



Veterans Day



Veterans Day is celebrated on November 11th every year. It is the anniversary of the signing of the armistice, which ended World War I hostilities between the allied nations and Germany. However, this day is also intended to honor all men and women, both surviving and fallen veterans, who chose the military path and have served the United States in one of the many wars. Our Veterans Day program here at MHS was held on November 10th. The elementary came over to join in the festivities as well.

The high school band performed “Armed Forces on Parade”, and the high school choir performed “America the Beautiful”. The Junior High choir sang a medley of songs called “My America”. Our guest speaker was Staff Sergeant Derrick A. Johnson who graduated in 2003 and began battle in the next year. He has received several awards and was a blessing to our school as a speaker and as a soldier. Other veterans in attendance were: Brian Rau 1995-1999, David L. Roush 1968-1969, Dean Collins 1976-2004, Bill McHenry 1959-1979, Wally Boden 1958-1962, and John E. Thomas 1962-1982. The ladies from the American Legion also included: Clyta Carter, Martha McHenry, Sue Dryden, Sharon Boden, Jackie Smith, Wilma Freeman, Judy Call,

and Mary Dawn Jackson. On behalf of the whole Manchester Local School District, we say thank you for your service!

Jazlyn Rust

History of Thanksgiving



Thanksgiving is a holiday celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November. Thanksgiving Day is a time for many people to give thanks for what they have. The first American Thanksgiving was celebrated in 1621, to commemorate the harvest reaped by the Plymouth Colony after a harsh winter. It became an official federal holiday in 1863, during the Civil War. President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national day of "Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens", to be celebrated on the last Thursday in November. Today, our Thanksgiving is the fourth Thursday of November. This was set by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1939, who changed it from Abraham Lincoln's designation. This was approved by congress in 1941.

Angel Rigdon

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony



The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony was held on November 5th at approximately 7:30 P.M. in the high school cafeteria. To be eligible for induction, a student must maintain a 3.7 or higher GPA throughout their high school career. Mr. Owen Applegate had twenty-three new, intelligent members tapped into the society this year. Those students are as follows: Cassie Campbell, Bethany Sweeney, Stephanie Hobbs, Nick Huron, Ryan Palmer, Austin Smith, Jamison Wilkins, Jace Howard, Summer Wilber, Jazlyn Rust, Brooke Grooms, Sapphire Grey, Aliya Wells, Katie Heller, McKayla Smith, Keisha Palmer, Cassidy Spires, Kylie Lucas, Miranda Schiltz, Summer Grundy, Lydia Lopez, Leah Dryden, and Tera Himes. It is a great acclaim to have so many young, hard-working students here at Manchester High School.

Many things went into making the induction ceremony possible. Old members were responsible for starting the program and the tapping of new members. Victoria Hanson began the ceremony with an introduction speech, and Brook Henley followed the speech with a meaningful prayer. Our Principal, Mr. Jamie Wilkins, gave the welcoming speech soon after. Each officer was to light a candle that symbolizes the following: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. The NHS president, Samantha Aldridge, was responsible for lighting the scholarship

candle, but she was unable to be present at the program, so Hannah Purdon gladly took her place. The NHS reporter, Katie Booker, lit the candle that symbolized service; and the NHS secretary, Emerald Proffitt, lit the candle that symbolized leadership. Lastly, The NHS treasurer, Samantha Hanson, lit the candle that symbolized character. The tapping of new members began immediately after the candle lighting.

New members were tapped on their right shoulder and were brought to the podium to be introduced by an old member, and then they were given a certificate of honor. Each member was to then be seated, and after each member was introduced, the candle lighting ceremony and pledge began. Mr. Owen Applegate gave out the awards and had a small recognition speech. When he finished, Morgan Johnson stood to recite the benediction. Victoria Hanson then dismissed everyone to join the members for the reception. The reception included pictures, drinks, and cookies. It is a great honor to have so many hard-working students here at Manchester High School, and congratulations to all the new members!

Brook Henley

BETA Club



The BETA club here at MHS is successful this year, just as it always has been. The officers this year include: Gabe Horsley, president; Jazlyn Rust, vice president; Leah Dryden,

secretary; Brooke Trumbo, treasurer; and Katie Sandlin, tech. director. On November 5th, 2014, MHS held BETA inductions. This year the BETA club inducted twenty new members, including: Madison Robertson, Jacob Purdon, Kayla Wagoner, Caitlyn Hobbs, Brooklyn Chaney, Brooke Trumbo, Karley Young, Katelynn Hoffman, McKinlee Grooms, Justin Aldridge, Katie Sandlin, Alyssa Hoskins, Gabrielle Lainhart, Aliya Wells, Haley Bundy, Taylor Young, Kaitlyn Zamora, Samantha Aldridge, Jalen James, and Ethan Pennywitt. Always keeping up with their good deeds, as a group, the BETA club wrote notes filled with heartwarming messages, and they are planning to give them to those who are less fortunate during the Thanksgiving holiday. For the month of December, BETA club will be holding a sugar cookie baking activity and will also be participating in the “Adopt a Child for Christmas.” Our vice president, Jazlyn Rust, said, “BETA has been my lifeline. Our BETA club will definitely succeed with Gabe as our president. I cannot wait for all of the great things to come!”

Tera Himes

Fall Sports Awards



The fall sports awards ceremony was held in the month of November at the Manchester High School cafeteria. Awards were given to team members who were involved in football, volleyball and cross country. The proud coaches were there to distribute the awards to their

players. Coach Cook represented the football team, Coach Reed for volleyball and Coach Bowman for cross country. Athletic director Chris Young was also there to speak about the awards. Many awards were given away to skilled and very determined members of the teams. Team members could be honored with various awards, such as metals for various reasons, certificates, academic awards, MVP and many more. Many proud families were there to support their child as he/she received their awards. Manchester High School is very lucky to have such a wonderful sports program and great students who are dedicated to the sports they love.

Kristin Darnell

Varsity Cheerleading



The Varsity cheerleaders went to Rupp Arena Saturday, November 4, 2014. After being up at eight in the morning and not competing until six that evening, they showed everyone what a team looked like. After having a girl get hurt six days before the competition and having to change almost everything, they worked very, came together as a team and did everything they could to get a bid to nationals! The girls took the stage at six o'clock and did a phenomenal job. They did not drop one stunt and executed their routine perfectly. The girls all said it was a great

experience, and they got to meet so many teams who inspired them. They went into the awards room and found out they got 6th place in their division. They also found out that they would be making a long trip in February to Disney World in Orlando, Florida! They were very happy to get the bid they wanted, but they knew that in the week coming up they would have to buckle down and work hard. The Southern Hills League Competition was held at North Adams High School on November 15th at 9 A.M. West Union got 1st, Manchester got 2nd, and North Adams got 3rd. Peebles, Eastern, Lynchburg, Fairfield, and Ripley also competed. The girls will spend the rest of the year cheering for basketball season and getting their routine read to go to nationals!

Keisha Palmer

Jr. High Cheerleading

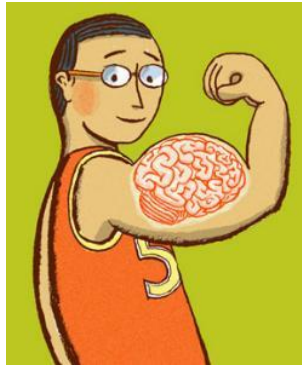


The junior high cheerleaders have had a very successful season this year. Along with placing well at the Adams, Highland, and Brown county fair competitions, on November 8th they competed at the annual SHL competition held at North Adams High School. The team competed very well and placed second. The girls have worked extremely hard this season and it

has shown. Now that the competition season is over, their main focus will be cheering on the junior high boys' basketball team. Congratulations on a good season, ladies!

Hannah Purdon

Academic Team



The Manchester Academic Team has come out of their Shire and had a great season this year. The team's season ended earlier this November, and even though the season didn't go as they would have liked, the team blew through the questions like a hurricane. The team is normally covered by Mr. Jeff Crask, but due to his retirement, the team has been taken over by Mr. Robert Krauss. The team's captain, Jazlyn Rust, and co-captain, Sam Aldridge, both agree this season has been one to remember and as the only seniors on the team, it's important to have something to remember. This year's brains included:

Jazlyn Rust	Jamison Wilkins
Gabe Horsley	Hunter Reese
Sam Aldridge	Brooke Trumbo

Nick Huron

Jace Howard

Emerald Proffitt

Justin Aldridge

Aliya Wells

Katie Booker

Deron Blythe

Haley Bundy

Jazlyn Rust

Varsity Basketball



Go Hounds! The Manchester basketball season is due to start on Tuesday, December 9 against Western Lathem. Peebles High school held the annual preview night, which is for the ten boys' basketball teams of the Southern Hills Athletic Conference (SHAC) on Friday, November 28. The boys played hard, and it was neck and neck during the first two quarters. The hounds played the Lynchburg Mustangs and put up a good run against them but fell behind during the last two quarters and had an ending score of 39-31. Practice may not make perfect all the time, but in sports, it will make improvements. The Greyhounds are eager to play this season and are

also willing to work for their goal of winning. A season is played game by game instead of jumping ahead to winning sectionals. Winning each game is like achieving a goal that leads to the big one.

Coach Lockhart was interviewed for the People's Defender and said, "Some of our younger kids were nervous and even for some of our older kids it was their first big preview night. Defensively, we weren't very disciplined, and I think a lot of kids got caught up in the moment, but we'll fix that. We have a lot of work to do on the defensive end."

2014-2015 Boys Roster:

Sophomores:

#11 Chase Darnell

#12 Hunter Conley

#13 Justin Aldridge

#23 Colton Thornburg

#32 Bryan Young

#33 Kaulen Cox

Juniors:

#14 Sean Frost

#22 Rickey Deatley

#40 Cole Pribble

Seniors:

#20 Phillip Thomas

#24 Austin Smith

Sammie Hanson

Varsity Girls' Basketball



The varsity girls' basketball team is kicking off the season, and it has been a fantastic start. The players are giving Coach Palmer 100% on the court, and they are exceeding his high expectations. Coach Palmer is expecting his team to grow as a family and support each other at all times. There are seven varsity girls playing this season. There is only one senior this year, Miss Tess Burns. There are four juniors: Morgan Johnson, Summer Wilbur, Montana Hamilton, and Bethany Sweeny. There are two sophomores, Kylie Lucas and Raeanna Stamm.

The Lady Hounds have had one game this year, making them one and zero. They had a fantastic win over a Division III team. Each player is giving Coach Palmer everything they have, and he says it will be his job to bring the best out of them. When asked if he was worried about any upcoming games, he said, "Every night when we step on the floor is a worry because we have to bring everything we have to fulfill our goal." Although it's a work in progress, the players work extremely hard at practice and they give everything they have. The future looks bright for our lady hounds! Good luck to our varsity lady hounds and Coach Palmer as they take off with the rest of their season.

Brook Henley

Junior High Girls Basketball

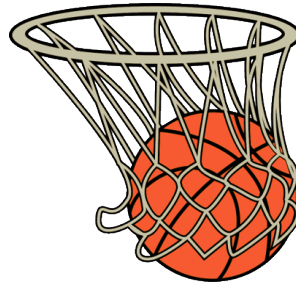


As the basketball season starts, the junior high girls' basketball team is nothing but ready to have a good, winning season. This year, the girls are learning to build good sportsmanship and are working to push their skills to their best ability. Both teams, seventh and eighth, are ready to start the season with a win on their upcoming games. When the seventh grade coach, Mindy Smith, was asked her expectations and goals for her team, her response was, "Developing a team and utilizing our time on and off the court to learn these skills is our main objective. Our goals are building a motivated team to play the best they can and believing in ourselves when others may not." As the season goes on, the girls hope to improve not only as individuals but also as a team. Both of the teams include:

Seventh Grade: Taylor Morrison, Shelby Breeze, Mackenzie Leadingham, Peyton Apgar, and Sammie Young.

Eighth Grade: Abby McFarland, Bella Paul, Josie Campbell, Darrington White, Ariel Cantrell, Hannah Bundy, Macy Huron, Kenzie Bell, Mckenzie Smith, Kaitlyn Palmer, and Madison Young

Jr. High Boys' Basketball



This year's seventh grade boys' basketball team is coached by Mr. Collin Flannery. This is Flannery's first year coaching basketball here at MHS. There are ten boys on the seventh grade team: Declan Huron #00, Dylan Adams #23, Carl Rickett #50, Aaron Hanson #12, Caden Davenport #22, Dalton Williams #15, Dj Polley #33, Jordan Bowman #1, Brad Ricketts #45, and Kris Walters #50. Coach Flannery has high expectations for his team, and he expects them to do well and be hard-working. He and the boys are looking forward to this season. This year's eighth grade boys' team is coached by Mr. Walls. There are nine boys on the team roster: Brody Francis #4, Dylan Colvin #10, Landon Conn #14, Shaun Gould #21, Cameron Breeze # 25, Isaiah Redmon #32, Logan Hayslip #35, Jacob Calvert #42, and Garet Hayslip #44. Coach Walls also has high expectations for his team. Both team just recently played the Felicity, Cardinals in the OSHAA Foundation game here at Manchester and came out victorious. You can support both teams at their first game at Lynchburg Clay on December 6th at 12:30 P.M. or at their home opener on December 20th at 11:30 A.M.

Brooklyn Chaney

Senior Profiles



Brooklyn Chaney is our first senior profile this month. Brooklyn's birthday falls on October 29th, and she is eighteen years of age. Sorry, fellas, but Brooklyn says she is currently in a relationship with her bed. Better luck next time! When asked who her favorite teacher was, Brooklyn replied with, "All of them." Though she doesn't have a specific favorite when it comes to teachers, she does have a favorite class, which happens to be choir. Her favorite underclassmen here at MHS are: Nick, Kaulen, Daniel, Toodle, James, Bryan, Miranda Schiltz, and Kylie Lucas. Brooklyn says she has enjoyed school so far this year, but that's mainly because she gets to see her best friends every day, including: Tera, Nan, Laramie, and Keisha. Though she is most excited for graduation, she is also feeling a tad bit nervous about it at the same time. On her down time, Brooklyn likes kicking back on the couch and watching her favorite TV show, *Awkward*. It's her favorite thing to do. Brooklyn would like to end by saying, "Later Alligator."

Jordan Franklin is our second senior profile this month. Jordan was born September 18th, and he is also eighteen years of age. Good news, ladies; Jordan is single! Snatch him up while you can! Jordan's favorite teacher is Mr. Gifford, and his favorite class is College Computers. His favorite underclassman here at MHS is Jonathan Sowards. Jordan says he doesn't enjoy school this year, but he looks forward to coming to school every day just to see his best friends,

including: Brooklyn, Tera, Leevi, Tree bird, Ryan, Nick, and JD. Jordan says he isn't excited about anything, but we all know he has something that is making him anxious. Jordan claims that high school is a breeze, but he seems to think otherwise about college because he is already nervous about it. In his spare time, he enjoys watching his favorite TV show, *Ladder 49*, and his favorite movie, *Radio*. Jordan would like to end his profile by saying, "I'm happy, happy, happy!"

Tera Himes

Sophomore Profiles



The first sophomore profile of this month is Jace Howard. He was born on July 1st, 1997, making him fifteen years old. Jace is single, so get him while you can, ladies! His favorite teacher is Mrs. Lovejoy, but his favorite class happens to be Algebra II. His best friends are Hunter Reese, Jamison Wilkins, and Jacob Purdon. He enjoys watching his favorite TV show, *The Big Bang Theory*, when he can. So far, Jace is enjoying school this year. He is excited about Perfect Pie Day, while he is most nervous about the OGTs.



The second sophomore profile of this month is Shyanne Tucker. She was born on August 27th, 1997, which makes her fifteen years old. Shyanne is single, boys! When asked who her favorite teacher was, she said that she had many, but her favorite class is language arts. Laramie Taylor, Summer Grundy, Kylie Lucas, Miranda Schiltz, and Xena Crummie happen to be her best friends. Her favorite underclassman is Kya Taylor. When she can, she enjoys watching her favorite movie *Titanic* and her favorite TV show, *Teen Wolf*. So far she has not enjoyed school this year. Shyanne is looking forward to the Florida trip with the cheerleaders and is most nervous about Cross Country next season. She would like to end by saying, "Bye, Felicia!"

Hannah Purdon

Eighth Grade Profiles



The first eighth grade profile goes to Miss Ariel Marie Cantrell. She was born on September 15, 2000, making her fourteen years old. She is happily in a relationship with Brittan Musser. Her favorite food is pizza. Her favorite color is red, and her favorite class is history; however, she does not have a favorite teacher at the moment. Her best friends are Alexsues and Kaylee Smith. Her favorite senior this year is Tess Burns. Her favorite movies are the *Twilight* series, and her favorite TV show is *Criminal Minds*. When asked about how she likes school so far, she said that she loves it, and she likes getting to sing for a half hour in choir every day and seeing her friends the most. Ariel ended her profile by saying, "I'm so ready for next year!"

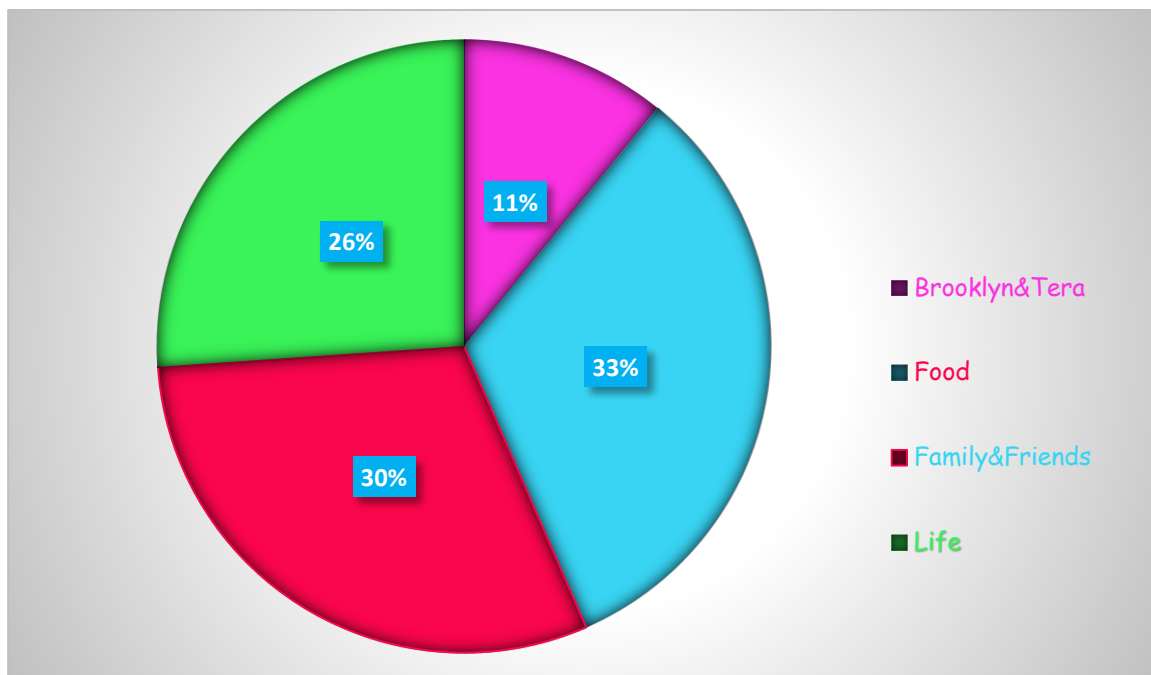


Our second eighth grade profile goes to Mr. Wesley Jones. He came into this world on March 21st, 2001, making him thirteen years old. He currently isn't in a relationship, so hit him

up, ladies! His favorite food is pizza, and his favorite color is red. He says his favorite teacher so far is Mr. Franklin. Wesley's favorite class is history, and his best friends are Brady Flack and Michael Prichard. His favorite senior this year is Tess Burns. He also told us his favorite TV show is *South Park*. When asked how he liked school so far, he said that he likes school, but he is ready to get out of here. Wesley also said what he likes most about school is hanging out with his friends at lunch every day. Wesley then ended his profile by saying, "I am very ready for next year."

Samantha Aldridge

What Are You Thankful For?



Brooklyn Chaney

Thanksgiving Jokes



1. Q: What key won't open any door?
A: A turkey!
2. Q: Who's never hungry on Thanksgiving?
A: The turkey. He's always stuffed!
3. Q: Which side of the turkey has the most feathers?
A: The outside
4. Q: Why did they let the turkey join the band?
A: Because he had the drumsticks!
5. Q: Why do pilgrims' pants always fall down?
A: Because they wear their belt buckles on their hats!
6. Q: What always comes at the end of Thanksgiving?
A: The letter G!
7. Q: Why do we have a Thanksgiving holiday?
A: So we know when to start Christmas shopping!

Snow Storm Traps Residents in Homes



As of November 20th, the residents in Buffalo, New York, woke up to a wall of snow when they opened their front doors. A record breaking lake-effect snowstorm brought up to seven feet of snow to Buffalo and the cities around the area. People were trapped in their homes and could not travel on the snow-covered roads. Some had to be rescued on the roads due to how fast the snow came down, and they were unable get through the dangerous snowstorm. Many houses were damaged due to the very heavy snow that caused rooftops to collapse and walls to crack. Unfortunately, this snowstorm caused thirteen deaths. There were many cancelations to schools and businesses also. Over 1,500 heavy equipment pieces and snow plows were addressed to remove the snow from the roads, which caused workers to labor non-stop with these kinds of conditions. The people were only beginning to wonder what would happen next.

Within the next week, temperatures began to rise. Residents and workers did what they could to not cause the cities to flood by uncovering the drains. As temperatures rose, water damage began to increase also. They predicted to see serious flooding damage within these regions, but it didn't turn out as anticipated. The snow started to melt, and there was flooding in some parts of these areas. As for people in New York, they started their winter off very roughly, and they can only hope it will get better from here.

