

High school Honor Roll full of students

The following students were named to the Vernonia High-School academic Honor Roll for the 2007/2008 fourth quarter. Grade Point Averages (GPA) are on a scale of 1-4, with 4 equaling a perfect score.

Principal's Honors, 4.00 – Michael Calhoun, Kaitlyn Carr, Mackenzie Carr, Karly DeWitt, Brandon Gilbertson, Nurshat Ismakhanbetova, Samantha Lee, Souvanny Miller, Ashley Paleck, Chelsea Patton, Phillip Peerson, Megan Perry, Melissa Sandstrom, Katie Wilson, Nicholas Young, and Rebekah Young.

High Honors, 3.50-3.99 – Kahli Anderson, Christopher Bamburg, Bonnie Birkmaier, Jeffrey Brewington Jr., David

Bridge, Kyle Brixey, Rachel Brown, Timothy Brown, Eric Budge, Alexandria Chadek, Marissa Clement, Sarah Dupree, Adrienne East, Amber Eastlick, Ashley Eastlick, Kristina Halvorson, Laura Hein, Matthias Kreuter, Keli Krieger, Alex Lende, Tricia Levenseller, Emily Mitchell, Nicole Mitchell, Blake Moeller, Tara Ostrander, Rebekahanne Peerson, Tim Prpich, Benjamin Scheytt, Byron Schorzman, Kymberlia Sebring, Lindsay Shaw, Sahrina Smith, Dalton Stevens, Joshua Tong, and Ashley Wicks.

Honors, 3.25-3.49 – Janda Barber, Tyler Bernardi, Ashley Cavett, Gilliam Cheney, Zachary Dillon, Jacob Dixon, Cody Eaton, Joseph Fergusson,

Calie Johnston, Brittany Meglen, Colten Patton, Justin Rainbolt, Amy Rethwill, Gavin Roberts, Sierra Roberts, Leo Sousa, Kathryn Stevens, and Dylan Vaughn.

Honorable Mention, 3.00-3.24 – David Allen, Justin Caputo, Kaylee Dalebroux, Jed Douglas, Jayme Due, Natasha Duyck, Zachery Dyer, Nicole Gray, Megan Hieronimus, Brian Miller, Nicole Moss, Brittney Paden, Elizabeth Poulin, Parker Roach, Preston Roach, Katelynn Robb, Cody Smith, Taylor Smith, Kacy Strand, Chantel Szlavich, Levi Timmerman, and Joshua Vanderzanden.

Middle school Honor Roll announced

The following students were named to the Vernonia Middle School academic Honor Roll for the 2007/2008 fourth quarter. Grade Point Averages (GPA) are on a scale of 1-4, with 4 equaling a perfect score.

Principal's Honors, 4.00 – Skyler Binford, Kaytee Burghard, Samantha Lindauer, Jackson Miller, Madeline O'Leary, and Natalie Wallace.

High Honors, 3.50-3.99 – Austin Best-Cutright, Charlette Burghard, Crystal-Ann Carreon, Holly Cavett, Robin Elliott, Jessica Gardner, Timothy Jennings, Laura Rice, Leah Rice, Sicily Scott, and Kelly Smith.

Honors, 3.25-3.49 – Ashlee Archer, Joshua Butcher,

Rowan Cheney, Jordon Miller, Kayla Mohr, Courtney Paden, Deziree Roberts, Sven Sandstrom, Felicia Schirmeister, Rowan Scott, Amanda Sebring, and Robert Stringfield.

Honorable Mention, 3.0-3.24 – Kimberly Allen, Kelsey Brown, Tori Dalebroux, Christopher Dass, Johnathon Dass, Hailey Dennis, Katie Ellington, Macayla Fennell, Jessica Fitch, Ryan Groom, Adonis Hopkins, Jacob Levenseller, Ashley Loomis, Sara McMahon, Nathan McMillen, Kaitlin Paleck, Tasia Pond, Makayla Roach, Bridger Steward, Kelli Thompson, and Nicole Thompson.

The following 8th grade promotion awards were also given;

Debbie (Curt) Johnston Most Inspirational Student – Kaytee Burghard; Paul Gordon Award – Natalie Wallace and Joseph Benes; James T. Johns Award – Jerrid Johnston; Outstanding Scholars – Kaytee Burghard, Jackson Miller, Natalie Wallace, Holly Cavett, Madeline O'Leary, Samantha Lindauer, and Samantha Wallace.

Chalk Talk

Chalk Talk is a monthly column of information about Vernonia schools. It is written by various staff members. This column was written by Dr. Ken Cox, Superintendent.

Summer has finally arrived. It is really great to see the sun for more than one day at a time!

I recently met with a group of city and county representatives, construction managers and three board members to discuss Vernonia High School. We agreed that we are going in the right direction in having as little work done as possible to make the gym usable for this fall.

To help coordinate that effort we have hired a construction project management firm and they have already begun with the necessary arrangements to make things happen. Some of the projects that they will be working on immediately are the repair of the VHS gym, the demolition of a portion of VHS and the modular classrooms behind both VHS and VMS, and improving the asphalt behind WGS.

On another note, when I arrived in Vernonia two years ago, I was pleased to find that there was a place in the com-

munity where we could recycle

cardboard, newspapers and tin cans. I have supported the continued use of school property for the location of the container because we use it extensively ourselves. We have recently been informed that the district will have to begin paying nearly \$200 each time the container is emptied. While this is still a cost effective option for the district, I do not feel that we can continue to provide this service for the entire community. I understand that recycling can be taken to the transfer station and that some of us will have curb-side service before school starts. The container will be removed in July and not returned until August, at which time we ask that it be used only for school recycling.

I would also like to hear your input on the decision to move our early release day from Friday to Wednesday for next year as has been proposed. Please email me ken.cox@vernonia.k12.or.us, stop by the office, or give me a call at 503-429-5891 at your convenience.



Echoing Evergreens volunteers wanted

Mark July 9, 6:30 p.m. on your calendars!

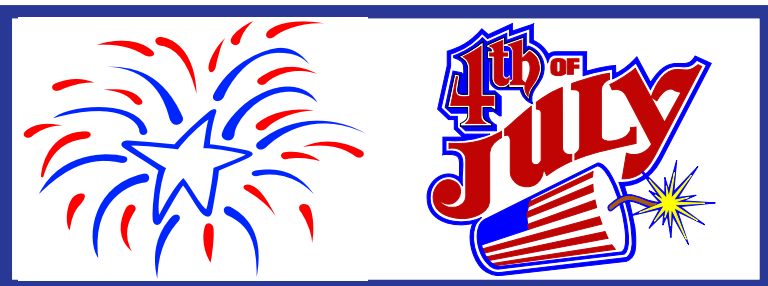
That's the day of the Echoing Evergreens Day Camp meeting for adult volunteers at Anderson Park.

Learn what the camp is about, how you can volunteer and prepare yourself for a wonderful week of outdoor fun.

Bring your ideas, new or old,

to share with the group. We are looking for people with interesting hobbies, crafts and talents that they would enjoy sharing with our community's youth.

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