

Monday Musings

October 17, 2016

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CWM Students Partner with Students in Belize

Mr. Carranza's 1st grade class at CWM recently hosted a video conference with students from The Island Academy, a school in San Pedro, Belize. Students were able to ask questions and learn about what life and school is like in another country. Students studied about Belize in preparation for CWM's Multicultural Event.



Meet the BOE: Ms. Jeni Martin

Ms. Jeni Martin has served on the Asheboro City Board of Education since December 2015. In addition to serving students in Asheboro, she serves the community as the Associate Pastor of Missions at First Baptist Church. She is, "especially passionate about at-risk students." She spends two days a week tutoring and helping students with homework. Ms. Martin enjoys caring for her foster children during her free time. She also loves to craft, read, and travel.



Two AHS Students Earn Girl Scout Gold Awards

Sara Bullins & Sadie Richau both juniors at AHS earned their Girl Scout Gold Award last week!



Loflin Participates in International Walk to School Day

Students at Loflin participated in the International Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 5th. Approximately 50 people participated in walking to school safely from Memorial Park to Loflin Elementary. Participants included students, staff, parents, SAFE Kids representatives, Asheboro Fire Department, Asheboro Police Department, and Mayor David Smith.



AHS Students Receive Help on College Essays

On Monday, October 10th, Asheboro High School hosted a College Essay Workshop. Seniors were invited to the media center during all three lunches and after school from 3:30 – 7 pm to get assistance writing and editing their college essays. AHS English teachers, as well as other faculty, were there to work with students. Lots of wonderful snacks were provided by West Asheboro Baptist Church, and over 25 seniors participated throughout the day.



Financial Aid Night at AHS

On Tuesday, October 4th, there was a Financial Aid Session for seniors and their parents as part of Asheboro High School’s Parent Engagement Night. Families were invited to learn about various financial aid resources. After a brief presentation, families were given the opportunity to complete their FAFSAs, with the assistance of the AHS counselors and college adviser. Over 25 families attended the event, and snacks were graciously provided by the AHS Hospitality Committee.

On Tuesday, October 11th, a Financial Aid Night was hosted for Spanish-speaking families at Asheboro High School. Families were invited for a night of financial aid knowledge presented entirely in Spanish, and snacks and dinner were provided. Over 30 families attended the event, and at least 8 families completed their students’ FAFSAs.



Family Reading Night at GBT

Teachey celebrated their annual Family Reading Night on Monday, October 10th. During the event students participated in a treasure hunt, a costume contest and lots of reading activities! This special event was sponsored by the Teachey PTO.



NAMS & SAMS Go Head-to-Head on Wednesday!

The NAMS/SAMS football game will be played on Wednesday, October 19th at 7 p.m. Students-athletes will play under stadium lights to make an exciting game, even more thrilling!

CenturyLink Grant Opportunities for Teachers

Funded by CenturyLink's Clarke M. Williams, the Teacher's and Technology program provides classroom grants to help fund projects that advance student success through innovative use of technology.

A few items to note about the program:

- Full-time private and public school teachers are eligible.
- Only schools in CenturyLink's residential service areas may apply.
- Applications will be accepted Oct. 1, 2016 – Jan. 12, 2017 via the online registration portal:
<http://www.centurylink.com/aboutus/community/foundation/teachers.html>
- Grant winners will be announced between April 1 - May 15, 2017.
- Grant awards range from \$500-\$5,000.

To apply for one of these grants, please contact Dacia LaBounty at (910) 323-5281 or send emails to dacia.h.labounty!@centurylink.com

3rd Annual Disabilities Awareness Day

On Friday, October 14th, the 3rd Annual Disabilities Awareness Day took place in downtown Asheboro. The event started with a walk from First Baptist Church to Bicentennial Park. It was a great time for all!



AAEOP Fall Fundraiser

Once again, the AAEOP Scholarship Fundraiser this fall will be sponsored by **RADA Cutlery**. Orders will be taken through **November 4th and orders will arrive mid-November**. Please see any AAEOP member or your school secretary to place an order. All checks should be made payable to AAEOP. The AAEOP group thanks you for your support!

Please note- all proceeds go to support scholarships for students at Asheboro High School!



FREE Microsoft Office Products for Staff

All ACS district employees and students are eligible to get Microsoft Office 365 free for home or work use. Get started and sign up at <http://office.com/teachers> or <http://office.com/students>. Office 365 includes Word, PowerPoint, Excel, OneNote, OneDrive, Forms, Delve, Sway, and several other Microsoft tools and apps.

Enroll Today in the State Employees Health Plan!

2017 State Health Plan Open Enrollment is happening now and through the end of October. Please see emails from Tina Varner for enrollment instructions. Below is the link to the State Health Plan website, <https://shp.nctreasurer.com/Pages/default.aspx>.

Teacher Value Survey

[The 2016 Teacher Voice survey is now open!](#)

Teachers, please take five minutes to participate between now and October 18th in the Teacher Value Survey. In partnership with NCDPI and the Office of the State Board of Education teacher perspective will be used to create policy recommendations. Teachers, your voice is important, and your professional opinions are appreciated! [Take the short survey now!](#)

Dates for the Calendar

Thursday, October 20 – Asheboro City Board of Education Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 20 – Asheboro High School Homecoming Bonfire at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 21 – AHS Homecoming football game against N. Forsyth at 7:30 p.m.

Flu Shot Clinic Dates and Locations

Tuesday, November 1st from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. employees can get their shots at the Central Office Board Room or in the lobby of the auditorium at North Asheboro Middle School.

NAMS and SAMS Softball

Tuesday, October 18

4:30 PM NAMS v. RMS **Home**

Tuesday, October 18

4:30 PM SAMS v. SERMS **Away**

Thursday, October 20

4:30 PM NAMS v. ATMS **Away**

Thursday, October 20

4:30 PM SAMS v. UMS **Home**



NAMS and SAMS Football

Wednesday, October 19

7 PM NAMS v. SAMS **Home (NAMS)**



AHS Athletic Calendar

Monday, October 17

TBA Girls Varsity Golf OPEN DATE 3A *Girls Golf Regionals* **Away**

5:30 PM Boys Junior Varsity Soccer Southwestern Randolph High **Away**

6:00 PM Girls Varsity Volleyball North Forsyth High School *1st Round MPC Tournament* **Home**

7:00 PM *Powder Puff 2016* (School)

7:00 PM Boys Varsity Soccer Southwestern Randolph High **Away**

Tuesday, October 18

TBA Girls Varsity Volleyball OPEN DATE *Semifinals MPC Tournament* **Away**

4:00 PM Girls Varsity Tennis OPEN DATE *Dual Team NCHSAA 3A 1st Round* **Away**

Wednesday, October 19

5:00 PM Coed Varsity Cross Country MPC Conference Meet @ Hagan Stone SG Host **Away**

5:30 PM Boys Junior Varsity Soccer North Forsyth High School **Home**

6:00 PM Girls Varsity Volleyball OPEN DATE *MPC Tournament Finals* **Away**

7:00 PM Boys Varsity Soccer North Forsyth High School **Home**

Thursday, October 20

7:00 PM Boys Junior Varsity Football North Forsyth High School **Away**

Friday, October 21

TBA Girls Varsity Tennis OPEN DATE *NCHSAA 3A Individual Regionals* **Away**

7:30 PM Boys Varsity Football North Forsyth High School *Homecoming* **Home**

Saturday, October 22

TBA Girls Varsity Tennis OPEN DATE *NCHSAA 3A Individual Regionals* **Away**

TBA Girls Varsity Volleyball OPEN DATE *1st Round NCHSAA Playoffs* **Away**

AHS Blood Drive

Asheboro High School will host a blood drive in partnership with the American Red Cross on Friday, November 4 from 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. To register for the drive, please log on to <http://www.redcrossblood.org>.