

Delphi middle school names honor roll students

Delphi Community Middle School Principal Barry Stone announces the honor roll for the fourth nine weeks.

In last week's *Comet*, the honor roll that appeared was

for the first three consecutive nine-week grading periods. The honor roll was incorrectly labeled as the last nine-week grading period.

The correct honor roll for

the final nine-week grading period follows. Students earning academic recognition are:

A Honor Roll

EIGHTH GRADE – Evan Atkinson, Erik Carpenter, Braden Clawson, Chase Cripe, Karli Edging,

Danielle Kelley, Mariah McCauslin, Landon Meek, Aaron Mullett, Lanie Rader, Alexis Smith, Andrew Taylor, Paola Zaldivar

SEVENTH GRADE – Emma Carpenter, Hayes Cronk, Bryer Houston, David Karmolinski, Whitley Lehr, Kolby Myer, Anthony Sandora, Bransen Shidler, Brandon Tonsoni

SIXTH GRADE – Elliott Atkinson, Jessica Brown, Christopher Evans, McKenzie Gear, Brenton Hawn, Mason Lane, Christina McCarty, Alyssa Ross, Adam Shanks

A/B Honor Roll

EIGHTH GRADE – Brittany Allen, Chelsea Anderson, Kelsey Anderson, Morgan Baxter, Brooke Beale, Taylor Brown, Sarah Coghill, Keegan Crawford, Logan Fossnacht, Chrystal Field, Shelbi Fisher, Jessica Flora, Joshua Flora,

Kayleigh Green, Nichole Hall, Grace Hampton, Megan Honeycutt, Taylor Hudelson, Ryan Leahy, Daniel Martin, Dakotah Miller, Kayli Reef, Lauren Ross, Lindsey Ross, Fallon Rumell, Caleb Salyer, Codey Sattler, Johnny Smith, Summer Sutton, David Veach, Tayva Waye

SEVENTH GRADE – Braden Abbott, Isaac Back, Kayleen Baker, Olivia Bieghler, Rachel Bowlin, Shelby Bradshaw, Cameron Burns, Trisha Caputo, Joseph Clouser, Amanda Cohee, Jordan Daniels, Nicholas Disinger, Morgan Edwards, Matthew Ferguson, Cody Hanna, Hunter Hart, Bobbie Jo Hayes, Jacqueline Hensley, Emily Hicks, Garrett Johnson, Miranda Kinzie, Caleb Kuns, Zayna Martin, Ashley Mills, Trevor Peters, Amber Phillips,

Dakota Smart, Nicole Smart, Lakin Smith, Karlee Sparks, Jason Sterrett, Peyton Wagner

SIXTH GRADE – Garrett Bean, Courtney Brown, Bryanna Calloni, Sharon Campbell, Ostin Clark, Bruce Corrie, Hayden Crawford, Hilary Cripe, Paula Everett, Caitlyn French, Joshua Gillam, Zoey Green, Danielle Hembree, Tony Hernandez, Melanie Johns, Emily Kender, Kolt Kinsler, Tyler Kinzer, Samantha Lanum, Caydence McClain, Amanda McCormick, Taylor Nackle, Hannah Napier, Cari Pelka, Jarek Perry, Mikayla Powlen, Baylee Rickard, Wyatt Rumell, Haley Sales, Jared Saunders, Tori Scott, Cody Stern, William Trapp, Carly Watley, Tanner Watson, Jordan Willis, Kenneth Zaldivar, Adam Zink

DNR to launch Hunters Helping Farmers program

Deer hunters in need of a place to hunt, and farmers/landowners in need of crop damage relief now have a way to contact each other using a tool developed by the Department of Natural Resources.

To participate, deer hunters may submit an online application, July 1 through Aug. 30,

http://www.IN.gov/dnr/fish-wild to hunt private land in Indiana. Hunters submit for up to two counties they would like to hunt. Farmers/landowners then select individuals to interview for rights to hunt.

The program does not alter normal DNR deer hunting regulations. Hunters must adhere to all bag limits, county

antlerless deer quotas and license fees. Farmers/landowners determine whether hunters may harvest antlerless deer or deer of either sex.

Information requested on the application, determined by a DNR survey of farmers/landowners, addresses common concerns about selecting the hunters most likely to address farmer/landowner needs.

To obtain a list of potential hunters, farmers/landowners should contact their DNR district wildlife biologist as listed at http://www.IN.gov/dnr/fish-wild starting Sept. 14.

Hunters must be 13 years old to apply. Further information will be available in the 2009-2010 Hunting and Trapping Guide.

According to Indiana Code, a hunter who is invited on a landowner's premises for the purpose of hunting does not have an assurance that the premises are safe for that purpose. Therefore, the owner of the premises does not assume responsibility or incur liability for an injury to the person or property caused by an act or failure to act of other persons using the premises, unless the act is of malicious intent or is illegal.

Canen and Springer are ICGSA Academic All-State

Ali Canen and Nicole Springer, Delphi Community High School Class of 2009 valedictorian and salutatorian respectively,



Canen



Springer

three-year varsity member, played doubles together for the first time. They were also recognized by the Indiana High School Tennis

Coaches Association with Canen making the 2009 1st Team Academic All-State Team and Springer receiving honorable mention.

DCHS graduating senior, Haley Richardson, also received honorable mention

DCHS announces semester honor roll

Delphi Community High School Principal Barry Stone announces the honor roll for the second semester. Students eligible for Distinguished must have a grade point average of 16-12 with no D or F. To be eligible for the Honor Roll, students must have a grade point average of 11.99-10.0 with no D or F and Honorable Mention students must have a grade point average of 9.99-8.0 with no D or F.

Distinguished

Twelfth Grade – Ali Canen, Olivia George, Yaseen Hariri, Nicholi Kauffman, Leslie Kayser, Aubrey McCarty, Katie Randol, Krysta Reef, Haley Richardson, Christina Smith, Nicole Springer, Hannah Strasser, Shawneci Windell

Eleventh Grade

– Hannah Evans, Kaitlan Harber, Irina

Hariri, Cody Ingle, Casey Keen, Jared Kelley, Brent Kremer, Andrew Martin, Samantha Mayhew

Tenth Grade – Garrett Abbott, Jordyn Bieghler, Grace Currie, Allee Flora Chelsea Flores, Ashley Gray, Jordan Hudelson, Chelsey Marcotte, Grace Mears, Chanler Norman, Kristopher Sosbe, Payton Windell

Ninth Grade – Stephen Back, Kaitlin Begley, Stacia Erwin, Jordan Jargstorf, Lauren Kayser, Matthew Kesling, Emily Layman, Tanner Lynde, Alyx Maxwell, Stefany Mayhew, Logan Minier, Anne Mose, Caitlin Schock, Brandon Wilson

Honor Roll

Twelfth Grade

– Danielle Auten, Janna Back, Kelsie Blickenstaff, Andrew Britton, Autumn Britton, Nicole Brubaker, Amber Caputo, Mason Clawson, Zachary Cook, Ryan Cornwall, Abby Cunningham, Andrew Erskin, Brock Farrell, Alecsys Fisher, Kirsty Gomes, Bryan Hitch, Cameron Ivey, Candice James, Michael Jones, Denise

Kendall, Morgan Lavey, Clint McLeland, Yesenia Moreno, Alisha Myers, William Penn, Brandi Plummer, Diana Quinonez, Cale Rader, Nichole Randle, James Reed, Sondra Riley, Brett Rogers, Nathaniel Scott, Amber Spitznagle, Jeremy Sterrett, Aspen Wallace, James Wethington, Matthew Wilcox, Joshua Wilusz, Brittany Wise, Caitlyn Worthington

Eleventh Grade – Braden Atwood, Eric Barnard, Kristopher Bender, Anthony Bennett, Andrew Burton, Tianna Catron, Jonathon Christiansen, Zachary Condon, Tanner Cripe, Patrick Fife, Justin Foster, Trevor Gick, Haley Lynde, Laura Martinez, Stewart McVay, Andrew Meek, Andrew Murphy, Britany Nelson, Megan Rossetter, Erin Sammons, Kara Schwarzkopf, Bobbie Smith, Neil Snoeberger, Chelsey Tenwinkel, Joshua Welk, Anthony Westhouse, Mark Willis

Tenth Grade – Lori Brubaker, Hannah Carbaugh, Spencer Con-

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DCMS presents awards

Delphi Community Middle School Sixth Grade Awards were presented May 29. Award recipients include:

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNICATIONS

Recipients - Sharon Campbell, Caitlyn French, Lakin Hoss, Jarek Perry, Abby Price, Haley Sales

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE

Recipients - Mekenzie Gear, Courtney Brown, Aubrey Boggs, Emily Kender, Amanda McCormick, Adam Shanks

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN LITERATURE

Recipients - Elliott Atkinson, Courtney Brown, Hayden Crawford, Danielle Hembree, Emily Kender, Mason Lane, Christina McCarty, Caydence McClain, Amanda McCormick, Abby Price, Alyssa Ross

BRADSHAW ENGLISH AWARD

Recipients – 1st place, Mekenzie Gear; 2nd place, Adam Shanks and 3rd place, Jessi Brown

CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Recipients - Addie Bradshaw, Hayden Crawford, Mikayla Powlen, Elliott Atkinson, Brayton Slifer, Adam Zink

DRAMA CLUB AWARD

Recipients - Aubrey Boggs, Courtney Brown, Jessi Brown, Sharon Campbell, Brittany Dameron, Tyler Fuller, Zoey Green, Samantha Lanum, Kayla Scowden, Carly Watley

EXCELLENT EFFORT IN LITERATURE

Recipients - Addie Bradshaw, Sharon Campbell, Kelsee Conner, Yesenia Diaz, Caitlyn French, Bailey Harris, Hannah Napier, Mikayla Powlen, Haley Sales, Tori Scott, Cody Stern, Carly Watley

SOCIAL STUDIES ACADEMIC OF EXCELLENCE AWARD

Recipients - Phillip Wood, Baylee Rickard, Regan Lynde, Garrett Bean, Tyler Ross, Jarek Perry, Brenton Hawn, Alyssa Ross, Adam Shanks, Mason Lane, Danielle Hembree, Abby Price, Jared Lafond, Carley Watley, Carl Christiansen, Jared Saunders, Elliott Atkinson, Jessica Brown.

INDIVIDUAL CHESS TOURNAMENT AWARD

Recipient - Christina McCarty

GEOGRAPHY AWARD

Recipients - Bryanna Calloni, Mckenzie Gear, Brenton Hawn, Alyssa Ross, Adam Shanks, Danielle Hembree, Mason Lane, Jarek Perry, Tyler Ross, Tucker Trapp, Kansas Rodenbarger, Brandon Turner, Hayden Crawford, Elliott Atkinson, Jessica Brown, Mary Dresser, Payton Flora, Emily Kender, Kolt Kinsler, Samantha Lanum, Hannah Napier, Kenneth Zaldivar.

MATH AWARDS

Top Achievement by Class - Treavor Cox, Paula Everett, Tori Scott, Mariah Shanabarger, Adam Shanks, Carly Watley

Best Effort in Class - Addie Bradshaw, Carl Christiansen, Lakin Hoss, Jared LaFond, Mason Lane, Abby Price, Alyssa Ross, Haley Sales, Jared Saunders

Most Improved - Courtney Brown, Tony Hernandez, Lawrence Jones, Samantha Lanum, Jordan Lattimore, Maggie Sturdivant

Top ISTEP - Elliott Atkinson

Top NWEA - Tanner Watson

Pre-Algebra Award – Mekenzie Gear

MILLION WORD READERS

Recipients - Aubrey Boggs, Jessica Brown, Bryanna Calloni, Makenzie Embry, Caitlyn French, Mekenzie Gear, Zoey Green, Emily Kender, Ray Matthews, Christina McCarty, Caydence McClain, Amanda McCormick, Taylor Nackle, Abby Price, Wyatt Rumell, Cody Stern, Chandler Underhill, Tanner Watson, Trevor Weaver, Phillip Wood

OFFICE AIDE AWARD

Recipients - Elliott Atkinson, Courtney Brown, Emily Burwell, Payton Flora, Jeremy Holmes-Bear, Samantha Lanum, Caydence McClain, Taylor Nackle, Brayton Slifer, Carly Watley

CLEAN SLATE

Roberson All-Year - Carol Brooks and Travis Claiborne

Thompson All-Year - Katlyn Burkhardt, Hayden Crawford, Yesenia Diaz, Mekenzie Gear, Abby Price

Anderson All-Year - Emily Kender, Mason Lane, Christina McCarty, Baylee Rickard, Alyssa Ross, Adam Shanks, Cody Stern, Jordan Willis, Adam Zink

Hoover All-Year - Olivia Lucas, Maria Reyes, Haley Sales

Landis All-Year - Kyle Appleton and Catlyn French

Shumard All-Year - Mikayla Powlen

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Recipients - Katlyn Burkhardt, Caitlyn French, Kolt Kinsler, Mason Lane, Mariah Shanabarger, Cody Stern, Kenneth Zaldivar

PRESIDENTIAL FITNESS AWARDS

Recipients - Trevor Cox, Bryanna Calloni, Amanda McCormick

NATIONAL FITNESS AWARDS

Recipients - Elliott Atkinson, Garrett Bean, Addie Bradshaw, Courtney Brown, Aubrey Boggs, Katlyn Burkhardt, Christian Cediell, Isaias Cervantes, Ostin Clark, Hayden Crawford, Brittany Dameron, Pedro Flores, Mekenzie Gear, Mason Gray, Aldo Guadarrama, Olivia Haines, Bailey Har-

ris, Brent Hawn, Danielle Hembree, Lakin Hoss, Emily Huffer, Lawrence Jones, Emily Kender, Kolt Kinsler, Mason Lane, Samantha Lanum, Jordan Lattimore, Ray Matthews, Jarek Perry, Abby Price, Baylee Rickard, Alyssa Ross, Tyler Ross, Haley Sales, Brayton Slifer, Zach Taylor, Tanner Vaknin, Carly Watley, Tory Welk, Conner Whitaker, Devin Wolf, Phillip Wood, Adam Zink

READING COUNTS

Recipients - Aubrey Boggs, Jessica Brown (1st place plaque), Makenzie Embry, Mekenzie Gear, Zoey Green, Emily Kender, Christina McCarty, Taylor Nackle, Abby Price, Cody Stern

SADD AWARDS


Recipients – Lakin Hoss, Olivia Lucas, Olivia Haines, Paula Everett, Chandler Underhill, Cody Stern, Jeramie Mossholder, Samantha Lanum, Ashley Garcia, Yesenia Diaz, Kelsee Conner, Aubrey Boggs, Baylee Rickard, Caitlyn French, Tory Welk, Addie Bradshaw, Kansas Rodenbarger, Kyle Appleton, Taylor Cox, Bailey Harris, Regan Lynde, Katlyn Burkhardt, Carly Watley, Sharon Campbell, Tyler Kinzer, and Carl Christianson

TOP ARTIST

Recipient – Jarek Perry

OUTSTANDING ARTIST

Recipients – Melanie Johns, Kolt Kinsler, Emily Kinder, Christina McCarty and Tyler Ross.



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Delphi Girls Softball



Varsity softball awards

Members of the Delphi Lady Oracles softball team were honored recently. Award winners were, from left: Carli Rouhier, most RBIs; Dani Burge, most improved; Aspen Wallace, mental attitude; Whitney Arion, MVP, and Caitlin Schock, Bob Blaydes Sportsmanship Award. Photo provided



J.V. softball awards

Award winners from the Delphi Junior Varsity girls softball team are, from left: Brianna Walters, co-MVP; Megan Yates, co-MVP; Sydney Walker, most improved; and Ashley Gray, Bob Blaydes Sportsmanship Award; Randi Schultz, most RBIs. Not pictured is Haley Lynde, mental attitude. Photo provided

Camden kindergarten teacher retires

Comet staff report

Camden Early Childhood Center teacher Ruth VanMatre retired at the end of this school year, ending a 26-year teaching career.

She spent 21 years of her career in the Delphi Community School Corporation (DCSC) with two years teaching kindergarten at the Camden Early Childhood Center and 19 years at Delphi Community Elementary School, formerly known as Hillcrest Elementary School. She taught second grade in Ohio and kindergarten in Wisconsin, Illinois and Ohio.

Mrs. VanMatre was also a preschool teacher at Purple Turtle and pre-kindergarten teacher at Jump Start.

She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, International Women's Education Society.

A native of Mineral Point, Wis., Mrs. VanMatre graduated from Mineral Point High School and attended the University of Wisconsin in Platteville.

"I have always known I wanted children of my own and getting an education in elementary teaching would help me meet the responsibilities of being a good mother, she said. "Young children are delightfully spontaneous and innocent. They are so open to suggestion and learning that demands guidance.

"Exciting five and six year olds to give their best and feel secure in the challenges presented to them became my goal. They in turn inspired me to do the same.

"George Schricker's song became our song, 'If I help you and you help me, we will be a whole lot stronger...be the best that we can be. And all the whole world over will feel the golden hue of people helping people...like me and you.'"

Mrs. VanMatre said the many graduate classes she has taken for her continuing education requirements helped as the philosophy of kindergarten moved from her facilitating "ownership by discovery" to what she calls

the "push me-pull you" teaching of reading and writing.

"I am just amazed at what can occur in a full day program," she continued. "These last two years at Camden Early Childhood Center have been more work than ever, but extremely rewarding. The focus and activities teachers create must guarantee both meeting the curriculum standards and addressing the developmental level of the child. Thanks to our administration for giving us the time to conference with parents and encouraging good professional development which has been recognized."

Delphi and DCSC have been great places to raise and educate children. I truly appreciate caring members at all levels who continue to provide a check and balance that coordinates the economics with the educational goals. We have wonderful families and tremendous student talent and accomplishment as proof!"

Mrs. VanMatre said retirement is going to be a time to slow down the pace with her husband, Gary, who is also retiring, and play more together with their grandchildren.

"To begin, we are planning a trip to Yellowstone and the Grand Teton Mountains," she said. "I am sure I will find a way to stay connected with educating children on my own time clock."

VanMatre and her husband have four children Graeme VanMatre, DC (wife: Lara) of Westfield, Ryan VanMatre, DC (wife: Cathy) of Zionsville, Adam VanMatre, who is in the U.S. Navy stationed in Tokyo, and Aspen Graessle (husband: Barrett) of Kansas City, and four grandchildren.

Reflecting on her teaching career, Mrs. VanMatre said, "I have learned to listen better and not be afraid to show how much I care personally about each child and family. Their trust is precious and I am honored by the degree of effort kindergartners have always put forth for me. I quickly fall in love with them. The rewards are definitely the relationships and memories that will always be a part of who I am."



VanMatre