



Bulldog Bulletin

DECEMBER 8, 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Grade 2 Swim Lessons
Dec. 11-15th

Christmas Band Concert
Dec. 13th, 7:00 p.m.

Athletic Boosters Mtg.
Dec. 14th, 7:30 p.m.

Career Day - Dec. 15th

Girls' Basketball Showcase
Dec. 17th, 2:00 p.m.

KG-3 Christmas Movie
Dec. 18th @ Bluffton

Board of Education Mtg.
Dec. 18th, 8:00 p.m.

Gr. 4-6 Christmas Movie
Dec. 19th @ Bluffton

Staff Christmas Breakfast
Dec. 20th, 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Early Dismissal
Dec. 20th, 1:00 p.m.

Christmas Break
Dec. 21st - Jan. 2nd

Sophomores Studying Forensic Anthropology

Sophomores in Mr. Hassan's Human Body Systems course are currently studying forensic anthropology. They have looked at various "skeletal remains" making observations and measurements to identify a skeleton's race, sex, height, and age. The students compare data that they collect from sample bones to formulas derived from data collected from skeletons for which the identities are known. They learn that the problem with this method of trying to identify an individual is that it is not exact. The students can learn some basic details, but not definitively ID an individual. To complete this type of identification requires the collection of DNA evidence. Students are provided with a sample of DNA collected from their assigned bones, and using some sophisticated technology, will be able to find a match between their bones and a specific missing person. It's been a very exciting and educational project.



The Columbus Grove Bands are proud to present our 2017 Holiday Concert entitled "Wonderland" on Wednesday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m. The holiday concert will feature performances from our 6th grade, jr high, and senior high bands. Songs of the season will include, *Jingle Bells*, *Holly Jolly Christmas*, *Jolly Old St. Nick*, *Little Town of Bethlehem*, *Chipmunk Song*, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, *Away in a Manger*, and *a Can Can Christmas*. We hope to see you there for a night of festive holiday music and fun!

Random Act of Kindness

Recently our playground monitors mentioned to Ana Gratz that they liked her hand crocheted hat. So as a random act of kindness, Ana and her mother shared their talents and made four hats for the monitors. Pictured with their hats are monitors Linda Rindenour, Joanne Gray, Deanna Ricker, and Ana Gratz.



Kudos to First Grader Sarah Hough

Congratulations to first grader Sarah Hough for her honesty in turning in \$60 that she found on the school grounds while walking to school last week. We had a very relieved high school student who searched the grounds for the money she lost that morning and learned when she returned to the office to sign in that the money had been found and turned in! This high school student was so full of joy that she personally visited Sarah's classroom and thanked her for her honesty in returning the money to the school office. Sarah is the daughter of Jennifer Hough. Well done Sarah!

REVERSE RAFFLE

Mark your calendar for the annual CG Athletic Boosters Reverse Raffle to be held on Saturday, March 3, 2018. This event is the Boosters' main fundraiser and raises approximately \$18K-\$20K per year to support our student-athletes. Look for more information at upcoming basketball games.

"Don't struggle to be a better teacher than everybody else. Simply be a better teacher than you ever thought you could be."

~ Robert Meehan

Did You Know:

Below are the 2017-2018 enrollment numbers for the nine schools in the Northwest Conference.

Ada	851
Allen East	1129
Bluffton	1096
Columbus Grove	890
Crestview	832
Delphos Jefferson	1119
Lincolnview	880
Paulding	1458
Spencerville	963

During the holiday season, the school counseling department will focus on "Empathy/Kindness – Put Yourself in Their Shoes". This theme will be carried out school wide and incorporated into classroom lessons, service projects, and celebrations.

Students in each grade will be hosting a sock drive to benefit local families, thrift stores, and shelters. Students are encouraged to donate a pair of new socks to go to those in need. Guidance Counselors Mrs. Losh and Mrs. Bruce will collaborate on this project with Mrs. Birnesser, Mrs. Baumgartner, Mrs. Weisenburger, the LEO Club, National Honor Society, and Student Council to coincide with the high school Food Drive. Donations will begin for high school students the week of December 4th - December 8th. Their goal is to donate 250 socks. To celebrate, high school students will earn a Christmas celebration before Christmas break.

The counselors will also collaborate with Ms. Rohdes and Mr. Suever by doing presentations and projects regarding Kindness and Empathy. The elementary and middle school classes will begin their sock donations on December 11th and continue through December 15th. To celebrate, all KG-8 students will be invited to our "Sock Hop" on Dec. 20th. Students can wear an ugly Christmas sweater and their own crazy socks that day and dance to some fun music in the elementary gym.

Girls' Basketball Showcase

The Fourth Annual Columbus Grove Girls' Basketball Showcase will be held on Sunday, December 17th. This event, coordinated by Coach Brian Schroeder features our girls' basketball teams and an alumni game vs. the JV and Varsity teams.

Former players who would like to play on the alumni team should contact Brian Schroeder at 419-202-0016 or bschroeder@cg.noacsc.org.

Below is the schedule for this showcase:

2:00-2:30	5 th & 6 th Grades
2:45-3:15	7 th & 8 th Grades
3:30-4:00	Alumni vs. JV & Varsity

NHS Conducts Blood Drive

In November, the National Honor Society with the American Red Cross, hosted a blood drive. Students, staff, and community members came together to help save lives by donating 35 units of blood. Thank you to everyone who donated and helped to change someone's life!



Christmas Breakfast

Wednesday, December 20th
7:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Rowdy Rooster Breakfast
Casserole, Fruit, Donuts,
Juice & Coffee

merry Christmas to all, and to all a good breakfast!

Vitamin Drive

The elementary classes have been collecting bottles of multivitamins for the children of Guatemala. National Honor Society members have been tallying the totals for each class and to date, 107 bottles of multivitamins have been collected. Congratulations to Mrs. Bohrer's class for collecting the most vitamin bottles and earning a pizza party.

Due to poverty and malnutrition, Guatemalan children are undernourished and are typically 6-8 inches shorter than an American child of the same age. Teri Grothaus will be making a medical mission to trip to Guatemala in February and will be taking the vitamins to care for the Guatemalan children. Good job elementary students!

Dresses for Africa

Students in Mrs. Fought's sewing class made a colorful variety of pillowcase dresses to be sent to Africa. Little Dresses for Africa distributes these dresses throughout many parts of Africa, to show these little girls that they are valuable.

Typically, in Africa little girls are last when it comes to handouts, but they often work the hardest in the family taking care of the fields, homes, and younger children. Because girl orphans are among the most devalued and abused in their culture, it is the mission of Little Dresses for Africa to plant in the hearts of these little girls that they are worthy. It is reported that girls wearing a new little dress are much less likely to be abducted, abused, or molested because the new little dress shows that someone cares about them. Kudos to the sewing class for giving of your time and talents to help serve others!



Page Bellman signs with University of Detroit Mercy

Paige Bellman recently signed a letter of intent to attend University of Detroit Mercy to play basketball.

Paige has scored 850 points at Grove while earning 1st team All-PCL as a sophomore and junior, 1st team All-NWC as a sophomore and junior, Player of the Year in the PCL and NWC as a junior, 1st team District 8 as a junior, and 1st team All-Ohio Division III as a junior. She also holds several records at CGHS including 11 blocked shots in a game, 250 season rebounds, 65% season 2-point field goal, and a career 63% 2-point field goal record. Congratulations Paige!

