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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON REPORT

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

PIONEER STUDENTS ATTEND SKILLS USA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. On October 29-30, 16 students represented Pioneer at the 2015 SkillsUSA Ohio Fall Leadership Conference in Columbus. At this event, students learned more about SkillsUSA, experienced dynamic speaker sessions, strengthened leadership qualities and had fun meeting student leaders from around the state. Regional officer candidates campaigned, networked and gave speeches in hopes of winning an office. Deia Lozier, a Galion senior in Homeland Security, has been elected to serve as the 2015-2016 SkillsUSA Ohio Northwest Region Parliamentarian. Other students who represented Pioneer included the following: Casey Barker (Galion, Engineering Design); Jessica Beamer (Willard, Precision Machining); Cristin Bruner (Shelby, Homeland Security); Kasey Burton (Galion, Criminal Justice); MacKenzie Carroll (Shelby, Engineering Design); Josh Caudill (Plymouth, Industrial Electricity); Dakota Essick (Madison, Homeland Security); Karlie Kilgore (Townsend, Media Communications); Ellisa Lewis (Ontario, Cosmetology); Dustin McBride (Plymouth, Industrial Electricity); Sabrina Oney (Plymouth, Graphic Arts); Skylar Osborne (Ontario, Engineering Design); Kaitlin Tolliver (Lucas, Industrial Diesel); Jacob Walker (Northmor, Homeland Security); and 2014 graduate Mark Garcia (Bucyrus, Industrial Electricity).

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN VOICE OF DEMOCRACY CONTEST. Ten students from Charmae Cottom's classes participated in the Voice of Democracy Contest sponsored by the VFW. This year's theme was "My Vision for America." Pioneer's winner, whose entry was submitted to the VFW contest, was Sarah Toy (Crestline, Exercise Science). Other students who participated included Synthia Trickett (Lexington, Food Science); Jordann Keller (Lexington, IT Support); Dustin Howard (Plymouth, Homeland Security); Hali Bonen (Galion, Teaching Professions); Nate Kutrich (Lexington, Collision Repair); Cassie Taylor (Crestline, Exercise Science); Barry Mayberry (Shelby, Collision Repair); Ethan Utz (Galion, IT Support); and Andrea Weis (Northmor, Exercise Science.)

WYNFORD FFA AND FCS PARTNER WITH KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS. 78 Wynford kindergarten students spent the day at the high school to participate in six sessions led by students in the family and consumer science classes and students in FFA. Activities ranged from a petting zoo to edible cornucopias.

PIONEEER STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN INTERNSHIPS. Nine Pioneer students are currently participating in internships with local businesses. The students participating include the following: working at Buckeye Pump in Galion, Colt Kelso (Galion, Industrial Electricity); Jones Potato Chips in Mansfield, Sam Reed (Shelby, Industrial Electricity) and Robert Moore (Shelby, Industrial Electricity); IB Tech in Bucyrus, Brayden Burkhalter (Shelby, Industrial Electricity); National Machinery in Tiffin, Tanner Zaebst (Buckeye Central, Welding); Crestwood Care Center in Shelby, Adriana Kilgore (Willard, Health Assistant); Lloyd Rebar in Shelby, Mason Galco (Lucas, Welding) and Vince Brock (Lucas, Welding); and P & R Machine in Mansfield, Alex Fowler (Ontario, Welding).

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS, CONT'D

MANUFACTURING PROGRAMS PARTICIPATE IN PROJECTS. Students in manufacturing programs recently teamed up to create work tables for Progress Industries. Precision Machining students machined miscellaneous parts to assemble the tables, Engineering Design created detail and assembly drawings for the tables along with a bill of materials and cost, and Welding students fabricated and welded the tables together. Additionally, Ryan Adkins (Bucyrus, Engineering Design) created a schematic for Mitsubishi Electronics.

HOSA STUDENTS LEAD RED RIBBON WEEK ACTIVITIES. HOSA officers planned, organized and implemented a successful series of Red Ribbon Week activities including an all-school assembly on drug awareness, a signing campaign, and a door decorating contest. Early Childhood Education won the door decorating contest. This year's HOSA officers include the following: MacKenzie Cass, President (Northmor, Medical Technology); Hannah Stone, Vice-President (Shelby, Exercise Science); Marissa Griefenstine, Secretary (Shelby, Medical Technology); and Austin Martin, Treasurer (Shelby, Medical Technology). Class representatives include these students: Andrea Kline (Crestview, Dental Assisting); Rachel Bell (Bucyrus, Dental Assisting); Kavasea Garrett (Shelby, Health Assistant); Desiree Risser (Lucas, Medical Technology); Chevy Wooldridge (Lexington, Health Assistant); and Kendra Linn (Ontario, Exercise Science). These students also attended the Ohio HOSA Fall Leadership Conference in Ashley, Ohio, late last month.

WYNFORD FFA TAKES 10TH AT STATE SOIL JUDGING, 18TH AT STATE FORESTRY. Coming off a second place finish overall for both urban and rural soils at the county contest, the Royals continued to excel at the district contest where they placed fourth in urban soils, and fifth in rural soils. With their finish at districts the soils teams both moved on to the state contest which occurred on October 17. At the state contest the urban team cracked the top ten as they finished tenth in the state, and the rural team made the top 25 with a finish in 23rd place. The urban team was composed of Nathan Weithman (1st in the state), Grace Schiefer (30th in State), Kenzie Kent (116th in the state), and Madi Schiefer (140th in the state). The rural team was composed of Ethan Stuckey (47th in the state), Aryn Copeland (75th in the state), Loagan Neal (99th in the state), and Neva Patrick (150th in the state). Wynford also had an alternate for each team that participated in the county and district contests. Dalton Benson was the alternate for the urban team and Caleb Rausch was the alternate for the rural team.

On Saturday October 3, the Wynford FFA forestry team competed at the state contest, where they placed eighteenth. At the state contest, the members identified trees, common forestry tools, chainsaw parts and problems, as well as tree disorders. The state forestry team was made up of Annika Gerlach, Hannah Crabtree, Ethan Stuckey, and Luke Scott. Wynford was led by Gerlach who placed 42nd; Scott was next in 86th place; Stuckey placed 117th; and Crabtree rounded out the placings for the Royals at 195th.

LUCAS FFA BUSY WITH ACTIVITIES. The following students are officers for 2015-2016 for the Lucas FFA: President, Kelcey Hardwick; Vice-President, Taylor Zody; Secretary, Lexi Swainhart; Sentinel, Kylie Horsley; Treasurer, Anna Westfield; Reporter, Celeste Wiesman; Historian, JT Odson; and Student Advisor, Greg Spoerr.

The Lucas FFA display won second place at the Bellville Street Fair this year.

The Dairy Foods team participated at the World's Dairy Expo Milk Quality Career Development Event. They earned the right to represent Ohio by placing third in the state at the Ohio Milk Quality CDE in the spring. The Expo team consisted of Spoerr, Wyatt Alt, Weisman and Jacob Edwards. Weisman also placed first individually, while the team came in third overall.

PERFORMING ARTS STUDENTS INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY EVENTS. Students in Performing Arts sang at the Element of Art Gallery recently. Additionally, performers including Louie Kurtzman sang selections from *Singing in the Rain* at the Little Buckeye Children's Museum new theater space. Recently three students were in *Twin Desperados* in Willard: Kenny Feagin, Clarissa Carbajal and Lesly Camacho. Tyler Rider is in *An Evening in Theatre* in Crestview.