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Calamity Days, e-Days, What's the Difference?

The phrase "Fort Recovery Local Schools are closed for today" is usually music to kids' ears. Those are words we've yet to hear this year school year as we have experienced very mild weather. Winter is upon us and that means it is inevitable that hazardous weather is sure to follow. School Delays and Cancellations can be heard on: WCSM 96.7 Celina, WKKI 94.3 Celina, WPGW 100.9 Portland, WIMT T-102 Lima, Channel 7 Dayton, Channel 35 Lima.

There are multiple ways for you to be "in the know" when we experience delays or cancellations. Fort Recovery Schools currently has three methods for notifying parents, staff and community members of this type of information:

One Call Now – an automated phone system that will call subscribed users and deliver a recorded message with necessary information.

Delays/Cancellation Calendar – This calendar displays the most current information on school delays, but also provides an option for users to sign up from email notices when it is updated.

Ohio Alerts – This new online service allows district members to subscribe to our Alerts system which sends information via text or email messages.

Information for subscribing or registering for any or all of these services can be found on the district website: fortrecoveryschools.org on the left hand side under Weather. Click the link to Delays/Cancellation. This link also contains delay schedules for all three buildings as well as Tri-Star and preschool programs.

Calamity days are simply days missed due to inclement weather and it is allowable for all schools districts in Ohio to use up to five calamity days. New to Fort Recovery Schools this year is the addition of three e-days. In the event we use all five calamity days, students and staff will participate in e-days. These days are designed for blended learning. Blended learning refers to a mixing of different learning environments. It combines traditional face-to-face classroom methods with technology/computer activities. This is the first year that Ohio school districts are permitted to participate in e-days and we are very excited about this opportunity.

Once an e-day is called, students can access their daily assignments on-line. These assignments are already available for anyone to view on the district website. I encourage you to check them out! Teachers have prepared the lessons in advance as the law requires that all lessons be developed before the end of the first semester. Since the lessons are web-based, teachers can change these lessons at anytime. So, if we have used our last calamity day and we know weather is bad and will soon be using the first e-day;

teachers can go online to alter the e-day lesson to align with what is currently being taught in class.

Another interesting option is what is called a "blizzard bag". This allows for teachers to send home the e-day lessons so that students do not have to go on-line. Teachers in the primary grades (Pk-2) are prepared to send "blizzard bags" home with their students. All students will have two weeks to complete e-day assignments and teachers will be available to support students on e-days.



Shelly Vaughn, Superintendent

Athletic Booster Meetings

In November the Fort Recovery community passed a levy to renovate the current high school. Because the renovation project includes the destruction of the 1935 section of the high school, where the current training room is located, the Fort Recovery Athletic Boosters have committed to partner with the School to build a new Athletic Training Complex for our student athletes. The Booster Club is currently working with the school and architects to come up with a design and location for this building to benefit all of our athletic teams and meet the needs of the school.

The Boosters are developing several committees to help in the planning, finance/fundraising and construction of this facility, and would welcome anyone who would like to be a part of this exciting project. If you are interested, please contact one of the booster officers listed below. Booster meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month in the Vo-Ag room at 7:00pm. We hope to see you there.

Greg Schmitz, President

Ken Schoen, Vice President

Kindergarten Informational Meeting

Parents of the 2012-2013 Fort Recovery Kindergarten students are invited to the informational sessions which will be held in the Fort Recovery Elementary/Middle School Auditoria on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m. At that time, parents may register their children for the screening which will take place on March 5 and March 6. Parents of children who have not attended F.R. Preschool should bring in the child's social security card, birth certificate, and immunization record.

Pushing Through the Winter

How about this Ohio winter weather? As you know the district has three extra calamity days on top of its five granted by the state because Fort Recovery chose to participate in the E-Days program. If you remember this allows students to do assignments on line or complete up to a week after we return to school. However, with the weather to date we may not need them! This time of year is quite hectic for the high school counselor as students are preparing their schedules for next year. This process should be done by the end of the month. If you have questions or concerns about the process please do not hesitate to call or email myself or Amy Kaiser (HS counselor).

Winter sports are progressing quite nicely here in Indian Nation. The boy's and girl's basketball teams find themselves on top spot in the MAC standings. Both teams have been quite successful outside of league play as well. The Fort Recovery varsity swim team continues to improve in their second year of varsity sport status with greater numbers and better results. Congratulations are in order for Fort Recovery's newest athletic Hall of Fame members Bob Leverette and Rick Heitkamp.

On Monday, February 27th I will have the good fortune to meet with the students in the Class of 2016 to discuss high school scheduling and answer any questions at HS Information Night (6:30PM HS Commons). It may be just easier to call them next year's freshmen students, which might make me feel just a little bit younger. The bottom line is this class will be a terrific addition to the Fort Recovery HS Family. As always, please feel free to contact me or email if you have any questions or concerns.



Jeff Hobbs, HS Principal

High School Honors Band and Choir Performance

On Sunday, January 15, 2012, five High School band and choir students participated in the annual OMEA District III Honors band and choir at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert, Ohio. Students are selected through an auditioned process and practice with other students from schools within our OMEA district from Fort Recovery to Findlay. Students selected for the honors band included-Ryan Gaerke, trumpet; Brian Bauer, trumpet and Gage Retz, baritone saxophone. Students selected for honors choir were-Alison Koch, soprano and Nathan Fullenkamp, bass. The band was under the direction of Dr. Stephen Gage, director of bands at Youngstown State University and the choir was under the direction of Dr. Robert Sinclair, director of choral activities at Vander Cook College of Music. Congratulations to Alison, Ryan, Brian, Gage and Nathan for this wonderful opportunity and for representing Fort Recovery at this honored event.



More Guidance News!

College Goal Sunday is February 12, 2012 at 2 p.m.-- Wright State Lake Campus. Get help filing your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) online. Pre-register at <http://www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org>

Post Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO) Meeting For HS students interested in taking college classes next year
Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. (HS Commons)
IT IS MANDATORY FOR ONE PARENT TO ATTEND THIS MEETING WITH THEIR STUDENT IF THEY INTEND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

Call for Local Scholarships

Organizations, families, or individuals wishing to award a scholarship this year should contact Amy Kaiser at the high school (419-375-4111 or kaisera@fortrecoveryschools.org) **no later than March 1.**

High School Information Night: Monday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m.-- HS Commons(for current 8th grade students/parents) Learn what to expect as your 8th grader transitions to the High School: - registering for classes, testing, high school practices, procedures, etc. *students and parents may tour the building

February Guidance Calendar

- February 2012-2013 Registration Process Begins
- February 8 PSEO Informational Meeting (parent/student **attendance is mandatory** for those who wish to take college classes while in HS next year)
- February 12 College Goal Sunday (get help filing your FAFSA at WSU-LC) 2:00 p.m.
- February 24 HS elective course presentation to 8th grade
- February 27 High School Information Night (8th graders/parents) 6:30 p.m.

Contact Amy Kaiser at the high school (419) 375-4111 or kaisera@fortrecoveryschools.org with any questions

Attention: High School Parents—

Have you (and your high school student) been reading the monthly guidance and scholarship newsletter each month? Copies are available in the

Challenge Accepted, Goal Met

The challenge given to the 2011-2012 yearbook staff, by advisor Mrs. Kathy Jutte, was to sell \$6,500.00 in business ads to supplement the cost of the 2012 Chant Yearbook, *Perspectives*. The ten member staff met that goal and exceeded it by over \$1,500.00. "With the businesses' support, the initial cost of the full-colored yearbook remains at \$45.00," says Mrs. Jutte. Mrs. Jutte and her staff would like to thank everyone who purchased an ad. Anyone still wanting to place an ad may call the high school at 419-375-4111, ext.824.

This year's Chant staff includes seniors – Abby Backs, Ericka Lennartz, Olivia Schwieterman, and Christen Wendel. Backs and Wendel are the editors the 2012 Chant. Junior staff members include: Lane Hull, Melissa Lochtefeld, Emily Metzger, Kaitlyn Schneider, Taylor Wendel, and Sydney Wilson. "Again this year, I have an outstanding staff. I have four returning members from last year, with six new staff members. The returning students have been very instrumental in assisting the new members and the new members have been very eager to learn. "*Perspectives 2012*" will be another outstanding book produced by the Creative Writing II Class at Fort Recovery High School," says Mrs. Jutte.

Supporting businesses include:

Full Color Page

Cooper's Farms
Fort Recovery Ambassadors Club
J & M Manufacturing
Wendel Poultry Service
Wright State University – Lake Campus

Full Black and White Page

Kaup's Pharmacy

Half Page Color

B & D Construction
Fort Flix
Fort Recovery VFW
Lange Photographics, INC
Mike Kahlig & Son, Inc.
Nature's Corner
Roessner Energy Products, Inc.
St. Henry Tile Co., Inc.
Wabash Communications

Half Page Black and White

Faller Mechanical, LLC
Fort Recovery Industries
Fort Recovery Lumber Co.
J R Manufacturing
Mercer Savings Bank
Miracle Lanes / PD & Sons
St. Henry Bank

One Fourth Page Color

Hull Brothers
Mercer Health
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Ponderosa
Ron May Plumbing
The Daily Standard
Thienman's

One Fourth Page Black and White

Brockman Furniture and Appliances
Celina Wine Store
EMS Body Parts/Rhino Lining
Fort Recovery Catholic Church Cluster
Fort Recovery Family Medicine, Inc.

Fort Recovery Insurance Agency, Inc.
Fort Recovery Napa Auto Parts
Les Wenning
Mercer Osteopathic
Metzger Oil, LLC
Rossburg Acres
Second National Bank
St. Henry Food Mart (Shell)
Vore's Welding and Steel

One Eighth Page Color

A-1 Ag Services
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Drs. Dickman, Kettler, and Bruner
Dunn Family Dentistry
Fortkamp Foam
Fort Recovery Museum/Historical Society
Mercer County Electric, INC.
Psi Iota Xi Sorority
Thien Snipps

One-Eighth Page Black and White

AHL & K
Auglaize-Mercer YMCA
B & L Construction
Bake Shoppe
Big Al's
Big K Mills
Brockman Furniture and Appliances
Brockman-Boeckman Funeral Home
Carriage Werkes
Chief Supermarkets
Dr. Michael A. Fishbaugh
Fort Recovery Classic Car Club
Fort Recovery Lions Club
Fort Recovery Monuments
Fort Recovery Veterinary Center, Inc.
Home Idea Center
Independent Capital Management
Jutte's Self Storage
K & L Tractor Sales
Kahlig Dozing and Excavating, Inc
Mark's Construction
Mary Niekamp Real Estate
Midwest Electric
Midwest Poultry Services, L.P.
Forget-Me-Not Florist/Purple Post
Ritz Theatre
Romer's Catering Service
St. Joe Store
The MR. Shoppe
Three W. Construction
Wayne Oil
Westgerdes Floor Covering

Patrons

Fort Fitness-N-More
GS Wood & Metal Coating LLCC
Klingshirm & Sons Trucking, Inc.
Mays TV
Reinhard Dairy Products, L.L.C.
Wayne IGA

Winter Walking at EMS and HS Buildings
Monday - Thursday (EMS **NOT** on Wednesdays)
3:30-8:30 pm at EMS - 3:30-11:00 pm at HS
(please use the commons doors)
November - April

Get Your Superbowl On!

Jill Post, Copy Editor

Is it the football, the commercials, or the food that brings you together for Super Bowl Sunday? Super Bowl XLVI will be held on February 5th, 2012, at the Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana with kickoff at 6:30 pm. The Lucas Oil Stadium opened in August of 2008. To accommodate for the Super Bowl, 7,000 more seats will be added to the 63,000 seats already there. This \$720 million dollar stadium includes a retractable roof and a large window at one end of the field.

Super Bowl activities are no longer limited to Sunday. Events begin taking place in the "Super Bowl Village" on Friday, January 27th, 10 days in advance! Each day has its own theme that the events coincide with. The theme for January 27th is Super Kick off; the 28th, Indy's Super Cure; the 29th, Super Families; the 30th, Super Community; the 31st, Super Sports; the 1st, Super Biz Bowl; the 2nd, Super Heroes; the 3rd, Super Fans; the 4th, America's Super Game; and finally Super Bowl Sunday on the 5th. The activities include free food, beverages, and entertainment such as singing, bands, and more.

In "Super Bowl Village" you can also see many of the famous advertisements that will be shown in between game time on Sunday. This year's line-up includes many of the same, well-known advertisers as previous years, including Anheuser-Busch InBev, Coca-Cola, and Godaddy.com. Budweiser has been the exclusive Super Bowl advertiser for the past 13 years. A 30-second time slot this year, sold on average between 3.5 and 4 million dollars, with the last spot selling just after Thanksgiving! The biggest change this year was that advertisers purchased longer time slots to display more creativity.

Another important draw to Super Bowl XLVI will be the half-time show attraction... the multi-Grammy winner Madonna! This will be the most watched musical event worldwide. The Star Spangled Banner will be sung by Kelly Clarkson this year. The pressure will certainly be on her to not botch the lyrics as Christina Aguilera did last year.

The last factor of the Super Bowl, of course, is the food. Each year over eight million pounds of guacamole are consumed along with 14,500 tons of chips and over one billion wings! Super Bowl fans will spend more than \$50 million

Weight Training and Speed Workouts

after school in the HS Weight Room

Monday Tuesday Thursday and Fridays

on food during the four days prior to the event. It is by far, the biggest winter grilling day of the year and the day when the most alcohol-related accidents occur, other than St. Patrick's Day. This year it is estimated that seven million employees will not show up to work on Monday. So remember, party responsibly!

The four teams remaining in the race for Super Bowl glory include the New England Patriots, Baltimore Ravens, New York Giants, and San Francisco 49ers. The final two teams to play in Super Bowl XLVI will not be determined until January 22nd. Who do you think will be the 2012 Super Bowl Champions?

Friday the Thirteenth

Janel Hein, Post Manager

Do you fall for the superstition of Friday the 13th? Many people feel so scared they don't even want to roll out of bed on the one creepy Friday morning, and others go out and try to prove that the whole day is just a hoax. Either way, the number thirteen is just down right unlucky!

What is the real meaning of Friday the 13th you may ask? Well, the phobia, known as "friggatriskaidekaphobia", is not too uncommon. The word comes from "Frigga," the name of the Norse goddess for whom "Friday" is named, and "triskaidekaphobia," or fear of the number thirteen..

As we begin our year in 2012, we will have to go through the dreadful unlucky day three times! January 13th, April 13th, and July 13th are all stuck on Fridays this year. Most years we just have one, but the calendar can range up to three a year.

There are all many superstitions, such as seeing the black cat or walking under a ladder, the number thirteen being unlucky. But some actually likes the number thirteen. Taylor Swift, the popular country music singer claims her lucky number "13"! She is known for writing the "13" on her hand before every one of her shows to grant her the luck she needs.

Everyone's opinions and beliefs are different about the scary day, what will yours be like this year?

Fort Recovery Band All You Can Eat Breakfast

Sunday, February 5, 2012 - 8:30am to 12:30pm

Fort Recovery American Legion

Eat In/Carry Out -Two serving Lines

\$5 per ticket - Children Under 5 Eat Free

Please see any 7th-12th Grade Band Student for Pre-Sale Tickets, or tickets available at the door.

Ft. Recovery FFA Agriculture Communication Team Competes

The Agriculture Communication team recently competed and placed forth in the district contest. The junior team members were Eric Brackman, Adam Fullenkamp, and Jessica Kaiser. The team was tested over the communication industry and their editing skills. They also prepared a presentation for a group of judges. This project concentrated on 8th grade recruitment. The Fort Recovery FFA Chapter would like to congratulate them on a job well done.



Ft. Recovery FFA Announces Top Fruit Sellers

Recently, the Ft. Recovery FFA chapter completed its annual fruit sale selling over 700 cases of fruit. Peanuts and fruit baskets were also sold. The top three overall sellers were first, Alex Stammen, second, Jessica Kaiser, and third, Jamieson Hess. The top sellers in each class were; 1st period, Emily Siegrist; 3rd period, Alex Stammen; 4th period, Taylor Guggenbiller; 5th period, Ray Siefring; 6th period, Derek Young; 7th period, Jessica Kaiser; and 8th period, Jamieson Hess. The Ft. Recovery FFA Chapter would like to thank everyone that purchased and helped out with the fundraiser.



The March

Ericka Lennartz, Shopper's Guide Editor

The March for Life is an annual pro-life rally protesting abortion. Abortion is a very controversial subject that has been repeatedly argued over for many years. Pro-Life activists argue that no matter what the stage of pregnancy or situation, abortion is morally wrong, and emphasize the right for an unborn child to live. While on the other hand, pro-choice activists argue that abortion is acceptable because they believe the embryo is not developed enough to be considered a living individual. Pro-choice supporters emphasize the rights of women to choose whether or not they wish to bring a fetus to term. The main controversy between these two groups is whether or not abortion should be legalized. January 22, 1974, was the day the first March for Life was held on the West Steps of the Capitol. The rally was held in repercussion to the 1973 legalization of abortion in the United States. On January 22, 1974, an estimated 20,000 pro-life Americans rallied on the steps. Later in 1974, the March for Life was incorporated as a non-profit organization to protect life. The date, January 22, was chosen due to the fact that this day is the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision. This year, the March for Life will be held on January 23. The march is usually held directly on the anniversary date of the Roe v. Wade decision but since this day falls on a weekend this year, a time typically when law makers are away from Washington, it has been decided to make the March for Life on a Monday. Several students from Fort Recovery plan on attending the march along with others from the Mercer County area.

Fort Recovery Community Foundation

The Fort Recovery Community Foundation is now taking requests for distributions for the year 2012. The purpose of the funds being distributed is to enhance recreational and/or cultural experiences of the Fort Recovery residents and anyone attending one of the various public or private parks or institutions in the Fort Recovery area. The request can be made for equipment, maintenance, facilities, future construction, entertainment, or performances that are projects of non-profit organizations. Requests must be submitted in writing by March 31, 2012 to be considered for funds. Please send submissions to the Fort Recovery Foundation, P. O. Box 52, Fort Recovery, OH 45846. Questions can be directed to Cathy Koesters at 419-375-4790.

Elementary News and Staffing Changes

I hope you had a wonderful holiday break and enjoyed spending time with your family and friends. Now that we are back into the swing of things, the elementary has a few important dates to remember that are coming up that I would like to share with you.

Our second Parent Advisory Council meeting will be held on Monday, January 30th at 11 am. This has been a wonderful group of people who help address any issues or concerns in the elementary/middle school building. I look forward to working with our parents through these meetings.

Next is a service project- our annual Pennies for Patients campaign. We will be doing this in connection with many other schools in Ohio. Fort Recovery Elementary has participated in the program for more than 11 years now and we have raised over \$18,000 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma research. That is quite an accomplishment! The student council will be sponsoring this project and they have some great ways to support this worthy cause. This campaign will run from February 6th-16th. Thanks in advance for your support.

The kindergarten meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21st at 7 pm. Information on kindergarten and the screening will be shared with parents that night. You will have the opportunity to sign up for the screening starting that evening. The screening will be held on March 5th and March 6th. If you cannot attend this meeting, you may call the elementary after February 21st to set up your child's screening time.

The Mercer County ESC will be conducting Preschool Screening for 3, 4, & 5 year olds on Friday April 20th. If you are interested in having your child screened please call the FRES office at 419-375-2768 between March 12th and April 13th to schedule an appointment.

The Elementary School has seen a couple of changes this winter with the retirements of two very important staff members-Mrs. Jeanette Bey and Mrs. Karen Schroer. We appreciate all of their years of dedication and service to our students and staff at Fort Recovery Elementary. We welcome some familiar faces to our elementary staff-Mrs. Pam Fullenkamp, Mrs. Sara Moorman, and Mrs. Marcia Schmitz. You can read an article in this month's FSJ on our staffing changes. Thanks again to Mrs. Bey and Mrs. Schroer and welcome new staff members-Mrs. Fullenkamp, Mrs. Moorman and Mrs. Schmitz.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at the elementary school. Have a wonderful winter season and stay warm!



Tracy Hein-Evers, Elementary Assistant Principal (PK-2)

Fort Recovery Lions Club Fish Fry

The Fort Recovery Lions Club will hold their 4th annual "Fish Fry" on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at the Ohio Progressive Sportsman Club. Serving is from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm and serving can be all-you-can-eat served in the Sportsman Club or carry-outs are available. Price is \$7.00 per meal with tickets available from any Lions Club member, by contacting Roger Broerman at 419-375-4738, or can be purchased at the door while **available**. All proceeds will benefit Lions Club projects in the Fort Recovery community.

Math and Science Club

Jordan Roberts, Club Editor

Math-Science Club is starting to heat up as the new year goes on. There are contests, field trips, and many other exciting events planned for the Math-Science Club this year. Math-Science Club is a club specifically for students, currently enrolled in a math and/or science class, who want to expand their knowledge of the subjects. The basic ideas of the club are to help students to further understand the impact of math and science in everyday life, and to encourage younger students to develop a liking and strength in math and science.

A lot takes place during the club's meetings. The members get to plan for future club events. Although they will be doing one, the club is not yet for sure what they will do for their community service project.

The club also has additional science-related activities planned. Some include the studying of stars, rocks, and compounds. Although none are official, the club does have possible field trips planned. One idea involves going to COSI (Center of Science and Industry) Museum in Columbus and participating in fun, yet educational activities.

Help Us Recycle and Earn!

We participate in a fundraising-thru-recycling program that helps earn supplies, equipment, and cash simply by collecting:

empty inkjet and laser cartridges, used cell phones, mp3 players, GPS devices, digital cameras, and laptops.

Please help by donating these items to Fort Recovery High School! Thank you!

National Honor Society and German Club

Sausage & 'Kraut Supper

Thursday, February 9, 2012

FRHS Commons

4:00-6:00 p.m.

\$6.00 Adults

\$5.00 Sr. Cit & children 12 & under

Carry-out Available

Free At Last

Kylie Kahlig, E-Mail Contact

Martin Luther King, Jr. was born and raised in rural Georgia during the 1930's. Growing up, Martin was instilled with the idea to fight against racial prejudice. He was taught by his father that racism and segregation was an affront to God's will. Martin was exceptionally bright for his age, having attended Morehouse College at the age of 15. Although raised with a strong religious background, Martin began to question religion in general and felt uncomfortable displaying his worship in overly emotional ways in which his church wanted. After taking a Bible class in college he renewed his faith and made the decision to begin a career in the ministry alongside his father.

On December 1, 1955, the Montgomery bus boycott occurred. 42-year-old Rosa Parks was determined to stand her ground and refused to forfeit her seat for a white passenger. She was arrested and jailed for violating the Montgomery City Code and fined \$10. Outraged after hearing this news, Martin Luther, along with E.D. Nixon, began organizing a city-wide bus boycott. King was selected to lead the protest. His fresh and uplifting spirit put a new energy into the civil right struggle Alabama was enduring. The bus boycott lasted 382 days and both King's and Nixon's homes were attacked. After being defeated in several lower court rulings and suffering large financial losses, the city of Montgomery lifted the law mandating segregated public transportation.

On August 28, 1963, more than 200,000 people joined King for a massive demonstration at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.. Martin delivered his most famous speech "I Have a Dream", which emphasized his belief that someday all men could be brothers. Martin's efforts were victorious, resulting in the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This forced the federal government to regulate desegregation of public places and outlaw discrimination in publicly owned facilities. It also led to King receiving the Nobel Peace Prize for 1964.

Four year later Martin was drawn to a labor strike by Memphis Tennessee's sanitation workers. He gave an eerie prophetic speech: "I've seen the promised land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight that we, as people, will get to the promised land." The next day, April 4, 1968, while standing on a balcony outside his room Martin Luther King, Jr. was shot and killed. The shooter, James Earl Ray was eventually taken into police custody after a two-month international manhunt. He was

sentenced to 99 years in jail. The news sparked riots and demonstrations across the country.

Even years after Martin's death he is still the most widely known African American leader of his era. His life and work is honored with a national holiday, schools and public buildings named after him, and a memorial on Independence Mall in Washington, D.C. He was a visionary leader who was deeply committed to achieving social justice through nonviolent means.

In his lifetime Martin received The American Liberties Medallion by the American Jewish Committee for "exceptional advancement of the principles of human liberty", and the Margaret Sanger Award for "his courageous resistance to bigotry and his lifelong dedication to the advancement of social justice and human dignity. He was also awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by Jimmy Carter. King has also been featured multiple times as "Person of the Year".

On Their Way

Mallory Kinder, Editor-in-Chief

Do you know the meaning of the word "papauma"? Chances are, one of the scholastic bowl team members could tell you! The Fort Recovery Scholastic Bowl team's season may have ended in December, but they are still going strong. The varsity team finished the MAC tournament season 8-2, while the JV went 5-5. The varsity team also finished second in the MAC only one point behind Coldwater. Members of the varsity team include: seniors Tyler Hart, Kelly Hull, Katelyn Jutte, Alison Koch, Adam Pohl, Daryl Osterloh, Brandon Stammen, David Tobe and juniors Brian Bauer, Adam Fullenkamp, Mallory Kinder, and Nick McGough. The junior varsity team consists of juniors Nathan Fullenkamp, Craig Hart, Tana Hart, Emily Link, Elizabeth Osterloh, Gabe Riegle, Adam Westgerdes, sophomores Jesse Buckley, Adam Buffenbarger, Joey Gonzalez, Isaac Keller, Elle Sutter, and freshmen Monica Fullenkamp, Melissa Knapke, and Kruse Ranly.

Now, the team is working on making their final goal, Nationals. The team participated at Nationals in Washington D.C. last year and is pushing hard to make it again. They recently participated at the Winter War Invitational at Ohio State University and in March will be competing at Wright State - Lake Campus and at a tournament in Cleveland. "Leading the way during the MAC Varsity tournament was so thrilling! To lose in the last round was heartbreaking, but knowing we came in second was a major accomplishment," says eleventh-year Coach Dilworth. The FSJ is wishing the team all the best in the rest of their season!

Swimming Into the Spotlight

Hannah Bihn, Sports Editor

Coach Perry Hull and his group of swimmers are aiming high this season. The season began in November and ends in February, and the players hope to improve their abilities in every way. Hull himself speaks of his hopes for the boys to get 2nd in the MAC, which is a big accomplishment. To encourage themselves they talk of going to state and beating the odds, even though it may take a little while. Hull's experience in the sport reflects on his team's success so far, with new swimmers getting better week by week and experienced swimmers still improving their strokes.

The team gets only 3 hours in the pool a week for practice (1 hour practices, 3 days a week), and the remaining days are spent working on their strength, an important benefactor to their speed. The team is a nice mix of new and veteran swimmers, so the experienced members on the team should help steer the new members to their potential in the sport.

The Indians may be the underdog in this event, but with perseverance of the coach and players, they really can reach anything they put their minds to. If the players really love and care about the sport, they will succeed in individual and eventually team goals, no matter how out of reach they seem to be.

Indians Tip Off to an Incredible Start

Hannah Bihn, Sports Editor

We've all been anticipating another great year from both the girls' and boys' basketball teams this winter. The varsity girls are currently battling for the top of the MAC at 10-3. The varsity boys are at a good 11-1 record, also leading the MAC standings. Their only loss came from the state-ranked team, Walnut Ridge, in the *Flying to the Hoops Contest*. The JV teams follow, with the boys' record at 7-4 and girls' with 4-7.

The Varsity girls have pretty big shoes to fill following the great tournament run of last year; but that does not falter them, and they are still confident in their abilities. The Varsity boys have had a pretty consistent winning record in the past, and some stand-out tournament runs, but they aspire to do better this year.

The Fort Site Journal is published monthly during the 2011-2012 school year. These issues are sponsored by the Fort Recovery Local Board of Education and are coordinated by the creative writing class at Fort Recovery High School.

Community clubs and organizations are encouraged to submit articles for publication. These articles may contain news for club activities or notices of upcoming events. If you have any information that you would like to have placed in the Fort Site Journal, contact the high school by the first Friday of every month.

The advisory committee for this paper includes the Fort Recovery Local School Board of Education, Superintendent - Shelly Vaughn, High School Principal - Jeff Hobbs, 3-8 Principal - Matt Triplett, Principal Prk-2 - Tracy Hein-Evers, and Advisor Kylie Huelsman. Staff:

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January Sports

Boy's Basketball

Varsity & JV (all games begin at 6:30 pm unless noted)

3	St. Henry	H
10	Marion Local	A
11	Greenville	A
17	St. John's	H
18	Miss. Valley	A
24	New Bremen	A

Freshman (all games begin at 6 pm unless noted)

6	Marion Local	H
13	St. John's	A
18, 20, & 23		Tournament

JH (all games begin at 5 pm unless noted)

2	St. Henry	H
6	Marion Local	A
11, 16, 18		Tourney

Girl's Basketball

Varsity & JV (all games begin at 6 pm unless noted)

2	St. Henry	A
4	Miss. Valley (1 pm)	H
9	Marion Local	H
14	Celina	H
16	St. John's (1 pm)	A

Freshman (all games begin at 7:30 pm unless noted)

6	Russia	H
13	St. John's	A

JH (all games begin at 5 pm unless noted)

7	Marion Local	H
9, 11, 13, & 16		Tourney

Swimming

2	Lima Senior (7:30 pm)	Lima YMCA
4	MAC Championship (5 pm)	Celina YMCA
11	Sectionals	Lima YMCA
18	Districts	BGSU

Good luck to all of the teams during tournament!

FRHS Basketball Spirit Themes

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Theme</u>
Thursday, 2/2	St. Henry (A)	Little Kid
Friday, 2/3	St. Henry (H)	Wedding
Thursday, 2/9	Marion Local (H)	Spirit Shirt
Friday, 2/10	Marion Local (A)	Animal/Camo
Friday, 2/17	St. John's (H)	Crazy Purple
Friday, 2/24	New Bremen (A)	Spirit Shirt