

THREE RIVERS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

On-Line CURRENT



Summer office hours
for our four schools

7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
daily

Tuesday, May 29, 2007

Weekly E-News
WILL continue
throughout the
summer!



We at Miami Heights are very proud of our Accelerated Reader totals for this year. Of our 128 1st grade students, together they passed 10,276 tests since starting the program **after Christmas break**. Their reading level average from start to finish is 1.9!



Ashli Joseph, senior at Taylor HS, has qualified to run at the Ohio High School State Track Championships. She will be running the 3200m event. If anyone happens to be in Columbus this Saturday, she will be running at 11:00am. Good Luck Ashli



Drew Dilley was selected as the CHL Coach of the Year for men's tennis. This is a major accomplishment in the tennis world of the Cincinnati Hills League!



Men's Tennis at their victory match in the Coaches Classic Championship. Drew Dilley is in the center.



The America Legion Veterans visited the elementary schools last week with their Antique Cars. The kids got to view the cars and they received an American flag and a pack of seeds. The veterans talked about the Memorial Day parade.



During the '07-'08 school year, the 8th grade students will be given the opportunity to learn about different careers and occupations. In "lunch with the professionals," selected 8th grade students will join 4-6 adults from various occupational fields and have a chance to discuss such issues as training, special requirements, education, etc. The luncheon will be one date per month with a different focus on each of those dates. If you are interested in being a part of this program, please contact Dave Henderson, counselor at the middle school. Please call 467-3500 ext. 3504 or e-mail, dhenderson@three-rivers.org.



SPRING CHL ACADEMIC ATHLETES (Varsity Athletes 3.25 GPA)

These athletes received a 3.25 or better GPA for the 3rd quarter and participated in a Varsity sport.

Emily Dolan
Cody Gillespie
Erin Hafer
Chris Hines
Kelsey Holbrock
Cory Johnston
Tara Joseph
Kate Koehne
Jonathan Litmer
Catie Meyer
Ian Sander
Jacob Sillies
Hannah Thompson
Steven Wise

Christopher Fasbinder
Scott Girdler
Sarah Hardtke
Matt Hoiney
Lainey Holbrock
Ashli Joseph
Chris Klaine
Deborah LeGendre
Angela Marco
Michael Presnell
Jaime Schwendenmann
Matt Sisson
Zach Triplett



First Grade Grandparents Day at Miami Heights.



The Three Rivers MS chapter of National Junior Honor Society collected items for area soldiers that are currently serving in Iraq. The chapter is donating these items to the Three Rivers Giving Tree organization. The school collected a grand total of 8,306 items!

The homerooms competed for an ice cream party at each grade level. Winning homerooms are Mrs. Cole/Detmer (5th), Mrs. Renner (6th), Mrs. Hance (7th), and Mr. Callahan (8th). Special mention and also included in the ice cream party are fifth grade homerooms Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Alexander. All three 5th grade homerooms brought in over 1000 items each!

Pictured are the officers of NJHS: (back) Liz Laake, Ben Sander, Jason Sauer, Justin Rueve and (front) Jake Proffitt. Jake spearheaded the project and all of the officers worked hard to encourage each classroom.



Neil Neff, 5th grader at TRMS and member of Vandergriffs gymnastics, recently qualified for the AAU (Amateur Athletics' Union), National and Stars Tomorrow Team in Tampa, Florida. Congratulations on this great accomplishment!



WANTED

Women between the ages of 18 and 55 to participate in a Survey to help raise money for the Taylor PTSA.

Wednesday, June 6, 2007

4-7 p.m.

Taylor High School Cafeteria

We are booking on the half hour starting at 4 and ending with 6:30. If you could participate, please email me with your most convenient time, phone number, and age. We need 75 people which will earn us \$600. Tanya Bailey

t.bailey@fuse.net



TRMS PTA ~ MARKET DAY

It's not too late to order Market Day for the month of June. This is the last month to order until school resumes again in August. Stock up on all your favorites for over the summer.

This month PTA can earn an extra **\$200** for just **40 orders** so please help us meet this goal. We are close but need more orders so **please** place an order today. An extra \$200 would be a huge help in supporting our children at the Middle School and would give PTA a nice jump start with our budget for next year. Please place an order today. You have until Friday, June 1st by 12 noon to place an order online at www.marketday.com or by sending in an order form to the Middle School office by Thursday, May 31st. **Pick up will be on Wednesday, June 6th from 7-8pm at the Middle School cafeteria. All orders must be picked up that night!** Thank you for your support of Three Rivers Middle School PTA we truly appreciate your support.



The Taylor High School Alumni Association is holding its first Summer Dinner Dance at The Meadows on Friday, July 20. Dinner and Dancing are included for \$25. There will be NO meeting or presentation during this evening. The alumni association is hoping that graduates of all years will attend. Call Tom at 941-6400 for tickets.



THREE RIVERS MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA is searching for enthusiastic individuals to join our Executive Board for the 2007-2008 school year. If you are interested please contact Amy Davis at 467-0636 or by email at awebb@three-rivers.org.



Three Rivers School District is very proud to announce that Mrs. Judy Holter, primary special education teacher at Miami Heights Elementary, has been selected for membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is an honor society for women educators who have demonstrated their ability, initiative, and dedication for distinctive service in education. Congratulations Mrs. Holter! Ironically we have received a letter about Mrs. Holter from a group of parents that reads as follows:

One-of-a-kind. Special. Uniquely gifted. If you could spend a day with the special needs students at Miami Heights Elementary, you'd agree that they are all that -- and more. And by the end of the day, it would be obvious that these same words just as easily describe Special Education teacher Judy Holter.

A 23-year teaching veteran, with 15 years experience in the Three Rivers School District, Judy Holter combines her knowledge, dedication and sense of humor to help educate her uniquely gifted pupils. Each of her students has special challenges: a wide range of physical, educational, or behavioral difficulties, or any combination of these three needs.

The learning environment Judy Holter helps construct has each child's one-of-a-kind needs in mind. This involves adapting the general education curriculum for each student. Working along with speech, occupational and physical therapists and a team of educational aides, Holter balances academics with play and therapy to keep her young students listening and learning.

"Judy is patient, yet firm with the students, and is really at her best with the children with severe behavioral challenges," explained Donald Larrick, Principal of Miami Heights Elementary. "She provides activities that are educational, but fun and help hold their interest."

An advocate for the student, Holter is involved in many aspects at Miami Heights Elementary. She represents the special education department on various school committees, which helps her provide the maximum services for her kids.

"Judy is always concerned with the development of the 'whole child,' making sure that each student is included in school and community activities and settings whenever appropriate," said Sue McCabe, a Miami Heights Educational Aide who has worked with Judy for the past 12 years. Sue is a part of a team of educational assistants working with Holter that also includes Connie Smith, Lisa Centers and Kathy Laake.

In addition to classroom instruction, Holter finds creative ways to give her students practical skills that, because of their differing abilities, might be difficult to learn in a more traditional setting. Each week the students participate in adaptive swim classes. This one-on-one swim instruction at Gamble-Nippert YMCA is designed to help each child build confidence as they develop water safety. (Apparently her love for all things aquatic runs deep: Holter herself swam competitively at North Hills Swim Club and her children swam as well.)

Another unique approach to learning has been regular trips out in the community, accompanied by their teacher and aides. Almost every week the boys and girls visit restaurants, stores, or other public places to learn appropriate social skills. A recent grant from the Carl Hunsicker/3 Rivers Educational Foundation makes these educational excursions possible. Holter also tutors students over the summer, reinforcing skills learned in the classroom and community.

Judy Holter has had many accomplishments over her years of teaching, including Three Rivers School District's Teacher of the Year, PTA Friend of the Children Award, and has been a Hamilton County PTA Scholarship recipient. She also has been a part of the Special Olympics program for many years.

A modest person by nature, it's apparent that the accomplishments Judy is most proud of are the little things that go with teaching uniquely gifted children: the first time a student writes his name without assistance after hundreds of attempts, the child labeled 'autistic' who makes eye contact briefly and smiles, the hard-earned hugs and laughs and tears that make any teacher's day.

Judy Holter's dedication not only affects the children she teaches, but also their parents. Kim Pessler, whose son Danny is taught by Holter, sums up a parent's perspective well.

"When you are the parent of a child with disabilities life seems altogether stressful at times. I know that Judy Holter doesn't realize what she has done for not only the life of my "special" child, but also my life as a parent. It's hard enough to entrust your children to your teachers, but entrusting your disabled child is a whole new scenario. I have never met someone who would take on a child for summer school services and not get paid. I have never met someone who will give a parent a hug when we think that we "just can't handle any more". These are just a few of the selfless things that Mrs. Holter has done. The Three Rivers School system is a fabulous school system and teachers like "Holter" add to the excellence of our children's education. I thank you; I commend you for your commitment to our "specially-abled" children and I love you for who you have become in my life and the life of my child."



**Taylor High School Class of 2011!
Get Ready for Freshmen Orientation
YELLOW JACKET KICK-OFF 2007**

Dear Parents and Members of the Class of 2011:

This is the 5th year that Taylor High School will be offering the “Yellow Jacket Kick-Off” as a freshman transition experience. With the support of our PTSA, Boosters and the Taylor Alumni Association, we are offering this opportunity for all incoming freshmen. We believe that in understanding the culture of Taylor High School that all freshman participants will have a positive head start. Our research indicates that participants in these types of programs earn higher grades, are more likely to be involved in extracurricular opportunities, and have fewer disciplinary situations than those who do not participate. The day promises to be both informative and fun. I urge all incoming freshmen and their parents to attend our “Yellow Jacket Kick-Off 2007.” Please read the information below, and don’t miss this great opportunity to begin your high school years in a positive and enjoyable way.

What is it?

Yellow Jacket Kick-off 2007 is the **first step** in your orientation to Taylor High School. It is a one-day orientation camp for incoming ninth graders that is led by a staff of Taylor High School students and teachers.

What will be accomplished?

- ✓ You will receive your schedule and have a chance to find your classes.
- ✓ You will receive your locker assignment and have a chance to visit and open your new locker.
- ✓ You will learn how to get around the Taylor High School building.
- ✓ You will be oriented about important issues by upper class students.
- ✓ You will meet and hear from several teachers, administrators, secretaries, nurse, counselors and other key people at Taylor High School.
- ✓ You will be made aware of the many activities available at Taylor High School.
- ✓ You will make new friends.
- ✓ You will have fun.

When and where is it?

Taylor High School

Friday, August 17, 2007

9:00 AM to 1:30 PM (registration begins at 8:30 AM)

Fee: \$6.00 (cash or check made payable to Taylor High School)

For which you receive a spirit pack containing a T-shirt, carabineer, pen, pencil, back pack, lunch and a drink, and an outstanding program. (provided by Taylor HS & the Alumni Association, PTSA & Boosters)

Parents!

Parents are encouraged to attend an orientation session from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM in the high school auditorium. You will also receive a tour of the building and hear from the administrators, secretaries, nurse, counselors and other key people at Taylor High School about parent concerns, issues and procedures as your son/daughter begins attending Taylor High School.

Questions?

Call Taylor High School (467-3200).

-----Fill out and return to Taylor High School-----
36 Harrison Ave., North Bend, 45052

Registration Information

Space will be reserved for students in the order in which this form is received. Please return this form to Taylor High School prior to **July 1st**. Include cash or check payable to **Taylor High School**.

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____ Phone# _____

(please print last name first)

Home street address _____ Zipcode _____

T-shirt size _____ (S M L XL) (Late registration cannot guarantee a T-shirt)

Become a YellowJacket Kick-Off Patron and help support on-going freshmen activities with an additional contribution of
\$5 _____ \$10 _____ \$20 _____ Other _____



Summer Ashtanga Yoga Class

Ashtanga Yoga Instructor: Marietta Coleman, RYT

This class will follow the **Ashtanga Yoga System, a vinyasa yoga method**. We will carefully progress through the postures to allow participants to safely reach their full potential. We will focus on the Victorious Breath (**Ujjayi Breathing**), focus of our gaze (**Drishti**), and engaging our energy levels (**Prana**), to allow for the flow of postures to develop a moving meditation. All of which, builds strength, flexibility, and relieves stress.

For Adults(High S chool Students Welcome)

LOCATION: THREE RIVER S MIDDLE S CHOOOL , room 88

TIME: 5:45 to 7:00 PM

June Tuesdays

June 5th, 19th, 26th(I will be out of town for the 12th)

\$18.00 for month or \$7.00 per class

July Tuesdays

July 10, 17, 24 (No classes week of 4th of July)

\$18.00 for month or \$7.00 per class

August Tuesday

August 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

\$24 for month or \$7.00 per class

Participants should dress comfortably and bring a yoga mat. For more info contact Marietta at mcoleman@three-rivers.org or 513-675-2725.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Make Checks Payable to THREE RIVER S COMMUNITY EDUCATION



The Cleves-Three Rivers Kiwanis is holding a 5K run/walk and 10K run on June 10 at 8am. For details on the run and a downloadable registration form, go to:

<http://www.threeriversschools.org/documents/registration4.0.pdf>



Attention all Meijer Community Rewards Program Participants!!!

The community rewards program at Meijer is changing. Effective May 1, 2007, rewards will be earned solely by using cash or a Meijer Credit Card at any Meijer Store, Gas Station, Convenience Store, Car Wash and Meijer.com. Taylor PTSA will receive 0.5% of all purchases made with cash and 1% of all purchases made with a Meijer Credit Card, when you designate Taylor as the organization to receive your reward support. Therefore...

All current participants must re-enroll

To re-enroll or enroll for the first time, go to Meijer.com/MCRmember

Taylor High School PTSA Organization Code: 172095

Help Taylor High School PTSA support our Taylor students!

PTSA supports activities such as After Prom, PTSA dances, the PTSA Scholarship, and many more...

Shop. Earn. Share...



Taylor High School Sports Hall of Fame

2007 Inductees

- Debbie Holford
- Harold Robertson
- Jim Eldridge
- Lawrence Wright
- Thom Maltbie
- Jim Gulley
- Gary Vaughn – Coach

Banquet - Sunday, October 7, 2007

The Meadows in Addyston \$35.00 per person Open Bar & Dinner 4:00 to 8:00

Golf Outing - Saturday, October 6, 2007

Miami Whitewater Golf Course - \$60.00 per golfer Tee-Off 12:00

For additional information or to make reservations call Lynn Lee 941- 8827.



Taylor High School Mentors for the 2007-2008 School Year.

Senior Mentors

Caitlin Lariccia
Bryan Elsberry
Jordan Profitt
Phil Fangman
Mallory Koons
Michelle Morand
Sara Cunningham
Nick Meyer
Keegan McCarthy
Justin Williams
Michelle Ashcraft
Ryan Roberts
Shannon Corbitt
Heather LePage

Sam Staubach
Stephanie Champness
Scott Girdler
Meagan Fasbinder
Catie Meyer
Craig Metzner
Katie Dolan
Emily Ober
Jared Swope
Amy Bohrer
Brian Sauer
Amanda Colley
Justin Williams
Ryan Engle

Junior Mentors

Sarah Seyfried
Hannah Jaimie Schwendenmann
Danielle Kessinger
Kaitlin West
Rachel Buzek
Hannah Newmann
Chris Pascua
Rachel Wood
Trisha Hubbard
Emily Thompson
Kelly Sullivan
Drew Gilby
Sarah Hartke
Hailee Mink
Jake Fox
Petey Bucalo
Brad Chiseck
Alex Ries

Bethany Heitkamp
Jessica O'Connor
Hannah Thompson
Erin Hafer
Camilla Pascua
Trey Reinshagen
Krista Vaughn
Emily Loring
Robyn Rueve
Ashley Hensley
Lauren Heitkamp
Angela Friedman
Deborah Legendre
Nathan Bailey
Sean Ashcraft
Michael Presnell
Chris Wright
Kelsey Byess