


# THE LIONS' TALE



WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

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## Seaton Hall Has New Director of Student Living

*Interview with Ms. Frye by Pam Thompson and Justin Gregory*

**How did you become interested in working at WVS&B?**  
I had a friend who worked here and told me about a job opening. I also saw the job advertised in the newspaper. I've always wanted to work with kids and adults.

**What is your background in deaf education?**  
My background is in consulting, but I have taken classes in deaf culture and history.

**Where did you go to college?**  
I graduated from Frostburg State University.

**Where did you grow-up?**  
My home town is in Short Gap, West Virginia.

**Have you held other positions before coming to Seaton Hall?**  
I was the DSL in the Elementary Deaf Department.

**Why do you want to work with high school students?**  
I think it will be an enjoyable challenge.

**How can you help Seaton Hall students?**  
I want to make Seaton Hall feel like home and try new activities.

Hopefully we can work to make Seaton Hall feel like family.

**Do you have any plans to change the dorm?**  
Not right now. I want to listen to the students and house-parents to see what needs to be done.

**What are your hobbies or leisure time activities?**  
I enjoy horseback riding, reading, cooking, and spending time with my family.

**What do you think will be your biggest challenge in Seaton Hall?**  
I think making students feel

*Photo by Pam Thompson*



*Ms. Christine Frye*

like family here will be my biggest challenge.

## WVSD to Host 2008 Academic Bowl Competition



*by Mr. Blakely, AB Coordinator*

The Mid Atlantic/At Large Academic Bowl (AB) Competition will be held at our school for the first time in history March 6-9.

Gallaudet University established its first AB for deaf and hard of hearing students in 1997 with the goal of promoting academic competition among school teams. Quiz tournaments, in which teams of high school students compete against each other in local, regional, and national events, have gained wide popularity among high

*These students have been practicing for the 2008 Academic Bowl since the beginning of the school year. Seated, left to right: Michael Jarvis and Madaline Mongold. Standing: Jessica Spencer, Jason Hollday, Tiffany Friend, Roderick Stickley and Brandi McGowan.*

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schools throughout the country.

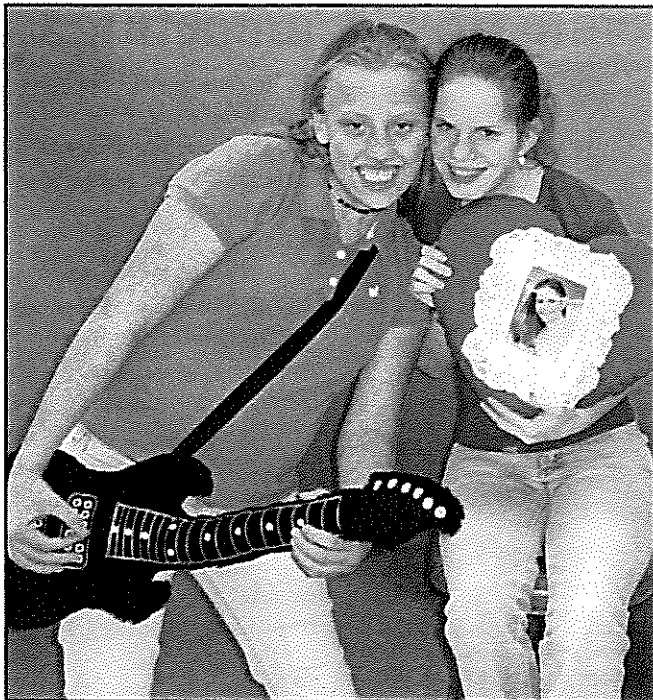
At each regional Academic Bowl, teams compete against each other in answering questions on a variety of subjects. All schools and programs are invited to enter regional competitions.

The first and second place winners from each of the five regions compete in the National Academic Bowl at Gallaudet University in April.

We have eight players who have tried out for the team since the beginning of school. Five of these dedicated students are finalists and will

compete in this year's AB: Brandi McGowan, Junior; Mike Jarvis, Junior; Jason Holliday, Junior; Madaline Mongold, Sophomore; and Roderick Stickley, Sophomore. Also, three players who have tried out for the team as AB participants are Sarah Abernathy, Senior; Jessica Spencer, Senior; and Tiffany Friend, Junior. Please congratulate all of them for their untiring efforts and commitment! They are working so hard to reach their fullest potential, and they are so proud to represent our school. We are so lionly proud of their unwavering commitment to the AB endeavor.

**TIMBERLINE**  
**March 4**  
**March 12**  
**BE THERE!**



## Principal's Post

by Mr. Corbin



Even with winter's chill in the air, WVSD's students' hearts (and legs) were warmed by a special party before going home for the holidays. The party featured class skits, games, prizes, and refreshments. Additionally, every student received a gift bag with WV embroidered pajama bottoms in just the right size. The celebration was planned and orchestrated by our jolly staff and was sponsored in part by Rob and Teresea Dillon of Dillon's Country Treasures and Bill and Cindy Wiley of Personalized Impressions. A wonderful time was had by all. Special thanks to all who helped to warm hearts and much more.

Since returning from the holiday break, we've arrived at the mid-point of the school year. Second semester promises to have many events and activities to enhance student development and to challenge their intellectual skills. Students enrolled in Career and Technical Education classes with two period block classes were recently challenged by end-of-course tests. Other CTE students will be taking their tests in May.

Our Academic Bowl team has been working hard in preparation for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Academic Bowl for which we will serve as host. The event will take place March 6-9 with sixteen teams from throughout the Mid-Atlantic Region participating. Theatre West Virginia will arrive on campus Sunday, March 9 with a performance and workshops scheduled for Monday the 10th.

The majority of our students are presently participating in basketball as players, managers, or scorekeepers. They've been having fun traveling to area public schools to compete as well as competing against other state schools for the deaf. Our varsity teams are looking forward to this year's Eastern States Deaf Athletic Association (ESDAA) Tournament. The Varsity Boys' team will travel to Buffalo, New York, while the Varsity Girls' team will travel to Rhode Island to compete in their respective ESDAA Tournaments.

Tapestry is preparing a special show for their performance for the West Virginia House of Delegates at the State Capitol on February 20.

Our legs are warm and our feet are moving at WVSD. Happy New Year everyone.

## Class Projects

(Left) Post-graduates Natasha Wolford and Megan Davis made their sewing projects "personal" in Mrs. Kuykendall's class. Natasha made a pillow in the shape of a guitar. Megan made a heart-shaped pillow with a photo pocket. She put one of her senior photos in the pocket.

# WVSD FBLA

by Mrs. Brown

Even with the winter storm weather, many of the WVSD FBLA members showed up to hear what Sergeant Norm Launi and Jamie Carter, Hampshire County Sheriff's Department, plus Sgt. Launi's dog, Rocket, had to say.

Drugs in Hampshire County are present, but Sgt. Launi said there has been a sharp decline in

heroin and cocaine use in the last several years. Rocket, a trained drug dog, has helped in recovering over \$14,000 in related drug use activities. She is only two years old and lives with Sgt. Launi and his family. Rocket also has been trained as a Rescue Dog. People in Hampshire County are so fortunate to have these fine officers working in our commu-

nity. Thank you, Officers Launi, Carter, and Rocket for your generosity and time in sharing invaluable information with our students.

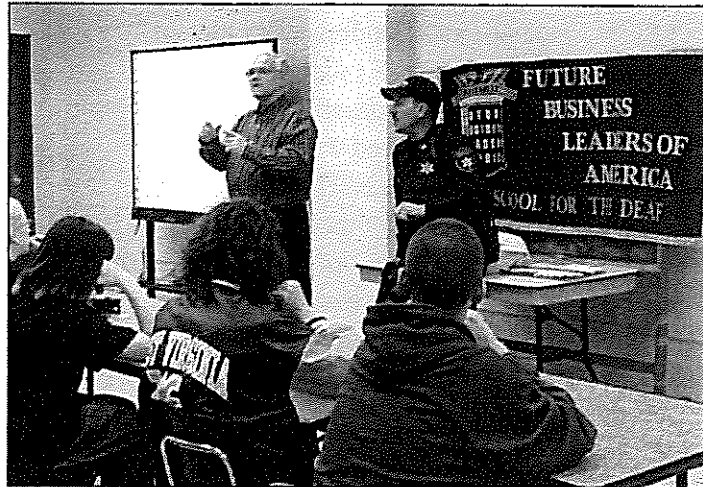
Photos by Mrs. Brown



*Top right: Sgt. Jamie Carter and Rocket demonstrate how Rocket assists the officers in apprehending suspects.*

*Center: Sgt. Launi said Rocket has aided Hampshire County's Sheriff's department in recovering over \$14,000 in related drug activities.*

*Bottom: Members of FBLA with Officers Launi, Carter, and Rocket.*



## HONOR ROLL 2ND NINE WEEKS

### 3.0 GPA

#### 7TH GRADE

Alex Jackson

#### 8TH GRADE

Taylor Shipley  
DeSean Thomas

#### 9TH GRADE

Holly Ramos  
Amber Williams  
Scott Dotson  
Shawna Weatherholt

#### 10TH GRADE

Josh Duff  
Samantha Johnson  
Maddie Mongold

#### 11TH GRADE

Matthew Hart  
Michael Jarvis  
Page Miller

#### 12TH GRADE

Justin Gregory

### 3.5 GPA

#### 9TH GRADE

Ethan Bolyard  
Patrick Lee

#### 10TH GRADE

Cassie Heaster  
Polly Hodge  
Roddy Stickley

#### 12TH GRADE

Pam Thompson  
Sarah Abernathy

### 3.75 GPA

#### 11TH GRADE

Jason Holliday  
Tiffany Friend  
Brandi McGowan

# Varsity Boys' Basketball

by Coach See

As we are approaching mid-season, bad weather has caused havoc on our schedule as several games have been cancelled. We managed to play only 6 games so far. As of January 16th, our current record is 1 win and 5 losses. The team has been improving in some areas. We are still struggling offensively, but we continue to work to get our offense to be where it should be. We have been playing well defensively, but unfortunately, it hasn't been enough to help us in games just yet. Our players from the bench have seen some playing time which will benefit them for the future. I know the boys will continue to work hard to improve themselves. I am very grateful to have this team to represent this school with its only sport for the boys. They represent the true meaning of Lion Pride!

We will be the defending champions in the ESDAA Boys' Basketball Tournament hosted at St. Mary's School for the Deaf in Buffalo, New York from February 14th through 17th.

We are hoping the weather will cooperate with us from now on so we can get most of our games played without any cancellations.

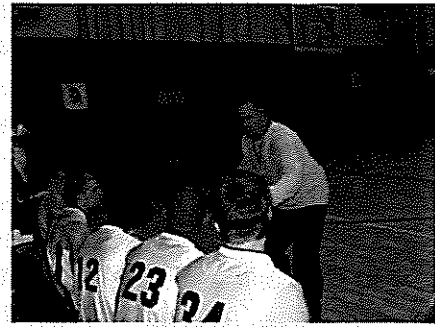
I would like to share the game recaps that I sent to Deaf Sportzine.

Spartans Classic at Ohio School for the Deaf on December 8.

**Ohio 71 WVSD 49**

We opened our season by traveling to Ohio School for the Deaf

for their Spartans Classic on December 7th and 8th. Three teams participating were West Virginia, Ohio, and Western Pennsylvania. On December 7th, we played against the host school, Ohio School for the Deaf. Ohio took the lead in the first quarter 18 - 11. We tried our best to fight to keep up with Ohio as they maintained the lead 35 - 26. They never looked back for the rest of the game as they led 47 - 32. They took advantage of our foul trouble which caused a couple of players to be benched from time to time throughout the game. Roderick Stickley led the team with 15 points, 5 rebounds and 5 steals. Michael Jarvis and Josh Duff each scored 7 points as Josh had 5 steals. Jason Holliday fought his way to earn 6 points inside the paint as he pulled down 4 rebounds. Brandon Lewis went in and scored 5 points and pulled down 4 rebounds. Page Miller had a quiet night as he scored 4 points and had 4 assists. Ethan Bolyard came in the game and earned 3 points. Patrick Lee chipped in with his 2 points. Jensen Greenstein contributed to the team with his one point.



**WVSD 62 WPSD 52**

On December 8th, we played against Western PA and earned the first victory of the season. It was a hard fought game. Both teams were outstanding. We took the lead 14 - 11 in first quarter and maintained the lead 32 - 25 at half time. We maintained the lead for the rest of the game with 41 - 33. Western PA fought their way to cut the deficit in the second half and gave us a scare. We managed to maintain the game in our way. Page Miller had a good night as he led the team with 17 points. Roderick Stickley followed up with 16 points and 17 rebounds. Michael Jarvis and Jason Holliday each scored 10 points as Jason pulled down 9 re-

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bounds. Josh Duff chipped in with his 9 points and pulled down 5 rebounds. Roderick Stickley and Michael Jarvis were selected to be part of Classic All Stars. I would like to tip my hat to Kim Sutton, Athletic Director of Ohio School for the Deaf, for staging a finely-tuned Classic and being a great host to both schools. Hats off to Ohio and Western PA for outstanding games. Our record is 1 - 1.

#### **Timber Ridge 68 WVSD 59**

We traveled to Timber Ridge last night (12/13/07) and lost in a closely fought game. The score was tied 18 - 18 in first quarter. Timber Ridge took the lead 37 - 28 at half time. Timber Ridge kept themselves ahead 53 - 45 in 3rd quarter. We found our spark in our offense in 4th quarter, as we were just 4 points behind with 4 minutes left. We made some critical mental mistakes such as traveling and turnovers. We also missed some critical shots and didn't have a chance to rebound our shots. We tried to press them to create turnovers, but unfortunately, we fouled. Roderick Stickley led the team with 21 points and 9 rebounds. Jason Holliday followed up with 12 points and 6 rebounds. Page Miller and Josh Duff each scored 9 points. Michael Jarvis followed up with 8 points. We will host our conference rival, Union, in our home opener on Monday, December 17th. Hopefully the weather will cooperate with us. Our record is 1 - 2.

#### **Paw Paw 56 WVSD 35**

We finally played our first game last night (1/7/08) since December 13th. We had several games

cancelled back in December due to a couple of snowstorms. We traveled to Paw Paw for our first conference game and things didn't go our way as our offense was not in sync. Also we were outrebounded as we hardly got any second chance shots in offense. Paw Paw took the lead 11 - 6 in first quarter and maintained the lead with the score 28 - 19 at halftime. Paw Paw never looked back for the rest of the game as they led 40 - 28 in 3rd quarter. Roderick Stickley led the team with 13 points and 4 rebounds. Page Miller followed up with 9 points. Josh Duff and Patrick Lee each scored 4 points. Michael Jarvis came up with 4 points. Jason Holliday and Ethan Bolyard each scored 1 point. Jensen Greenstein, Scott Dotson and Brandon Lewis saw a lot of action but didn't come up with any points. We will travel to Union on Wednesday (1/9/08) for our second conference match up. Our record is 1 - 3.

#### **Union 72 WVSD 54**

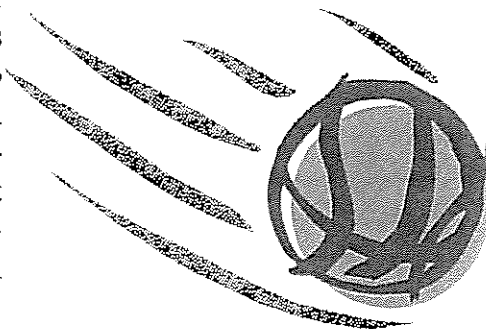
We traveled to Union last night (1/9/08) and lost our 2nd conference match in a row. We had a slow start in offense in first quarter. We struggled with getting our shots into the basket. Union took advantage and jumped big in leading 19 - 5 in first quarter. We finally found our spark in offense in 2nd quarter as Union maintained the lead 39 - 21. We faced a slow start in 3rd quarter again but found our way back as Union led 56 - 38. We cut deficits to 58 - 47 with 5 minutes left in 4th quarter. We lost the spark in our offense and tried to press Union, but we came up short. We had a balanced offense attack. Roderick Stickley led the team with 15 points

and 11 rebounds. Josh Duff followed up with 12 points. Jason Holliday had a good night with 11 points and 7 rebounds. Page Miller came up with 10 points and Michael Jarvis chipped in with his 6 points. Our bench players Brandon Lewis, Ethan Bolyard, Patrick Lee, Jensen Greenstein and Scott Dotson saw some action late in 4th quarter but didn't come up with any points. We will host Union on January 14th. Our record is 1 - 4.

#### **Paw Paw 44 WVSD 40**

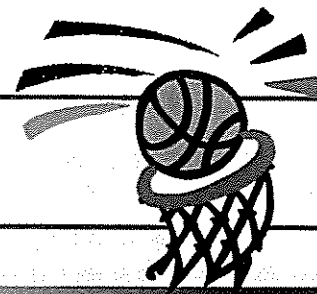
We hosted Paw Paw last night (1/15/08). The score was tied 11 - 11 in first quarter, and then we took the lead 23 - 17. We maintained the lead in 3rd quarter with the score 36 - 32. Our offense turned cold in 4th quarter and made critical mistakes. Paw Paw took advantage of our turnovers to put themselves 4 points ahead of us with 2 minutes left. We couldn't come up with any points except making two foul shots. It wasn't enough to catch up with Paw Paw. Roderick Stickley led the team with 18 points and 17 rebounds. Page Miller followed up with 9 points. Jason Holliday fought his way to earn 7 points. Josh Duff chipped in with his 6 points. We will host Timber Ridge tomorrow night (1/17/08). Our record is 1 - 5.

# GO LIONS!



# Lady Lions

by Coach Kesler

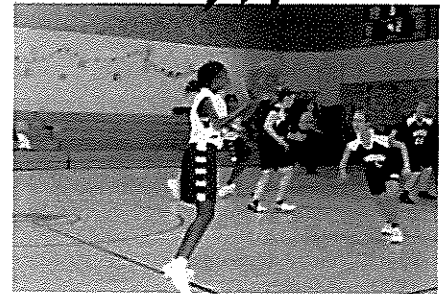


WVSD 65 DSD 23 (Jan. 25)

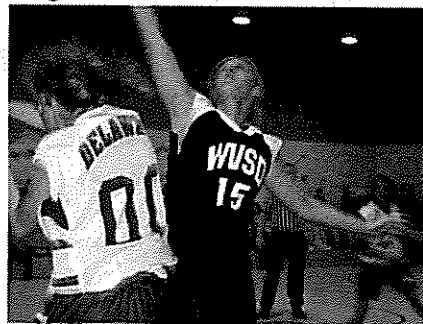
The Lady Lions played hard. At the first quarter, the girls struggled with a score of 4-3, but we picked up after few minutes. The Lady Lions played defensive press and got ahead by Delaware's mistakes. The Lady Lions showed their talents in passing and moving around the defensive plays. The next game is Friday, February 1, at 5:00 pm. Congratulations, Lady Lions!



We yelled "GO LADY LIONS" before the game.



Samantha saw the ball and successfully stole it.



Pam also stole the ball.



Holly took her foul shot.

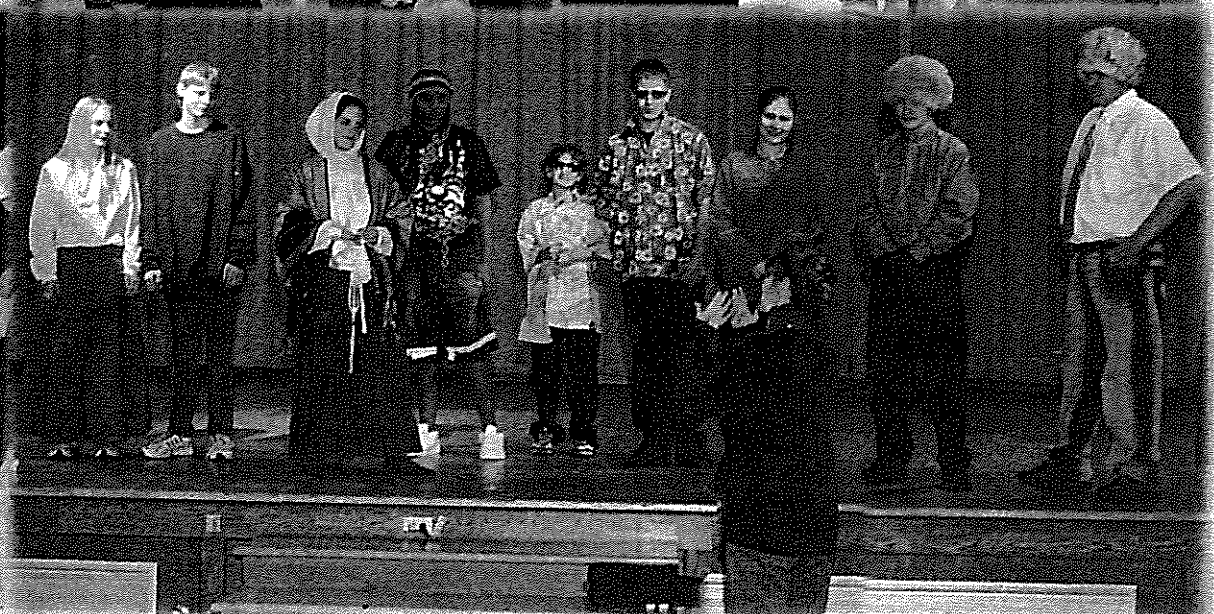
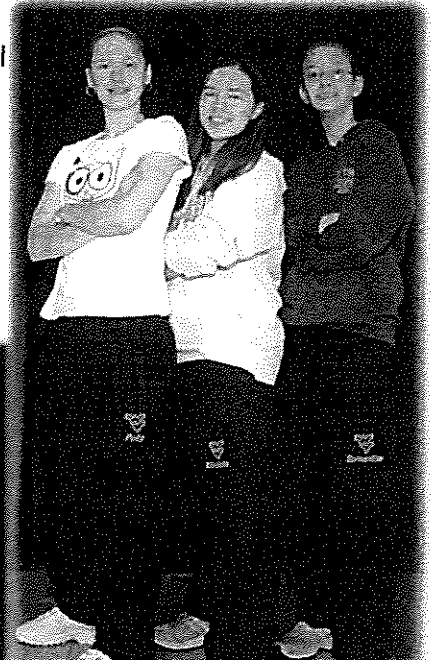
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Name	2 points	Foul Shots	Rebounds	Assists	Steals	Blocks	Total Points
Tiffany Friend	4/12	5/7	9	1	4	0	13
Cassandra Heaster	4/9	0/2	3	1	1	1	8
Polly Hodge	3/9	0	3	3	3	0	6
Madaline Mongold	5/12	1/2	1	6	5	0	11
Pamela Thompson	4/12	1/2	3	2	5	0	9
Sarah Abernathy	1/3	0	2	0	2	0	2
Samantha Johnson	2/3	0	3	3	3	0	4
Holly Ramos	0/5	0	1	1	0	0	0
Shawna Weatherholt	1/7	0/2	0	1	1	0	2
Amber Williams	4/11	0	2	2	1	0	8
Brandi McGowan	1/7	0	2	1	1	1	2

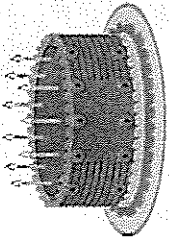
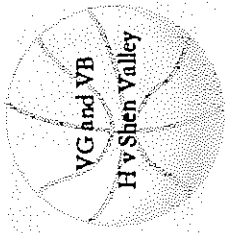
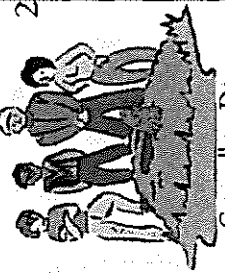

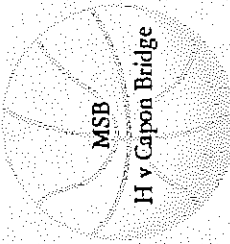
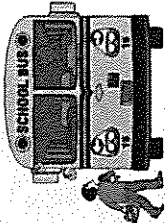
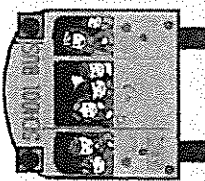
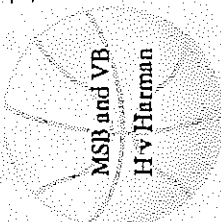
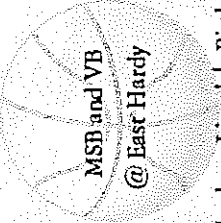
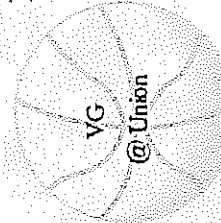
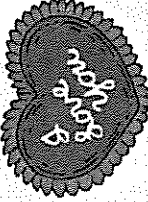

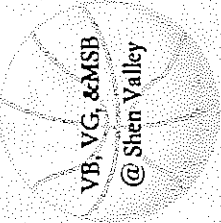
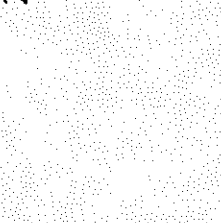
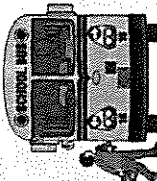
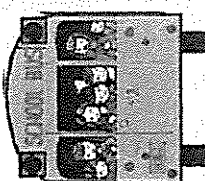
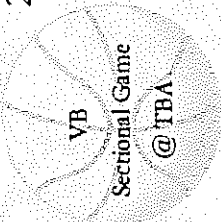

# Christmas Party

On the morning of the Christmas homegoing, students and staff celebrated with activities in the MPR. Mrs. Judd's class entertained the group with two plays. Students participated in Christmas-themed games, and Mrs. Kuykendall

and her students furnished refreshments. "Santa Claus" gave each student beautiful dorm pants embroidered with their names.




# February 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <b>Birthdays</b> 1st Natasha Wolford 9th Holly Ramos 14th Patrick Lee 20th Chelsea Tallman 23rd William Heflin	<b>Birthdays</b> VG- Varsity Girls MSB- Middle School Boys VB- Varsity Boys				 VG and VB H v Shen Valley	 Groundhog Day
<b>Super Bowl</b>  Party	 MSB H v Capon Bridge			 Homegoing		
 Back to School	 MSB and VB H v Harman	 MSB and VB @ East Hardy	 VG @ Union	Valentine's Day 14 	 15	16
17 MSB and VB @ Harman VG Sectional Game @ IBA Presidents' Day	 VB, VG, & MSB @ Shen Valley	 MSB, VG, & VB @ Front Royal		ESDAA Boys' Tournament @ Buffalo, NY George Washington's Birthday  Homegoing	22 23	
24  Back to School	 VB Sectional Game @ IBA			28 	29	ESDAA Girls' Tournament @ Rhode Island



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## WVSD Boys Defend ESDAA Basketball Championship!

**O**ur boys' varsity basketball team traveled to the ESDAA Tournament in Buffalo, NY last week and brought home the trophy!

The final game was with Austine (VT), which WVSD won 69-50.

Page Miller and Roderick Stickley were voted 1st Team All-Stars, and Michael Jarvis was voted 2nd Team All-Star.

WVSD also won the 3 Point Team Award, the Team Twenty-One Award, and the Free Throw Shooting award.

WVSD's other game scores were WVSD 58, Mill Neck 41; WVSD 53, Delaware 23.

Coach See will have more information in the next Lions' Tale -- stay tuned!



Photo by WVSD Alumnus Reba Yeater

### THE CHAMPS!

*Kneeling, left to right: Daniel Juskowiak, Page Miller, Michael Jarvis, Darrel Beasley. Standing, left to right: Justin Gregory, Scott Dotson, Brandon Lewis, Ethan Bolyard, Jason Holliday, Coach See, Roderick Stickley, Jensen Greenstein, Josh Duff, and Patrick Lee.*

## Academic Bowl Update

by Mr. Blakely

What is the Deaf Academic Bowl (DAB) all about? Why, it's how schools from all

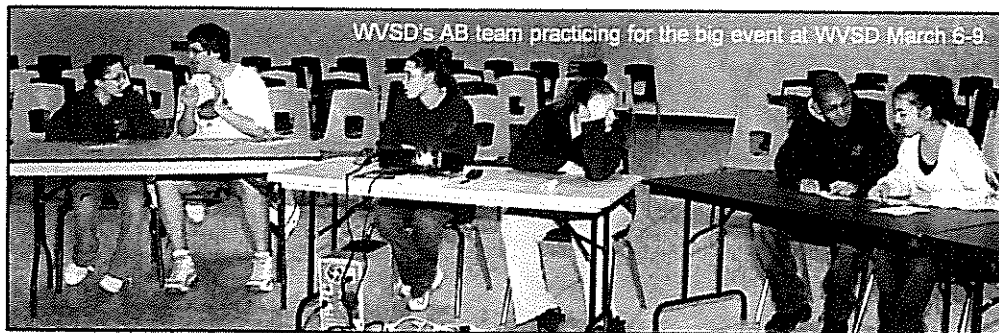
over the nation show off their best and brightest. Deaf students from deaf schools, mainstream programs, public schools, and regional centers

come together to compete against each other in categories like Current Events, Deaf Studies, The Arts, Geography, History and Government, Language and Literature, Mathematics, Popular Culture, Lei-

sure, Sports, and Science and Technology.

DAB teams work together to answer as many questions as they can to earn points, and the team who gets the most points wins and gets to advance based on their win-loss record of the number of overall points. Winning teams go all the way from the regional tournament to the prestigious national tournament at Gallaudet University

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WVSD's AB team practicing for the big event at WVSD March 6-9



## Academic Bowl

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in Washington, DC each year. There are 16 teams playing in each region. And of course, out of the 10 remaining teams, there can only be one champion at the national tournament.

To win is a big honor, so teams do their best to study and work hard in acquiring knowledge to answer whatever questions are thrown at them during the competitions. A DAB competition is like a sports competition in the fact that teams play against each other to earn points. But the

similarities end there. DAB is all about brain power and the motivation to answer in the fastest amount of time possible with the most accurate replies. Talk about a challenge! In a nutshell, that's what the Deaf Academic Bowl competition is all about.

The Mid-Atlantic/At Large Deaf Academic Bowl Competition will be held at our school for the first time in history March 6-9. Gallaudet University established its first Academic Bowl for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing students in 1997 with the goal of promoting academic competition among school teams.

WVSD's AB Team Motto:  
"It's not over 'til it's over!"

## Good Luck to WVSD's Academic Bowl Team!!

## Principal's Post *by Mr. Corbin*



Our boys' basketball team returned from the Eastern States Deaf Athletic Association (ESDAA) tournament in Buffalo, New York as Division III Champions . . . again! Their accomplishment brings great honor to our school and even our state, since we are the West Virginia School for the Deaf.

After joking with Coach Paul See about revealing the "secrets of his success," I began to analyze for myself the attributes that make his team so successful. To me, it appears to be a very simple plan. Each player's role is two-fold: to be unselfishly dedicated to a team effort and to work hard and give his very best effort at all times. They recognize the coach as the ultimate authority and follow his commands at all times. The coach's role is to keep the players focused and motivated. He utilizes strategies that capitalize on the individual talents and abilities

of the players.

Since this is merely my observation, it may not really be the coach's secret. Regardless, it is a simple formula that has implications applicable to any successful team or organization. Congratulations team-you made us proud!

Our girls' basketball team is preparing for their ESDAA tournament in Rhode Island. Our Archery team will be competing in the State Archery tournament in Summersville, WV on March 1. Our Academic Bowl team is preparing to host the 16 team Mid-Atlantic Regional Academic Bowl on our campus March 6-9. Some of the FFA students are preparing their hams and bacons for the state sale in Charleston.

It appears that our students have much to look forward to in the near future.

## Valentine's Day Dance in the Dorm



Students enjoyed dancing and playing games during the Valentine's Day dance in the dorm. Pictured above are the students playing the "Hugging Game." Decorations by Pam Thompson and Amber Williams.

# Director of Student Life

Ms. Christine Frye

The last month and a half has zoomed by for students and staff at Seaton Hall. Everyone has been busy keeping warm and trying to stay dry. The students and staff have enjoyed cheering our Lions on at many home basketball games in the past few weeks. We are proud of how all the players try their best and make our school shine.

On Super Bowl Sunday, everyone was excited for the big game. The child care staff organized a Super Bowl Pool where the one who picked the winning team and closest score won a pizza coupon. Congratulations to Pam Thompson!! In the afternoon before the Big

Game, some of the boys decided to have a "mini" game of their own on the lawn outside of Seaton Hall. It turned into more of a mud bowl than a touch football game, but that was just fine. It seemed the more mud that went flying the bigger the smiles were on the faces of both the spectators and the players. After some showers, everyone was ready to watch the "Big Game" in the Student Union. The child care staff prepared a nice snack buffet for everyone to enjoy.

The girls enjoyed a night out at Moon Glo while most of the boys were in New York. They only had a few minor

"wrecks" on the skates. The girls liked the Limbo Competition and discovered a new "toy." We arrived back to the dorm with flashing LED mouth pieces.

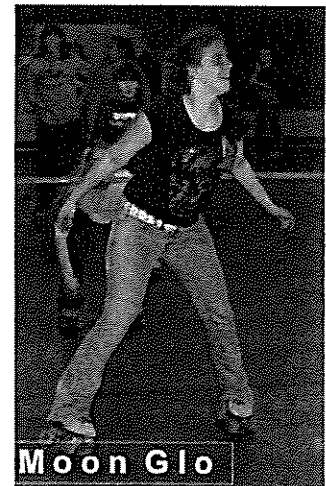
Our students and staff are preparing for the upcoming Valentine's Dance to be held in the Student Union. We are also looking forward to our two ski trips in March.



On a personal note, I want to thank both the students and staff of Seaton Hall for being so welcoming to me as I have taken over the DSL position. I thank you for your patience and understanding as I am trying to get my feet on the ground.



Skating at



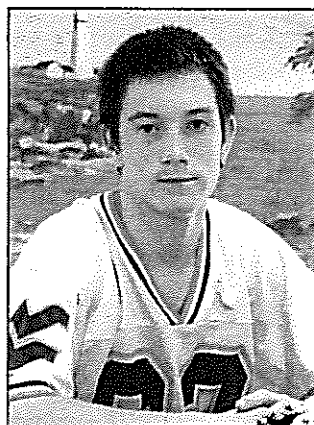
Moon Glo

## Dorm Students of the Month

Intermediate Dorms



Chasity Hammond



Jonathan Stokes



# Varsity Boys' Basketball

by Couch See

We have entered the busiest part of our season. Our practices have been reduced greatly due to several rescheduled games. It sure has been enough to keep us extremely busy! As of February 13th, we hold the record of 2 wins and 11 losses. It has been a learning experience for us, as we faced many tough opponents. Hopefully, this will help us to prepare to defend our championship in ESDAA Boys' Basketball tournament at St. Mary's School for the Deaf in Buffalo, New York.

We will travel to New York on February 14th. I know the record doesn't show much of my team, but I can tell you this team has improved greatly since the first game. I know the team is totally ready for this tournament, and I am looking forward to it! I will share our ESDAA tournament moments in the next newsletter.

I will share the game recaps since the last game report published in the January newsletter. West Virginia 55, Delaware 45

We snapped the losing streak of 4 games last Friday (1/25/08) at Delaware's homecoming game. It was very closely fought for the entire game. We led 16 - 11 in the first quarter. We maintained the lead 31 - 22 at the halftime. The third quarter ended with us leading 39 - 34. Delaware kept threatening to take the lead several times in the 4th quarter, but we managed to maintain the lead for the rest of the last quarter. Josh Duff led

the team with 20 points and pulled down 8 rebounds. Jason Holliday followed up with 13 points and 8 rebounds. Roderick Stickley chipped in with 10 points and pulled down 13 rebounds. Page Miller came up with 8 points and 5 assists. Michael Jarvis added his 4 points to the final score. Our record is 2 - 5. Timber Ridge 70, West Virginia 53

We hosted Timber Ridge last evening (1/28/08). It was a good battle in the first quarter as Timber Ridge led 8 - 7. The lead was changed several times in the 2nd quarter before Timber Ridge scored the final 4 points prior to half time to put themselves in a 4 point lead, 31 - 27. Timber Ridge had a very good start in the 3rd quarter as it ended with them leading 53 - 39. We fought back in 4th quarter and it wasn't enough as Timber Ridge managed to maintain the big lead. Page Miller led the team with 18 points. Josh Duff followed up with 12 points. Roderick Stickley and Jason Holliday each scored 10 points. Michael Jarvis managed to come up with 3 points to add to the final score. Our record is 2 - 6. East Hardy 67 West Virginia 54

We hosted our conference foe last night (1/29/08). We struggled in offense in the first quarter, and East Hardy took advantage to put themselves in the lead with 22 - 4. We found our spark in offense to cut the big deficit as the score showed East Hardy leading 32 - 18 at halftime. We continued the fighting in the 3rd quarter as it ended East Hardy leading 41 - 31. It was

a very good battle in the 4th quarter, but East Hardy managed to maintain the lead for the rest of the game. Josh Duff once again led the team with 17 points. Page Miller and Roderick Stickley each scored 11 points, and Roderick pulled down 10 rebounds. Jason Holliday followed up with 9 points and pulled down 12 rebounds. Michael Jarvis contributed to the team effort with his 6 points. Ethan Bolyard and Scott Dotson saw some action but didn't come up with anything. Our record is 2 - 7.

Shenandoah Valley Christian 70, West Virginia 36

We hosted Shenandoah Valley Christian Academy (SVCA). SVCA played a very organized and smooth game and rarely made any turnovers. They made most of their points off our turnovers. SVCA led 19 - 9 in the first quarter. The score at halftime showed SVCA leading 42 - 20. They continued to maintain a big lead as the 3rd quarter ended with 57 - 29. Roderick Stickley led the team with 13 points. Josh Duff followed up with 9 points. Page Miller and Jason Holliday each scored 7 points. Our record is 2 - 8.

Union 59, West Virginia 49

We hosted our conference foe, Union. We had a closely fought game in the first quarter with Union leading 12 - 7. Union pushed themselves to 28 - 13 at half time. In the 3rd quarter, we cut some deficits with Union leading 41 - 32. We were 3 points behind Union in the

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## Varsity Boys' Basketball

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middle of the 4th quarter, and we didn't manage to get a lead. Page Miller led the team with 20 points. Roderick Stickley followed up with 14 points. Jason Holliday chipped in with his 7 points. Josh Duff scored 5 points as Michael Jarvis contributed to the team with his 3 points. Our record is 2 - 9.

Moorefield JV 41, West Virginia 38

We travelled to Moorefield to play against their JV team last evening (2/4/08). It was a close battle for the entire game. We led 12 - 10 in first quarter and 21 - 19 at half time. We maintained the lead 31 - 30 in the third quarter. The lead changed often for entire game, especially in the 4th quarter. Moorefield took the lead late, 41 - 35. Roderick Stickley scored 3 points with 30 seconds left to make it a 3 point game. Page

Miller deflected a pass made by Moorefield, and Roderick Stickley picked it up and ran across the court. Roderick tried to make the last 3 point shot to force overtime. The ball bounced once on the rim and looked like it was on the way into the basket. Unfortunately, it bounced again on the rim and rolled off on the outside of the rim. Roderick Stickley led the team with 12 points and pulled down 9 rebounds. Josh Duff followed up with 9 points. Jason Holliday came up with 8 points and pulled down 8 rebounds. Page Miller chipped in with 7 points. Michael Jarvis managed to come up with 2 points. Our record is 2 - 10.

Harman 82, West Virginia 44

We hosted Harman last night (2/11/08). Harman opened up with a big lead in the first quarter with the score of 21 - 8. We started to

come around in the 2nd quarter, but Harman managed to maintain a big lead of 38 - 23. We continued making some points in the 3rd period as did Harman. The scores showed Harman leading in the 3rd period 55 - 39. We just slowed down in the 4th quarter, and they outscored us by pouring in 27 points to our 5 points. Roderick Stickley led the team with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Josh Duff followed up with 10 points. Page Miller and Jason Holliday each scored 9 points.

We were scheduled to travel to East Hardy for our last conference game of the season, but schools were closed today (2/12/08) due to the weather. We will travel to St. Mary's School for the Deaf on Thursday for the ESDAA Div. II and Div. III Boys' Basketball Tournament this weekend. Our record is 2 - 11.

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## Tapestry Performs for State Legislature

On February 20, the WVSD&B singing-signing group,

Tapestry, traveled to Charleston to perform for the WV State Legisla-

ture. They performed the songs "Country Roads" and "West Virginia Mountains."

The group met some of the legislators and shook hands with them.

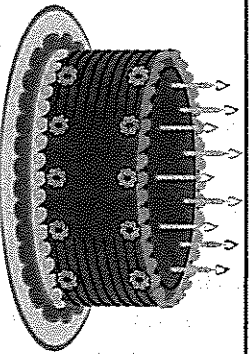
Students in the group had many supporters in the audience. Tiffany Friend's mother, Gordon Redden's parents, Pam Thompson's brother, Bradley Grey (WVSD Class of '05), Lucas Turner (WVSD Class of '07) and Billy White (WVSD Class of '05) were in attendance.

Mr. Barry Nealis and Mrs. Bonnie Sipple, WVSD Tapestry sponsors, accompanied the group to Charleston.




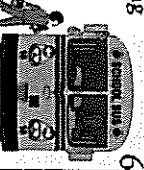

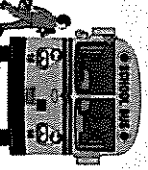

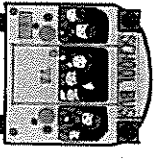
# March 2008

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Jensen Greenstein 12th  
 Daniel Juskowiak 18th  
 Josh Duff 23rd  
 Jordan Clark 26th  
 Madaline Mongold 26th



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 State Archery Tournament in Summersville
2 Return to school TWV arrives	3 Jensen Greenstein Daniel Juskowiak Josh Duff Jordan Clark Madaline Mongold	4 Skiing Trip 	5 Homegoing	6 Academic Bowl (Hosted by WVSD) 	7 Girls' Trip to Winchester Mall	8
9 Theatre WV presents <u>Merlin and the Cave of Dreams</u> 1:30pm Student Drama Workshops with TWV in dorm (evening)	10 Fairmont Drama performance MPR 11:30am	11 Skiing Trip	12 Skiing Trip 	13 Parents' Day 	14 FFA/SKIILLS USA Awards Banquet	15
16 	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Return to school 	31 End of 3rd 9 weeks					

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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## Academic Bowl Was a Huge Success!

by Marty Blakely  
AB Coordinator

WVSD hosted the Mid-Atlantic Deaf Academic Bowl (DAB) competition March 6-9. Deaf and hard of hearing students from all over the United States (16 teams) came to participate in this year's DAB.

Maryland School for the Deaf (MSD) won the championship, W.T. Woodson High School (Fairfax, VA) came in second, and Model Secondary School for the Deaf (Washington, DC) came in third. Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind came in fourth.

Southern Oregon Educational Service District and Hawaii Center for the Deaf and Blind were honored for Best Sportsmanship. Out-



WVSD's Academic Bowl members competing this year were (left to right) Michael Jarvis, Brandi McGowan, Madaline Mongold, Jason Holliday, and Roderick Stickley.

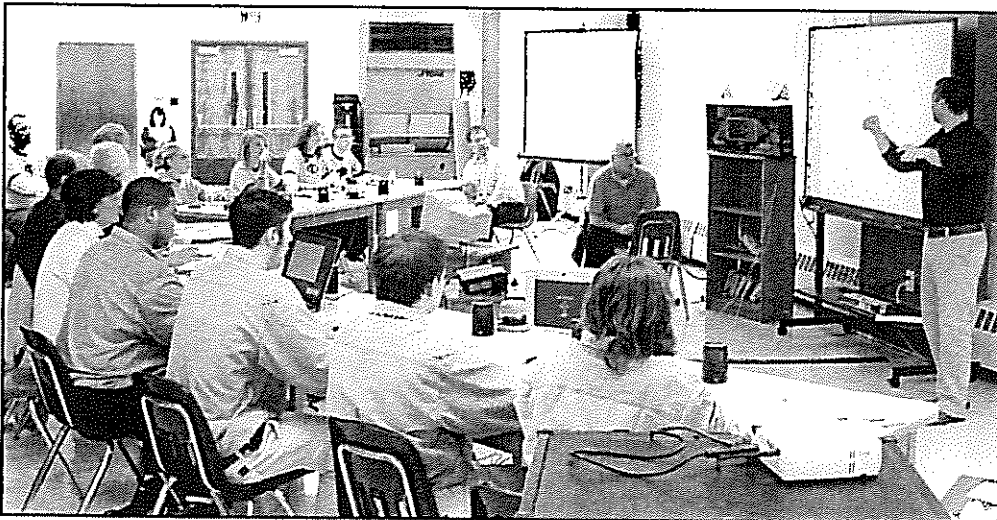
standing players were Allison Weiner (MSD) and Daniel Mooney (W. T. Woodson).

WVSD's team successfully met its two goals in the DAB competition:

1) to win one game (WVSD won two games!)

2) not to come in last place (WVSD came in fifth place out of 16 teams!)

This indicates that our team made a lot of improvements in all areas. We are so lionly proud of our team for their untiring efforts!



Delaware and Wyoming teams competing in the Academic Bowl.

## Bolyard Wins Logo Competition



Freshman Ethan Bolyard won this year's Deaf Tech Fair Logo competition which is sponsored annually by the West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. By winning the competition, Ethan will receive \$25 and a free t-shirt featuring his design.



Ethan Bolyard



West Virginia Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

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## Deaf Tech Fair

Charleston Civic Center  
Charleston, West Virginia

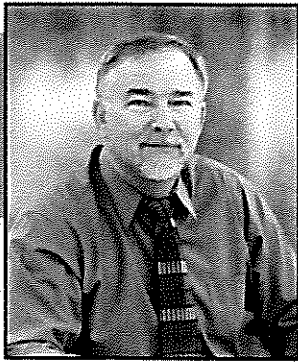
Saturday, April 5, 2008  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is Free

Everyone is Welcome:  
Deaf-Hard of Hearing-  
Deaf/Blind-Hearing-  
Children



Joe Manchin III  
Governor  
Martha Yeager Walker  
Secretary



# PRINCIPAL'S POST

*Mr. J. D. Corbin*

Through the years, I've heard quite a few West Virginia jokes. Too often, joke telling friends from outside the mountain state say, "I've never been there, but I've heard." Recently, the myth was dispelled for a couple of hundred visitors from throughout the United States. The opportunity came to them as a result of WVSD being the host of the Mid-Atlantic Academic Bowl.

The sixteen-team event provided competitors from Florida, Vermont, Oregon, Hawaii, and several states in between the opportunity to come to our West Virginia campus for this truly outstanding academic competition.

We were honored to serve as host of this prestigious event not only for the opportunity to meet our colleagues and students from throughout our nation, but also to work closely with the staff of Gallaudet University, the sponsor of the Academic Bowl. It was our first joint venture with Gallaudet that has occurred during my long tenure.

Together, we were able to provide our guests with a wonderful West Virginia experience and excellent academic competition. Our WVSD&B volunteers provided our guests with the very finest in West Virginia hospitality.

We are grateful to Mr. Blakely, AB Coordinator, for pursuing his dream of bringing the 2008 Academic Bowl competition to the campus of WVSD&B. His untiring one-and-a-half year efforts made it possible.

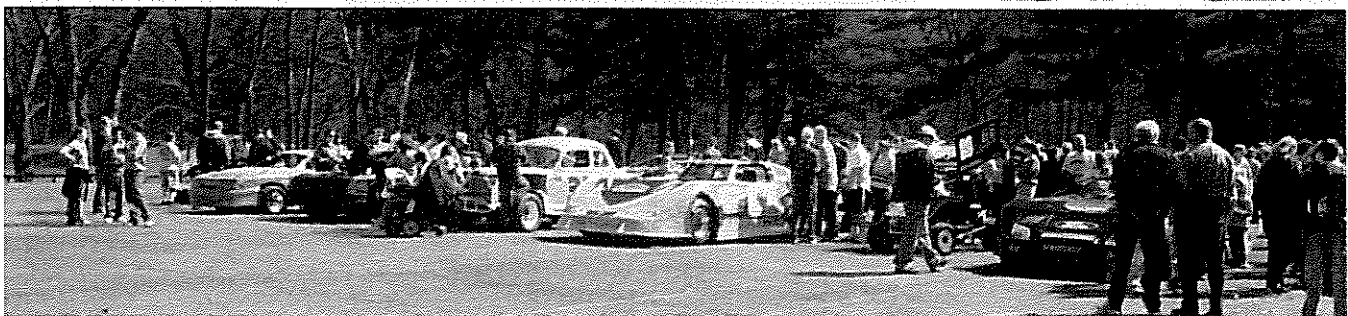
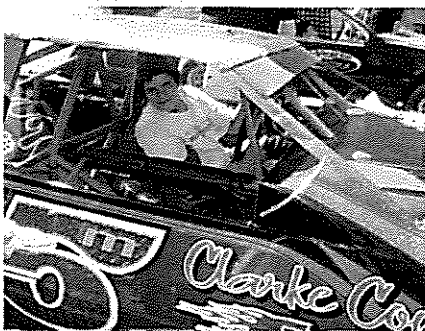
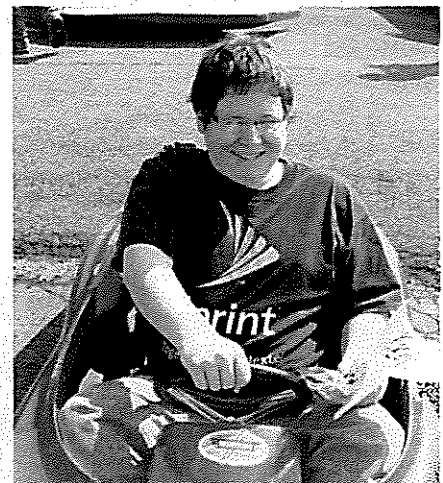
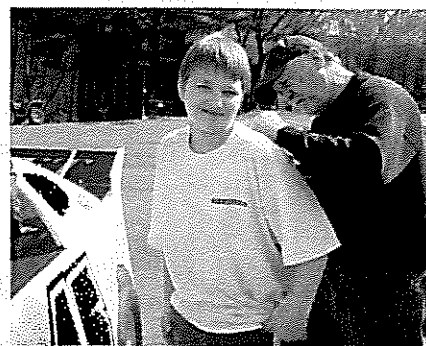
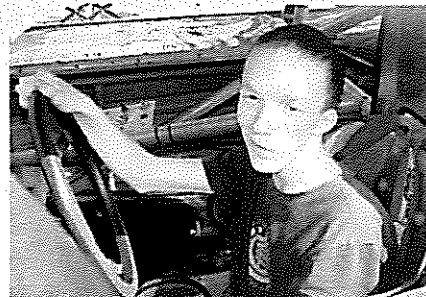
I believe that our visitors left knowing the truth about West Virginia. The Academic Bowl was a wonderful experience supported by quality professionals who share a common goal in serving the deaf youth of our nation.

Other news on the campus home front involves speed and beauty. Students

were thrilled to sit in the drivers' seats of real race cars. Drivers from the Winchester (Virginia) Speedway brought their cars to our campus for our students' pleasure. Drivers and pit crew members were on hand to share their sport and racing expertise and to sign autographs.

Beauty followed speed as Miss West Virginia, Summer Wyatt, visited our campus and shared her platform with our students.

We seem to be racing our way through this school year – hold on tight and enjoy the ride.





# Director of Student Living

*Ms. Christine Frye*



As winter blows its way into spring, the students and staff at Seaton Hall have been busy doing many activities. The child care staff organized a Valentine's Day Dance for the students. Everyone had a nice time playing games and guessing the number of candies in a given jar. Page Miller and Tiffany Friend were crowned Sweetheart King & Queen.

In March the students went skiing at Timberline two times, courtesy of the Lions Club. During the first trip the students had to ski in the rain and blowing wind. They did not seem to mind. They would come in every hour, get something warm to drink, and head back out

to glide down the slopes again. On the second trip the weather was beautiful for skiing. It was a little cloudy with an inch of fresh snow. The students stayed out all day and a few of them were caught making snow angels in the bank outside of the lodge. At the end of each trip, the students and staff were treated to pizza and ice cream at the local fire station.

The girls enjoyed a night out on the town one Saturday. They dined at the Golden Corral in Winchester, courtesy of the Lions Club. They then shopped until they dropped at the Winchester Mall.

The child care staff helped the students make peanut butter eggs to take home to their families over Spring Break. The students enjoyed the FBLA St. Patrick's Day Dance before leaving us for the holiday.

The child care workers and the students are all looking forward to the Prom in a few weeks. The staff has been working hard planning and organizing many upcoming outdoor activities, crafts, and trips for the end of the year. We are all ready to enjoy the warm spring sunshine.

## Helping Elementary Students Learn ABCs

Mrs. Dodgins' 1st and 8th period classes have been learning how to use graphics programs. One of the projects they worked on recently was making ABC booklets for elementary students. Each letter of the alphabet had its own page, and each page showed the letter, the letter in sign language, and had three pictures of things that start with that letter.

The students also bound the books using the same method the yearbook students use to bind the yearbook.

Some of the students delivered the books to Mrs. Hixenbaugh's kindergarten/first grade class. They helped the elementary students read

the ABC books and took pictures of the activity to practice their camera skills.

Derrick Eversole's favorite part of this activity was finding all the graphics for each letter. DeSean Thomas enjoyed taking pictures.

Other students participating in this activity were Brandon Eversole, Jordan Clark, James Hudson, Alex Jackson, Josh King, Trent McGee, and Chris Shaler.



# Students Enjoy Lions Club Sponsored Ski Trip



Through the generosity of the Lions Club of West Virginia, WVSD students had the opportunity to go skiing once more at Timberline Resort.

Students look forward to this activity every year. Some are "old pros," and others are just learning.

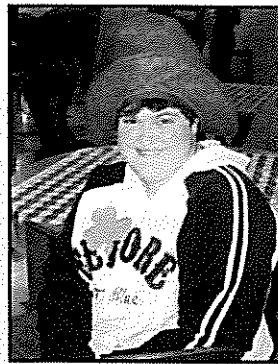
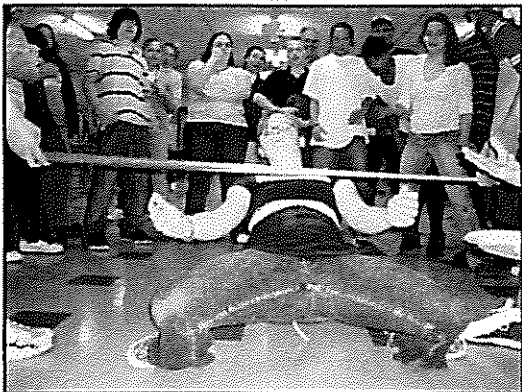
We are very grateful to the Lions Club for providing this wonderful activity for our students.

# Annual FBLA St. Patrick's Day Dance

The Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Club held its annual St. Patrick's Day Dance at Seaton Hall in March.

FBLA's tradition is to invite students from the Burlington Children's Home, and they were able to come again this year.

The group enjoyed an evening of games, dancing, socializing, and refreshments.



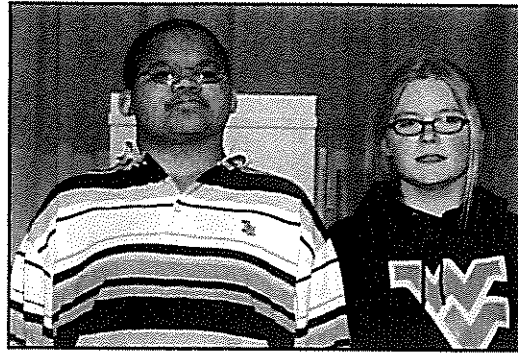
# FFA Creed and Public Speaking Competition

Future Farmers of America (FFA) members were given the opportunity to participate in the annual Creed and Public Speaking competition held in February.

The Creed competition was broken into two groups, middle school and high school.

Public Speaking competitors were required to pick a topic and do research to help the audience learn about their chosen subjects.

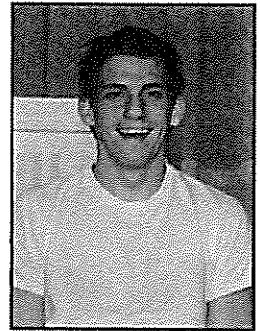
Congratulations to the winners and all competitors for a job well done!



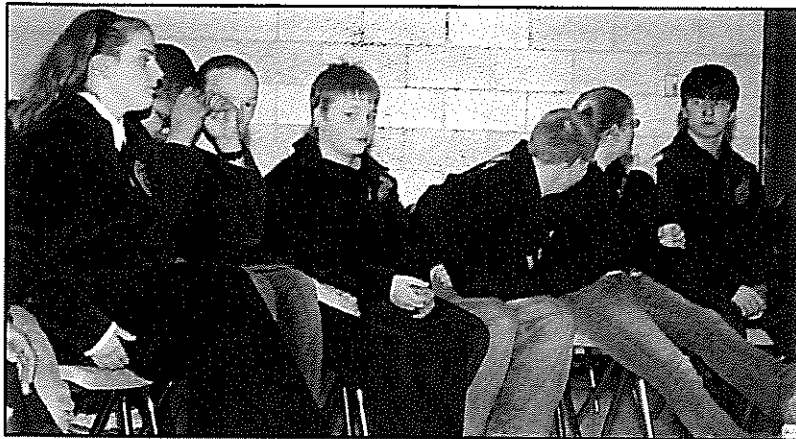
High School Creed competition winners (left to right) Darrel Beasley (2nd place) and Chelsea Tallman (3rd place). Not pictured: Cassie Heaster (1st place).



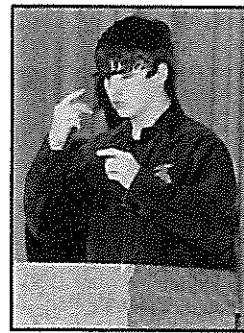
Page Miller, Master of Ceremonies



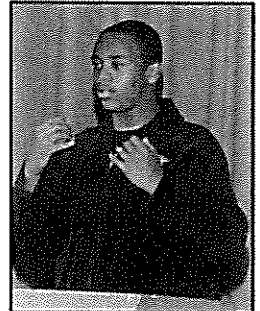
Michael Jarvis, Public Speaking winner.



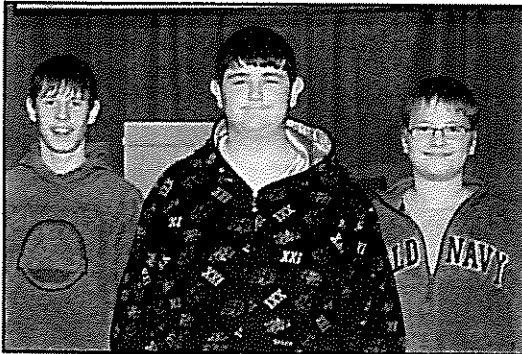
FFA members waiting their turn to compete.



Scott Dotson



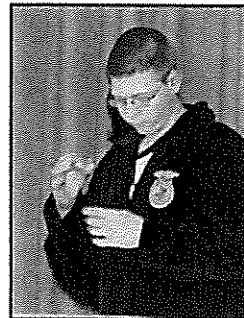
DeSean Thomas



Middle School Creed competition winners (left to right) Derrick Eversole (3rd place), Trent McGee (1st place), and Chris Shaler (2nd place).

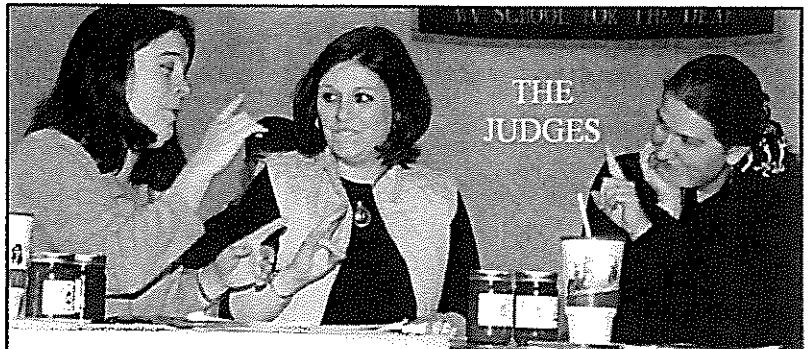
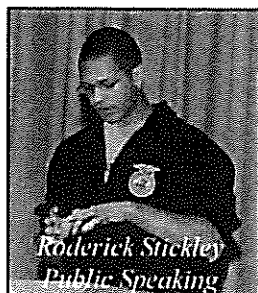


Tiffany Friend  
Public Speaking



Brandon Lewis

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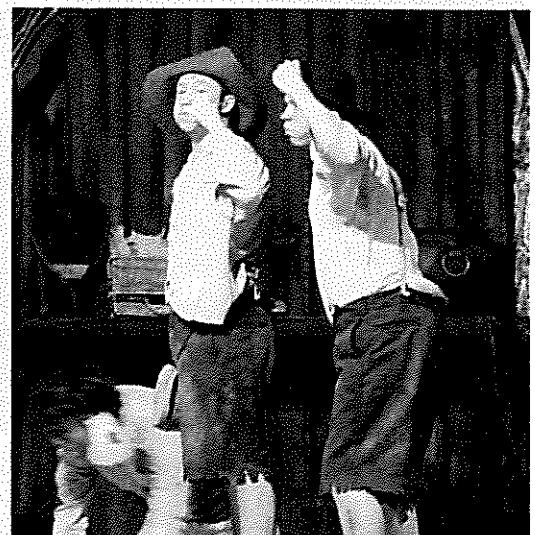


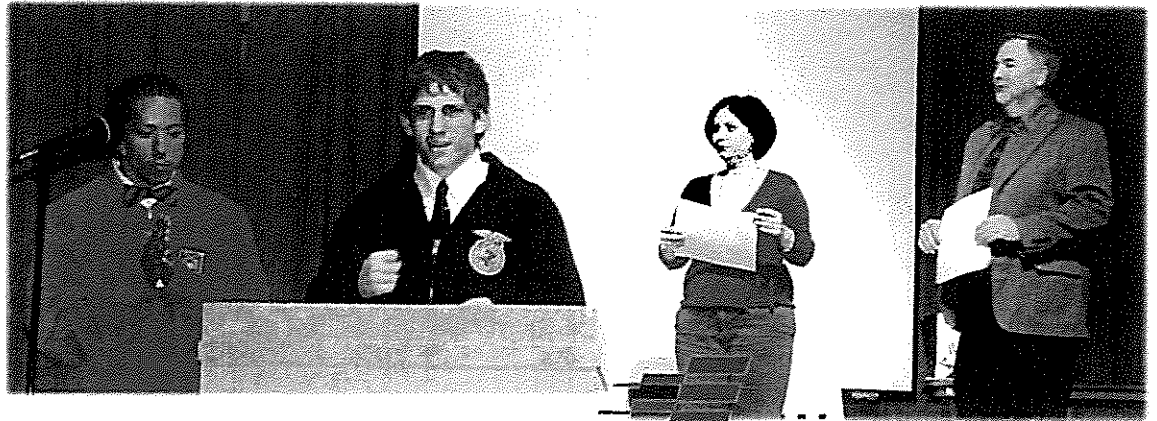
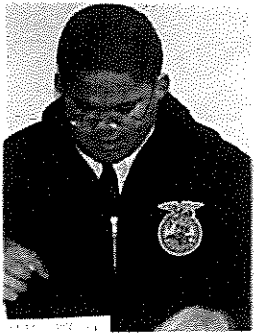
# FSU Drama Group Performs for WVSD

WVSD students and staff attended a performance of the play, Wiley and the Hairy Man by Fairmont State University's drama group last month. Jeana Barnes, FSU student in the Sign Language Interpreter Program and daughter of Ms. Joyce Barnes, was one of the actors.

There were two actors performing each part. One group of actors used their voices and the other group signed. The photo to the right is a good example of this: two "mom" actors are reading to two "Wiley" actors.

Students and staff enjoyed this play involving a boy (Wiley) who had bad dreams about a big, hairy man coming to get him and his mom. In the end, of course, Wiley realized that he wasn't really afraid of the Hairy Man after all!





# FFA & SKILLS

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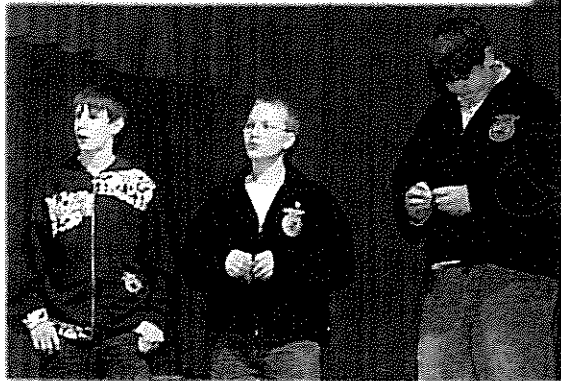
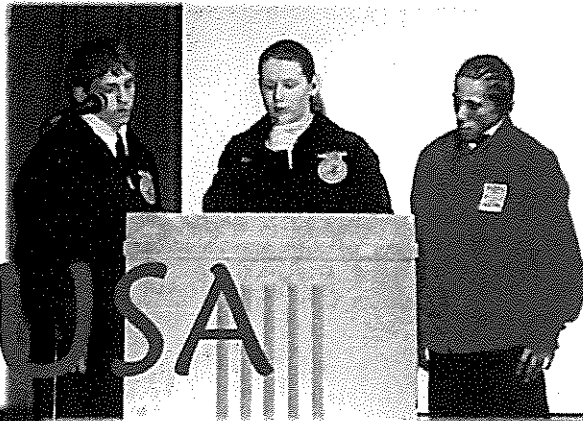
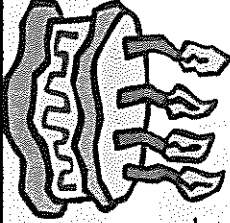
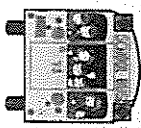

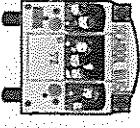



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Trent McGee

# April 2008

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6 Golden Horseshoe Test 8th Grade	7	8	9	10 Homegoing	11	12 Tapestry performance at Martinsburg Mall
 Return to school	13	14	15	16	 17	18 WVSD Prom
20	21	22	Tech Ed Advisory Luncheon (Seaton Hall)	23 Homegoing	24	25
 Return to school Theatre WV arriving	27	28 Theatre WV Performance of Merlin and The Cave of Dreams MPR 1:15pm Workshops Seaton Hall 6pm	29 Special Olympics at HHS	 23 Homegoing	24	25
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# THE LIONS' TALE



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## Principal Announces '08 "Val and Sal"

## Theatre West Virginia Performs Merlin and the Cave of Dreams



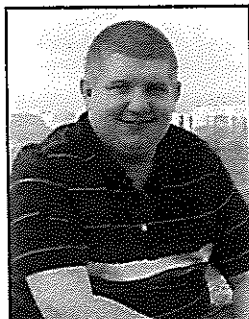
*Pamela Sue Thompson  
Valedictorian*

Mr. Corbin recently announced this year's top two graduating students. Pamela Sue Thompson of Montrose is the Valedictorian of the Class of 2008, and Justin Allen Gregory of New Martinsville is the Salutatorian.

Pam is the daughter of Kim Grey and Ronald Thompson of Montrose.

Justin is the son of Gale Gregory and Jeff Jarvis of Chloe.

Congratulations to these students and best wishes for a bright future!



*Justin Allen Gregory  
Salutatorian*

*Congratulations  
to  
the  
HONOR  
ROLL  
STUDENTS*

*Keep up the  
good work!*

On April 28, students and staff attended an on-campus performance of Merlin and the Cave of Dreams by members of the famous acting troupe, Theatre West Virginia (TWV).

For forty-seven years, TWV has produced the outdoor dramas Hatfields and McCoy's and Honey in the Rock near Beckley. TWV's professional touring companies have been educating and entertaining audiences in West Virginia

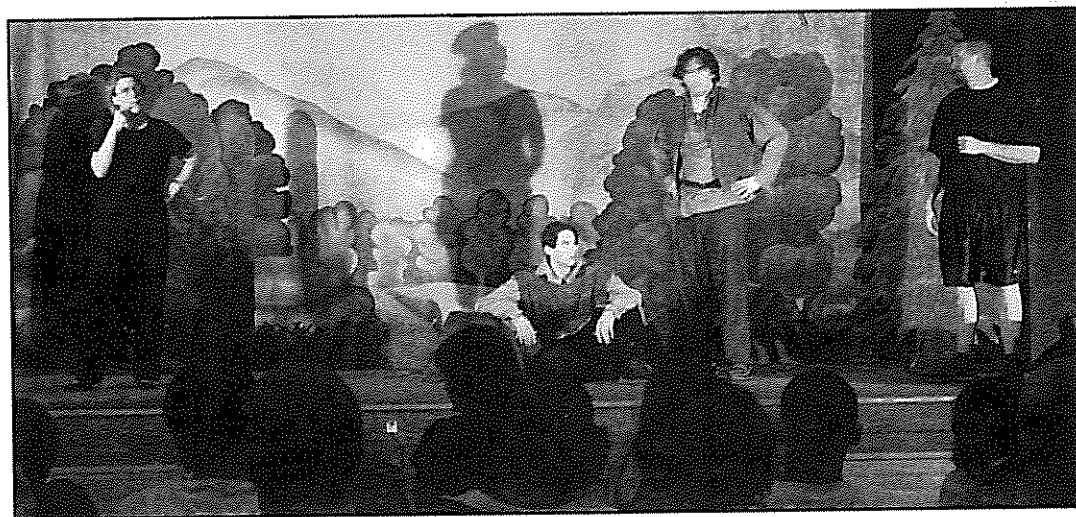
and surrounding states for more than 30 years. During the 2006-07 touring season, TWV actors and puppeteers played to more than 100,000 in-state students. TWV has been coming to our campus for more than fifteen years.

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"Merlin" takes place long, long ago in the time of swords. Young Arthur journeys to the Otherworld to find his true mother and father. He crosses into Avalon in a magical

golden boat and encounters ferocious giants and dragons. With Merlin's guidance, can Arthur find the inner strength to face his destiny and fight his foes? Will he remove Excalibur from the stone and claim his rightful kingdom?

*(Continued on page 3)*



*Actors from Theatre West Virginia and WVSD Shadow Interpreters during the performance of Merlin and the Cave of Dreams.*

# Director of Student Living

*Ms. Christine Frye*



Spring is here at Seaton Hall. The students and staff are busy participating in multiple activities. We are enjoying the warm temperatures and the nice breezes. The staff and students have been involved in numerous kick ball games until the sun sets. The students have enjoyed walking to town to shop and going to the library.

On prom weekend, the students were active in many different events. During the morning hours on Saturday, the students had various appointments throughout the town to get ready for the big

night. In the early afternoon, parents and other visitors started arriving to help the students get ready and take pictures of this special day. The child care staff helped students get into their formal attire. Then, it was time for the walk across the lawn to the MPR. The couples looked very sharp as they strolled into "The Big Apple." The students partied into the early morning hours with smiles that lasted even after they went to bed. On Sunday afternoon, the boys' dorms had a picnic full of good food and games.

The child care staff threw their monthly birthday party on April 30th. The students enjoyed the fresh fruit and cheese platter. We are all looking forward to the last birthday party of the year, because it may have a "twist" to it.

The child care workers are planning many surprises for the end of the year activities for the students. We hope that the students are ready for our May 31<sup>st</sup> trip to Kings Dominion for Deaf Awareness Day.

## Theatre West Virginia Performs Merlin and the Cave of Dreams

*(Continued from page 1)*

Through an innovative partnership between staff at the School for the Deaf and the acting company, the performance was shadow interpreted by Mr. Adrian, Mrs. Dodgins, Mrs. Heare, Mr. Kesler, Mrs. Loar, and Mrs. Staley, giving full accessibility to our students.

After dinner, the students participated in theater workshops led by the actors.

Some of the students commented on the play and workshops:

RS: "The play was awesome and filled with action and humor."

MJ: "The shadows did a great job!"

CH: "I loved the costumes!"



*Actors from TWV and shadow interpreters held workshops in the Student Union.*

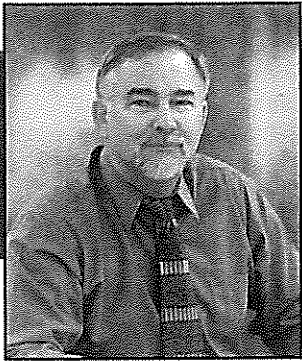
PL: "I would love to see it again and again."

HR: "I loved Rhitta on his stilts."

BL: "I enjoyed the workshops; the actors were so cool."

MM: "Andrew had so much expression."





# PRINCIPAL'S POST

Mr. J. D. Corbin

Since becoming a principal, the saying "hit the ground running" has taken on a whole new meaning. I was formerly under the mistaken impression that there would be times during the school year that would not be so busy. After further review, I've come to realize that we hit the ground running in the beginning of the year and continue running right out the door at the end of the school year.

With the calendar already filled to overflowing, it is certain that we will be very busy until school ends in June. Recently, we had a prime example of how we are moving. State testing windows opened for Alternate Performance tests as did End-of-Course testing for Career and Technical Education courses.

Theatre West Virginia arrived on April 27 for a rescheduled performance with our teacher volun-

teer "Shadow Interpreters." Students enjoyed the wonderful and unique play, Merlin and the Cave of Dreams, as each actor had his own shadow interpreter. The theatre group also treated our students to an evening of fun workshops in the dorm.

We had Special Olympics and the FFA Regional Tractor Driving Competition. Both events went well for our students. Additionally, a teacher's mini grant qualified for an outstanding opportunity for a school-wide field trip to Carnegie Science Museum in Pittsburgh, PA to see "Bodies . . . The Exhibition" and Sportsworks. Our students enjoyed the extremely unique educational opportunity with their teachers who volunteered to sponsor the activity.

Last week the testing window opened for WESTEST, and we will continue to run the course with this year's finish line in sight.

## HONOR ROLL

3rd Nine Weeks

### SENIORS

3.75 GPA

**Pam Thompson**

3.50 GPA

**Sarah Abernathy**

3.0 GPA

**Justin Gregory**

**Gordon Redden**

### JUNIORS

3.50 GPA

**Matthew Hart**

**Jason Holliday**

**Brandi McGowan**

3.0 GPA

**Tiffany Friend**

**Michael Jarvis**

**Page Miller**

### SOPHOMORES

3.75 GPA

**Roderick Stickle**

3.50 GPA

**Cassandra Heaster**

**Samantha Johnson**

**Madaline Mongold**

3.0 GPA

**Darrel Beasley**

**Josh Duff**

**Polly Hodge**

### FRESHMEN

3.0 GPA

**Ethan Bolyard**

**Scott Dotson**

**Chelsea Hill**

**Patrick Lee**

**Holly Ramos**

**Chelsea Tallman**

### EIGHTH GRADE

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**Taylor Shipley**

### SEVENTH GRADE

3.0 GPA

**Brandon Eversole**

**Alexander Jackson**

**Trent McGee**

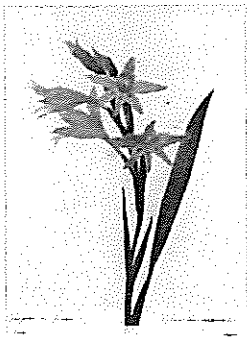
*Thank You,*

*WUSD students and staff. Your sincere expression of sympathy was a great comfort during our time of sorrow.*

*Thank you for the flowers, cards, prayers, food, and visits.*

*Mom was a big supporter of WUSDB Tapestry.*

*Barry Nealis  
and Family*



## National Youth Art Month



Front row: Chelsea Hill, Chelsea Tallman. Second row: Danny Juskowiak. Third row: Holly Ramos, Scott Dotson. Back: Ethan Bolyard.

by Mrs. Judd

March was National Youth Art Month. For the second year, students in art classes at WVSD Secondary were asked to join Hampshire County public school art students in an exhibit of art

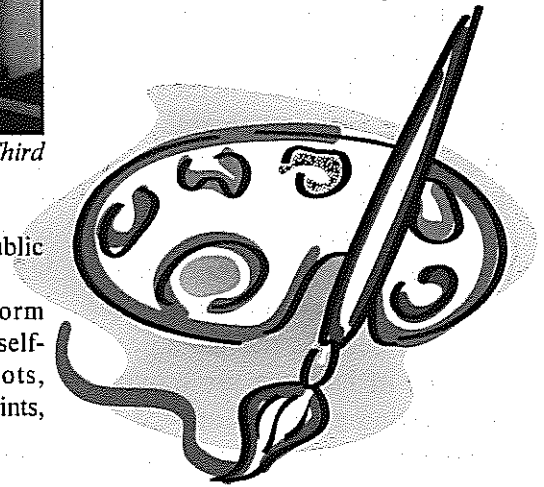
work at the Hampshire County Public Library.

Hand-woven rugs, free-form sculptures, water color landscapes, self-portraits, earthenware face pots, embroidered pillows, Styrofoam prints,

and toothpick structures were the art projects shown. Natasha Wolford, Megan Davis, Ethan Bolyard, Danny Juskowiak, Patrick Lee, Chelsea Hill, Chelsea Tallman, Polly Hodge, Holly Ramos, Scott Dotson, DeSean Thomas, James Hudson, and Josh King were the student artists. The students also enjoyed seeing the work of fellow artists in Hampshire County's public schools.

We want to extend our thanks to Jack Aclin, art teacher at Hampshire High School, for making WVSD Secondary feel welcome at the Art Show each year.

Art students are now preparing an art show for the State Board Meeting which will be held on our campus in June.



## Cold Rain Welcomes Special Olympians

by Mrs. Judd

Each year, students at WVSD Secondary look forward to the Special Olympics, a time of sports events where everyone is a winner. This year was no different except for the weather! Our first day, April 30, was cold and rainy. Our team came home with wet clothes!

On May 7, we tried again. This time we had sunshine and warm weather! Our team was able to run all its events and bring home bronze, silver, and gold medals, as well as every color ribbon you might want! We had a great day running our events, eating pizza and snacks, and visiting with friends from different schools!

We want to thank Mr. Adrian, Mrs. High, Mrs. Kenny, Cookie and John Hott, and our bus driver, Anita, for helping us with these two days of Special Olympics.



Pictured, left to right: Darrel Beasley, Josh King, Warnie Brown, James Hudson, Natasha Wolford, Nina Hedrick and sponsors, Mr. Herb Adrian and Mr. John Hott.

# Carnegie Science Center Trip

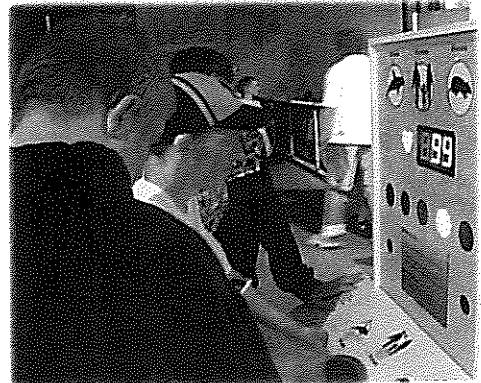
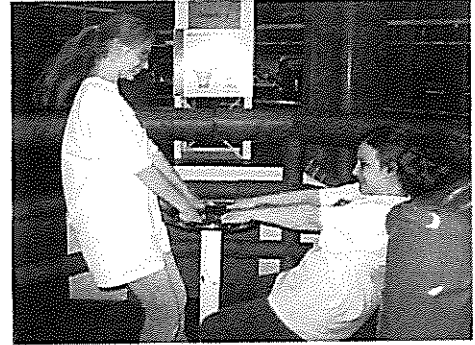
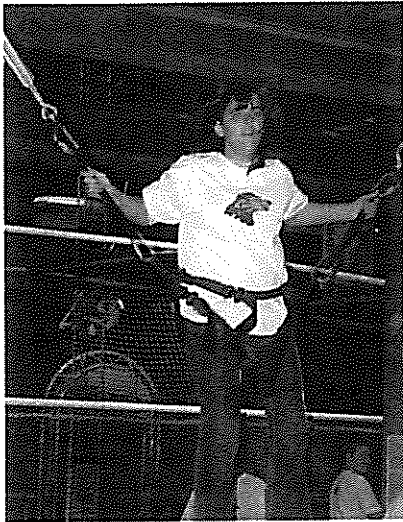
On May 1st students and staff traveled to the Carnegie Science Museum in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to experience "Bodies . . . The Exhibition." This striking exhibition showcases real human bodies for the unique opportunity to see, firsthand, the inner workings of the body.

This exhibit, which has traveled all over the United States, enables one to take a close-up look inside the skeletal, muscular, respiratory, and circulatory systems

as one comes face-to-face with polymer-preserved human bodies. These meticulously dissected bodies are preserved through an innovative process called polymer preservation and are respectfully presented.

After touring the "Bodies" exhibit, the group went to the Sports Center, where, through fun activities, students learned about the principals of motion, exercise, and other scientific facts. Students were able to scale a climbing wall, experience a simulated roller coaster ride, jump on a trampoline, play virtual basketball, and participate in tons of other fun and educational activities.

*Pittsburgh*

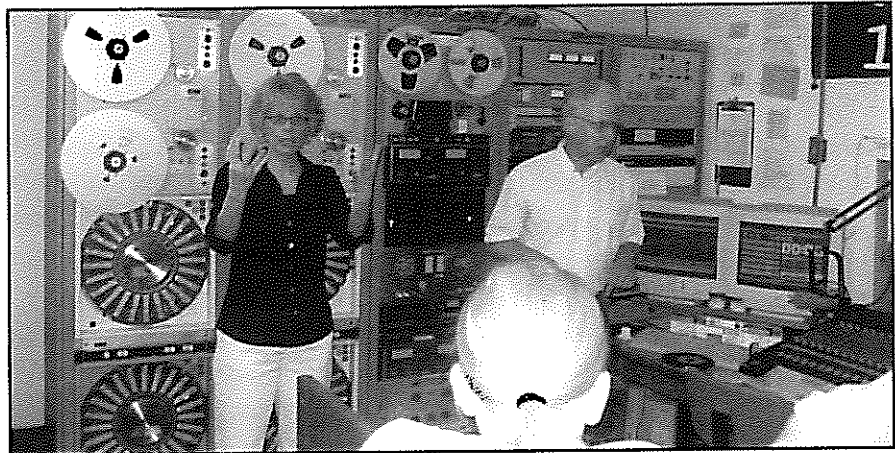


## FBLA NEWS

The last meeting for this year, May 8, was held right here on campus. Mr. George Park, the school's in-house engineer, gave a fantastic presentation on radio broadcasting. The school is so fortunate to have a person with his skill level among the staff.

There were many questions asked by the students, and Mr. Park had answers readily available. Who knows, there may be a few new interested students in the fall.

Thank you, Mr. Park, for



*Mr. Park explaining to FBLA members how the WYSB radio station works.*

sharing your time and expertise with the WVSD&B Future Business Leaders of America.

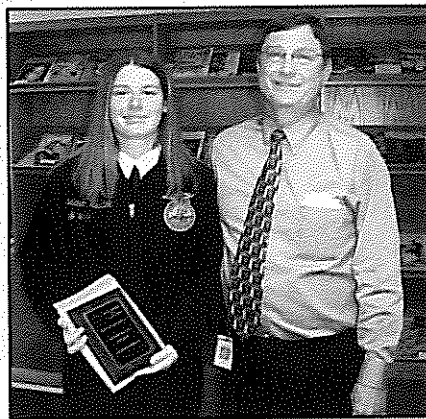
ALL MEMBERS: Don't forget May 20th, the FBLA's trip to Smoke Hole Caverns. Hope to see you then!

## FFA Regional Creed Competition

Sophomore Cassie Heaster won second place at the recent FFA Creed Competition held in Jefferson High School in Martinsburg, WV.

Also attending and putting forth her best effort was freshman Chelsea Tallman.

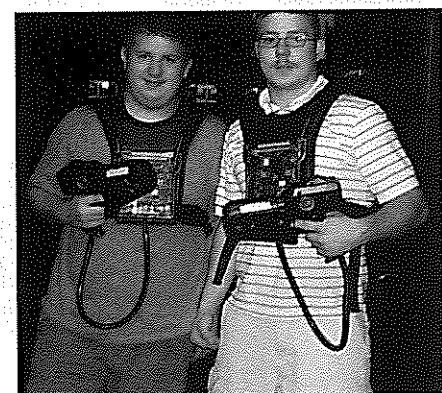
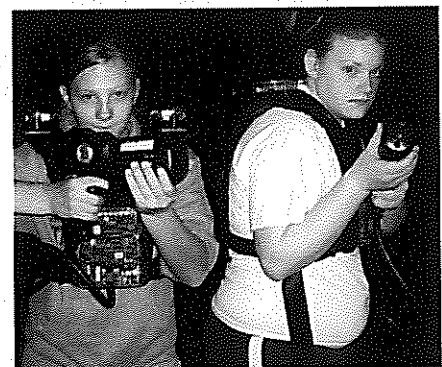
Accompanying the girls were Mrs. Ashley Suddath and Mr. E.A. Leatherman.



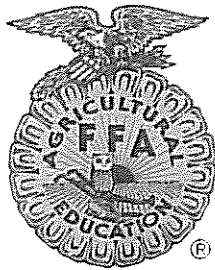
## Seniors Take Some Time to Play

On April 29, the Class of 2008 and their sponsors went to Winchester, Virginia for a day of "fun and games."

Among other things, the students loved playing laser tag!



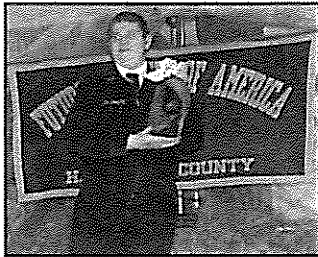
*Left to right: Mrs. Suddath, Mr. Leatherman, Chelsea Tallman, and Cassie Heaster.*



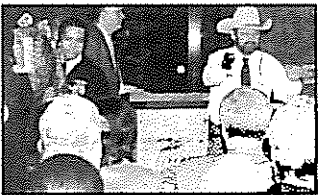
# FFA NEWS

## Ham, Bacon, and Eggs Sales

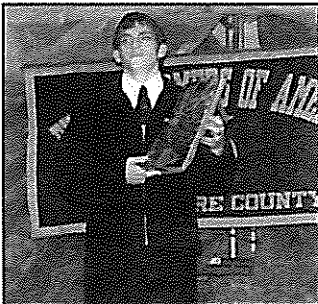
by Justin Gregory



Justin Gergory selling his ham.



Page selling his bacon.



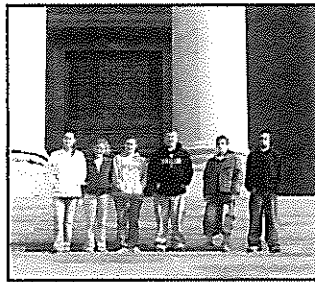
Michael Jarvis selling his bacon.

Three students, Justin Gregory, Michael Jarvis, and Page Miller recently participated in Hampshire and Jefferson's HBE (Ham, Bacon and Eggs) Sales. Justin Gregory and Michael Jarvis were involved with the Hampshire County Sale. There were so many people sitting and bidding on FFA members' meat. We would like to thank

Hampshire High School for letting us participate.

Page Miller went to tri-county sales in Berkeley Springs, Jefferson County. Page was able to bring in \$1,000 and would like to thank Jefferson County for supporting him and for giving him the opportunity to be involved.

At the state sales, Page's and Justin's bacons made it to State which was a first for us. It was a wonderful experience for all participants.



Left to Right: Tiffany Friend, Amber Williams, Cassie Heaster, Justin Gregory, Michael Jarvis, and Page Miller standing in front of the Capitol Building.



HHS Agriculture teacher, Issac Lewis, teaching us how to trim bacon.



The auctioneer encouraging people to buy Justin's bacon.



Justin and Michael selling hams at the county sale.



Mrs. Kuykendall bids on Mike's ham.

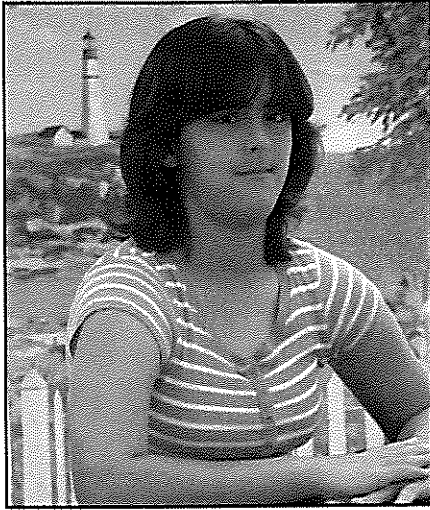
## Trip to Mount Vernon

FFA members in good standing recently took a trip to Mount Vernon, the home of our first President, George Washington, and his wife, Martha. Mount Vernon is in Alexandria, Virginia.

The group took a 30-minute boat cruise along the famous Potomac River, followed by a tour of the mansion and grounds. They saw farm animals, a 16-sided barn that Washington designed, vegetable and flower gardens, and outbuildings used by slaves and the Washington family. (More photos on next page.)



## Hammond is '08 Golden Horseshoe Winner



*Chasity Hammond*

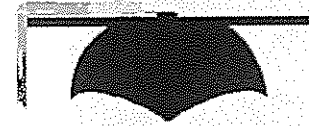
Congratulations to eighth grader Chasity Hammond, this year's winner of the Golden Horseshoe.

For many years, eighth graders all over the state of West Virginia have participated in this test that shows their knowledge of West Virginia history.

"I studied very hard for the Golden Horseshoe," Chasity said. Her studying paid off!

Other students who participated were Derrick Eversole, Ashley Moon, Jordan Clark, Taylor Shipley, and DeSean Thomas.

Don't Miss  
Next Month's  
**Lions'  
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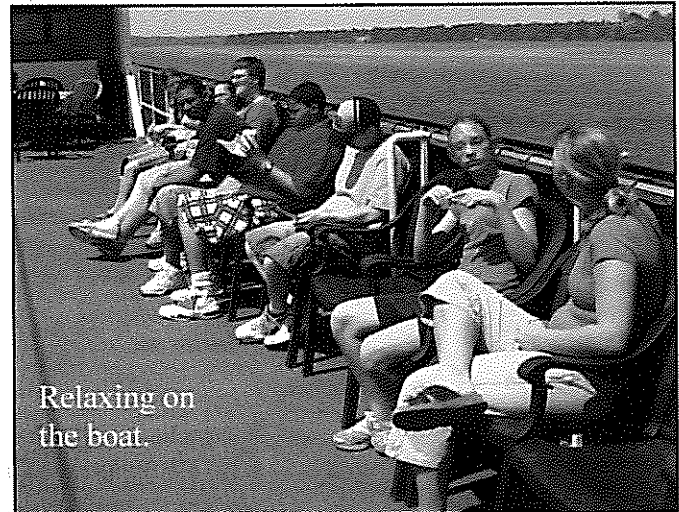


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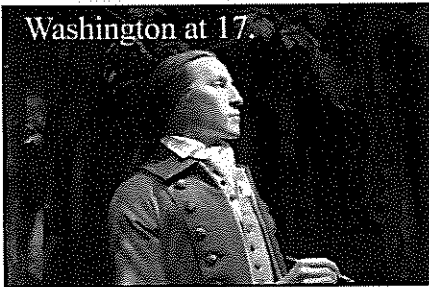
## ALONG THE POTOMAC TO MOUNT VERNON

*Below and right are photos from the FFA's recent trip to Alexandria, VA. Students visited the home of George Washington and cruised the historic Potomac River.*



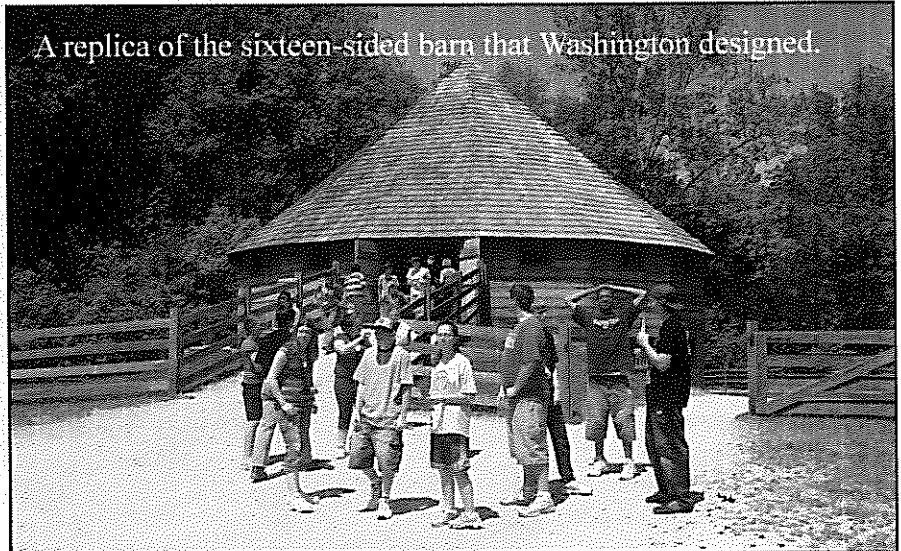
Relaxing on the boat.

Washington at 17.

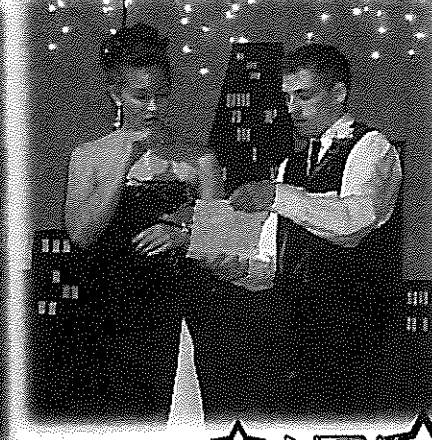
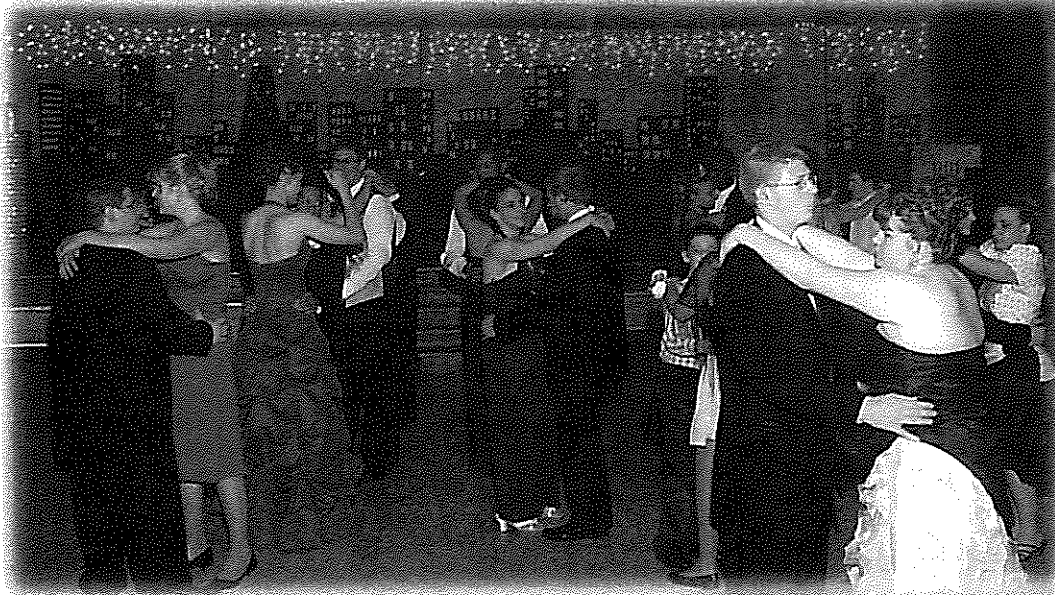


A "computerized" Washington.

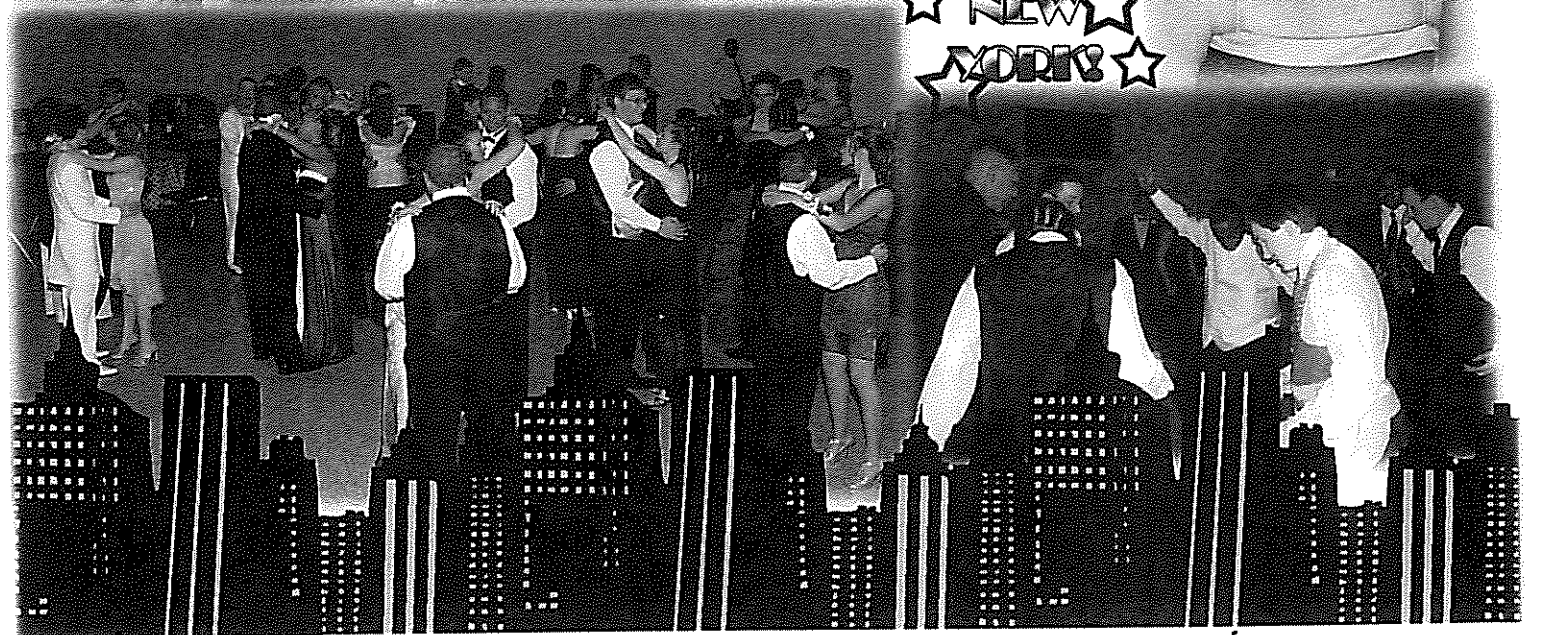
A replica of the sixteen-sided barn that Washington designed.



# PROM '08

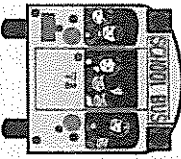
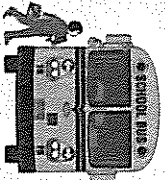


★ NEW ★  
★ ADDRESS ★



MAY Birthdays  
 Warrnie Brown 7th  
 Josh King 20th  
 Justin Gregory 24th

# May 2008


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	6th & 9th grade Social Studies Students Field Trip to Harpers Ferry	HBLA to Smoke Hole Caverns and Spruce Knob for Picnic	6th Graders Visiting	Homegoing		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Return to school	Academic/Athletic Awards Banquet	Academic-11 a.m. Lunch 12 Noon Athletic 1:10 p.m.	Skills Day Picnic 12:30-3:30 p.m. Graduation Practice 1:30 p.m.	NWTF- JAKES DAY Campus-Wide All Day	
						

JUNE Birthdays  
 Scott Dotson 6th  
 Darrel Beasley 7th  
 Caleb Burleson 14th  
 Brandt McGowan 19th

JULY Birthdays  
 Cassie Heaster 2nd  
 Michael Jarvis 14th  
 Derrick Eversole 26th  
 Nina Hedrick 30th


# June 2008

AUGUST Birthdays  
 Samantha Johnson 2nd  
 Trent McGee 8th  
 Jason Holliday 19th

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Graduation Practice 9 a.m. MPR	State Board Meeting Secondary Deaf MPR	Graduating Seniors Dinner @ Admn. Building	Graduation Day MPR - 10 a.m.		
						



# THE LIONS' TALE



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## WVSD Class of 2008 Graduates Today

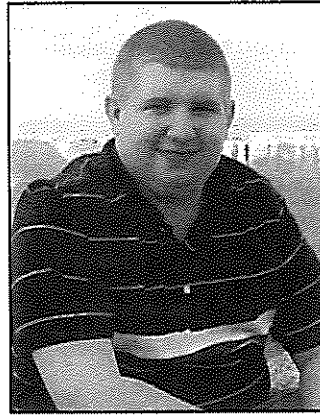


*Pamela Sue Thompson*

Pamela is the daughter of Ronald Thompson and Kim Grey of Elkins. She is the Valedictorian of the Class of 2008. Pamela has been a member of the FFA, Skills USA, Jr. National Association of the Deaf, GEAR UP, Tapestry, archery team, and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). She has

served as Secretary for both FFA and Skills USA and president for FBLA. She is the secretary for the Class of 2008. Pamela completed the ProStart Culinary Arts program and was honored as the outstanding second year student. At WVSD, Pamela was a member of the volleyball and basketball teams. She was selected as an All-Star in the Eastern Schools for the Deaf Athletic Association (ESDAA) Volleyball Tournament. In basketball, Pamela received Honorable Mention in the ESDAA Tournament.

Pam plans to go to Fairmont State University Community and Technical College, Fairmont, WV to study Graphic Design.

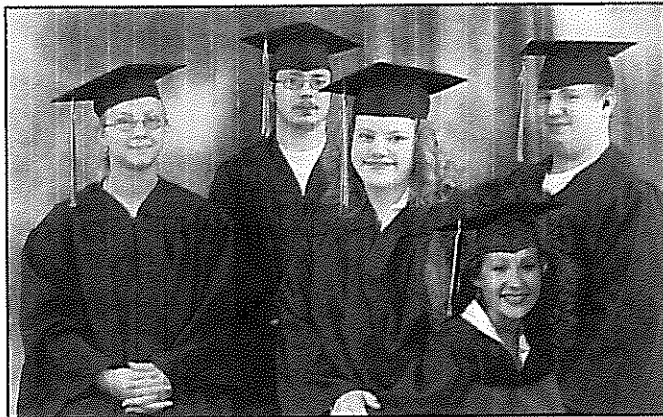


*Justin Allen Gregory*

Justin, son of Jeffrey Jarvis ('88) and Drema Gregory of Chloe, is the Salutatorian of the Class of 2008. His career major is Agriculture Mechanics.

Justin is a member of Tapestry and Skills USA. He is a member of Future Farmers of America and received the following awards: Discovery Degree, Greenhand, Chapter FFA Degree, DeKalb Award, and Star Greenhand. His sports experiences include basketball, scorekeeper for various teams, and football trainer at Hampshire High school.

Justin plans to continue his education at a technical school or college.



Sarah is the daughter of Gerald Sr. and Roberta Abernathy of Keyser. She has been a member of the FFA, Skills USA, Jr. National Association of the Deaf, GEAR UP, Tapestry, Future Business Leaders of America, and archery team. She has served as treasurer and reporter for FFA and was a past president for FBLA. Sarah attended the FFA National Convention and has earned the FFA Greenhand award. Sarah completed the ProStart Culinary Arts program. At WVSD, Sarah was on the varsity volleyball and bas-



*Sarah Mae Abernathy*

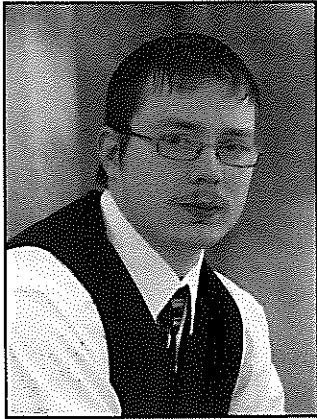
ketball teams.

Sarah plans to go to Pierpont Community and Technical College in Fairmont, WV to study Child Development.

*(Seniors continued on next page)*

## Class of 2008

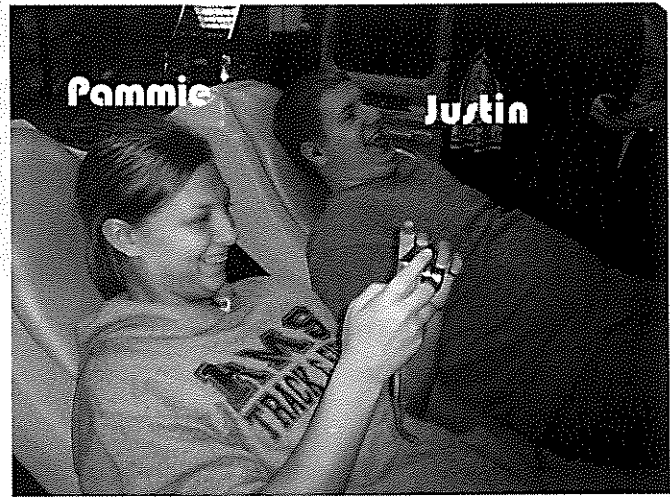
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*Gordon Lee Redden*

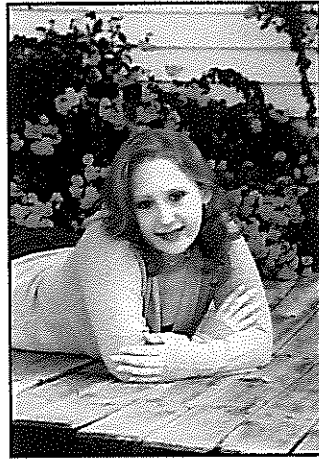
Gordon is the son of Bud Redden (deceased) and Mary Redden of Beckley. Gordon is a member of the West Virginia School for the Blind 2008 wrestling team, a two year member of Tapestry, and the WVSD archery team.

Gordon plans to attend Mountain State University in Beckley, WV to study forensic science.

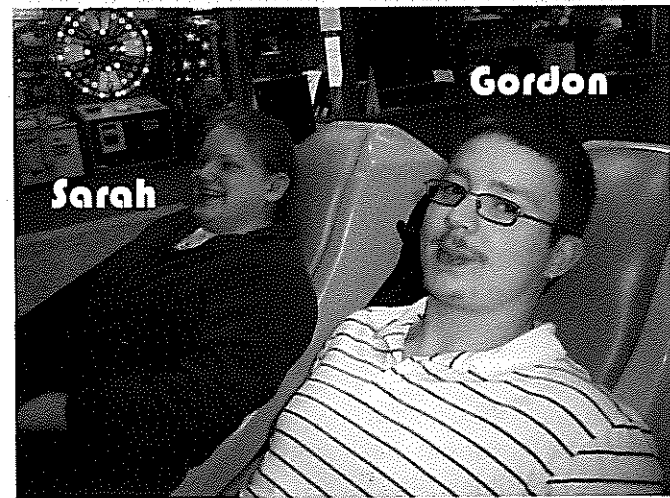


Megan is the daughter of Tim and Barbara Cavender of Kenna.

Megan participated in Tapestry, Future Business Leaders of America, and Future Farmers of America. Her sports experiences include volleyball, archery, and scorekeeper for boys' varsity and middle school basketball.

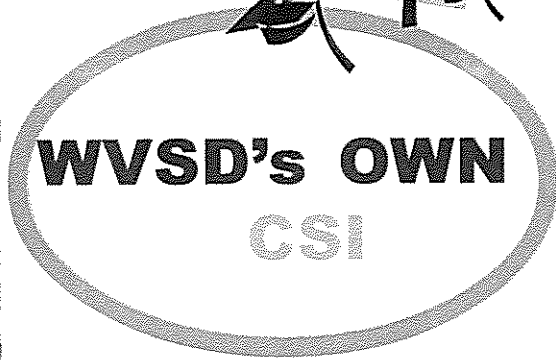
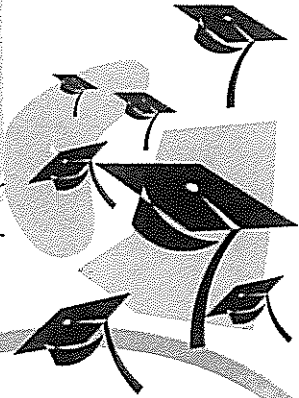
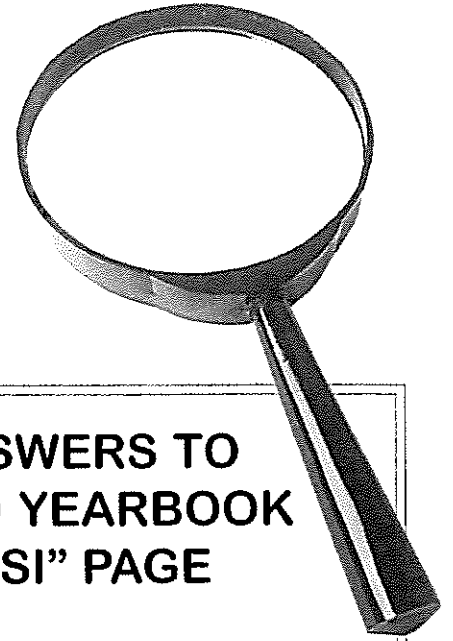
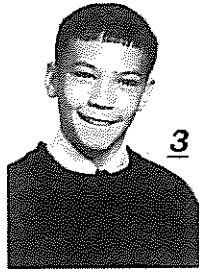
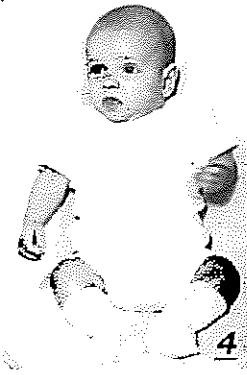


*Megan Marie Cavender*



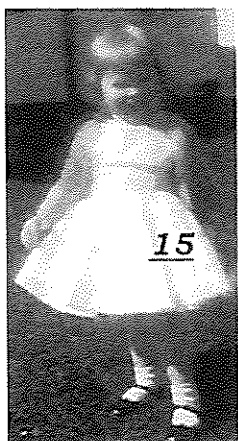
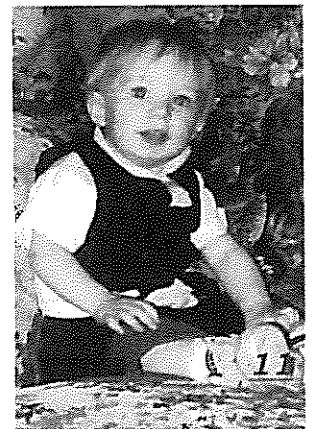
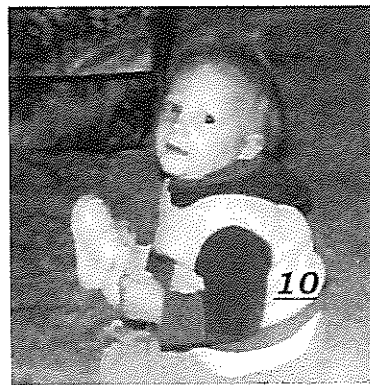
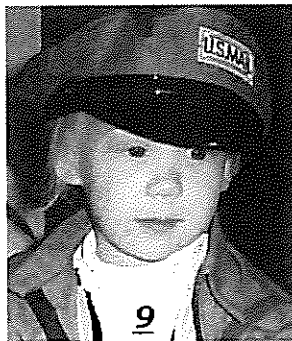
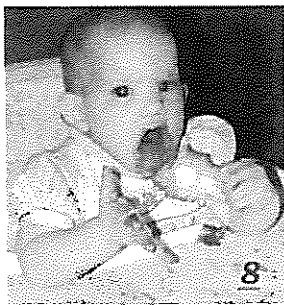
## Senior Fun - April 29, 2008



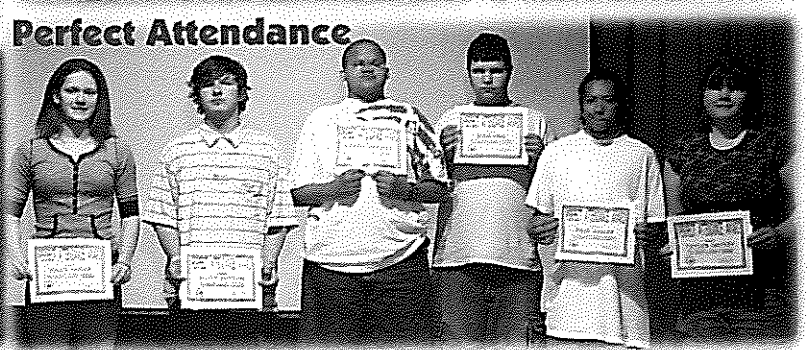
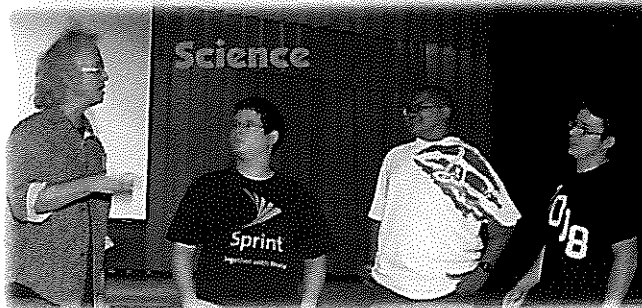
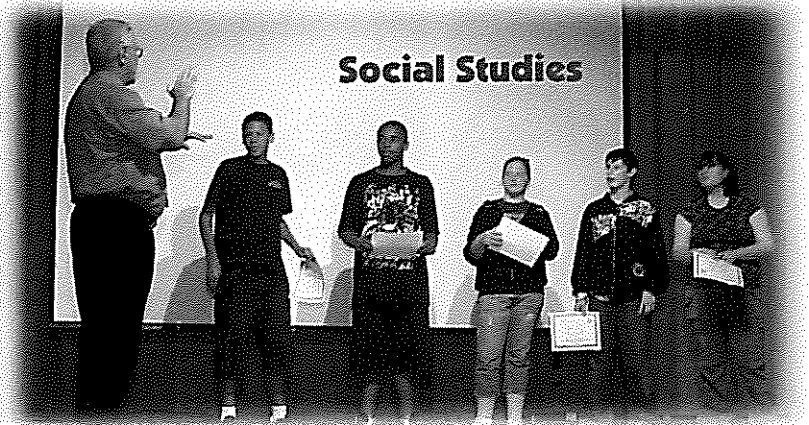
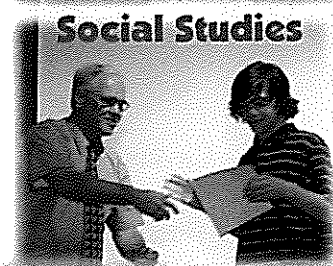
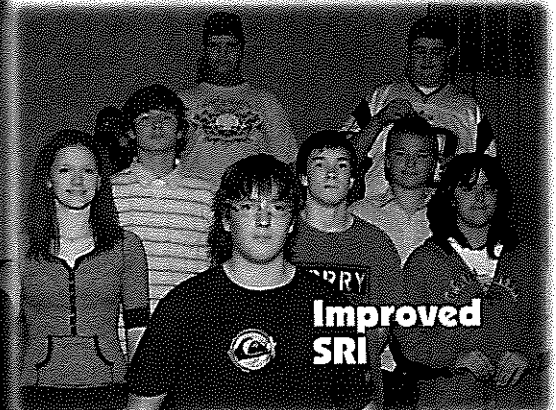


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- 5. Mrs. Kuykendall
- 6. Dr. Shank
- 7. Mrs. Brown
- 8. Sarah Abernathy
- 9. Megan Cavender
- 10. Pamela Thompson
- 11. Gordon Redden
- 12. Mrs. Staley
- 13. Mrs. Heare
- 14. Justin Gregory
- 15. Mrs. Barnes



# Awards Day '08 (Part 1)



# Awards Day '08 (Part 2)

Honor Roll 7th-9th

Honor Roll 10th-12th



Archery Tournament Participation



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