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Lunch Prices

High School/Middle School\$3	3.00
W.S. Stinson/NW Primary\$2	2.70
Milk\$.50















Snow Day

The season's first snowfall blanketed northern Ohio in about a foot of snow. For much of the region, up to an inch of snow an hour fell during the night. Schools were already closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day, but many businesses and organizations also had a "snow day." As many residents trudged through the snow to clear driveways, unbury cars, and navigate a tricky commute to work, many students enjoyed the winter wonderland! Schools were closed the following day as well, and Northwest students flocked to the best sled riding hills, made snow angels, and built snowmen. The winter storm of '22 is one they will remember!



Superintendent's Message

Hello to All in Northwest Nation!

We have been discussing the importance of a school district developing strategic plans to provide direction for the next five years. We believe that strategic planning could help an excellent school district reach even higher levels of success.



Throughout the next few months, we will begin to work on a long-term plan to improve curriculum, facilities, technology, safety, finances, transportation costs, enrollment, school report card, and anything else that defines who we want to be. I am super excited to work with school board members, teachers, parents, community members, and most importantly, students to create long-term goals for Northwest Local Schools.

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From left: Adam Tohill, President Jim Gindlesberger, Rita Gearhart, Julia Barkey, Vice President Victor Colaianni.

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Here are the noteworthy dates as we begin our own Strategic Planning:

- School Board Work Session 7:00 pm at NWHS 2.7.22 SWOT Activity (Strength, Weakness, Opportunities, and Problems)
- Administrative Team Meeting 9:30 am at the School Board Office 2.16.22 SWOT Activity (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Problems)
- 2.23.22 **Staff Meeting to discuss Strategic Planning** HS/ MS 2:30 – 3:30 at Northwest High School Cafe Stinson/ Primary 3:45 – 4:45 at Stinson Cafe A survey will be distributed the next day to all faculty and staff.
- **Key Communicators to discuss Strategic Planning** 2.23.22 at NWHS at 6:00 pm
- ZOOM meeting at 10:00 am with parents for those unable to 2.24.22

Survey given out to all parents after the meetings.

- 3.1.22 We will begin to review the surveys throughout the month of March to prepare and share the info gathered with the school board.
- Community Meeting (Community Leaders) at 7:00 at NWHS 4.7.22
- 4.14.22 Student Meeting with LEAD Group at noon in NWHS library.

5.3.22 Board Office meeting to collect all of the information gathered to prepare to present to the school community.

We will continue to communicate this progress with the School Board.

Administrative Team Meeting at 12:40 at NWHS 6.2.22

We review the results and objectives within each department. We discuss the entire process. We distribute the action steps for all leaders.

We edit and tune the final product and final documents at this meeting and after to present at the next school board meeting.

We present Strategic Plan for the next 5 years at the School 6.27.22 **Board meeting at NWHS.**

Just as important as sharing our plans at the June 27 School Board Meeting, we open the 2022-2023 school year with all faculty and staff sharing goals, vision, and objectives for the Strategic Plan. We develop a monthly checklist for each leader and each objective. As we reach each milestone, we use our newsletter, email, and social media to promote our progress with community leaders, parents, and students.

These plans will help guide our district for the next five years and that is a very good thing! Our direction and the communication that helps all of us grow together will enable our students to learn at higher and higher levels. I am excited to see our plans develop as we continue to grow together.

Respectfully,

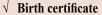
Shawn Braman, Ed.D.

Kindergarten Registration

To be eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 2022, your child must be five on or before August 1.

The **online registration** link will be available Monday, January 17, 2022 through Friday, April 8, 2022 on the district website.

A computer station will be available at the Central Office for those individuals who do not have online access in their homes. Copies of the following documents <u>must</u> be brought to Central Office by 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2022 to complete the online registration process:



Proof of residency (2 forms required utility bill and a rental agreement or mortgage statement)



Child's social security number

Parent's Photo ID

Immunization record

Custody papers (if applicable)

Please contact Megan Moore at Central Office with questions regarding registration: (330) 854-2292 or moore.m@northwest.sparcc.org.

Northwest High School Drama Department

presents



Friday, February 25 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 26 at 7:00 pm

Sunday, February 27 at 2:00 pm

When Harold Hill, a traveling con man, arrives in River City, he convinces the locals to start a marching band by purchasing the uniforms and instruments from him. He intends to flee as soon as he receives their money! Librarian Marian Paroo suspects Harold is a fraud, but she holds her tongue since her moody brother, Winthrop, is excited about the band. As Harold begins to develop feelings for Marian, he faces a difficult decision about skipping town.

Be sure not to miss this amazing Broadway classic! With Brady Aneshansel (Harold Hill) and Alena Dangelo (Marian Paroo) leading the cast, this year's musical is sure to be a "Shipoopi" of a good time! Don't miss out on this musical weekend full of comedy, romance, barbershop music, and timeless tunes!

Tickets are \$10.00

Tickets may be purchased online at https:// northwest-musical.ticketleap.com/the-musicman/ or in person at the high school athletic office



IT'S TIME TO JOIN THE Y!

At the Y, you'll find more than just a place to work out. With opportunities to connect with neighbors and give back to your community, you'll discover a greater sense of purpose, too.

> Membership info:

Swim Lesson info:





Or give the Schalmo YMCA a call at: (330) 970-0123

976 Canal St S, Canal Fulton, OH 44614

Curriculum News

K-12 Math Textbook Adoption

During the current academic year, the district is reviewing K-12 math materials with the intent of purchasing new materials for use in the upcoming school year. The materials being considered for adoption will be available in March and April at the Central Office for parents and community members who would like to review them. Please direct any questions or concerns to the Curriculum Department at the Central Office (330) 854-2291.

Gifted Identification and Services Information

While all children have gifts and talents, not all children are considered "gifted." Northwest Local understands the need for educational opportunities for students who demonstrate exceptional cognitive and academic skills. Gifted identification begins as young as kindergarten. Students who qualify for services in grades K-2 have access to enriched curriculum opportunities in reading and math in their general education classroom. Students in third, fourth and fifth grade, who qualify for math services, have access to our gifted math class, and those who qualify for reading services receive enriched curriculum opportunities in their general education classroom. Students in middle school and high school have access to enriched courses, AP courses, and College Credit Plus courses. All students in second through tenth grade participate in whole-grade academic screening. In addition, second and fifth-grade students participate in whole-grade gifted screening in the area of superior cognitive abilities and creative thinking. Parents may refer their child for gifted testing by requesting a referral form from their building administrator and returning the form by May 1, 2022. For additional information regarding gifted identification and screening please contact Debora Clark, Gifted Coordinator at (330) 854-2291 or clark.d@northwest. sparcc.org.

Third Grade Reading Guarantee Update

Reading is a critical academic skill for all students and the major focus of our K-3 curriculum. Northwest uses the NWEA Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments to monitor the progress of our students. These assessments are administered three times per academic year (fall, winter, and spring). The data gathered from this tool enables our teachers to identify critical areas of need, adjust instructional practices, and provide reading and mathematics interventions as needed.

Governor DeWine signed Senate Bill 229 on December 14, 2021 which contained an emergency clause regarding Ohio's Third Grade Reading Guarantee requirements. School districts are not permitted to retain a student in the third grade based solely on a student's academic performance in reading for the 2021-2022 school year unless the principal and reading teacher, in consultation with the student's parent or guardian, agree the student is reading below grade level and not prepared for fourth grade. The district will notify the parent or guardian of each student who achieves a scaled score below 683 on the spring Ohio State Test for grade three English Language Arts and will identify the various remediation opportunities available to the student to improve the student's academic performance in reading.

While the district ensures that we meet all of the requirements of the Third Grade Reading Guarantee legislation, our main focus is to ensure that our students develop strong reading skills and are able to apply those skills to all academic content areas. Our third-grade students will take the grade three English Language Arts assessment in March, and the results of the spring test will be released by June 30, 2022. If you have any questions regarding your child's reading progress, please contact their classroom teacher or building principal.

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Holidays throughout the District

























































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Northwest Local Schools 2022-23

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15	Teacher Day - No School
16	First Student Day

Septe	<u>mber</u>
2	Building Inservice - N
	School
5	Labor Day

October	
10	Teacher Day - No School
14	End of 9 weeks (41 days)

Novem	ber
23-25	Thanksgiving Break
28	No School

Deceml	<u>ber</u>	
23-30	Christmas	Break

Janua	ury
2-4	Christmas Break
13	End of 9 weeks (52 days)
13	End of semester (93 days
16	Martin Luther King Day

Febru	<u>iary</u>
17	Waiver Day (No School)
20	Presidents Day

March	
17	End of 9 weeks (43 days)

May	
25	Last Student Day
25	End of 9 weeks (44 days)
25	End of semester (87 days)
26	Teacher Day- No School
29	Memorial Day

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First & Last Student Day

No School

Teacher Exchange Day - No School

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Northwest High School

High School Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY

10 Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:30-7:30 PM
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- 12 Blizzard Bash
- 18 Staff In-service No School
- 21 Presidents' Day No School
- 25-27 Musical: Music Man

MARCH

- Pre-ACT Sophomores, ACT Juniors
 - No School Freshmen & Seniors
- 11 End of 3rd 9 weeks
- 25 Man of the Year Contest
- 28-4/1 Spring Break Week No School



Northwest Students at R.G. Drage Career Technical Center

Preparing for Careers and Continued Education

Since 1977, R.G. Drage Career Technical Center has continued to find innovative ways to connect education with the world of work. Students attending R.G. Drage Career Technical Center gain "real world" career training in addition to academics while graduating from their home school district. Currently. 92 Northwest students are enrolled at R.G. Drage. Programs range from auto collision, machining, building, HVAC/refrigeration, welding, and engineering to sports medicine, health technologies, agriculture, animal science, sports turf & landscape management, graphic communications, and cosmetology. R.G. Drage also proudly houses a student-operated restaurant and a preschool. Career & Technical students spend approximately half of the

Students of the Month

Each month, four students (one from each grade) are selected as Students of the Month. Each month holds a different theme. Students are featured on Mr. Tausch's Twitter, the *Northwest News*, the announcements, and on a bulletin board in the Commons. They will also be given a premium parking spot in the front and a gift card for free drinks at the café.

Congratulations to the "Caring" January Students of the Month

"Caring" students show empathy, compassion, and respect. They are committed to service and make a positive difference in the lives of others.







Kaylee Turley
Sophomore



Lucas Metzger

Junior



Alex Prexta Senior









school day in their career program labs. Students then spend the remainder of the day completing academic and/or program-related coursework determined by the career program choice and their home school district. Many students are eligible for job placement during their senior year, often leading to full-time employment after graduation. Students can also take advantage of opportunities to earn college credit while attending R.G. Drage. By taking the necessary college prep courses, students are prepared and encouraged to further their education beyond high school.











Cassie Davis - Early Childhood Education

Cassie has valued the opportunity to attend a new school, and she was truly enjoyed the Early Childhood Education program: "I have always wanted to take care of children because they make me smile when I'm having a bad day." Juniors in the program work with children ages 3, 4, and 5 in their state licensed preschool. Seniors work with infants, toddlers, and elementary students in Kindergarten through third grade. All students in the program are actively pursuing the Child Development Associate (CDA) National Credential. Cassie is proud of her



grades and is looking forward to graduating this year. She plans to use the skills she has learned to work at a daycare facility.



Karlie Demchock - Cosmetology

"Ever since I was a little girl, I always enjoyed doing hair!" Obviously, the Cosmetology program has been a perfect fit for Karlie, who was also inspired by others in this career field. She really likes the creativity in the labs, the ability to be active throughout the day, and the new friends she has made from other schools. "Attending Drage has made me an allaround better student. I have learned so much these past two years and have worked hard to achieve my good grades. I

appreciate the support my teachers and classmates have given me." Karlie plans to attend college and work in the cosmetology field along the way. She hopes to have her own salon one day.

James Ricker - Building Construction

Of the many programs that Drage offers, the Building Construction program interested James the most. What he likes best is knowing that he is attaining valuable skills for a trade that will always be in high demand. The program includes the fundamentals of carpentry, finish carpentry, roofing, dry-wall, flooring, painting, siding, electrical, plumbing,



cement, masonry, and blueprint reading; students are trained to maintain, repair, construct, and remodel buildings and homes. He is proud of how quickly he has learned these skills. In the future, James plans to join the Army, further his education, and maybe start his own company one day.

Layloni Thornton – Sports Medicine & Rehabilitation

Layloni has been a trainer for the football team for four years, and she has loved sports medicine ever since. She feels that the program at RG Drage will further her journey in this field. She loves the group discussions and being with students who share the same interests: "You don't feel left out in a group like this and I've made the best of friends because of Drage." She is a HOSA class officer and has earned 5 medical certifications. Her interest in sports is also reflected in her current job



at Schalmo Family YMCA where she has worked as a lifeguard and swim instructor for over a year. Layloni plans to earn a degree in exercise science from Slippery Rock University, and she hopes to be an orthopedic PA.

Izabella Wish - Heavy Truck-Diesel

Izabella grew up around diesel trucks and always wondered how they run; once she saw the engine, she knew what she wanted to do! She loves the school environment and culture at RG Drage— "from the first day of school, the teachers welcome you with a smile." Izabella is particularly proud of the two certifications she has earned so far—one in steering



and suspension and one in forklift. Izabella successfully balances her school work and a job; she has been employed at McDonalds for three years. After graduation, she hopes to attend Ohio Technical College and possibly own her own diesel shop one day.



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Northwest Middle School

Middle School Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY

Parent/Teacher Conferences.. 2:40-8:40 PM

Staff In-service — No School
 Presidents' Day — No School

MARCH

11 End of 3rd 9 weeks

28-4/1 Spring Break Week — No School

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Congratulations, Fundraiser Winners!

Our Fall Fundraiser Raffle was a success. We gave out three \$500 prizes. Our winners were **Jennifer Cochran** ticket sold by **Sam Cochran**, **Ben Baroni** ticket sold by **Tim Bahl**, and **Diana Kozlosky** sold by **Natalie Kozlosky**. The students that sold the winning raffle tickets each earned \$50 gift cards. We also awarded a \$50 gift card to **Lochlan Crawford** who sold the most tickets.

Students of the Month

Each month, the middle school staff honors trustworthy, hardworking students who accept responsibility and do their work promptly and efficiently. These students respect authority and their peers, demonstrating honesty and fairness. They are dependable and often do more than is required of them. Congratulations to November Students of the Month!

Seventh Grade

Sixth Grade



Vovember











Arley Roth

Sampsel

Brooke Barkan

Isaac Swartz

Naomi Amiot

Adam Shrock



Sixth-grade language arts students participated in a Poetry Café sharing thankfulness poems with a café style mood and lighting. Leading up to the day, students created poems and practiced them many times in class. For some students, this was their first solo speech in front of an audience, so teachers worked to create a welcoming environment for them to practice speaking with fluency and confidence. Once the nerves passed, the students had a great time listening and sharing some of the things that they were most thankful for. Thanks to sixth-grade language arts teachers Jessica Ventosa, Lexie Ropchock, Krista Kieffer, and Lisa Maple for creating this opportunity for students!

On Your Mark, Get Set, Go!





Mr. Shiplett's eighth-grade Automation and Robotics classes ended the semester by racing the dragsters they built. The winners were **Serenity Evans** and **Tai Ludwick**.



Second Nine Weeks Tribe Time Rally

On January 7, middle school students participated in the second "Tribe Time Rally" of the school year to celebrate students who had displayed the characteristic of INTEGRITY throughout the grading period. Classrooms competed in a three-part competition that included a corn hole toss, a basketball shooting station, and a blindfolded version of Hungry Hungry Hippo, which asked students to gather bowling pins with integrity words written on them. Students also competed against the teachers in a "Rock, Paper, Scissors" race. Congratulations to the students for who received Integrity Awards and Attendance Awards.



Jason

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Luke Aneshansel

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W.S. Stinson Elementary







Fifth Graders Explore Careers

Stinson is excited to welcome back our fifth-grade Career Day. Career Day began as part of a Comprehensive School Counseling program to aid students with their college and career-related knowledge, skills, and pathways. Guests, many of whom are parents of our fifth-grade students, volunteer their time for a day to interact with students and answer questions about their specific careers.

Prior to the day, students take a career interest inventory and personality assessment. Through a classroom guidance lesson, they are taught that when it comes to choosing a career path, it is important to consider their values, interests, personalities, and skills. The career interest inventory through ODE's Ohio Means Jobs website gives students specific career clusters that are matched with their responses. Using their career day experience, their personality assessment, and their career interest inventory, students complete a slideshow presentation based on a career path of their choice.

Career day is an exciting day for students, providing them with ideas about careers that they may not have ever been introduced to or thought of as an option. Students see first-hand how hard work and being committed to something you are passionate about can lead to a rewarding career. When asked about the benefits of Career day, Mrs. McKendry, the school counselor shares: "I like that this day shows students that college isn't the only avenue to a successful future or career. Many of our guests are entrepreneurs or have started out in a novice position and have worked their way into an experienced position. Students learn about alternative education programs like R.G. Drage Career Technical Center or the military, and other possible avenues that gets them thinking about their future. At this age, when asking a fifth-grader what they want to be when they grow up, most say professional athletes or gamers/YouTubers. While we support and encourage the dreams and goals they have as fifth-graders, it is valuable for them to see what other options might be out there if Plan A doesn't work."









Stinson Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY

18 Staff In-service — **No School**

21 Presidents' Day — No School

MARCH

11 End of 3rd 9 weeks

28-4/1 Spring Break Week — No School

ROX Program for Fifth-Grade Girls

The Stark county Health Department has brought the Ruling Our Experiences (ROX) Program to Stinson Elementary. The mission of ROX is to create generations of confident girls who control their own relationships, experiences, decisions, and futures.

Over the course of several weeks, the ROX program helps fifth-grade girls discover what it means to be a smart, strong, safe, and confident girl! It's led by a ROX facilitator who provides participants with the opportunity to learn how to be the girl who stands up for herself, shuts down the 'drama', and acts as a leader! Through interactive, engaging, and fun activities, girls discuss the big issues going in their lives and develop skills to navigate challenges and find success. Topics covered include: team-building, confidence and self-esteem, assertive communication, social media, healthy friendships & relationships, girl bullying & relational aggression, body image, and verbal and physical self-defense.

When a Stinson participant was asked about the program, she replied, "We've done some really fun team building activities that promote working together. I think I'll learn how to be more confident in myself, and to be kind. If someone is bullying then maybe something is wrong with their life and they need our help." She concluded with, "We should do this every year because it's super fun, and it can help girls that struggle with leadership."

Northwest Primary











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Bus Drivers!

Students and staff throughout the district honored their bus drivers on Bus Driver Appreciation Day. Students and staff wore yellow and lined the hallways to express their appreciation. Music and smiles filled the hallways as bus drivers collected thank you signs and cards before returning to their busses. It was a wonderful way to show our gratitude to these professionals who transport our children to and from school and school-related events throughout the year. Bus drivers are often the first staff members that students see each day. For warmly welcoming our students and for keeping them safe each day, we sincerely thank you!



First-graders can Change the World

First-grade students have been working with stories in the new reading series that focus on the Essential Question "How do books change lives around the world?" To expand on this theme, the first-grade classes at Northwest Primary partnered with Operation Christmas Child to show that "First-graders can help change lives around the world." Classes collected small items, such as boxes of crayons, books, Chapstick, combs, brushes, toys, etc., that were packaged into shoe boxes and delivered around the world to children in need.

Northwest Primary Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY

- 9 Last day for Kiss the Pig Contest
- 11 Valentine's Parties
- 18 Staff In-service No School
 - Parent/Teacher Confereces 3:45-5:45 PM
- 21 Presidents' Day No School

MARCH

- 11 End of 3rd 9 weeks
- 17 Parent/Teacher Confereces 3:45-5:45 PM
- 28-4/1 Spring Break Week No School

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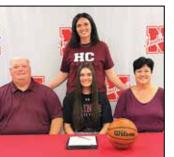
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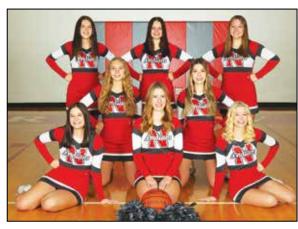
VARSITY WRESTLING - Front Row: Dominick Rohr, Jeffrey McHenry, Owen Gonzalez, Aaron Workinger, Bradyn Wolfe, Trenton Butcher, Kaden Rohr; Middle Row: Jack Engelman, Mason Gonzalez, Chris Davis, Jake Followay, Marc Talarico, Chad Griffith; Back Row: Bradly Garber, Owen Reinford, Cody Workinger, Cody Logan, Ben Schilling, Josh Faris, Brennon Fernwalt.



INDIANS BASKETBALL - Front Row: Carsen Nickey, Caleb Hyrne, Chase Badger, Luke Soptelean, Trevor Pitsch, Josh Smith, Parker Kraft, Brady Lantz; Middle Row: Luke Metzger, Ian Spencer, Garrett Baughman, Jacob Jones, Ethan Nickey, Reed Pritchard, Josh Baker, Amir Stewart; Back Row: Coach Mack Ferrell, Coach Mike Lower, Austin Wright, Isaac LaFay, Ray Stokes, Landon Bottomley, Aidan Barna, Alex Goddard, Ian Ziegler, Jon Olien-Lewis, Noah Harper, Coach Dave Cooper, Coach Ryan Brotherton.



Carly Spradling signs her Letter of Intent to play basketball at College of the Holy Cross.



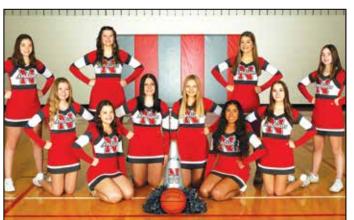
VARSITY CHEERLEADERS - Front Row: Merecedes Carnifax, Katie Popovic, Rileigh Schreffler; Middle Row: Emma Barnes, Kylee Cottrill; Back Row: Alexia Clark, Madison Zellers, Ava Meredith.



GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL - Front Row: Delanie Carmany, Noell Lovett, Kaitlyn Steiner, Ashlyn Stark, Gwen Lower; Back Row: Coach Cooper Ross, Ashley Cudnik, Carly Spradling, Coach Kevin Lower, Lily Bottomley, Emily Donaldson, Gianna Kuhn, Coach Natalie Sarbaugh.



GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL - Front Row: Madison Dawson, Brooke Snelick, Kendall Lower, Madison Metzger, Noell Lovett, Kaitlyn Steiner; Back Row: Coach Cooper Ross, Autumn Kennard, Peyton Stark, Samantha Kaufman, Jada Sparks, Emily Donaldson, Bri Plotner, Anika Okolish, Riley Dankovich, Coach Natalie Sarbaugh.



JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS Front Row: Allison Spencer, Kaylee Turley, Gracee Skelly, Evie Wade, Jayla Skelley, Alyssa Faris; Back Row: Rose Derry, Madita Ittman Madison Boone, Kianna Natko.



Congratulations to Paige Owsiany, Stark County Player of the Year for Div. II/III for soccer season.