

# News and Views

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## Memorial Plaque Presented

Ed Lane (pictured far right), graduate of the Class of 1966, presented Superintendent Ronald Bennett with a memorial plaque at the Alumni Reunion held October 4, 2003. This plaque is presented on behalf of the Class of 1966 in memory of the students who died in the Vietnam war. The names of those who gave their life and are engraved on the plaque are: John C. "Jack" Bonney, Garry W. Grow, and Fredrick J. Hoffman. This plaque will be placed in the halls of Vandercook Lake High School.



Also pictured is another member of the Class of 1966, Tim Gale (pictured left).

Recognition was also given to Harold "Hap" Henry who participated in the commencement exercises and received his graduation diploma with the Class of 2003. This diploma was awarded under the provision of a federal law granting graduation honors to those who left school to serve in World War II. "Hap" was a student at Vandercook Lake Schools, an employee - now retired from the school district, and a long-time community member. Previous diplomas were awarded to Warren Dean Doelker and Herman C. Mohr.

Other highlights of the alumni reunion included door prizes which were bought from a donation of \$500 which was sent from Charles Vernon (Class of 1958) and purchased at Mellingers (Class of 1961) who also contributed to the door prizes.

The alumni reunion was held at Davis Convention Center and well attended. Those who did not receive invitations and wish to receive future notices should send their current addresses to the central office of the Vandercook Lake Schools.

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## HOME COMING 2003



Maynard White - "Grand Marshall"

The 2003 Vandercook Lake School District Homecoming was a great success in all aspects. The entire week in school showed tremendous school spirit with various dress-up days and class competitions. The pep assembly held on Friday before the game was filled with enthusiasm and added to the planned festivities.

Mr. Maynard White was honored as this year's "Grand Marshall". During the past forty-five years Mr. White has been an ambassador for Vandercook Lake Schools. Mr. White who was formerly the owner of Grindall and White Mechanical Engineering has been instrumental in numerous school improvement projects. He has generously offered his advice, time, and assistance for which our school and the community of Vandercook Lake is eternally grateful.



The floats based on the theme "Time Periods" were clever and colorful. The float pictured at left is the first-place float won by the Senior class with the theme, "Ancient Times". The freshman class won the second prize for their float. A special thank you to the families who hosted the float-making sessions and to the parents and teachers who supervised the construction. It is this type of involvement that makes our school and activities such a success.

### Mobile Dentists

Mobile dentists will be at Townsend Elementary on November 10 and Vandercook Lake High School on January 9. Mobile dentists is an in-school dental outreach program that provides:

- \* Dental examination
- \* Cleanings
- \* Fluoride
- \* Radiographs
- \* Sealants

Service can be FREE! If you did not receive an application, contact Townsend or the high school.

### Free Vision and Hearing Testing

The Jackson County Health Department Hearing and Vision walk-in-clinic offers free testing for everyone, children through adults. Screening is held at the Jackson County Health Department, 1697 Lansing Avenue (517) 788-4420 on the first and third Friday every month from 1:00-4:30 p.m., September to the first week in June.

### FAIM

Families Active in the Middle School (FAIM) meets the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the high school library. FAIM is having a positive impact on our middle school students and their families. FAIM offers the opportunity to meet other parents, discuss middle school issues, and plan student activities. Please try to attend these meetings and become a member of FAIM.

### MiChild Insurance Program

If you do not have medical insurance, you may qualify for MiChild Insurance. MiChild covers the following: Regular checkups, Shots, Emergency Care, Dental Care, Pharmacy, Hospital Care, Prenatal Care and Delivery, Vision and Hearing and Mental Health & Substance Abuse services. To apply, best choice is on line at [www.michigan.gov/mdch](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch), then click on Health Care Coverage, Click on Children & Teen, Click on MiChild - options print application or apply. If you choose apply on line, you will be informed immediately if you qualify. You may also get an application from Mr. Biondolillo (VCL counselor) or call 800-988-6300 for an application.

### The National Honor Society

The National Honor Society is an organization of students dedicated to serving the school, the community and themselves. Members are elected on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, and citizenship. Final election and approval of a membership rests with the executive board.

Seniors: Richelle Arras\*, Lauren Berry\*, Kali Briggs\*, Ronda Crawford\*, Nick Gallagher\*, Jordan Masters\*, Colleen McCormic\*, Jenny McDaniels\*, Chad Myers\*, Jessica Perdeu\*-President, Kim Robinson, Melissa Sedgman\*, Joe Sheets\*, Christina Saucedo, Tiffany Sowle\*-Secretary, Casey Spaulding\*-Vice President, Adam Sprangel\*, Adrian Towery\*, Brian Tucker\*, Corey Vincent\*, Traci Wells, Adam Whitworth\*, Kimberly Yother\*.

\*Denotes 2nd year member.

Juniors: Ashley Adair, Rachel Benson, Deedee Briggs, Jared Burke, Alice Cary, Geoff Chiles, Angela Edward, Heather Fushi, Shiloh Maples, Kristin Matthews, Lauren Ritter, Whitney Rose.

### Career Cruising Now Available

Vandercook Lake students and parents now have access to an excellent new Career Preparation program called Career Cruising. The program can be accessed from any computer connected to the internet. The program features an interest inventory that selects careers for you based on your personal results, a college/financial aid research tool, 6,000+ careers to explore in detail, and each student's EDP is now within the Career Cruising program. To access the program, do the following:

1. On the internet, go to [www.careercruising.com](http://www.careercruising.com)
2. Type in User ID: vandercook
3. Type in Password: jayhawks
4. Click on Start Cruising
5. Start with the Matchmaker interest inventory and go from there!
6. Call Mrs. Shafer at 782-8167 (ext. 143) if you have questions

## Half-time Coronation

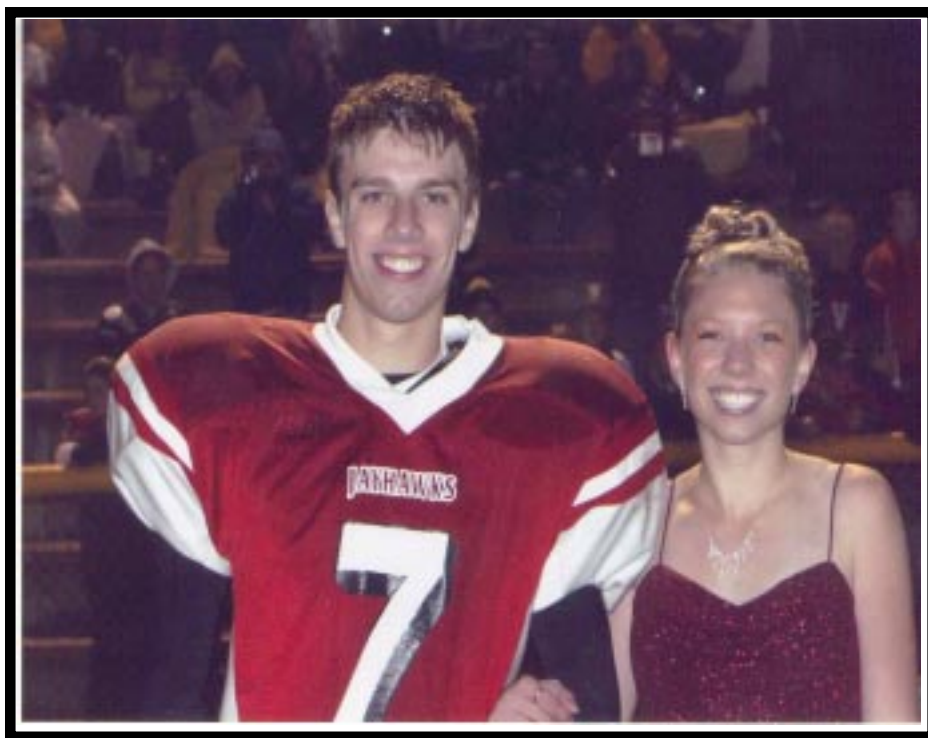
During halftime of the football game, the coronation ceremony was held. The representatives were as follows:

Ninth: Joel Tallman and Gabriella Way; Tenth: Kyle VanDusen and Chrissy Montgomery; Eleventh: Patrick Meands and Shandi Oberlin. The senior representatives were: Brian Tucker and Casey Spaulding, Chad Myers and Jessica Perdeu; Randy Hancock and Traci Wells, David Andrews and Drue Smith. David Andrews and Casey Spaulding placed as first runners up. Korey Kuhl and Jordan Clark returned to crown the new King and Queen: Chad Myers and Jessica Perdeu.

The senior high homecoming dance was held Saturday, October 4th. The homecoming court, along with the newly crowned king and queen, were introduced. A festive dance was enjoyed by all.

Upon the conclusion of the exciting Homecoming victory in which Vandercook Lake defeated Hanover Horton by a score of 32 to 6, the players, and the Homecoming crowd were treated to a fireworks extravaganza. Although it was a cold, windy and rainy night, the fans braved the weather to watch as the night sky was electrified with a spectacular array of colorful and screaming fireworks. A special thanks to Phil Tripp and the Auto Body Shop for their donation making this incredible post game fireworks display possible.

We thank Sean Kennedy of Polly's for their generous donation of apples that were distributed during the parade. We also thank "After Hours" by Tuxedo World at Jackson Crossing for the discount our students received on their tux rental. We would like to thank everyone in the community for making this year's parade and coronation a huge success.



Pictured are Chad Myers and Jessica Perdeu (King and Queen)

## COLLEGE FINANCE -- Attention Seniors and Parents

Listed below are some exceptional low interest loans. Please note the window when request for applications can be made.

### BIEDERMAN LOAN: 0% INTEREST

#### Eligibility:

- Financial need - This is determined by completing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
  - must graduate from a Jackson County high school.
  - plan to attend a public college or university
  - maintained a 2.5 GPA while in high school & college as a full time student.
  - may borrow up to \$4000.00. Maximum \$1,000 per year.
- Contact Person/Business: "The Jackson Community Foundation" at 787-1321.  
Request must be made in November.

### JOHN GEORGE LOAN: 2% INTEREST

#### Eligibility:

- Not determined by financial need but student must carry at least 12 hours per semester and maintain 2.25 GPA while in college.
  - up to \$4,000 per year if attending a 4 year college/university.
  - loan does not apply to private colleges.
  - resident of Jackson County
- Contact Person/Business: Mrs. Karen Friend Ph. 782-8126. To be considered, must register in person (can be student or parent) during the months of October, November, and December at 145 S. Jackson St., during the week between the hours: Monday 1- 4 PM and Tues - Friday, 8:30 -12: 00 AM.

### LOUIS GLICK MEMORIAL TRUST: 3% INT.

#### Eligibility:

- Attend a college/university in Michigan
  - residence in Michigan past 3 years
  - graduated from a high school in Jackson county
  - maximum amount \$2,000 per year
- Contact Person/Business. Mrs. Ann Diamond, Ph 787-1900. Applications may be obtained at 1410 W. Ganson. Mrs. Diamond works part-time, call for an appointment to pick up an application. Applications are due April 1 through May 15.

### THE WOMEN'S CLUB OF JACKSON

#### Eligibility:

- The Student Loan Fund of the Women's Club of Jackson offers low interest loans (3%) for graduates of Jackson County High schools.
  - Loans range form \$1,500 to \$2,000.
- Contact Person: See Mr. Biondolillo, High School Counselor for an application

## News From Vandercook Lake S.A.D.D.

Did you know that Vandy has its very own S.A.D.D. chapter (Students Against Destructive Decisions)? S.A.D.D. is an organization for students in grades 9-12. We have ten officers who are: President-Brian Tucker, Vice-President-Jerel Tripp, Secretary-Meghan Gallagher, Treasurer-Rachel Crum, Public Relations-Chris Hinton, County Wide Historian-Jonell Schweda, State Office Coordinator-Alice Cary, Activity Coordinator-Athena Spittler, and STAND Junior Advisors-Jennifer Rice and Samantha Partin. Our purpose is to show students alternative ways of having fun without using drugs or alcohol.

Eleven students have been chosen to attend the S.A.D.D. State Conference on November 8th-10th. We would like to thank the following for sponsoring us to make this possible: Cranberry Cafe, Earle Chiles, Ann Kapuga, Rita Ann Phipps, Jackson Eye-Openers Lions Club, Video Express, Michael and Nancy Shore, Steve and Linda Tucker, Jeff and Sandra Ekin, James and Marlene Testini, Lampco Industries, Michigan Car and Truck Inc., Wendy's, JTV Inc., MacSteel, Recovery Technology/ Greg Gallagher, Shubbach's Sporting Goods, and Starr Commonwealth. A HUGE thank you to the Vandercook Lake Lions Club.

This year we have gone through leadership training, collected donations and walked in the Walk to Cure Diabetes, participated in the homecoming parade, served dinners as a fundraiser at Starr Commonwealth, and passed out ribbons at the homecoming football game. We did a lot of fun activities over the summer, including horseback riding, canoeing, pool parties, a Cedar Point trip, and just plain hanging out. We will be volunteering at Townsend for Market Days and Fall Festival. Other activities will be held for Vandercook students to participate in throughout the year. Anyone can join by coming to a meeting. We encourage everyone to stay safe and have fun!

### Student Leadership

On October 24, 2003, Vandercook Lake students participated in the Jackson County Fall Leadership Forum at Spring Arbor University. Students had the opportunity to attend sessions on community leadership, stress, sports, drug awareness and other high interest topics. Freshmen representatives were Grant Clark, Amber Dunckel, Emily Masters, Nick Melchiori, Valerie Swihart; Sophomores : Meghan Gallagher, Chelsea Maxson, Chrissy Montgomery, Jonathon Owens, Sara Wahl, Brandon White; Juniors: Deedee Briggs, Heather Fushi, Shiloh Maples, Lauren Ritter, Nick Schilling, Ben Swihart; Seniors: Ken Bioty, Nick Gallagher, Jessica Perdew, Brian Tucker, Danielle Vandeventer, and Kim Yother. The Leadership representatives Sara Wahl, Heather Fushi and Nick Gallagher helped organize this most successful event. Special recognition to senior Nick Gallagher, President for Student Leadership Forum of Jackson County.

### County Wide Professional Development Day

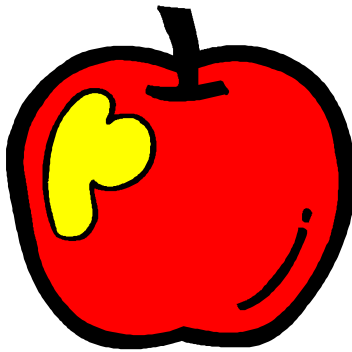
On Monday, October 20 Jackson County students had a welcome day off of school. However, the teachers and administrators were involved with Professional Development Day at various locations throughout our county. The Vandercook Lake staff played an instrumental role by leading presentations and workshops with their colleagues. High school presenters included Karen Benson, Steve Tucker, Wendy Klintworth, Tom Pepper and Tony Hollow. Middle school presenters included Jim Biondolillo, Marija Andrijonas and Lisa Weber.

## First Grade News

This fall the First Graders are learning about apples. They were able to enjoy a field trip to Meckley's Flavor Fruit Farms on September 26. The children each picked an apple, fed the whitetail deer, visited the elk, had a tour of the Cider Mill, and enjoyed a fresh doughnut and an apple sipper.

We have a new science kit called organisms. All sorts of live creatures are crawling through it! The kids will really enjoy this "hands-on" science unit. The First Graders are brainstorming many ways to solve problems on their own using our CGI math curriculum, in addition to some traditional math algorithms.

Reading groups are being established. The children should be bringing some little books home from the classroom to share!.....Mrs. Fish



## Second Grade News

The Second Graders are off to a great start. As part of their Social Studies, they visited Jiffy Mix to learn more about how a product is produced. They watched the process first hand and observed miles of conveyor belts moving the product forward to each stage of its preparation.

For learning in Science, throughout the school year, students will observe the life cycle of a butterfly, discover how things change over time, learn many characteristics of light and how shadows are made, and experiment with motion and gravity.

All the Second Grade students are busy reading and writing daily and publishing their original stories for classmates to read. They are busy discovering ways to problem solve and learning which strategies work best for them.....Mrs. Siegrist

## Fourth Grade News

The Fourth Grade classes are busy preparing for the MEAP tests this winter. In Fourth Grade, students will be taking the MEAP in reading, writing and math. They are expected to read two selections and write to a prompt connecting the theme of the two texts. Along with daily practice at school, reading at home for 20 minutes each evening will greatly improve your child's performance on this test.

Mrs. Cripe's/Gleed's class is really enjoying the fiddler crabs and dwarf African frogs we're observing during the "Animal Behavior" science unit. Meanwhile, Mr. Snyder's, Mr. Wandell's, Mrs. Vass' and Mrs. Warner's classes are exploring "Weather and Earth Materials". The students love the hands-on experiments and exploring they do throughout each science kit. Please have your Fourth Grader share some of these activities with you.....Fourth Grade Teachers

## Kindergarten

Our children entered the classrooms ready to share a special story called the "Kissing Hand". An exploration and review of shapes and colors followed. We then moved on to the introduction of our Science Units on Senses. They have been learning about the scientific process by doing their own experiments.

The Kindergarten children eagerly welcomed Miss A and even made homemade applesauce in our classrooms! Upon meeting Mr. B, the children made bears and learned how to make their own butter from cream, which they then enjoyed on delicious bread. They created their own Brown Bear books to share with our families at home and sorted a very engaging collection of buttons. We have enjoyed our own warm cinnamon and powered sugar doughnuts for Mr. D as well as exploring a unit on dinosaurs. They imagined what having their own dinosaur would be like and created stories to tell us all about them. We have enjoyed a story called, "Elmer", which focused on caring for people for what they are on the inside instead of how they look on the outside and made our own Elmers to help us remember the story.

Our daily routine begins with our school wide morning announcements and the Pledge of Allegiance. Our Kindergartners then sing a special rendition of the "Days of the Week" song followed by the names of the months danced and sung to the Macarena. We count how many days we have attended school and look for mathematical patterns on our numeral chart. We clap when we count to a 5 and say, "Zero the Hero" when we come to the tens place.

Each Friday three children are bringing in a news item to share with our class. They are encouraged to research the item with their families and answer key questions: who, what, where, why, when and how, thus encouraging and expanding oral language abilities.

Sorting objects by their attributes was our first unit in Mathematics. We then moved on to a fun unit on patterning. We look for patterns in our clothing, music and in our environment. We reproduced our own patterns in an artistic manner to reinforce and evaluate our learning.

The children learned safety skills first hand at Safetyville. This was our first field trip of the year. We were very grateful to be able to attend such a fine, hands-on program that presented critical safety issues in such a developmentally appropriate manner.

The children are enjoying interactive writing lessons each week that encourage the use of the literacy skills. They take home a book chart each month to encourage reading at home and, when it is filled in, they get to return it to school for a special prize. Our first weeks of school have been engaging, happy and event filled. We all look forward to the joy of discovery and wonder of learning this year.

We asked our Kindergartners what things they liked about our school. They said:

1. Being friends
2. Our Letter People
3. Sorting buttons in math
4. Animal songs
5. Going to gym, library, art and music
6. Riding the bus
7. Learning about patterns
8. Taking turns
9. Hearing stories like "Rainbow Fish"
10. Making applesauce

.....Mrs. Stapley

## 2004 Elementary Music Programs

There will be some terrific opportunities for parents and friends to enjoy the music that students are learning in the coming school year. Our first program will be presented on January 13 by the third graders. It is called "Discovery". In this program we will look at how we learn, and how we can keep our sense of wonder alive as we discover new things.

On March 11 our 4th and 5th graders will combine in a musical revue called "Give Our Regards to Broadway". The students will have completed a rather extensive unit on musical theatre, and they will perform songs from a variety of Broadway shows! We hope we will hit upon at least one of your favorites!

The students in 1st and 2nd grades will present the final program of the year, entitled "Citizens of the World" on April 20, 2004. As always, this will be a program with fun songs, lots of movement, and the wonderful smiling faces of our early elementary students.

Mrs. Childs would like to encourage you to come to our programs. They are presented in the Townsend Gym at 7:00 p.m. on the scheduled dates, and they are free of charge.

## Townsend's Mileage Club

Townsend's Mileage Club is off and running! Each noon recess students have the opportunity to choose to walk or run on our 1/5-mile track. Students receive rewards for each completed 5 miles. Foote Hospital, the Vandercook Lake Lions Club, our PTO and Fitness Finders sponsor this successful and fun program.

Last year our students walked/ran over 14,300 miles! Nathaniel Urodaran 614 of them. Twelve other students ran over 100 miles each (Cody Smith, JaVon Flowers, Stephen Fagan, Shayne Trayer, Lauren Howard, Tyler Scott, Quinn Fischman, Kayla Newman, Caleb Smith, Heather Horsley, Annie Wallen and Jonathan Sauls). Treat parties, extreme bowling and teacher prizes are some of the incentives for classroom participation. We are hoping for even higher totals this year as we keep on "Feelin' Good with the Mileage Club".....Michelle Boorman

## Accelerated Reader List of Quizzes

The list of available quizzes for the Accelerated Reader Program is available to students and parents at the Summit Branch of the public library. You can ask at the desk to view this list. They also have several of the books marked for you.

Students can also view this list during their scheduled library time or on flex time at the Townsend School Library. Parents are welcome to see this list at the school library or call Mrs. Taylor at 784-6133, ext. 510 for help.

We hope this will be of help to everyone. Enjoy your reading!.....Mrs. Taylor

# Pathways Provide a Purpose

Today's career opportunities are more varied than ever. The U.S. Department of Labor lists more than 12,000 job classifications. Vandercook Lake students receive extra guidance in shaping their futures using a new statewide program called Career Pathways. The Pathways are six broad groups of careers that share similar characteristics, and whose employment requirements call for many common interests, strengths, and competencies. The Pathways are:

(1) Arts and Communications (Careers in arts and communications relate to the humanities and to the performing, visual, literary, and media arts, these careers are creative and challenging. Examples: performer, web designer, TV broadcaster, graphic designer, floral designer, singer, illustrator, journalist, interior designer, stage technician, technical writer)

(2) Business, Management, Marketing, and Technology (Careers in business, management, marketing, and technology require attention to detail, calculating, coordinating, working with numbers and information, working with computers.

Examples: accountant, office administration, computer programmer, salesperson, bank teller, travel agent, financial planner)

(3) Engineering/Manufacturing and Industrial Technology (Careers related to technologies necessary to design, develop, install, or maintain physical systems.

Examples: electrician, mechanic, machinist, engineer, construction laborer, printer, surveyor, architect, computer hardware designer)

(4) Health Sciences (Careers in health sciences are for people who are interested in promoting good health, treating injuries, health conditions, or controlling diseases.

Examples: nurse, doctor, physical therapist, x-ray technician, dental/medical assistant, pharmacist, mortician, surgical technician, medical biotechnologist, audiologist, respiratory therapist)

(5) Human Services (Careers in human services focus on helping people learn, protect themselves and others, solve problems, and attend to their personal and consumer needs.

Examples: teacher, police officer, social worker, food service worker, librarian, waiter/waitress, lawyer, probation officer, counselor, truck driver, religious worker, exercise instructor, geriatric aide, cosmetologist, barber)

(6) Natural Resources and Agriscience (Careers in natural resources and agriscience are for people who are interested in the environment, how things grow and develop, and in the outdoors. Examples: biologist, chemist, animal caretaker, farming, water plant operator, landscaping, meteorologist, conservation officer, groundskeeper, geologist)

It is the intent of our district to help our students become successful adults. By planning thoughtfully, students will see the value of taking a science class if they are planning on a medical career. They will appreciate that an art class can provide a solid foundation for becoming a computer graphics designer. They will understand the necessity for communication skills throughout the work force. The alignment of academic courses into career pathways helps students know which skills are needed in different Pathway areas, and answers the age-old question: "Why do I have to learn this?"

We can assist our students in knowing their own individual strengths and interests as they prepare for productive and successful futures in whatever career path they choose to follow. Talk with your children about what their Career Pathway choice is, careers they are interested in, the education and personal qualities required for those careers, classes offered at Vandercook Lake that would enhance their career goals, job shadowing opportunities in 10th grade, Career Center and internship opportunities in 11th and 12th grades, as well as post-secondary decision making. Together, we can help our Vandercook Lake students get a solid foundation in career planning.

Free Career Pathway and EDP materials will be available at the middle/high school Parent/Teacher Conferences on November 5 and 6 or you may call Patti Shafer, Career Prep Coordinator, for more information. (782-8167, ext. 143).



Elizabeth Mortimer

High School: Lumen Christi  
College: Michigan State Univ.  
Major: Art Education  
Minor: Visual Arts  
Degree: Bachelors of Fine Arts  
Assignment: M.S. Art Teacher  
Family: The youngest of four - I have 11 nieces and nephews.  
Previous Experience: Student taught at Northwest Middle School, student taught at East Jackson Elementary and long-term substitute teacher at North-

west High School.

Hobbies and Interests: Golf, Beach Volleyball, Softball, Scrapbooking.

I went into education because....I have six teachers in my immediate family. Teaching is something I've grown up around and is something that's always been important to me.

My goal/philosophy as an educator is...Students need a class where they can express their imagination and creativity. Art is a place where they can experience hands-on activities and create work they can be proud of.

I am looking forward to....growing into an experienced art teacher and expanding the middle school art program.

William Beadenkopf (Bill)

High School: Edwardsburg High School  
College: Spring Arbor University  
Major: English  
Minor: Exercise & Sport Science

Degree: Secondary Education

Assignment: Alternative Education

Family: Wife, Sarah, and foster daughter, Porchia.

Previous Experience: Student taught at Michigan Center.

Hobbies and Interests: I enjoy sports of any kind. I also enjoy hanging out with my family and friends and church activities.

I went into education because....I want to make a positive influence in the lives of the kids I meet.

My goal/philosophy as an educator is: To help my students succeed not only in the classroom, but in life as well. I want them to not only be functional parts of society, but productive ones.

I am looking forward to....Seeing the look on my students faces when they walk across the stage and get their diploma.

## Welcome new staff members

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### SENIOR ATHLETES 2002-2003

Brent Watkins and Lindsay Adamczyk earned top honors in their class as outstanding athletes. This is based on participation, achievement, and academics. Congratulations to these deserving students!

Brent Watkins is the male athlete of the 2002-03 school year. Brent has participated in three sports for four years. He was captain of the football and baseball teams. He also was selected All Conference in baseball for three straight years. Brent has always been a strong leader and a role model for members on his teams. Brent will be attending Spring Arbor University on a baseball scholarship.



Lindsay Adamczyk is the female athlete of the 2002-03 school year. She has had an outstanding career in sports at Vandercook Lake. She played three sports for four years being selected captain and All Conference in several sports. Her career highlight was being selected All State in softball. Lindsay is a hard-working, natural leader on the field or court.



## 2003-2004 CALENDAR

November	5	Parent Teacher Conferences - Elementary (evening)
	5	Parent Teacher Conferences - MS/HS 6-8 pm
	6	Parent Teacher Conferences - Elementary (afternoon)
	6	Parent Teacher Conferences MS/HS; 1-4; 6-8 pm; 1/2 Day School for students
	7	1/2 day for students
	10	Regular School Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
	14	Townsend School Fall Festival 5:30-8:00 pm
	22	Apple Pie Sale
	27-28	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December	5-6-7	5th-6th Grade Girls' Basketball Tournament
	8	Regular School Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
	18	Holiday Concert Middle/High School Band/Choir at JCC
	22-Jan 4	Winter Break
2004 January	5	School Resumes
	12	Board Meeting - HS Library - 6:00 pm
	13-14-15	Exams
	16	Teachers Record Day - No school for students
	19	No school for students
February	6-7-8	5th and 6th Grade Boys Basketball Tournament
	9	Board Meeting - HS Library - 6:00 p.m.
	12	H.S and Elementary - Begin winter break - 1/2 Day School
	13-16	No school - Winter Break
March	3	Parent-Teacher Conferences MS/HS 6-8 pm;
	4	Parent Teacher Conferences - Elementary (Evening)
	4	Parent Teacher Conferences MS/HS 1-4; 6-8 pm; Elem. Conf. (Evening); 1/2 Day of School
	5	1/2 Day of School
	8	Board Meeting - HS Library - 6:00 p.m.
	11	Blood Drive 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
	20-21	Middle School Choir
April	5-9	Spring Break
	12	Board Meeting - HS Library - 6:00 pm.
	15	School Exhibition Grades 6-12; 7-9 pm
May	1	Prom
	10	5th Grade Orientation 8-9:30 am
	10	Board Meeting - HS Library - 6:00 pm.
	11	5th Grade Orientation 6:15 pm
	13	Spring High School/Middle School Band/Choir Concert
	19	Senior Dessert/Awards Night 6:30 pm - H.S. Awards 7:30 pm
	23	Baccalaureate
	24	Graduation - Potter Center 8:00 pm
	26	6th and 7th Grade Awards 1:30 pm; 8th Grade Awards 6:30 pm
	28	1/2 Day of School
31	Memorial Day - No School	
June	2	1/2 day of school - Exams
	3	1/2 day of School - Exams
	4	No School - Teacher Record Day
	14	Board Meeting - HS Library - 6:00 pm

### APPLE PIE SALE

Beginning Wednesday, October 29, orders will be taken from any Vandercook Lake middle-senior high school student for apple pies. The pies will cost \$6.00 each and weigh three pounds. Pies may be picked up on Saturday November 22, between 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the high school gym. Any special orders call: Chuck Miller at 782-8167.



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