

WildCat Beat

February 2017

CALENDAR

Feb. 4 – Trivia Night
Feb. 6 – Vision Screening
Feb. 8 – Count Day – Students – We need you here!
Feb. 14 – ½ day students – dismissal at 11:06
Feb. 17 - Homecoming
Feb. 17 – SADD Fundraiser - Homecoming Dinner 4:00 pm
Feb. 23 – Conferences 4:30 – 7:30
Feb. 24 – No School
Feb. 27 – No School

HALF-DAYS on the following dates: **February 14, March 14, and May 9.**

Daily Schedule

7:35–7:50	Breakfast
7:50-8:46	1st period
8:50-9:46	2nd period
9:50-10:45	3rd period
10:49-11:19	HS Lunch
10:49-11:41	MS 4th period
11:23-12:15	HS 4th period
11:45-12:15	MS Lunch
12:19-1:11	5th period
1:15-2:08	6th period
2:12-3:06	7th period

Half Day Dismissal is 11:06
Early Release Dismissal is 2:06



HIGH SCHOOL LIONS CLUB STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations **Melissa Steinkraus**, December Lions Club student of the month. Teachers comment that Melissa is an excellent student and high academic achiever. She initiates higher level learning by asking questions above and beyond expectations, utilizing additional resources when possible. She is active in cross country, track and field, enjoys marching band and jazz band. Melissa loves to read and run in her spare time.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations **Bryce High**, December middle school student of the month. Bryce is a hard-working, honest student who gets along well with others in groups. He has a positive attitude and is happy to go the distance to succeed. Bryce enjoys wrestling, football, track and field, drawing and being outside.



HIGH SCHOOL LIONS CLUB STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations, **Carter Surach**, January Lions Club student of the month. Teachers comment that Carter is very knowledgeable about technology and forward thinking. Every day, he takes on many additional responsibilities, is willing to help others, his work is top notch and he is very mature for his age. He is a member of cross country team and qualified for State. He also plays soccer, basketball and is a member of the track and field team. He enjoys video production, snowboarding, and travel and other cultures.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations, **Ellie Tone**, January middle school student of the month. Ellie is a very conscientious student and citizen in her classes. She strives for academic excellence by always putting forth maximum effort. Ellie is always kind and willing to help others that may be struggling. She is a great role model for others to emulate. She participates in cross country and track and field. Ellie enjoys playing the piano, skiing and running distance.



LOCAL ARTIST VISITS 8TH GRADE ART CLASS



Sara Johnson, Marcellus area resident and artist, visited the 8th grade art class during their unit on Aboriginal art. Sara was inspired by the Australian Aboriginal artists and the didgeridoos they make, decorate, and play. She makes her own decorated didgeridoos and sells them from her website. Ethan Berger and Jessica Yoder are shown playing one of the didgeridoos.



WINTER FORMAL KING & QUEEN

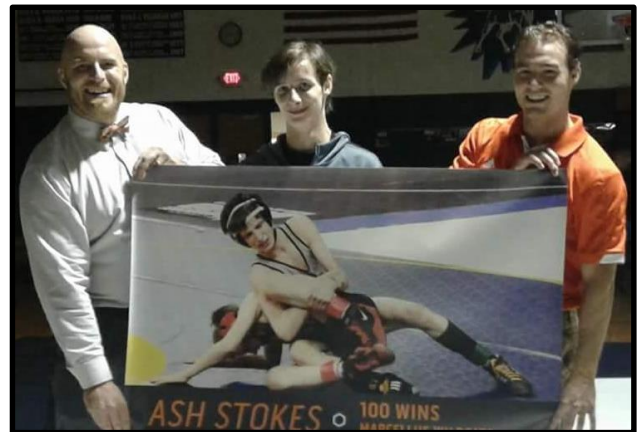
Congratulations to **Trenton Short** and **Lauren Ridenour**. The two were voted Snow King and Queen at the holiday dance in December.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION



Please send in any Boxtops for Education from items you purchase that have the redeemable coupons. Tear them off and have your student bring them to the office, and we will do the rest! Thank you for your support!

CONGRATULATIONS to Ash Stokes who recorded his 100th victory wrestling. He is a junior and has been wrestling since his freshman year. This is a big milestone that few have ever accomplished in Marcellus High School wrestling history. We wish you continued success as you continue on next year with your wrestling career.



SADD HOMECOMING DINNER

The SADD students will be having a pulled pork dinner in the middle/high school cafeteria starting at 4:00 p.m. through 1st quarter of the basketball homecoming game on February 17, 2017. Take out is also available. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family of four or more.



Marcellus High School Choir performed for the middle high school on December 16. What a wonderful treat thanks to Ms. Essex and her students.



Back: Blake Huston Front: Brandon Spears
Bryce Haywood, Stephanie Bigelow

REINDEER GAMES – Sponsored by SADD



Paige Allen, Brandon Clark



Curtis Turner



Brandon Woudstra

COUNSELOR’S CORNER

REMINDER - All male US Citizens ages 18-25, are required by law to register with the Selective Service. It’s quick and easy. Have your social security number ready and go online to www.sss.gov.

JUNIOR PARENTS - It’s time to start considering post-graduation plans. Your students can begin applying to colleges and programs beginning in June. After the start of the next semester, students will be meeting with me individually. They will be encouraged to open up discussion at home and begin thinking about paying for college.

SENIORS – As you are offered scholarships, PLEASE bring in a copy of the scholarship offer. We’d like to recognize your accomplishments at Senior Honor’s Night in June.

The Michigan due date for FAFSA is quickly approaching - March 1. Get started now by applying for a FSA ID at <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>.



SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

The winter weather season means parents, school personnel and students face the potential for school delays and closings. When Marcellus Community Schools must delay or close school, notifications will be made on the school Facebook page and on WWMT Channel 3, WSJV Fox 28, WNDU Channel 16, WSBT Channel 22, WOOD Channel 8, WOTV Channel 41 and on WLKM radio. In addition, an automated phone call alert is made to all parents who have provided accurate contact numbers. Parents and guardians are encouraged to contact their child's school office to ensure that their contact information is up to date.

TRIVIA NIGHT

The class of 2020 is hosting a trivia night on February 4. Teams of 10, \$15.00 per person. All are invited so please include family and friends who know a lot or a little to be on your team. There will be a DJ, snacks, a silent auction with many items. Doors open at 6:15 – competition starts at 7:00 at the VFW in Marcellus. Please contact Rachel Tone 269-506-9232 if you are interested in being on a team. You can register now or at the door.

END OF THE YEAR FIELDTRIPS

7th and 8th grade end of the year fieldtrips have been scheduled for June 9th. 7th grade will go to Craig's Cruisers in Grand Rapids and the 8th grade will go to Michigan's Adventure in Muskegon. Please remind your students that these fieldtrips are behavior based.

HANDBOOK REMINDERS

Cell phones are permitted in school only if they are OFF and kept in the student's locker or car. Students who violate this policy will face lunch detention for a first offense. Further violations will result in ISS. In all cases, a parent or a parent's adult delegate will have to pick up the confiscated phone from the school office no earlier than the following day.

HOMEWORK HOUR

Homework Hour is available for students who need additional time or assistance to complete assignments. Homework Hour is held 3:15 — 4:15 Monday through Thursday, except on the early release days. Students who have missing work may also be **assigned** to Homework Hour. There will be no Homework Hour on Early Dismissal days.

Happy
Valentine's
Day