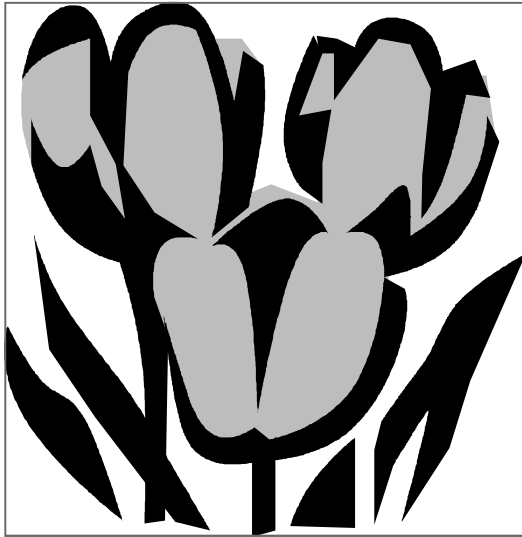




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Letter from the Editor

I am thrilled to be working on my third issue of the Memo, and am looking forward to the warmer weather, when we all seem to come out of our winter "hibernation" and get to know each other again.

This issue of the Memo is full of opportunities for you— the Easter egg hunt, a cycling club, Scouts and school. Pick one - or several— and see who your neighbors are.

This issue also features one of our Board Members, Kim Pittman, who serves as our Membership Coordinator. Kim has some great ideas on how you can be involved in this community, one of which is to become a Street Greeter. Check out both of Kim's articles— and pick another way you can be involved.

Speaking of being involved (yes, I know, it's all I ever talk about), did you fill out your questionnaire? Did you learn anything? One thing some of your Farms neighbors may have learned is that we have a pool. What a great way to spend your summer evenings as a family! My family loved taking a picnic dinner down to the pool and spending a few hours there before heading home with two very exhausted kids (and two very happy parents). The 2006 Pool Membership application is in the Memo this month. Kids can't swim? We have swim lessons, too! Have a kid who is a "fish?" What better way to encourage them than having them join the Swim Team (registration also in this issue).

So there it is—a Memo chock full of opportunities for you, everything you need right here in your hands. Wake up from your winter sleep, stretch, and enjoy your Farms.

Krista



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Neighborhood News



Around the Farms



It's Not My Job! A generation ago, Freddy Prinze played a television role in which the lead character's signature sentence was "it's not my job." He played the line as comedy. Today, sadly, many of our citizens are saying the same words about our health services, our neighborhoods, and even our schools.



Most immediately, our school system, Northwest Local School District, and its professional and capable leaders—those we trust with our precious children's lives—are asking our support for a much needed levy. Citizens' quotes in the recent Northwest Press of February 15th show the lamentable view that "we got our children educated [years ago or a few years ago]" and now "it's not our job" [to provide public education for your children].



The truth is that we all stand on the shoulders of the loving parents who came before us—those who built those schools and churches, those community organizations, and the very communities we are proud to live in today. If we all had to pay back those in the past for all they have passed on to us, we couldn't afford the levy. But, our wonderful American system gives us one of the most painless ways to say thank you to the past and to provide services to the future, the future where most of us hope to live for a good long while.



That painless method of saying thank you [and in the process giving our own children and grandchildren a reason to say thank you to us] is voting yes at every opportunity we have to support a school levy. If anyone can truly point out a situation where levy money has been spent for wine, women, and song, I will eat my words. The real truth is that some citizens have their "pet peeves" about schools that could be related to a bad experience in their own schooling, that could be a result of rumor, or that could even be a result of lack of knowledge of the process that goes into preparing to put a levy on the ballot.



As a PRF family getting ready for retirement in less than a year, we would like to get the top dollar for our home when we sell. Good schools are at the top of the list of reasons that newcomers to the area buy real estate; bad schools chase prospective buyers away. [One indication of "bad schools" is a community that repeatedly votes down school levies—ask Fairfield.]



The private and parochial schools around us save us all an enormous amount in tax dollars by shouldering the full costs for their children; imagine the need our school district would have if all those schools closed their doors?



Please honor your own children, your grandchildren, and your great-grandchildren by making sure that our community is rated top-notch in the education department.



Clean up, Paint up, Fix up time—Spring is the season to make those To Do Lists—maintenance items that will make your property more saleable now or in the future. A property that always has curbside appeal boosts the real estate values for itself and for the whole block. We have a nice neighborhood here in Pleasant Run Farms, but it could be better. Please remember that Springfield Township now has a Property Maintenance Code—you will be praised if others in your block feel your property is making the whole street look like triple AAA rating.



Some townships may have funds to assist those whose income levels make crucial maintenance tasks difficult. Some of our area churches also have ministries to assist those who are unable to do their own yard work or clean up work.



Chicken Soup for the Body??—I am feeling under the weather as I write this column today. I just read of a chicken soup contest in Cincinnati but the recipes were not printed. Does anyone have a family chicken soup recipe known for its miraculous qualities? If so please send it in and we'll find a way to share it with our readers.



Yellow feathers?—Those little yellow finches come often for their thistle seeds and just today (Sunday) I thought I saw some yellow feathers.



--Maureen Cronin, ballygarne@fuse.net



An Addicted America

In his recent State of the Union speech, President Bush said, "America is addicted to oil." This however; not a political dialogue, but an example of how common the idea of addiction has become. I do not know about being addicted to oil, but I do know Americans are addicted to a whole host of things. In years past, if it was known you had some addiction, it was assumed that you were weak minded or of low character. Today things are very different. Today being addicted is all too common and if you are truly addicted than you know the heartache and pain, it can cause you and those you love. In our American society, it is almost fashionable to be so captivated and enthralled in an activity or with a person or substance, that you might be seen as uncommitted if you are not.

America is addicted from everything from alcohol and other drugs, gambling, sex, food, money, working, sports, relationships, TV, shopping, love, and computers, nevertheless, what causes these addictions. Here are a few of the most prominent models.

The *moral model* states that addictions are the result of human weakness, and are defects of character. Those who advance this model do not accept that there is any biological basis for addiction.

The *disease model* holds that addiction is an illness, and comes about as a result of the impairment of healthy neuro-chemical or behavioral processes.

The *genetic model* posits a genetic predisposition to certain behaviors. It is frequently noted that certain addictions "run in the family," and while researchers continue to explore the extent of genetic influence, there is strong evidence that genetic predisposition is often a factor in dependency.

The *cultural model* recognizes that the influence of culture is a strong determinant of whether or not individuals fall prey to certain addictions.

Are you or do you know of someone who is addicted. If so there is hope. I personally believe in the disease model, due to the fact that all addictions cause dis-ease to you biologically, psychologically, and socially. If you don't believe me, try to go without your item of addiction and see if it causes any anxiety or discomfort. If it does and you want some help call me. As a licensed professional addictions counselor I can help. Please feel free to contact me for a free consultation @ (513) 614-8111.

Rick Anderson – randerson1473@yahoo.com



Kindergarten Registration—March 7th

The Northwest Local School District will begin registering Kindergarten students for next fall's school year. Registration will begin on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 from 5-7 p.m. at Welch Elementary School. The following will be required in order to complete the registration process:

1. Birth Certificate, 2. Social Security Card, 3. Immunization records, 4. Proof of Custody (if applicable), 5. Two proofs of residency (one being a lease or mortgage--if one isn't available in the parent's name arrangements will be made at the registration).

If you have any questions please contact the Welch office at 742-1240.

Reminder : Civic Association Scholarships

- Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association will once again offer two \$500 scholarships to high school graduates. Applicants must be receiving a high school diploma and intend to continue his or her education at a college or technical school. The applicant's family must be a resident of the Farms as well as a current Civic Association Member in order to be eligible to receive a scholarship. All applications must be mailed or given to Linda Higgins by **March 24, 2006**.

- Applications are available online at the PRF website (www.prfarms.org), at the Northwest High School's guidance office or may be obtained by calling Linda Higgins (742-0521).

CLASSIFIED ADS

Young People Lookin' For Work

Need a hand from a young member of our neighborhood? The following people want you to know they are ready and willing to help. The Memo publishes these names and numbers for your convenience and offers no referrals or endorsements.

Baby sitting

Nicki Gustafson, Red Cross certified, age 13, 851-4209.
Sammie Gustafson, Red Cross certified, age 16, 851-4209.
Nicole Ntumba, Red Cross certified, age 14, 742-5302

Katie Reed, age 14, 825-2140

Megan Reed, age 12, 825-2140

Amber Schmidt, Red Cross certified, age 15, 742-4832.

Hope Taylor, Red Cross certified, age 15, 742-8947.

Alison Ulanski, Red Cross certified, age 15, 825-8558.

Kearia Whiting, age 13, 851-5868.

Heather Lewellyn, Red Cross Certified, 14, 825-6460

Emily DeBildt, Red Cross certified, age 14, 674-0703

Sarah Sterner, Safe Sitter certified, age 15, 742-4204

Animal Care:

Amber Schmidt, SPCA trained, age 15, 742-4832.

Tanner Agin, age 12, 851-2627

The Memo runs this list free of charge each month. Categories are not limited to only those listed above. If you would like to be added to this list **email Krista Hepp at jhepp@cinci.rr.com**

Kids—are you willing to shovel snow, walk dogs, or mow lawns? Have your name listed in the Memo FREE! Just contact Krista Hepp at **jhepp@cinci.r.com**

SERVICES:

Housecleaning: Ladies looking for houses to clean. Thirty years experience, dependable, honest and thorough. Resident of PRF for 35 years. Call 607-6059 or 825-2557.

Cabinet Making: Furniture repair & refinishing. 825-4208

Sharpening Service: Chain saws, scissors, knives, hedge trimmers (electric & manual), mower blades, etc. Call 825-4208.

Home for sale: Want to stay in the neighborhood but house too small, have a friend relative that would like to come to the farms? I have a home that is on Cedar creek 12064, and it will be going on the market first of April. However if you would be interested and want to save a lot of money in fees, etc please call for a private showing and conversation (513) 674-9957.

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- Sports Team sponsorships (uniforms, bags, water bottles, banners)
- Opportunity to be featured as the "Business of the Month"
- And more!

If you or someone you know are interested, please contact either Michelle Sager (674-7076) or Krista Hepp (851-3644) for more details.

Community News



Girl Scout News: Girl's Corner

Welcome to "Girls' Corner", a monthly article that will focus on Girl Scouts in our community. There are many Girl Scout troops consisting of Daisy's (Kindergarten), Brownies (1st-3rd), Juniors (4th-6th), Cadets (7th-9th) and Senior/Studio 2B (10th-12th). There are many dedicated leaders and volunteers who meet with these girls in weekly to bi-weekly meetings.

This month's troop is Daisy Troop #871, at Welch Elementary. The leaders for this troop are Ms. Karen, Ms. Javonna, Ms. Charlene, and Ms. Kim. This troop has started the new year off by learning "Healthy Habits". Their first meeting of the new year consisted of learning about physical health and good eating habits. They were taught exercise routines by a trainer, ate healthy foods, played fun games geared toward good health and even got to take home a bag of healthy snacks!!

Their second meeting consisted of learning about personal hygiene. This included a video presentation on good oral hygiene, with one of the FABULOUS mom's, who happens to be a dental hygienist, giving a presentation as well as a goodie bag with stuff to help keep those healthy habits maintained at home!!! To top off the month, they went roller skating and a great time was had by all!!!

Thanks to these great volunteers who are taking time to make a difference in the lives of these young ladies!!

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a volunteer, contact Becky Hoover at Bkyhvr35@fuse.net. Come and see what YOU can do to help these young ladies in our community!! Positions are not limited to leader/co-leader!! Share your job, your experience as a scout, many different ways to help!!!

Becky Hoover

Girl Scout Leader/Advisor/Volunteer

Girl/Adult Recruiter @ Welch Elementary

Scouting News- Pack 929 News

On Sunday, February 19, surrounded by their families and fellow Cub Scouts, PJ Bismeyer, Christopher Carroll, Patrick Carver and Mickey Sweeney crossed the bridge into Boy Scouts. These four boys, after receiving their Arrow of Light Awards – the highest award in Cub Scouting, crossed a rope bridge and were received by the Boy Scouts of Troop 881, who had constructed the bridge for this moving ceremony. This was a part of Pack 929's annual Blue & Gold Banquet, which took place in Daniel Hall at St. John Neumann Church.

The delicious dinner was catered by M&M Catering. Dessert included the wonderfully creative Scout-made cakes which had been raffled off during the afternoon. Afterward, the Cub Scouts were awarded the recognition pins, patches and belt loops they had earned, concluding with the crossing over of the 2nd Year Webelos into Boy Scouts.

Congratulations to all of the boys in Pack 929 for their hard work. Thank you to the parents of Pack 929 for their support. Immense gratitude to the Leadership of Pack 929, for without their effort, my son would not have the experience he has had in Scouting.

Did you know?

- The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place in New York in 1762, as Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through the city.
- The oldest known Irish stone carvings show people playing harps (known as the Clarsach)
- St. Patrick was not Irish—he was born in Britain, captured by Irish raiders, and spent six years in captivity in Ireland.



PLEASANT RUN FARMS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of the General Meeting

January 26, 2006

A general meeting of the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association was held on January 26, 2006 at Welch Elementary School. The President, Jason Henry, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The President called for the approval of the minutes from the December 15, 2005 Board of Director's meeting. Tonya Klei made a motion to approve the minutes; Michelle Sager seconded. The motion passed.

President, Jason Henry, read the nominations for the 2006 PRFCA Board of Directors. Kris Koch nominated Cheryl Purvis for the office of Secretary; Chip Bergquist seconded. The nominees running unopposed, Chris Rowland cast a unanimous ballot to elect the PRFCA Board of Directors.

The 2006 PRFCA Board of Directors are:

President – Jason Henry, Vice President – Chip Bergquist, Treasurer – Chris Rowland, Secretary – Cheryl Purvis, Membership – Kim Pittman, Community Activities – Kris Koch & Linda Higgins, Communications – Krista Hepp, Pool – Tonya Klei, Athletics – Michelle Sager

President – Jason Henry announced that PRFCA had received a certificate of appreciation from Matthew 25 Ministries. He also announced that PRFCA had received a second check for \$1,000.00 from the city of Fairfield for the purchase of the easement in the greenbelt.

Vice President – Chip Bergquist reported that Fred Hunt should be contacted about the messages for the sign. The Civic Association messages have first priority on the sign, the PTA messages have second priority, and other community messages have third priority.

Treasurer – The balance in the Checking account is \$2,500.00 and the balance in the Savings account is \$7,436.06. There is also \$5,000.00 in a CD.

Secretary/Education – Linda Higgins reported that PRFCA Scholarship applications are available at Northwest High School and at her home. The deadline to submit an application is March 24, 2006. An applicant and his or her family must reside in Pleasant Run Farms, and he or she must plan to pursue post secondary education at a college or technical school.

She announced that there will be an Emergency Tax Levy for the Northwest School District on the May 2, 2006 ballot.

Also there are two major fund raisers for the Northwest High Booster Association; the first one is a Monte Carlo on Feb 18 at St. John Neumann Church and the second one is the Knight of Honor on May 4 at St. John's School on Dryridge Road with Anthony Munoz as the quest speaker.

Athletics – Michelle Sager reported that there will be a Sports sign-up at John Wesley Church. The first ten to sign-up will receive a PRF Sports Bag. She distributed a PRFCA Athletic Board roster. She announced that a questionnaire will be included in the Memo.

Pool – Tonya Klei reported that lifeguards will be needed at the pool this summer. A lifeguard must be 15 years old by the conclusion of the class instruction. She thanked Ed Mayer for serving as the Pool Treasurer for 8 years and presented him with a gift. Missy Butts will assume the duties of Pool Treasurer in 2006. Tonya also recognized Kathy West for running the concession stand at the pool. Joni Fette will be in charge of fund raising for the pool.

Membership – Kim Pittman reported that there are 227 members of PRFCA.

Communications – Three residents will be writing columns for the Memo: Julie Mayer – school news, Becky Hoover – Girl Scout news, and Rick Anderson's column "Counseling Corner" will return.

Community Activities – Kris Koch reported that the Easter Egg Hunt may become an indoor event this year, as a Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, if we are able to use one of the area church's multipurpose rooms. Tonya Klei requested that Community Activities plan the teen pool parties this year.

New Business

The 2006 PRFCA Budget was presented to the Association. Kris Koch made a motion to approve the 2006 PRFCA budget; Kim Pittman seconded. Motion passed.

President, Jason Henry presented a gift to Hope Sweeney, in appreciation for her service as the PRFCA Communications Director in 2005.

The next general meeting of the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association will be held on April 27, 2006 at Welch Elementary School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Linda Higgins, Recording Secretary

Splish –Splash : Pool News

Summer is almost here!!!!!!

How will you spend this summer? Do you want to meet your neighbors and have fun doing so? Join the Pleasant Run Swim Club and see what a great community we live in. There are 2 baby pools in an enclosed area and a 4-lane 20-yard pool with a diving board. There is a lifeguard on duty in the big pool at all times. The pool is open daily from 12 to 9 pm. We have a concession stand stocked with all kinds of treats as well as ice cream and slush puppies. This is a great way to spend your summer in the sun and meet new people at the same time. We have corn hole leagues and also offer swim lessons. Come and check it out at the OPEN HOUSE on May 13th from 10am to 2pm. If you have any questions please contact Tonya Klei your pool director at 742-0385 or email her at tonyaklei@cinci.rr.com.

Swimming Lessons at the Pleasant Run Farms Swim Club

We will offer swim lessons this year on Monday's & Wednesday's or Saturday's from 11:20am 12:00pm. Children must be 3 years old and potty trained. All swimming levels will be available. There are 5 classes in each session. The cost is \$30 for pool members and \$35 for non-members. The first session will begin the week of June 6th. Call the Pool after May 28th for more information. If you have questions before May 27th contact Tonya Klei, Water Safety Instructor for the American Red Cross at tonyaklei@cinci.rr.com or 742-0385.

Water Aerobics

Would you like to join a water aerobics class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 11:20 am to 12:00 pm? We are looking to see if there is an interest in this activity. Please contact Tonya Klei if you are interested. You can get a great workout and stay cool at the same time. It is also great for your joints.



PRF Dolphins 2006 Swim Season



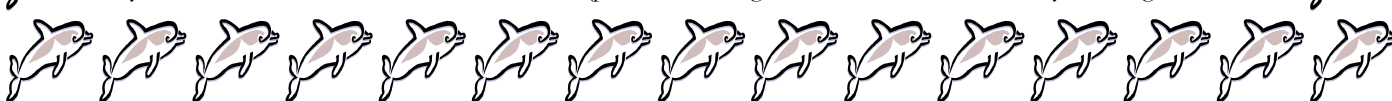
Do you have a water lover in your family?? Let that "fish" join the PRF Dolphins Swim Team!! We are looking for new and experienced swimmers ages 5-18. Our great coaches will teach you the strokes!! Our season is only 10 weeks long, with swim meets on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, a total of 8 meets for the season. We participate in a local Invitational and also Championships.

Evening practices begin the week of May 29th, with morning practices Monday-Friday, beginning the week of June 12th. Your swimmer will enjoy meeting new friends, learning the correct swim strokes, as well as gaining self-esteem!! We value good sportsmanship, team spirit, and community pride for our PRF Dolphins!!

Our 2006 registration dates are March 23rd, 6-8 pm at Welch Elementary and April 3rd, 6-8 pm at Welch Elementary, with Kast-A-Ways Swim Wear, to view and purchase team suits (optional). See the March and April PRF Memo for your form or contact Becky Hoover at PRFDolphins@fuse.net. Trunk style suits for boys are acceptable...no need for SPEEDOS!!

Lots of excitement can be heard from the pool all around the Farms when we have our home meets...come check us out and support the PRF Dolphins!! We anticipate over 70 swimmers this year!!

Many opportunities are available to make the swim meets run smoothly, why not volunteer and show your support to your swimmer!! There is a need for officials (person watching swimmers to make sure they're doing correct



Highlight on your Neighbors

The EXtra Mile Club

I am blessed to be considered as a premiere Junior cyclist. In an effort to give back to the community, I love and live in; I want to reach out to the kids. This is a preliminary survey of interest. If you feel your kids would like to learn the many benefits of cycling, let me know. I am interested in meeting with you and your kids to discuss the possibility of a cycling club starting up for spring and summer. There is no cost; this is a voluntary community outreach. Due to my competitive schedule, I will need some adults to help as volunteers. If there is interest, I will be contacting you with updates. Please e-mail me with your interest at futball_bike@yahoo.com.

Justin Anderson

Your Board Members:

Kim Pittman , Membership

Bio: Kim Pittman - Membership. Husband Alan. 3 children, Kallie Drager 14yrs, Scottie 11 yrs and Sami 7 years. Moved into neighborhood over 6 years ago. Occupation: volunteer and loving it!!

Why I serve on the board: I wanted to become more involved in the community my family and I lived in. It's a wonderful board of dedicated individuals that I am honored to work with. Neighbors as well as friends.

How you can be more involved:

#1-Join the civic association. Show your support for what the board does.

#2-Bring your family to the seasonal events that we have.

#3-VOLUNTEER.

#4-Feedback. Let us know how we're doing. Positive and negative.

#5-Join the civic association. Did I say that already?! It's a great way to support YOUR community.

My position: Membership. I keep a current list of civic association members. Including birthdays, 'farm anniversaries', and volunteers. I attend sports sign-ups to check memberships. I mail out renewal notices. Put together welcome packets. And the newest.....oversee street greeters (info in this memo) which will start this spring.

I love being a part of the PRFCA board and being a part of such a great community!!

Membership News

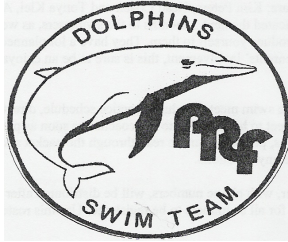
Kim Pittman

In the early morning hours of December 22nd of this year our home caught fire. My family and I (and our dog Shadow) escaped without injury. The cause of the fire was clothing that ignited due to laundry chute letting out next to hot water heater. While we were OK, our home was not as lucky. It's basically been gutted. Everything that was salvageable was boxed up and stored by a restoration company, In a box is my membership book. Due to this fact, I have been unable to list birthday's and Farm Anniversaries. I apologize for that. They will return next month. Hopefully little over a month from now my family and I can return to our home. We'll be very glad to go 'home' again. Thank you for your understanding.

**March 23rd & April 3rd "Sign up" Welch Elementary 6-8 PM in Front Lobby
(Team suits will be available for purchase at April 3rd sign up.)**

Registration forms may also be mailed to:
Becky Hoover, 1979 Edgewater Dr. 45240
Contact: 742-3442 or Bkyhvr35@fuse.net

2006 Pleasant Run Farms Swim Team Registration



Parent/Guardian Names _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ PRFCA Member? **Yes No** (Circle one)
(PRF residents must hold a \$30 Civic Assoc membership to participate.)

Email _____

(This is how we communicate with team parents

during season.)

SWIMMER NAME	SEX M/F	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE ON June 1, 2006	PAST SWIMMING EXPERIENCE	OFFICE USE ONLY
TOTAL					

FEES: (Due at registration) \$50.00 per child, residents \$60.00 per child, non-residents

The Butler County Swim League Rules require every swimmer's family be a member of the PRF Swim Club or pay a **user fee of \$35.00 per family**. Any returned check will be subject to a \$10.00 return fee.

I hereby agree the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association, its members, coaches, officers, and officials of the Butler County Board of Recreation, its member organizations, and the owners of facilities utilized by the Butler County programs shall not be held liable for any injury or loss which my child/self may sustain while participating in any activity sponsored by the foregoing organizations. I am aware of the risks involved in playing sports and certify that my child/self is physically capable of participating in any of the sponsored sports programs. I further agree to hold harmless any claim, whatsoever, to the PRFCA, BCBR, its member organizations and owners of facilities utilized. **I understand that parental volunteer support is required at all swim meets in one of a variety of jobs.**

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

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School News

Introducing Northwest High School

Northwest High School is one of the two high schools in the Northwest District. The school draws students from Pleasant Run Middle School and has 9-12 grades. The school continues to celebrate the excellent rating they have received on the Ohio State Report Card. The school maintains solid programs in academics--offering a wide variety of courses from Advanced Placement courses, vocational studies, and college preparatory classes as well as student athletics, and many diverse extracurriculars.

Principal Bob Reynolds is half way through his first year at the school. Principal Reynolds encourages communication with the parents, students and community and would welcome your questions and comments. Please feel free to contact him through the school's office at 851-7300 or through the NWLS District's website: www.nwlsd.org. Principal Reynolds would like to pass on the following exciting Northwest High School News:

Success for SUCCESS! - We are proud to announce that Cincinnati Mills has become the latest business partner of Northwest High School. Thanks to the work of Debbie Hopper and the SUCCESS team, Cincinnati Mills has donated \$3,000.00 to support our school and to help with our student recognition programs. For more details, contact Mr. Bill Rice or Mr. Brian Vanover at 742-6340. Once again, congratulations to all!

Mygradebook.com- This year we have successfully implemented an online grading system called mygradebook.com. This web-based program allows parents and students to check grades any time they want. It has helped our families keep track of their student's progress and significantly improved the quality of parent-teacher communication.

Showcase 2006- Colerain and Northwest Career & Technology Centers Trade & Industry Programs showed off their talents and skills in "Showcase 2006" on Thursday, February 16, 2006. We are proud of all our career center students and for the hard work they did to prepare for this special event.

Northwest Booster Monte Carlo- It was a night of food and fun at St. John Neumann Hall on Saturday, February 18th as the Boosters put on their annual Monte Carlo night. The big winner of the night was Richard Ernst who won the reverse raffle. Thanks to all who braved the cold weather and came out to support our school.

Bowling teams move on!-The Northwest High School girls and boys bowling teams scored big tournament victories over the weekend. Our girls defeated Princeton 3332-3152 while our boys defeated Colerain 3820-3691. Both teams now move on to compete in the regionals on Sunday, February 26th at Poelking South Lanes in Centerville. All matches begin at noon. Congratulations and good luck to both our bowling teams on their march to state!

Basketball tournament time! - Both our boys and girls basketball teams had outstanding seasons; the boys posted a 10-2 mark in the FAVC while the girls posted a 9-3 mark in the league. Post season play begins this week with varsity girls tipping off at 8 p.m. against Kings on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd at Milford High School. The boys begin play at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1st against Glen Este in the Cintas Center of Xavier University. Please come out and support our teams as they begin their tournament runs.

Wrestler moves on to districts- Rob Snell earned a berth to the district meet by placing second in his weight class at sectionals. He will compete for NWHS on Friday, February 24th at Fairfield High School. Congratulations to all our wrestlers for a great season.

OMEA Success- Our band, orchestra and chorus participated in the OMEA Solo-Ensemble contest this past weekend at Fairfield. All our performers received superior or excellent ratings. We are proud of our musicians and their teachers; they represent themselves and our school with honor every time they perform.

Here are some upcoming events at NWHS:

Booster Meeting- Monday, March 6th at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Scheduling Night- Our annual Scheduling Night will be on Thursday, March 9th.

Winter Sports Awards – Monday, March 13th at 6:30 p.m.

OGT testing- week of March 13th-17th.

NWHS Variety Show- Friday, March 17th at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.


Thanks for your support of Northwest High School and....**Go Knights!**

Bob Reynolds, Principal, Northwest High School


Sports News




Congratulations to the following Ball Players who received their own PRF drawstring backpack to stow all their Baseball, Softball, or T-Ball gear! The early bird really does get the worm! . . . Or in this case the free sports bag!

	Skylar Abston	Maddie Girts	Logan Purvis	James Sprecker
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	Vito Amato	Ben Halpin	Kyle Schreiber	Mick Sweeney
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	Tony Boylson	Kieron Harrell	Tanner Schreiber	Will Sweeney
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	Olivia Doll	Katie Noll	Curtis Sneed	Brent Taylor
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	Louis Girts	Dariun Peacock	Daniel Sprecker	Micah Taylor
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Once the season starts, the bags will be available at the Concession Stand at Clifford George for the bargain price of \$10.00. These bags are a great way to keep track of your glove, ball, hat, water bottle, even your baseball shoes! Proceeds from the sales benefit the Baseball, Softball, and T-Ball programs.



It's Time for MARCH MADNESS!

Welch Spring Carnival

Saturday, March 18, 2006

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Come to Welch Elementary for fun *Games* with great *Prizes*, yummy *Food* served by the wonderful Teachers from Welch, and a *Raffle* featuring fabulous prizes including movie tickets and Passes to Kings Island!

New this year is a "Mom's Retreat from March Madness". It is a special, no-kids-allowed area where you can shop for items for yourself and for your home. You can even get a massage!

"Street Greeters"

Street what?! Formerly known as street reps. (I like street greeters better) What are they? Volunteers who welcome people to the neighborhood who live on their street. What is their job? Welcome new neighbors and pass out welcome packets. Deliver neighborhood directories (this year). Keep me informed of 'happenings' on their street. (No collecting of civic dues. That information is in their welcome packet) Who can be one? Any current civic association member. How many per street? Several per street would be wonderful. How can I be one? Contact Kim Pittman via email at PRFMembers@aol.com. Won't you help me promote this wonderful community?! I look forward to your email.

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