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GEAR UP Leadership Through Service Team Participates in Children's Advocacy Day

The GEAR UP Leadership Through Service Team participated in the 13th Annual Children's Advocacy Day at the Capitol February 9th, 2017. Students learned a lot about legislation that can positively affect the children of the Commonwealth. After joining hundreds of advocates from across the state rally in the Capitol Rotunda and listening to youth speakers and legislators, the LTS Team was given a tour of the Capitol building that included lots of interesting historical facts. Meeting with our own **Representative Rick Nelson** was a special treat for the LTS Team. We really appreciate him for working these young people into his schedule. They wrapped up the day by actually experiencing the House in action from the gallery. Representative Nelson was thoughtful enough to recognize Bell County from the House floor, which was great!

*Submitted by Cindy Brock,
GEAR-UP Academic Specialist*



Pictured are: **Caitlin Abbott, Cammie Brock, Tanner Fox, Dana Petrocelli, Madison Mason, Meghan Bailey, Kaylee Brown, Kaitlyn Willis, Katleyn Wilson and Cole Raines.** Not pictured, **Amber Sizemore**



Bell County Board Member Advances in Professional Development

The Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA) has awarded a certificate of advanced training in school leadership to Eulene Brock, a member of the Bell County Board of Education.

Mrs. Brock has achieved Level Four Certification in KSBA Academy of Studies.

Kentucky laws mandate hours of select training based on each board member's years of service. The lower levels of KSBA's Academy of Studies include courses such as the basics on the board's role, school finance, superintendent evaluations and facilities planning. As a board member advances in the certification process, the courses become less general and more specific to issues such as evaluating the board's own effectiveness, doing advanced budget planning, becoming better advocates for children and grasping their board's responsibilities in



Bell County School Board Vice Chair Eulene Brock and Superintendent Yvonne Gilliam

school and student assessment and accountability.

"Mrs. Brock has gone far beyond the minimum training required of board members. This evidences her commitment to children and her desire to effectively represent the communities she serves," said Yvonne Gilliam, Bell County Superintendent.

Brenda Wilder Retiring after 10 years of Service as Clerk to the Board



Brenda Wilder is pictured above receiving a plaque recognizing her for dedication and service to the Bell County School Board. The plaque was presented on behalf of the Board by District Superintendent Yvonne Gilliam.



The Bell County School Board Members: L-R: Wayne Mason, Doug Ramsey-Chairman, Dean Knuckles, Larry Elliott, and Eulene Brock-Vice Chairperson.

Eating Healthy

In collaboration with Lone Jack School Center Family Resource Youth Service Coordinator, Sheila Fuson, Ms. Christy Blevins from the Bell County Extension of the UK Extension Office visited the first grade on January 20, 2017. She read them the book, *You are Healthy*. During the book, she discussed how it's important to exercise, eat good foods, such as fruits and vegetables, and go to sleep at a good time every night. After the story, Ms. Christy made the kids a yogurt parfait of yogurt, grapes, and crunchy cereal. Some children enjoyed the snack, others did not.

Article submitted by Chelsey Rivers-Partin, 1st Grade Teacher



Ms. Christy Blevins asked students questions about eating healthy snacks. Students pictured are: **Landen Collins, Kaydence Gambrel, Tanner Edwards, Desirae Lawson, Alyssa Gray, Audriana Partin, Isaiah Gambrel, and Kylee Reagan.**



Above: First grade students: **Kaydence Gambrel, Alyssa Gray, Isaiah Gambrel, Audriana Partin, Levi Gibbons, and Brooklyn Brock** enjoy the yogurt parfaits that **Ms. Blevins** made for them.

At right: **Danielle Sowders** enjoys a nice healthy snack



Lone Jack Students Learn about Conservation Camps



Lone Jack's fifth grade students have lots of questions to ask **Mr. Alton** about the conservation camps.

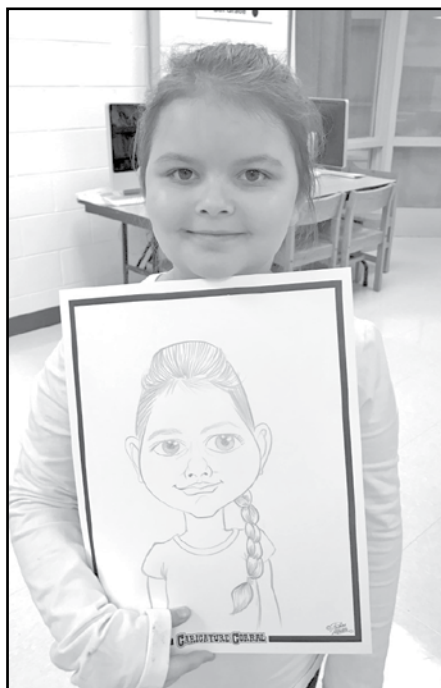
Lone Jack School Center's Family Resource Youth Service Coordinator Sheila Fuson, scheduled Conservationist, Mr. Alton, to visit Lone Jack School Center's fifth grade class on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 to discuss the opportunities for summer camp, conservation camps, and Camp Earl Wallace. Mr. Alton tried to interest the students in the camps by discussing the activities, responsibilities, meals, classes, lessons, and rewards that could be earned at the camp. He distributed information to inform students how to become involved in a fun-filled summer!

Article submitted by Jeremy Sanders, Intermediate Science Teacher, and Sheila Fuson, Family Resource Youth Service Coordinator

Accelerated Readers are Rewarded for High Achievements

Local artist and caricaturist, Russ Mills, visited Lone Jack School Center on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 to reward students who met or went above and beyond their Accelerated Reader goals for the 3rd six weeks. Each of the students meeting their goals got an 11 X 14 caricature drawn by Russ Mills. Lone Jack School Center would like to thank Mr. Mills for volunteering his time to bring smiles to our students' faces.

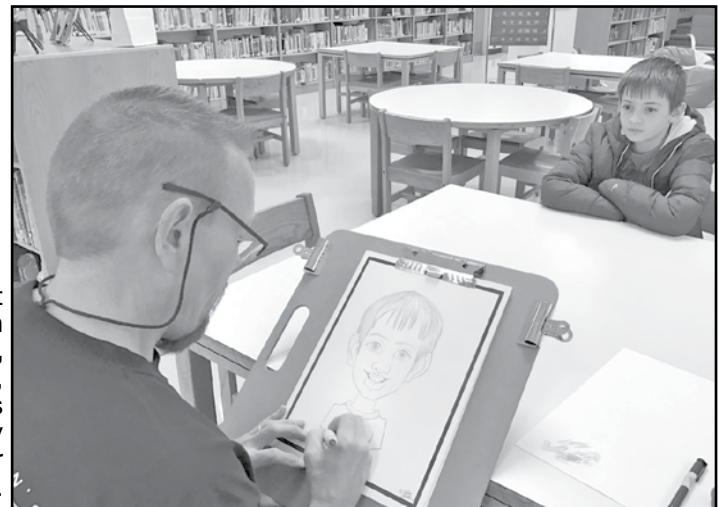
Article submitted by Melanie Mills, Library Media Specialist/Literacy Facilitator/G & T Instructor/1st Grade Writing Teacher



Left: **Hailey Brock**, 3rd grade, shows off her caricature



Above: **DJ Taylor**, 3rd grade, is excited to see what his caricature will look like.



Right **Canyon Freels**, 7th grade, sits perfectly still for the Artist.

Lone Jack School Center

Lone Jack Students Celebrate the 100th Day of School

The 100th Day of School at Lone Jack School Center kicked off with a choir of primary students (grades 1st through 3rd) singing a 100th Day of School Song over the intercom during morning announcements. Students designed and wore t-shirts with 100 things and sayings and dressed up either as a 100 year old person or in the era of 100 years ago. The day was filled with fun-filled educational activities, in which students were able to demonstrate what they had learned during the first 100 days of school.

Parents were invited to participate in a Parent Triathlon. Parents and students competed against one another in ten 100th day activities, which included: Read a story with 100 words, 100 yard dash, 100 Nouns, 100 Hidden Pictures, Snowball Toss, Eating 100 Cheerios, 10 X 10 slides across the gym floor, Race to 100 (Math game), 100 equations to equal 100, and balancing 5 dice on a popsicle stick for 100 seconds. The winners of the 100th Day of School Parent Triathlon were John Havens and second grade student, Riley Monhollen. They were awarded with 100th Day of School Parent/Student Triathlon Medallions. The Lone Jack Faculty and Staff would like to thank all of the parents who participated in the Parent Triathlon. Under the direction of Mrs. Kim Powers, Arts & Humanities Teacher, Kindergarten through Third Grade Students conducted a 100th Day of School performance for the parents attending the event.



Parents and students are participating in writing 100 nouns in one of the Parent Triathlon competitions.

To incorporate physical education into the 100th Day activities, students did 100 exercises (10 repetitions of 10 different exercises).

After lunch, students enjoyed rotating to 10 centers in which the number 100 was involved. These centers included: Making 100th Day Bullhorns with Mrs. Chelsey Partin; making 100 Valentine Cards to give to the nursing home patients at the Middlesboro Healthcare Facility in Mrs. Brenda Ferguson's center; Making 100th Day Masquerade Masks with Mrs. Amy Gambrel; Counting by 10s to make and enjoy a 100th Day Trail Mix Snack in Mrs. Billie Fuson's center; Count-

ing by 10s to draw a 100th Day Monster with Mrs. Kim Powers; Counting by 2s, 5s, or 10s, to make a Fruit Loop Necklace with Mrs. Holly Vanover; Creating a structure with 100 cups in Mrs. Bonnie West's center; Making predictions on what you can do in 100 seconds (for example, how many jumping jacks can you do, how many times can you write your name, etc.) and then testing those predictions in Miss Staci Slusher's center; Writing a "If I Were 100..." story with Mrs. Teresa Wilder, and listening to 100th Day of School stories read by

the librarian, Mrs. Melanie Mills.

The 100th Day of School concluded with students enjoying a 100th Day of School Snack made of Oreo snack sticks and Oreo cookies with a refreshing Capri Sun.

Students are now looking forward to finishing the remaining 75 days of school.

Article submitted by Mrs. Melanie Mills, Library Media Specialist, Literacy Facilitator, Gifted & Talented Instructor, 1st Grade Writing Teacher



1st through 3rd grade choir kicked-off the 100th Day of School with a 100th Day of School Song during morning announcements

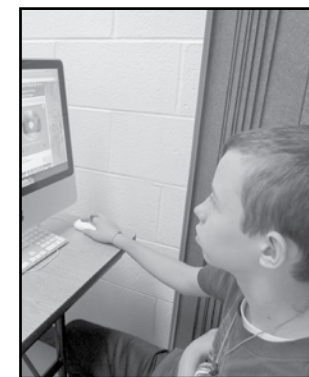


Kindergarten students, **Marissa Gibson, Tayler Mills, Bristol Jordan, and Zeke Trosper** sport their 100th Day of School projects, t-shirts, and dress-ups.

Feeding the Hungry

Gifted & Talented students at Lone Jack are helping to feed the hungry. They have been learning new words in other languages, such as German, French, Latin, Spanish, etc. while doing so. For every question they answer correctly on www.freerice.com, 10 grains of rice are donated to The World Food Programme to help end hunger. These lessons are also good additions for the school's World Language Program Review

Submitted by: Melanie Mills, Library Media Specialist/ Literacy Facilitator/G & T Instructor/1st Grade Writing Teacher



Ashley Hembree and **Kaden Morrison** (7th grade students) are being good citizens by working to donate food for the hungry

FRED (Families Read Every Day)

Primary students in first through third grades are participating in the FRED (Families Read Every Day) Program sponsored by the Bell County Office of the UK Cooperative Extension Service in collaboration with the Lone Jack School Library. Students are competing to log the most minutes read during the month of February. UP for GRABS is a brand new BICYCLE!

Submitted by: Melanie Mills, Library Media Specialist/ Literacy Facilitator/G & T Instructor/1st Grade Writing Teacher



Students pictured: (Front Row): **Ashlynn Jones, Isabella Grubbs, Isaac Gambrel, William Hoskins, Levi Gibbons**; (Second Row): **Isaiah Gambrel, Landon Collins, Bo Hoskins, Alivia Reed**; (Third Row): **Wyatt Dunn, Chase Berry, Tylinda Garrison, Isabella Smith** (Not Pictured): **Kaydence Gambrel**

Health Conscious Students

Mrs. Sheila Fuson with Lone Jack School Center's Family Resource Youth Service Center scheduled Miss Christy Blevins from the Bell County Extension Office to visit the Preschool and Kindergarten classes. She read a book called **Rodeo Rox** to Mrs. Brenda Ferguson's Kindergarten class and Mrs. Pam Sutton's Preschool class on February 9, 2017. The book taught the students lessons on proper nutrition & dental care.

Article submitted by Brenda Ferguson, Kindergarten Teacher, and Sheila Fuson, Family Resource Youth Service Coordinator



Kindergarten students, **Allie Saylor, Ezekiel Trooper, Katie Hobbs, Dalton Grubbs, and Kylee Elliott**, are very attentive to **Miss Christy's** reading of **Rodeo Rox**.



Preschool students, **Alex Partin, Brayden James, Bryleigh Ferguson, Connor Goodin, Faith Bingham, Scarlett McKendrick, Noah Gambrel** enjoy **Miss Christy's** reading of **Rodeo Rox**.

Lone Jack Students are Becoming **MONEY SMART!**

Thanks to Commercial Bank and Casey Martin, Lone Jack School Center's students are participating in "an exciting interactive exploration of the concepts of money." The program Commercial Bank is providing is standards-aligned and extends across the curriculum, including Math, Language Arts, and Social Studies. The program helps students develop financial foundations that equip them with 21st-Century skills and tools that last a lifetime.

Casey Martin, Business Development and Sales Lead at Commercial Bank, visited

Lone Jack on Friday, February 10, 2017 to teach a series of lessons. Students in grades Kindergarten through 2nd were taught to identify and evaluate saving and spending, recognize a bank as a safe place to save, and create a savings jar or piggy bank. Students in third through fifth grades were able to identify and explore different types of jobs, evaluate personal interests related to careers, explain how money is earned and why it is taxed, and explain what an entrepreneur is. Sixth through eighth grade students

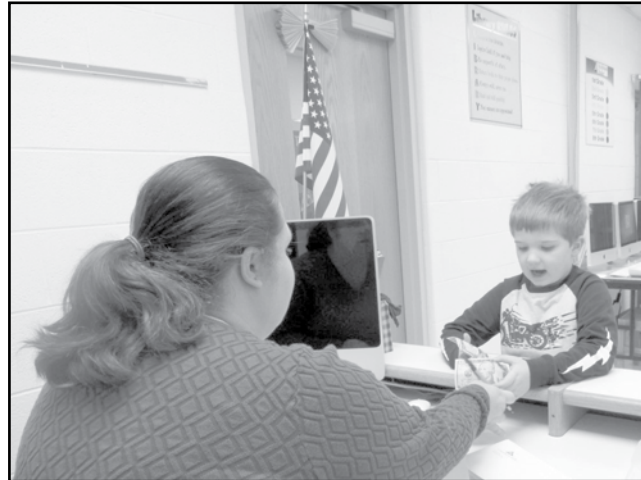
could create a balanced budget that takes into consideration spending, saving, and giving; and analyze personal decision making when crafting a budget at the conclusion of the lesson.

While Mrs. Martin was visiting Lone Jack, students participating in the SMART CENTS Savings Program, made their monthly deposits. Students are motivated and excited to add to their Savings each month.

Lone Jack School Center Faculty and Staff would like to give a sincere thanks to Commercial Bank for giving

back to the community in a way that will impact future generations. They would also like to give a BIG thanks to Casey Martin, who is truly dedicated to preparing high quality lessons to the students to prepare them with financial knowledge for the future. The school is thankful for the opportunity to partner with Commercial Bank in providing quality instruction.

*Article submitted by
Melanie Mills, Library
Media Specialist/Literacy
Facilitator/ G & T
Instructor/1st Grade
Writing Teacher/MAP
Testing Administrator*



Roman Bridges, Kindergarten, counts out \$15.00 for his deposit into his Savings Account.



4th grade students **Mecah Uhrig, Taylor Layne, and Kaylan Layne** fill out deposit slips to make deposits into their Savings Accounts.



Mrs. Casey Martin, Commercial Bank, assesses the students' learning of the lesson presented. Students pictured are Kindergarten through 2nd grades

BCHS JROTC Team in Scott County Invitational Drill Meet



Front Row (l to r): c/Col Klowie Ortiz, c/SSgt Olivia Lynch, c/SSgt Sergeant Charity Johnson, c/SrA Elizabeth Irwin, c/Capt Curtis Miracle; Back row (l to r): c/SrA Hunter Clark, c/Capt Ean Rutherford and , c/SrA Abbie Armstrong.

The Bell County High School Air Force JROTC Junior Varsity Drill team competed at the Scott County Invitational Drill Meet in Georgetown Kentucky on 28 Jan. Our teams competed against teams from 7 other schools from all over Kentucky and Ohio. Our Color Guard team, commanded by cadet (c) Staff Sergeant Olivia Lynch won first place in the Color Guard competition and our Individual Drill Team (IDR), commanded by c/Staff Sergeant Charity Johnson took 3rd place in the IDR competition. Further in the "Knock-out Competition", c/Senior Airman (SrA) Elizabeth Irwin beat out over 200 other cadets to win the First Place medal for precision in drill movement.



c/SrA Elizabeth Irwin receiving her medal from the Cadet Commander of Scott County High School AFJROTC.

Other team members were c/ Captain Curtis Miracle, c/ Captain Ean Rutherford, c/ SrA Abbie Armstrong, and c/SrA Hunter Clark. Also attending was c/Colonel Klowie Ortiz, assistant JV Drill Team coach and commander KY-931 Cadet Corps.

*Submitted by
Col. Barry Tanner,
ROTC instructor*

BCHS Students Attend Broadway Across America Production in Louisville



On February 17, 2017, 40 BCCHS students and three BCCHS teachers went to watch *The Little Mermaid- A Broadway Across America* production in Louisville, KY. This was made possible from a grant through the Louisville Actor's Association and Broadway Across America.

The BCCHS Choir received a Distinguished rating at the Southeastern Kentucky Music Education Association Choral Assessment and Festival on Wednesday, May 19. The choir has received a Distinguished rating (the highest rating) for three years in a row.

Four Bell County High FCCLA members win at Regional FCCLA Competition



The winners were (L-R) **Ginni Gambrel**, Life Event Planning Project; **Ashley Bray & Sarah Partin**, Chapter in Review, Portfolio; and **Josie Sproles**, Fashion Construction. All 4 members advance on to the State Competition to be held in Louisville, KY in March. FCCLA is a student run organization that is an integral part of the Family and Consumer Science classes at Bell High.

2017 College Signing Day!!

GEAR UP Academic Specialists Cindy Brock and Trisha Long organized the first College Signing Day event for BCHS seniors.

The event was held at the Pine Mountain State Resort Park on Thursday, March 23, 2017. Parents were invited to attend with their senior student.

Colleges and universities from across the state sent representatives to the event. These included University of Kentucky, Lincoln Memorial University, Union College, Southeast Community and Technical College, Western Kentucky University, and University of the Cumberlands.

One of the highlights of the event was hearing guest speaker Cameron Mills former UK Basketball player and motivational speaker. He spoke to the seniors with stories from his time in college in order to provide some guidance for their futures.

Students were then asked to sign a large banner that had the various college and university names/logos. They were then given time to meet with the college representatives from the school they will be attending in the fall.

**Congratulations
to our
College Bound
Seniors!!**



Bell County's Rogers Scholar



Jeana Fultz

Miss Jeana Fultz has been selected to represent Bell County as the 2017 Rogers Scholar. Jeana is to be commended on achieving this honor due to the fact that the Rogers Scholar program is extremely competitive. This year the Selection Committee received over 400 applications.

Rogers Scholars—The Center for Rural Development's youth program—provides leadership and college scholarship opportunities to help upcoming high school juniors in Southern and Eastern Kentucky develop the skills they need to seize their potential as the region's next generation of business and entrepreneurial leaders.

Jeana will attend one of the week long camps that will be located at Lindsey Wilson College this summer. During this intensive week-long program, Rogers Scholars will work on building their leadership skills, participate in a series of team-building exercises; receive hands-on instructional training from professional experts in engineering, healthcare, and video production; and interact with nationally recognized business leaders and entrepreneurs. The program focuses on developing skills in leadership, technology, entrepreneurship, and community service.

Congratulations Miss Jeana Fultz!!



Regional Governor's Cup Competition

This year Frakes School Center had five students from their Elementary Academic Team to compete in the District Governor's Cup on February 11, 2017. The students that competed were: Bailey Wilson, Baleigh Thacker, Kaitlyn Green, Abbi Middleton, and Ethan

Scott. Bailey Wilson placed 5th in Mathematics and 4th in Language Arts. Kaitlyn Green placed 3rd in Writing Composition. Abbi Middleton placed 5th in Arts & Humanities. Ethan Scott placed 5th in Science. These four students will go on to com-

pete in the Regional Governor's Cup on March 4, 2017. Coaches Cierrah Emery and Sonja Partin are extremely proud of their hard work!

*Submitted by
Cierrah Emery and
Sonja Partin,
Academic Coaches*



Frakes students who placed at the Governor's Cup Competition left to right are: **Bailey Wilson, Abbi Middleton, Kaitlyn Green and Ethan Scott**

4-H Program Presented to 4th and 5th Grade Science Club

Brandy Calvert, County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development provided a program for the 4th and 5th grade Science Club at Frakes School in January.

The students planted flowers called Paper Whites. Paper whites are a Narcissus flower bulb that blooms 3 to 5 weeks after planting. Ms. Sonja's 4th grade Science

class are observing and recording the growth of their Paper Whites.

*Submitted by
Sonja Partin,
Science Teacher*



Pictured are 4th grade students L-R: (back row) **Nicholas Black, Abbi Middleton, Allie Partin, Lukas Brown, Tyler Jackson, Colton Partin, Morgan Tipton**; (front row) **Alyssa Partin, Brooklyn Owens, Abbagail Mason, Kanler Frasure and Andrew Simpson**. (Not pictured Israel Maiden and Ms. Brandy Calvert-County Extension)

K-9 Forestry Camp Officers and Bloodhounds Visit Frakes School

Frakes School students were in awe with the bloodhound visitors! Yes, bloodhounds visited Frakes School on Feb. 21st! The Bell County Forestry Camp Officers, Lieutenant Keith Fuson, Nathan Fuson, Josh Brock and five others are part of the Dept. of Corrections K-9 Team. Lieutenant Keith Fuson is also the K-9 Commander and explained to the students how the K-9 Team began and how they received their first canine from Louisiana in 2005. Some of the officers had went down and helped after hurricane Katrina and they brought the first bloodhound back to start the K-9 program. A demonstration revealed to the students how the bloodhound picks up the scent of an individual and tracks them.

*Submitted by Jan Miracle, Teacher
and Linda Partin, FRYSC Director*



Pictured is from l to r **Officer Nathan Fuson** with canine, "**Peewee**", Frakes student **Marty Brock**, **Lieutenant Keith Fuson**, and **Officer Josh Brock** with canine, "**Bo**". They demonstrated how the scent from an individual (gauze that Marty had in his shirt) can be used to find that person. The gauze was placed in a Ziploc and was given to the canines to sniff. The students watched as the bloodhounds hunted and found Marty who was hidden.

Frakes School Center

Accelerated Reading Achievers

Frakes Primary students who achieved their 4th 6-weeks AR goal was awarded a craft party and snack provided by Ms. Karen (Librarian), Ms. Linda (FRYSC) and Chenoa General Store (donated snacks). The students worked hard to achieve their individual goal for the 6-weeks. As their reward they got to use their creativity and

decorate bookmarks and or decorate Valentines cards using many different items. They had a great time and have beautiful bookmarks to help them achieve their goals for the 5th 6-weeks. Good job students!!!

*Submitted by Linda Partin,
FRYSC Director*



Pictured are back row l to r: **Jaiden Partin, Trenton Maiden, Julien Phipps, Autumn Green, Sophia Scott, Laiken Hammontree, Logan Craig, Noah Lambdin, Grayson Malicoat**; front row l to r: **Mallory Griffin, Bill Isaac Griffin, Levi Fuson, Haley Hurst, Logan Brock, Allie Jo Partin, Kaden Hatfield, and Amillia Willis**, Not pictured were: **Bailey Blackburn, Ayden Lasley and Kalee Ellison**

As part of Frakes Accelerated Reading Program, the students take the STAR test 3 times a year (fall, winter and spring) -this helps determine their reading level and reading range. Every 6 weeks (4th-8th grade students) are assigned a goal based on their STAR score and the number of minutes they are expected to read nightly (usually 20 minutes). The goal is a point value

(the books are assigned points and as students test on the books they gain points.) If they meet their goal they are awarded prizes and or are allowed to take part in Accelerated Reading Celebrations. Pictured are students who achieved their AR goals for the 3rd 6-weeks at Frakes.

*Submitted by Carol Anderson,
Teacher*



L.E.A.P. Program Teaches Primary Students About Nutrition

Christy Blevins from County Extension presented a Nutrition L.E.A.P. Program at Frakes on February 14th and 15th to the Primary students. Ms. Christy read the book titled "Rodeo

Ron and the Milkshake Cows". The book was about a town that had a contest about which was better to drink (soda or milkshakes) and the kids in the book got to make the decision. The students

enjoyed the book and got to shake and drink a milkshake in a bag for the hands on activity.

*Submitted by
Linda Partin,
FRYSC Director*



Pictured at right is **Christy Blevins** (County Extension Agent) with Kindergarten students demonstrating how to shake and mix their milkshake in a bag: Back table, Kindergarten students: **Dylan Hatfield, Eli Brock, Tyson Jones and Nick Cavins**; front table: **Kyleigh Lasley, Brody McCrory, Pauletta Ferguson, Peyton Smith, Skyler Overton**

Frakes Bears Cheerleaders



Frakes School A-Team Cheerleaders competed during the Boy's Basketball District tournament. The Cheer Team received 4th place in the competition. *Way to go Frakes cheerleaders!!!* Pictured are back row Left to Right: **Heaven Maiden, McKenzie Boatright, Coaches Amanda Frasure and Chelsie Frasure, Jenna Bogucki, MacKenzie Jackson, Gracie Hammontree, Brianna Partin, Chesney Blackburn, Coach Jan Miracle**; Front row l to r: **Morgan Tipton, Abbi Middleton, Brooklyn Owens, Bailey Wilson and Olivia Jackson** Not pictured **Serenity Villeda**—Submitted by **Jan Miracle, Cheer Coach**



Frakes B-Team Cheerleaders were judged recently during the Boys District Tournament. The cheerleaders received 3rd place in the competition. *Way to go Frakes Cheer Team!* Pictured are L to R: **Morgan Tipton, Chesney Blackburn, Olivia Jackson, Brooklyn Owens, Baleigh Thacker, Bailey Wilson and Abbi Middleton**; Not pictured : **Serenity Villeda** and **Cheer Coaches Jan Miracle, Amanda Frasure and Chelsie Frasure**—Submitted by **Jan Miracle, Cheer Coach**

4-H Team Leadership Academy

Frakes School is proud of two students who is participating in the 4-H Team Leadership Academy provided by Brandy Calvert, Bell County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development. Jenna Bogucki and Brenda Jackson have already enjoyed touring the courthouse and learning about local government as well as participating in media day. They will be traveling to Frankfort soon where State Representative Rick Nelson will give them a tour of the State Capitol. Other field trips are upcoming throughout the rest of the year. Currently there are 10 students in the Bell County District who participate in the 4-H Teen Leadership Program. The 4-H Teen Leadership Academy is a program designed to enhance leadership skills inside and outside of 4-H.

Submitted by **Linda Partin, FRYSC Director**

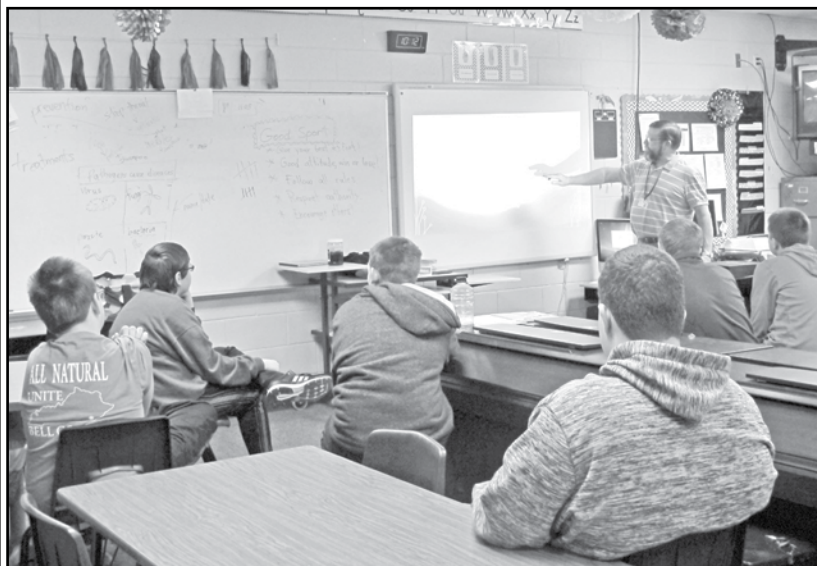


Pictured L-R: **Jenna Bogucki** and **Brenda Jackson**

Elgin Foundation Program Presented During National Children's Dental Hygiene Month

Mr. John Boley, KY Dental Coordinator for the Elgin Foundation presented a program to Frakes students on February 8th for National Children's Dental Hygiene month. Mr. Boley presented a dental awareness program to the students about the importance of brushing, flossing and having regular dental checkups. Mr. Boley presented the program using a power point, hands on visuals, demonstrations, a book and followed up with questions/discussion. A flyer, sticker and dental floss packet was given to each student.

Submitted by
Linda Partin, FRYSC Director



Pictured are: **Mr. John Boley**, KY Dental Coordinator, presenting the 8th grade students with a power point on importance of having good oral hygiene. If your child needs dental services contact the FRYSC in their school for information on the Elgin Dental Program offered in the Bell County School District.



Pictured are 8th grade students, **Kendra Lankford, McKenzie Boatright** and **Brenda Jackson** looking at a demonstration of how frequent tobacco use can affect the teeth.

Hats Off to Dr. Seuss



Teresa Hunter, Pineville Health Department, reads "Green Eggs and Ham" to **Mrs. Chelsey Partin's** first grade class on Tuesday, February 28th. Mrs. Hunter brought special treats to the students.

Lone Jack School Center honored Dr. Seuss' 113th Birthday during the week of February 27th through March 3rd. Faculty & Staff and students celebrated with Spirit Week. Each day of the week, a Dr. Seuss book was represented; for example, on Monday, Dr. Seuss' *The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins* was honored and everyone wore unique hats. Students enjoyed community readers each day, who visited the classrooms and read Dr. Seuss classics. Many of the community leaders shared their passion for their jobs and careers with the students. A very special "Thank You" goes out to each of the 16 community readers who took time out of their day and schedules to share their love of Reading with our students.

*Submitted by Melanie Mills,
Library Media Specialist/Literacy
Facilitator/G & T Instructor/
1st Grade Writing Teacher/
MAP Testing Administrator*



Shane Howard from the Pineville First Department reads "Green Eggs and Ham" to **Mrs. Brenda Ferguson's** Kindergarten class on Monday, February 27th. The firemen gave students badges to make them honorary firemen/firewomen.



Pharmacist Trey Winkler from Taylor Drug Store reads "What Pet Should I get?" to **Mrs. Holly Vanover's** third grade class on Monday, February 27th.



Mrs. Whitney Howard from Howard Law Firm reads "The Cat in the Hat Comes Back" to **Mrs. Gambrel's** second grade class on Tuesday, February 28th.

Mr. Russ Mills, local artist and illustrator, visited the school on Dr. Seuss' Birthday, March 2nd to host an Arts & Humanities lesson. Russ Mills introduced himself and described his profession to students in Kindergarten through third grades. He then gave a step-by-step demonstration of how to draw "The Cat in the Hat," allowing the students to draw along with him. Students were thoroughly engrossed in the hands-on lesson, and many revealed their artistic talents. One of the second grade students summed up the demonstration in his own words, "This was awesome! I loved getting to draw The Cat in the Hat!" Mr. Russ Mills gave away his drawing of "The Cat in the Hat" to one lucky winner whose name was randomly drawn. The winner of the illustration was Tyler Amburgy, second grade student. Lone Jack Primary Staff and students would like to express their gratitude to Mr. Mills for dedicating his time and talents to an enjoyable educational experience.



Mr. Russ Mills, local artist & illustrator, demonstrates how to draw "The Cat in the Hat".



Primary students (Kindergarten through third grades) participated in a hands-on art lesson with local artist & illustrator, **Russ Mills**.



Christina Partin, Pineville-Bell County Public Library, reads "Mr. Brown Can Moo, Can You?" to **Mrs. Chelsey Partin's** first grade class on Monday, February 27th. Mrs. Partin had a terrific time with the students as she let them make the sounds as she read the book.

READ ACROSS AMERICA

Also on March 2nd, students celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday by participating in seven Dr. Seuss related activities. Each activity correlated with one of Dr. Seuss' books. The centers included: Making Cat in the Hat, The Lorax, and Thing 1 & Thing 2 paper plate masks, Science Experiment making Grinch Dust, Thing 1 and Thing 2 hats/hair, Book Bingo, Another Science Experiment Making Oobleck, An Art Activity with numbers that created The Cat in the Hat, and Making Fox in Socks Paper Bag Puppets. Upon completion of the centers, students hosted a small Dr. Seuss birthday party at the end of the day, in which they sang "Happy Birthday" to Dr. Seuss and enjoyed cake and drinks. Lone Jack Faculty, Staff, and students send a "Shout Out" to Mike Long and Long's Pic Pac Bakery Staff for the beautifully decorated Dr. Seuss cake. Students in grades Kindergarten through 8th dressed in their favorite Dr. Seuss character costumes. Three students in primary were awarded with prizes for the most creative costumes: Natalie Hobbs, dressed as Cindy Lou Who; Riley Monhollen, dressed as The Lorax; and Marissa Gibson, dressed as The Cat in the Hat. Two Intermediate students were awarded prizes for dressing up as Dr. Seuss characters: Joshua Beverly and Callie Freels, six grade students. The prizes were provided by Lone Jack's Family Resource Youth Service Center. Mrs. Mills, library media specialist & literacy facilitator, is thankful for the collaboration that Mrs. Sheila Fuson, FRYSC Coordinator, provides in regards to literacy events.

*Submitted by Melanie Mills,
Library Media Specialist/
Literacy Facilitator/
G & T Instructor/1st Grade
Writing Teacher/
MAP Testing Administrator*



The Pineville Fire Department brought Sparky, the fire dog, to school to celebrate Dr. Seuss' Read Across America Week with the Kindergarten students.



Parents and grandparents celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday with the students by reading with them. Students picked places in the gym to cozy up and read a good book.



Lone Jack Students celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday. Pictured are **Natalie Hobbs** (2nd), **DJ Taylor** (3rd), **Taylor Mills** (kindergarten), **Isabella Grubbs** (1st), **Audriana Partin** (1st grade) and **Jacob Jordan** (2nd).

Parents were also invited to read with their child(ren) during an event hosted in the gymnasium during the celebration on Dr. Seuss' birthday.



Kim Epley reads with her sons, **Cooper** (Kindergarten student) and **Camden** in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday.

Throughout the week, Book Give-aways were hosted. Students were randomly selected to receive free books also donated by the Lone Jack FRYSC. Ten winners from Kindergarten through 8th grades were selected during the week.



Brittany Johnson (1st grade) finds a book that makes her smile.

Dr. Suess' Read Across America Event is always a fun time of the year for the students!



Fourth grade student, **Allison Hubbard**, was one of the lucky winners for the Dr. Seuss' Read Across America Book Give-Aways.



Aidan Wynn (5th grade) and **Brittany Johnson** (1st grade) are Book Give-Away winners. They are excited to stuff-a-bag with as many books as it will hold.

Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration



Pictured is 8th grade student **Kiersten Baker** reading to the 1st grade. It was also crazy hair day!

Read Across America week is always a fun week filled with activities and theme days. Frakes had many activities planned to encourage reading throughout the school. Open House provided the opportunity for students to visit D. Seuss stations (managed by 7th and 8th graders) where crafts/games and prizes were given away. The 8th grade students also read to the Primary students expanding their role as the leaders in Frakes school, fun theme days were all week, Brian O'Brien visited bringing his many hats and providing

lots of laughter, a hat and bulletin board competition occurred between the classes, students were encouraged to read 10 Dr. Seuss books and win a prize, they enjoyed dressing as their favorite book character, volunteer readers read to the Primary on Thursday and on Friday the

students got to participate in a culminating birthday party with refreshments and a visit from The Cat in The Hat to end this fun and exciting week!

*Submitted by
Linda Partin,
FRYSC Director*



Shannon Hammontree, Site Base member and parent reading to the 2nd grade



Pictured are the "Dress as your favorite Book Character Day" winners. Kindergarten student, **Kyleigh Lasley** as "Little Red Riding Hood" and 6th grade student, **Milka Woodring** as "Rapunzel"



Pictured is: **Tom Gambrel** from the Bell County Board of Education reading to the Kindergarten classe

It was a Dr. Seuss kind of day at Bell Central



Bell Central celebrates Dr. Seuss' birthday. Many community readers came and read to our Preschool thru 3rd grade on Thursday, March 2nd to help celebrate. We would like to give a great big thank you to those who came and participated;

Brian O'Brien- The Big One 106.3; Valerie Redman, Cassie Branham and Kristy Burnett - First State Financial;

Amanda Phillips- Pic Pac; Debbie Gambrel- Bell County Court Clerk; Teresa Hunter and Tressa McGeorge- Bell County Health Department; Lisa Baker, Debbie Daniels- Bell Whitley; Rebecca Miller- Bell County Extension Agency; Gary Ferguson- Bell County Jailer; Greg Wilson- Bell County Board of Education; Mitchell Williams- Bell County Sheriff; Todd McGeorge- The Eye Care Clinic; Wayne Mason- Bell County School Board Member; Also we had special appearances by; The Grinch, The cat in the Hat, Thing One and Thing Two. Students celebrated by getting a cupcake and drink

*Submitted by
Marlene Knuckles,
Parent Liaison*



Page School Center Celebrates READ ACROSS AMERICA



Bell Co. Jailer Gary Ferguson reads to Kindergarten



Brian O'Brien reads to 1st graders **Katie Metcalfe** and **Kyle Sexton**



Wayne Mason reads with kindergartener **Harlee Daniels**



Sheriff Mitch Williams and 8th grader **Marcus Chaney** read to kindergarten



Greg Wilson reads to 2nd graders at Page

Celebrate Reading with READER'S THEATRE

At Right Fork School Center Mrs. Anne Stepp's 8th Grade Class brought two familiar children's stories to life with a twist during Read Across America Week. They performed "The Cat in the Hat" & "The 3 Little Wolves & the Big Bad PIG" Their audience included students in grades P-4.
Submitted by Rebecca Collett



Left to right – **Josh Brock**, **Abby Coe**, **Darrin Wilson**, **Nevaeah Wilson**, **Velda Smith** and **Destiny Thompson**



Left to right (back row)- **Ethan Gambrel**, **Hunter Lawson**, **Dawson Widener**, **Eli Anderson**, **Blake Sexton**, **Tyler Baker**, **Abby Coe**, and **Dylan Saylor**. Left to right (front row)- **Jennie Philyaw**, **Nevaeh Wilson**, **Erica Lawson**, **Emilee Hillman**, **Kayla Brock**, and **Kennedy Carter**



Brian O'Brien reads to preschool, kindergarten and 8th graders.



Brian O'Brien reads to 1st and 2nd graders

Page Students Awarded Division, District and Regional Honors

Three students Kaelyn Miracle, Natalie Hubbard, and Bree-Anne Greene from Page School Center competed in the Book Battle Division 1 at the Beta Convention. They finished 1st in the state competition. Congratulations!

Kennedy Miracle an 8th

grader finished 1st place Science and 2nd place Arts and Humanities at District, 1st place Science at Region, 4th place Arts and Humanities at Region, District Spelling Bee Champion (competing at State) and School Geography Bee Champion!

Trista Hurst an 8th grader

finished 1st Place Arts and Humanities, 4th Place Written Composition at District and 4th Place Written Composition at Region.

Noah Stewart an 8th grader finished 3rd in Math at District and 6th in Math at Region.

Marcus Chaney an 8th

grader finished 1st in Language Arts at District and 2nd in Language Arts at Region.

Colton Howard an 8th grader finished 2nd in Social Studies and 2nd in Science at District, 1st in Social Studies at Region.

Katie Duffy also competed for Page and finished 5th in Written Composition at District and 2nd place Written Composition at Region.

Jaden Earle a 4th grader at Page School Center competed in the District Spelling Bee and place 2nd.

On behalf of all the staff at Page School Center principal Mr. Lefevers would like to congratulate these students for making our school proud and all their hard work and dedication.

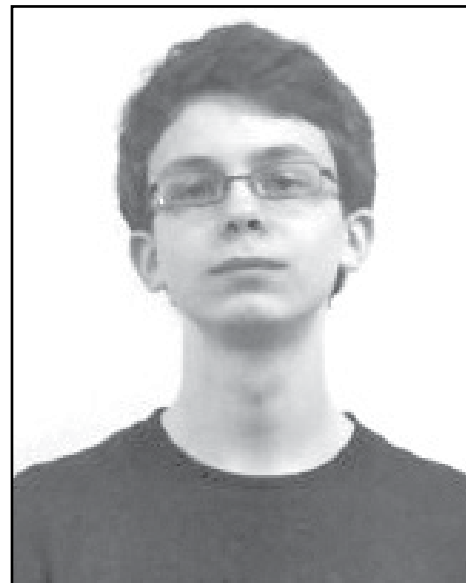
*Submitted by
Misti Hoskins
RR teacher*



Kaelyn Miracle, Natalie Hubbard, and Bree-Anne Greene--
1st place
Book Battle Division 1



Kennedy Miracle, 8th grader—
1st place Science and 2nd place Arts & Humanities at District, 1st place Science and 4th place Arts & Humanities at Region,
District Spelling Bee Champion and School Geography Bee Champion



Marcus Chaney, 8th grader
-- 1st place Language Arts at District and 2nd place Language Arts at Region



Colton Howard, 8th grader—
2nd place Social Studies and 2nd place science at District and 1st place Social Studies at Region



Trista Hurst, 8th grader—
1st place Arts & Humanities, 4th place Written Composition at District and 4th place Written Composition at Region



Noah Stewart, 8th grader—
3rd place in Math at District and 6th place in Math at Region



Katie Duffy—
5th place Written Composition at District and 2nd place Written Composition at Region



Jaden Earle, 4th grader—
2nd place District Spelling Bee

Page Middle School Academic Governor's Cup Champions 1st Place Overall at Region



Left to Right: **Madison Widener**, Coach **Chasity Wilson**, **Trista Hurst**, **Kennedy Miracle**, **Dylan Wilson**, **Noah Stewart**, **Colton Howard**, **Marcus Chaney**
Submitted by **Chasity Wilson**, Middle School Academic Coach

Page A-Team Basketball Team Wins County Tournament



The Page Wildcats A-team boys basketball team won the County tournament championship game against Right Fork 37 to 33.

Wildcats Celebrate Homecoming and 8th Grade Night



Page Homecoming winners 8th Grade Queen **Chandler Brock** and 7th grade princess **Kamdyn Hoskins**.



Chandler Brock and family



A.J. Harriston



Kage Baker and family



Allie Wilder and family



Trevor Kidd and family



Jasper Daniels and family

Page School Center Completed A Clean Sweep During the County Tournament



A, B & C team District Champions! Coaches include **P.J. Burnett**, **Jake Hampton**, **Jason Stewart**, **Harvey Miracle** and **Wade Hoskins**



Page's basketball teams attending a LMU game as a reward for all their hard work.



Science Olympiad Team Places 1st in Regional Competition!

Yellow Creek School Center's Science Olympiad team competed in the Lexington Science Olympiad Regional competition. They placed 1st overall against six other schools, including Corbin and Middlesboro. In addition, nearly all of the students placed in their individual events. The team will now advance to the state competition which will take place at Western Kentucky University on April 22nd in Bowling Green. The following is the list of events that students placed in:

Anatomy: 2nd place Grace Johnson & Devin Reese; Bottle Rocket: 1st place Olivia Lynch & Jacob Norton; Crime Busters: 2nd place MacKenzie Brock & Anna Evans; Dynamic Planets: 3rd place Kallie Hatfield & Gracie White; Experimental Design: 3rd place Dalton Johnson, Gracie White & Emmalee Sullivan; Food Science: 2nd place Noah England & Kallie Hatfield; Hovercraft: 3rd place Kallie Hatfield & Alyssa Brooks; Invasive Species: 1st place Grace Johnson & Alyssa Brooks; Meteorology: 1st place Devin Reese & Anna Evans; Mission Possible: 2nd place Grace Johnson & Jacob Norton; Reach for the Stars: 2nd place Anna Evans & Emmalee Sullivan; Road Scholar: 3rd place Noah England & Keith McPherson; Scrambler: 3rd place Olivia Lynch & Jacob Norton; Towers: 1st place Olivia Lynch & Jacob Norton.

Submitted by Paul Haley,

Science Teacher, Yellow Creek School.



Yellow Creek Academic Team Celebrates Student Success in District Governor's Cup!

Yellow Creek School hosted the District Round of Governor's Cup competition for Middle Grades on January 21 and the team performed well at this event. Students winning medals in this event are as follows:

Math – 2nd place (district runner up) Adriann Strouth and 4th place Devin Reese; Science – 4th place Caleb Baker; Social Studies – 5th place Spencer Marcum; Language Arts – 3rd place Ashton Burchfield and 4th

place Grace White; Arts & Humanities – 2nd place (district runner up) Grace White; Written Composition – 2nd place (district runner up) Ashton Burchfield and 5th place Megan Barton;

These students went on to compete in the Regional Round of Governor's Cup held at Evarts Elementary on February 4. Students winning medals in this event are as follows:

Math – 2nd place (regional runner up) Devin Reese;

Language Arts – 4th place Ashton Burchfield; Arts & Humanities – 3rd place Grace White; Written Composition – 1st place (regional champion) Ashton Burchfield; Yellow Creek School placed 4th overall in the Region.

These students will be going to Louisville, KY to compete in the State Finals—

*Submitted by
Mike Bolton,
Academic Team Coach*

Yellow Creek also hosted the District Round of Governor's Cup competition for Elementary Grades on February 11. Students winning medals in this event are as follows:

The Future Problem Solving Team (Kari Hatfield, Olivia Wilson, Landon Dunn, and Ethan Reese) won 2nd

place; Math – 5th place Lily Orick; Science – 4th Ethan Reese; Social Studies – 2nd place Jojo Goodin, 4th place Jayden Lee; Language Arts – 3rd place Emily Barnett; Arts & Humanities – 4th place Keagan Nunn; Written Composition – 4th place Emily Barnett, 5th place Lily Orick

Both the Elementary and Middle Grades Academic Teams are coached by Mike Bolton and assistant coach Connie Jo Baker

*Submitted by
Mike Bolton,
Academic Team Coach*



Ms. Lauren Fultz crowned YCS 2017 Homecoming Queen



Homecoming Court: 6th Grade: **Keylee Mink, Kaylynn Simpson** and **Destiny Smith**, 7th Grade: **Alyssa Brooks** and **Annabelle Hunter**. The 8th Grade queen candidates: **Baylee Allen, Ashton Burchfield, Halie Ely, Lauren Fultz, Brooke Muncy** and **Shyan Upton**.

Yellow Creek School Center hosted their annual homecoming ceremony on the evening of January 19th. The ceremony was held before the A-team game between the Yellow Creek Longhorns and the Pineville Mountain Lions. Each 6th and 7th grade class nominated one student to represent them on the Homecoming Court. The 6th grade students nominated were Kaylee Mink, Kaylynn Simpson, and Destiny Smith. The 7th grade students nominated were Alyssa Brooks and Annabelle Hunter. The 8th grade classes nominated 6 queen candidates. The queen candidates were as follows: Baylee Allen, Ashton Burchfield, Halie Ely, Lauren Fultz, Brooke Muncy, and Shyan Upton.

The 2016 reigning queen Hanna Lynn Gollahan was welcomed back with her escort, Ethan Walker Brock. Hanna Gollahan assisted Yellow Creek Principal, Mrs. Barbara Warren in crowning the new Yellow Creek 2017 Homecoming Queen, Ms. Lauren Noelle Fultz. Lauren's escort for the evening was Mr. Christopher Keaton Baker.

*Submitted by
Courtney Weaver,
Cheerleading Coach,
8th Grade Math
Teacher*



Homecoming Queen,
Ms. Lauren Noelle Fultz with Escort
Mr. Christopher Keaton Baker

YCS A-Team Cheerleaders named District Champs!



We are pleased to announce that the Yellow Creek Longhorn A-Team Cheerleaders placed first in the district cheerleading competition. We are so proud of all of the hard work and dedication that this group of students has shown. Pictured from left to right (back row) **Coach Courtney Weaver, Paige Johnson, Megan Barton, Layci Simpson, Elana Partin, Mackenzie Lay, Madison Coleman, Ashton Burchfield**; (front row) **Jaylynn Mink, Makayla Brown, Kaylee Davis, Alyssa Brooks, Gracie Collett, Lauren Fultz, and Shyan Upton**. Congratulations girls! We could not be more proud of you!

—Submitted by **Courtney Weaver, A-Team Cheerleading Coach**

Yellow Creek B-Team Cheerleaders are Back-To-Back County Champions!

For the second year in a row, Yellow Creek's B-Team Cheerleaders won the Bell County Cheerleading Competition. The competition was hosted by Bell Central School Center and all participating squads were judged during the basketball tournament games. They are coached by YCS teachers Mandy Creech and Charity Hayes.



Front Row: **Destinie Upton, Kenna Gambrel, Haley Emmett, Kamryn Foster, Victoria Emmett, Karissa Harrell, Sydney Barnett, and Chloe Gipson**; Second Row: **Demetria Wheeler, Alexis Middleton, Tamara Branscome, Desirae Upton, Jaylyn Mink, Gracie Collett, Kylee Nunn, Allyssa Burchfield, and Courtney Myers**; Third Row: **Chloe Hendrickson, Kaila Whitehead, McKenna Langford, Cadence Seigler, Keylee Ayers, Bree Stewart, Anna Myers, and Chloe Mahan**; Back Row: (B Team Basketball Players) **Alex Creech, Kolton Raske, Brady Carroll, Braxton Mink, Rylee Foster, and Skyler Ayers**

Submitted by Mandy Creech, B-Team Cheerleading Coach

Bell Central Student's Artwork to be Featured in 2017 VSA Kentucky Student Traveling Exhibition



John Hurst

We have a student that was recently recognized by VSA Kentucky, The State Organization of Arts & Disability. VSA Kentucky provides arts education and inclusion programs for children and adults with disabilities throughout the state, offering equal opportunity to explore the arts in a way that is fully accessible.

In October every year, VSA Kentucky extends a Call for Art to students with disabilities in Kentucky schools, grades K-12. Teachers and parents may submit student work. Selected artworks are matted and prepared to travel. The exhibit comes with a packet of educational activities that help to engage students in the exhibit. The goal is to recognize and share the artistic accomplishment of students with disabilities in the visual arts throughout the Commonwealth. The Student Traveling Exhibition program uses the visual arts as an educational tool, as well as, a vehicle for artistic expression for children and youth with disabilities.

Bell Central submitted art work from one of our very own students, and his work was selected to be featured in the 2017 VSA Kentucky Student Traveling Exhibition, "A Matter of Perspective", showcasing original artwork created by K-12 students with disabilities from schools throughout Kentucky. The exhibition began its tour at the 2016 Kentucky Exceptional Children's Conference at the Galt House in Louisville, November 20 - 22, 2016. This exhibit travels January through November each year to schools and other community venues throughout the state.

The 2017 Student Traveling Exhibit represents 24 schools with 18 pieces in the Elementary exhibit and 17 pieces in the Middle and High School exhibit. Subjects include architecture, animals, landscapes, portraits and designs with styles ranging from realistic to abstract. Students expressed themselves using a variety of artistic media; acrylics, watercolor, tempera, pencil, colored pencil, crayons, markers, ink, and mixed media. Exploring various techniques and processes these young artists produced imaginative works of art using collage, drawing, painting and digital media.

We are so very proud of our student, John Hurst, for this outstanding recognition. John is a 7-year-old, 2nd grader that has a diagnosis of Autism. John is the son of Amy and John E Hurst of Pineville, Ky. John enjoys drawing and creating art work with a variety of media, and displays incredible talent. John loves animals, especially zoo and safari animals and portrays his love for them through his art. His original, show cased mixed media collage is self-titled "Safari".

Submitted by Sarah Veillon, MSOT, OTR/L

100th Day of School Celebrated!

At Bell Central and across our district, we recently celebrated the 100th day of school! This is a major day for our Kindergarteners. We did several activities throughout the day including

using our students to make a 100 in the gym with the first grade. In Mrs. Dunn classroom, the students got to see what it would look like when they are 100 years old using an app on the classroom

iPad. They counted different kinds of items found in the classroom and also 100 balloons! Students counted by 2s, 5s, and 10s to 100. With only a few months left until the last day of school, our

students are already showing what they know and are ready to conquer first grade.

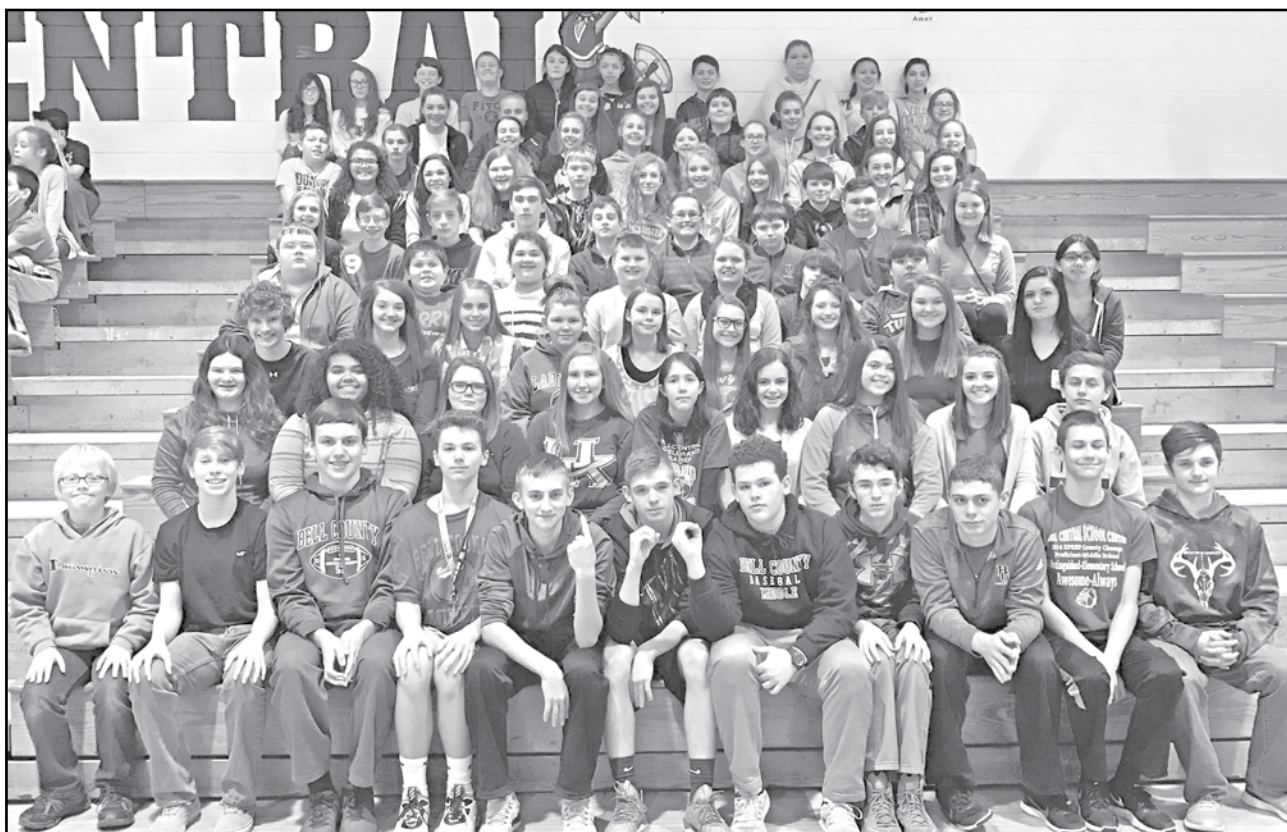
*Submitted by
Jessica Dunn,
Kindergarten Teacher*



Mrs. Dunn's kindergarten class celebrating the 100th day of school



Kindergartener **Jordan Collett** participating in the 100th day celebration activities.



As part of Bell Central's celebration of the 100th day of school this year, our middle school students were challenged to have 100 students take 100 AR quizzes on the 100th day. As always, our students rose to the challenge, and we ended up with 103 students who did this. Bulldogs love to read!—*Submitted by Brittany Goodin, Middle Grades Language Arts Teacher*

District Champion Middle School Academic Team Places in Regionals

Bell Central's Middle School Academic Team has had an outstanding season so far. To start, during the regular season, they were undefeated in quick recall league play!

Our sixth grade academic team members competed in the Governor's Cup Sixth Grade Showcase on December 3rd at Bell Central. The results were:

Composition: 3rd place-Mikayla Gambrel, 4th place-Emma Gambrel, and 6th place-Leah Asher; Arts and Humanities: 1st place-Austin Robbins, 3rd place-John Saylor, and 5th place-Bryanna Ealy; Math: 1st place-Shelby Cornett; Social Studies: 2nd place-Mikayla Gambrel; Language Arts: 3rd place-Shelby Cornett and 5th place-Joe Goodin; Quick Recall: 1st place team; The Overall Champion was Bell Central!

Next, our middle school academic team competed January 21st in Governor's Cup district competition at Yellow Creek. They represented Bell Central

well! The results were:

Math: 1st place-Abby Cornett and 4th place-Hunter Bailey; Science: 2nd place-Aaron Dean and 3rd place-Austin Robbins; Social Studies: 2nd place-Bub Treece and 3rd place-Mikayla Gambrel; Language Arts: 1st place-Bub Treece, 2nd place-Shelby Cornett, and 5th place-Laurel Nolan; Arts and Humanities: 1st place Raegan Robbins and 4th place-Austin Robbins; Composition: 3rd place-Leah Asher and 4th place-Laurel Nolan; Future Problem Solving: 1st place team; Quick Recall: 1st place team; The Overall Champion was Bell Central!

All of these students along with the FPS and Quick Recall Team advanced to regional competition.

Most recently, our middle school academic team competed on February 4th in Governor's Cup regional competition at Evarts. The results were:

Language Arts: 1st place-Bub Treece; Composition: 3rd place-Laurel Nolan;

Quick Recall: 4th place team (only lost in close matches to the two teams who went on to advance to state); Future Problem Solving: 1st place team-Abby Cornett, Laurel Nolan, Hunter Bailey, Shelby Cornett, and Gracie Gray

Bell Central earned 3rd place overall (out of 15 teams) in Governor's Cup regional competition!

Also, a few weeks prior, our junior FPS team, (which is for 4th-6th grades) competed, and our team placed in the top 12 in the state. Those team members are: Mikayla Gambrel, Shelby Cornett, Emma Gambrel, and Austin Robbins.

Bub, Laurel, and all members of both of the FPS teams advanced to the Governor's Cup state competition in Louisville that is coming up in March! We can't wait to see how well you all will do!!

The middle school academic team coaches are Ms. Amanda Day and Ms. Brittany Baker.



Front Row Left to Right: **Austin Robbins, Braeden Ferguson, Leah Asher, Mikayla Gambrel, Shelby Cornett, Elizabeth Black, Laurel Nolan**; Back Row Left to Right: **Raegan Robbins, Autumn Hendrickson, Abby Cornett, Aaron Dean, Bub Treece, Laura Osborne, Gracie Gray**

Elementary Academic Team District Champions!

Bell Central's Elementary Academic Team has had a great season so far! They did extremely well during regular season league play as the majority of the team was participating in quick recall for their first time ever. On February 11th, they competed in Governor's Cup district competition at Yellow Creek. They did awesome against some extremely challenging competition. The results were:

Math: 1st place-Parker Gibson; 3rd place-Connor Lefevers; Science: 1st place-Wyman Fisher; Social

Studies: 3rd place-Wyman Fisher; 5th place Will Holder; Language Arts-1st place Michaelyn Dye; 2nd place Meredith Allen; Arts & Humanities: 2nd place-Ruby Fisher; 3rd place-Meredith Allen; Composition: 2nd place-Michaelyn Dye; Future Problem Solving: 1st place team-Holly Gambrel, Gauge Bauer, Connor Lefevers and Sophia Good; Quick Recall: 1st place team-5th graders: Wyman Fisher, Connor Lefevers, Parker Gibson, 4th graders: Meredith Allen and Gauge Bauer; 3rd graders: Sophia

Good, Ruby Fisher, Leah Jones and Cooper Brock. Bell Central was the overall champions for elementary in district 121!!

All of the individual students along with the FPS team and the entire Quick Recall team advanced to region competition which is coming up on March 4th.

The elementary academic team is coached by Ms. Brittany Baker and Mrs. Amanda Day

—Submitted by
Amanda Day,
Academic Team Coach



Front row L-R: **Ruby Fisher, Connor Lefevers, Sophia Good and Leah Jones**; Back row L-R: **Parker Gibson, Meredith Allen, Michaelyn Dye, Wyman Fisher, Will Holder, Gauge Reed and Cooper Brock**

Former Right Fork Student Saves Life of Injured Right Fork Student

On February 26, 2017, Gracie Beverly, a second grade student from Right Fork, was critically injured in a four-wheeler accident. The first responder to the scene was Ean Rutherford, a former Right Fork student and Bell County Volunteer Firefighter. Quick thinking and application of training allowed Rutherford to keep Gracie alive until help arrived on the scene and to provide assistance to other responders until she was transported by helicopter to receive further medical treatment. Please keep Gracie and her family in your thoughts and prayers as she continues to undergo treatment at East Tennessee Children's Hospital.



Ean Rutherford



Gracie Beverly

Ark Encounter

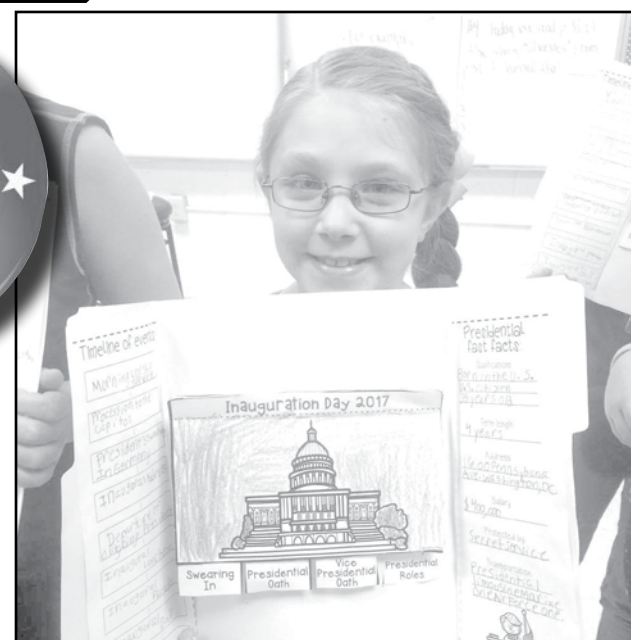


Members of Right Fork's First Priority (FP) took a trip to see the Ark Encounter. The attraction is located in Williamstown, Ky. The ark was constructed with the dimensions as described in the bible. It is the only Noah's Ark Theme Park of its kind in America. Pictured are the members of Right Fork's FP. All students grades 5-8 are invited to join FP meetings. The meetings take place every Thursday morning at 7:30 a.m. in the school gymnasium. —Submitted by Becky Collett



Students in Grades K-8 tuned into the historical 2017 Presidential Inauguration. Additionally, each classroom participated in activities and projects with an Inaugural theme. Pictured are students in grades 1-3 proudly displaying their interactive Inauguration Day flip books.

—Submitted by
Becky Collett



3rd Grader **Danielle Beverly** showing the contents of her interactive folder.



2nd Grade Students from **Mrs. Bingham's** Class back row (left to right) **Kaelyn Lyrock, Madison Hensley, Chase Caldwell, Anna Caldwell, Haley Baker, Haley Brock, RJ Love**; Front row (left to right): **Austin Mosley, Emily Sexton, Bradley Mink, Chloe Lay, Gracie Beverly**



Students in **Mrs. Becky Collett's** 3rd Grade Class - Back row (left to right): **Josh Owens, Drake Lawson, Cameron Bays, Hayden Lawson, Connor Miracle, Chase Widener, and Tanner Reece**; Middle row (left to right): **Grace Helton, Conner Evans, Danielle Beverly, James Grubbs, Jacob Cooper, Trenton Sturgill, Cody Hensley**; Front row (left to right): **Gabby Bullins, Gabby Caldwell, Hayden Baker, Autumn Collins, Emily Simons, Landon Lovett, Amanda Middleton, Abrielle Muncy**

100 Days of School!

The 100th Day of school was celebrated in a big way. Students in all grades celebrated in a variety of ways. The primary grades had a T-shirt Contest. Students participated in activities such as building a 100 cup structure, predicting how far 100 steps would take them, compiling a list of 100 vocabulary words, sorting 100 objects, etc.—*Submitted by Becky Collett*



(Kindergarten students pictured on celebration day. Front row (left to right): **Wesley Cheathum, Annabelle Rains, Isaiah Cupp, Gavin Gambrell, Chloe Madden, Trenton Mosely** Middle Row: **Nyah Helton, Gavin Hopkins, Braylon Crisp, Jasmine Rice, Katie Belcher, Lucas Brummett**; Back Row: **Caleb Pierce, Dacoda Wyrick, Sierra Helton, Lakyn York, Zoey Boatright, Alyssa Bowman**; Teachers **Mrs. Debbie Collett & Mrs. Sheila Brock**



Pictured L-R: **Matthew Crain, Olivia Caldwell, Kylie Suiter, and Aaron Thompson**



2nd Grade students **Madison Hensley and Chase Caldwell** with their 100 cup structure

Math is Delicious

Students in Mrs. Debbie Collett’s Kindergarten Class celebrated Valentine’s Day with a candy heart math game. They used candy hearts to graph data.—*Submitted by Becky Collett*



Nyah Helton



Gavin Gambrell



Kindergartener’s engaged in graphing activity

RIGHT FORK SNOWBALL DANCE was held on Friday, February 17th. Students in grades 4-8 were invited to the dance. A good time was had by all.—*Submitted by Becky Collett*



L-R (back row): **Ray Eldridge, Jacob Miller, Dalton Stepp, Dawson Woolum, Josh Helton, Carter McCune, Chandler Widener**; (front row): **Emilee Miller, Tristen Strunk, Velda Smith, Kennedy Carter**



RIGHT FORK FRYSC LITERACY PROGRAM was held on February 16th from 3:30 - 5:00. The meeting was led by FRYSC director Rosie Haley. Parents & students are invited to the program which encourages and stresses the importance of reading. Left to Right: **Darlene Helton, Rosie Haley, JoAnn Wilder, Rhonda Collins, Chasity Brummett, Marlene Knuckles, Stephanie Brock**

A-Team Cheerleaders brought home the gold! Right Fork Cheer Squad was happy their hard work paid off at the District Championship as they tied for 1st place!



Pictured L-R: (back row) **Emily Helton, Coach Jessica Carroll, Assistant Charity Asher & Assistant Holli Stacy, Abby Coe, Velda Smith, Kennedy Carter, Nevaeh Wilson**; (middle row) **Vera Armstrong, Emily Mink, Sidney Hoskins, Tristen Strunk**; (front row) **Amanda Hensley, Lexie Howerton, Sophy Jones, Emilee Miller, Baylee Lovett**

The Bell County 4H Middle School Teen Leadership Academy Visited the Capitol and State Representative Rick Nelson on March 2nd

—Submitted by Chasity Wilson, SFA Facilitator, Library Media Specialist, Middle School Academic Team Coach—Page School Center



Leadership Academy 8TH Grade students from Page School Center at the Capitol in Frankfort in the Senate- From left: **Dylan Wilson, Kennedy Miracle, Cameron Burnett, Marcus Chaney**



Bell County 4H Middle School Team Leadership Academy members L-R: **Marcus Chaney** (Page); **Cameron Burnett** (Page); **Dylan Wilson** (Page); **Richard Beverly** (Lone Jack); **Representative Rick Nelson**; 4H Agent **Brandy Calvert**; **Chasity Wilson**, Page School Academic Team Coach; **Kennedy Miracle** (Page); **Alex Cox** (Pineville); **Brenda Jackson** (Frakes); **Jenna Bogucki** (Frakes) and **Madison West** (Lone Jack)



Kennedy Miracle with **Representative Rick Nelson**

Bell County School District Wide Storytelling Event

On Thursday, March 30, 2017, the Bell County School District sponsored a district wide Storytelling Event with 3 Divisions of competition. Those divisions were Division III: Grades 3rd – 5th, Division II: Grades 6th – 8th and Division I: Grades 9th – 12th. There were two parts to this competition. Each student had to write their own narrative (real or imagined) and then perform their

story for the judges. Individual schools determined their school level winners for each division. These students continued to prepare for the competition with help from their teachers and fellow students.

The event was held at Bell County High School auditorium and was judged by Sarah Evans SESC Arts consultant; Darla Jackson author, and Marlene McKen-

zie Berea GEAR UP school liaison. The audience was fully entertained and engaged as each division of students presented their stories in their own creative style. A short intermission was provided for the judges to deliberate the winners at which time, Ms. Edwina Eldridge entertained with a song selection.

Each school winner was awarded a Medallion for being selected as their school

level representative. Next, first, second, and third place trophies and prizes were awarded for ALL divisions. First place prize was an iPad mini 4; second place prize was a chromebook; third place prize was an Echo dot.

The winners of each division were: Division III – 1st Place: **Kaitlyn Givens** a 5th grader from Yellow Creek School Center with the story “Storm Killer”. 2nd Place:

Leah Jones a 3rd grader from Bell Central with “All about Me”. 3rd Place: **Kaelyn Miracle** a 4th grader from Page School with “Time”.

Division II – 1st Place: **Jorden Hall** a 7th grader from Yellow Creek School Center with “Story”. 2nd Place: **Joshua Beverly** a 6th grader from Lone Jack with “The Life of a Pencil”. 3rd Place: **Dylan Wilson** an 8th

grader from Page School Center with “America, the Not So Great!”

Division I – 1st Place: **Tanner Jackson** 12th grader performed the story, “The Hunting Trip”. 2nd Place: **Sarah Skidmore** another 12th grader who told “The Answer”. 3rd Place: **James Saylor** yet another 12th grader with the story, “The Equation”.



National History Day:

History Comes Alive with Bell County Students!!



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National History Day in Kentucky is sponsored by the Kentucky Historical Society. They provide schools with the opportunity to compete in regional and state contests each spring. There are 5 categories in which to compete. Those are Documentary, Website, Exhibit, Paper, and Performance. Each year there is a theme which your entry must reflect. The 2017 theme is "Taking a Stand". Students from Bell Central School Center sponsored by Ms. Amanda Day and Bell County High School sponsored by Ms. Samantha Johnson participated in the regional contest located on SKTC Cumberland Campus. Several students qualified to participate in the state competition that will take place later in April.

Those who qualified are listed below according to the category they entered:

Junior EXHIBIT: Abby Cornett, Brant Hoskins, Reagan Robbins for "Clara Barton: Angel of the Battlefield"; Emily Smith, Julia Branham, Ashley Hurst, Kaylee Lay, Kayleigh Saylor for "Susan B. Anthony: Fights for Equal Rights"; Gracie Gray, Madison Ramey, Grace Wilder for "Claudette Colvin: The Unknown Hero"; Hayden Clark, Alex Mays, Laurel Nolan for "Jackie Robinson: The Player that Changed Baseball and America";



Emily Smith, Julia Branham, Ashley Hurst, Kaylee Lay, Kayleigh Saylor for "Susan B. Anthony: Fights for Equal Rights"



Junior PERFORMANCE: **Bub Treece, Dalton Lawson, Ethan Smith, Caleb York, Conner McGeorge** for "The Boston Tea Party: Taking a Stand Against Unfair Taxation"

Junior WEBSITE: Kolton Johnson, Annie Jones, Shawn Asher, Madison Barnett for "Harriet Tubman";

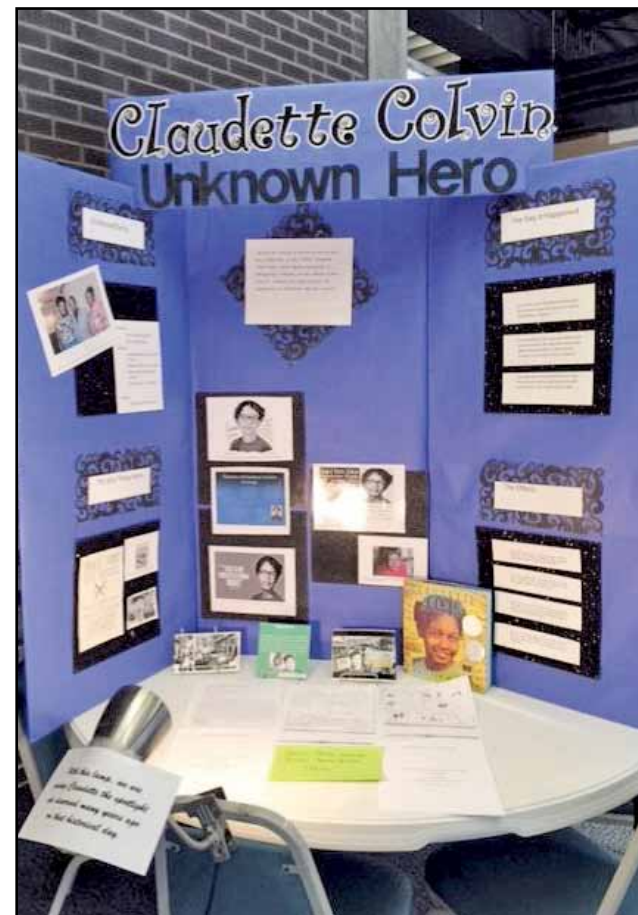
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Junior DOCUMENTARY: Andrew Gambrel, Brandon Baker, Caden Phipps, Jonathan Weaver for "Sons of Liberty: Massacre in Boston";

Senior PAPER: Kayla Smith for "Starvation for Representation"; Alyssa Hillman for "Digging Out the Truth: Muckrakers and Their Unveilings"

Top entries from each category and division at the state level will advance to the National History Day nationwide contest that takes place each June at the University of Maryland. Congratulations to all of our Winners and Good Luck at the State Competition!!

Submitted by
Jennifer Yankey,
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