CLICK HERE FOR ATHLETIC SCHEDULES](#)

## Behind the Scenes

Mr. Nguyen and the middle school cast of Mary Poppins Jr. are busy in rehearsals preparing for the classic musical. Save the date for the week of November 18-20th.

Mary Poppins Jr. is going to be a "supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" show that you don't want to miss!



## Pet Partners

Mrs. Koker's first grade students have been participating in a special reading program, Pet Partners, with a therapy dog named Hope, a labrador retriever.

The goal of the program is to help children develop a love of reading by giving them a relaxing and fun atmosphere with animals. Students loved reading to Hope!



OCTOBER

**PreK-8 Grade PTO Meeting**

Thursday, October 6  
3:30pm Elementary Library

**MS & HS Photo Retake Day**

Friday, October 7  
All Day



**Fall Choir Concert**

Sunday, October 16  
3:00pm HS Auditorium



**Elementary Book Fair**

October 17 - 21  
All Day Elementary School



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**School Board Meeting**

Monday, October 17  
6:30pm District Office

**Elementary Photo Retake Day**

Thursday, October 20  
All Day



**Elementary Halloween Parade**

Friday, October 28  
1:30pm Front of School



**Trunk or Treat**

Thursday, November 3  
6:00pm Elementary School



Homecoming Court 2022



*Congratulations*  
**HOMECOMING COURT 2022**

Join us for the Homecoming football game this Friday, 10/7, at Viking Stadium!



Thank you to all who donated non-perishable items for the food drive. We appreciate the 4th & 5th grade Student Leadership Team for counting, sorting, and helping the Knights of Columbus load the items for the Johnstown Food Pantry. It takes a village!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL 5<sup>th</sup> QUARTER**

Middle school students may purchase tickets this week for the 5th Quarter! The \$4 tickets allow entry into the home Varsity football game and 5th Quarter on Friday, October 7th. Tickets will ONLY be sold during lunch periods and only Northridge Middle School students may attend. No tickets will be sold at the door, there will be no refunds nor replacement of lost tickets.

At halftime of the home Varsity football game, students will meet Mr. Smith at the Main/Home Gate and we will walk to the Middle School where students can take part in a social event/dance that is put on jointly with the PTO. There will be a D.J., food to purchase and fun with friends. 5th Quarter will end at 9:30pm and students are required to have transportation home prearranged. Parents are to pick up their student(s) in front of the Middle School.

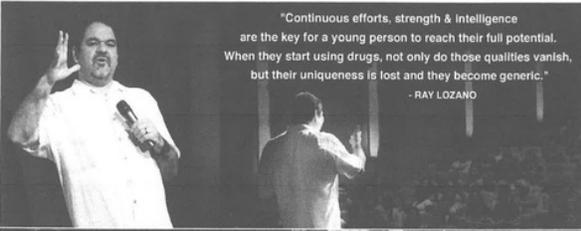
**OCTOBER EVENTS AT LOCAL LIBRARIES**

Check out the Alexandria and Homer Libraries websites for this month's community activities and information.  
<https://alexandrialibrary.org> <https://www.homerlibrary.org>



Newark Elks Lodge 391 Presents Motivational Drug Awareness Speaker  
**Ray Lozano**  
Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm  
Elks Ballroom 73 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
This event is appropriate for middle and high school aged students as well as parents, educators, youth leaders, and professionals.  
Please RSVP to [underhillbecky1@gmail.com](mailto:underhillbecky1@gmail.com) by October 7th

"Continuous efforts, strength & intelligence are the key for a young person to reach their full potential. When they start using drugs, not only do those qualities vanish, but their uniqueness is lost and they become generic."  
- RAY LOZANO



Learn More About Ray:  
[www.RayLozano.com](http://www.RayLozano.com)



"His ability to present complicated drug information to Middle/Junior and High School students is unparalleled, and it is because of his excellence in this area that I repeatedly ask him to be our primary presenter at a majority of our events."  
- SHAWN M.,  
Josephine County, Oregon

"It was like watching George Lopez present drug information. It was funny, thought-provoking, intelligent and very motivating."  
- Dallas Morning News



The Newark Elk's Lodge #391 invites the community to a Drug Awareness event on Wednesday, October 12th at 7:00pm at the Newark Elks Ballroom. This event will be great for middle and high school students, parents, educators and youth leaders. RSPV by Oct. 7th to [Underhillbecky1@gmail.com](mailto:Underhillbecky1@gmail.com).

**CLICK BELOW TO RSVP BY 10/11:**

**Northridge Elementary Presents:**

# Donuts



## With Grown Ups

7:45am-8:30am

Join Us For Donuts and The Book Fair!

PreK/K: Monday, Oct. 17

1st Grade: Tuesday, Oct. 18

2nd Grade: Wednesday, Oct. 19

3rd Grade: Thursday, Oct. 20

Each student may bring up to 2 adults

RSVP Requested by Oct. 11th At:

<https://tinyurl.com/donutswithgrownups>

\*4th and 5th Grade will be in the Spring

**NYAA WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! CLICK BELOW TO SIGN UP:**



**NYAA**  
WRESTLING



**NYAA REC BASKETBALL**  
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR BOYS & GIRLS GRADES K-6TH



**REGISTER AT NYAASPORTS.COM**

REGISTRATION FEE: \$90

**SIGN UP NOW!** REGISTRATION CLOSURES OCT. 15TH

QUESTIONS? EMAIL [NYAASPORTSBASKETBALL@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NYAASPORTSBASKETBALL@GMAIL.COM)

**FALL Festival**  
October 15th  
4:30pm-6:30pm  
Croton Church of Christ - Outdoor Venue  
13525 Fairgrounds Rd. Croton 43013  
Rain location - 40 S. Main St. 43013