



Mustang Express 2.0

Rock Creek Junior/Senior High School

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What Floats Your Boat?

A strong piece of cardboard and some well-placed duct tape, that's what keeps your boat floating. The physics class traveled to the Onaga Hospital pool on March 30 to test the boats they made using un-waxed cardboard and duct tape only at the seams. Prior to the day, the students had discussed buoyant forces and made a model boat for practice.

The class "competes" against the Blue Valley physics class in two categories: fastest time down the length of the pool once and most times back and forth. We broke two records this year and Rock Creek took both of them! *Adam Schmitz* and *Michael Parker* hold the record for fastest time at 12.73 seconds with their aptly named boat "S.S. Cheetah" (top right picture). *Ben Peterson* and *Zac Saueressig* (bottom right picture) set a new record of 20 times back and forth. In fact, after 20 times back and forth, they paddled over to the side of the pool and said "we're done!" before climbing out of their boat and removing their boat from the water. Typically boats sink first then we know they're done, but their boat actually outlasted them!



League Art Winners

Tempra Painting: Gold, *Ana Bell*; Bronze, *Brittney Fensom*; Honorable Mention, *Courtney Hoover*

Watercolor Painting: Gold, *Michaela Matthews*; Honorable Mention, *Cassandra Ebert*

Pencil Advanced: Bronze, *Brisa Turner*; Honorable Mention, *Haley Lenauer*

Pastel: Silver, *Caitliné Christenson*; Honorable Mention, *Paige Nickell* and *Chance Maginness*

Ink: Gold, *Ana Bell*; Bronze, *Larissa Eshelman*; Honorable Mention, *Larissa Eshelman* and *Paige Leonard*

Fiber: Silver, *Cheyenne Thomas*; Bronze, *Brittney Fensom*; Honorable Mention, *Dakota Glassford* and *Ashtin Lee*

Digital Photography: Gold, *Paige Nickell*; Honorable Mention, *Heather Goodenow*, *Devin Stamm*, *Shannon Oakley*, and *Hanna Ruder*

Computer Art: Silver, *Paige Leonard*; Bronze, *Larissa Eshelman*; Honorable Mention, *Amanda Gross*

Sculpture: Silver, *Larissa Eshelman*; Bronze, *Ana Bell*; Honorable Mention, *Ben Berard*

Miscellaneous 3D: Gold, *Molly Pyle*; Silver, *Clayton Frakes*; Honorable Mention, *Ben Berard* and *Amanda Gross*

Acrylic Painting: Honorable Mention, *Haley Lenauer*

Pencil/Novice: Bronze, *Cassandra Ebert*; Honorable Mention, *Brook Lohse*

Colored Pencil: Gold, *Ana Bell*; Bronze, *Cheyenne Thomas*; Honorable Mention, *Cheyenne Miller* and *Tyler Ahring*

Charcoal: Bronze, *Haley Lenauer*; Honorable Mention, *Amanda Gross*

Mixed Media/Miscellaneous 2D: Honorable Mention, *Larissa Eshelman* and *Caitliné Christenson*

Photography: Honorable Mention, *Clayton Frakes* and *Paige Nickell*

Graphic Art: Gold, *Larissa Eshelman*; Silver, *Haley Lenauer*; Bronze, *Paige Leonard*; Honorable Mention, *Molly Pyle* and *Ben Berard*

Ceramics Hand-Built: Gold, *Amanda Gross*; Silver, *Larissa Eshelman*; Honorable Mention, *Ben Berard*

Jewelry: Gold, *Courtney Hoover*; Silver, *Heather Goodenow*; Bronze, *Larissa Eshelman*; Honorable Mention, *Brittney Fensom*, *Sarah Marek*, and *Devin Stamm*

Calendar of Events

Date	Activity	Time
5/22/12	Last Day of School	
5/23/12	8 th Grade Celebration	6:00 p.m.
5/25-5/26	HS Baseball State HS Softball State HS Track State	
6/4	Summer School Begins	8:00 a.m.
6/4-6/6	4-8 Volleyball Camp	12 noon
6/5-6/7	HS Volleyball Camp	9:00 a.m.
6/12	HS Football Camp	8:00 a.m.
6/14-6/15	HS Football Camp	8:00 a.m.
6/13	Board of Education Meeting	7:00 p.m.
7/10	HS Football Camp	8:00 a.m.
7/11	Board of Education Meeting	7:00 p.m.
7/12-7/13	HS Football Camp	8:00 a.m.
8/1-8/2	Enrollment	TBA
8/8	Board of Education Meeting	7:00 p.m.
8/8-8/10	Debate Camp	8:00 a.m.
8/10	New Teacher Inservice	8:00 a.m.
8/13	Fall Practice Starts	TBA
8/13-8/15	Teacher Workday/Inservice	8:00 a.m.
8/14	Rock Creek Open House	6-8 p.m.
8/16	School Begins	8:00 a.m.



Senior Signing

Adam Schmitz will continue his baseball-playing career at Manhattan Christian College. The Mustangs wish *Adam* the best of luck.

BPA National Leadership

Rock Creek Business Professionals of America member, *Lane Frazier*, and sponsor, Pat Booth, traveled to Chicago, Illinois, April 24-29, to participate in the National Leadership Conference. *Lane* competed in two events against representatives from other chapters across the nation. He placed 13th out of 46 participants in Extemporaneous Speech and 19th out of 431 participants in Financial Math & Analysis.

In addition to the competition, *Lane* attended a leadership seminar, expo fair, and a college fair. Mrs. Booth helped administer other events. They were also able to do some sightseeing and take in a little Chicago history.

Forensics Championship

Rock Creek Forensics Team won the 3A state championship in Wichita, May 5, 2012. The team won by 90 points over second place Moundridge. Minneapolis High School won third place.

Three members of the team won state championships in their events:

Aaron Kuecker, poetry interpretation

Sara Nider, dramatic solo acting

Jessi Snapp, humorous solo acting

Several team members also won medals. They were:

Trey Basa, 2nd in prose interpretation

Isaac Camacho, 7th in poetry interpretation

Crystal Chitwood, 5th in informative speaking

Chance Maginness, 4th in extemporaneous speaking

Dylan Meyer, 2nd in extemporaneous speaking

Jacob Miller, 2nd in humorous solo acting

Shannon Oakley, 4th in informative speaking

Rounding out the Rock Creek contingent were the students who won points toward the championship trophy, but fell short of medaling:

Trey Basa and *Justin Ward*, duet acting

William Henry, poetry

Chance Maginness, informative speaking

Jacob Miller, prose

Paige Nickell, oration

Sara Nider and *Jackson Meyer*, duet acting

Rock Creek's team is sponsored by Keith Miller. Congratulations to all members of the championship team!

Soles4Souls Appreciate FCCLA

The following letter was received by the Rock Creek FCCLA in response to their donation of shoes.



VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLIMITED

330 VILLAGE CIRCLE
SHELDON, IOWA 51201

Phone (712) 324-4873
Fax (712) 324-4877
www.villagenorthwest.org

April 27, 2012

Rock Creek FCCLA
Mary Siderewicz
9155 Flinth Rd.
St. George, KS 66535

Dear Mary,

Recently we had the privilege at Village Northwest Unlimited of processing the shoes that you donated to Soles4Souls. As a partner with Soles4Souls, we want to thank you for your donation to those around the world who do not have proper footwear. Your donation also provides work opportunities for the 180 people with disabilities that are served at Village Northwest Unlimited who are involved in matching and preparing the shoes for shipment. The processing of the shoes provides meaningful work, a paycheck, and the dignity of being able to contribute to society.

Wayne Elsey, founder and CEO of Soles4Souls understood this when he said, "Historically, these individuals have been marginalized by society and treated as second class citizens. Our goal is to include them in our process and allow them to be part of our team. We couldn't think of a better group of people to partner with in helping change the world."

We encourage you to continue to donate your shoes to Soles4Souls and to stop them to the processing center at Village Northwest Unlimited. Please invite your friends and family to also participate in changing the lives of those served by Village Northwest Unlimited and Soles4Souls. Thanks again for your generous contribution.

Sincerely,

Stacie R. Jorgensen
Director of Advancement

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Senior Scholarships

- Levi Anderson:* Raymond Scritchfield Memorial Scholarship, FFA Alumni Scholarship, FFA Monsanto Fund Scholarship, Rock Creek Kids Wrestling Scholarship
- Alisha Banta:* Ralph Pugh Nursing Scholarship
- Kiley Brown:* Washburn University Freshman Academic Scholarship; Westmoreland High School Alumni Scholarship
- Caitliné Christenson:* Baker University Dean's Scholarship, Westmoreland High School Alumni Scholarship
- K. J. Dobbins:* Kansas State University Memorial Scholarship
- Bailey Elliott:* Kansas State University Activity Scholarship, Wamego City Hospital Scholarship
- Emily Forge:* Rock Creek Student Council Scholarship, FFA Alumni Scholarship, FFA Monsanto Fund Scholarship
- Lane Frazier:* University of Kansas Rock Chalk Scholarship, Constitution Bee Youth Education Scholarship, Kansas Elks Association Scholarship, Junction City Elks Lodge Scholarship, Robert Dole Public Service Scholarship, Blue Valley Telecommunications Scholarship, American Legion Fred & Ruth Conz Memorial Scholarship, Rock Creek FCCLA Scholarship, Rock Creek BPA Scholarship
- Ryan Harshbarger:* Longview Community College Baseball Scholarship
- Elizabeth Herrs:* University of Oklahoma Track & Field Scholarship, Mary Jane Chilcott Memorial Scholarship, Troy Ebert Memorial Scholarship, Brill Westmoreland Scholarship, U.S. Army Reserve Scholar/Athlete Award
- Katie Hodges:* Kansas State University Achievement Scholarship, Kansas State University Tomorrow's Teacher Scholarship, RCEA Teacher of the Future Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Westmoreland High School Alumni Scholarship
- Shaunee Hulbert:* United Tribes of Kansas Scholarship
- Dillon Johnston:* Emporia State University Foundation Scholarship, Kansas Basketball Coaches Association Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship
- Aaron Kuecker:* University of Nebraska Kearney Board of Regents Scholarship, University of Nebraska Kearney Honors Program Scholarship, Kansas Honor Scholar
- Caitlyn Larson:* Barton County Community College Softball Scholarship
- Caitlin Leiker:* Benedictine College Sister Jerome Keeler Scholarship
- Haley Lenauer:* Columbian Artists Scholarship
- Thomas McAnerney:* Kansas State University Foundation Plus Scholarship, J. A. Lenherr Family Scholarship, James Calvin Magnett Memorial Scholarship, Kansas State Scholar, Kansas Honor Scholar, All-Flint Hills Academic Team
- Ashley McDaris:* American Legion Post #260 Scholarship, Downtown Dental Group Healthcare Scholarship, Raymond Scritchfield Memorial Scholarship, Westmoreland High School Alumni Scholarship
- Paige Miller:* Washburn University Freshman Academic Scholarship, Washburn University Desmond WEA Academic Scholarship
- Logan Miner:* Kansas State University Leadership Scholarship, Mike Vaughan Memorial Scholarship, Tindall Orthodontic Scholarship, Partners for Quality Healthcare Scholarship, Wamego First National Bank Scholarship, Wamego Telephone Company Scholarship, Kansas Governor's Scholar, Kansas Honor Scholar, Academic All-State Team, All-Flint Hills Academic Team, Dale M. Dennis Excellence in Education Award, Kansas State University Outstanding Senior in Math & Science Award, U. S. Army Reserve Scholar/Athlete Award
- Devin Muir:* Washburn University Freshman Academic Scholarship, Washburn University Sisk Scholarship, Kansas Vocational Education Scholarship, Express Employment Professionals Scholarship
- Michael Parker:* Arizona State University President's Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Westmoreland High School Alumni Scholarship, Kansas State Scholar
- Ben Peterson:* Kansas State University Foundation Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Wayne Dunafon Memorial Scholarship, Kansas Honor Scholar, Kansas State Scholar, All-Flint Hills Academic Team
- Cody Roche:* Kansas Vocational Education Scholarship
- Zac Saueressig:* Kansas Vocational Education Scholarship
- Shane Schaake:* Kansas State University Animal Science Scholarship, Pete & Dorothy Ebert Memorial Scholarship, FFA Dick Edwards Ford Scholarship, FFA Alumni Scholarship, FFA Monsanto Fund Scholarship
- Adam Schmitz:* Manhattan Christian College President's Scholarship, Manhattan Christian College Timothy Days Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Brill Westmoreland Scholarship, Kansas Honor Scholar, Kansas State Scholar
- Jessica Snapp:* Kansas State University Activity Scholarship, Gus Hildebrand Memorial Scholarship, Brill Westmoreland Scholarship, Rock Creek Student Council Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Bluestem Electric Cooperative Scholarship, J. A. Lenherr Family Scholarship, Blue Valley Telecommunications Scholarship, Kansas Honor Scholar
- Trever Sotelo:* Kansas Vocational Education Scholarship
- Joshua Srna:* Kansas Wesleyan University Trustee Scholarship, Kansas Wesleyan University Baseball Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Bluestem Electric Cooperative Scholarship
- Trevor Sutton:* Baker University Presidential Scholarship, Baker University Wrestling Scholarship, Rock Creek Booster Club Scholarship, Raymond Scritchfield Wrestling Scholarship, Rock Creek Kids Wrestling Scholarship, FFA Alumni Scholarship, FFA Monsanto Fund Scholarship
- Karl Thompson:* Neumont University Achievement Scholarship
- Eric Willard:* Ottawa University Foundation Scholarship, Ottawa University Baseball Scholarship
- Katelyn Zimmerman:* Washburn University Desmond WEA Academic Scholarship, FFA Alumni Scholarship, FFA Monsanto Fund Scholarship

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TRACK AND FIELD

Lizz Herrs, Kansas Relays High School Javelin Champion
Kyron Case, 100M Dash Record (10.62 at Nemaha Valley)
Logan Miner, Pentathlon Record (2,708 points at Jeff West)
Jackson Meyer, Pole Vault Record (12'6" at Jeff West)

Wamego Middle School Band Festival

II Ratings (Excellent)
Ally Cunningham, Clarinet
Jackson Lenauer, Alto Sax
Justin Moser, Alto Sax
Brandon Mallon, Alto Sax
Zack Hart, Tenor Sax
Cale Hinrichsen, Tenor Sax
Connor Greening, Tenor Sax
Jackson Fike, Bari Sax
Taylor Johnson, Flute
Carley Nelson, Flute
Jeryn Gilmore, Flute
Brett Schwarz, Trombone
Christian Berard, Trumpet
Low Brass Ensemble
Clarinet Ensemble
Trumpet Ensemble

I Ratings (Superior)
Junior High Band
St. George 6th Grade Band
Carson Becker, Bass Clarinet
Evangelina Gallardo, Clarinet
Adam Thew, French Horn
Wyatt Williams, Alto Sax
Bailey Pyle, Xylophone
Destiney Mathos, Drum Set
Kitrina Miller, Flute
Myles Stamm, Drum Set
Rileah Sotelo, Flute
Shae Biedenbender, Trumpet
Riley Mocabee, Trumpet
Zack Havenstein, Trombone
Saxophone Ensemble
Flute Ensemble
Percussion Ensemble

Junior High Scholars' Bowl

Justin Reiss, Isaac Brunkow,
Jackson Fike, Justin Moser,
Emmalee Funk, Mikaela Morton
1st Place, 8th Grade

Carley Nelson, Eli Miller,
Madison Plummer, Bella Petri,
Avery Ebert, Walker Suther
3rd Place, 7th Grade

2012-2013 JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT COUNCIL

Shae Biedenbender,
Avery Ebert, Rachel Forge,
Cale Hinrichsen, Olivia Lee

Livestock Team

Shane Schaake, Shilo Schaake,
Jordan Ebert, Sam Wilcox
7th at State Career
Development Events

Poultry Team

Sam Wilcox, Annette Trieb,
Anna Jilka, Eric Beyer
9th at State Career
Development Events

Envirothon Team

Ben Commerford, Clayton
Frakes, Jordan Ebert, Levi
Anderson, Sheldon Rogge
2nd at State Envirothon

3A Regional Baseball

Rock Creek, Regional Champions

3A Regional Softball

Rock Creek, Regional Champions

JV Softball

Rock Creek JV

**3-0 at Holton
Invitational
Tournament**

16-3 for Season