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Marcy And Tiffany Accept Award



Marcy Atkins and Tiffany Bailey received an award of recognition for their fundraising efforts for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation at the foundation's annual awards ceremony held on November 8th 2010 at Union Station in Little Rock. The pair, along with the Pangburn FCCLA chapter, raised \$930.00 which will be used to help find a cure for Juvenile Diabetes.

Keeping in Touch

By Royce Turner

There are different ways to measure how well your school district is doing. You have test scores that let you know whether or not we are providing the correct curriculum to the students. You have your financial reports that let you know how financially sound the district is. You have these standards that you must meet that are mandated by the state and the list goes on and on but there is one thing that we have at Pangburn that can't be measured by a report and that is how much care and concern is put into the personal well-being of our children.

As many of you know my family's lives made a drastic turn back in March of 2008 when Keaton fell out at school with the initial onset of his bout with epilepsy. We as parents, Kris and I, really beat ourselves up initially because we found ourselves thinking what we could have done differently to have provided him with better care that terrible morning. The answer to that was "nothing" and it was obvious to us once we stepped back and replayed it all in our heads that he was exactly where he needed to be at that critical time. I mean think about it, he was in the nurse's office at school when he had his first seizure and from that day forward the school district and the townspeople of Pangburn have wrapped their arms around his condition and embraced it. Even now almost 3 years later, every time I see John Jordan running down the aisle at a ballgame trying to pick us out of the crowd because Keaton has had a seizure, I know he is in good hands.

If you find yourself reading this article, wondering what makes Pangburn and the Pangburn School District such a great place to raise a family and educate your kids, the answer to that is YOU. You are the reason there is so much care and concern for your child in our district, you are the reason we make the decisions we make as a school board and YOU are the reason there is that little something special about Pangburn that is hard to find anywhere else. I see it every summer during baseball season, at every church function, at every Fall Festival, every graduation, and I even see it when I am getting the third degree about something that was approved by the board that rubbed someone the wrong way.

There is a lot we have going on in the district that I could've written about, but the real story about Pangburn is the people, not only the employees of the district, but also the citizens of the district who have molded our district into what it is today. We will continue to have some growing pains in our district both internally and externally but that is expected when you are growing at the rate that we are. As long as we plan for that growth, we will be ok. We are not perfect by any means. Keaton and Kaleb remind me of that daily when they come home griping about their workload or a specific assignment or a teacher that they think has it out for them, but I remind them that if they didn't care they wouldn't push them. Success is not easy and we want all of our children to be successful and that involves pushing.

If it's been a while since you've taken a little pride in being a Tiger, now would be the perfect time! Thank you Pangburn for all that you do for our community and our district!!!!

Pangburn Band Chili Cook-Off

The air was heavy with the scent of chili last Oct. 16, 2010, as the 3rd annual Pangburn Band Chili Cook Off was held in the high school cafeteria. The crowd was a large one as the chili was served in an all you can eat format. Fifteen different varieties of chili were available for those in attendance to sample. The competition was fierce, but after the votes were counted only one chili emerged as champion. This year's best chili was awarded to Garrett Lee. Garrett's chili was chosen as being the best from all types of chili ranging from mild to extremely hot. The band would like to thank everyone who participated in the Cook-Off as a contestant or as a judge and we hope to see you next year!

Pangburn High School Choir & Band Perform Fall Concert

The Pangburn High School Band and Choir were in performance Saturday, October 16, 2010. The band and choir were joined by the Jazz Ensemble in a Fall Concert. The audience was large for a Saturday and everyone in attendance was treated to a great concert.

The Choir took the stage first and sang several songs to the delight of the crowd in attendance. Next, our newly formed Jazz Ensemble played a couple of Jazz tunes and was well received by the audience. The band took the stage to complete the concerts and play several songs to complete the Fall Concert.

Everyone was all smiles afterwards as parents and friends gathered to congratulate each of the performers.



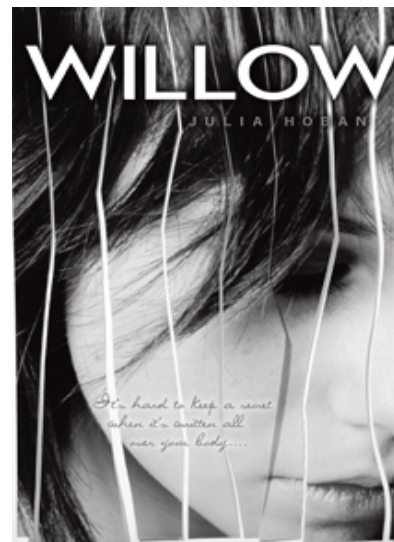
Book Nook

by Wesley Oliver

“The Dresden Files” by

Jim Butcher is a series of books about the life of a modern day wizard. Harry Dresden is a ‘Wizard for Hire’ and head investigator for the Paranormal Investigations at Chicago PD.

Though living his mundane life in the cellar room of an old apartment complex, Harry Dresden never finds himself short of excitement or danger. Constantly dodging attacks made against him by the Vampire Courts, werewolf, and sometimes even his fellow wizards. Surviving the most ridiculous and hopeless of situations and never losing his cocky attitude.



Book Club Suggested Reading

Willow By Julia Hoban

If she let herself, she'd drown in a world of pain.

Seven months ago on a raining March night, Willow's parents drank too much at dinner and asked her to drive them home, But they never made it – Willow lost control of the

car, and both of her parents were killed. Now the only way she knows how to survive and control the pain is by secretly cutting herself. But when Willow meets Guy, a boy as sensitive and complicated as she is, she finds it hard to keep the secret that's written all over her body.

Pangburn FFA Contest

By: Emily Osbourne



Pangburn FFA placed 1st at the Red/White River Sub-Area contest on November 9, 2010 in the leadership role of Opening and Closing Ceremonies. It is a leadership contest for 9th graders only that deals with starting a

meeting and conducting one item of business in a professional manner then closing the meeting in less than 10 minutes. The following students participated: Devon Hensley, President; Emily Osbourne, Vice President; Jasmyne Kelley, Secretary; Noah Haile, Reporter; Kurtis Whitmire, Treasurer; Austin Baker, Junior Advisor; Chase Yarbrough, Sentinel. This is the first time a team from Pangburn FFA has won a contest in Opening and Closing Ceremonies since Mr. Harris started three years ago. He is very proud of them and they will compete at FFA District leadership contest on December 7th at ASU Jonesboro.

Spotlight On Students: Senior Interviews

By Jordan Hicks

Hope Turney

Q: What do you look forward to most about graduating high school?

A: Experiencing new stuff like college.

Q: Which teacher has made more of an impact on you and why?

A: Mrs. Douglas. She will go out of her way to help anybody.

Q: What do you want to be remembered for?

A: My smile.

Q: Will the school be any different after you leave and how?

A: I don't know, we'll just have to see.

Q: If you had to do it all over again, what would you have done different?

A: My choices have made me who I am today.

Q: What advice would you give to the freshmen class?

A: This is your life and you only have one chance at it so make the absolute best of it.

Q: What do you plan on doing after school? And what gave you this idea?

A: I plan on going to college to be a pediatric nurse at the Arkansas Children's Hospital. I love little kids and think it's awful what they have to go through. I want to try to make a difference in their lives.

Beta News

By: Hope Turney

On Wednesday, November 10, 2010 Sr. Beta installed their new officers and members with a candle light ceremony followed by pizza. The ceremony was great. We are excitedly preparing for our state convention January 28 and 29 in Hot Springs. We are collecting pop tabs as one of our community service projects and state convention expenses. Grades K-4 are competing to see which class can tribute the most pop tabs each nine-weeks. Mrs. Autumn and Mrs. Bell are tied for the nine weeks as of the printing of this paper. Any pop tabs from soda can, soup cans, canned pasta, etc. can be used. All tabs will be taken to the Ronald McDonald House Charities in Little Rock where they will be recycled to raise funds for the charity. The school that raises the most pounds per student will win an assembly with Ronald McDonald who will hand out prizes. Last year, we were eighth in the state! With your help in supporting this great charity, our state could be number one. For Christmas we are collecting socks and shoes, sizes 3/4 to 12/13 for CSOCC, Community School of Cleburne County. If interested in contributing items or money for the cause, email or phone Mrs. Free. If you have any suggestions for Pangburn Sr. Beta please contact our sponsors, Mrs. Free and Mrs. Louks, through their school email addresses. You can also keep up with more Sr. Beta Club news on our facebook page: Pangburn Sr. Beta Cub.



Veterans' Day Assembly

By Tiffany Baker and Savannah Kelley

Many people do not realize the true meaning of Veterans' Day. This day is set aside to honor the veterans that fought and are still fighting for our freedom. These soldiers risk their lives every day so you and I can live our own lives in any way that we choose. To show our appreciation for these great people, Pangburn's FBLA chapter held a Veterans' assembly to honor those that have served for our country.

Over the past few weeks, all of the FBLA members have been selling flags to stand in the post office yard in Pangburn. Anyone could purchase a flag for anyone that is serving or that has served in any of the wars. Even if they didn't necessarily know someone that has served, people could buy a flag anyway to support the veterans and show how much they appreciate their bravery and courage.

The American Legion Post 64 Color Guard presented our flags while FBLA member, Victoria Son, led us in the pledge of allegiance. Hannah Garrett, another member, sang a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem to begin the assembly. Raven Mathews, a sophomore student, read aloud her emotional essay that she had written about Veteran's Day and what it meant to her. She placed first in the essay contest sponsored by FBLA; while Lyndlee Engle placed second, and Dana Cantrell placed third. Lindsey McCosh, FBLA vice-president, then recognized the Veterans that were present at the assembly.

Major Gorden Gregsen, who was dressed as a Civil War Confederate, was the first Veteran to speak. He talked to us about his experiences in the Army National Guard and about the Civil War. He also mentioned how most people don't think of the Civil War Veterans and how they are just as important. The next speaker, Mr. Harley Bridger, told of World War II and what it was like to serve in the Air Force. Mr. Gary Jackson also spoke of his adventures with different military services, and how he fought in the Vietnam War with the Marine Corps. Ms. Emma Lea Slayten Blackwood spoke of her service in the Women's Auxiliary Corps during World War II, and Ms. Candace Smith, who served in the Iraq War and the Army National Guard, talked about what it was like being a female soldier in today's armed forces, from being one of the first female soldiers to serve to being discriminated against. Mr. Milo Fields told us about his time spent in World War II, Korea, and in Vietnam with the Navy and in the Air Force.

After the student body honored all of the veterans that were present, Ajla Omerbasic, an exchange student from Bosnia and Herzegovina, told her feelings about Veterans' Day and her experiences with war in her home country. She told what it was like to be born into war and honored her grandfather and father for serving in the war in Bosnia and Herzegovina. After her touching story, a slide show of various veterans and soldiers, that was put together by the multimedia class, was presented. Mrs. Reaper and Mrs. Atkins, the sponsors of FBLA, were both very proud of the success of the assembly and also proud of the FBLA members for helping put it together. It was a wonderful way to honor our country's veterans and even other veterans, although it was very emotional for many.

Keith Lindsey, 2010 graduate of Pangburn who attended the Veterans' Assembly while home on leave.



Standing Flags in the Post Office Yard



Veteran Speakers Onstage

Time to W.I.S.E. up!!

submitted by Margaret McNabb R. N.

The W.I.S.E. Coalition (White County Invested in Substance Abuse Eradication) has partnered with Pangburn Schools to provide educational materials to help students make better decisions about the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. The 6th grade is gearing up for a big CELEBRATION to recognize the students who have completed the All Stars Core program currently being taught. Parents of All Stars students will receive an invitation to attend the CELEBRATION which will take place in late December or early January.

Another focus of the W.I.S.E. Coalition is to reduce the incidence of underage drinking. Enclosed in this newsletter you will find a WISE HOMES Parent Pledge. Please read it carefully and consider signing it. There are also yard signs that you can get that state "NOT IN MY HOUSE" that are available to you free of charge. If you are interested in having a yard sign please contact the school nurse, Margaret McNabb.

Parents, please remember:

The things you say and do have a tremendous influence on the decisions your child makes, especially when it comes to using alcohol and drugs. Research shows that kids who learn about the dangerous risks of alcohol and drugs from their parents are up to 50% less likely to use.

Talk to you kids about alcohol and drugs. You can help them make better choices and live safer, healthier lives. For tips on how to start the conversation, visit www.timetotalk.org

Flu Clinic a Success



Pictured are mother, Judy Cleaveland, nursing instructor; daughter, Amanda Redman, teacher; and grand-daughter, Miranda-Claire Redman, Kindergarten student

Arkansas State University LPN students as part of their clinical experience participated in the flu shot clinics provided by the Ark Health department to the students, faculty, and staff of Pangburn School. These were 3rd semester students that will graduate in December: Luke Allen, Nikki Cooper, Jennifer Foster, Crystal Goodwin, Kim Holland, Amy Johnson, Chelsea Reynolds, Molly Shumate & Tim Weathers.

The flu clinic was of great benefit to those wishing to receive the vaccine. Thanks Mrs. Margaret McNabb for working diligently to make it a success, and thanks to the Health Department and students!

WISE HOMES Parent Pledge

- 1.I will actively supervise all gatherings or parties of youth in my/our home or on my/our property, or ask another responsible adult for help to do so.
- 2.I will not allow youth to possess or use alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in my/our house or on my/our property.
- 3.I will set expectations for my/our children by knowing where they are going, whom they are with, what their plans are, and when they are to return home.
- 4.I will call the parents of the child who my child is visiting to confirm our children's plans and keep the lines of communication open.
- 5.I will provide a secure storage place for all forms of alcohol in my/our home.
- 6.I will talk with any parent of a child I personally observe using alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.

NAME

(print): _____

Signature:

ADDRESS

(home): _____

City, State: _____

Zip Code _____

PHONE (home): _____

(work) _____

Email Address:

Do you give permission for your name to appear on a WISE HOMES website as a safe home for youth? Yes _____ No _____

Who I Am?

By Ajla Omerbasic

Everybody in Pangburn knows that I am Ajla Omerbasic and I am exchange student from Bosnia and Herzegovina, but there are just few people who could say that they met me a little bit better.

I was born in Bosnia and Hezregovina during the war. First couple of years of my life is not so nice and that is reason why I choose not to share that experience with you. When I was seven years old I start going in elementary school "Camil Sijaric". I was excellent student from first to eight grade. I participated in a lot of school activities as dance, singing, drama, computers, speeches and scouts. At the end of my eight-year old education I got certificate from my school for honor roll and good member of community. I always wanted to get in Economic high school. It is really hard to pass the test for that school and I was very nervous and scared while I was waiting my results. Economic high school is one of the best schools in whole Bosnia. They accept only 160 students for year; gladly I was number 31 on the list. I felt so happy and excited.

The fun part of my life is dancing. I train Latin-American and Ballroom dances for four years. Dance is something what makes me feel like I can do anything I want if I just believe. I enjoy in every move and step. Even if dancing is part of me and my life, education is still priority for me.

When I got this scholarship and came here to Arkansas, I made big step for my future. I broke barriers and start new chapter of my life. Everything is challenge, nothing is easy, but I enjoy it. I know even if I liked the way my life was before, change is sometimes good thing to push yourself more. If you want to become queen bee, you can't be just beautiful and wait, you have to be persistent and hard working, make first step by yourself. Beauty helps but without taking initiative and wiliness to get on the top and stay there, beauty will give you nothing.

This experience helped me to meet myself better and find out who I am. Now I am sure that nothing can't stop me to show the world who I want to be and make it true.



My First Christmas

By Ajla Omerbasic

People say that first Christmas in your life are really important, but usually you don't have your first Christmas when you are sixteen. I do. Finally at December 25th I am going to be the one who will give and receive presents, watch Christmas movies and enjoy spending time with my host family.

Christmas is big holiday here in America, and I am looking forward to experiencing that. It is the holiday when people selflessly give and enjoying sharing what they have with friends and family. There is something about Christmas that makes me feel excited. Spirit of Christmas that people got right after putting up Christmas tree or watching Christmas movie is impressive. That makes Christmas so big and beautiful holiday and it really doesn't matter what kind of present you give as long as you put love and caring together with it.

Children dream about presents from Santa Claus; adults are trying to remember days when they were sending letters to that generous man, and I just want to feel at least one time in my life, faster beat of my heart because of Christmas.

Spotlight On Students: Senior Interviews

By Jordan Hicks

T-Ray

Q: What do you look forward to most about graduating high school?

A: To play college softball.

Q: Which teacher has made more of an impact on you and why?

A: Mrs. McDonald, because she has encouraged me to become a better person and a better softball player.

Q: What do you want to be remembered for?

A: My personality.

Q: Will the school be any different after you leave and how?

A: I hope so because I want people to miss my positive influence on others.

Q: If you had to do it all over again, what would you have done different?

A: Nothing. Everything I've gone through has brought me to where I am now.

Q: What advice would you give to the freshmen class?

A: Be strong.

Q: What do you plan on doing after school? And what gave you this idea?

A: Going to college to possibly become a counselor. My desire to be an influence.



2010-2011 Pangburn Pee Wee Basketball Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Time | Place | Teams |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------|-------|-------------|
| Nov. 11 | White Co. Central | 4:30 | Home | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Nov. 12 | Bradford | 5:00 | Away | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Nov. 30 | Bradford | 5:00 | Home | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Dec. 9 | Judsonia | 5:00 | Home | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Jan. 10 | Kensett | 5:00 | Home | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Jan. 17 | Harding Academy | 5:00 | Home | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Jan. 20 | Kensett | 5:00 | Away | 5G,5B,6G,6B |
| Jan. 22, 24, 29 | White County Tournament | TBA | TBA | TBA |

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| Superintendent | Mr. Jerrod Williams | 728-4511 |
| High School Principal | Mr. David Rolland | 728-3513 |
| Middle School Principal | Mr. Chad Ramsey | 728-4912 |
| Elementary Principal | Mrs. Stephanie Vernon | 728-4230 |
| Curriculum Coordinator | Mrs. Lesha Hayes | 728-4912 |
| Day Care | Mrs. Jackie Cates | 728-4770 |
| Pre-School | Mrs. Kelly Davis | 728-4230 |

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Christmas Concert

By Kadie Staggs

The JR & SR High School Band & Choir will present their annual Christmas Concerts, December 9, 2010 at 7:00pm in the Performing Arts Center. The concerts are free and open to the public. Everyone is encouraged to attend and support our young musicians as they play holiday music for everyone.

Important Dates for December

- December 3** Ballgames Shirley @ home JG, SG, SB 5:30, FCCLA Star Events
- December 6** 5th and 6th Grade Christmas Program @ 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- December 6 - December 11** Jr. High Greers Ferry Lake Class @ Mt. Vernon/Enola
- December 7** Ballgames Quitman @ home JG, SG, SB 5:00, FFA District Leadership Contest
- December 9** Band Christmas Concert
- December 10** Ballgames @ Bradford JB, SG, SB 5:00
- December 13 - December 17** Semester Test Week
- December 20 - December 31** Christmas Break

Purchase a yearbook ad

Dear Parent(s),

Looking for a creative way to tell your student, "I love you and I'm proud of you"? Place a recognition ad in the yearbook! A recognition ad is always a great idea. In the future, seeing your message will bring a smile as they remember your love and support during these important years. It's easy to create a recognition ad. While you're thinking of what your ad will look like, also think about the size of the ad space. Select a horizontal or vertical format in a variety of sizes and costs. Take a look at the examples on our website, www.pangburnschools.org on the yearbook page. Reserve a space for your ad today.

FULL PAGE \$200, 1/2 PAGE \$125, 1/4 PAGE \$65, 1/8 PAGE \$45

Contact the High School Office 501-728-3513

Deadline for Ad Copy - Dec. 15, 2010