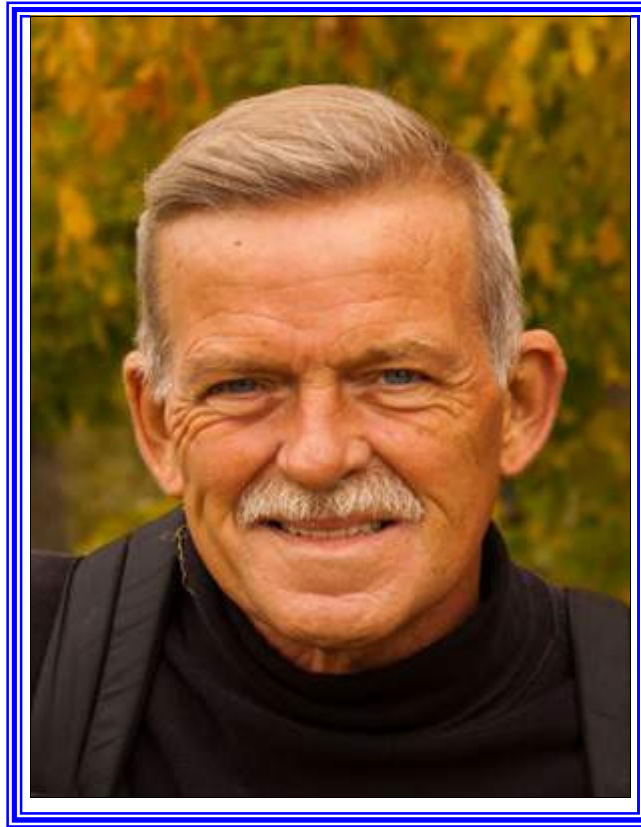


Every adult helping every child learn and grow every day.

The Valley View

Licking Valley Local Schools

David Hile, Superintendent



In Memory of Gary M. Barr 1951 - 2012

Licking Valley School Board President and 11 year Board member.

Gary also served the Licking Valley community as an 11 year member of the Licking Valley Athletic Boosters, serving 9 years as President.

You Made a Difference

Thirteen teachers were honored for their dedication to their students Wednesday, March 8th at the 13th Annual You Made a Difference Awards Ceremony at the Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County.

Sponsored by Coughlin Automotive Group, the event honored one teacher from every Licking County school district, plus Newark Catholic and the Licking County Educational Service Center. Students in each district wrote letters nominating their teachers for the award, said Joe Ryan, a general manager at Coughlin.

Superintendents look over the submissions and select the winning teachers.

"These teachers are the best of the best," Ryan said. "They are the difference makers."

Each teacher was called up to the stage with the student who nominated them. After the students read their letter, each teacher was given a golden apple trophy and \$500.

Erin Fee, 4th grade teacher was Licking Valley's award recipient. She was nominated by student Logan Nethers.

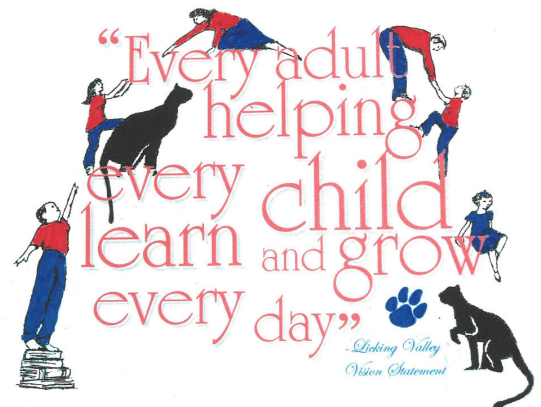


Student Logan Nethers with Teacher Erin Fee



LV 5th Grade Band

This year's Fifth Grade Band is continuing the tradition of fifth graders at Licking Valley who are learning to play a wind or percussion instrument. Instrumentation is as follows: Flutes 11, Clarinets 14, Alto Saxophones 8, Trumpets 15, Trombones 11, and Percussion 6. Instrumental Music was added 5 years ago back at the elementary level and is going strong. Students start lessons during the school day at the beginning of their fifth grade year. They will be performing on May 3 in the All-District Band Concert at the Licking Valley HS Auditorium under the direction of Mrs. Janine Bock.



Class taught by Licking Valley principal, superintendent recognized

Written by L.B. Whyde
Advocate Reporter

At a recent ceremony in Columbus, Licking Valley Schools Superintendent Dave Hile and Principal Wes Weaver received an award for a globalization class the duo taught last year.

The Columbus Council of World Affairs found out about the globalization class after a story ran in The Advocate.



The council sent a representative to the school, and later they were asked to fill out an application for the International Education Project of the Year. The school district received \$500 which will be used to buy a new video camera to use in the classroom.

The idea for the class on globalization came to Hile after he read the book, "The World is Flat." Globalization is the inter-connectiveness of people around the globe, in all facets of life -- economically, politically, culturally and socially. "Flatteners" are considered to include the Internet, Microsoft and fiber optic cables.

Hile enlisted the help of Weaver, and together they taught the class every day during spring semester for 42 minutes, which is unique in itself.

"We want the students to understand that the world has truly become a global community, why it happened, how it happened and what it means for their futures," Hile said.

The instructional philosophy of the class was different and required that the students find the answers to the questions. The class piloted the one-on-one laptop program that all high school students will be part of next year. The class is an elective and open to all students.

"The class was so much better than I dreamed it would be," Weaver said.

In addition to Hile and Weaver, speakers were brought in to help the students learn presentation skills. These speakers included: Marcia Downes, managing director of The Works, Rick Platt, president and CEO of the Heath-Newark-Licking County Port Authority and longtime educator Bill Weaver.

"We also want the student to acquire 21st century skills on how to use the Internet," Hile added.

"Students know how to text and find YouTube videos but with an academic questions, they don't know where to go."

Getting back into the classroom proved to be beneficial for both men and Weaver says it should be required of all administrators.

"Part of the principal job is instructional leader, and you can be a better instructional leader if you are in the classroom," Weaver added. "We both got into this to be teachers."



COLUMBUS COUNCIL ON WORLD AFFAIRS

"Since 1975, the Columbus Council on World Affairs has been dedicated to educating the central Ohio community that international developments do indeed have local impact, and vice versa. As Columbus becomes an increasingly international city, Council programs — K-12, Public Programs, Great Decisions, and more — provide citizens with opportunities to analyze today's global challenges. We seek to recognize local educators, volunteers and professionals who also give their time to be resource outlets to realize the importance of embracing global awareness.

The Columbus Council on World Affairs is one of 93 World Affairs Councils across the United States. Founded over 30 years ago by 12 forward-thinking community leaders, the Council was created and established as a non-profit, non-partisan organization. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in world affairs and includes students, teachers, civic leaders, academicians, senior citizens, and business executives.

CRITERIA

Nominee project must have been conducted in a public, private, parochial, charter, charter non-public, community or home school (K-12) **OR** a community organization serving that same age group. The facilitating educator/team of educators may be principals, classroom teachers, librarians, curriculum coordinators, technology/resource specialists, guidance counselors, extracurricular advisors, independent consultants, or related professionals.

The project must have occurred in a Central Ohio setting serving the K-12 age group.

Each nominee project must demonstrate efforts to facilitate one or more of the following outcomes:

- a. Global Context:** Students see and experience relationships among themselves, their communities and the world. Issues are not seen as existing in a vacuum, but within a complex, dynamic web.
- b. Global Content:** Students learn about the geography, history, economics and culture of other world regions. They can communicate in more than one language. Standards are internationally benchmarked, and assessments are aligned.
- c. Global Thinkers:** Students think critically and creatively across disciplines, manage complexity, embrace technology and value diversity. They can work effectively in cross-cultural environments, using information from sources around the world.
- d. Global Systems:** Ohio's education system is benchmarked against the highest performing systems in the world. Ohio educators are connected to communities of practice that extend around the globe and that bring innovative ideas and practices to our schools.

THE AWARD

- o Recognition at the Columbus Council on World Affairs' International Awards Ceremony, which draws over 500 community and business leaders;
- o A table of 10 (valued at \$1000) at the ceremony to be filled with 9 individuals of honoree's choice;
- o Local media publicity, inclusion in the Council newsletter and website.
- o Commemorative gifts (award statuette, professional photographs of the event, etc.);
- o A \$500 cash award to be used to enhance the awardee's global education efforts;
- o Lifetime CCWA Membership.

Why your child's school bus has no seat belts

Modern fleets aim to 'compartmentalize' pupils into a protective bubble.



By **M. Alex Johnson**, Reporter msnbc.com

Ashley Brown, 16, and Alicia Bonura, 18, both of Beaumont, Texas, died March 29, 2006. They were on a bus carrying their West Brook High School soccer team when it overturned near Devers, Texas, on its way to a playoff game in Humble.

Steve Forman's daughter Allison was among 21 other team members who were injured. "Once she regained enough consciousness, to have to tell her that her two friends were dead, I think that's the hardest thing I've ever had to do in my life," Forman said.

Allison, who was 17 at the time, was ejected through the window, and she underwent four operations to reconstruct her arm, which was pinned beneath the bus for an hour.

Steve Forman and Brad Brown, Ashley's father, are convinced that things would have been very different if only the bus had been equipped with seat belts.

On Sept. 1, more than four years after the West Brook bus crash, a Texas law went into effect requiring some school buses to have seat belts. But "Ashley's and Alicia's Law" — the result of lobbying by Brown, Forman and other Texas parents — is now in limbo because of a Texas Education Agency contention that it isn't really mandatory because the Legislature cut the money to pay for it by two-thirds.

Kids in Texas aren't the exception. Most school buses in the United States don't have seat belts or similar restraints to protect children in an accident. Federal law requires them in buses under 10,000 pounds, but that's only a small proportion of the school buses in use — picture those tiny 6- to 12-seater buses you sometimes see, which are usually fully equipped for transporting disabled and other special-needs pupils. They're treated like cars, light trucks and passenger vehicles because of their similar low weight and center of gravity.

But larger buses — like the standard long yellow school bus that makes up about 80 percent of the nation's fleet and the school-chartered coach carrying the West Brook soccer team — weigh in much heavier, and their passengers sit much higher, making them safer in collisions. For those, federal education and transportation agencies leave the decision up to the states. And so far, only six require seat belts to be installed. (*See box below. This paragraph was updated to reflect that school-chartered coaches fall under the same rules.*)

If cars have seat belts, why aren't they generally required in school buses? Because modern school buses are already remarkably safe, and because seat belts don't work the same way in buses as they do cars, research shows.

Numerous federal and academic studies have concluded that school buses are the safest form of ground transportation of all, in fact. The National Safety Council says they're about 40 times safer than the family car.

School bus seat-belt laws

- U.S.: The federal government requires seat belts in buses weighing less than 10,000 pounds but not in larger buses. States have the discretion to use them or no on larger buses, which is most of them. If they do use belts or other restraint systems, they must meet federal standards.
[Federal Regulation: 49 CFR 571.222 \(PDF\)](#)
 - California: California requires three-point seat belts on newer buses and requires passengers to use them.
[California Department of Transportation](#)
- Florida: Florida requires seat belts or another restraint system that meets federal standards on newer buses and requires passengers to use them.
[Florida Code](#)
 - Louisiana: Since 2004, Louisiana has required that every bus "shall be equipped with occupant restraint systems."
[Louisiana Statute](#)
 - New Jersey: New Jersey requires school buses to have "seat belts of the lap belt type for each seating position on the bus or other child restraint systems that are in conformity with applicable federal standards."
[New Jersey Statute](#)
 - New York: New York requires school buses to have seat belts and increased seat back padding.
[New York Statute](#)
 - Texas: Beginning Sept. 1, Texas requires each new bus to have three-point seat belts, contingent on the Legislature's appropriating money to pay for them. State budget cuts have left that funding in limbo, and the state school board has interpreted the regulation to be voluntary as a result.

Source: msnbc.com research

About 440,000 public school buses carry 24 million children more than 4.3 billion miles a year, but only about six children die each year in bus accidents, according to annual statistics compiled by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. About 800 children, by contrast, die every year walking, biking or being driven to school in cars or other passenger vehicles, said Ron Medford, the agency's deputy director.

That's because designers of modern school buses don't trust squirmy children to use seat belts properly. Instead, they use a passive system called compartmentalization. Bus seats aren't packed so closely together just to maximize capacity (although that's one reason); they're spaced tightly and covered with 4-inch-thick foam to form a protective bubble. In a crash, "the child will go against the seat, and that will absorb most of the impact," said John Hamilton, transportation director for the Jackson County, Fla., school board. "Plus, it's a safety device so that they won't be projecting through the air."

Cost and risks of seat belts

School and transportation officials cite two other main reasons for declining to install seat belts:

- **Cost.** Separate studies by the NHTSA and [the University of Alabama \(.pdf\)](#) concluded that installing seat belts would add anywhere from \$8,000 to \$15,000 to the cost of a new bus while having little to no impact on safety.

Seat belts would also take up room that's now used for seats, meaning "fewer children can be accommodated on each row," according to the Alabama study. That could require school systems to increase their bus fleets by as much as 15 percent just to transport the same number of pupils, it suggested.

"The cost of installing seat belts on every bus at once is prohibitive," said the authors of the Alabama study, the October release of which was highly anticipated by school officials nationwide because it is among the first large-scale analyses of the subject.

Seat belts would have to be phased in over a decade at a minimum cost of \$117 million per state. That cost could be prohibitive, "especially when the nation is dealing with an economic downturn," the study said.

- **Safety.** Numerous safety agencies say seat belts aren't the best choice for children, which is why nearly all states require container-like full car seats for younger kids in passenger cars.

"Lap/shoulder belts can be misused and NHTSA's testing showed that serious neck injury and perhaps abdominal injury could result when lap/shoulder belts are misused," [the NHTSA warned](#) in its study, adding that "increased capital costs, reduced seating capacities, and other unintended consequences associated with lap/shoulder belts could result in more children seeking alternative means of traveling to and from school."

"Even the smallest reduction in the number of bus riders could result in more children being killed or injured when using alternative forms of transportation," it said.

Moreover, passengers have to remain seated and locked in for seat belts to work, but as any parent can tell you, children and adolescents don't sit still.

[In a report this year \(.pdf\)](#), the Texas Transportation Institute of Texas A&M University told the Legislature, which was considering funding for the state's new seat-belt law, that asking bus drivers to monitor compliance was unrealistic.

"The highest priority has to be a focus on the driving task," said the institute. It said that seat belts could offer some safety benefits, but only "under a limited range of conditions," and counseled that they "should not be considered an all-purpose preventative measure."

The Alabama study drew a similar conclusion, reporting that "enforcement by the driver is almost impossible" and quoting drivers' concerns that they could be held legally liable if a child was injured while not using his or her seat belt properly.

'Costs far exceed benefits'

Taking all those factors into account, many transportation safety experts conclude that seat belts aren't worth it.

"Costs far exceed benefits, and school bus seat belts appear to be less cost-effective than other types of safety treatments," the Alabama study declared. The NHTSA said its research, going back to 1987, suggests that the benefits are "insufficient to justify a federal requirement for mandatory installation of such belts" in larger buses. "Most school bus passenger fatalities are because the passenger's seating position was in direct line with the crash forces, and seat belts would not have prevented these fatalities," Medford, deputy head of the NHTSA, [told school transportation officials at a meeting in Washington in April](#) (transcript .pdf).

Some groups, like the [National Coalition for School Bus Safety](#), say the evidence is incomplete and unconvincing, and they unconvincing, arguing that skepticism over seat belts is driven by "an economically driven industry."

But most organizations dedicated to school transportation oppose mandatory seat belts, including the National Association for Pupil Transportation, the National School Transportation Association and the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services.

That doesn't persuade parents like Brad Brown. He continues to push Texas officials to fund and enforce the new state law that's named after his daughter and her friend "so no other dad has to bury a 16-year-old daughter simply because proper safety measures weren't taken."

If the West Brook bus had been equipped with seat belts on that day in 2006, "I'm certain Ashley would have survived and many of the other girls would have escaped serious injury."

"Parents expect better," he said.



MULCH SALE

The Licking Valley Athletic Department Mulch Sale has been extended. The deadline for ordering is April 13th.

Order forms are available at all Licking Valley school offices.

2 cu. ft. bag mulch: \$5.00
Choice of: Hardwood, Black, Red Pine

2 cu. ft. bag topsoil: \$5.00

The mulch will be available for pick-up or delivery on May 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Mark McCullough, Athletic Director at 763-3186.

LVHS Student Accepted to Harvard Summer Program

Natalie Hurst, a sophomore at LVHS has been accepted to the Harvard Summer Program. Students enroll in Harvard courses, studying alongside college and adult students at Harvard Summer School. They explore subjects not available at their high school and **earn college credit**. They learn from distinguished faculty and use the largest university library system in the world.

Natalie will receive assistance to attend the program through the Joyce Ivy League Foundation. The Joyce Ivy League Foundation is for females only and provides tuition for those that are accepted based on course rigor, GPA, test scores, involvement and letters of recommendation. She submitted a graded writing piece from English. Natalie will be taking 2 college courses of her choice June 23rd thru August 10th.

Congratulations Natalie!

Licking Valley Athletes Recognized

Tori Montgomery received the Ohio High School Athletic Association Soccer Sportsmanship Award, and Rickey Wilson signed his letter of intent to play football at West Liberty University in West Virginia.



Tori Montgomery, 18, has been playing soccer since she was 3. For the past two years, Montgomery was the team captain and the team's most valuable player at Licking Valley. This past season, she had 194 saves, allowed 56 goals all season and amassed a 78 percent save rate. Montgomery also was named to OHSAA third team and received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Girls varsity soccer coach Brandy Nelson described Montgomery as the most dedicated person she ever has seen who constantly goes above and beyond. She pushes herself outside of school to be the best she can be. Montgomery is looking at attending Brescia University, an independent Catholic liberal arts college in Owensboro, Ky., to play soccer and major in psychology.

Rickey Wilson, 18, plays several sports, notably football and basketball. His sophomore year of football Wilson changed from being a wide receiver to kicker. He scored more than 100 points in his last two years as kicker for Licking Valley and is hoping to get the kicking position his freshman year at West Liberty College a Division II school just outside Wheeling, W.Va.



"I like kicking a lot," Wilson said. "It is my favorite position."

**Spring Kindergarten
Music Program
"Let's Go To School!"
Tuesday, April 24, 2012
6:30 P.M.
High School Auditorium**



APRIL 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Palm Sunday	2 BB Cols. Academy V-A/JV-H SB Cols. Academy V-A/JV-H	3 BB River View V-A/JV-H SB River View V-A/JV-H	4 BB Whitehall V-H/JV-A SB Whitehall V-H/JV-A	5 BB Granville V-H/JV-A SB Granville V-H/JV-A DICK HOUSTON RELAYS	6 NO SCHOOL Good Friday	7
8 Easter	9 BB Heath V-A/JV-H SB Heath V-A/JV-H TR Granville Inv. LV Board of Education 6:00	10 LV FFA 7:00	11 BB Lakewood V-A/JV-H SB Lakewood V-A/JV-H LV Treasurer's Office Day KINDERGARTEN CLINIC	12 BB Philo V-A/JV-H KINDERGARTEN CLINIC	13 LVHS Spring Musical BB Newark Catholic V-H/JV-A SB Newark Catholic V-H/JV-A	14 ACT LVHS Spring Musical TR Heath Inv.
15	16 BB Bexley V-A/JV-H SB Bexley V-A/JV-H	17 LV Music Boosters 7:00 LV FFA Alumni, Inc. Market Day	18 C-TEC Shadow Day for Accepted Sophomore Students BB Cols. Academy V-H/JV-A	19	20 BB Whitehall V-A/JV-H SB Whitehall V-A/JV-H	21 MS Solo/Ensemble @ River View READY-FOR-KINDERGARTEN PROM @ Cherry Valley Lodge
22 Earth Day	23 BB Granville V-A/JV-H SB Granville V-A/JV-H LV Athletic Boosters Gr. 6,7,8 Ohio Achievement Assessments Reading	24 Kindergarten Music Program Spotlight on C-TEC Adult Ed for Seniors	25 BB Heath V-H/JV-A SB Heath V-H/JV-A Admn. Professionals Day Gr. 6,7,8 Ohio Achievement Assessments Math	26 TR Licking Valley Inv.	27 BB Lakewood V-H/JV-A SB Lakewood V-HJV-A Gr. 6,7,8 Ohio Achievement Assessments Science	28
29	30 BB Newark Catholic V-A/JV-H SB Newark Catholic V-A/JV-H					

MAY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 BB Coshocton V-H/JV-A	2 TR LCL Honor Roll Meet	3	4	5
6	7 AP Chemistry Test	8 LV FFA 7:00 TR MSL Meet @ Granville Teacher Recognition Day	9 AP Calculus Test School Nurse Recognition Day	10 All District Choir Concert 7:00	11 AP History Test TR MSL Ohio @ Granville "Drive Your Tractor To School Day"	12 Jr. Olympics
13 Mother's Day	14 AP Physics Test	15 AP Gov. Test LV Music Boosters LV FFA Alumni, Inc.	16	17 All District Band Concert 7:00	18 MS District Band/Choir Competition @ Big Walnut	19 MS District Band/Choir Competition @ Big Walnut
20	21 HS Music Banquet 6:00	22 MS Guitar Recital 7:00	23	24 5th Grade Recognition	25	26
27 53rd LV Graduation	28 NO SCHOOL	29	30 LAST STUDENT DAY	31 Teacher Records Day		

B and Notes

Sean M. Bradley, Director of Bands
www.teacherpage.com/lvmusic

Monday, April 16th
Dining for Dollars

The Music Boosters and City BQ are teaming up to help raise funds for music programs at Licking Valley. You must present flyer at the register. Flyers can be printed off at:
www.teacherpage.com/lvmusic

Thursday, May 3rd
All District Band Concert
7:00 P.M. LVHS Auditorium
5th, 6th, 7th, 8th grade bands and Concert Band will perform

Thursday, May 17th
Jazz Band Concert
7:00 P.M. LVHS Auditorium



Licking Valley Indoor Drumline and Indoor Winterguard

The LV Winterguard completed their season at the Ohio Indoor Performance Association State Championships on Saturday, March 17th and the Winterguard performed their show "Cowboy Casanova" on Sunday, March 18th. The Winterguard placed 4th in the flag line division for the year and the Drumline's show, entitled Blues, earned 3rd place in the "percussion regional A" class. Congratulations to both groups on a VERY successful season.

ATTENTION SENIORS AND PARENTS



With only 11 weeks before graduation many exciting things are happening!

- ◆ If you haven't already done so, be sure to order a **cap and gown**.
- ◆ All **fees** must be paid by May 1st if your student wishes to march in the graduation ceremony on **May 27, 2012** and/or receive a diploma. Please pay Lissa Bennett. If you have questions or concerns please contact her at 763-3721.
- ◆ Many **scholarships** are in the counseling office. Applications can be downloaded from http://www.edline.net/pages/Licking_Valley_High_School/4126710194700373698. Click on **Scholarships** located on the right side of the page.
- ◆ **Service Learning** is due May 1st. If your student hasn't already completed the required 30 hours, spring break is a great time to do so! All paperwork is also on our website.
- ◆ If you have any questions about graduation requirements please do not hesitate to contact the high school guidance department:
- ◆ Courtney Lichtenauer (students with last names A-K) lichtenaerc@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us 763-3407
- ◆ Shona Garver (students with last names L-Z) garvers@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us 763-2158

IS YOUR CHILD WORTH AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME?

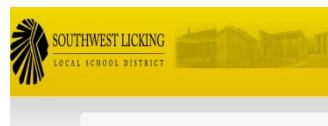


“Power of Parents---It’s Your Influence” **madd**

THURSDAY APRIL 6th, 2012 at LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL 7pm-8pm
100 Hainsview Drive Northeast, Newark, Ohio 43055

TUESDAY APRIL 11th, 2012 at WATKINS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL 7pm-8pm
927 A-South Street, Pataskala, Ohio 43002

Presented by:



Community Workshop is open to parents of the Licking Valley & Watkins Memorial School Districts (High School & Junior High).

Parents & Caregivers will receive a **free** handbook to equip them with a communication tool that they can use to talk with their teen about alcohol. Workshop will contain information on best use of this booklet.



Guest Speaker includes:
Randall Young, Program Director Ohio MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving)

3rd Annual



AWARDS

Medals awarded to top three overall male & female
 Medals awarded to top overall Master's male & female (40yr +)
 Medals awarded to top three each age group male & female

AGE GROUPS:
 17 and under, 18-27, 28-37, 38-47, 48-57, 58+

For More Information:

Licking Valley High School: 740-763-3721
 Denise Edmunds, National Honor Society Advisor, Email questions to:
edmundsd@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us
 Facebook: Licking Valley Panther 5K
 Website: lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

WHEN: Saturday April 28, 2012
WHERE: Licking Valley High School
START TIME: 9:00am
ENTRY FEE: \$20 5K-run /\$15 1-mile fun walk
 \$15 5K-Run Age 17 and under
DEADLINE: April 20, 2012
Same Day Registration: \$25

Race Day Registration: 8:00am – 8:50am
 T-shirts given to all pre-registered participants

Directions:

From EAST; take OH-16 west to Brownsville Rd/668. Turn right at the light. Turn right, go over railroad tracks. At top of the hill, turn left at Middle School for parking.

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□ Please Print & Mail Form To: LVHS NHS, Attention: Denise Edmunds 100 Hainsview Dr. NE, Newark, Ohio 43055
 □ Make Checks Payable To: LVHS NHS

□ **FIRST NAME** _____ **LAST NAME** _____

□ **STREET ADDRESS** _____ **AGE** _____ **SEX(M or F)** _____

□ _____

□ **CITY** _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

□ Email Address _____

□ **PHONE NUMBER** _____ **T-SHIRT SIZE(S, M, L, XL, XXL)** _____

□ WAIVER: IN CONSIDERATION OF YOUR ACCEPTING THIS ENTRY, I HEREBY, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS,
 AND ADMINISTRATORS, WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS AND CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES I MAY HAVE
 AGAINST THE VILLAGE OF HANOVER AND ALL OTHER ORGANIZERS OR SPONSORS AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES,
 SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS FOR ALL INJURIES SUFFERED BY ME IN SUCH EVENT. I ATTEST AND VERIFY THAT I AM
 PHYSICALLY TRAINED FOR THIS 5K RACE AND MY CONDITION HAS BEEN VERIFIED BY A MEDICAL DOCTOR.

□ **SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT (parent or guardian if under 18):** _____ **DATE:** _____

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By attending class you will receive:

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- **FREE TOYS** to make learning fun!
- **FREE TRAINING** on how children learn and grow!
- **FREE CHILDCARE** for children 12 months or older while you attend classes
(Parents with Children under 12 months are allowed to bring their child to class.)

◆ **Eligibility:** Your child must live in the Licking Valley School District, and not be old enough to enroll in public kindergarten.

Babies and toddlers are born learning.

Getting ready for kindergarten starts at birth!

Spring Class Date & Time:

Sat., April 21, 2012

****10:00-11:30**

****If you are attending READY! for the first time you must attend an Orientation Class.**

**9:30-10:00 Orientation Class for New Parents
(Materials will be distributed)**

10:00-11:30 READY! Classes for all parents

Classes will be held at: LV Primary Elementary School, 1510 Licking Valley Rd. NE, Newark

If you have any questions, email us at:

ready4k@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

Register for classes by calling

763-3525

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Read together 20 minutes every day.

The Children's Reading Foundation of Licking County



**Licking Valley School
District Families getting
READY! for Kindergarten
together!**

LV Athletic Training Program Fundraiser

Megan Scott, Advisor

Show pride in your student's activities. The Licking Valley Athletic Training Program will be selling Pride Signs through the remainder of the school year for \$25. It is a 12" x 24" PVC sign to be placed in your front yard to show support for your student. You can have any number of activities on the sign, including sports, band, choir, National Honor Society, etc. Forms are available in the High School office or you may return the enclosed form to Megan Scott at the High School. Please make checks payable to Licking Valley Athletic Department. The sale ends June 1, 2012.

****Please see order form on page 14**

LVHS Spring Musical

April 13th & 14th

Anything Goes is a musical with music and lyrics by Cole Porter. The musical introduced such songs as "[Anything Goes](#)", "[You're the Top](#)", and "[I Get a Kick Out of You](#)."

Since its 1934 debut at the Neil Simon Theatre (at the time known as the Alvin) on Broadway, the musical has been revived several times in the United States and Britain and has been filmed twice. The musical has long been a popular choice for school and community productions.



Tickets are on sale now!

Tickets are \$6

Children 5 and under free

Tickets are available by calling 763-2275.

Pride Sign Order Form

Student's Name: _____






Address: _____

Phone: _____ *Grad. Year* _____

Activities Involved in: _____

12" x 24" PVC Sign: \$25.00

Please make checks payable to Licking Valley Athletic Department

	<i>Home of a</i>	
<i>Licking Valley Panther</i>		
<i>Students Name</i>		
2014		
		

Support your student while supporting the school at the same time. All proceeds go to the Licking Valley Athletic Training Student Aide Program to provide camp opportunities, as well as scholarships.

Thank you for your order and support.

New System For Online Lunch And School Fee Payments Coming May 1st

We are happy to announce a new online system that will allow you to use your credit and/or debit card to pay your lunch and school fees using an easy-to-use web interface! The new system is called EZPay, and will be available for parents beginning on May 1st. Because this new system provides you with the ability to pay lunch and school fees at the same time we will be discontinuing the use of the MyNutrikids web interface for lunch payments. We can not accept credit card payments at our school buildings. You can still pay your lunch and school fees by cash or check.

LVHS PROM APRIL 21st



Cherry Valley Lodge
\$25.00 per person
Includes dinner at 7:00 P.M.
Dance from 8:00 - 11:00 P.M.

After Prom at Coco Key
Water Resort Tickets \$10.00

View the EZpay Demo

Students	Fees	Lunch	Ala Carte
Amanda Williams	0.00	-0.25	3.00
Whitney Williams	0.00	-0.15	3.00
Steven Williams	0.00	6.00	3.00
Total	\$9.00		

More information on the EZPay system will be available during the first week of April. Watch for more details in newsletters and on the district web site, www.edline.net/pages/licking_valley_local_sd.



8th Grade Gettysburg Trip

If you have not made your final payment for the eighth grade trip please try to get those in to Mr. Hageman. The rooming sign-up sheets have been passed out and students were required to turn them in by 3/21/12. There will be a meeting for the trip sometime near the end of April at the middle school. If you are a chaperone going on the trip and have not been fingerprinted yet, please contact the district office at 763-3525 to make an appointment. Any questions please email or call Mr. Hageman. hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us or 740-763-3396



INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL GROUP
embarks on their trip May 22, 2012.

Group members:

Abbey Bretz	Brooke Bennett
Josh Ellis	Morgan Hill
Mariss Klein	Stephanie Lollo
Drake McArtor	Katelynn Melrose
Tamara Melrose	Mara Miltimore
Alexis Mitchell	Madison O'Hara
Kailey Rutherford	Kerry Shannon
Lavonna Spaulding	Kaylee Strohacker
Paige Weakley	

Staff and Chaperones: Beth Adkins, Denise Edmunds, Wes Miller, Shane Adkins, Jacqueline Bretz, Teresa Klein, Sherri Mitchell, Laurie O'Hara, Melissa Parker, Carolyn Spaulding, Julia Strohacker

Cultural Connections would like to invite you to join us for "An Evening in Europe" as Mrs. Adkins and her group of travelers regale us with the details of their trip to London and Paris: **LVHS Media Center on Tuesday, Apr. 17th at 6:00 p.m.** The community is welcome and there is no cost for this presentation. Come hear about this great FIRST for Licking Valley: this is the first school-sponsored trip to Europe! Much work went into preparing for this trip and it is hoped that this will be the foundation for a new LV tradition. Come support our travelers: your presence is officially requested!

Licking Valley Elementary Intermediate News

- ⇒ **LV Elementary Intermediate students raised \$1,354.29 for the Operation Feed campaign held March 5th through March 9th.**
- ⇒ **There will be a 5th grade parent meeting for the Washington D.C. trip on April 12th at 7:00 p.m.**
- ⇒ **The third nine weeks Renaissance rallies will be held on Friday, April 13th**
- ⇒ **The OAA tests will be given on the following dates:**
 - 3rd Grade - April 24, 25**
 - 4th Grade - April 24, 26**
 - 5th Grade - April 25, 27, and May 1**



Attendance on these days is very important, so please try to avoid scheduling appointments and out-of-town trips during testing dates.