Our Voice

Tri-Village Local Schools





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Completing the Dream

Communication with the community is important to successful schools. Tri-Village is interested in installing a digital sign on the front lawn of the school to improve communication with the community. A digital sign would allow staff to update information posted simply by typing a message and immediately having it displayed on the sign located



on the front lawn. This is much more responsive than the arduous task of installing letters by hand on both sides of the current sign. Jim Falknor started a campaign in honor of his wife, Ruth Falknor, long-time Tri-Village ambassador, because she also had a dream of a digital sign on the front lawn. Over \$10,000 was raised to place a digital sign in the front lawn through the Falknor family's efforts. A large thank you to the School Fair Committee for their generous donation after last year's School Fair to Ruth's memorial fund is in order. The amount needed to purchase and install a sign is just under \$20,000. As you can see we are well on our way to being able to purchase a digital sign but generous donations are needed to complete the dream.

The sign will be dedicated to Ruth for her service to the School Fair Committee. However, the Falknor family is willing to share signage space to honor other memorial funds or living individuals. There is currently an account at the Farmer's State Bank in Ruth's name if an individual or business is interested in contributing to the fund. You may also contact Tony Thomas, Tri-Village Superintendent, at 937-996-6261 if you have any questions.



Tri-Village Local School district was awarded the HS Gold member of the Community Blood Center Lifesaving Ambassador's Club (LAC). During 2009 TVLS organized and collected 49 units of blood, hosted 1 blood drive, and averaged 140% of the districts blood drive goal. Mrs. Dana Puterbaugh was on hand to present a framed certificate to Mr. Thomas, Superintendent and the high school student council for being an outstanding blood drive sponsor.

New Madison Tri-Village Alumni Banquet

The New Madison Tri-Village Alumni Committee wishes to invite all New Madison and Tri-Village graduates for an evening of reminiscing and renewing old friendships at the annual alumni banquet to be held at Tri-Village High School May 15, 2010. This year's honored classes are: Class of 1935, Class of 1960, and the Class of 1985.

The meal will be catered by Tri-Village graduates Tanya and Chris Clark of Delight Catering. Registration begins at 4:00 with appetizers offered from 4:30 to 5:30 and the main meal will be served at 6:00. Invitations are mailed only to the honored classes with a mass mailing every five years. If you are not in an honored class please contact Monyca Schlechty at 937-548-0725 to place a reservation. Deadline is May 1, 2010.

National Honor Society

On November 20, 2009, 8 students were inducted into the Tri-Village High School national Honor Society tapped by Perry Fraylick, Paul Corbin, Adriana Finkbine, and Rachel Laux. Seniors inducted were Amy Willcox, Bethany Foureman, Hillarie Frech, Marcus Bingham, and Kyle Tuck. Juniors inducted were Dutch Malott, Megan Hunt, and Leah Metzcar. The advisor for the chapter is Judy Webber.

Each inductee received a National Honor Society pin, membership card, and a yellow rose. The current National Honor Society members presented the new inductees with a DVD of the ceremony.

After the induction ceremony pictures were taken and then the new inductees, family members, and guests were invited to enjoy refreshments and fellowship in the multi-handicapped room.



<u>Back Row:</u> Mrs. Webber (Advisor), Perry Fraylick, Kyle Tuck, Dutch Malott, Marcus Bingham, Paul Corbin <u>Front Row:</u> Adrianna Finkbine, Megan Hunt, Amy Willcox, Hillarie Frech,

Tri-Village FFA

"The Tri-Village FFA held its annual banquet on Sunday March 21st, 2010. The banquet celebrated the accomplishments that the FFA members accumulated over the past year.

Special Awards were also given to members that excelled throughout the past year. Top fruit sales persons award were presented to Travis Frech -3^{rd} , Dale Brewer -2^{nd} , Rodney Snyder- 1^{st} .

The Tri-Village FFA Senior members were honored with a certificate and slideshow highlighting their 4 years of dedication to the chapter. The 2010 Seniors are Jarica Brewer, Jesse Brubaker, Rikki Comer, Matthew Cooley, Adriana Finkbine, Tyler Fourman, Perry Fraylick, Hillarie Frech, Jordan Gary, Christopher Hope, Randy Judy, Harley Kautz, Matthew

Miller, Brandon Rike, Brian Schilling, Marjorie Schutt, Philip Strong and Whitney Stump.

Proficiency Awards are given to those members that excel in hours worked and competencies gain in there SAE (Supervised Agricultural Experience). This year Tyler Fourman applied in the area of dairy production for his work at Young's Replacement Heifers.

The members in each grade were presented with the Outstanding Member Awards. Chapter Advisor, Mr. Brian Pohlman, talked about each member's involvement and then presented him or her with a plaque commemorating his or her hard work. They were: Taylor Dill (Freshman), Brittany Martin (Sophomore), Jorden Price (Junior), and Rodney Snyder (Senior). The highest award for a freshman to receive is the Star Greenhand and this years winner was Mike Goodpaster. The Star Chapter Farmer award is given to the member that has excelled in a SAE that is related directly to the Farm. This years' recipient was Dale Brewer. The Star Chapter Agribusiness award is given to the member that has started and is operating their own business related to agriculture and this year's recipient was Cassie Cummins. The top award for the evening was the Dekalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award that recognizes not only one's personal success in the FFA but also recognizes what they have done to assist younger members. This



Honorary Chapter Degree Recipients Rick and Trudy Snyder.

years recipient was Tyler Fourman. The final award of the night was the Honorary Chapter Degree. This honor is bestowed on members of the school or community for their contributions to the success of the chapter. This year's Honorary Chapter Degree was presented to Rick and Trudy Snyder.

The ceremony was concluded with the inductions of the 2010-2011 Tri-Village Officer Team. President Jorden Price, Vice-President Dale Brewer, Secretary Austin Mikesell, Treasurer Brittany Martin, Reporter Clayton Murphy, Student Advisor Amber Penny, Sentinel Taylor Dill, and Historian Hannah Thomas. The Tri-Village FFA would like to thank everyone for their support of the chapter.



FFA Advisor Mr. Brian Pohlman with the 2010 Dekalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award Recipient Tyler Fourman



The 2010 Tri-Village Outstanding Member Award Recipients. Rodney Snyder – Outstanding Senior, Jorden Price – Outstanding Junior, Brittany Martin – Outstanding Sophomore, Taylor Dill – Outstanding Freshman.



The newly installed 2010-2011 Tri-Village FFA Officer Team: President- Jorden Price, Vice President-Dale Brewer, Treasure-Brittany Martin, Secretary-Austin Mikesell, Sentinel-Taylor Dill, Reporter-Clayton Murphy, Historian-Hannah Thomas, Student Advisor-Amber Penny.

FFA FLOWER SALE

The Tri-Village FFA Chapter will once again be holding their Spring Flower Sale. Students in the Agricultural Science classes have been raising seedlings and plugs in the greenhouse. The students have been learning about proper care of plants and how to operate a greenhouse. The greenhouse is equipped with some of the most technologically advanced greenhouse equipment. The greenhouse was donated by Ludy's Greenhouse and has been a great advantage to the students in the agricultural programs at the Tri-Village High School. The FFA will be selling assorted flowers including marigolds, impatiens, vinca vines, geraniums, petunia and more. Also, available will be a select amount of vegetables including peppers and tomatoes. Hanging baskets are \$15.00 and flats are \$12.00 or \$24.00. The sale will begin May 3rd and will be open weekdays from 2-5pm. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Ag. Dept. at (937) 996-1511 ext. 337. All proceeds will go to support the Tri-Village FFA members and their activities.



Tri-Village Star Award Recipients.

Dale Brewer – Star Chapter Farmer,
Cassie Cummins – Star Chapter Agribusiness, Michael Goodpaster – Star
Chapter Greenhand.