



THANK YOU, VETERANS!



Juniors in Anne Woods's Advanced American History class at will hold an all-school assembly in honor of

Veterans' Day at 1:30 on Friday, Nov. 11.

The students planned the assembly as part of a class project. The program will include the presentation of colors by members of the St. Charles American Legion Post 312, student and guest speakers, and slideshow honoring Orchard Farm Veterans.

"One of the reasons we do this is to make sure our kids know how much the service of these men and women means," said Woods. "We all know someone with a family member who served, and we should all be thankful for the sacrifices that our military personnel have made."

A reception for veterans in attendance will be held after the assembly.

IMPORTANT DATES

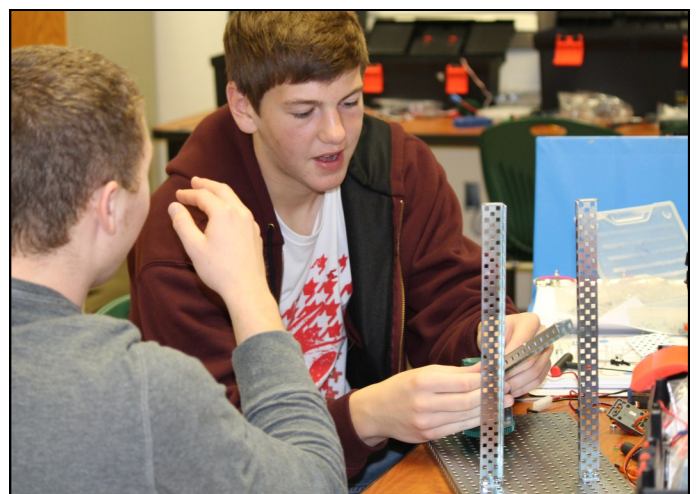
- 11/11- Veterans' Day Assembly
- 11/11-12- Fall Play
- 11/17- Mr. OFHS
- 11/18- Dodgeball Tournament
- 11/18-Progress Reports Sent Home
- 11/19- Variety Show
- 11/21-PTO Meeting
- 11/23- Early Release for Thanksgiving Break
- 11/24-25 - No School
- 11/28-12/2-Varsity Girls' Basketball Tournament
- 12/9-Varsity Boys' Basketball Home Opener

CLASS NOTES

Engineering

The new Principles of Engineering class is off to a good start. The students are currently learning how to create and program robotic machines. The project includes making a robotic arm, an elevator, a machine that will put a topping on a cookie, and a robotic car. The students work in teams to design and build each machine and then create the computer code to make the machine function.

- Brian Borgerding



Fred Semke, right, and classmate Dustin Mann work on their robotic machine for Principles of Engineering class. This is the first year for the class, which is the second in the Project Lead the Way curriculum.

CLASS NOTES CONTINUED...

Science

The biology students are working on their owl pellet project. Students dissect the pellets to learn what owls eat. They are beginning a new unit on the impact humans have on the environment.

The Anatomy class is beginning a unit on the skeletal

system by creating art projects using the various types of bones they will study.

- Kim Crouse

Communication Arts

The Comm Arts I classes have just started reading the classic *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

Students in the Comm Arts III classes are just finishing a unit on American short stories and will next begin a unit on non-fiction.

Social Studies

The Geography classes are studying Europe. They are beginning a differentiated project about different Euro-

pean countries.

The sociology students will be beginning a project over the five types of social interaction.

-Kyle Elmendorf

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

FCA

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes held a charity kickball tournament on October 29. The group raised over \$330 to buy gifts for the pediatric patients at Mercy Hospital during Christmas.

STUCO

The Student Council will hold the second annual **Martha Rybinski Memorial Dodgeball Tournament** to benefit breast cancer charities on **Nov. 18 at 7 p.m.** in the new gym.

StuCo is also busy preparing for the **Mr. OFHS pageant** that will take place on Thursday, **Nov. 17 at 7 p.m.**

StuCo is also sponsoring **canned food drive**. Students

are asked to bring non-perishable food items to their PAA teacher now through Nov. 18. The PAA with the most donations will win a prize provided by StuCo.

FALL PLAY

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, this year's fall play featuring a cast from the high school, middle school, and elementary school, is **Nov 11 and 12 at 7:00 p.m.** in the high school performance center. Tickets are now on sale in the office. A dress rehearsal for elementary students will be held Nov 10 at 1:00 p.m.

CHOIR

The high school choirs will hold a **variety show Saturday, November 19 at 7:00 p.m.** in the performance center. The show features fabu-

lous performances of your favorite Broadway and Disney shows. Tickets are now on sale through choir members.

Choir students are also now selling **poinsettias** to dress up your holiday decorations. Purchase standard or extra large plants in a variety of colors from Parkview Florist.

The high school choirs are rehearsing now for the **Winter Concert**, which will be held **December 7 at 7:00 p.m.** in the performance center. It is free and open to the public.

TREND

TREND finished a very successful Red Ribbon Week at the end of October. TREND members helped in the mid-

dle school with a Red Ribbon Week activity to try to help educate the younger students on the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Trend also hosted a Trunk or Treat in conjunction with the middle school. Well over 200 elementary students come out for a fun and safe Halloween.

DECA

DECA is now holding their annual **toy drive**. They will be collecting NEW toys from **November 1st-November 23rd** for children of all ages. The toys collected will help put smiles on children's faces from around the area during the Holiday season. New, unwrapped toys can be brought to Mr. Kolb's room (1218).

SPORTS UPDATES

FOOTBALL

The Orchard Farm Football team had an exciting season. For the first time in 12 years, and just the second time in school history, the Eagles made the playoffs. While they lost their first game in the playoffs, this was still quite an accomplishment.

The team did a great job of maintaining a positive attitude through an up and down regular season. By persevering and maintaining a strong work ethic, the grid-

iron eagles were able to play some good football to make a big step in the advancement of the program. Congratulations on a great season.

- The Coaching Staff

Football Awards

1st team all-conference :

Jorden Richardson
Zachary Bine
Nick Knobbe

2nd Team all-conference:

Jake Nevins
Spencer Pugh
Zach Boerding
Nick Knobbe
Phillip Cooley
Jorden Richardson

All-district:

Blake Liscombe
Phillip Cooley
Zachary Bine
Jake Nevins
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Jake Nevins
Spencer Pugh
Nick Knobbe
Davis Johnson

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Girls Basketball has had a great start to the season! We have three teams this year and are looking forward to a very fun, exciting, and successful season.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to senior Andrew Boschert and younger brother, freshman Nathan Boschert or qualifying for the State meet Nov. 5.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT UPDATES

The guidance department will be kicking off their 2011

Adopt a Family fundraiser

next week. Teachers that have volunteered include: Mr. Schroer, Mr. Elmendorf, Mr. Talleur, Principal Smith, and Principal Jones. Each teacher will have a jar in the cafeteria during each lunch session. Students and staff will put money into the jar of the teacher that they would most like to see get hit with a pie at a December assembly or PAA event. All proceeds from the competition will be used to supply one

family from each grade level with holiday gifts.

Orchard Farm High School recently got approved to host the **FAFSA Frenzy** event, a part of the College Goal Sunday program sponsored by the Missouri Department of Higher Education. This event will take place on **Sunday, February 12, 2012** and will allow senior parents to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid that is required for college attendance. Parents will actually be able to complete the FAFSA form

online during the event and financial aid experts will be standing by to help them. In order for this process to be as accurate as possible, parents should try to get their taxes filed before attending. If they cannot get this done, they will still be able to use estimated values to complete the form.

If you have ideas or information that you think would be of interest to the High School community please email Alisa Wartick at awartick@ofsd.k12.mo.us.