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## Mid East Art League Awards 2011

The Rock Creek student artists left their mark on Mid-East League Art Contest this year. Rock Creek won the competition overwhelmingly with 42 medals and 24 honorable mentions. Twenty different art students won medals. The Columbian Art Gallery is showing the medal winners until April 27. Take the time to see the award-winning artwork while it is displayed.

**Tempera Painting:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Paige Nickell*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Linda Overkamp*, Honorable Mention – *John Sullivan*

**Acrylic Painting:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Place and Honorable Mention – *Marie Chasser*

**Water Color Painting:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Angie Patrick*

**Charcoal:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Ben Berard*

**Ink:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Larissa Eshelman*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *John Sullivan*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*, Honorable Mention – *Ben Berard* and *Angie Patrick*

**Mixed Media/Miscellaneous 2D:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Hanna Ruder*, Honorable Mention – *Shannon Oakley*

**Pencil – Novice:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Larissa Eshelman*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *Heather Goodenow*

**Pencil – Advanced:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*

**Colored Pencil:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Hanna Ruder*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *John Frank*, Honorable Mention – *Ashtin Lee* and *Shannon Oakley*

**Pastel (Chalk/Oil):** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Paige Nickell*, Honorable Mention – *Marie Chasser*

**Batik/Fibers:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Molly Pyle*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Angie Patrick*

**Photography:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Honorable Mention – *Caitliné Christenson*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, and 2 Honorable Mentions – *Marie Chasser*

**Digital Photography:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *D. J. Denzien*, Honorable Mention – *Ben Berard*, Honorable Mention – *Anthony Dultmeier*, Honorable Mention – *Haley Lenauer*

**Graphic Art:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Ben Berard*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place and Honorable Mention – *D. J. Denzien*, Honorable Mention – *Anthony Dultmeier*

**Computer Art:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *Clayton Frakes*, 2 Honorable Mentions – *Anthony Dultmeier*, Honorable Mention – *Ashtin Lee*

**Ceramics – Hand Built:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Angie Patrick*, Honorable Mention – *Brenda Stevenson*

**Sculpture:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*

**Jewelry:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *John Frank*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *Angie Patrick*, Honorable Mention – *Ben Berard*, Honorable Mention – *Clayton Frakes*, Honorable Mention – *Karl Thompson*

**Miscellaneous 3D:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Honorable Mention – *Angie Patrick*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*

**Modified Curriculum:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Karl Thompson*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Haley Lenauer*

**Overall 2D:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place – *Angie Patrick*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Hanna Ruder*

**Overall 3D:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – *Anthony Dultmeier*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – *Angie Patrick*

# Calendar

Date	Event	Time
4/22	No School PK-12 Inservice/Plan	
4/25	HS Track Rock Creek Invitational	3:00 p.m.
	HS JV Softball @ Riley County	4:30 p.m.
	HS JV Baseball @ Riley County	4:30 p.m.
	Jazz Concert @ Manhattan Town Center	7:30 p.m.
4/26	HS Softball vs Riley County	4:30 p.m.
	HS Baseball vs Riley County	4:30 p.m.
4/28	JH Track @ Rossville	12:30 p.m.
	HS JV Track @ Manhattan	3:30 p.m.
	HS JV Baseball @ Wamego Tournament	4:30 p.m.
	HS JV Softball @ Abilene	4:30 p.m.
4/29	HS Track @ St. Marys	3:30 p.m.
	HS JV Softball vs Chapman	4:30 p.m.
	HS Baseball vs Clay Center	4:30 p.m.
4/30	State Solos/Ensembles	TBD
	HS JV Baseball @ Wamego	TBD
5/2	Activity/Athletics Banquet	5:30 p.m.
5/3	HS JV/V Track @ Nemaha Valley	3:30 p.m.
	HS Softball vs Wabaunsee	4:30 p.m.
	HS Baseball vs Wabaunsee	4:30 p.m.
5/5	JH Track Rock Creek Invitational	3:30 p.m.
	HS JV Softball @ Wabaunsee	4:30 p.m.
5/6	HS Baseball @ Silver Lake	4:30 p.m.
	HS Softball @ Silver Lake	4:30 p.m.
5/7	Wamego JH Band Festival	TBD
	State Forensics	TBD
5/9	HS JV Track @ Onaga	3:00 p.m.
	RC Forensics Night	7:00 p.m.
5/10	JH Track Mid-East League @ Rossville	1:00 p.m.
	HS Baseball vs Rossville (Senior Night)	4:30 p.m.
	HS Softball vs Rossville (Senior Night)	4:30 p.m.
5/11	BOE Meeting	7:00 p.m.
5/12	HS Track Mid-East League @ Wabaunsee	TBD
5/13	HS/JH Pop Concert	7:00 p.m.
5/16-5/19	HS Softball Regionals	TBD
	HS Baseball Regionals	TBD
5/18	5-12 District Band Concert	7:00 p.m.
5/20	HS Track Regionals	TBD
5/21	Graduation	3:00 p.m.
5/25	Last Day - Dismiss Regular Time	
5/27	HS Softball State @ Manhattan	TBD
	HS Baseball State @ Manhattan	TBD

## McDonald's/KMAN Honors

Two pitching victories, a save, four doubles, four home runs, and 13 RBI's! That would be quite a week for an entire baseball team, but *John Derek Garetson* did that by himself in four Mustang victories. He went five for seven at the plate in a doubleheader sweep of rival, Wamego. The Mustangs then swept Chapman four nights later.

For the season, *John Derek* is hitting .625 with 15 hits, 12 runs scored, 4 doubles, 2 triples, 4 homers, and 19 RBI's. He plans to sign this spring with Washburn University to play baseball collegiately next year. Congratulations on being selected McDonald's/KMAN Student Athlete of the Week.

## Rock Creek Student Leaders

**Student Council:** President – *Lauren Overkamp*, Vice-President – *Emily Forge*, Secretary – *Caitliné Christenson*, Treasurer – *Jessi Snapp*, Sponsor – *Dick Dugan*

**Junior High Student Council:** President – *Jacy Johnston*, Vice-President – *Allison Snapp*, Secretary – *Shannon Caffrey*, Treasurer – *Justin Moser*, Sponsors – *Desirae Reitz* and *Bridgette Rankin*

**Senior Class:** President – *Colten Smith*, Vice-President – *Mandi Blenn*, Secretary – *Macy Umscheid*, Treasurer – *Luke Commerford*, Student Council Representatives – *Ashley Altenhofen* and *Chelsea Ebert*, Sponsors – *Sara Miller* and *Kevin Sullivan*

**Junior Class:** President – *Kyron Case*, Vice-President – *Logan Miner*, Secretary – *Katie Zimmerman*, Treasurer – *Abby Glendening*, Student Council Representatives – *Kiley Brown* and *Adam Schmitz*, Sponsors – *Morgan Milham* and *Cherrie Lindsey*

**Sophomore Class:** President – *Dylan Meyer*, Vice-President – *Shiann Bruce*, Secretary – *Shannon Oakley*, Treasurer – *Hanna Ruder*, Student Council Representatives – *Shannon Oakley* and *Jacob Miller*, Sponsors – *Tori Sieben* and *Des Reitz*

**Freshman Class:** President – *Spencer Bowers*, Vice-President – *Chance Maginness*, Treasurer – *Jacob Milham*, Student Council Representatives – *Austin Umscheid* and *Morgan Schwinn*, Sponsors – *Kellie Milner* and *Ashley Wege*

**Business Professionals of America:** President – *Lane Frazier*, Student Council Representative – *Caitlin Leiker*, Sponsor – *Pat Booth*

**FFA:** President – *T. J. Minihan*, Vice-President – *Chase Minihan*, Secretary – *Shane Schaake*, Treasurer – *Chelsea Ebert*, Student Council Representative – *Lauren Leupold*, Sentinel – *Annette Trieb*, Reporter – *Morgan Umscheid*, Student Advisor – *Nick Cooper*, Sponsor – *David Holliday*

**FCCLA:** President – *Amy Eshelman*, Vice-President of STAR Events – *Jackie Gonzales*, District Vice-President of STAR Events – *Sarah Marek* and *Anna Jilka*, Secretary – *Chelsea Ebert*, Treasurer – *Rachel Lewman*, Student Council Representative – *Morgan Umscheid*, Sponsors – *Mary Siderewicz* and *Joyce Berg*

**National Honor Society:** President – *Colten Smith*, Vice-President – *Ashley Altenhofen*, Secretary – *Katie Good*, Treasurer – *Adam Schmitz*, Student Council Representative – *Jessi Snapp*, Sponsor – *Donna Hawkins*

**RC Club:** President – *Logan Miner*, Vice-President – *Luke Commerford*, Secretary-Treasurer – *Katie Hodges*, Student Council Representative – *Shane Adams*, Sponsors – *Jeri Brummett* and *Jeremy Lehning*

**Flag Corps:** President – *Jacob Milham*, Vice-President – *Meagan Smith*, Treasurer – *Caitlin Leiker*, Sponsor – *Morgan Milham*

**HS Renaissance:** President – *Amy Eshelman*, Vice-President – *Trey Basa*, Secretary-Treasurer – *Mason Swenson*, Student Council Representative – *Katie Good*, Sponsor – *Jeri Brummett*

## Spring Jazz Concert

This year's spring jazz concert will feature our own Rock Creek Jazz and special guests the Hutchinson Community College Jazz I. This year, due to the closing of the previous site, Kite's Bar and Grill, the concert will be held Monday, April 25, in the food court of the Manhattan Town Center Mall at 7:30 p.m. This year's concert will feature selections by Gordon Goodwin, Benny Golson, Carole King, Astor Piazzolla, Freddy Hubbard and Quincy Jones and will also feature soloists *Colten Smith*, alto saxophone, and *D. J. Denzien*, trombone.

# Counselor's Notes

Deadline:	Description:
	10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> grade students interested in engineering, physics, chemistry, biology, or math may attend the 46 <sup>th</sup> annual <b>KSU Engineering &amp; Science Summer Institute</b> May 30-June 3. Visit <a href="http://www.engineering.ksu.edu">www.engineering.ksu.edu</a> or see Mr. Sullivan.
	Military dependent students planning to complete the June 11 ACT exams are eligible to receive <b>free ACT Prep Courses</b> (\$200 value). See Mr. Sullivan for details or visit <a href="http://www.eknowledge.com/military">www.eknowledge.com/military</a>
	7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> grade girls interested in math/science careers may participate in the 11 <sup>th</sup> annual <b>MASTER IT</b> program at Emporia State University. The five-day summer residential camp (June 5-9, 2011) is intended to promote participants' knowledge of math/science related occupations. See Mr. Sullivan for more information and registration details.
	Seniors and senior parents are reminded about filing deadlines for the <b>2011-12 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)</b> forms. Students and parents can obtain personal identification numbers (PIN) online at <a href="http://www.pin.ed.gov">www.pin.ed.gov</a> . FAF forms can be filed online at <a href="http://www.fafsa.gov">www.fafsa.gov</a> . See Mr. Sullivan with questions.
	Grade 10-11 students may participate in the <b>Kansas Future Teacher Academy</b> at Emporia State University, June 12-16, 2011. Participants will attend a variety of leadership/self improvement workshops, interact with college instructors, attend social events, and enjoy on campus residence halls. Visit <a href="http://www.emporia.edu/jones/kfta/application.pdf">www.emporia.edu/jones/kfta/application.pdf</a> or see Mr. Sullivan for details.
	Grade 9-11 students interested in <b>summer foreign exchange programs</b> should see Mr. Sullivan regarding program options and qualifications needed. Scholarships are available.
	Juniors interested in <b>military academies</b> may participate in a summer seminar at U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. This is a 5-day program encompassing cadet life and academic/athletic opportunities. Visit <a href="http://www.academyadmissions.com/#Page/Summer_Seminar">www.academyadmissions.com/#Page/Summer_Seminar</a> for information.
	Juniors interested in criminal justice/law enforcement careers may attend the <b>Cadet Law Enforcement Academy</b> in Salina, Kansas, June 12-17, 2011. See Mr. Sullivan for program details and registration.
	Seniors planning to attend a technical/community college may complete the <b>Kansas Vocational Education Scholarship Exam</b> . Each award is \$500. See Mr. Sullivan or visit <a href="http://www.kansasregents.org">www.kansasregents.org</a> .
	Female students ages 14-18 (as of 2/1/11) are eligible to participate in the <b>2010 Miss Kansas Teen USA Pageant</b> . Cash prizes and scholarships available. See Mr. Sullivan for registration forms or visit <a href="http://www.misskansasusa.com">www.misskansasusa.com</a> .
	Grade 7-12 students are eligible to participate in the <b>2011 Art &amp; Writing Awards</b> competition. For more information visit <a href="http://www.artandwriting.org">www.artandwriting.org</a>
	Senior boys attending Emporia State may apply for the <b>Balanced Man Scholarship</b> – \$250-\$500. Mr. Sullivan has more information and applications.
	Junior boys interested in participating in the <b>2011 American Legion Boys State</b> program June 5-11, 2011 at KSU should contact Mr. Sullivan.
	High school students considering broadcasting careers may want to participate in the <b>Manhattan Broadcasting Mentoring Programs</b> . Participants complete a half-day job shadowing experience at the Manhattan Broadcasting studios exploring news, sports casting, commercial production, deejay, talk show hosting , promotions and marketing careers. See Mr. Sullivan.
	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Century Summer Credit Recovery Enrollment Forms</b> are available from Mr. Sullivan.
	Juniors are reminded about the <b>Summer Boys/Girls State Civic Leadership Programs</b> at Kansas State University and the University of Kansas. Interested students should contact Mr. Sullivan for registration details.
	Junior girls are eligible to participate in the <b>2011 Sunflower Girls State Program</b> to be conducted at the University of Kansas from June 5-10, 2011. See Mr. Sullivan or visit <a href="http://www.ksgirlsstate.org">www.ksgirlsstate.org</a> for details.
4/29/11	Students planning to attend law school may want to participate in a <b>Law Career Day</b> at Bethany College (Lindsborg, Kansas). See Mr. Sullivan for registration or visit <a href="http://www.bethanylb.edu">www.bethanylb.edu</a> .
4/30/11	Seniors diagnosed with asthma who have earned a minimum 3.5 GPA may be interested in applying for the <b>2011 Will to Win Scholarships</b> . Ten \$5,000 awards will be presented to deserving applicants. See Mr. Sullivan for more information.
5/13/11	Grades 7-12 are eligible to participate in a <b>"Do A Good Deed" Essay Competition</b> , sponsored by Dr. Roger Stevens, Dentistry by Design PA. Winner is awarded a new laptop. See Mr. Sullivan or visit <a href="http://www.DentistManhattanKS.com">www.DentistManhattanKS.com</a> .
5/27/11	Seniors may apply for the <b>B. Davis Scholarships</b> – \$1,000. Apply at <a href="http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm">www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm</a> .
7/15/11	Seniors may apply for the <b>American Legion Scholarships</b> – Criteria may vary (\$250-\$1,000). See Mr. Sullivan for applications.

# The Rock Spotlight



## **Optimist All-Star Basketball**

*Ashley Altenhofen  
Travis Briggs  
Skyler Beam*

## **Regional Vocal**

### **III Rating**

*Elke Thompson, Alto  
Kennedy Brown, Alto*

### **II Rating**

*Mixed Morning Choir  
Women's Morning Choir  
Chelsea Renner, Alto  
Shelby Adams, Alto  
Sara Nider, Soprano  
Katie Good, Soprano*

### **I Rating**

*Jackson Meyer, Tenor*

## **Regional Band**

### **III Rating**

*Jimmie Goodmiller, Timpani Solo  
D. J. Denzien, Trombone Solo*

### **II Rating**

*Percussion Ensemble  
Anna Jilka, Bassoon Solo  
Karl Thompson, Tuba Solo  
Josh Unruh, Tuba Solo*

### **I Rating**

*Woodwind Quartet  
Clarinet Trio  
Saxophone Quartet  
Brass Sextet  
Low Brass Ensemble  
Rachel Frank, Flute Solo  
Brenda Stevenson, Clarinet Solo  
Colten Smith, Alto Saxophone Solo  
Mandi Blenn, Trombone Solo*

## **State Band**

### **I Rating**

*Rock Creek Band*

## **ENVIROTHON**

*Rock Creek Team One, 1<sup>st</sup> Place*

*Levi Anderson  
Trevor Sutton  
Levi DeDonder  
Sheldon Rogge  
Ben Commerford*

## **FCCLA**

*Anna Jilka  
Chapter Project Display Gold  
District Secretary*

## **Renaissance Raffle**

## **Country Stampede Tickets**

*Mandi Blenn*

## **LEAGUE FORENSICS**

*Rock Creek Forensics Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Eric Willard, Poetry, 1<sup>st</sup> Place; Prose, 5<sup>th</sup> Place  
Colten Smith and Ben Peterson, IDA, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Mandi Blenn, Extemporaneous, 1<sup>st</sup> Place,  
Oration, 5<sup>th</sup> Place  
Jacob Miller, Humorous Solo Acting, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Hanna Ruder and Jacob Miller, Duet, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Dylan Meyer, Extemporaneous, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place;  
Oration, 4<sup>th</sup> Place  
Paige Nickell, Informative, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place;  
Prose, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Jackson Meyer and Skylar Myers, IDA, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Jessi Snapp, Informative, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Hanna Ruder, Poetry, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Jackson Meyer and Sara Nider, Duet, 4<sup>th</sup> Place  
Devin Muir, Humorous Solo Acting, 4<sup>th</sup> Place  
Brooke Minihan, Dramatic Solo Acting,  
4<sup>th</sup> Place*

## **Kansas ACT Scholar**

*Mandi Blenn*

## **2011 Academic All-State Team**

*Travis Briggs  
Rock Creek Nominee*

## **2011-2012 Junior High Cheerleaders**

*Holly Forrester, Casey Helget, Olivia Miller, Rachel Askew, Cassidy Cheever, Rachel Forge, Samantha Sherwood*

## **Junior High League Scholars' Bowl**

*8<sup>th</sup> Grade Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Place*

*Jacy Johnston*

*Lane Forge*

*Shannon Caffrey*

*David Ruch*

*Paul Glover*

*Nate Berard*

*7<sup>th</sup> Grade Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place*