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STANBERRY R-II SCHOOL

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Front row: Lane McGinley, Kaci Porterfield, Emily Santa Cruz, Lucian Simmerman. Back row: Zander Heyde, Emmett Meyer, Charlotte Jennings, Ally Santa Cruz, Kaitlin Porterfield, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Thor Cameron.

Students Compete at County Spelling Bee

By Landon Marticke
Staff Reporter



This year's county spelling bee took place in Albany on February 3rd. Overall, it was a great success for all students. Sixth graders Thor Cameron and Lane McGinley took first and second place in the written portion, respectively. Kaitlin Porterfield took first in the written for the seventh grade and eighth grader Kenzi Santa Cruz took second place to finish off the night.

Sponsor Mrs. Palmer's input on the team was, "Stanberry was well represented this year in the written contest. It is no easy feat to compete and I would

like to congratulate and thank all of this year's spelling bee participants. Celebrate this academic achievement and continue to set goals for yourself." Seventh grader Kaitlin Porterfield stated, "The spelling bee was very fun and interesting." The rest of the competitors were fifth graders Charlotte Jennings, Emily Santa Cruz, and Kaci Porterfield; sixth graders Lucian Simmerman, Lane McGinley, and Thor Cameron; seventh graders Zander Heyde, Emmett Meyer, and Kaitlin Porterfield; and eighth graders Ally Santa Cruz, and Kenzi Santa Cruz.



Front row: Konnor Keough, Danielle Denney, Marissa Webster, Rhona Henggeler, Katlyn James, Lydia Dokken, Jorjah Webster, Zander Heyde. Back row: Choir Director Bradley Sheeley, Austin Hill, Peyton Hume, Kaiden Keough, Reagan Heyde, Grace Mattson, Decker Heyde.

Choir Performs as Part of MWSU Honor Choir

By Austin Hill
Staff Reporter



It has been a busy year for the band and choir this year. Recently, South Harrison High School held the GRC Band Performance. For this, members of many bands in the area tryout, and - if they make it - participate in a large group performance. According to Music Director Mr. Bradley Sheeley, "February was a busy month for music! Kiley Mattson auditioned for the Grand River Conference Band and got placed as an alternate."

Missouri Western State University held its 7th annual Honor Choir. For this event, choir directors from different schools around northwest Missouri nominate students to go sing at MWSU. Over 160 students from different schools attended. The bus left at 10:40 am for St. Joseph. Mr. Sheeley stated, "Choir students participated in a day-long

honor choir hosted by Missouri Western State University. Students arrived, rehearsed for 5 hours straight and then performed a concert, and did very well!" The Honor Choir was a fun experience, performing in a large choir. All the voices were so powerful together that microphones were not even needed. Hopefully, the Stanberry Junior High and High School choirs continue to attend this event in the future.

The bands and choirs are also participating in contests in March, the Spring Concert in May, and the band performs Music in the Parks at Worlds of Fun in May. Mr. Sheeley says, "We're looking forward to our contests and festivals coming up next month." There are still lots of events to keep the music program busy throughout the last stretch of the year.

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Front row: Coach Michele Kelley, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Hannah McQuinn, Vincent Smithson, Hudson Groomer. Back row: Jaren Stoll, Aiden Graham, Liam Gregory, Kaitlin Porterfield.

Junior High Scholar Bowl Ends Successful Season

By Austin Colvin
Staff Reporter

The junior high scholar bowl started the season off with a bang. "The first game against St. Joe Christian was a real nail-biter. We were down 200-50 at halftime but were able to come back and win 231-230 in overtime. I was so proud of the kids for not giving up and for keeping their wits about them," commented Coach Michele Kelley. The team continued to show up the remainder of the season, finishing with a record of 5-1.

Hannah McQuinn led the team in points, however Hudson Groomer was not far behind. He stated "we can improve next year with time management and get that 6-0 record." Other members of the team consisted of Kaitlin Porterfield, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Vincent Smithson, Aiden Graham, Liam Gregory, and Jaren Stoll. Congratulations to the JH Scholar Bowl on their season.

FBLA and FFA Start a Busy Spring Season

By Austin Hill
Staff Reporter



Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) attended district contest at Northwest Missouri State University (NWMSU) on February 3. It was quite successful as 31 students attended, and 8 placed in the top 10 rankings in their events. Astasia Brown placed 5th in Agribusiness and will be moving on to state in March. Decker Heyde placed 10th in Intro to Business Communication. Kiley Mattson, Katie Angle, and Amelia Wallace all placed 5th in Hospitality and Event Management. Reagan Heyde, Kolton Dias, and Brayden Hague all placed 5th in Web Design. When asked how it went, advisor Mrs. Sidney Eckard responded: "It was nice to be back at Northwest this year for contest. I am extremely proud of those that competed and of Astasia for advancing on to state competition!"

FFA is celebrating National FFA Week this week. The dress-up days are: Gone Hunting Day on Tuesday, Dress Like a Farmer and Drive Your Tractor to School Day on Wednesday, FFA T-Shirt Day with a Staff Appreciation Breakfast on Thursday, and Flannel Friday to conclude the week. When asked about the event, Advisor Mrs. Noble responded with "FFA week is always an exciting time of the year. My favorite part is probably seeing so many FFA members drive their tractors to school that day each year. Every year, there are more than the previous one!"

These organizations will be very busy heading into the Spring season with contests, field trips, and the vocational banquet at the end of April. Best of luck to all the members in competition this Spring.



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High School Science Olympiad participants: front row- Emma Phipps, coach Roxanne Hoover, Rhona Henggeler. Back row-Grace Mattson, Katrina Blessing, and Caroline Fanning.



Junior High Science Olympiad participants: front row- Hudson Groomer, Evan Gregory, Dalton Taylor, Emmett Meyer, Hannah McQuinn. Back row: Wyatt Taylor, William Ellsworth, Jorjah Webster, Kenzi Santa Cruz, and coach Miya Lindroos.

Science Olympiad Teams Compete

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter



The Science Olympiad teams had a successful start to their season. The high school team consists of Grace Mattson, Emma Phipps, Rhona Henggeler, Katrina Blessing, and Caroline Fanning. The team had their regional HS Science Olympiad meet on Saturday, February 12 on the campus of North Central Community College in Trenton. Most of the team was not able to make it to the meet because of conflicting schedules with wrestling and basketball. Even though they had a small number of participants the team fought well with three groups placing. The experimental design team, Emma, Grace, and Caroline, placed second, Caroline and Grace also competed in Write It Do It placing third, and, Rhona and Katrina in Rocks and Minerals, placed fourth.

Mrs. Hoover commented, "This year we were up against wrestling and basketball on the same day as Science Olympiad Regionals. We were a small team, but mighty!"

The junior high team, coached by Ms. Lindroos heads to Northwest Missouri State University to compete this Saturday, February 26th. Best of luck to each of them in their events.

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Olivia Blessing Eva Cameron Miley Davis Brayden Dias William Ellsworth



Lindsey Hailey Russell Kerwin Katie Libby Hannah McQuinn Alexis Rogers



Kenzi Santa Cruz Vincent Smithson Jaren Stoll Hayden Swan Nathan Taylor



Jorjah Webster Isabella Wilson Evan Gregory Ally Santa Cruz Danielle Van Drasko

Eighth Grade Prep for Move to High School

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter

The eighth grade class is coming to the end of junior high and are preparing to head into high school. Most of their extra curricular activities are finished and wrestling and track are the only two sports left on the horizon. Miley Davis said about junior high, "It's

been good and I can't wait to go into high school." Jaren Stoll commented "It's been good and the teachers are nice." The eighth graders seem like they are handling this year very well and are excited to see what next year holds for them.

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Quinn Heyde

Caiden Jensen

Miguel Leon Escamilla

Carter Mattson

Jaicee McGinn

Emily McMillen

Kayle McQuinn

Brenzlee Moffat



Taylor Rogers

Blaine Schieber

Madelyn Sidwell

Trevor Strough

Hummer Studer

Grayson Wiederholt

Mrs. Brooke McDonald

Mrs. LeAnn Jessmer



Fourth Grade Moves Up to Intermediate Wing

By Landon Marticke
Staff Reporter

The fourth grade class has been very busy this school year learning lots of new skills and techniques over the course of the year. In math, they are currently working on patterns, but are quickly moving into fractions and decimals! Science class currently has them learning about energy, force, and motion, with them soon beginning to work on their Invention Convention, which will showcase student's creative ideas to solve everyday

problems. Character Strong continues to be an integral part of their daily curriculum working to build a tight Bulldog Community. Several fourth grade students are participating in sports outside of school, too. Fourth grade teacher Mrs. McDonald stated, "Students this year have had to have persistence, flexibility, and determination, and while it has been difficult, they are learning skills to enhance future collaborations with others."



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Video Game Review: Dying Light 2

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter

If you're wanting an open world survival game, *Dying Light 2* is just what you need. You play as Aiden Caldwell as he fights through a zombie infested city. Every choice you make in the game can affect the city as you choose which side to join. You can help either the survivors or you can side with the peace keepers who are trying to eradicate the zombies from the city. As you play you can unlock new skills to help you fight and traverse the city. There are many different ways you can complete objectives and play the game like going a sneaky route or going in guns blazing attacking everyone.

This game has something for every kind of player. As you



explore and fight through the city the game rewards you for being curious and going into dark zones filled with zombies or fighting minibosses during the night.

Decker's "Advice" Corner

By Decker Heyde
Guest Reporter



Hey everybody and welcome to the first edition of *Decker's Advice Corner* (a purely satirical advice column). I would like to thank Mrs. Eckard for this opportunity to write in the illustrious *Bulldog's Bark*. Today I received a question from Kolton Dias, "Hey Decker, I was wondering if you could help me with a problem? My grill isn't working properly and I am having a party this weekend and I wanted to grill hotdogs and hamburgers. What

do you think I should do now?"

Well Kolton, I would like to say thanks for the invite, jerk. Anyways, I feel as though you have many food options for this party I wasn't invited to. You could have sub sandwiches, or fried chicken, or pizza. There are many other options for this super fun party I was blacklisted from. If you want I can meet you in the parking lot to... help you out.

Sincerely, Decker

Song Review

By Austin Hill
Staff Reporter



This month, I've chosen the song "It's a Trip!" by Joywave. "It's a Trip!" is about gaining fame but not being quite satisfied with it. The song was released on Joywave's 2017 album *Content*.

I enjoy this song because of the creepy and mysterious verse which is followed by a rock-driven chorus. One of my favorite parts of the song is when the music dies down for a moment, the guitar builds up, then the drums and bass come out of nowhere.

I would recommend this song to anyone who likes rock music.

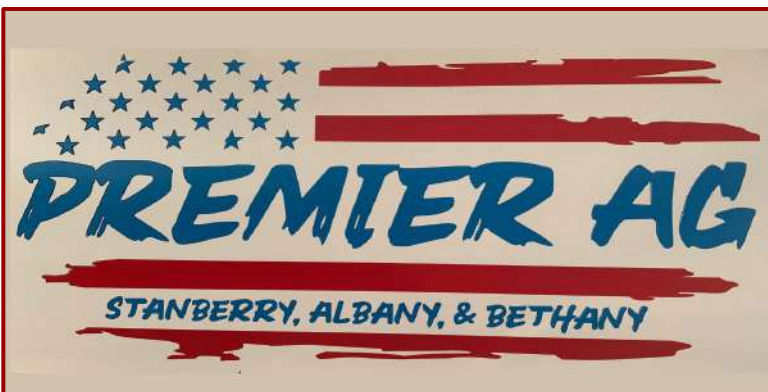


Song: "It's A Trip!"
Artist: Joywave
Album: *Content*
Release: 2017



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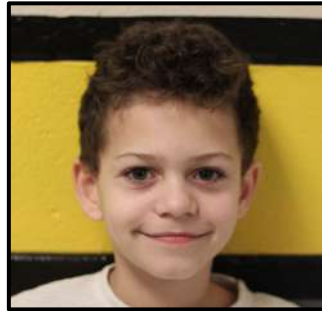
By Austin Colvin
Staff Reporter



What is your favorite movie?



Third grader Owen Dias says his favorite movie is "Tom & Jerry!"



Second grader Laith Wallace loves the movie "Ghost Busters."



Seventh grader Braelyn Williams enjoys the movie "Grown Ups 2."



Seventh grader Dalton Taylor's favorite is "Venom."



Senior Sadie Runde loves "A Dog's Purpose!"



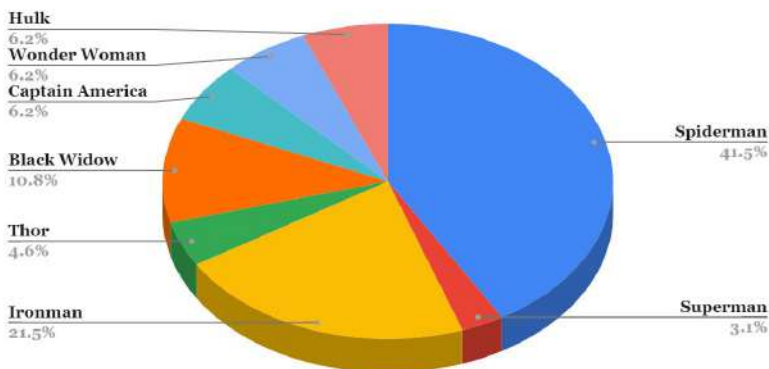
Freshman Brody Carroll enjoys watching "Smokey and the Bandit."

Survey Results

By Landon Marticke
Staff Reporter

Students in grades 7-12 were asked the question: *Who is your favorite superhero?* 52 students responded.

Their options included: Superman, Ironman, Hulk, Thor, Black Widow, Captain America, Wonder Woman, or Spiderman.



Mrs. McClurg said "The Sandlot" is definitely her favorite movie.



Ms. Wiener's favorite is "Matilda."

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By Gabe Simbro
Guest Reporter

Jungle Cruise is one of the newer *Disney* movies to be released on *Disney Plus*. It is action packed, full of mystery, and adventures in more ways than one.

The original setting of the story first takes place during WWI in London where two siblings, Lilly and McGregor, played by Emily Blunt and Jack Whitehall, steal an ancient arrowhead that has been said to point the way to "The Tears of The Moon," a tree as old as time with the power to cure any sickness. It is rumored to be



Jungle Cruise
Streaming on *Disney Plus*

located deep in the Amazon jungle. This is where they meet a wisecracking skipper named Frank (Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson) who agrees to help guide them to the tree for a hefty price. Unfortunately, their adventure is met with both German pursuers hoping to use the tree to aid their country's struggle in the war, and unexpected enemies of Frank's past.

I liked this movie because I found the humor to be spot on as well as several twists and turns throughout the movie. This film does contain stabbings, some mild adult language, and talk of violence, so I recommend children under the age of 11 to watch with their parents or an adult. I hope you like Dwayne Johnson as much as me.

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Austin Colvin points to his parents in the crowd after winning his first match during state competition.

Wrestling Season Comes to a Close

By Austin Colvin
Staff Reporter



With the wrestling season coming to a close, this one has been interesting. Sickness has always been an issue with wrestling being during the winter sports season, however this year's rates were extreme. Some of the wrestlers were constantly sick and always fighting it in practice and during meets. This year was definitely a building year, however for one person, this was his all. Austin Colvin was the only senior wrestler and was determined for this to be his year.. He said "This season was definitely one to remember. Between injuries and sickness, this season has been a long grind. I have been in the weight room and working hard at practice and it paid off in the end."

District wrestling however wasn't a great turnout. When we started the year we had seven boy wrestlers and four girl wrestlers. However, when districts rolled around we only had three boys and three girls. Even with a small team we had high hopes for the season. They all fought as hard as they could and multiple of them made it to

their bubble match, however they couldn't quite grasp the win. One wrestler made it to the state championship, Austin Colvin. He ended up placing 4th place. That is just one more medal he's brought back to Stanberry High School.

Coach Dias had a few words to say about this season and next season, "This season has been one that marks the record book. With numbers, to injuries, to sickness, every week was a guess as to who would be on the mat. With the culmination of Austin Colvin placing 4th at 285 in the Class 1 State Championship, we left on a high note. I look forward to what next season has to offer and utilizing the new training facility will help. As the junior high season is approaching, we have several younger kids that look promising to benefit the program."

Congratulations to Austin Colvin for placing 4th in the Class 1 State Championship. Also, good luck to the junior high wrestlers in their upcoming season.



GRC Champs! Stanberry Bulldogs defeat Putnam County 50-49! Coach Nick Groomer also earned his 300th victory during this game. Congratulations Coach Groomer and the Bulldogs on a fantastic season!



Senior Lexi Craig achieved her 1000th career point this past week in the final regular season game versus Gallatin.

All Conference Wrestling

Third Team
285 Austin Colvin

Congratulations

All-Conference Basketball-Western Division

Girls

Boys

1st Team

Lexi Craig-unanimous
Sadie Runde-unanimous

Austin Schwebach-unanimous
Tyler Schwebach-unanimous

2nd Team

Amelia Wallace

Colby McQuinn

Honorable Mention

Tarynn Mattson

Landon Marticke



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Sophomore Tyrell Middleton shows off his clay mug.



Freshman Damien Webb displays the mug he created out of clay in Mrs. Strough's art class.



Eighth grader Nathan Taylor hold his koi fish painting.



Artist of the Month

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter

After a month off from *Artist of the Month* we are back and excited to bring you February's high school artists Tyrell and Damian, each creating a cup from clay. They started making the cups on a pottery wheel spinning and building up the clay until it resembled a mug. Once they took the cup off the wheel they built it up more with coils, finally adding more details like

ears. Once finished, they added different colored glazes to add color before having them fired to finalize them.

The junior high artist is Nathan Taylor who created a koi fish picture. He drew the fish first, adding all the details to get the fish lifelike. To finish his fish he used water color paints to color in the spots on the fish. Amazing work by all artists this month!

Interested in advertising in the Bokane (yearbook) or Bulldog's Bark? Email seckard@stanberryschools.org for details.

March Activities

Monday, February 28th

4:00-HSSB@North Andrew

4:30 JHW@Rock Port

Tuesday, March 1st

8:00-Elementary Field Trip to Robidoux Theatre

4:30-JHW@Tarkio

Wednesday, March 2nd

7:00-FFA Field Trip

8:00-Gifted Think Ahead Works grades 4-6

Thursday, March 3rd-7:00 p.m. Music Festival Showcase

Friday, March 4th

End of 3rd Quarter

6:00-JHW@Home

Monday, March 7th

3:15-Homework Alert 3rd Quarter Detention

4:00-HSSB@King City

5:30-JHW@Albany

Tuesday, March 8th-8:15-School ACT Test Date

Wednesday, March 9th-Monday, March 14th-NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK

Wednesday, March 9th

4:30-Area FFA Interviews

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Monday, March 14th

8:00-Lathrop CDE Contest

4:00-HSSB@Home (Albany, KC)

Wednesday, March 16th-4:30-Area FFA LDE Contest

Thursday, March 17th-8:00 Trenton CDE Contest

Monday, March 21st

8:00-Savannah CDE Contest

4:00-HSSB@SJC

6:30-PTO Meeting

7:00-BOE Meeting

Tuesday, March 22nd-5:30-5th & 6th Grade Book Fair

Wednesday, March 23rd

4:00-BG@Home

4:30-District FFA LDE Contest

Thursday, March 24th-3:30 Varsity Track @Grant City

Friday, March 25th-8:15-Junior Prom Setup

Saturday, March 26th-6:00-Prom

Monday, March 28th

4:00-VT@ Home-Stanberry Quad

4:00-BG@Bethany

4:00-HSSB@North Andrew (Pod Play)

Tuesday, March 29th

FBLA Field Trip

3:30-JHT@Grant City

Wednesday, March 30th-4:00-BG@Mound City

Thursday, March 31st

MSSBDA Large Group Band Festival

4:00-HSSB Finals

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By Austin Colvin
Staff Reporter

Brutus' Corner

Each month *The Bulldog's Bark* will feature a school staff member. It is your job, based on the clues, to guess who the staff member is. The answer will be revealed in next month's issue. In January, the featured teacher was Mrs. Veronica Giedd. Who do you think February's staff member is?

Do you have any kids, if so how many?

No

Where did you graduate high school?

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