

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

April 5 Early Release  
April 6 & 9 Easter Break  
April 13 Mid Quarter  
April 21 Prom  
May 1 Spring Band/Choir Concert  
May 2 Early Release/  
Mustang Relays  
May 6 Baccalaureate  
May 7-10 Senior Trip  
May 13 Graduation  
May 17 End of 4th Quarter  
Early Release 11:20

### Linn County R-I Prom

Saturday, April 21  
"Born to Be Wild"

6:30 p.m.  
Banquet

8:00 p.m.  
Grand March and  
Crowning of Royalty

9:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.  
Dance

Note the change:  
The last day  
of school will be  
Thursday, May 17  
Early Release  
at 11:20 a.m.

May 4th is the last day to  
quiz for trophy reading  
and math for grades 2-12

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Coach Shelly Rex presented a check to Robin Black, Petska Cancer Fund Trustee, for over \$1600. Pictured are basketball team members and coaches: Cammie Ward, Coach Shelly Rex, Jarrett Alexander, Robin Black, Coach Damon Collins, Bryant O'Kane, and Kelsey Barker.

## Pink Out Success

The Linn County basketball teams held their first Pink Out game on February 7. Cupcakes and t-shirts were sold to raise money and donations were given at the door. The Linn County school was able to donate over \$1600 to the Petska Cancer Fund.

The Petska Cancer Fund was started in 1969 when Mr. Frank Petska, a Linn County farmer, made provisions in his will to create this fund. Since then, the fund has been used to help defray costs of transportation for Linn County residents needing treatment for cancer.

In order for this service to continue, donations are needed. This can be accomplished with gifts in memory of loved ones, in honor of special occasions, or with a direct contribution.

More information can be obtained by calling (660) 258-3344 or by writing PO Box 128, Brookfield, MO 64628.

# Senior Spotlight

*"Git 'er Done" or "They come they go"*



**Steven Jarrett Alexander**

**Describe Yourself Using 3 Adjectives:**

Self Confident, Athletic, Energetic

**Future Plans & Goals:**

Attend College at Missouri Western State University.

**What activities are you involved in?**

Track and Basketball

**Who at Linn Co. influenced you the most and why?**

Ms. Diehl, because she encourages me to read.

**What's your favorite thing about Linn Co.?**

Weight Lifting

**What is your most embarrassing moment?**

I do not get embarrassed about anything.

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**Activities:** Basketball

**Describe Yourself Using 3 Adjectives:**

Funny, Smart, Lazy

**Future Plans & Goals:**

Go to college

**Who at Linn Co influenced you the most and why?**

Mr. Englebreston, because he helped motivate me to get my work done.

**What's your favorite thing about Linn Co.?**

When I leave every day.

**What's your most embarrassing moment?**

Getting my pants pulled down in a basketball game my freshman year.

*"You can have it all, just not all at once." -Oprah Winfrey*



**Michael Everett Oldro**

*"Nothing worthwhile is ever easy."*



**Skyler Nicole Gray**

**Activities:** NHS, Student Council, Spring Play, and Yearbook

**Describe Yourself Using 3 Adjectives:**

Humorous, Outgoing, Determined

**Future Plans & Goals:**

Attend the University of Missouri to receive my bachelors of science in biology and pursue a career as an ER physician.

**Who at Linn Co. influenced you the most and why?**

Both Mrs. Hoyt and Mrs. Bolle. They always push me to work harder and do my best.

**What's your favorite thing about Linn Co?**

The laid back, comfortable atmosphere.

**What's your most embarrassing moment?**

During districts my sophomore year Coach Rex had just taken me out to get some water and as soon as I sat down she grabbed my arm and threw me to go check back in. In this process one of my feet landed on the towel we used to wipe our feet off with, causing me to do the splits in front of the entire district crowd with the ref blowing his whistle and signaling for me to hurry into the game.

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## Sumdog Contest

During the week of February 22 – 29, some of the students in grades 3-8 participated in the Sumdog's Northeast Regional RPDC Contest. This contest is online and students answered math questions while playing games. The students received points for answering questions correctly. Students from schools around the region participated in the contest. Schools competed against other schools and students competed against students from other schools, as well as their own. The RPDC gave daily prizes to students and schools with the highest score. Linn Co. was the overall winner of the contest and placed first for 6 out of the 7 days. For the daily prize, our school won a Yenka 3D shapes software (worth \$330) site license, and for the overall prize, our school won a certificate and a Yenka Mathematics software (worth \$750) site licenses. The 10 students who answered the most questions correctly overall received a certificate. During the contest, 1232 students, from 18 schools in the region, answered a grand total of 813,830 questions. 65 students from our school answered 91,130 questions correctly. 5 Linn Co. students were in the Top 10. Those students included: Alyssa Dodson, Kevin Alvarenga, Hope Singleton, Madison Livingston, and Trinady Boley. Students who achieved a score of 1,000 or more were treated to a pizza/game party. Those students included: Hope Singleton, Madison Livingston, Trinady Boley, Brendan Ratliff, Abby Herring, Nathan Palmer, Mercedes Lindsey, Steven Gillespie, Zephyr Palmer, Jenna Hoerrmann, Sebastain Gillespie, Cody Murrell, Melissa Stanphill, Alyssa Dodson, Kevin Alvarenga, Franklin Wyant, Saryssa Dodson, Kayleigh Lafaver, and Lindsey Brinkley. Congratulations to all those who participated and a job well done!

# LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: THURSDAY, MAY 17TH @ 11:20!

What a great way to start out the first few days of spring! Our baseball and track teams have been taking advantage of the nice weather. We are also just finishing up with the academic bowl season. Thank you to each of our patrons who came out and supported our athletic teams this winter. We look forward to your continued support throughout the rest of the school year. There have been several changes in schedules and activities since the start of the new year, and checking the online school calendar is the best way to stay up to date on school activities.

The Linn County R-1 final day of school will be Thursday, May 17 at 11:20. The reason for this change is due to the mild winter we had this year. We had one day built in to the school calendar for inclement weather. As of now, we haven't missed any days. The reason for putting an extra day into the school calendar is to allow for various breaks to be taken despite bad weather. However, this year this was not the case, so we will dismiss on the 17th. This has been changed on the school website as well. If we should happen to miss a day for any reason then we would have to attend on the 18th. If you have questions concerning this, please feel free to contact me at school.

## FFA Activities:

April 3 - FFA Canteen  
April 4 - District Ag Contests in Columbia  
April 11 - Officer Interviews @ 5pm  
April 12 - FFA meeting during 9th hour -  
approve slate of officers  
April 19-20 - FFA State Convention  
April 25 - Area III FFA Banquet  
April 27 - FFA Canteen  
May 1 - FFA meeting after school  
May 4 - FFA Banquet @ 7pm

## 2011-2012 Yearbooks are on sale

through April 25

**Yearbook \$27**

**w/o a namestamp**

**Yearbook with  
namestamp \$32**

Contact Mary Hoyt

[mhoyt@linnr1.k12.mo.us](mailto:mhoyt@linnr1.k12.mo.us)

## SUMMER SCHOOL APPLICATION

*Please Complete and Return to the School Office.*

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level (During 2011-2012 school year): \_\_\_\_\_

Summer School will run from May 29 - June 15.

Please Refer Questions to Ms. Ward (660) 244-5035

Comments or Suggestions:

## Track Schedule

Jr. High	4-10	Brookfield
Varsity	4-11	Atlanta
Varsity	4-12	Marceline
Jr. High	4-13	Marceline
Varsity	4-17	Marceline
Varsity/		
Jr. High	4-18	Green City
Varsity	4-20	Brookfield
Jr. High	4-23	Northwestern
Varsity/		
Jr. High	4-25	LaPlata/Conference
	4-28 rain date	
Jr. High	4-26	Marceline
Varsity	5-2	Linn Co
Varsity	5-12	Districts
Varsity	5-19	Sectionals
Varsity	TBA	State

## High School Baseball

April 2	Green City	Home
April 3	Scotland Co.	Away
April 9	Putnam Co.	Home
April 10	Southwest	Away
April 13	Milan	Home
April 16	North Shelby	Away
April 19	Milan	Away
April 24	Northwestern	Home
	Senior Night	
April 27	LaPlata	Home
May 3	Bevier	Home
May 7	Northwestern	Away

All games start at 5 p.m. unless noted

## Preschool Participates in MDA Hop A Thon March 13, 2012 -- Raised \$697.00

Preschool learned about people who have a disability called muscular dystrophy. This disease makes a child's muscles weak. The people with muscular dystrophy may wear leg braces or have a wheel chair to help them get around. However they still like to play and be friends. We talked about how we cannot catch Muscular dystrophy like a cold. People are born with Muscular dystrophy. We discussed how nobody's perfect, everyone is different, but all of us are special. We learned that are bodies are amazing. There are 650 muscles in our body and that is what helps us move. We used our large muscles by flapping our arms like birds and jumping up and down. We used small muscles to point to our nose and then wave good bye. Then we learned that everybody has different abilities. Some of us can color well, others can run fast and some of us can catch a ball. People with Muscular dystrophy have a hard time doing different activities due to their weak muscles.

We talked about how we could help people with disabilities. We could open doors for them, bring them things they need, move things out of their way, but most of all we could be their friend .People with disabilities can play and do things too. They like to be involved in things we do. We discussed that the money we raised is going to help send kids to camp with muscular dystrophy and help doctors and scientists keep working on a cure or medicines to help with muscular

dystrophy.

We then had our hop a thon. Our hop a thon was held outside in the nice sunshine. We divided into three groups and each group did a hopping activity and then rotated to the next hopping station. However, we did each activity for two minutes. The hopping activities were hopscotch, jumping through a rope ladder, and hopping from circle to circle. Each student received a sticker and a certificate for hopping and participating in our hop a thon. The students will also receive prizes for the money they raised.



## News from Ms. Ward

The school year continues to move very quickly and the weather is starting to come around. The warmer temperatures have been very nice and the baseball and track teams have been taking advantage of them. Our Mustang relays will be held on Wednesday, May 2nd this year.

With the end of school closely approaching, I would like to remind you that you can access the school calendar hyperlink from the Linn County R-1 homepage. This will allow you to look at the various activities taking place around school. The calendar is very full this time of year so check once in awhile so you don't miss out.

### Spelling Bee

The Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth grade students have been busy working on spelling bee words. Each classroom had their own competition to qualify 5 students from each class to participate in our school spelling bee.

The Linn County R-1 spelling bee took place on Thursday, March 22nd at 1:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. During the school spelling bee, five students from Fourth grade, five students from Fifth grade and five students from Sixth grade competed to move on to the county spelling bee. Two students from Fourth grade, two students from Fifth grade and two students from Sixth grade then qualified to go to the county spelling bee. Those students were Madison Livingston, Nicholle Bell, Cody Coram, Robin Moore, April Wood and Blair Buswell. Congratulations to each of them.

The county spelling bee will be held on Tuesday, May 1st at Bucklin. The spelling bee will begin at 7:00 p.m.

### Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences were held on Thursday, March 15th. I would like to thank everyone that was able to attend the conferences. I feel like we had a very good turn out. It is always important to communicate with your child's teacher. Thank you again for your attendance and support.

### Family Night

We will be hosting a Family night on Tuesday, April 10th at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the evening will be to discuss the upcoming testing for all grade levels. This meeting will encompass MAP, EOC and K-2 end of year assessments. It will also include some Title One and Preschool information along with a presentation by the Kirksville Regional Computer Crimes Unit.

The meeting will begin with supper at 5:30 p.m. We will be serving pizza and pop. While everyone is enjoying supper, an overview of the evening will be given. After supper, the students will go to the classrooms to engage in activities. The parents will be able to attend a presentation by the Kirksville Regional Computer Crimes Unit. The presentation will include information about bullying/harassment through the use of the internet and cell phones. We encourage all parents to attend. Please let us know if you will be attending so we can have an idea of how many we will be feeding.

### End of year testing

That time of year is nearing. All students will be taking end of the year tests very soon. Please pay close attention to the testing dates that are on the school calendar and that your child's teachers put in their newsletters. It is very important that the students get plenty of rest each night and eat a good breakfast each morning. It is also important for the students to be here during the testing times. We urge our students to perform to the best of their potential while taking these tests. We are also offering the ACT test this year at our school on Saturday, April 14th. The school district is requiring all seniors and freshman to take the test on this date.

### Three and Four Year Old Preschool Screening

WANTED!! We are looking for children that will be 3 years old or 4 years old by August 1, 2012. These children are eligible for our preschool program. We will be conducting screenings of those children on April 4th. Please contact Phyllis Wilson at 244-5035 to schedule an appointment time.

WANTED ALSO!! We are also looking for children that will be 5 years old by August 1, 2012 that did not attend our preschool. If you have a child that meets those qualifications, please fill out the Kindergarten enrollment form included in this ledger and send it to school as soon as possible.

The following items are required  
at the time of the screening for  
Preschool students:

Birth Certificate  
Immunization Records  
Social Security Number

\*\*\*\*Please be sure to bring those items. It is necessary for us to have them on file.

**Elementary Track and  
Field Day - May 14  
Rain date - May 16**

If your child is attending preschool currently, the screenings will be conducted while they are at school.

## Preschool Classes for 2012-2013

We are trying to get the names and addresses of prospective preschool students for the 2012-2013 school year. We will still be having our screening in early May, which is a time to see how ready the students are for preschool. This enrollment will give us the names and addresses of prospective students and parents so that we can mail them information about the screening when that time comes. We will also get information we can use now in planning for the instruction of the students next year. **Openings will be filled first by 4 year old students, any extra spots may be filled by 3 year old students.**

## PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR 3 AND 4 YEAR OLDS

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Child's Name

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Birth date

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Parent Names (Both)

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Address, City and Zip

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Describe Location of the House

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Telephone Number

To enter preschool a child must be 3 years of age before August 1, 2012. Please mail this form back to Ms. Ward at Linn County R-I, P.O. Box 130, Purdin, MO 64674.

## Kindergarten Students for 2012-2013

We are trying to get the names and addresses of prospective kindergarten students for the 2012-2013 school year. We will still be having our kindergarten roundup in late April, which is a time to see how ready the students are for kindergarten. This enrollment will give us the names and addresses of prospective students and parents so that we can mail them information about the roundup when that time comes. We will also get information we can use now in planning for the instruction of the students next year.

## KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT 2012-2013

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Child's Name

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Birth date

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Parent Names (Both)

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Address, City and Zip

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Describe Location of the House

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Telephone Number

To enter kindergarten a child must be 5 years of age before August 1, 2012. Please mail this form back to Ms. Ward at Linn County R-I, P.O. Box 130, Purdin, MO 64674.

**Ms. Diehl's Poetry/Creative Writing Class**  
**"Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs" Remix Stories**

**Hungry Hickerville, Florida**  
**Aletha Grismore**

On May 29, 2011 my family and I all took a summer vacation to Hungry Hickerville, Florida. Our plane landed in Hungry Hickerville around 11:00 p.m. As soon as we reached our hotel and our heads hit the pillows, we all dosed off to sleep.

We were awoken the next morning by what sounded like a loud "splat!" When we opened our curtains, there was cheese sliding down the window! My dad then opened the window and looked up. To his surprise he found a giant grilled cheese sandwich on the roof of the hotel! At that moment, we had no idea of what was happening. We then called information, they said to us "You are in Hungry Hickerville, Florida where all of your food either flows in from the ocean, falls from the sky, or grows from plants!" That is when we first realized that our vacation was going to be extreme!

Throughout the day we finally realized little by little that each meal was different from the usual. In Hungry Hickerville you have lunch for breakfast, dinner for lunch, and breakfast for dinner!

For breakfast that day we all had pieces of the grilled cheese sandwich from the roof, and the French fries that flew in with the wind. When we got thirsty we went down to the ocean and to our surprise the ocean was filled with root beer! We were so extremely stuffed from breakfast that we went back to our hotel room to watch TV. Later on we went down to the hotel pool. We found it had an ice cream slide!

During lunch, the steaks flew from the sky along with the mashed potatoes that came from the clouds, and the milk was inside the coconuts. After lunch we went touring the beach. We saw some crabs and to our surprise they had what we thought was sea weed in their claws. Once we got closer we figured out that it was green cotton candy.

When dinner finally came around, the orange juice filled the ocean quickly. The scrambled eggs grew from the trees. The bacon was sizzling on the sidewalks from the heat of the sun! Once we ate dinner, our day had been so exciting that we were extremely exhausted! We then went back to the hotel to take showers and to go to sleep for the night. Only to find ourselves to wake up the next morning and do it all over again! (:

**Succulent City**  
**Cheyenne McQueen**

Deep in history there is a town called Succulent City where many of the ideas of culinary creativity come from. The people of Succulent City eat richly every day, yet they stay fit and lean. This is due to the unusual weather that I will tell you one day of.

Bright and early at 8:30 A.M. the sky opened up and dropped french toast with maple syrup. Then the birch trees shivered and bacon dropped from their branches. To wash down breakfast cool refreshing milk poured from the sky.

At high noon pizza with every topping imaginable flopped from the clouds as the people of Succulent City held out plates for their midday meal. Root beer ran down the streets filling every held out glass. To top off lunch with something sweet ice cream came down like snow and chocolate syrup dripped from the leaves of bushes.

For dinner that evening at 6:00 P.M. hot, juicy steak plummeted toward the earth only to be caught on tin plates, because ceramic plates would break with the impact. Sweet potatoes hot and sticky with marshmallows fell gently after the steak. To wash down the last meal of the day apple trees wept hot apple cider.

Succulent City has no sanitation department, but it does have a lot of hard working citizens. After each meal the citizens would clean the city and box up the excess food for the national food pantry. All this cleaning kept the citizens of Succulent City from getting fat and lazy. That is the story of a town called Succulent City.



## **Delightville, California**

**Kerstin Wilson**

The alarm clocks went off at 6:45 just as usual. I got up and got ready, but when I had made it downstairs, I saw Grandpa George sitting at the table. While Grandpa George and I waited for my mom to finish cooking breakfast, grandpa told us about a place he used to live called Delightville.

Grandpa George said that after he woke up every morning and got ready, he would go to the cabinets and get out a giant mug and this humongous plate. He said, "you see, there are four different rivers that run through town. They change when its time for the next meal. In the morning the different rivers are orange juice, coffee, milk, and apple juice. I walk to whatever river I want and dip my cup in it and make sure it's completely full." I thought to myself, "that would be awesome!" Then Grandpa George went on to tell us, "Sometimes it rains in the morning, and on the rare occasion that it does rain in the morning, it rains French toast! Everybody loved it when it rained in the morning. French toast was their favorite. Anyways, after they get as many slices as they want, they go to the butter pond and dip the French toast in it, then we would walk over to the maple tree. Do you want to know why? It's because it drips maple syrup! It is so sweet and tasty. Everyone loves it!"

Grandpa George then told us about lunch. He said, "By lunch time, the rivers turn from what was for breakfast to tea, kool aid, lemonade, and Dr. Pepper. Lunch was very simple in Delightville because people there loved big dinners! The town usually had a large picnic where everybody just makes sandwiches. We got bread by plucking it off of a tree, since it grew 365 days a year. Some trees even produced toast! How amazing is that? The ham and cheese blew in with the gentle wind we had every day around 11:45. If you wanted mayonnaise on your sandwich then you had to go to this magical well to get your own mayonnaise. It was really hard to pump it up through a tube, so usually a man stood over there and pumped and pumped until everyone had what they wanted. It was a really slow process but it was worth it!"

By this time mom had finished breakfast, so we fixed our plates and ate. After we were done eating and mom had cleaned up, we went to the living room and grandpa finished the rest of his story while mom knitted in the corner. After hearing this story a million times I think it actually annoys her!

Grandpa finished his story like this, he said, "Everybody raises chickens in Delightville, so if you wanted fried chicken alls you had to do was light the chicken coop on fire. Make sure you lock it up first though or it would be kind of pointless. You had to watch closely as to not burn them! Nobody likes burnt chicken. I don't know anybody who doesn't eat mashed potatoes and gravy with fried chicken. So whenever there is a bad thunderstorm, be ready to put containers outside to catch lots of potatoes to have all year long. When the rain starts pouring down, attach your tubes that run from the gutter outside to a barrel in your house to catch it all.

"One day the rivers went dry, the food stopped growing on the trees and plants, the ponds and the well dried up, and there were no more thunderstorms to provide any food whatsoever. Delightville no longer had a food supply so everybody started packing up and leaving, even me! All hope was lost for our beloved town, as we all left and had to adjust to a new life and to the way everybody else in the universe lived" explained Grandpa George.

After he was done telling his story, he kissed mom and I goodbye and then left. Three days had passed and we hadn't heard anything from Grandpa Gorge. We received a letter the next day. It was from grandpa saying, "I was curious as to how Delightville had turned out, so I went to find out! When I get back I will tell you all about it." We never heard from Grandpa George ever again.

## **Spoonville**

**Jackie Flummer**

One afternoon, Maci and I had just awakened from a long restless night. We woke up to the boys in the shop working on the Camaro. We had come to a conclusion that we would be nice and make brunch for the guys. We would make oatmeal, bacon, and scrambled eggs.

The lumpy oatmeal dribbled like rain down the side of the houses ran down the gutters and into our bowls. The sweet aroma swayed on the breeze and thousands of sizzling bacon slices poured from the sky. The scrambled eggs bubbled and popped from the trees like popcorn.

We munched it all up and quickly ate it. We hadn't eaten supper the night before because we spent too much time mudding in the brown truck and the jeep. We decided to clean the house and we proceeded to make lunch after we cleaned. We made pork chops, mac and cheese, and corn. The mac and cheese stuck to the spoon like a magnet to a refrigerator. The pork chops cooked slowly like the soft slow waves of the current of a roaring river. The warm buttery corn sprouted from the ground.

We were watching the guys work on the jeep in the garage when we realized it was supper time. We rushed inside to start cooking. We decided to have a very good dinner. The steak was covered with spices like it had rained seasonings on them. We mashed the potatoes like a demolition derby was occurring. The salad was thrown together like a messy room. Our stomachs were full and we were prepared for another Saturday night!

**Phatsville**  
**Spencer Hostetter**

Along time ago there was a town called Phatsville and, instead of going to the store there food came out of the sky.

It was breakfast time and I felt like I could eat a ton of food. So I went outside, I had the biggest plate I could find. The wind started blowing that's when the biscuits started to fall, then came the big chunks of sausage, and gravy. The trees were blowing back, and forth that's when the bacon started to come down. The bacon was so hot it sizzled as soon as it touched my plate. The wind was blowing in a big storm it started raining chocolate milk, it was extremely cold.

As the church bell rang noon, the storm was still here. I heard my stomach growl and that's when I knew it was time to eat again. Instead of bacon falling from the trees it was hamburgers. It started hailing dry buns that were so hard they broke when they hit my plate. Then came the salty chips I couldn't even eat them. After I ate my lunch I went inside for a nap, I made sure to set my alarm so I wouldn't miss supper.

As I heard my alarm beeping, I put my boots back on to get some more food. When I opened the door up I immediately knew what we were having for supper, because a piece of pink juicy steak hit me right in the face. It was delicious let me tell you! Along with the steak I had amazing diced taters.

So if you are ever hungry your town will be more than welcome to have you come down and, have some good food. The breakfast starts falling at 6 A.M the lunch starts falling at noon , and supper will be here at 6 P.M. So if you wants some good food come join us at Phatsville.

**Hungry Hollow**  
**Brett Fitzgerald**

Once upon a time in a place called Hungry Hollow there lived some citizens who were very hungry. Hungry Hollow was a quiet little town where people would run, play, lay, and work around, and every morning, noon, and night they would go to an old oak tree, but not just any oak tree. This oak tree had magical properties which gave it the power to summon food every morning, noon, and night.

Every day the townsfolk would go by the old oak tree to see what it would bring. One day in the morning the tree brought pancakes that were warm and making them so tempting. In the afternoon the tree brought mash potatoes that were so buttery and soft they made the townsfolk's taste buds sing. Then the tree brought in the evening it was spaghetti that was meaty with sauce and the noodles were delicious when slurped.

The next day the tree brought in the morning eggs with yellow yolk that would be oozing out with deliciousness. In the afternoon the tree brought macaroni and cheese that was cheesy and mouth watering good. Then in the evening it was some rolls that were so soft and warm that one bite made all the difference.

Then another day the tree brought in the morning some sausages that were steaming with a good aroma of meat and seasoning. In the afternoon the tree brought chicken that was like eating happiness. Finally in the evening the tree brought steak that was so tender and smoking with taste. Yes, everyone enjoyed the trees magical power of summoning food, but that would soon change.

One day after enjoying an excellent feast that the tree had summoned, the tree finally ran out of food and the tree's magic had worn off. Soon enough the townsfolk started to go mad and went feral. The townsfolk then started to eat everything in sight, until finally the town was eaten. Then nobody saw Hungry Hollow again and some say you can still hear the animal cries of the mad townsfolk of Hungry Hollow and some even say that the tree still lies in the same spot where the town existed.

## **Fudgem'ville, New Jersey**

### **Matthew Starlipper**

The story takes place in a small cottage of Fudgemville. Many people can't find Fudgemville, because the cottage itself hasn't been invented yet, matter a fact the story takes place 45 years later after the third world war. The cottage depends on me because; I'm one of few sane wizards left on earth that don't work with black magic. My job is to make sure this small town is fed, day by day.

The next morning I was confused. I was trying to find something new for the morning meal. I reached into my bag of tricks and pulled out a waffle, threw it into the sky. Then boooooom. It exploded into a million smaller waffles. Before I dumped a bottle of syrup into the wind, I saw a small child with a piece of bread and very little jam. The small infant said "all I want is a PB&J. so I reached into my pack and pulled out a jar of peanut butter, poured it into the lake. Like a miracle, wow the lake was the made of peanut butter.

The small infant's quest for his lost peanut butter was finally achieved. As I was giving hope to that small child, the people of Fudgem all gathered around and ate breakfast. As the hours flew until about one, I had another problem, lunch.

The first person to put in a request that is what the day's meal was. Some people may want things like lobster, salmon, and other richie foods. Some may want simple stuff like everyday foods or just something to eat. For some reason, a family requested pizza and Pepsi, like magic the town got Pepsi and pizza. An hour later standing up on a hill looking at the neighboring cities just smolder out the brightest of days. All that destruction made me depressed.

So I made my own meal. It was catfish, coleslaw, hushpuppies, and lemonade. For some reason sitting at the top of that hill under a single tree, the meal made me go into my own little world. The meal reminded me of how the American life was, that really cheered me up. The meal brought me peace and sanity.....

## **Deliciousfalls!**

### **Kaitlin Liebhart**

One fine morning in Deliciousfalls, there was a little girl named Ashlyne and her dog Bandit. Ashlyne decided to take Bandit for a walk, when she noticed that the sky was turning a weird yellow color, and the smell of freshly cooked bacon filled the air.

When the two reached town it began to rain, but it wasn't the "normal" water rain, it was butter, then came pieces of toast falling from the sky like meteorites. Ashlyne noticed Bandit was starting to act weird, when she turned around; a hot steamy piece of bacon was chasing them down the street. Ashlyne and Bandit started to realize that it was breakfast; falling from the sky. So they stopped and ate the scrumshus breakfast.

After breakfast Ashlyne was stuffed! So they laid down for a quick nap. Suddenly she was awakened by the loud sound of rumbling outside. She woke up and tore the curtains apart to see what was happening, OH WOW! exclaimed Ashlyne, giant meatballs rolling down the mountain. The two hurried outside to see what was happening, then came a shower of red sauce.... Hmm Ashlyne said, "This taste familiar to me" AH! Spaghetti sauce she shouted. As Ashlyne was walking along the river side, she seen something very unusual; what is this she said? Noodles were swimming down the river. Spaghetti and meatballs, my favorite! So her and Bandit sat down and enjoyed a delightful plate of spaghetti and meatballs.

In Deliciousfalls everyone went to work at 2:00 p.m. So Ashlyne sat off on her journey to work at the local coffee shope. Wow! I sure am hungry, she said, and not five minutes after that she heard something strange hitting the roof. She went outside and saw that taco shells had began to fall from the sky, along with the shells came the meat and all of the other fixings. "Grab a plate" shouted her boss, so she did and crunched away at her "sky fallin tacos."

As you can tell Deliciousfalls is not your ordinary town, rather it is an outrageously, wacky, strange town that feeds its entire towns people everyday. Since that day, the people of Deliciousfalls get to enjoy a meal three times a day; and they never have to worry about going hungry.

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LEARNING FOR TODAY,  
PREPARING FOR TOMORROW

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**Spelling Bee Winners**

Front row: Madison Livingston and Cody Coram. Back row: Nicholle Bell, April Wood, Blair Buswell, and Robin Moore.

## 2012 Tri County Art Show Winners

Best of Show: Aaron Maddox "Untitled" Ceramic Bag Sculpture, Macon Co. R-4

### Division 1: Black and White Drawing

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Kailey Grinder, "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sylvanna Couch "I Want this Forever" Bevier
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jennifer McIntyre "Cityscape" LaPlata

### Division 2: Color Drawing

- 1st – Cassandra Peterson, "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2nd – Taylor Hedworth "Peacock" Bevier
- 3rd – Nick Romanetto "Landscape" Atlanta

### Division 3: Watercolor Painting

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Kailey Grinder "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Hunter Howe "Old Barn" LaPlata
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kelsie Smith "Howling Sorrow" Bevier

### Division 4: Painting (Acrylic, Oil, & Tempera)

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Valle Wilson "Junk Truck" Bevier
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Skyler Gray "Her Darkest Hour" Linn Co.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Arieal Rinehart "Audrey at Her Finest" Linn Co.

### Division 5: Fiber

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Morgan Kimmel "Child Abuse" LaPlata
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lydia Malloy "Hamburger" Macon Co. R-4
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Antonio Prokup "Golden Thread of Life" Bevier

### Division 6: Ceramic

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Aaron Maddox "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Hunter Howe "Tea Pot" LaPlata
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kylie Dawson "Gears" Bevier

### Division 7: Sculpture

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jackie Rowe "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dakota Kincano "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dillan Nolte "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4

### Division 8: Printmaking

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Dillan Nolte "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Blake Lauer "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kerstin Wilson "Howling" Linn Co.

### Division 9: Mixed Media/Collage

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Shalyla Collier "Flowers" Atlanta
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rachel Shahan "Seasons" LaPlata
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tayler Hedworth "Paulie" Bevier

### Division 10: Photography/Graphic Arts

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Cassandra Harington "Rock Out" Linn Co.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Cassandra Peterson "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Valle Wilson "Wilson" Bevier

### Division 11: Miscellaneous

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Jacob Kingsmith "Untitled" Macon Co. R-4
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tyler Turner "Saddle" LaPlata
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jacob Wood & Michael Alvarenga "Soccer" Linn Co.

## YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR PHONE BILL

The Low Income Connection Assistance Program (*LINK UP*) is a plan to assist qualified low-income applicants with reduced service connection charges. The assistance applies for a single telephone line at the applicant's principal place of residence. A reduction of fifty percent (50%) of all service connection charges or \$30, whichever is less, will be provided to qualified applicants.

The consumer shall receive the benefit of the *LINK UP* program for a second time only for a principal place of residence with an address different from the residence address at which *LINK UP* assistance was previously provided.

The *LIFELINE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM* is a plan which assists qualified low-income applicants with reductions in their monthly local exchange service rate. The applicant applies for a single telephone line at the applicant's principal place of residence. Qualified applicants shall have their monthly local exchange service rate reduced by the federal support of \$1.75, in addition to the \$6.50 of baseline federal support used either to waive the *LIFELINE* customer's federal end-user common line charges, or to reduce the *LIFELINE* customer's residential rate. Toll blocking is available at no charge to all *LIFELINE* customers.

To be eligible for *LINK UP* and/or *LIFELINE*, an applicant must participate in one of the following:

- A. Medicaid (e.g. Title XIX/Medical, state supplemental assistance)
- B. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- C. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- D. Federal Public Housing Assistance
- E. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LHEAP)
- F. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- G. National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program

An additional \$5.25 in monthly support is available to qualified Lifeline customers through the Missouri Universal Service Fund (MoUSF). Disabled customers or customers with a disabled dependent may qualify for \$3.50 in monthly support through the MoUSF.

**You may only receive low-income assistance from one wireline  
or wireless telephone provider, not both.**

If you feel you qualify for either *LIFELINE* or *LINK UP*, call 777 and ask your Grand River Mutual customer service representative to explain the application process.



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"Your Hometown Connection"

# Note-able Information

from Mrs. Bolle

## Band News

On Monday, March 7th, 2012, thirteen Linn County Band students spent the day touring with the Tri-County Conference Band. After auditions and a 7 hour rehearsal the Saturday before, these students played concerts at 3 area schools.



Tri County Conference Band Members 2012



Linn County Band  
Pre-Contest Concert

On, Friday, March 23rd the Linn County Band traveled to Hannibal, MO to compete at Large Group Contest. These band students prepared two pieces, *Free World March* and *The Last Ride of the Pony Express*, to play at contest and earned a Division II Excellent Rating. This score tied a few and was better than most of our other Tri-County Conference Schools. ***Congratulations for their Success!!!***

## Upcoming Band/Choir Events

**Mon, April 2nd & Tues, April 3rd:**

Color Guard Clinics 3:30-4:30

**Wednesday, April 11th:**

Color Guard Auditions 3:30-4:30

**Thursday, April 12th:**

Drum Major/Section Leader Auditions 3:30-4:30

**Monday, April 16th:**

6th Grade Honor Choir

**Monday, April 30th:**

Instrument Rental Night 5:00-7:00 p.m.

*Open to all 4th-12th Grade Students! If your student is planning to start or continue in band and does not yet own their own instrument, this is your chance! Lincoln County Music will be here with instruments to rent or buy as well as any accessory items students may need! Watch for more info to come home with your students!*

**Tuesday, May 1st:**

JH/HS Spring Band/Choir Concert @ 7:00 p.m.



Above: 6th Grade Band  
BEGINNING BAND 2011-2012  
Below: 5th Grade Band



# April 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 5:00 PM V/JV BB Green City @ LC	3 2:00 PM Assembly K-12 3:20 PM FFA Mtg. 5:00 PM V/JV BB LC@ Scotland Co. 6:00 PM 5th&6th basketball party (gymnasium)	4 8:00 AM Preschool Screenings (new Preschool students) 3:00 Jostens Delivery of Seniors caps and gowns Northeast District Ag contests	5 12:20 PM Early Dismissal (Easter Break)	6 No School (Easter Break)	7
8	9 No School (Easter Break) 5:00 PM V/JV BB Putnam Co. @ LC	10 4:00 PM Jr. High Track @ Brookfield 5:00 PM V/JV BB LC@ Southwest Ludlow	11 12:00 Varsity Track @ Atlanta 2:50 Truman State Rep.	12 3:30 PM FFA Adopt-A-Highway 4:00 Varsity Track @ Marceline	13 Mid-Quarter 4:00 PM Jr. High Track @ Marceline 5:00 PM V/JV BB Milan @ LC	14 State Science Olympiad AB District Tournament
15	16 5:00 PM V/JV BB LC@ North Shelby MAP Testing 3-8	17 4:00 PM Varsity Track @ Marceline MAP testing 3-8	18 9:00 AM Jr. High/ Varsity track @ Green City MAP Testing 3-8	19 5:00 PM V/JV BB LC@ Milan State FFA Convention MAP Testing 3-8	20 10:00 AM Varsity Track @ Brookfield State FFA Convention MAP Testing 3-8	21 Prom
22	23 3:30 PM Jr. High Track @ Northwestern MAP Testing 3-8	24 5:00 PM V/JV BB Northwestern@ LC Senior Night MAP Testing 3-8	25 10:00 AM Jr. High/ Varsity Track @ LaPlata (Tri-Co. Conf.) MAP Testing 3-8	26 Jr. High Track @ Marceline MAP Testing 3-8 7:00 PM Spring Concert	27 V/JV BB LaPlata @ LC MAP Testing 3-8	28 Worlds of Fun Band Contest Rain date Conference Track Meet
29	30					

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <u>Mini Cinnis</u> Hamburgers Fries Fruit/cookies	3 <u>Breakfast Burrito</u> Lasagna, Garlic Bread Cottage Cheese Tossed Salad Chocolate Cake Mrs. Livingston Menu	4 <u>Biscuits and Gravy</u> BBQ Chicken Buttered Potatoes Green Beans Vanilla Ice Cream	5 <u>Pancakes and Bacon</u> Hot Ham and Cheese Tater Tots Buttered Carrots	6 No School	7
8	9 No School	10 <u>Pancakes and Sausage</u> Walking Taco Fries Cookies Student Menu	11 <u>Biscuits and Gravy</u> BBQ Pork Onion Rings Glazed Carrots	12 <u>Yogurt with muffin</u> Meatloaf Cheesy Potatoes Green Beans	13 <u>French Toast</u> Tenderloin Fries Oreo Pie Dalton Liebhart Menu	14
15	16 <u>Cereal</u> Nacho Supreme Apples Chocolate Ice Cream Michael O'Kane Menu	17 <u>Bacon, egg and Cheese Biscuits</u> Pizza with pepperoni/hamb. Tater Tots Cherry Slush Pop Kaitlin Liebhart Menu	18 <u>Biscuits and Gravy</u> Hotdogs Mac/Cheese Peas	19 <u>Scrambled Eggs/cheese</u> Cook's Choice	20 <u>Breakfast Pizza</u> Mr. Rib Curley Fries Blue Raspberry Slush Cole Liebhart Menu	21
22	23 <u>Danish</u> Popcorn Chicken Fried Green Beans Peaches Brownies Morgan Livingston Menu	24 <u>Waffles</u> Sloppy Joe Carrots Applesauce	25 <u>Biscuits and Gravy</u> Turkey Sandwiches/ Cheese Mozzarella Sticks Ice Cream	26 <u>Cereal</u> Shrimp Baked Potatoes Tossed Salad	27 <u>Pancakes/Sausage</u> Tacos Lettuce, Cheese, Refried Beans Cookies/Fruit	28
29	30 <u>Yogurt/ Muffin</u> Sub Sandwich Chips Fruit Brownies					

Juice, Milk, and  
Salad bar  
served daily  
with lunch

Juice, Milk, and Fruit  
served daily  
with breakfast

