

# Local dancers compete in Chicago



Anna Scharer, Madison Rinehart and Halle Chambers (l-r) recently competed in the Dupree Tap & Jazz Camp in Chicago. They are students of Kari Meissnest at Dance Elite Studio in Kokomo. Anna and Halle are members of the Senior VIP group and Madison is a member of the Junior VIP group. Both groups received gold awards in competition. Anna performed a jazz solo and received a scholarship to be an All-Star dancer for 2009. Halle competed as part of a jazz trio and Madison performed a lyrical solo. This fall, Anna will be attending Ball State University, while Halle and Madison are students at Carroll Jr.-Sr. High School. Photo provided

# Camden Tractor Pull winners are named

Camden Lions Club hosted its annual Tractor Pull last weekend. Winners were:

4500-lb. Class – 1st Lester Good, 2nd Vonel Krumm, 3rd Jim Shanks, 4th Jeff Shanks, 5th Doug Dillon, 6th Emery Hershberger.

5000-lb. Class – 1st Lester Good, 2nd Ron Evans, 3rd Jim Dyson, 4th Emery Hershberger, 5th John Boyer.

5500-lb. Class – 1st Boyd Dutton, 2nd Dan Shanks, 3rd Kevin Good, 4th John Boyer, 5th Doug Dillon, 6th Bob Siegfried.

6000-lb. – 1st Brian Smith, 2nd Randy Hunt, 3rd Jon Swackhammer, 4th Casey Dillon.

6500-lb. Class – 1st Randy Hunt, 2nd Jim Shanks, 3rd Jon Swackhammer, 4th John Boyer.

7000-lb. Class – 1st Randy Hunt, 2nd Chet Good, 3rd Jim Shanks.

8000-lb. Class – 1st Chet Good, 2nd Dan Hunt, 3rd Jeff Shanks, 4th Robert Penn.

9000-lb. Class – 1st Dan Shanks, 2nd John Garrison, 3rd Nathan Trapp, 4th Robert Penn.

10,500-lb. Class – 1st Jim Shanks, 2nd Keaton Garrison, 3rd Kyle McCain, 4th Brian Smith, 5th Kevin Gettinger.

12,000-lb. Class – 1st Eric Vennata, 2nd Don Murphy, 3rd John Fleck, 4th Levi Thomas, 5th Alan Pfeiffer, 6th Jim Shanks.

13,500-lb. Class – 1st Eric Vennata, 2nd Alan Pfeiffer, 3rd Don Murphy, 4th John Fleck, 5th Brian Smith.

15,000-lb. Class – 1st Kevin Pfeiffer, 2nd Don Murphy, 3rd Larry Hochstetler, 4th Dalton Weinkoff, 5th Clinton Walls.

8,000-lb. Deisel Trucks – 1st Evan Smoot, 1st Doug Price, 1st Dan Musselman, 4th Dustin Merrill, 5th Chris Wilson.

9000-lb. Altered Farm – 1st Ryan Funk, 2nd Mark Abbott, 3rd Chad Kolish.

# New DCSC teachers have arrived!



The new Delphi Community School Corporation instructional staff were orientated Wednesday morning at the high school after a community prayer breakfast hosted in the commons area. Those joining the corporation staff for the first time are (l-r): Front - Darcy Varda, middle school special education; Melissa Gill, fourth grade; and Beatrix Leal, elementary Spanish (exchange teacher from Mexico). Middle row - Kyle Trebley, middle school assistant principal; Gayle Conner, middle and high ENL; and Jamie Sailors, high school physical education. Back - Michael Lewis, high school science; David Gilbert, high school social studies; Kathleen Davis, high school science; and Lisa Hollingsorth, high school Spanish. Comet photo by Debbie Lowe

# 2009 will be 22nd year for Lilly Endowment's Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program

Nearly 130 Indiana teachers will have real stories to tell this fall when their students ask, "What did you do this summer?" The Hoosier teachers popped up all over the world this summer – from Uganda to the Arctic – doing projects they have always wanted to do. Until they received a Teacher Creativity Fellowship, however, they haven't had the funds or the time to do so.

They went to extreme-sports camps in Romania, took dance lessons on Broadway, constructed handcrafted art books, went fly-fishing in Montana, took broadcasting classes in Los Angeles, learned woodcarving and blacksmithing, studied piano in the Czech Republic and Austria, wrote and recorded rock songs, and learned to make Islamic tiles.

The opportunities that these teachers enjoyed can be replicated next year by recipients of the Lilly Endowment-funded 2009 Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program. Begun in 1987, the program offers Indiana teachers, principals, guidance counselors and media specialists the opportunity to become reenergized, follow their dreams and return with new spirits to their classrooms.

The 2009 Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program will offer up to 120 awards of \$8,000 each for K-12 licensed teachers, principals and assistant principals, guidance counselors and librarians/media specialists to support creative projects that will take place during six weeks next summer.

A second level of funding is available for "distinguished fellows." These grants offer up to \$25,000 per individual and will support projects that will improve teachers' work with students by enhancing their knowledge and rekindling their dedication to the teaching profession.

If the distinguished fellow will need to leave the classroom or school for a period of time to engage in these projects, the Endowment may award additional funding up to \$25,000 directly to the teacher's district to cover all or part of the costs of a replacement teacher. The Endowment will approve up to 10 distinguished fellow awards to teachers and up to 10 grants to school districts. Grant activities may take place anytime between June 1, 2009, and Aug. 31, 2010.

For those receiving the \$8,000 fellowships, their six-week project must be completed by Aug. 31, 2009, but the grant period will run through May 31, 2010, so that recipients will be able to report how the grant activities have influenced their work in the classroom.

"The best teachers know that learning never ends," said Sara B. Cobb, Endowment vice president for education. "These teachers are curious. They are articulate and enthusiastic. They are eager to share."

"We have teachers return and tell us the fellowship was a 'life-changing experience' and the 'biggest adventure of my life.' We are constantly amazed and gratified by the enthusiasm these teachers bring to these projects, the lessons they learn and the people they meet. The excitement they bring back to the students in their classrooms is contagious," Cobb added.

"The Endowment believes that engaged K-12 educators help produce engaged students, and this popular program has certainly validated this belief."

All applicants must have at least three years of professional experience to be eligible for this competitive program. Also, former Teacher Creativity fellows who received their award before 2002 are eligible to apply for a second award in the 2009 program.

Applications for either level of the Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program must be postmarked by Nov. 9. Notification of grant awards will be made by Feb. 27, 2009; grant payments will be made after March 15.

For specific questions about the program, application procedures or grant-writing tips, please contact the Endowment by e-mail, info@teachercreativity.org, or consult the Endowment's Web site, www.lillyendowment.org and click on Education, then on Teacher Creativity.

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**EDUCATION NEWS**

Three students from Carroll County were among 1,513 students who received degrees during graduation ceremonies Aug. 9 at Indiana Wesleyan University's main campus in Marion. Graduating were AMY EBERHARD, Delphi, Associate of Science degree in business; SHAUN ROSE, Bringhurst, Master of Education degree in education; and JEFFREY TOMSON, Camden, Master of Arts degree in ministry.

**Hap's Chicken Bash**  
(Broasted Chicken, Baked Potato, Slaw, Dinner Roll, Cookie, Drink)

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WYNDHAM TRAXLER-CARTER, art teacher in the Carroll schools, participated in "Extending Teacher Creativity: A Summer Workshop on Integration, Collaboration and Technology" on the campus of Indiana State University. Funding was provided by Lilly Endowment Inc.

The workshop focused on curriculum integration and professional collaboration. For the past 15 summers, ISU has hosted this opportunity for a competitively selected group of former Teacher Creativity Fellows.

The Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program was developed in 1987 as an opportunity for Indiana public school teachers to design creative projects for personal and professional renewal.

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## Call Outs

**Fall Baseball League**  
Russiaville will host a Fall Baseball League for 8U and 11U teams.

All teams including those outside of the Russiaville area are welcome. Games will be played on Saturdays starting on Aug. 23. The league will conclude with an end of season tournament on Oct. 4.

For more information or to enter a team, call 765-883-8919.

**Camden Fall Baseball**  
Camden Fall Baseball is now recruiting players 10 and under. If interested, call Craig Myers at (765) 564-3647.