

Pirates to invade school auditorium

Pirates will soon be coming to the high school auditorium. The school play, "Jolly Roger and the Pirate Queen," will be presented April 14 and 15.

The play follows the adventures of Roger Goodman (played by Nolan Henningson) as he does everything he can to win the love of Sarah Huffington (Amanda Marshall), even if that means becoming a dreaded pirate.

The two get caught up in a wild chase for buried treasure and meet some crazy characters along the way, including real pirates.

We are excited to meet these crazy characters and hope you stay tuned to find out what happens next!

Director Dana Juenemann has posted the cast. Beside Henningson and Marshall, the cast includes Regent Erickson as George, Molly Jansonius as Kate, Morgan Jansonius as Belinda, Baron Green as Lord Huffington, Cassidy Shields as Lady Huffington, Kaine Fredrickson as Claude, Cassandra Canto as Maude, Ganon Henningson as Parrot, Garrett Scott as Sneak, Ben Glading as Snaggle, Jalyn Shaw as Laverne, Sierra Lohofener as Lucy, Ryan May as Captain Belvedere, Caleb Koerperich as Bluebeard, Jude Walinder as Smudge, Elizabeth Nedland as Dandy, Grace Randel as Kiki, Lara Zodrow as Miki and Austin Kyte as Creaky.

Junior high scholars place at home meet

The seventh-grade scholar bowl team placed first and the eighth-grade team third at the Oberlin Invitational Scholar Bowl held on Feb. 13.

The seventh graders won all seven of their matches. They defeated Norton 50-30, Hoxie, 50-5, Rawlins County 60-30, Oakley 75-0, Quinter 80-35, Colby 50-30 and Cheylin 50-30.

Competing for the seventh grade team were Mason Ahlberg, Max Diederich, Tristen Davis, Luke Koerperich, Adrian Chambers and Gatlin Hisson.

The eighth graders lost their first

round to Norton 90-20, but then beat Hoxie 80-10, Rawlins County 50-40, Oakley 55-50, Quinter 40-30, Colby 55-40 and Cheylin 60-50.

Oberlin, Norton and Oakley all won six rounds and lost one. After using tie-breaker procedures, Oberlin ended up in third place because Norton beat Oberlin by 70, Oakley beat Norton by 10, and Oberlin defeated Oakley by only five. Norton was first, and Oakley was second.

The eighth grade team includes Keagen Blau, Kelly Brown, Kade Grafel, Jonathon Howland, Daniel Lerew and Andrew Wade.

Future teachers learn about job at academy

The need for quality teachers has never been more critical, and Kansas high school students who are considering a teaching career have an excellent opportunity to learn more about what teachers do and whether or not they have the potential for meeting this professional challenge.

This opportunity comes in the form of the Kansas Future Teacher Academy sponsored by Emporia State University and Dodge City Community College.

Now in its 23rd year, the academy will be held at two places to accommodate schedules and distance: June 10-14, at Emporia State University and June 10-14, at Dodge City Community College.

Freshmen, sophomores and juniors selected to participate will be students who have already demonstrated scholarship, leadership and interest in education.

Participants will attend workshops on leadership and self-improvement and participate in activities to help them better understand

what teachers do. The students will have opportunities to listen to and work with outstanding classroom teachers, college instructors, Kansas Master Teachers, National Board Certified Teachers, Kansas State Teachers of the Year and a National Teachers Hall of Fame inductee.

Included in the schedule are sessions and social events to help them better understand college life. Participants will be housed in a campus residence hall, and all activities will be supervised by adults.

Those selected to participate will pay a \$100 participation fee. Students are encouraged to acquire sponsorships through local businesses and/or organizations.

If you would like more information about the academy, visit www.emporia.edu/jones/kfta.

Postmark deadline for submission of applications is March 16.

The last Oberlin student to attend the future teacher academy was Tiffany Anderson, now a freshman at McCook Community College.



SITTING IN GOV. SAM BROWNBACK'S SEAT, Oberlin student Mason Ahlberg got to be a page at the Legislature in Topeka recently.

Seventh grader works as page at statehouse

Mason Ahlberg, son of Dick and Suzanne Ahlberg, served as a page for State Rep. Ward Cassidy on Feb. 20. Rep. Cassidy is a Republican from St. Francis and represents the 120th District in the Kansas House of Representatives.

Highlights of the trip to Topeka and the State Capitol included a night tour of offices, committee rooms and the Capitol with Rep. Cassidy.

Mason got to go to the floor of the House Chamber and sit in the Speaker's chair. Rep. Cassidy explained the legislative process in detail, especially the role of the

committees.

Monday morning, Mason served as a page in the House of Representatives. According to Mason, he liked the discussion on the floor by the representatives. Mason also attended the Appropriations Committee, which Rep. Cassidy serves on. The discussion included financing the Kansas Neurological Institute.

Before leaving the capital city, Mason also visited the Brown v. Topeka Board of Education historical site (Monroe Elementary School).

Mason is a seventh grader at the junior high school.



By the DCHS Dictator Staff

Girls take first at Norton meet

By TAYLOR MACFEE

Morgan and Molly Jansonius placed first in duet acting at the Norton Invitational Speech Meet on Feb. 4. This was the second championship for the freshmen in as many tournaments.

Also placing in the tournament were Cassandra Canto and Ganon Henningson. Cassandra placed fourth in oration, and Ganon and Morgan placed fourth in improvised

duet acting.

As a team, Oberlin placed fourth. Colby won the tournament.

Also competing for Oberlin were freshmen Austin Kyte, Grace Randel, Regent Erickson, Kaine Fredrickson, Caitie Shields, Garrett Scott and sophomore Baron Green.

The speech team is coached by Dana Juenemann and Deedre Frasier.

Student gets top award at state piano contest

By MIRANDA SHELTON

Three students represented Oberlin high school at state piano contest held last Saturday at Tabor College in Hillsboro: Nolan Henningson, Caleb Koerperich and Caitlin Shields.

Nolan earned a I rating on his piece "Poems of the Sea" by Ernest Bloch.

Caleb and Caitlin received II ratings. Caleb played "Prelude" by Glier, and Caitlin played the classic "Für Elise" by Beethoven.

In order for these students to qualify for state, they had to earn a I at regionals in Hays.

Cheryl Metcalf is the piano teacher for all three students.

Nolan said, "I'm really glad we had such a great day at contest. We worked really hard, and it paid off!"



Nolan

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Wednesday: Breakfast: cibatta

breakfast, pizza. Lunch: beefy nachos, refried beans.

Thursday: Breakfast: biscuits and gravy. Lunch: chicken nuggets, strawberries.

Friday: No School.

Fruit served with all breakfasts, choice bar with all lunches, milk with all meals.

Oberlin FFA Chapter Work Auction

Monday, March 5 • 6:00 p.m.
High School Cafeteria

The Auction will start at 6:00 p.m. and ice cream will be served. All FFA Members will be sold and will work for 8 hours of labor. If you are needing good help and want to help support the local Oberlin FFA Chapter, then please come and enjoy some ice cream and purchase yourself some good help.

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