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Lunch Prices

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

Thank You!



Schools STRONG: Community Future

The Northwest School District Board of Education, staff, and students would like to thank our community for their support in approving our earned income tax renewal. We will continue to use these funds to benefit our children and strive to continue to provide a quality education for our students.



Present Members of National Honor Society - Front row: Amber Lantz, Cailin Chumita, Sarah Hughes, Heidi Smith; Row 2: Madison Barabasch, Meghan Craney, Jay Aaron, Nathan Huscusson; Row 3: Malia Hamad, Hayley Woodrum, Abigayle Guenther, Natalie Feaser; Row 4: Elora LaFay, Kamryn Culp, Chloe Sickman, Emily Garside; Back row: Nathaniel Bowman, Garrett Weaver, Jack Shanor, Owen Cunningham.



National Honor Society Inductees - Front row: Elijah Amiot, Ashton Nair, Marina Foulk, Cassie Stewart, Shiann Jansen; Row 2: Briana Followay, Leeann Dolensky, Kennedy Kraft, Chloe Barcheck; Row 3: Olivia Gillig, Avery Brockmeyer, Natalie Geiger, Ryan Moellendick; Row 4: Cassidy Dagnen, Kelsey Lawrence, Keirsten Lawrence, Emily Adkins, Caroline Kuhn; Back row: Eileen Robinson, Jordan Marecek, Riley Cudnik, Ethan Hyrne.

National Honor Society: 22 New Members Represent the Best of Northwest

On October 24th, National Honor Society inducted 22 new members. It is truly an honor and a privilege to be inducted into NHS. In addition to academic excellence, members must also demonstrate character, leadership, and service. Following the presentation of certificates and the pledge of new members, Adviser Mrs. Heather Matoszkia acknowledged not only the hard work and dedication of NHS students but also the important role of their parents. She encouraged all

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From left: Bob Schilling, Vice-President John Hexamer, Board President James Gindlesberger, Victor Colaianni, Stephen Jones.

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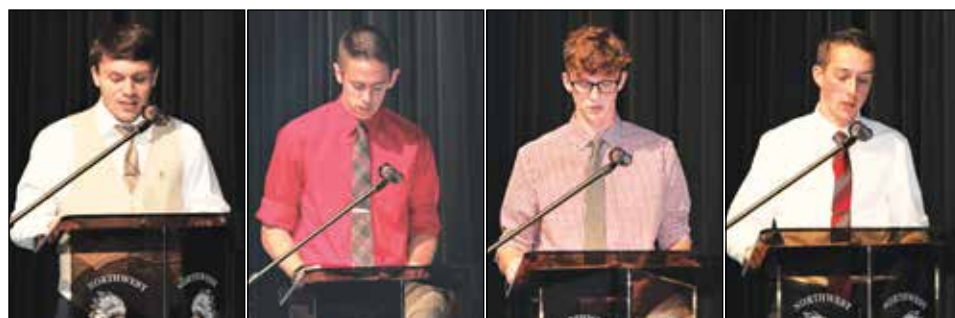
Season's Greetings

Time has flown by quickly since the start of the school year and our student are anticipating the holiday season and a well-deserved break. Seasonal activities are abundant, and it is easy for students to get out of their normal daily routines. There are many ways over the break that students can utilize their reading and math skills during the holidays. Students can use their math skills while making Christmas cookies, wrapping presents, and building snowman and snow forts; they can practice their reading skills while playing board games, reading Christmas cards, writing thank you notes, and snuggling up with a holiday chapter or picture book. Setting aside time to spend with family and friends creates memories that last a lifetime.

Happy Holidays,
Debora

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members to give a hug of thanks to their parents for their continued support. Members of NHS continue to represent the school in many endeavors. They have adopted the section of towpath from Canal Fulton to the Summit County line, performing four clean ups each year. They also participate in the Adopt-a-Family program at Christmas by collecting donations and purchasing gifts. For the past several years, they have sponsored the Volley for the Pets volleyball game (benefiting the Stark Humane Society) and Hoops for Hunger basketball game (benefiting Canal Fulton Community Cupboard). It is truly an honor and a privilege to be a member of National Honor Society.



*Jay Aaron,
NHS President*

*Nathan Bowman,
NHS Vice President*

*Jack Shanor,
NHS Secretary*

*Garrett Weaver,
NHS Treasurer*



*Mrs. Matoszkia, Advisor,
hands out certificates.*



New members take the National Honor Society Pledge.

Kindergarten Registration

To be eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 2020, your child must be five on or before August 1st.

The online registration link will be available January 7, 2020 through April 3, 2020 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 must be brought to Central Office to complete the online registration process **by 5:00 p.m. on April 3, 2020:**

- | | |
|--|----------------------------------|
| ✓ Birth certificate | ✓ Parent's Photo ID |
| ✓ Proof of residency (2 forms - utility bill and a rental agreement or mortgage statement) | ✓ Immunization record |
| ✓ Child's social security number | ✓ Custody papers (if applicable) |

Ready to Serve the Community!

Construction of the new YMCA began on February 28, 2019 and was celebrated on April 9 with a groundbreaking ceremony where the official name for the YMCA was proudly announced to be the Schalmo Family YMCA. Don and Carol Schalmo are the platinum sponsors for this project, and Ken Schalmo is donating his time to oversee the YMCA construction as the project manager.

The Y has been offering programs in the community for over six years now that include before and after school child care, yoga classes, SilverSneakers exercise classes, t-ball, and fourth-grade swim lessons for Stinson Elementary students. A community of volunteers and partnerships with the city, Northwest Schools, local businesses, and individuals have come together to raise over \$4 million dollars.

The Schalmo Family YMCA will have a wellness center, indoor walking track, gymnasium, child watch, youth room, soft play block room, community room with a kitchen, locker rooms and a pool. The YMCA is located at 976 Canal St. S across from Lindsay Precast. Memberships for the Schalmo Family YMCA have been on sale since October 16. The project is tentatively slated to open on Dec. 9.

The YMCA means possibilities for the future, fostering healthy living, youth development, and social responsibility. It is a safe and welcoming place for youth, seniors, and families to participate in programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body. Our Promise is to turn no one away due to the inability to pay. In 2018, the YMCA provided over \$17,000 in financial assistance for programs that we ran, and we will continue to provide financial assistance when we open our doors in December. This project has been made possible through the many generous donations from the community, and we are so excited to better serve this area. You can still join in supporting this YMCA project – please contact Pam Leddon at pleddon@ymcastark.org or Mandy Zantow at azantow@ymcastark.org or call 330-970-0123.



Locker Room

**Schalmo Family YMCA
Slated to Open on**

December 9th



Entrance



Wellness Center



Community Room



Pool



Gymnasium



Carly Spradling, Noah Harper, Audrey Aneshansel, and Nicholas Dinkins are excited about the Y-M-C-A!



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Thank You to our Veterans!





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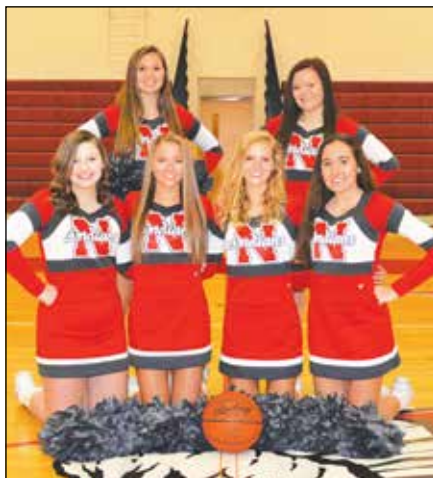
VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

(l to r) Front Row - Ball Girl **Brooke Barkan**, **Caroline Kuhn**, **Gianna Kuhn**, **Morgan Lower**, **Carrie Wyman**, **Jordan Marecek**, **Reese Sanford**, Ball Boy **Trey Lower**; Back Row: Coach **Natalie Sarbaugh**, Coach **Todd Barkan**, **Ashley Cudnik**, **Chloe Sickman**, **Riley Cudnik**, **Lily Bottomley**, **Carly Spradling**, **Sidney Harbaugh**, **Emily Stokes**, Coach **Jayson Gillson**, Coach **Kevin Lower**.



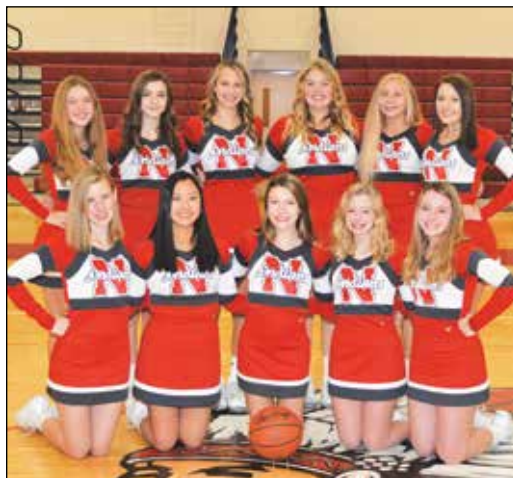
JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

(l to r) Front Row - Ball Girl **Brooke Barkan**, **Gianna Kuhn**, **Abigail Ross**, **Ashlyn Stark**, **Gwen Lower**, **Jayla Smith**, **Ashley Cudnik**, Ball Boy **Trey Lower**; Back Row: Coach **Natalie Sarbaugh**, Coach **Todd Barkan**, **Kassidy Kimler**, **Noell Lovett**, **Emily Stokes**, **Lily Bottomley**, **Anika Okolish**, **Caroline Kuhn**, **Reese Sanford**, Coach **Jayson Gillson**, Coach **Kevin Lower**.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

(l to r) Kneeling - **Maddy Barabasch**, **Kate Finefrock**, **Cailin Chumita**, **Abigail Guenther**; Standing - **Chloe Barcheck**, **Cassidy Young**.



JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

(l to r) Kneeling - **Katelynn Popovic**, **Mary Paydock**, **Kylee Cottrill**, **Rileigh Schreffler**; Standing - **Alexia Clark**, **Brooke Barrett**, **Olivia Lazarus**, **Eileen Robinson**, **Emma Barnes**, **Alyssa Pavick**.



VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

(l to r) Kneeling - Ball Boy **Noah Cooper**; Standing Coach **Mike Lower**, **Jesse Pastoria**, **Nick Dinkins**, **Ethan Hyrne**, **Mason Woodruff**, **Nick Leeders**, **Trey Miletich**, **Davin Harness**, **Alex Goddard**, **Kyle Luhning**, **Nick Smith**, **Brady Schenz**, **Remington McClung**, Coach **Mac Ferrell**, Coach **Dave Cooper**.



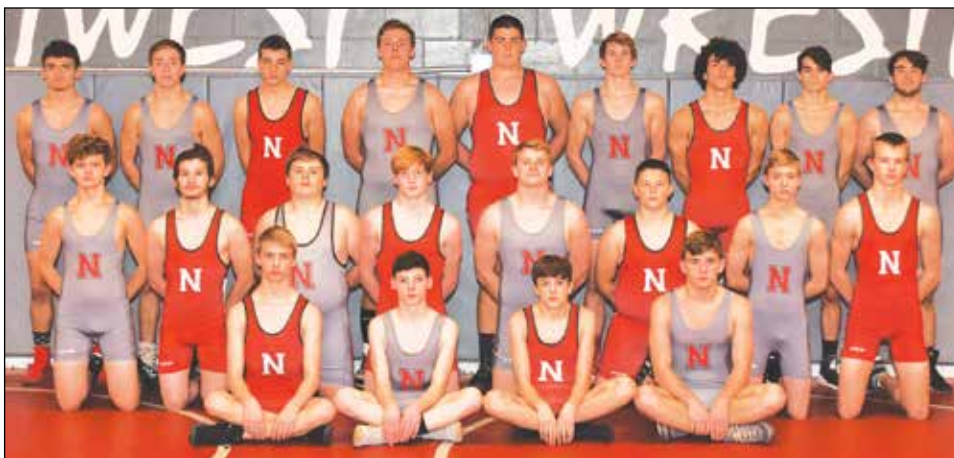
JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

(l to r) Kneeling - Ball Boy **Noah Cooper**; Standing Coach **Mike Lower**, **Jesse Pastoria**, **Jayden Berry**, **Cooper Barnby**, **Parker Wise**, **Alex Goddard**, **Mason Kunkle**, **Aidan Barna**, **Isaac LaFay**, **Noah Harper**, **Aidan Roncaglione**, **Brady Schenz**, **Ethan Nickey**, Coach **Mac Ferrell**, Coach **Dave Cooper**.



FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL

(l to r) Kneeling - Ball Boy **Noah Cooper**; Standing Coach **Mike Lower**, **Jesse Pastoria**, **Isaac Willis**, **Austin Wright**, **Reed Pritchard**, **Tyler Dias**, **Carter Magyarics**, **Caden Biechler**, **Isaac LaFay**, **Noah Harper**, **Ethan Nickey**, **Ray Stokes**, **Luke Metzger**, Coach **Dave Cooper**.



VARSITY WRESTLING

(l to r) Front Row: **Joshua Faris, Damien Ries, Joseph Mitchell, Chris Davis**; Middle row: **Grant Tomcsik, Maon Gonzalez, James Cunningham, Aiden Clark, Colton Weber, Owen Reinford, Jerry Plumb, Benjamin Schilling**; Back row: **Adam Wenhart, Beau Bleakley, Cody Worker, Cody Logan, Riley Plotner, Jacobi Smith, Austin Donaldson, Mason Goliath, Tanner Jones**.



Northwest Girls Cross Country Team at the Regional Championship

Cross Country Boasts Historic Season

The 2019 cross country season, under the leadership of Coach Brian Armstrong, was a fun and historic season for the Northwest teams. The teams accepted the challenge to work hard every day to become the best runners they could be.

Boys Cross Country was led by five seniors who each set a new Personal Record during the season. Highlights for the team included a 4th place finish at the GlenOak Invitational, a 5th place finish at the Dover Invitational, and a 10th place at the Medina Invitational. The team was 15th in Stark County, 5th in the PAC, and 11th at the District Championship. Senior **Mason Goliath** recorded the fastest time of the season, a 17:25.1, at the PAC Championship and earned second team all-PAC honors. He was the lead runner for the team in four meets. **Jack Shanor** also finished first for the team in four meets and recorded the best average finish for the boys. Sophomore **Mario Zito** was the lead runner in two meets and had the second best average finish for the team.

Girls Cross Country had a historic season! This year's young team proved to be a good mix of talent, experience, and leadership. Fifteen girls set new Personal Records during the season. Team highlights included a 4th place finish at the GlenOak Invitational, 3rd at the East Canton Invite, 4th at Dover, 6th at Sandy Valley, 9th at the Medina Invitational, 11th in Stark County, and 2nd in the PAC. The girls made history at the District Championship meet as they finished 5th and became **the FIRST Northwest Girls Cross Country team to qualify to the Regional Championship**. **Lucie Doubet** had the fastest time of the season, a 20:23 at the PAC Championship. **Leeann Dolensky** had the 2nd fastest time of 20:58 also at the PAC. **Lucie** earned first team All PAC honors.

Keeping our Roads Safe

Lawrence Township Trustees and Northwest Local Schools need your help! There is a dangerous safety hazard on many roads in Lawrence Township. This affects all drivers and many of the children riding the school buses.

As many of you know, it is the responsibility of the Lawrence Township Trustees to keep the township roads in good repair and to protect the users of the roads in the township. With this in mind, there are several streets in Lawrence Township where residents' trees, bushes, shrubs, etc. are beginning to interfere with road traffic. This is actually becoming a safety hazard for drivers. Trees are becoming canopies over the roads and bushes and shrubs are growing way out into the road from the properties.

The overgrowth of this vegetation causes several problems:

- Drivers have a limited view of the road, traffic, pedestrians, wildlife, etc.
- Drivers have to swerve around the area of the overgrowth which can possibly cause an accident.
- Drivers of large trucks and buses hit this overgrowth and cause branches, leaves and twigs to splinter leaving debris in the road.
- Drivers of the snowplows and salt trucks must also swerve to avoid this overgrowth so as to not damage the trucks. This means the streets are not able to be cleared and salted properly. This causes a dangerous situation for school buses trying to get the children to school safely.
- The overgrowth of vegetation causes the roads in that area to continually stay wet and causes further damage to the road.

By law, it is the responsibility of the property owner to remove vegetation and dangerous branches that overhang into the road. We are asking you to help us keep the roads in Lawrence Township safe for everyone by properly maintaining the vegetation on your property along the road.

Thank you for your cooperation with this problem. Again, we appreciate your help in removing the excess vegetation along and over the township roads.

In the near future, we will be contacting residents via orange door hangers. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jim Sims, Road Superintendent, at 330-854-3494.

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LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
Mr. Michael Stevens – President
Mr. Lester Kamph – Vice President
Mr. Shawn Lockhart – Trustee

Leeann Dolensky, Megan Swogger, and Emma Weaver all earned second team All PAC accolades. They were the only girls team from the PAC to qualify for Regionals. **Lucie Doubet** finished as the top Northwest runner in 10 meets. **Leeann Dolensky, Sophie Wyles, and Megan Swogger** all took a turn as our second runner. **Sophie Wyles**, a senior, provided exceptional leadership for the team over the course of the season.

The girls worked very hard all season and reaped the rewards of their work by making history! Congratulations to the Northwest Cross Country teams!



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Northwest High School



Getting Involved!

This year, Northwest High School has implemented an advisory period to encourage student involvement. Traditionally, clubs have met before or after school, but with the new advisory period, students can meet during the school day and take a break from their regular academic courses. The advisory period occurs each day for half an hour right before lunch periods and each club meets on a specific day in an assigned location. This new program has enabled the high school to expand club offerings, as well! The feedback from staff and students has been very positive!



NHS Students Welcome New "Staff"

Ben is a two-year-old Chocolate Labradoodle. He is Mrs. Schluep's furry son and is a newly trained therapy dog. He loves his visits to the Northwest guidance office on Wednesdays and is always available to travel around to Northwest buildings for visits! Ben also attends Mrs. Schluep's Stress Less club meetings on Wednesdays. Welcome, Ben!





Northwest Vocal Program Shines

Under the leadership of **Director Mr. Douglas Beery** and **Assistant Director Mr. Conner Busby**, the High School Choirs are off to a successful start this school year. This year's High School Vocal Music Program includes eight choirs in total including Chorale, Varsity Choir, Concert Choir, Men's Chorus, Women's Chorus, Northwest Singers, Kokopelli Scholars, and Vocal Muse.

Our very own NHS Chorale was selected from the Northeast Ohio area as the honored guest at the Kent State University All-Star Choir Festival. One outstanding high school choir is selected from the Northeast Ohio Region, and our Chorale was fortunate enough to be selected this year to perform on the concert at KSU in Kent!

Choir members are currently practicing for Solo and Ensemble, the February high school musical production of *Into The Woods*, and the annual Holiday Festival Concert. Join us Sunday, December 8th at 3:30 pm for the Northwest Choir Holiday Festival Concert featuring all eight choirs for an afternoon of choral music and poetry sung in an uninterrupted fashion as choirs sing from all over Puffenberger Hall to create a special holiday treat to get your holiday season started off right!



Upcoming Choir Events and Performances

Dec 8	Holiday Concert @Puffenberger Hall	3:30pm
Jan. 18	Solo & Ensemble @Massillon Washington HS All-Day	
Feb. 7-9	"Into The Woods" @Puffenberger Hall	7pm, 7pm, 2pm
Mar. 5	Winter Concert @Puffenberger Hall	7pm
Mar. 6-7	District Large Group Contest @Lake HS	
May 1-2	State Large Group Contest @Jackson HS	
May 7	Spring Concert @Puffenberger Hall	7pm
May 15	Showcase Concert @Puffenberger Hall	7pm
May 19	Choir Banquet/Awards @Commons/Puffenberger Hall.....	6/7pm

Dates to Remember

December

5	Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	2:30-7:30pm
8	Holiday Choir Concert @Puffenberger Hall.....	3pm
17	Holiday Band Concert @Puffenberger Hall	7pm
18-20	Semester Exams	
23-31	Christmas Break — NO SCHOOL	

January

2	Last day of Christmas Break — NO SCHOOL	
3	Teacher In-service — NO SCHOOL	
10	End of semester	
17	Report Cards issued	
20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day — NO SCHOOL	
21	CCP Night @Puffenberger Hall.....	6-7pm

February

1	Blizzard Bash Winter Formal	
7-8-9	High School Musical: <i>Into the Woods</i>	
14	Waiver Day — NO SCHOOL	
17	Presidents' Day — NO SCHOOL	
20	Parent/Teacher Conferences.....	2:30-7:30pm
20	8th Grade Schedule Night @Puffenberger Hall.....	6pm
25	State ACT administered to Juniors	



2019-2020 Choir Officers

(l to r): **Jack Carley**, President; **Audrey Aneshansel**, Vice President; **Leah Goodrich**, Secretary; **Hayley Woodrum**, Treasurer.



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Northwest Middle School



JTI Members Raise Funds and Provide Fun

JTI—Junior Teen Institute—is a group of seventh and eighth-graders that meet twice a week to have fun and bond with others in a drug free, alcohol free, and bully free group. Students in the middle school host a Halloween dance to raise money for activities in the club. The JTI students plan the dance and then work at it by helping with food, drinks, announcements, and general assignments. The dance was so successful that the group was able to donate extra proceeds to the backpack program, the special needs unit, and the CARE Team for socks and underwear for those in need.



Throughout the year, JTI members also host a Christmas party, enjoy fun games bonding after school, and plan the middle school Easter Egg Hunt. All JTI activities center around one idea—what it means to set an example and to be a positive influence in the school. Many members will go on to join Teen Institute in high school.



Anchors Aweigh!

On November 15th and 16th, another full-house crowd gathered for the 2nd annual fall play, the farce comedy *Anchors Aweigh!* Under the direction of **Mr. Conner Busby**, a cast and crew of 29 students boarded the S.S. Flounder and took the audience on the cruise of a lifetime. Special thanks to **Loren Sundheimer** for his work in constructing the set and set pieces, **Kelsie Milky** for painting the set and bringing it to life, **Jacob Greene** and **Isaac Crowder** for their work in AV designing the light and sound plots, **Greg Ramos** and the **administration** for their unending support, and the **families of all the cast members** for supporting them through this full process.



Winning Team: Mr. Maculaitis, Gabriel Donnewith, Alaina Gramse-Halpin, Sean Ritchey, Hailey Williams, Brady Finn, Brooke Gearhart, Branded Miller, Brianna Plotner, Eli Gauder, Callie Baughman, Parker Kraft, Kendel Eckel, Ethan Blankenship, Caolyn Foster, McKenzie Barnby, Ryder Smith, Emily Villers, Robert Matisak, Luke Bahl, Kendall Lower, Zackary Tatar.

Greek Olympics

On Friday, October 25, seventh graders participated in the annual Greek Olympics. They were placed into six teams and assigned a color. Those teams competed against each other in different events all day. Some of the events included tug of war, jeopardy, family feud, suitcase relay race, and Frisbee toss. *Congratulations to Mr. Maculaitis' class, this year's winning team!*



Dates to Remember

December

- 17 Holiday Band Concert @Puffenberger Hall 7pm
- 18 Holiday Choir Concert
- 23-31 Christmas Break — **NO SCHOOL**

January

- 2 Last day of Christmas Break — **NO SCHOOL**
- 3 Teacher In-service — **NO SCHOOL**
- 10 *End of Second Nine-Week Grading Period*
- 13-15 MAP Testing
- 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day — **NO SCHOOL**

February

- 13 Winter Parent/Teacher Conferences
Sixth-Grade Camp Parent Meeting
- 14 Waiver Day — **NO SCHOOL**
- 17 Presidents' Day — **NO SCHOOL**



Eighth-graders visit the Udvar-Hazy Air and Space Museum.

Eighth Graders Visit D.C.

From November 7th through November 9th, 96 eighth-grade students and 8 Northwest teachers and chaperones traveled to Washington, D.C. Their trip began with a stop at the Udvar-Hazy Air and Space Museum before heading into the city to tour the WWII, Vietnam, Korean, and Lincoln Memorials. On day two, students traveled to The White House for a photo opportunity, followed by a visit to Arlington National Cemetery where students were honored with presenting a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Later that day, students toured the Capitol Building, the Smithsonian museums, and the MLK Memorial before heading to Medieval Times for a dinner show. The students concluded their trip by visiting Gettysburg for a battlefield tour and by visiting the Gettysburg museum and a Cyclorama battle presentation. Once again, the traditional visit to D.C. is a trip students will always remember.

Brooke Snelick, Kaylee Turley, Jessica Aneshansel, and Libby Reese were presenters at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



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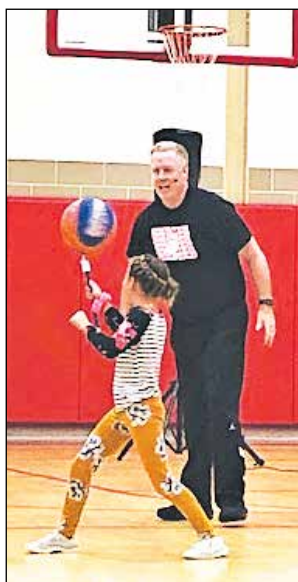
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W.S. Stinson Elementary School



Jim “Basketball” Jones Inspires Students

On Friday, October 4, Stinson Elementary had the honor of hosting Jim Basketball Jones. Jim has over 20 years of experience as a professional school assembly speaker with over 7,500 school assemblies performed. Jim uses his basketball skills, humor, and dancing skills to engage students in messages about being a COUNT ON ME student. His message parallels many of the values we are hoping to instill in our Stinson students. Jim reminds us, “You may not be able to change the whole world, but you have the ability to change somebody else’s world.”



Fire Education at Stinson

Emergency vehicles were recently on scene at Stinson Elementary! That’s right — fire trucks and firefighters rolled in on Monday, October 7th to educate our third grade students about the dangers of fire, to speak on fire safety, and to explain truck and fire equipment. Although students have been introduced to the subject in years past and continue to learn in lessons throughout their schooling, the Canal Fulton Fire Department welcomes every opportunity to interact with our young children.

Presentations were given in each classroom as well as a “walking field trip” outdoors to further examine equipment used in their daily jobs. **Gavin Kelly** remembers hearing how important it is to “Get as far away as possible from the house if it’s burning.” **Sophia Wamsley** was surprised to hear how often there are fires. Additionally, **Riley McGeorge** liked examining the fire trucks and seeing the compartments used for keeping supplies and tools. The children were amazed at the speed in which firefighters could don their gear! As always, firefighters never fail to impress us. *Thank you Canal Fulton Fire Department for visiting Stinson!*





SWIMtober!

At Stinson, October has become synonymous with swim lessons. All fourth grade students had the opportunity to visit the David YMCA in Jackson for five consecutive days to participate in swim lessons. Each week, one fourth grade class was transported to the YMCA where they were taught by certified swimming instructors. The children were initially given a swim test to check their swimming abilities. They were then placed in groups so the swimming instructors could better meet each swimmer's needs. In each group, the instructors worked on kicking, stroke development, breathing, diving, jumping, and water safety. They were also given plenty of free swim time which the children loved! This was a wonderful opportunity for our fourth graders.



Dates to Remember

December

- 5 Fifth Grade Family Living
- 10 Talent Show (Puffenberger Hall) 7:00pm
- 13 Count on Me Day
- 20 Christmas parties
- 23-31 Winter Break — **NO SCHOOL**

January

- 2 Last day of Christmas Break — **NO SCHOOL**
- 3 Teacher In-service — **NO SCHOOL**
- 10 *End of 2nd 9 weeks*
- 16 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day — **NO SCHOOL**
- 24 Fifth Grade Career Day

February

- 7 Count on Me Day
- 13 Valentine's Day Parties
- 13 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 14 Waiver Day — **NO SCHOOL**
- 17 Presidents' Day — **NO SCHOOL**

Paver Stones: A Lasting Gift

Consider a holiday gift that will last—a legacy to share with all who enter Smilek Stadium. This year, fans entered in style where Northwest Spirit was on display and “set in stone.” You can still join the many who have shared their memories, traditions, and milestones on the new 10'x10' paver pads on either side of the new ticket booth at the stadium entrance. Visit the fund-raiser site to view the paver flyer and order form. The site also offers samples of themed bricks and lists current contributors. https://fundrazr.com/NWPavers-acherishedmonument?ref=ab_386pN5.

Child Find

In an effort to serve young people with disabilities, Northwest Local is continually in the process of locating and evaluating children from 3 to 21 years of age who are suspected as having a disability. Disabilities may include developmental delays, health impairments, autism, and traumatic brain injury.

Individuals may contact the building Principals or Director of Special Services about children suspected as having a disability that may qualify for special education services. Information is available about special education policies and procedures in each building by contacting the building Principal.

Northwest has a child identification process that includes the location, identification and evaluation of a child suspected of having a disability within and outside of district buildings. The Department of Special Services coordinates the child identification process. The Northwest evaluation staff uses a variety of community resources and systematic activities in order to identify children requiring special services. Included in this effort is consultation with appropriate representatives of private school students attending private schools located within the boundaries of the Northwest Local District to carry out this process.

Northwest ensures that this process for students attending private or religious schools located in the Northwest is comparable to activities undertaken for students with disabilities served in the public school setting. If you have questions about the process, please call Scott Burnett, Director of Special Services, at 330-854-2292.



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Northwest Primary School

Welcome, Dads!

Northwest Primary first graders shared a special Dinner with Dad on Thursday, October 3. Dads enjoyed Chick-fil-A dinners, visited classrooms, and wrote special words-of-encouragement letters to their children. Raffle baskets created by students and staff raised money to help raise funds for trips to *Peter and the Wolf*, *The Nutcracker*, and the *Kinderconcert*. Dads and students built models and participated in a variety of activities provided by Bricks 4 Kidz, a program designed to create interest in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math. *Thank you to the PTO and the Northwest Primary staff for making this a special night for dads and students alike!*





Dates to Remember

December

- 20 Christmas parties
- 23-31 Winter Break — **NO SCHOOL**

January

- 2 Last day of Christmas Break — **NO SCHOOL**
- 3 Teacher In-service — **NO SCHOOL**
- 10 *End of 2nd 9 weeks*
- 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day — **NO SCHOOL**
- 24 Multicultural Day
- 28 Kiss the Pig contest begins

February

- 11 Last day for Kiss the Pig contest
- 13 Valentine's Day Parties
- 14 Waiver Day — **NO SCHOOL**
- 17 Presidents' Day — **NO SCHOOL**
- 27 Parent/Teacher Conferences.....3:45-5:45pm
- Family Science Fair.....6:00pm



Fall Sports Experience

October 21st was a beautiful fall day full of laughter, exercise, and activity. Northwest Primary students welcomed high school athletes for a fun afternoon of football, soccer, and cheerleading. This annual tradition is a great way to introduce fall sports to these young students.

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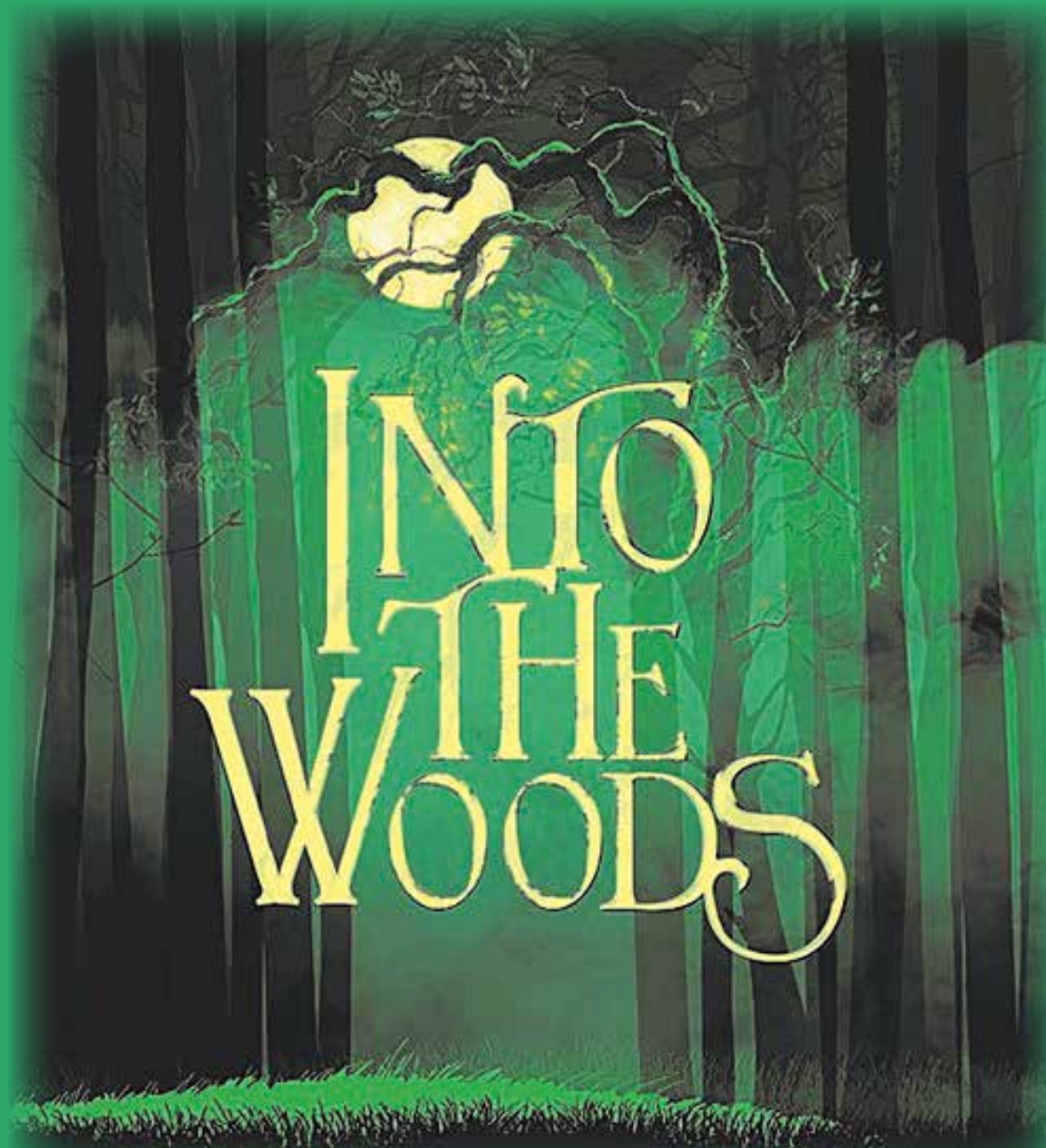
**Northwest High School
presents**

Into the Woods

**Friday, February 7, 2020
at 7:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, February 8, 2020
at 7:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, February 9, 2020
at 2:00 p.m.**



“Be careful what you wish for” seems to be the ongoing theme in Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine’s Brothers Grimm inspired musical, *Into the Woods*. The story follows The Baker and his wife who wish to have a child, Cinderella who wishes to go to the King’s Festival, and Jack who wishes his cow would give some milk. When the Baker and his wife are visited by the neighborhood witch, who reveals to them that she placed a curse on their family, the two set off on a journey into the woods to reverse the curse. Also in the woods we meet Little Red, who is trying to visit her grandmother, the Wolf, who loves tasty little girls, the Witch’s daughter Rapunzel, and the Princes chasing after their loves. By the end of Act I, everyone has gotten their wish and will seemingly live happily ever after.

But in Act II, when Jack’s beanstalk brings them a visit from an angry Giant, we see how the consequences of their actions haunt them in disastrous ways. The community must come together to save each other and their kingdom, but sacrifices must be made.

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