

# STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE



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Headmaster of Jiaozhou Number One High School in China and JHS Principal Rick Campbell sign a Memorandum of Understanding as Program Coordinator Linda Salom witnesses.

## You can be a part of Jackson's exciting Chinese exchange

Over the past year, Jackson High School has formed a sister-school bond of educational enrichment with Jiaozhou Number One H.S. in Jiaozhou City, Shandong Province, China. On April 15 the bond was cemented when JHS hosted a reception for visiting

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## JHS moves up in Newsweek rankings

Each year, Newsweek picks the best high schools in the country based on how hard school staffs work to challenge students with advanced placement college-level courses and tests. Just over 1600 schools—only six percent of all the public schools in the U.S.—made the list.

For the 6th consecutive year, Jackson High School made the list, moving up from 1,249 on last year's list to 1,046 this year. Only one other Stark County high school, (Hoover, North Canton), made the list.

## Thank you, anonymous donor

In honor of Teacher Appreciation Week, each and every person who works at Jackson Local Schools received a beautifully designed tee-shirt from an anonymous community member. The donor said he/she wanted to show appreciation to ALL staff for their hard work and dedication to the students of Jackson Local Schools. The fabulous shirt design incorporated accomplishments from each school building for the 2009-2010 school year. Our staff was not only thrilled to receive the gift of appreciation, and have been wearing them proudly.



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## Head of the Class of 2010



**Rohan Bhargava**  
Valedictorian



**Michelle Hummel**  
Salutatorian



**Ethan Ash**  
Top Honors



**David Peters**  
Top Honors



**Aaron Strickland**  
Top Honors



**Abigail Whisler**  
Top Honors



**Ellen Martin**  
Top Honors



**David Ertle**  
Top Honors



**Nathan Kanam**  
Top Honors



**John Pinson**  
Top Honors



**Joel Sweitzer**  
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## Top 25 students honor teachers who inspired, cared, demanded their best

At the end of each school year, Jackson High School's top 25 students are invited to honor a teacher who made a difference in their lives. Some students were impressed by the teacher who saw their potential and lifted them to it. Others were impressed by their teacher's humor, intellect, or ability to communicate. Still others were moved by the teacher who simply cared about them on a daily basis or during a time of personal crisis.

### *This year's students and honorees are:*

Ethan Ash honored Scott Eversdyke  
Rohan Bhargava honored Bruce Lautzenheiser  
Clayton Casper honored Julie Prato  
Paula Chen honored Lee Ann Kalkhoff  
Stephen Denning honored Harold Fisher  
Rose Digianantonio honored Marian Beresh  
David Ertle honored Kathy Matheson  
Dina Farah honored Jill Clapper  
Matthew Hagen honored Mike Draime  
Michelle Hummel honored Michele Monigold  
Stephanie Hummel honored Julianne Litman



**This year's top 25 students with the teachers they honored at a dinner held at Brookside Country Club. The dinner was paid for by a Jackson family with a long history of generosity toward the students of Jackson Local Schools.**

Rachel James honored Stephanie Scourfield  
Nathan Kanam honored Dan Taray  
Matt Kirkland honored Gary Chaddock  
Greg Marchand honored Mike Biro  
Ellen Martin honored Kathryn Stone  
David Peters honored Matt Gillette  
John Pinson honored Matt Ziders

Brooke Roman honored Nancy Montgomery  
Taylor Sherrod honored Ted Snow  
Tanya Srivastava honored Parthena Draggett  
Aaron Strickland honored Carley Anne Barnes  
Joel Sweitzer honored Sam Carmony  
Mindy Thomas honored Chris Adolph  
Abigail Whistler honored Tonya Gillette



## Personal Finance

Todd Hawke, from the GDK & Company, volunteered in our Cooperative Business Classes, teaching students the Junior Achievement Personal Finance Program. In five volunteer-led



sessions, this program introduces students to the importance of making wise financial choices. Students explore the role that money plays in achieving personal goals throughout life. They develop planning, goal setting, and thoughtful decision-making skills that will help them protect themselves from the unexpected financial pitfalls that plague so many adults. Pictured with Mr. Hawke are: Joelle George, Samantha Herrick, Jordan Jones, Voula Nikolaou, Nicole Rittmaier, Tina Rohr, and Julie Romano.

## JHS writers take top spots in DAR contest

The Daughters of the American Revolution sponsor an annual writing contest officially known as the Junior American Citizens Contest. This year's theme was *America, Land of the Free and Home of the Brave*. Any student may enter through a local chapter; Jackson's two winning students, Joelle George and Allison Antram, entered through the Canton Chapter and won at the local level. Both girls progressed to state level and placed there as well. This is Allison's second victory, as she entered last year and won a national award in her division.

"I am always excited when students want to pursue writing outside of the school venue. Both girls are excellent creative writers, and I hope this will encourage them to pursue careers in writing," said their writing coach Kim Germano.



Joelle George (left) and Allison Antram.

## Environmental Home Design

The Building Industry Association and the Repository challenged Stark County high school students to design and build models of homes with green technology, complete with elevations, foundation plans, landscape, and a list of energy-efficient features. Greg Marchand was one of the county's three winners, placing second. He plans to attend Wright State University where he will study engineering. "A lot of problem solving went into this project," Greg said.

Also entering the contest, was Julian Mueller. Although he did not place, his mechanical drawing teacher, Keith Kohmann said, "Julian demonstrated a unique perspective, using Legos to square the foundation, just like an actual home would be built. He thought outside the box."



Keith Kohmann's Mechanical Drawing II students with two of the many home models that were built.

"I learned a lot from this project, and I feel I can carry what I learned into real-life situations," said Julian.

## DECA students place in the top 10 at state

DECA is an international association of high school and college students studying marketing, management, and entrepreneurship in business, finance, hospitality, and marketing sales and service. The following students placed in the top 10 at the state competition. Junior Business Management students Jenna Barnaby and Andrea Sutton competed in the event, Buying and Merchandising Operations Research Event and placed 7th.



Junior Business Management student Cody Oldham competed individually in the Marketing Management event. Cody placed 4th in the state competition and was a national qualifier. He attended the International competition for DECA in Louisville Kentucky at the end April.

Senior Cooperative Business Education students Samantha Herrick, Jordan Jones, and Julie Romano competed in the event, Hospitality and Tourism Operations Research and placed 9th at state.

**On The Banner**

**POLAR** Michaela Puterbaugh  
Josh Harold  
Zach Hilbert  
Ryan Sheeler  
Miles Griffin

**BEAR** Alex Mallue  
Nate Locke  
Tyler Graening  
Steve Griffin

**PRIDE** Braden Ehmer  
Zach Brady  
Camilla Pritchett  
Meghan Eder  
Taylor Willoughby



**Carly (left) and Abby Zalenski with students in Vietnam. JHS freshman builds school in Vietnam**

Abby Zalenski, a JHS 9th grader, raised enough money to build a school in the Vietnam village of Hoa Lac. Abby began her fund-raising campaign in 8th grade, and reached her goal in just over one year by appealing to private foundations, Rotary groups in District 6650, and the Vietnam Children's Fund.

Abby's family traveled to Vietnam in March to dedicate the school.

They took a backpacks filled with school supplies for each of the

school's 500 students. Abby raised funds for the backpacks by writing each Vietnamese student's name on a paper doll cut-out and selling them for \$5 each at JHS.

While in country, the Zalenski family made a stop at another school—the one Abby's older

sister, Carly, built in 2008.

"The students at Carly's school still had the backpacks we gave them two years ago," said a very impressed Abby.

"This has given me so much perspective on life. I can see beyond myself to the bigger picture, and I don't feel nearly as materialistic as I once did. It was amazing to see how happy the Vietnamese children are with how little they have.

*"Education is one of the most fundamental and important things you can give a kid."*

—Abby Zalenski

"We don't want to stop now, and we have a younger brother and

cousins who also like to help us, so this won't be the last of Kids Building Hope (the non-profit organization founded by Abby and Carly for the purpose of building the schools). Education is one of the most fundamental and important things you can give a kid," Abby said.



## JHS math students up to the challenge

The Stark County High School Mathematics Challenge is held annually at Kent State, Stark Campus. The event, hosted by Kent Stark Math Department and Math Club, is open to students from all Stark County high schools. This year, the JHS team finished 2nd, and Sam Johnson was the individual winner. The team's top scorers were Emily Cavalier, Derrick James, Sam Johnson, Mason Rauchenstein, and Brandon Liebau. Other contributing team members were Aaron Manos, Joy Sobowale, Heather Tsai, Khailing Neoh, and Heath Reichenbach.



## Building unity in our community

Under the direction of teacher Brian Clevenger, Construction Technology classes donated all of the labor to build a 32' x 62' pole barn for the Jackson Parks Department (pictured), the second in two years. In addition, the students built dugouts for the baseball team at the freshman field behind the high school. "We are adding worth to the township at the same time that our students are getting a great education through real life experience. It's truly a win-win for the students and the township," said Mr. Clevenger.

## CHINESE EXCHANGE - Become a Host Family Continued from page 1

headmasters from the Chinese school. At that time, the heads of both schools signed a *Memorandum of Understanding* (MOU) to continue the partnership. By the terms of the MOU, the two schools will work on teacher and students visits and exchanges every other school year. What this means for our district is:

- Teachers from Jiaozhou Number One H.S. to visit JHS in September of 2010.
- Jackson High School teachers to visit Jiaozhou Number One H.S. In Sept./ Oct. 2010

- Jiaozhou High School students visit JHS for a week in mid-September
- A trip to Qingdao for Jackson High School students to be planned for June 2011.
- Jackson will host several international students from Jiaozhou for a year of study beginning next school year. We are starting to search for host families. There will be modest compensation for host families to off-set expenses.
- In the future, the two schools will arrange for Jackson students to

travel to China in the summer for extended Chinese language study (up to 8 weeks) or a full year of study at Jiaozhou Number One High School.

**Any family interested in learning more about hosting a visiting student for the 2010/2011 school year should contact Linda Salom, program coordinator, at 330-837-3501 ext. 1431 [lms2jc@jackson.sparcc.org](mailto:lms2jc@jackson.sparcc.org) or Marian Beresh, guidance counselor for International Programs at 330-837-3501 ext. 1410 [mhb2jc@jackson.sparcc.org](mailto:mhb2jc@jackson.sparcc.org).**

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## Academic Awards and Scholarships

### Scott Manning Memorial

Chelsea Cochrane

### Benson Family Memorial

Emily Cavalier, Shelby Hutton & Caitlin Miller

### Anthony Sandy Memorial Scholarships

Stephen Neal

### JHS Class of 1979 Scholarship

Aaron Strickland

### Stephanie Beoglos Bartuseck Memorial

Jordon Ayers & Kara Loughry

### Phil Graham Scholarship

Benjamin Berry

### Jackson Township Lions Club Scholarship

Theresa Frederick, Kristen Scali & Sarah Schiller

### Jackson Township Rotary Club Rick Rodak Scholarship

Carli Williams

### Monsignor Joseph Krispinsky Scholarship (Kiwanis Club)

Brooke Berbari, Abigail Whisler, Zachary Laughlin & Carli Williams

### JHS Alumni Scholarship

Ethan Ash, Rohan Bhargava, Tiffany Elum & David Peters

### JHS Class of 1990 Scholarship

Sarah Schiller

### Jackson School for the Arts Scholarship

Ethan Ash, Margaret Duff, Samantha McLaughlin & Lauren Miller

### W. Dale Haverstock Memorial

David Peters

### ESL Scholarship

Jane Klein

### Outstanding Career & Technical Scholarship

Jordan Jones, Cecily Kohl & Matthew Neidert

### Drs. Bernard & Eimer Scholarship

Kelly Loveless & Laura Miller

### Michael Jay Danner Memorial

Jordan Ayers, Stephanie Douglas, Theresa Frederick, Zachary Laughlin, Tessa Lentz, Lauren Miller, Julian Mueller, Abigail Todaro & Alexa Welch

### Walter and Mary Schmid Scholarship

Anna Busta

### J.M.E.A. Scholarship

Ethan Ash & Guenna Bolinger

### Jackson Township Friends of the Library Scholarship

Rachel James & Kevin McLaughlin

### Danner Dental Care Scholarship

Stephanie Douglas

### Jeff Bates Memorial Scholarship

Greg Marchand

### Joseph B. Armogida Inspirational Scholarship

Derek Zuniga

### Jackson Boys' Soccer Booster Club Hat Trick Awards

Chris Angelo, Richard Costin III & Brock Emrick

### State Farm Scholar Athlete Certificate Awards

Rose Digianantonio & Nathan Kanam

### United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award

Michelle Hummel

### United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award

Courtney Armsey

### United States Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Award

Catherine Golden

### United States Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete

Rohan Bhargava & Melinda Thomas

### ROTC Scholarship

Vivian Mazzocca

### Student Council Scholarships

Andrew Castle, Richard Costin, Stephen Neal, David Peters, Tanya Srivastava & Claire Wind

### Band Boosters Scholarship

Michelle Hummel, Kevin McLaughlin & Sarah Schiller

### Bruce Shelly Music Major

Stephen Neal

### Young Artist Award

Margaret Duff, Brock Emrick, Jamie Labuda & Brittney Locker

### National Art Honor Society Scholarship

Brittney Locker

### PRISM Scholarship (Parents Recognizing Innovative Students Mentorship)

Lauren Jokovich

### Evelyn Stark Scholarship

Angelina Studebaker

### Pauline Liebermann Memorial Literary Award

Ethan Ash

### National Honor Society Scholarships

Ethan Ash, Melany Bagnola, Ben Berry, Emily Cavalier, Chelsea Cochrane, Luke DeGalan, Rose Digianantonio, Beth Langenderfer, Sara Schiller & Claire Wind

## Mr. & Miss Jacksonite



Beth Langenderfer



Rohan Bhargava

### Stark County Teens of the Month

Rohan Bhargava, Ellen Martin, Nathan Kanam, Dina Farah, John Pinson, David Peters, Greg Marchand & Clayton Casper

### William R. Thackwell, Jr. Memorial

Emily Jacobson

### Scott Santschi Memorial

Laura Basford

### Stephen Bowers Memorial

Melany Bagnola

### Larry Pritz Memorial

Brooke Roman

### Spanish Club Scholarships

Brett Martz & Brooke Roman

### Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica Scholarship

Ethan Ash, Melany Bagnola, Stephen Denning, Michelle Hummel, Stephanie Schneider & Carli Williams

### Spanish American Women's Club Scholarship

Alexandra Lahm

### National Spanish Exam Gold Medal Placement

Michelle Hummel

## Academic Awards

### National Spanish Exam Silver Medal Placement

Ethan Ash, Alexander Bruch & Stephen Denning

### National Spanish Exam Bronze Level Placement

David Peters, Tanya Srivastava & Aaron Strickland

### O. F. L. A. Award for Excellence in Spanish

Ethan Ash & Michelle Hummel

### O. F. L. A. Award for Excellence in French

Hannah Thomas

### O. F. L. A. Award for Excellence in German

Adrienne Violand

### O. F. L. A. Award for Excellence in Chinese

Ellen Martin

### National Merit Scholarship Winner

Rohan Bhargava

### National Merit Scholarship Finalists

Ethan Ash, Rohan Bhargava,  
Michelle Hummel, Ethan Sales &  
Abigail Whisler

### National Merit Commended Students

Stephen Denning, Rachel James,  
Kevin McLaughlin, Sarah Shew &  
Tanya Srivastava

### Polar Bear Backers Scholarships

Julianne Barkas, David Devine, Brooke Roman & Alexa Welch

### Andy Steve & Harold Montgomery Citizenship Awards

Beth Langenderfer & John Pinson

### Memmer Jackson Habitat for Humanity Scholarship

Fredrick Eruo Jr. & Evan Julian

### Freshmen Mentor Scholarship

Beth Langenderfer & David Peters

### Speech and Debate Scholarship

Maria Komer & Aaron Strickland

### Polymer Packaging Fund Scholarship

Sarah Shew

### Diamond Club Scholarship

David Devine

### Aultman Blood Center Scholarship

Jordan Ayers, Katherine Heade, Tessa Lentz, Melinda Sellari, Ben Sima & Sarah Thorn

### Jackson Youth Basketball Association Scholarships and Awards

Olivia Buttery, David Devine, Bradley DuPont, Joshua Egner, Mark Henniger, Brianna Hoot, Charles Julian, Nathan Kanam & Emily Sanders

### Jackson Cross Country Boosters' Scholarships

Margaret Duff, Beth Langenderfer, David Peters & Lucas Shroades

### Jackson Sideliners Scholarships

Jacob Batcho, Matthew Cochran, Nathan Kanam, Charles Julian & Joel Sweitzer

### Heck Scholarship

Maxwell Dehnke

### Mama Bears Scholarships

Nathan Kanam, Casey Irwin, Zachary Laughlin & Joel Sweitzer

### Jackson Polar Bear Women's Softball Scholarship

Laura Basford, Sara Selinsky, Megan Siskie & Abigail Todaro

### Jackson Polar Bear Women's Soccer Scholarship

Andrea Adams, Paige Bushman, Olivia Buttery, Chelsea Cochran, Alexandra Henry, Lauren Jokovich, Margaret Rusnak, Emily Sanders & Melinda Thomas

### Jackson Girls Softball League Award

Rachel Coleman, Brooke Roman & Nicole Stefansic

### Cheerleading Booster Club Scholarship

Kaylee Bryan, Eryn Clause, Gina Montini  
Brittany O'Neill & Mackenzie Serra

### The Federal League Student Leadership Award

Casey Irwin & Taylor Zito

### Federal League Sam DiBlasi Commissioner's Award Nominees

Dinah Farah, Melinda Thomas, Rohan Bhargava & Nathan Kanam

### Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Awards

Madison Bryan & John Pinson

### V. F.W. Post 3124 Athletes of the Year

Laura Basford & David Devine

### Joe Herman Award

Corey Wingerter

### Meritorious Service Awards

Jerry Whitehair, Jim and Sarah Porter, &  
Connie Prazer

### State Award for Sportsmanship, Ethics & Integrity

Rick Campbell

### Akron Beacon Journal Gold Star Student

Rohan Bhargava

Nominees: Rohan Bhargava, Nathan Kanam, Ellen Martin

## Eagle Scouts

The following members of the class of 2010 earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Eagle is the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouts of America program. Those who attain this rank carry the title for life. Since its introduction in 1911, the Eagle rank has been earned by more than 1.7 million young men. Requirements include earning at least 21 merit badges and demonstrating Scout Spirit, service, and leadership. This includes an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages.

**Clayton Casper, Troop 927, Lake Cable Recreation Association**  
**Luke Degalan, Troop 927, Lake Cable Recreation Association**  
**Andrew Gregg, Troop 927, Lake Cable Recreation Association**  
**Ethan Sales, Troop 265, John Knox Presbyterian Church**  
**Clayton Smith, Troop 935, McDonaldsville St. Paul UM Church**  
**Joel Sweitzer, Troop 927, Lake Cable Recreation Association**  
**Blake Wynkoop, Troop 927, Lake Cable Recreation Association**

**Class of 2010  
earns over  
\$1.5 million in  
scholarships**

These scholarships total \$1,588,258 scholarships. In addition, nine students have received full tuition.





## Studying national security languages abroad

Out of more than 1500 semi-finalists, JHS senior Andi Adams and JHS junior Anna Pickard were selected to receive NSLI-Y (National Security Language Initiative for Youth) scholarships to study abroad. Andrea will study Chinese in China this summer for seven weeks, and Anna will study Arabic in Egypt for 10 months before returning the USA to finish her senior year at JHS. Both girls are excited about these global adventures in learning. The scholarships are fully funded by the US State Department and administered by iEARN (The International Educational and Resource Network).



Andi Adams



Anna Pickard

## Marine Biology students make expedition to Bahamian island

The Jackson-Hoover Marine Biology program took 22 students from classroom to seaside. Students and teachers meet for 17 weeks from December to April on Wednesday evenings from 6-9 PM. The program is a collaboration between Jackson and Hoover but also accepts students from Lake, Glenoak, Louisville, and McKinley. The program is taught by Margaret Peters, Lee Ann Kalkhoff, Dave Miller, school nurse Lori Fisher from Jackson, and Lynette Rice, Steve Wood, and Sarah Covington from Hoover. Topics range from geology of the Bahamas and chemistry of seawater, to information on sea organisms from plankton to sharks. The students learn how to identify all organisms in the Bahamas and are tested on their knowledge before making a field expedition to Andros Island in the Bahamas for eight days in April.



The entourage stays in rustic cabins on the beach at Forfar Field Station. It is the largest island of the Bahamas but the least populated. They go on snorkel (and optional scuba) trips to search for and identify each of the plants and animals they learned about in class. Students also go on invertebrate walks on the beach and learn about the culture by interacting with local Bahamian legends such as Omelia Marshall (a highly acknowledged medicine woman who grows and uses nearly 100 indigenous plants medicinally) and Henry Wallace (a famous wood carver whose work has been displayed across the USA and in the Smithsonian).

The class is taught at a student-paid fee of \$1800, which includes the classroom instruction alternating between Hoover High and JHS, and transportation, lodging and food while on the trip. Students receive high school credit for the course.

## Senior Community Service Day: Students giving back

The annual Senior Community Service Day was held again in May as 366 seniors volunteered at 66 job sites throughout the community. Jackson has participated in this annual event for nearly 20 years.

The Board of Education, administration and faculty are committed to the ideal that in the process of completing twelve years of education, students become responsive to community needs. Senior Community Service Day allows students the opportunity to give something back to the community that has provided them with outstanding educational and social experiences.

### *Unity In Our Community*



Lending a hand at Mr. and Mrs. Nething's home are: Katie Scott, Jeff Minger, Steve Lapinski, and Billy Yohn.



Weeding at the Jackson Township Safety Center are: Kelsey Bantum, Rachel Coleman, Jamie Labuda, Patty Rhodes, Lauren Miller, and Maddie Bogdan.



Weeding and planting flower beds at McDonaldsville St. Paul Methodist Church are Ben Seidell and Jeff Willis.



Kara Holding pulls weeds in the park.





Jayme Woods(left) and Cheyenne Fisher.

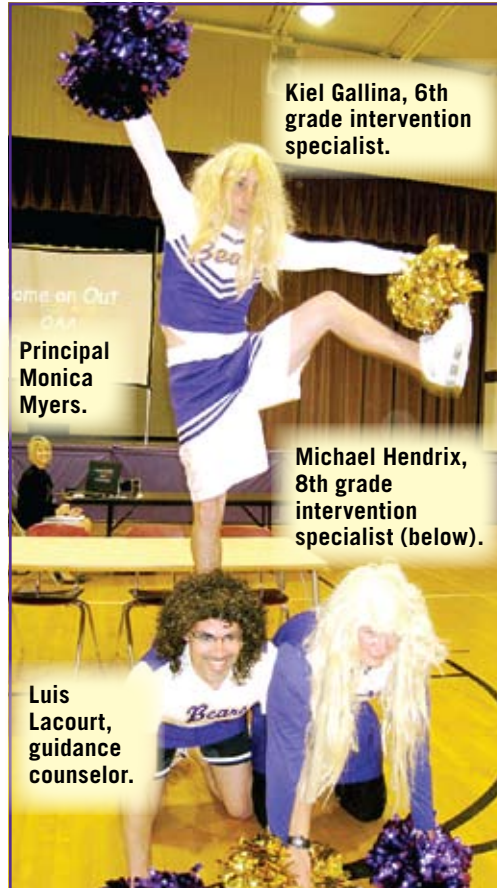
### "I think she saved my life."

Jayme Woods and Cheyenne Fisher are lunch buddies. One day, at lunch, while Cheyenne was eating a barbecued rib sandwich, she grabbed her throat and tried to cough. She could not breathe in and could not breathe out. Her friend Jayme was puzzled at first, then flew into action, applying the Heimlich Maneuver to Cheyenne.

Both girls expressed their surprise at how quickly the food "popped out" of Cheyenne's throat. "It was scary," Cheyenne said. "I think she saved my life." "I never practiced it (Heimlich Maneuver), but my mom is a fitness trainer and she taught me what to do," Jayme said.

## Leading the charge for excellence

To reduce testing anxiety and encourage excellence before 6th graders took the Ohio Achievement Assessments (OAA), several JMMS staff performed funny skits that delivered test-taking tips for the 6th grade student body. Skits included music video awards like the Grammys, a silly game of Jeopardy, a "Dress for Success" spoof, and a cheerleading competition with the theme, "We Believed, We Achieved," to parallel the recent Jackson basketball state championship. Cheers included, "I believed, I achieved, go for the gold, and purple power."



Kiel Gallina, 6th grade intervention specialist.

Principal Monica Myers.

Michael Hendrix, 8th grade intervention specialist (below).

Luis Lacourt, guidance counselor.

## JMMS students win Law Day Poster Contest

Law Day is a national day in May set aside to celebrate the rule of law, underscoring how law and the legal process have contributed to the freedoms that all Americans share. The Stark County Bar Association sponsors a variety of events, including a poster contest, in which JMMS Social Studies students often participate. This year, Kajal Parbhoo took first place. Madyson Gabriele took second, and Jayme Cartia took third place. They were honored with cash awards at a luncheon held at the McKinley Grand Hotel. Many area judges, attorneys, and Law Day committee members attended.



From left are: Kajal Parbhoo, social studies teacher Mr. Hulse, Madyson Gabriele, social studies teacher Mike Heidi, and Jayme Cartia.

## Iraq soldier visits her JMMS student pen pals

Spc. Laura Kline, a gunner with the 204 MP Company and sister of JMMS Social Studies teacher Sarah Michel, took time on her leave to visit the JMMS students who had written to her while she served for the past 12 months in Iraq. Ms. Kline brought the students a post-Saddam Iraq flag embroidered with thanks and signed by soldiers in her unit. She also brought a slide show to teach the students about the country and some of the ways her unit was able to serve. As she thanked the students for the "30 boxes" of supplies and goodies that were sent to her, Mrs. Michel corrected, "It was only 17 boxes," but Ms. Kline would not have it. She was sure it must have been 30 boxes. She said the kids sent so much gum that some soldiers used it to quit smoking. Before departing, Ms. Kline taught the students to march to cadence outside on the school grounds. "Sound-off; 1-2; Sound-off; 3-4; 1-2-3-4; 1-2 - 3-4." After the students learned to form straight lines and sound off, Ms. Kline had them march to a Jodie Call cadence written by their teacher. "Jackson Bears are really cool. Other schools just make me drool. History, science, math books too. Let's play soccer, how 'bout you?"





# Girl Scouts mark passage with bridging ceremony

The Girl Scouts of North Eastern Ohio Jackson Service Unit hosted a Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony in May at the Scenic Ridge Commons in Jackson Township.

Bridging is an important transition in a Girl Scout's life. It is a defining moment when a girl becomes aware of her achievements and is ready for new adventures and responsibilities. A combined group of 32 Daisy, Brownie, and Junior scouts celebrated this change as they moved from one level of scouting to the next higher level. Each girl crossed over a bridge, symbolically traveling from one stage of Girl Scouting to another, where they were welcomed by older sister Scouts.

Karen Kohmann, troop leader and Special Events Director for Jackson Girl Scouts, shared this during the ceremony, "Today marks a milestone in your lives as Girl Scouts and is a celebration of progress for both you and your leaders. It is a joyful journey we are following together; one of friendship, working together, playing together and growing together. From the experienced Senior Scout to the smallest Daisy, we travel together in sisterhood. You have now moved from one level of girl scouting to another. Congratulations."



## Jackson Branch Library adult and children's summer programs

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

#### Teen Advisory Board

Tuesdays, June 8, July 13, August 10 6:30-7:30 PM

The Board does community outreach, publishes a newsletter, helps with programming, and more. Come see what we are all about and how you can help.

#### Paper Making

Thursday, June 10 and Tuesday, June 15 2:00-4:00 PM  
Make your own paper on Thursday. The paper will be allowed to dry until Tuesday. On Tuesday make your own journal and plantable bookmark.

#### Middle School Book Discussion Group

Saturday, July 10; August 7 3:00-4:00 PM. Grades 6-8. Discussion questions available when you register.

#### Green Photography

Tuesday, June 15 6:30-7:45 PM  
Teens and Adults  
Learn the basics of composition, including the rule of thirds, and apply it to the natural world around you. Jill Malusky from the Massillon Museum will show you how.

#### Teen Writer's Club

Thursdays, July 15; August 19 6:30-7:45 PM  
Gather with other teen writers to talk about writing, your works-in-progress, and practice your craft through writing exercises.

#### Required Reading: High School Book Club

Thursdays, June 24; July 22; August 26 6:30-7:30 PM  
Grades 9-12  
Get prepared for the next school year. Discuss books selected from the Jackson Local summer reading lists. Snacks provided.

#### Painting with Natural Pigments

Wed., July 14 2:00-4:00 PM  
Make paint from natural pigments like leaves, flowers, vegetables, rocks, and even dirt! Use a mortar and pestle to grind the pigments before mixing with egg whites to create natural paint. Massillon Museum staff will guide you.

#### Wildlife Rehabilitation

Wed., July 21 1:30-2:30 PM  
What should you do when you find an injured bird by the side of the road? Amanda Perry from the Stark County Park District

is bringing live animals with her to show you what wildlife rehabilitation is and how you can be a part of it.

### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### Meet Author Brian Centrone

Tuesday, June 1 7:00-8:00 PM  
Adults and Teens  
Short story writer and professor of English, Mr. Centrone will read one of his most popular short stories.

#### Ride Your Bike This Summer!

Monday, June 28 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Adults  
Meet local author and bicycling enthusiast Stan Purdum. He's enjoyed riding his bike throughout Ohio for 25 years. He'll share interesting bike routes with eateries along the way.

#### Let's Go Mushroom Hunting!

Monday, July 12 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Adults

Julie Powell will lead us on a virtual "walk in the forest" to identify local mushroom species. We will also learn how to prepare and enjoy them at home. A tasting will follow.

#### Mindful Eating & Good Nutrition

Monday, July 26 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Adults  
Sarah Leffler RD., LD. from Aultman Weight Management will help us understand how using mindful eating techniques can increase our nutritional awareness.

#### Modernism Painting Workshop

Monday, Aug 2 6:30-8:00 PM. Adults  
Jill Malusky, from Massillon Museum, will introduce styles of modern painting before leading an exercise to create your own work using acrylic paint on paper to create a modern masterpiece. Sign-up is limited.

# Keep Learning

Visit Jackson's on-line community education center

[www.ed2go.com/jtce](http://www.ed2go.com/jtce)

<b>August</b>	23	Grade 6 New Student Orientation & Open House - 6:30-8:45 PM
	24	Gr 9 / New Student Orientation A-M - 7PM
	25	Gr 9 / New Student Orientation N-Z - 7PM
	26	Open House - All Elementaries - 4:30 PM
	30	1st day Students (K-9)
	31	1st day Students (10-12)
<b>September</b>	3	Teacher In-service No School - (K-12)
	6	Labor Day - No School (K-12)
	7	Open House JMMS (Gr 7 & 8) Last Name A-M 6:30-7:30 PM Last Name N-Z 7:30-8:30 PM
	15	Open House High School 6:30-8:30 PM
<b>October</b>	11	Columbus Day - No School (K-12)
	19	Parent/Teacher Conferences (K-5) 4-8 PM
	21	Parent/Teacher Conferences (K-5) 4-8 PM
	21	Parent/Teacher Conferences (6-12) 4:30-7:30 PM
	27	Parent/Teacher Conferences (K-5) 4-8 PM
	27	Parent/Teacher Conferences (6-12) 4:30-7:30 PM
	29	Parent/Teacher Conferences (K-5) 1/2 day
	29	Waiver Day--No School (K-5 ONLY) 1/2 day
<b>November</b>	1	No School - (K-12)
	24-29	Thanksgiving Break
	30	Classes Resume
<b>December</b>	23	1st Day Christmas Break
<b>January</b>	4	Classes Resume
	17	Martin Luther King Day - No School (K-12)
<b>February</b>	3	Parent/Teacher Conferences (K-12) 4:30-7:30 PM
	9	Parent/Teacher Conferences (K-12) 4:30-7:30 PM
	18	Waiver Day - No School (K-12)
	21	Presidents' Day - No School (K-12)
<b>March</b>	28	1st Day of Spring Break
<b>April</b>	4	Classes Resume
	22	No School (K-12)
<b>May</b>	13	No School (K-12)
	30	Memorial Day - No School (K-12)
<b>June</b>	8	Last Day for Students & Staff

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## Board Meeting Schedule

Aug. 17	JHS	6:00 PM
Sept. 21	JHS	6:30 PM
Oct. 19	Sauder	6:30 PM
Nov. 16	Lake Cable	6:30 PM
Dec. 21	Amherst	6:30 PM

Meeting dates and times can change. Call 330-830-8000 to confirm.

**CORRECTION:** On page 6 of the April 2010 Polar Bear Pride a talent show picture bore two incorrect names. Ben Marchand should be Ben Marconi and Tyler Noebe should be Kyle Zepp. Wyatt Zelle was correctly named.



## The Alumni Association wants to see YOU in this picture next year

Members of The Jackson High School Alumni Association invite the public to join the fun next school year. To conclude their year of work, the group gathered at the Bear's Den restaurant for an evening of great food, fond memories, and wonderful student entertainment. The evening started with an invocation delivered by classmate Sebia Crum followed by the singing of Jackson's Alma Mater led by classmate Jennifer Jones. The JHS culinary students served a delicious lasagna and breaded chicken meal to approximately 40 alumni/spouses/guests including Jackson Township Trustee/classmate Bill Burger. A 2010 senior class member Ethan Ash performed beautiful violin music for the group, then president/classmate Tom Lockard held a short meeting encouraging attendees to grow the Alumni Association membership. Treasurer/classmate Pinkey Streiber gave a financial report. All attendees joined in congratulating classmates Jim and Eleanor Scott for their years of service and dedication to the Association as they retire from their Middle School concession stand leadership duties. The concession stand sales have raised thousands of dollars for the Association's scholarship fund which has awarded many graduates over the years. To join or learn more about this fine organization and be a part of the excellence, please contact president Tom Lockard at Tlockard@neo.rr.com. There is no need to be a Jackson graduate.



## Dental Residency

Stephanie Morgan, 2002 Jackson grad, also graduated valedictorian from Ashland University in 2006 with a major in Biology. In May, Stephanie graduated first in her class from the Case School of Dental Medicine. She has accepted a residency in orthodontics at the University of Rochester.



## Computer Wiz

David J. Paola, 2005 grad, also graduated from the University of Illinois College of Engineering in May with a B.S. in Computer Science. He received the Michael Hughes Award for Software Engineering and the Lockheed Martin



### Join Your JHS Alumni Association

[jacksonpolarbearsalumni.org](http://jacksonpolarbearsalumni.org)

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Grad Year \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**I am interested in helping with:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Special Events	<input type="checkbox"/> Web site
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity & Public Relations
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Mail to:  
Jackson High School Alumni Association, P.O. Box 35323, Canton, OH 44735-5323

Annual Fee .....	\$10
Lifetime Member .....	\$100
Scholarship Contribution .....	_____
<b>Total Enclosed</b>	<b>\$_____</b>

Award for Computer Science. David also served as president of SIGSoft (Special Interest Group for Software Engineering) within the ACM (Association of Computing Machinery) student chapter. His team

took first place in a Yahoo! competition and will compete this fall in the national competition in New York City. David works in San Jose, California as cofounder of his new company.

## Nominate a grad for the JHS Alumni Wall of Fame

The JHS Alumni Association is asking for nominees who have distinguished themselves in one or more of the following areas: athletics, community contributions, professional accomplishments, political leadership, humanitarian contributions, or education. Nominee must be a five-year graduate.

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_

High school achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

Post high school achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Jackson Memorial Middle School, Alumni Wall of Fame Committee, 7355 Mudbrook Street, Massillon, OH 44646

## Environmental Health Expo: Stark County Going Green

The Stark County Health Department announces its third Environmental Health Expo: Stark County is Going Green, Aug. 21 at Jackson High School from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. This indoor/outdoor, family event will be filled with fun, education, giveaways, and prizes. The Expo will have something for everyone, bouncy houses and activities for the kids, exhibitors of "green" products, businesses, community organizations, and recycling opportunities. The Expo will also offer free recycling for your computers, cell phones, unused prescription drugs, and personal document shredding. For a complete list of exhibitors and recycling opportunities please visit [www.starkhealthevents.com](http://www.starkhealthevents.com).

## Old cell phones help parks

Consider donating your old cell phone to the Friends of Jackson Community Parks. The used phones can be dropped at Buehlers or the Jackson Belden Chamber of Commerce. Contact Steve Rohr at 330-844-1212 or 330-844-1212 for pick-up. The Friends Of Jackson Community Parks also seeks committee volunteers and board members.

## Farmers Market coming to Jackson - Get Involved

The Jackson Township Park Department will host a weekly Farmers Market on Thursdays from 3 to 7 p.m., July 15 through October 14. North Park is located on Fulton Drive NW across from Jackson High School. The committee is looking for interested area farmers and vendors who want to sell their locally grown vegetables, fruits, herbs, plants and flowers or locally produced products such as syrups, honey, and baked goods. The market will provide a place for local growers to sell fresh and healthy foods

while bringing neighbors together in the spirit of community. The committee is also seeking volunteers to help with the market each Thursday. If your group would like to assist, or if you are interested in participating in the Farmers Market as a vendor this summer, please call Mary Reno at 330-832-7416 or email [mreno@jacksontwp.com](mailto:mreno@jacksontwp.com).

## Salvation Army can help with back to school items

If you live in the 44646, 44647, 44666, or 44614 zip codes, you may be eligible for a school bag, school supplies, clothing, and shoes. Applications will be accepted July 1 to July 31 by phone at 330-833-6473 or by walk-in at 143 First Street, SE, Massillon for kindergarten to grade 12. Have your child's social security number ready.

## JHS Choir Reunion

Jackson High School Choir Reunion will be held August 6th and 7th. Please contact Abbe Studer Hunter at [mauiblueaj@aol.com](mailto:mauiblueaj@aol.com), or join us on Facebook for more details. Everyone that participated in JHS Choirs are welcome — no matter what year you graduated.

## Meals on Wheels needs volunteers this summer

Because regular volunteers take vacations during the summer, there is a need for drivers. Meals are ready for delivery at 10:45 a.m. Most routes are completed in 60 minutes. Deliveries are made between 10:45 and 1 p.m. every day. Most volunteers deliver once a week; some more often, some less. You decide how often you can help. Training is provided and a route book gives you complete directions. Mileage reimbursement is available. If interested, call 330-832-7220, or log onto [www.mow-starkwayne.org](http://www.mow-starkwayne.org).

## Historical Society announces its public programs

### Historical Society invites the public to share memories and memorabilia twice each month.

The Jackson Township Historical Society located in the one-Room School at 7756 Fulton Road, will be open on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. beginning in July. The Society is trying to collect and preserve the history of the township which is 200 years old this year.

The public is invited to stop in and informally share memories and memorabilia of the township, or just sit and listen to others who have come to share.

"We are looking for any information that you have about living in the township,"

said historian Doris Wertz who will run the sessions, "We are trying to build a history of our township with stories and artifacts," Ms. Wertz explained.

Suggestions for the sessions are:

- Pictures of farms, families, community and school.
- Facts about farms, crops and livestock
- Stories about living and growing up in the township, including those you've heard from parents or grandparents
- Newspaper articles

### Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social and Antique Appraising at the One-Room School

Aug. 22, noon-3 p.m. Ice Cream Sundae's \$5 each. Antique appraiser from 1-3 p.m. Have your antiques appraised for \$3 per item with a limit of two items.



## Seeing stars

For the past five years, elementary science coordinator Dave Weisburmn has traveled to each of our elementary schools with the district's portable, inflatable StarLab, a mini planetarium.

Mr. Wisburn uses the StarLab to teach 2nd and 5th graders about the night sky as it relates to our state standards in Science. In 2nd grade he teaches that there are more stars in the sky than could ever be counted, comparing the number of stars to the grains of sand on all the beaches in the world. He shows how the sun, moon, and stars appear to move slowly across the sky because of the earth's rotation on it's axis. Finally, he shows that the moon can be seen both in both the day and night sky, and that it appears a little different each day as it completes its 28-day cycle.

In 5th grade, he teaches that the day and night cycle is caused by the Earth's rotation. He also points out that the earth orbits the sun, our closest star, which appears large because it is so close to us (only 93 million miles away).

The StarLab projector can accurately project the night sky for any time, any date, any location in the northern hemisphere.



**Science teacher Dave Weisburn with Amherst students inside a portable, inflatable, traveling planetarium where he teaches about the night sky. Mr. Weisburn presents the program to all of the district's 2nd and 5th graders.**



**Alex Sweeney and his tee-shirt with snap-on long sleeves.**

## Move over Thomas Edison: Amherst kids are the future

After Amherst 4th grade students studied the Scientific Method, they created inventions of their own to solve a problem of their choosing. "The inventions were very creative. I am sure that we have some future inventors," said teacher Lora Finn. Although the inventions did not have to work, the process helps students to solve problems creatively in a scientific way. The Invention Convention drew crowds of parents and schoolmates as the young inventors showed and explained the merits of their glorious gadgets.



**Chloe Moores with her "Mail 2 Me" underground tube that swishes your mail from your mail box directly into your home.**

## Bear Buck Auction

As part of Amherst 5th graders' real-life-lessons, students learned to write business letters. They mailed the letters to local businesses to request donation items for their year-end Bear Buck Auction. The students earn Bear Bucks throughout the school year for classroom participation, following school rules, completing homework, and for being responsible, respectful, and caring. At the end of the year, students use their math, money management, and discernment skills to bid on the over 100 items donated buy our generous business community, parents, and teaching staff.



**Amherst 5th graders bidding on the treasures they collected from the community to support the Bear Buck Auction year-long learning activity. Amherst 5th graders asked Polar Bear Pride to thank their donors for this exciting year-end activity.**





Principal Kathy Clark enthusiastically led the student procession. Parents, grandparents, and siblings joined in. Mark Gambone, the school custodian, happily pulled a wagon for students who wanted or needed a lift.



## Cable kids step it up for their second annual Walk-A-Thon

Last school year, the Lake Cable PTO began replacing the school's old, splintered playground equipment. The parent support group, led by Traci Bailey, Lynn Baumoel, and Karen Skeriotis, designed a school walk-a-thon to raise the funds. The walk was held again this year to expand on last year's progress. Once again, the entire student body, staff, parents, younger siblings, grandparents, and community friends took to the street between two pace cars loaned by Jeff Doll of Jeff's Motorcars, Inc.

Students again collected sponsorships from family and friends for their promise to walk through the Lake Cable neighborhood. The 4th and 5th graders walked two miles for the cause. Neighbors again welcomed the walkers by stepping outside of their homes to wave applaud, and encourage.

The PTO is grateful to Chad Bailey of Akron Auto Auction for his donation of apples, bananas, and bottled water which the students enjoyed as they returned from their trek. Mr. Bailey

also donated three corn hole sets which the 5th graders decorated and placed in the silent auction held for parents during the walk. Eady Seaman of Terra Potta aided the silent auction effort by donating 30 pieces of pottery which younger students decorated with their fingerprints and their names. To encourage students to gather sponsorships, the Wulff family (Wulff Enterprises) and Sheelah Westerbeck donated student prizes for participation.

This year's effort raised \$7,800, enough to add another playground piece, resurface and expand the existing blacktop, and refresh the playground mulch. The PTO also gave music teacher and gym teacher a monetary contributions to update their classroom materials. In honor of Lake Cable being named a Blue Ribbon School, the PTO enlisted former Lake Cable teacher Kay Heck to create blue ribbon art quilt for the school.

## The Cat in the Hat is 53

Lake Cable kindergarten students participate in Read Across America and celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by reading Dr. Seuss books. This year, reading teacher Mardi Edwards helped students perform a *Cat in the Hat* puppet show. Here, 2nd grader Claudia Piero performs her puppet show for kindergartners Emily Putts, Celeste Leininger, and Pravir Goosari. Read Across America is an OEA and NEA sponsored event that is celebrated in public school districts nationwide. The *Cat in the Hat* book is 53 years old, and Dr. Seuss would have been 106 this year.



To student delight, teacher Mardi Edwards has dressed as the Cat in the Hat since 1990 to encourage young readers.





From left, in front of their *Ways to Help the Earth* bulletin board, are Sauder 3rd graders Avery Sedlacko, Logan Prince, May Li, and Noah Henry holding a few of the items brought in for the animals at Sanders Wildlife Center.

## Sauder celebrates 40 years of helping the earth

To celebration our nation's 40th Earth Day, Sauder school counselor Amy Cornell launched "Go Green" week of activities:

- Monday - conserve electricity day
- Tuesday - plants and animals day
- Wednesday - nature day

Thursday - reduce, reuse, recycle day  
Friday - go green day (wear green).

The purpose of Go Green Week was to help students, teachers and families incorporate earth care into their lives and to empower students in ways they can

make a difference.

Teachers held some of their classes outside on the green earth and made art projects from recycled materials. They also collected donations for the Sanders Wildlife Center.



### Fiesta Day

Sauder 1st graders Madison Hart (left) and Shaylyn Stonkus don Mexican hats for Fiesta Day. Students learned about Mexican culture, learned to speak a few Spanish words, and finished with a musical celebration in the gymnasium, playing maracas, singing, and dancing.

### Learning Launch



### Partnering via rockets

After a unit on Astronomy and Newton's Laws of Motion, JMMS 8th graders built water rockets from two-liter pop bottles and construction paper. JMMS science teacher Lyndsay Dimengo arranged to have her student rocket scientists teach the principals to Sauder 5th graders and allow the younger students to launch the rockets with help from the older students. As a conclusion, to the delight of all, 8th grader Matt Lowry launched his own multi-stage rocket 250' in the air using solid engine fuel.

**Katie Baker and Lucarie Dorsey oversee Sydney LoVaglio as she launches a rocket they built.**





Canton Calvary Mission executive director Marie Senften-Deitz holds a thank you sign as students hold up the cash register tape from the purchase of \$660 worth of food and supplies .

## **Strausser's badge company profits feed local hungry**

To learn how a business works, Strausser Elementary 4th graders formed a company that designed, produced, marketed and sold campaign button-style badges. The company, called Federal Badge Incorporated, used its profits to purchase food and toiletries for the Canton Calvary Mission (CCM) whose programs include a food pantry, a Wednesday hot lunch, a Saturday evening meal, after school snacks for children, and a summer feeding program for children 1-18.

This year, the company raised \$660. The teachers asked students if they'd like to keep a portion of the profits and throw an ice cream party for themselves. The unanimous answer was, "No." Every Strausser 4th grader voted to forego the party in favor of purchasing an extra \$200 worth of food for CCM. "We are all so proud of these students," said teacher Bill Hayden.

Accepting the donation for CCM was its executive director Marie Seneften-Deitz. Mrs. Deitz was overwhelmed with

gratitude when she saw the four cafeteria tables filled with food and supplies. She told the students that over 12 million American children are food insecure.

"This food will fill our pantry," Mrs. Deitz said, and tomorrow, some of it will be used to feed 175 local families."

The sagging economy has more than doubled the CCM numbers. Five years ago, CCM came to the aid of 4,326 households (11,620 people). In 2009, CCM aided 7,893 households (26,571 people).



## **Adopting the Strausser rock**

Each spring, the Strausser student body in grades 1-5 take to their school yard to pull weeds and tidy the grounds. In addition, this year, Mrs. McMullin's 5th graders landscaped the big rock bed with perennials brought in from their teacher's home garden. Later, the high school students delivered and spread mulch over the cleaned beds.





## 2009-10 Athletic Accomplishments

### 6 Federal League Championships

Boys' Soccer, Girls' Soccer, Girls' Golf, Boys' Basketball, Boys' Tennis, Baseball

### 4 Second Place Finishes in the Federal League

Girls' Tennis, Boys' Golf, Girls' Cross Country, Volleyball

### 1 Team State Championship

Boys' Basketball

### 1 Team – Fourth Place in The State

Boys' Tennis

### 1 Team - Sixth Place in The State

Girls' Golf

### 1 Regional Runners Up

Boys' Soccer

### 3 Regional Qualifiers

Girls Soccer, Girls' Cross Country, Boys' Bowling

### 1 Individual 4th Place in the State

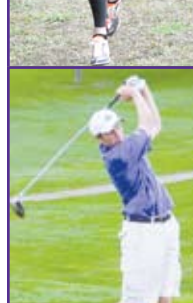
Chase McKinney – freshmen girls' swimmer

### Federal League Athletes of the Year

Derek Zuniga – Boys' Soccer  
Jonathan Clark – Boys' Golf  
Brianna DeFelice – Girls' Soccer  
Tricia Conlan – Girls' Tennis  
Mark Henniger – Boys' Basketball  
Louie Thomas – Boys' Tennis

### Federal League Coaches of the Year

Teal Harvey – Girls' Golf  
Mike Fuline – Boys' Basketball  
Keith Kohmann – Boys' Tennis



## CLUB SPORTS

### BOYS' VOLLEYBALL

Overall record 6-12

### BOYS' LACROSSE

Overall record 8-8






### GIRLS' LACROSSE

Overall Record 12-6





## 2008-09 ALL-FEDERAL LEAGUE PERFORMERS

SPORT	1st Team	2nd Team	Hon. Mention
<b>Football</b>	Casey Irwin(12)	Matt Cochran(12) Will Logan(11)	Max Dehnke(12) Joel Sweitzer(12)
<b>Boys' CC</b>			Josh Benner(12) Ian Bonsky(11) Bill Sprit(12)
<b>Girls' CC</b>	Maddie Schuler(11)	Mikki Anderson(11) Anna Busta(12) Chase Kinney(9)	April McPherson(10) Hannah Soulier(11)
<b>Boys' Soccer</b>	Greg Marchand(12) Brian Zilla(12) Derek Zuniga(12)	Danny Baraldi(11) Jimmy Costin(12)	Brock Emrick(12) James Haupt(9)
<b>Girls' Soccer</b>	Brianna DeFelice(11) Abby Kenyon(11) Maggie Rusnak(12)	OliviaButtery(12) Lauren Jokovich(12) Danielle Wiseman(11)	Emily Sanders(12)
<b>Boys' Golf</b>	Jonathan Clark(12) Angelo Palmer(12) John Tidenburg(10)		Aaron Hoffman(10) Chris Lach(10)
<b>Girls' Golf</b>	Angela Codian(10) Amanda Smith(11)	Kaitlyn Cherniuk(10) Shelbi Howington(11) Kelsey Schutt(9)	
<b>Volleyball</b>	Caroline Houston(12) Britney Terrell(12)	Kristen Siskovich(12)	Tessa Lentz(12)
<b>Girls' Tennis</b>	Trisha Conlan(11) Taylor Dowling(11) Hannah Fedorka(10) Taylor Zito(12)	Taylor McDaniel(11) Marisa Sloan(11) Kara Stuckey(10)	
<b>Boys' Basketball</b>	Jay Dupont (12) Josh Egner (12) Mark Henniger (12)	Michael Shull (11)	
<b>Girls' Basketball</b>		Brittney Terrell (12)	Laura Basford (12)
<b>Wrestling</b>		Sydney Sponseller (10)	Brett Beadling (11) Charlie Dear (9) Joe Donley (11) Colin Flagg (10) Lucas Marcelli (9)

## All Federal League Academic Team

To qualify, these students needed a 3.8 or higher GPA after the 7th semester of school and had to have lettered in a varsity sport during their senior year.

Andrea Adams — Soccer	Emily Jacobson — Cross Country
Rachel Austin — Track	Nathan Kanam — Football, Basketball & Tennis
Melany Bagnola — Cross Country & Track	Matthew Kirkland — Cross Country & Track
Laura Basford — Basketball & Softball	Beth Langenderfer — Cross Country & Track
Rohan Bhargava — Cross Country & Tennis	Gregory Marchand — Soccer
Madison Bryan — Basketball	Joseph Masters — Cross Country & Track
Anna Busta — Cross Country & Track	Angelo Palmer — Golf
Olivia Buttery — Soccer	Brittany Parker — Swimming
Brittany Caldwell — Cross Country & Track	David Peters — Cross Country & Track
Matthew Campanizzi — Track	John Pinson — Cross Country & Swimming
Clayton Casper — Tennis	Maggie Rusnak — Soccer
Chelsea Cochran — Soccer	Emily Sanders — Soccer
Matthew Cochran — Football & Track	Taylor Sherrod — Basketball
David Devine — Basketball & Baseball	Sarah Shew — Track
Rose Digianantonio — Cross Country, Swimming, Track	Kristen Siskovich — Volleyball
Bradley DuPont — Basketball	Aaron Strickland — Cross Country
Stephanie Durwin — Basketball	Joel Sweitzer — Football
David Ertle — Cross Country	Melinda Thomas - Soccer
Dina Farah — Tennis	Corey Wingerter — Baseball
Matthew Hagen — Cross Country & Swimming	Brian Zilla — Soccer
	Taylor Zito — Tennis & Swimming

## 2008-09 ALL-FEDERAL LEAGUE PERFORMERS

SPORT	1st Team	2nd Team	Hon. Mention
<b>Boys' Swimming</b>	Clayton Smith (12) Matt Williams (12)	Juan Hernandez (10) Devin Metzger (11) Patrick Wohlfarth (12)	Ryan Baker (12) Drew Fulton (9) Aaron Long (11) Julian Mueller (12) Matt Olinger (10)
<b>Girls' Swimming</b>	Chase Kinney (9) Josie McKee (10) Taylor Zito (12)	Holly Herstine (10) Britt Parker (12) Katie Zito (10)	Lindsay Ellis (11) Emily Hahn (10) Steph Julain (10)
<b>Boys' Bowling</b>	Hayden Smith (11)	John Tidenberg (10)	Greg Snier (9)
<b>Girls' Bowling</b>			Marisa Easterday (10) Hayley Prelac (12)
<b>Baseball</b>	Justin Clements (12) Grant Seanor (12)	Steve Cardwell (11)	Aaron Hoffman (10) Casey Irwin (12)
<b>Softball</b>	Laura Basford (12)	Kristina Bolon (11) Mariah Richards (10)	
<b>Boys' Track</b>	Luther Anderson (12)		Anna Busta (12)
<b>Girls' Track</b>	 	Cortney Armsey (12) Anna Busta (12) Maddie Schuler (11) Kristen Carlson (11) Dana Ward (10) Jody Musser (9)	
<b>Boys' Tennis</b>		Louie Thomas (12) Nathan Kanam (12) Will Eisenberg (11) Mike McAndrew (11) Nate Gardner (10)	





Standing behind the JHS 2010 team are: Bruce Henze, Ken DeMuesey, Bruce Peters, Terry Brown, Terry DeMuesey, Jim Spadone, Rick Eaton, Kevin Miller, Devin Dye, Jason Pettigrew, Michael Benroth, Matt Rabbitt, Sean Paul, and Nick Wiley.

## Diamond Club continues annual tradition – honoring alumni

On May 7, the Jackson Diamond Club honored 14 former players in a tradition begun last year. The former players took the field with the 2010 team for introductions and commemorative photo before the Polar Bears took on Kent Roosevelt in a twilight double header. The Diamond Club acknowledged and thanked the alumni players who helped build the foundation for Jackson's successful program. The team is shooting for its 4th consecutive Federal League title. For more on Jackson baseball, including summer baseball, news stories, photos, and an entertaining video, visit [www.jacksondiamondclub.org](http://www.jacksondiamondclub.org).



### Student photography graces Bear's Den

Talented photographer, Andie Kinsley, whose work has also been seen in Polar Bear Pride, has photographed historical sites in Jackson Township. Her work now decorates the walls of the Bear's Den at JHS.



JHS students Kara Stuckey (left), Branden Hula, and Peyton Kline display pennies in the shape of a peace sign as part of their collection campaign.

## JHS raises 130,000 Pennies for Peace

The JHS junior English classes read the bestselling book *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson who builds schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan because he believes that education is the best way to fight terrorism. As a part of the unit, the students participated in Mortenson's program *Pennies for Peace*, collecting \$1,300 in spare change from staff, classmates, family, and friends to send to the schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Some students also conducted a letter writing campaign to local businesses for contributions. In addition, about 130 students traveled to see Mr. Mortenson in person when he spoke at Mount Union College in March. He believes that while a penny in the USA is virtually worthless, in impoverished countries a penny buys a pencil and opens the door to literacy. As of 2009, Mortenson has established or significantly supports 131 schools in rural and often volatile regions of Pakistan and Afghanistan, which provide education to over 58,000 children, including 44,000 girls, where few education opportunities existed before.

## JHS Tri-M flips flap jacks for kids

The 51 JHS students of Tri-M Music Honor Society teamed up with Giant Eagle on the Strip, Gabe's Meat and Deli, Smith's Dairy, Dinner Plans and Chick-fil-A to sponsor a pancake breakfast that raised nearly \$2,000 for Akron Children's Hospital. Tri-M is the international honor society recognizing high school music students for their musical ability, academic excellence, school involvement, and community service.

## Teachers complete 2 half marathons

JMMS teachers Ramey Mason, Susan Ray, and Diana Rankin completed their second half marathon in May and are thinking about running a full marathon in the fall. It began on a whim last May when fellow teacher Seana Carter challenged the group to run the Nationwide Half Marathon in Columbus in October.

"Although we all thought it would be awesome to do, we worried that we wouldn't be able to achieve that goal. Some of us had fallen out of our work-out routines and weren't sure we had it in us to run for 13.1 miles," said Mrs. Rankin. None of them had ever run more than five miles.

The foursome spent the next four months following Hal Higdon's half marathon training program for novice runners, running three days a week, cross training, biking, and lifting weights.

On race day, huddled with 20,000 strangers on a frigid October morning the women were ready. Soon, they accomplished their goal, running for the entire 13.1 miles. "After that we were bitten by the race bug," Mrs. Rankin said.

Off to the Capital City Half Marathon in Columbus on May 1. Training for this one was much more difficult. Running outside in the dark, in the cold and in the snow was not as pleasant as their summer and fall runs. Staying motivated through flu season and shin splints was also difficult.

Although Mrs. Carter had to back out of the race, Ramey, Susan, and Rankin made it to the race which began under a fine mist and turned into a steady downpour by mile seven. "We were drenched by the end, but happy that we had completed our second half marathon," Mrs. Rankin said.

The four women are now contemplating the Akron full marathon in September although no commitment has been made.

"This was a life changing experience for all of us. We all had run before, but we had never pushed ourselves as much as we pushed ourselves for this. We proved to ourselves that we could do that which we thought was impossible," Mrs. Rankin said.



Diana Rankin (left), Ramey Mason (right), and Susan Ray (top).

## Exploring the role of the National Guard

Sgt. Michael Russ of the Ohio National Guard and the National Guard's Heritage Outreach Program talked to the JHS American History Students about the Guard's role in war time, especially WW II. He also shared many soldier artifacts from WWI, WWII and today and compared soldier uniforms from each era. Sgt. Russ has been deployed twice, to Egypt and Iraq.



Sgt. Russ and student Kevin Deagan display two uniforms.

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