



THE POLO R-VII SCHOOL DISTRICT PANTHER PRIDE

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Important May Dates

- 2 - Late Start 10:20am
 - Preschool Open House
 - V/JV Track @ Albany 2 pm
- 3 - Gates Reading Test K-6
 - PAT Story Time & Play Group 10-11 am
 - HS/MS Cheer Tryouts 5:30-6:30 pm in HS Gym
- 4 - Gates Ready Test K-6
 - Korean War Veterans Assembly - Individual Classes 8:20 am
 - HS/MS Cheer Tryouts 5:30-6:30 pm in HS Gym
- 5 - Preschool sign up for 2011-2012 @ 3:30pm in Elementary Office
 - Gates Reading Test for K-6
 - MS Track @ Work County 3 pm
 - 10-12th Grade EOC Reward Trip to Chillicothe YMCA 8:30-2:45
- 6 - Elementary Field Days (rain date 5-13-11)
 - HS/MS Cheer Tryouts 5:30-6:30 pm in HS Gym
- 7 - V Track @ St. Joseph Christian
- 9 - 4th Grade field trip
 - EOC Biology 8:20-10:04
 - EOC Government 12:22-2:06
- 10 - Music Banquet 6:30 pm
 - EOC Communication Arts II 8:20-10:04
 - EOC Algebra I 12:22-2:06
- 11 - 2nd Grade field trip
 - Senior finals odd hours
 - EOC Communication Arts I 8:20-10:04
 - EOC Algebra II 12:22-2:06
- 12 - Senior finals even hours
 - EOC American History 8:20-10:04
 - EOC Makeups in pm
- 13 - EOC Makeup Day
 - Preschool Field Day
- 14 - V Track Sectionals @ Albany
- 16 - Senior Trip Week
 - BOE Mtg 7 pm
- 17 - Preschool Field Day
 - MS StuCo election speeches and voting 7th hour
- 18 - HS/MS finals odd hours
 - 5th & 6th grade field trip
- 19 - HS/MS finals even hours
 - Preschool field trip
- 20 - Preschool screening
 - V Track @ State in Jefferson City
 - HS Graduation practice
- 21 - V Track @ State in Jefferson City
- 22 - HS Graduation 2 pm
- 23 - Preschool Screening
 - Kindergarten Graduation 6:30 pm
 - 8th Grade Graduation 7:30 pm
- 24 - Last day of School 11:20 dismissal
 - Elementary awards assembly 8:45 am
 - HS/MS Awards Assembly 10-11:20 am

From the Elementary Office

by Beverly Deis
Elem. Principal

As I write this letter and the regular school year is coming to an end, most students and teachers are anxiously awaiting summer school and summer break. If summer school packets have not been distributed yet, they should be given to students soon. If you have questions about summer school, please call the school and ask. In the event your child does not attend summer school, I would highly recommend she or he continue to read on a daily basis during the summer. Reading the map when on vacation or reading the recipe for something new on the grill - any reading will benefit any child.

May's word of the month is "confidence." Every student needs confidence when completing assignments. I am sure the teachers stressed confidence on the recent MAP and Stanford tests. Assurance and certainty are synonyms for confidence. Be sure to ask your child how he/she is learning about confidence while at school.

MAP testing and Stanford testing recently ended with students being assessed with the Gates-MacGinitie Reading Assessments and STAR Reading Assessments these last few weeks of school. Several students are actively involved in their summer activities, but I would like to remind parents that school work needs to come first. Many students have already attended their class field trips with only one or a few field trips left this spring.

I hope everyone has a fun and safe summer break.

Upcoming dates to mark on your calendar include:

April 29	Fourth Grade Field Trip Water Festival Being Green Assembly, grades K-2
May 2	Late Start - In-Service Preschool Open House
May 3-4-5	Gates Testing
May 4	Korean War Veteran's Assembly (grades 5-6)
May 5	Preschool Sign up (3:30-5:00)
May 6	Field Days (rain date is May 13)
May 9	Fourth Grade Field Trip
May 11	Second Grade Field Trip
May 16	Board Meeting
May 18	5/6 field trip
May 19	Preschool Field Day
May 20 and 23	Preschool Screening
May 22	High School Graduation
May 23	Kindergarten Graduation, 6:30 pm
May 24	Awards Assembly grades 1-6 at 8:45 am Last Day of School, 11:20 dismissal

For All Your School Information
Needs and Wants
VISIT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE
polo.k12.mo.us



*Alex Templeton
Bobby Thompson
Chris Shelton*

*Conagher Glasgow
Cortney Farris
Courtney Arthur*



*David Casey
Dillon Hufford
Dillon Mohler*

*Dylan Parker
James Taylor
Jason Tarwaters*



*Jeff King
Josh Lee
Kaidan Roark*

Graduating Seniors of 2011

*Kaleb Hicks
Kaylie Sorensen
Logan Dixon*



*Maddy Misel
Nikki Junco
Nick Allen*

*Randy Reeter
Ryan Phillips
Travis Allen*



Trenton Hallauer



Tyler Hendricks

Three Polo FFA Members Received State's Highest FFA Honor



Haley Hurd, Alex Templeton and Bobby Thompson of Polo received the State FFA Degree, the highest degree members can receive at the state level.

The Polo FFA chapter members were one of 752 degree recipients receiving the honor during the State Degree Ceremony at the 83rd Missouri FFA Convention. The annual

convention was held in April at the Hearnes Center, Columbia.

Awarding of the degree is based on a member's supervised agricultural experience program in agribusiness or production agriculture, and leadership ability as demonstrated through involvement in FFA, school and community activities. The State Degree award charms are sponsored by MFA Inc., Columbia.

State FFA Advisor Terry Heiman said that the number of State FFA Degree recipients is up and the highest ever.

"FFA membership and the number of State FFA Degree recipients have reached a record high. The State FFA Degree is the highest recognition a state can award, representing 3 percent of the total Missouri FFA membership per year," said Heiman.

Show Me the You in Blue is the theme for this year's Missouri FFA Convention. More than 8,500 youth and guests are expected to attend.

The Missouri FFA over 25,000 members representing 324 chapters. The national organization has more than 500,000 members representing 7,429 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

The FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

EOC Testing: Right around the corner

by Dillon Hufford
Staff Writer

Here it is nearing the end of the school year and now it's time for end of course testing. The schedule is as follows:

Biology 1, 5/9/11, 8:20-10:04

American Government, 5/9/11 12:22-2:06 p.m.

English II, 5/10/11 8:20-10:06 a.m.

Algebra I, 5/10/11 12:22-2:06 p.m.

English I, 5/11/11 8:20-10:04 a.m.

Algebra II, 5/11/11 12:22-2:06

American History, 5/12/11 8:20-10:04 a.m.

EOC makeup will be done on 5/12/11 in the afternoon and on Friday 5/13/11 and we will be trying to do all makeup's.

Some tips for improving test scores include, knowing the material, getting a good night rest, eat a healthy breakfast and always come to testing with the right equipment and a positive attitude.

Polo FFA Member Chosen for All- State Choir

by Hailey Thomas
FFA Reporter



The Missouri FFA Association has selected Loren Wagner, Polo, MO as a 2011 State FFA Choir member. Wagner is a member of the Polo FFA chapter. Loren's parents are Jeff and Joyce Wagner. Her FFA advisor is Darren Farmer.

Wagner was one of 200 individuals chosen for the FFA All State Choir. Students rehearse and perform at the State FFA Convention

in Columbia, Missouri held April 14-15, 2011. FFA members have the opportunity to share their musical talent in front of over 7,000 people FFA members and guests on April 15th.

FFA members are selected based upon musical ability through an application process for the FFA All-State Choir. Beth Dampf, choral director, Jefferson City High School directs the All- State Choir.

The Missouri FFA Association is a youth organization of over 24,900 student members preparing for the leadership and careers in the Science, business, and technology of agriculture with 326 local chapters. FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

*Congratulations
Class of
2011!*

*We wish you the best
in the future.*

Scholar Achievements



In a season marked by steady improvement, the Panther Scholar Bowl team ended their season Saturday, April 9, with a 2nd place finish in District Com-

petition.

A Scholar Bowl Competition (formerly known as Academic Team) consists of four quarters. First and third quarter each contain 15 toss-up questions. Second and fourth quarters are 10 toss-ups with bonus. Each correct answer is worth 10 points. A team of four players each buzz in to answer a question within 5 seconds. If the answer is incorrect, the opposing team gets the opportunity to buzz in and earn the points. During the bonus round, teams have 10 seconds to confer before answering. Categories for questions include Science, Mathematics, Social Studies, Communication Arts, Fine Arts, Performing Arts, and Miscellaneous. The miscellaneous category can include sports, business education, agriculture, home economics, driver's education, health/physical fitness, industrial trades, entertainment, and foreign language.

During Conference play the Panther's record was 1-8, but the team showed steady improvement from their first match score of 50 points to a regular season high of 150 points. Moving into the preliminary rounds of District, the Panthers went 2-1, losing to Norborne 150-170 in the first match, then beating Pattonsburg in overtime 250-220, and Hardin 200-110. After the dinner break, the Panthers faced Hardin again in the semifinals, winning 190-160, and then lost to Pattonsburg in the finals.

Six individual medals were given Saturday from preliminary rounds, with 3rd and 4th place medals going to Tyler Hendricks and Brady McCaskey. Tyler also received Honorable Mention All-GRC honors.

Team members include Senior Tyler Hendricks, Juniors Dillon James, Carlie Powers, and Sarah Thomas, Sophomores Daniel Boruch, Monica Fickess, Brady McCaskey, and Duncan Parker, and Freshmen Tyler James and Logan Stump.

State FFA Convention

For the 83rd State FFA Convention, the Polo Chapter took 12 members to Columbia to take part in the annual festivities. The Knowledge Team; Kelsey Gallion, Alex Johnson, Megan Henry, and Logan Stump; attended along with the Agronomy Team; Sammie Copeland, Avery Snodgrass, Rhea Rardon, and Brady McCaskey. Both of these teams competed at the State Convention hoping to get first and get the opportunity to move on to Nationals in Indianapolis, IN.

Sportsmanship Essay Winners Announced

Recently, MSHSAA announced the Excellence In Writing award winners. Polo had two students place in the local contest and one move on a place at the district level. This contest is sponsored by MSHSAA. The title of the essay this year was "Sportsmanship: What I have learned from other athletes". Kayla Carr's essay was selected as the local winner and placed 10th in the district. Mason Misel's essay was selected as the local runner up. Congratulations to these two and below are the winning essays.



Kayla's Essay

Each time I watch other athletes I learn more about sportsmanship. I learn that bad sportsmanship does not just come from athletes, but also from parents, coaches, and even pro-athletes. At many games such as football games and basketball games, I notice athletes who use bad language, push others, and even spit in opponents faces.

Most issues in sports today come from bad sportsmanship. My coaches tell me that when on the basketball court at a track meet to show respect and treat my teammates like a family. But when I go to a game or watch a game, I see athletes using bad sportsmanship because they push, spit, and use bad language. At many games I see ball hogs who consider themselves the best never looking to their teammates to assist them in a game.

I learned that not only athletes use bad sportsmanship, but also parents. Parents become embarrassing at sports when they yell at their children. Parents say, "Do better." Parents also yell at the referees and they say "Do you job right and stop slacking, Moron!" Sometimes at games parents get in fights with each other because another parent yelled at someone else's child.

When I watch sports on television with pro-athletes, I find athletes being bad role models by getting caught cheating or using steroids. I also see coaches that teach their athletes to cheat or to hurt players on the team playing against them.

My education on sportsmanship improved from watching other athletes. Athletes need to respect their teammates and the teams they play against. And at the end of every game all the athletes on both teams need to shake hands and congratulate each other. Parents, coaches, and pro-athletes should also be respectful and show good sportsmanship. Sportsmanship is important and everyone needs to use it while at sports activities.

Mason's Essay

Three items other athletes taught me include respecting the referees/umpires, playing fair, and never giving up. An unknown person once said "Do not throw in the towel; use it to wipe the sweat off of your face." I believe that the unknown person mean that athletes must not quit if they do not qualify to play, yet they need to try harder and work for a spot on the team.

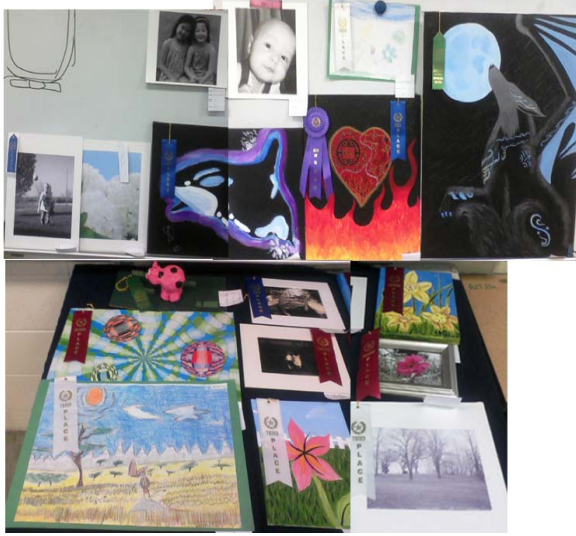
The first item other athletes taught me includes that I always need to respect the referees/umpires. A few ways to respect referees/umpires include not questioning a call made by a referee at a basketball game, not yelling at the umpires if they make a bad call at a baseball game, and that all players of any sport need to thank the referee/umpire for allowing them to play a sport they love.

Second, other athletes taught me to play fair. A quote by Michael Jordan includes "Playing fair; the key to success." Ways to play fair include helping a player up if they get knocked down, not acting pert at the end of a game if my team wins, and shaking the players hands respectfully at the end of the game.

The last item other athletes taught me includes never giving up. Once quoted by Norman Vincent Peale "It is always too soon to quit something you love." Reasons people must never give up include if people give up they let down their team members, if people quit they do not use sportsmanship, people need to work for a position on the team, and a player does not show integrity to themselves or their fans if they give up.

In conclusion, the three items that other athletes taught me include respecting the referee/umpires, playing fair, and never giving up. I believe these three items make a great and respected athlete. These athletes I learned from show true sportsmanship.

Caldwell County Art Show



The Caldwell County Student Art Show was held April 15th and 16th at the Polo Community Building and sponsored by the Caldwell County Arts Association in Hamilton, organized by Judy

Stone of the Association. All the schools in the county were represented this year. The event was held early this year due to crowded scheduling for the Community building, and has already been advanced scheduled for next spring April 27th and 28th 2012. Polo R7 students performed brilliantly and won 17 ribbons this year. The categories for competition were Painting, Drawing, Sculpture/Mixed Media, and Photography; within each category the students were divided into the grade-level groups of K-1st, 2-3rd, 4-5-6th, JH and HS. Corrine Attebery had the honor of winning Best of Show for her graphic style painting of a heart with Indian motifs and flames. The school and community were well represented by all the participants chosen to enter and to be chosen was an honor in itself. Polo R7 students and Mrs. Fickess would like to thank the Caldwell County Arts Association for the donation of ribbons and cash prizes and Judy Stone for organizing the event.

These are the winners listed by place.

1st Place

Corrine Attebery: Painting HS
Kelsie Reavis: Photography Upper Elementary
Shelby Copeland: Painting Upper Elementary
Madison Curp: Photography JH

2nd Place

Kelsie Reavis: Photography Upper Elementary
Shelby Copeland: Painting Upper Elementary
Linda Mynatt: Photography HS
Mikayla Reavis: Drawing JH

3rd Place

Marisa Fickess: Drawing 2nd-3rd Grade
Sierra Dye: Photography Upper Elementary
Chloe Gilbert: Drawing K-1st Grade
Emily Fickess: Painting JH
Mason Misel: Photography JH

Honorable Mention

Teagan Logan: Mixed Media Upper Elementary
Corrine Attebery: Painting HS
Emily Fickess: Photography JH

National Honor Society Induction

Polo High School's National Honor Society chapter held its annual induction ceremony Monday, April 4 in the school library. Principal Kyle Ross Began by congratulating the new members and reflecting on the requirements for admission. President Alex Templeton followed with an introduction and Vice President Nicole Junco explained the meaning of the NHS emblem and motto. Members then described the four guidelines of the Society which are scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

The new members were then inducted. They are sophomores Sammie Jo Copeland, Zachary Freeman, Monica Fickess, Justin Hicks, Dalton Mills, Rhea Rardon, and Avery Snodgrass; juniors Alexandra Gaines, Katie Garrett, Jennifer Lindaman, Kadee Phillips, Carlie Powers, and Ashton Shelton; and senior Kaylie Sorensen.

National Honor Society sponsor, Mrs. Sarah Davies concluded the ceremony by handing out certificates and insignias and congratulating the new members. Refreshments and a reception followed.

Students who have completed at least three semesters of high school and have a grade point average of 3.0 or above are eligible to apply. The Faculty Council then reviews the applications and only those who excel in scholarship, leadership, character, and service are admitted.



First row: Alexandra Gaines, Jennifer Lindaman, Avery Snodgrass, Rhea Rardon, Monica Fickess, Kaylie Sorensen, and Kadee Phillips. Second row: Katie Garrett, Sammie Jo Copeland, Dalton Mills, Ashton Shelton, Justin Hicks, Zach Freeman and Carlie Powers.

2011 Prom

by Alex Templeton
Staff Writer

The Junior and Senior students spent the night dancing away at prom on April 16. Prom was held at the Elms and the theme was "Arabian Paradise." In the ballroom where the dance was held, the room was decorated with candles, lights, Arabian themed colors. It was obvious that the junior class and sponsors put in a lot of hard work and planning to make the night magical for the senior class. Right after the grand march, the prom court was announced: Kaylie Sorensen, Alex Templeton, Maddy Misel, Courtney Arthur, Nick Allen, Logan Dixon, Jeff King, and Travis Allen. With much anticipation, the King and Queen were announced: Kaylie Sorensen and Logan Dixon were crowned! Overall, prom was a night that the senior class will never forget!

Surviving the MAP

On Monday, April 4, students at Polo Elementary watched the skit "Survivor: MAP Island!" MAP Island was full of incredible clues to help students on the MAP tests! This Island has been around for years, but the secrets have remained hidden - hidden until the twenty faculty members took on the adventure of a lifetime and uncovered the MAP secrets. During the Survivor: MAP Island skit, teachers were divided into two tribes who competed against each other in grueling and mental fatigue competitions. After each competition, tribes had immunity, voted tribal members off the Island, or received a reward competition. In the end, one team prevailed as they won Survivor: MAP Island. Winning tribe members were interviewed following the skit and said they were able to be the survivors because they had good attitudes, respected all team members, had a good night's rest, ate a good breakfast, and listened to all instructions.

Following the skit, awards were given out to the students who received proficient on the MAP tests during the Spring of 2010 with awards and medals given to students who received Advanced on the Spring 2010 MAP tests.



Teachers working together
as teams to
"survive" the skit.

Northwest Missouri Academic All-Star Recognition



High school students representing Caldwell, Clinton, Davies, and DeKalb Counties were acknowledged at the Northwest Missouri Academic All-Stars banquet in Cameron on April 29. The event is organized by Cameron Newspapers, Inc. Students from 15 schools

were recognized throughout the evening. 12th District State Senator, Brad Lager also recognized these students with a certificate. Representing Polo High school were students Maddy Misel and Bobby Thompson.

MAP AWARDS

On April 4th, 2011, Mr. Newhart, Superintendent of the Polo R-VII School District, helped kick off the start of the 2011 MAP Testing by handing out "Gold Medals" to all elementary students scoring "Advanced" on the 2010 MAP Tests. Elementary Principal, Dr. Beverly Deis, handed out certificates to all students scoring "Proficient" on their 2010 MAP Tests. All students recognized will be able to attend a MAP Reward Field Trip later this month at the Chillicothe YMCA. The following students received recognition:

The following students received Proficient in Math:

Current year 4th graders: Alex Arthur, Garion Hall, Kallie Heil, Steven Knotts, Mercedes McNab and Taylor Wagner

Current year 5th graders: Hailey Boyle, James Cochran, Luke Cory, Patrick Covey, Sierra Dye, Julianna Hurd, Garrett Jones, Michael Kerste, Teagan Logan, Cheyenne Martin, Matthew Vaughan and James Fleener

Current year 6th graders: Austin Arthur, Averie Heil, Ryan Henry, Jake Leonard, Dakota Martin, Alex Scott, Shelby Stump, Kalee Tarwater, Garrett Thomas, Austin VanOster and Gavin Walker

The following students received Proficient in Communication Arts:

Current year 4th graders: Maddy Baughman, Garion Hall, Jared Robison and Payton Tate

Current year 5th graders: John Bost, Patrick Covey, Sierra Dye, Dalton Frazier, Michael Kerste, Teagan Logan and Kelsey Reavis

Current year 6th graders: Jake Leonard, Alex Scott and Shelby Stump

The following students received Proficient in Science:

Current year 6th graders: Austin Arthur, Averie Heil, Douglas Lindaman, Dakota Martin, Alex Scott, Shelby Stump and Gavin Walker

The following students received Advanced in Math:

Current year 4th graders: Dylan Brower, Robin Crawford, Chris Dick and Jared Robison

Current year 5th graders: Megan Latimer, Julianna Mohler and Matthew Vaughan

Current year 6th graders: Averie Heil and Tiffany Pimentel

The following students received Advanced in Science:

Current year 6th graders: Tiffany Pimentel and Austin VanOster

Varsity Track Results

Results from Rock Port Varsity Track vs. 20 schools - Girls finished 6th and Boys 7th in team standings. Medalists include: Ashley Adams (6th Long Jump, 2nd 4x200 Relay,), Sammie Copeland (4th Discus & 6th Shot Put), Amber Adams (2nd 100 Hurdles, 4th 300 Hurdles, 2nd 4x200 Relay), Megan Knutter (5th 100 Dash, 2nd 4x200 Relay), Avery Snodgrass (1st 300 Hurdles, 2nd 4x200 Relay), Monica Fickess (6th 3200 Run).

James Taylor (3rd 800 Run, 6th High Jump, 5th 4x800 Relay, 6th 4x400 Relay), Logan Dixon (1st Triple Jump - New School Record for the 3rd time this season!, 3rd Long Jump, 4th 4x200 Relay), Daniel Boruch (3rd 400 Dash, 6th 4x400 Relay), Tony Utt (4th 300 Hurdles, 6th 4x100 Relay), Zach Freeman (5th 4x800 Relay, 4th 4x200 Relay, 6th 4x100 Relay), Jack Pile (4th 4x200 Relay, 6th 4x100 Relay), Duncan Parker (4th 4x200 Relay, 6th 4x100 Relay), Dalton Mills (5th 4x800 Relay, 6th 4x400 Relay), Austin Bowley (5th 4x800 Relay, 6th 4x400 Relay).

Varsity Track results from Lawson on 4/18/11: Logan Dixon - 1st Triple Jump, Daniel Boruch - 3rd 400 Dash, Toby Poje - 4th High Jump, James Taylor - 3rd 800 Run & 5th High Jump, 4 x 200 Relay - 6th (Parker, Pile, Boruch, Dixon), Avery Snodgrass - 1st 300 Hurdles & 5th Triple Jump, Ashley Adams - 5th Long Jump, Amber Adams - 3rd 100 Hurdles & 6th 300 Hurdles, Megan Knutter - 6th 100 Dash, 4 x 200 m Relay (Knutter/Amber Adams/Ashley Adams/Snodgrass) 5th.

Varsity Track results from Cameron on 4/19/11: Logan Dixon - 1st Triple Jump & 8th Long Jump, Daniel Boruch - 8th 400 Dash, 4 x 400 Relay - 7th (Freeman/Bowley/James/Boruch), 4 x 800 Relay - 7th (Rasmussen/Freeman/Mills/Bowley), Avery Snodgrass - 4th 300 Hurdles, Missy Cawthon - 3rd Pole Vault, Amber Adams - 3rd 100 Hurdles & 5th 300 Hurdles, 4 x 200 Relay - 6th (Knutter/Amber Adams/Ashley Adams/Snodgrass).

Varsity Track results from Brookfield on 4/21/11: 1st Place Girls Team - Courtney Arthur - 3rd High Jump & 6th 1600 Run, Jonna Stottlemyre - 4th Long Jump & 8th Triple Jump, Avery Snodgrass - 1st 300 Hurdles & 5th 200 Dash, Sammie Copeland - 3rd Shot Put & 3rd Discus, Missy Cawthon - 2nd Pole Vault & 5th High Jump, Ashley Adams - 2nd Long Jump & 4th 400 Dash, Amber Adams - 2nd 300 Hurdles & 2nd 100 Hurdles, 4 x 800 Relay - 5th (Stottlemyre/Gallion/Fickess/Arthur), 4 x 200 Relay - 1st (Knutter/Adams/Adams/Snodgrass), 4 x 100 Relay - 2nd (Knutter/Adams/Adams/Snodgrass), Throwers Relay - 3rd (Copeland/Cawthon/Junco/Parker). 2nd Place Boys Team - Logan Dixon - 1st Triple Jump & 2nd Long Jump, James Taylor - 3rd High Jump & 4th 800 Run, Toby Poje - 7th High Jump, Dillon James - 4th 110 Hurdles & 5th 300 Hurdles, Austin Bowley - 5th Shot Put, Daniel Boruch - 3rd 400 Dash & 4th Triple Jump, Rhea Rardon - 8th 1600 Run, Darrek Tate - 6th Long Jump, Jack Pile - 6th 100 Dash & 7th 200 Dash, 4 x 800 Relay - 3rd (Freeman/Mills/Bowley/Taylor), 4 x 200 Relay - 1st (Freeman/Pile/Boruch/Dixon), 4 x 100 Relay - 3rd (Freeman/Pile/Parker/Dixon).

Varsity Track results from 4/29/11 at Mound City: Courtney Arthur - 5th 3200 Run, Sammie Copeland - 4th Shot Put & 5th Discus, Megan Knutter - 2nd 100 Dash, Avery Snodgrass - 1st 300 Hurdles, Missy Cawthon - 5th Pole Vault & 6th High Jump, Ashley Adams - 3rd Long Jump & 4th 200 Dash, Amber Adams - 2nd 300 Hurdles, 4 x 200 Relay - 1st (Knutter/Adams/Adams/Snodgrass) 4 x 100 Relay - 2nd (Knutter/Adams/Adams/Snodgrass), 4 x 800 Relay - 6th (Fickess/Allen/Gallion/Arthur), Logan Dixon - 1st Triple Jump & 3rd Long Jump, James Taylor - 2nd 800 Run & 5th High Jump, Daniel Boruch - 3rd 400 Dash & 4th Triple Jump, Tony Utt - 4th 300 Hurdles, Rhea Rardon - 6th 1600 Run, , Jack Pile - 4th 200 Dash, 4 x 400 Relay - 2nd (Freeman/Bowley/Taylor/Boruch), 4 x 800 Relay - 3rd (Freeman/Mills/Bowley/Taylor), 4 x 200 Relay - 5th (Freeman/Pile/Boruch/Dixon), 4 x 100 Relay - 5th (Freeman/Pile/Parker/Dixon).

GRC Varsity Track results on 5/2/11: Courtney Arthur - 6th High Jump, Jonna Stottlemyre - 5th Triple Jump, Sammie Copeland - 3rd Shot & 6th Discus, Monica Fickess - 6th 3200 Run, Avery Snodgrass - 3rd Triple Jump & 4th 300 Hurdles, Missy Cawthon - 5th Pole Vault, Megan Knutter - 5th 100 Dash, Amber Adams - 3rd 100 Hurdles & 3rd 300 Hurdles, Ashley Adams - 6th Long Jump, 4 x 100 Relay - 2nd (Knutter/Adams/Adams/Snodgrass); James Taylor - 2nd High Jump & 6th 800 Run, Logan Dixon - 1st Triple Jump, Dillon James - 6th 110 Hurdles, Austin Bowley - 6th Shot, Tony Utt - 3rd 300 Hurdles, Daniel Boruch - 5th 400 Dash & 5th Triple Jump, Jack Pile - 3rd Long Jump.

Children's Literature Festival

by Sidney Copeland &
Mason Misel] *Students*

Polo School Librarian, Mrs. Sarah Davies, took thirty-nine students, seven National Honor Society members and three teachers to the Children's Literature Festival at the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, Missouri on Tuesday, March 22, 2011. The students and teachers visited four authors. The authors included: Terry Trueman, Mary Downing Hahn, Alane Ferguson, and Stephanie Tolan.

The first author was Mr. Terry Trueman. Mr. Trueman's flight to Kansas City was delayed due to inclement weather in his hometown of Spokane, Washington. The visitors skyped with Mr. Trueman through a webcam. During the visit, Mr. Trueman answered any questions the visitors asked. Eighth grade student Brooke Jones exclaimed "he knew how to keep the kids interested in reading."

The second author visited was Mrs. Stephanie Tolan. Mrs. Tolan's most well known book is *Surviving the Applewhites*. This book received many awards including the 2003 Newbery honor book and a 2005 Mark Twain nomination. Mrs. Tolan believes everything is a story, and anything can happen. She was a very interesting woman and she always kept the readers in mind. "Mrs. Tolan has a very imaginative and exciting mind," eighth grader Tristan Rardon said.

The third author visited was Mary Downing Hahn. Mrs. Hahn writes paranormal and ghost novels. Her book, *Deep Dark and Dangerous* has made her a well known author. Mason Misel said, "After visiting with Mrs. Hahn, I felt more into her paranormal books." She always knows how to keep people interested.

The fourth author visited was Alane Ferguson. She writes many forensic mysteries. Eighth grade student Sidney Copeland stated, "Listening to Mrs. Ferguson made me want to read her novels and be part of forensic activities." Mrs. Ferguson told many stories of her childhood and adult years. Mrs. Ferguson also told how she got ideas for novels and different ways to research them. Mrs. Ferguson reminded the audience, "never be afraid to ask questions."

In conclusion, after the long day many students were more interested in reading books. At a total of three hundred sixty-four dollars and the ten hour trip to the Literature Festival was a success. Thank you to the Polo National Honor Society for providing the funding and making it possible for students to attend.



The Mass Media Staff would like to say thanks to all the teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2-6). We thank you for your hardwork and dedication. Also to the moms on Mother's Day, Thanks for all you do!!

POLO'S

2nd Annual Elementary Soft/baseball Camp

WHO: K-2 Grades

WHEN: Wednesday, May 11th, 2011 5:30-6:00 pm
Thursday, May 12th, 2011 5:30-6:00 pm

WHERE: Polo High School Gymnasium

COST: \$10.00

WHY: 1. to teach our younger athletes how to play
soft-baseball
2. To help fundraise for the high school girls
to play in a summer softball league!

POLO'S

2nd Annual Elementary Soft/baseball Camp

WHO: 3rd- 5th Grades

WHEN: Wednesday, May 11th 6:00-7:00 pm
Thursday, May 12th 6:00-7:00 pm

WHERE: Polo High School Gymnasium

COST: \$10.00

T-shirts may be purchased for \$10.00

WHY: 1. To teach our younger athletes how to
play soft/baseball
2. To help fundraise for the high school girls
to play in a summer league!

POLO'S

2nd Annual Jr. High Softball Camp

WHO: 6th - 8th

WHEN: Monday, May 9th, 2011 5:00-6:30
Wednesday, May 11th, 2011 7:00-8:00
Thursday, May 12th, 2011 7:00-8:00

WHERE: Polo High School Gymnasium

COST: \$10.00 (Unless an 8th grader)

WHY: 1. To gain knowledge of how the high school softball program works
2. To help fundraise for the high school girl to play in a summer league!

CALENDARS

May 2011 Activities Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 *Late Start 10:20 am *Preschool Open House *V/JV Track @ Albany 2 pm	3 *Gates Reading Test K-6 *PAT Story Time & Play Group 10-11 am *HS/MS Cheer Tryouts 5:30-6:30 pm in Gym	4 *Gates Reading Test K-6 *Korean War Veterans Assembly-Individual Classes 8:20 am *HS/MS Cheer Tryouts 5:30-6:30 pm in Gym	5 *Preschool Sign up for 2011-2012 @ 3:30 pm in Elementary Office *Gates Reading Test for K-6 *MS Track @ Worth Co. 3 pm *10-12 th EOC Reward Trip to Chillicothe YMCA 8:30-2:45	6 *Elementary Field Day (rain date 5-13-11) *HS/MS Cheer Tryouts 5:30-6:30 pm in Gym	7 *V Track @ St. Joseph Christian TBA
8	9 *4 th Grade Field Trip *EOC Bio 8:20-10:04 *EOC Gov't 12:22-2:06	10 *Music Banquet 6:30 pm *EOC Comm Arts II 8:20-10:04 *EOC Alg I 12:22-2:06	11 *2 nd Grade Field Trip *Senior Finals Odd Hours *EOC Comm Arts I 8:20-10:04 *EOC Alg II 12:22-2:06	12 *Senior Finals Even Hours *EOC Am Hist 8:20-10:04 *EOC Makeup in pm	13 *EOC Makeup Day *Preschool Field Day	14 *V Track Sectionals @ Albany TBA
15	16 *Senior Trip Week *BOE Mtg 7 pm	17 *Preschool Field Day *MS Election Speeches & Voting 7 th Hour	18 *HS/MS Finals Odd Hours *5 th & 6 th Grade Field Trip	19 *HS/MS Finals Even Hours *Preschool Field Trip	20 *Preschool Screening *V Track @ Jeff City TBA *HS Graduation Practice	21 *V Track @ Jeff City TBA
22 *HS Graduation 2 pm	23 *Preschool Screening *Kindergarten Graduation 6:30 pm *8 th Grade Graduation 7:30 pm	24 *Last day of school *11:20 am dismissal *Elementary Awards Assembly 8:45 am *HS/MS Awards Assembly 10-11:20 am	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 *Summer School Starts				

May 2011 Menu

Menu is subject to change.
Each meal includes one milk.
Lemonade and orange juice are available for 30¢.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 Late Start – NO BREAKFAST Comdog or Burrito, Pinto Beans, Fruit	3 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Chicken Pattie on Bun, Green Beans, Fruit	4 Pop Tart, Ham, Fruit Beefy Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Fruit	5 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Pizza, Corn, Fruit	6 Donut, Ham, Fruit Ham on Bun, Glazed Carrots, Fruit
9 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Taco Stack, Spanish Rice, Fruit	10 Pop Tart, Ham, Fruit Chicken Nuggets, Green Beans, Fruit	11 Breakfast Pizza, Fruit BBQ Riblet on Bun, Corn, Fruit	12 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Wrapped Weiner, Baked Beans, Fruit	13 Biscuit with Sausage Gravy, Fruit Turkey on Bun, Carrot Sticks, Fruit
16 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Sweet & Sour Chicken, Oriental Vegetables, Fruit	17 Pop Tart, Ham, Fruit Chicken Pattie on Bun, Green Beans, Fruit	18 Muffin, Ham, Fruit Comdog Nuggets, Baked Beans, Fruit	19 French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Pizza, Corn, Fruit	20 Donut, Ham, Fruit Hamburger on Bun, French Fries, Fruit
23 Cereal, Oatmeal, Toast, Fruit Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Fruit	24 Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Early Out – NO LUNCH	25	26	27
30	31			

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