

Pioneer Career and Technology Center announces LeAnn Gallagher and Nash Laser as October 2018 Students of the Month.

LeAnn Gallagher is enrolled in the Early Childhood Education program at Pioneer. She was nominated by Lindi Meisse, her lab instructor. Gallagher is a senior from Ontario High School and is the daughter of Sharon Gallagher. Gallagher is president of FCCLA at Pioneer as well as being involved with Pioneer GEMs. She attends NCSC two nights a week in addition to training with the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association. She is a volunteer at the New Store in Mansfield, works at Old Carolina BBQ and babysits in her free time. Having the opportunity to attend Pioneer for her junior and senior years have been a blessing according to Gallagher. At Pioneer, the teachers and many of the students make her feel as though she can accomplish anything she puts her mind to! Gallagher hopes to earn her Child Development



Association credential in Early Childhood Development at Pioneer, then attend North Central State College to earn a degree in Social Work.

Nash Laser is enrolled in the Industrial Electricity program at Pioneer. He was nominated by Rob Flannery, his lab instructor. Laser is a senior from Plymouth High School and is the son of Shelli and



Steve Laser. Laser participates in SkillsUSA at Pioneer. He offers his electrical skills to help those in need and helps his mom with the Reaching Out program for the homeless. He enjoys playing with his animals, gaming and furthering his knowledge in electricity. Through Pioneer, Laser has been able to further his career goals. The internship opportunity offered here has allowed him to further his knowledge in a real world environment. He feels Pioneer has also enabled him to learn valuable work skills as well as leadership skills. Laser plans to major in accounting at OSU-Mansfield and eventually run his own company.

Wynford FFA places well at Soils and Forestry Competition

On September 20th the Wynford FFA competed at the county soils CDE. All members from the chapter participated in urban and/or rural soil judge. The rural team placed second in the county with Lexie Wood placing 2nd, Thomas Weithman placing 4th, and Jodie Jennings placing 5th as individuals. The Urban team placed 1st in the county. Ashlee Zender tied for first, Thomas Weithman was third, Allison Scott was fourth, and Ethan Hall was fifth. The urban and rural teams then competed at districts held at Malabar Farms. The rural team won the division with Connor Miller leading the team as the first place individual, and Jodie Jennings followed as the third place individual. The urban team placed third in the district with Emily Rudd leading the team with a fifth place individual score. The rural and urban teams then moved onto the state soils contest held at Dawes Arboretum on October 13th. The urban team placed 12th out of 47 teams at the state contest with Zoltan Feldman leading the team with a fifth place individual score, Allison Scott, Emily Rudd, and Ashlee Zender followed. The rural team is the first ever team to represent Wynford FFA at the national soils contest in the spring in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The rural team won first place with Connor Miller leading the team as the third place individual, with Jodie Jennings following in sixth place, Thomas Weithman was 31st and Lexi Wood was 35th. These four will be representing our chapter at the national contest in May.

At the district forestry competition, the Wynford FFA won the district with Connor Miller leading the team with his first place individual score. Rylee Alspach and Ethan Hall tied for the second place individual spots. Following was Kim Tuck fourth place, Wyatt Rotthaar fifth place, Matthew Collene sixth place, Elias Wright seventh place, and a four way tie for 8th place consisting of Zachary Kalb, James McCurry, Thomas Rindfuss, and Ashlee Zender. Wynford brought 43 students to the contest.

Wyford Chicken BBQ a success

On September 29th the Wynford FFA held its annual chicken BBQ at Wynford High School. There were a total of around 760 meals sold. Meals were an eight dollar donation, and consisted of half a chicken, coleslaw, chips, little Debbie cakes, roll and a drink. The FFA puts on this fundraiser every fall.

Colonel Crawford FCCLA Participates in Community Service

On Saturday October 27th, The Colonel Crawford High School FCCLA participated in the national Make a Difference Day at local businesses throughout Bucyrus. Students participated in small clean up jobs around town like window washing and sweeping streets in front of local businesses.

Hospitality Students Earn Certifications

The following students in Mrs. Becky Nichols Hospitality Services program have earned their First Aid, CPR/AED certifications:

Kathleen Tischer, Galion

Kruise Williams, Galion

Andrew Bishop, Fairway

Lisa Obojski, Shelby

Sierra Bachhelder, Northmor

Mrs. Nichols junior Culinary students also passed their Level 1 ServSafe Foodhandler courses and earned a 2 year certification in Food Safety. These students are:

- Taylor Bowers, Wynford
- Tonya Bravo, Willard
- Kristina Cherry, Willard
- Echo Corwin, Plymouth
- Bryce Downard, Northmor
- Bailey Dull, Shelby
- Kennedy Gifford, Galion
- Sierra Golden, Buckeye Central
- Kyle Herndon, Ontario
- Alania Howell, Crestview
- Arianna Knapp, Step-Ontario
- Makayla Kuhn, Bucyrus
- Crystal Leppert, Galion
- Caleb Levering, Lucas
- Ora Metcalf, Willard
- Garrett Murphy, Galion
- Samantha Peters, Northmor
- Christian Reese, Shelby
- Magdalena Romo, Willard
- Christopher Scott, Northmor
- Kyley Sigman, Wynford
- ♦ Makenna Will, Galion
- Kaylene Willison, Shelby

Galion Students Learn Basic Wound Care

Students in Cherie Laughbaum's health foundations classes learned how to apply bandaging to minor wounds and cuts. They also assembled and distributed mini first aid kits for all the high school and middle school teachers, staff and coaches.

Pioneer Early Childhood Education Students Present at District Conference

ECE and FCCLA is pleased to report that 6 ECE students held breakout sessions at the 2018 Pioneer District FCCLA Leadership Conference held at Mid Ohio Conference Center Nov. 7, 2018. The following students participated and hold offices in the FCCLA;

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Seniors: LeAnn Gallagher, Ontario, (President of our local Chapter and VP of District FCCLA) Kendra Cole, Plymouth, (Secretary of Pioneer Local and Secretary of District FCCLA) Sammi Carroll, Ontario, and Madison Class, Lexington, (VP of Pioneer Local FCCLA).

Juniors: Layla Conrad, Northmor, (Treasurer of Local FCCLA) and Kiara Keiser, Lucas, (Parliamentarian of Pioneer Local FCCLA)

These students presented a session on gratitude stones and the importance of being grateful and kind to others!

Performing Arts Students Busy in Serving in Local Community Events

Students in Mrs. Anne Kurtzman's Performing Arts program are involved in multiple local projects. Gabriel Diemer from Ontario and Damon Mitchell from Lexington ran tech for the Miss Maple City Pageant in Norwalk. They were mentored by former student Chris Mollica who is on hiatus from Disney On Ice's European tour.

Brien Carpenter from Ontario has been promoted to assistant stage manager for the Renaissance's upcoming show Annie. Also working tech on the show are Gabriel Diemer, Lindsay Landis (Crestview), Karsey Peters (Galion), Kameran Puster (Mapleton) and Elaina Heyman (Willard).

Carpenter also just finished up production assistant work on the film shooting at the Mansfield Reformatory, Escape from Death Block 13. Also on the crew were Desi Hunt (Crestline), Jolie Booker (Lucas) and Elaina Heyman.

Desi Hunt, (Crestline) Emily Raff (Ontario) and Juliana Heichel (Miss Ohio's Outstanding Teen from Lexington) were part of OSU Mansfield's event One Night Only, a celebration of Music and Community.

Skills USA Attends Annual Conference in Columbus

The 2018 SkillsUSA Ohio Fall Leadership Conference was held on November 8-9, 2018 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio. In attendance was Pioneer's Regional Officer Candidate Mirka Lopez-Andrade (Willard, Graphic Arts), our Local Leadership Team of Gianna Cannavaro (Plymouth, Graphic Arts), Emily Chavatzas (Bucyrus, Criminal Justice), Brendan Damron (Galion, Homeland Security), Rowan Goble (Ashland, Graphic Arts), Autumn Pilo (Colonel Crawford, Graphic Arts), Stacy Reyes (Willard, Graphic Arts), Cheyenne Tackett (Willard, Graphic Arts), and Nethaniel White (Lexington, Graphic Arts), and our Local Delegate Team of Ecco Bosworth (Galion, Graphic Arts), Alivia Channing (Plymouth, Graphic Arts), Michael Collins (Plymouth, Graphic Arts), Timothy Crawford (Galion, Media Communications), Chloe Klepatzki (Galion, Graphic Arts), and Matthew Stevens (Crestview, Graphic Arts). At this event, students learned more about SkillsUSA, experienced dynamic speaker sessions, strengthened their leadership qualities, and had fun meeting student-leaders from around the state.

Pioneer is proud of our students who earned their Skills USA Ohio Fall Leadership Conference Statesman's Award at this event! Additionally, the Local Officer Team for the Pioneer Chapter of SkillsUSA was elected at this event. Pioneer officers-elect for the 2018-2019 school year include president Alivia Channing, vice president Michael Collins, secretary Chloe Kelpatzki, treasurer Rowan Goble, reporter Emily Chavatzas, historian Timothy Crawford, and parliamentarian Brenden Damron. Congratulations to these student-leaders!



Whippets Place 3rd at State Meet

Congratulations to members of the Shelby Cross Country team for their 3rd place finish in the Division II state meet on Saturday. Caden Payne from Engineering Design Technology and Sam Logan from Precision Machining are members of the team.

ASVAB Test Administered to Students

On October 30th, 202 students signed up to take the ASVAB test at Pioneer. The *ASVAB* is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed technical skills and abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military and other career technical fields. Once test scores are compiled, an armed services representative will sit down with each student on November 27th and explain the test results.