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The Bay Window

May 2019

Tradition of Excellence ~ Commitment to Progress



The 2019 Trailways Championship Math Team

Front Row (Algebra 1): Henry Kwiatkowski, Karsen Cox, Evelyn Hamberg, Ethan West, Ben Broll, Liam Feehan. **Row 2 (Geometry):** Marissa Erdman, Owen Johnson, Collin Kuiper, Addison Vlastnik, Parker Johnston, Travis Johnson. **Row 3 (Algebra 2):** Ian Stratton, Braiya Nolan, Sam Norton, Annika Olson, Nettie Dellheim, Austyn Hartwig. **Row 4 (Advanced Math):** Hannah Rabenhorst, Jordan Ensminger, Daniel Rees, Jack Kuiper, Tori Pollak, Genevieve Paur.

Math Team Wins 20th Conference Title

Congratulations to the Williams Bay High School Math Team for its outstanding performance at the Trailways Conference Math Meet. All four teams placed 1st in the conference. This makes it 20 years in a row that the Math Team has captured this honor. Williams Bay students also received 8 of the 12 individual awards!

Individual awards: Algebra I - Liam Feehan, 1st place. Geometry - Marissa Erdman, 1st place; Travis Johnson, 2nd place; Collin Kuiper, 3rd place. Algebra II - Nettie Dellheim - 1st place. Advanced Math - Jordan Ensminger - 1st place; Tori Pollak - 2nd place; Jack Kuiper - 3rd place. Congratulations to the Math Team for their outstanding performance!

2019 Forensics Team Meets Success

By Genevieve Paur, Student Contributor

Forensics is a public speaking competition that includes many different categories such as prose reading, poetry reading, demonstration speech, impromptu speech, play acting, and a plethora of other categories. Students develop skills in research, critical thinking, organization, persuasion, and communication. As stated by the NFHS on nfhs.org, "Speech and debate students see tangible benefits from participation while in school – confidence in speaking situations, spontaneity in interviews, improved writing in other courses, diverse perspectives. These skills also benefit the student after high school."

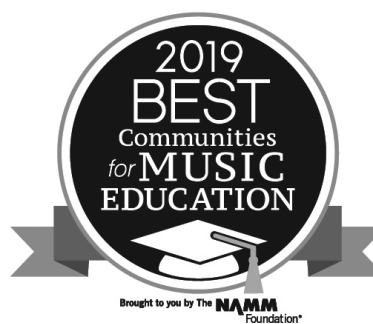
During a forensics meet, there are three rounds of speaking. Contestants earn a score of 0-25 points, with 25 being the highest possible score. The competition does not pit students against each other; rather, each student is judged solely on his or her performance. Students are judged on criteria such as volume, diction, physical presence, organization, and knowledge of subject matter. The Williams Bay High School forensics team, which consisted of four members, met with success at the sub-district, district, and state forensics meets! Each member placed at the state competition: Jarely Casteñada won a silver medal in prose, Anna Rolfs won a silver medal in prose, Monica Paur won a silver medal in impromptu speech, and Genevieve Paur won a gold medal in prose.

Important Dates

May 10	Elementary Spring Sing/Art Auction 1:30 PM *Doors open at 1:15 PM
May 14	6 th -8 th Grade Band/Choir Concert 7:00 PM
May 17	Fun Fair 5:30 - 8:00 PM
May 21	Elementary Fisheree 4:00 PM
May 24	High School Activity Night
May 27	NO SCHOOL--Memorial Day
May 29	Sports Boosters Athletic Banquet at Lake Lawn 7:00 PM
May 31	High School Graduation 7:00 PM
June 5	8 th Grade Graduation 7:00 PM
June 6	Last Day of School

Music Program Receives National Recognition

The Williams Bay School District Music Department has been honored with the 2019 Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education. The Best Communities for Music



Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students.

The music programs at Williams Bay School District are provided by Mrs. Katie Campbell at the Elementary level, Ms. Hope Wittmus at the Middle and High School level and Mr. Nathan Weirick at the Middle and High School levels. These programs range from general music classes to choir, band, solo & ensemble, musicals and more!

This award recognizes that the Williams Bay School District is leading the way with learning opportunities as outlined in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). ESSA recommends music and the arts as important elements of a well-rounded education for all children. Research into music education demonstrates educational/cognitive and social skill benefits for children who make music. Not to mention, social benefits including conflict resolution, teamwork skills, and giving/receiving constructive criticism.

Fun Fair May 17

Williams Bay School District's annual Fun Fair will be held on Friday, May 17 from 5:30-8:00 PM at the Williams Bay Middle/High School.

Hosted by the Williams Bay School District PTO, Fun Fair is a long-standing tradition in the community. All monies raised are used to support and enhance educational opportunities for Williams Bay students. This year's theme is "The Greatest Show" and there truly is something for all ages.

- * Cake Walk
- * Raffle Baskets
- * Carnival Games
- * Face Painting
- * Glitter Tattoos
- * Multi-Player Games
- * Print-your-own T-shirts
- * Crafts
- * Cotton Candy
- * Dinner Items
- * Pop Corn
- * Aerial Performance
- * Balloon Animals
- * Prize Booth
- * Door Prizes
- * And so much more

OCEAN COMMOTION



Mrs. Breen's and Mrs. Hertel's four year old kindergarten students practice for their May 3 debut of a play based on the book, The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister.



11th Annual Children's Art Auction

By Holly Mulhall, Elementary Art Teacher

Each year students and teachers look forward to creating artwork to donate to our annual art auction. Students will be holding our 11th Annual Art Auction on May 10 following the Spring Sing to benefit The Time is Now. Our auction is a great opportunity for students to give back to those in need. Students take great pride in knowing that they are helping kids just like themselves receive needed care. Parents and friends in the community are welcome to bid on the student artwork with all profits benefiting The Time is Now. We would like to invite you to join us to help raise money for children in need of care. We hope to see you there!



COMMUNICATION ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

Better Hearing & Speech Month

Tips and Tricks to Promote Speech and Language at Home:

1. **Talk-** Modeling communication will help your child learn. Narrate what you are doing as you go through your day, and what your child is doing.
2. **Listen-** Listen and respond, to what your child has to say. Let them know that their words have meaning!
3. **Play-** Whether it is a board game, Legos, or a simple game of "I Spy", interaction is the best tool for promoting language skills.

According to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Associations, kids today are using devices for hours every day—time that once was reserved for talking and reading, interactive and imaginative play, outdoor experiences, and other activities. Yet, the primary way young children develop their speech and language abilities is through verbal exchange—talking and reading with parents. This is a precursor for their own reading abilities and overall academic success. Children also learn from hands-on experiences. Educational apps can play a part, but they are in no way a replacement for what is learned through person-to-person communication. As we head into the summer months, when children no doubt will have more time to use devices, consider carving out some device-free time each day. You may be surprised by how little they (and you) miss it!

If you have questions or concerns about your child's speech or language skills, contact Speech-Language Pathologists, Ms. Syring or Ms. Haning



Congratulations to the gymnastics co-op team for placing second in the State Division 1 Gymnastics Competition. Individual recognition goes to Maddy Bronson for placing 3rd in vault and Annie Murphy for placing 5th on balance beam. Malia Bronson, Maddie Bronson, and Annie Murphy pictured above.

SPORTS BOOSTERS ATHLETIC AWARDS BANQUET

Wednesday, May 29

7:00 PM at Lake Lawn Lodge

All athletes and parents will receive their dessert free of charge as guests of the Williams Bay Athletic Booster Club. We would love to see all athletes attend to celebrate the great accomplishments made this year! **Please RSVP to Kellie Quinn in the HS office 245-6224 by May 17** so we can have an accurate head count. We hope you can make it!

DISTRICT DISCUSSIONS

By Superintendent Wayne Anderson

Do you enjoy the warmth of sunlight on your face, as much as I do? If so, the long winter looks like it is finally coming to an end and the warmth of spring and summer is on its way. As the warm weather approaches, we start preparing for the end of another school year. It is a little hard to believe that graduation is the end of this month with all the pomp and circumstance that the season brings.

High School graduation is one of the most special days of the school year. This is the day that we get to honor our seniors and their parents for a job well done. It is a day filled with music, speeches, slide shows and recognition. It is the end of one stage of a person's life and the start of the next stage, whether that be the continuing a person's education, entering the military or starting a career. It is a chance for parents, relatives, school staff and the community to congratulate the students on their accomplishments and wish them well for a future filled with promise and expectation.

The graduation ceremony at Williams Bay is the most intimate that I have ever been involved with during my forty year career. However, as our graduating classes are getting larger, the length of the ceremony is also getting longer. So this year, the graduating class asked Dr. White, the Middle/High School principal, if they could make some minor changes to the ceremony. After listening to their proposal, he agreed. In the past, each senior would write a description of what was most important to them in High School and their plans for the future. These statements would often include how many of their family graduated from "the Bay" and where they saw themselves going in the future. These were delightful pieces. The change for this year, is that instead of having these statements read during the graduation ceremony, the students are having these statement compiled into a booklet to share with family and friends. The seniors believed that this change would reduce the amount of time that individuals would have to sit and would also be a much longer lasting memento of this special day.

This year our graduation ceremony will be held on Friday, May 31, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Middle/High School gymnasium. I hope that you will be able to come and share in this important event with our seniors and their families. It is a day of celebration for everyone because we are all members of a community that strives to improve the lives of those around us. I have always been honored to be a part of this community because your support makes truly great things happen each and every day. As always, thank you for everything that you do!

From the Desk of Dr. William White Middle/High School Principal

High School Graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 31, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Everyone at Williams Bay High School is excited to celebrate this milestone with all our graduates and their families. The staff and faculty at Williams Bay are working hard to make sure the end of the year and graduation run as smoothly as possible. A letter detailing many aspects of graduation and senior activities was sent home on April 18. If parents of seniors did not receive this letter, please contact Mrs. Anderson in the Student Services Office.

Middle School 8th grade Graduation will be on June 5 at 7:00 PM in the high school gymnasium. Students should arrive at 6:20 PM and there will be photo opportunity for the community at 6:30 PM

There will be a High School Awards Assembly on Thursday, May 30 at 7:45 AM to celebrate the many accomplishments of our students. The Middle School Awards Assembly will be held on Tuesday, June 4 at 1:00 PM. Parents are invited to each of the assemblies.



has fun activities and quizzes for each of the subject areas. The videos and other materials are designed to engage students and they are aligned to state education standards. Thank you to the PTO and our parents for their support. Williams Bay Elementary loves BrainPOP!

Thank you, PTO!

Thanks to the generosity of the Williams Bay PTO, students at Williams Bay Elementary School can continue to enjoy learning using BrainPOP. BrainPOP has over 1,000 short animated videos for students that cover the subjects of science, social studies, English, mathematics, engineering and technology, health, and arts and music. BrainPop also

From the Desk of Mrs. Ali Bond Elementary Principal

Literacy Implementation Continues:

Williams Bay School District will continue the literacy implementation with the addition of Reader's Workshop for the 2019-2020 school year. We know the importance of ongoing professional development and support for classroom teachers and students. We continue to identify the appropriate resources and provide quality instruction which meet the needs of all our students. We will continue working with CESA 6 to provide professional development over the next several years for our K-8 balanced literacy implementation. We will build capacity for classroom teachers by providing modeling and coaching to strengthen our Core/Tier 1 best practices. The Instructional Leadership Team strongly believes that the balanced literacy model will allow us to meet the instructional needs of all students, allowing them to develop literacy skills that will help them succeed throughout their academic careers.

PBIS Update:

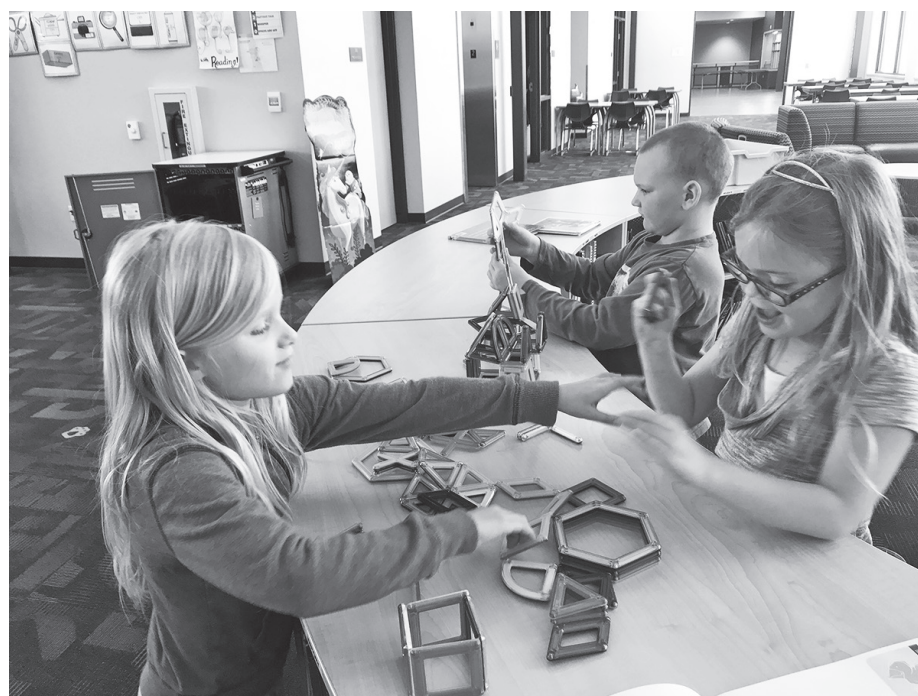
Williams Bay School District implemented Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) during the 2018-2019 school year. The implementation was rolled out at the elementary school last fall with training for all staff and several substitute teachers. Our PBIS plan provides consistent language and expectations for all students. We have incentives and celebrations built in to recognize students as they meet various milestones of obtaining stamps for demonstrating behavior that is above and beyond for that student. We made many changes to our original plan throughout the year based on staff, parent and community input. More changes will be made including the addition of some great items for students to have that showcase their positive behavior accomplishments. Our bulletin board is packed with paws for the "PAW"some behavior students demonstrate throughout the year. We also have a 100 Point Club wall to highlight students who have reached that milestone.

16th Annual Williams Bay Athletic Boosters GOLF OUTING Friday, August 9, 2019 at Lake Lawn Resort

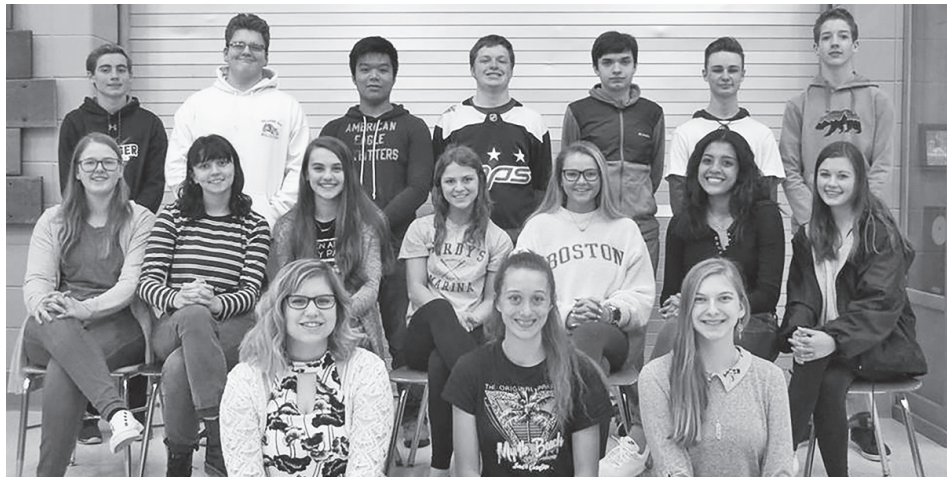
- \$100 per person includes golf w/ cart and lunch
- 18 hole foursome, best ball
- Please try to arrange your own scramble team, or individuals will be combined with other golfers

Tournament Agenda
7:00-8:00 AM registration
8:00 AM sharp shotgun start
12:30 PM lunch, prizes and program

For information, call Roberta Pollak (262) 206-2755



First graders Zoe Carpenter, Joshua Caviness, and Delilah Cook have fun playing with magnetic building shapes during Library/Tech Class. It was free choice day where students could choose the magnetic shapes, dominoes, or a Chromebook game for the last 20 minutes of class.



Europe Trip Participants Front Row: Kira Granberg, Isabella Johnston, Ashtin Peck. **Second Row:** Hanna Frazier, Katie Callahan, Emalynn Gaylord, Malia Bronson, Kloe Kiekhafer, Ariana Pelodia, Paige Gilbert. **Back Row:** Andres Scocos, RJ Pollak, Jacob DeLeon, Jack Barton, Ean Beckman, Jordan Saputo, Cole Hess.

WBHS History Club Travels Europe

Passports? Suitcases? Walking shoes? Sense of adventure? If you have all these, you are ready to explore the world with WBHS History Club.

Starting in 2001, the WBHS History Club has traveled the world, beginning with a 15 day trip to England, France, Monaco and Italy. Since then, they have explored a 450 year Salt Mine in Austria, climbed the Swiss Alps, visited the D-Day beaches in France, bought carpets in Morocco and walked in the footsteps of Royalty!

This year, a group of 6 adults and 18 WBHS students will be touring the wonders of British Isles for 11 days in June. The group, led by History Club advisor, Mrs. Soplanda, will begin their trip in Ireland, touring the Ring of Kerry, visiting the Book of Kells in Dublin, then taking a ferry across the Irish Sea, they land in Wales where they will explore several castles while touring Snowdonia National Park. Heading north into Scotland, the group will explore the capital, Edinburgh, before taking a train south to London England. While in London they will ride the famous “London Eye” and visit the court of Henry VIII Tudor at his Hampton Court Palace.

The WBHS History Club travels to Europe every two years, using the services of EF Tours Travel Company. With 50 years of group travel experience, they provide the itinerary, travel, hotel and experiences as well as the services of a 24 hour multilingual Tour Director who is with the group from arrival to departure. For more information, please contact Mrs. Soplanda at dsoplanda@williamsbayschools.org.

History Bowl Champions

Williams Bay High School’s four History Bowl Teams had an excellent competition on Saturday, March 2 at the Wisconsin State History Bee/History Bowl Championships held at Whitnall High School in Greenfield, WI. Twenty teams from Wisconsin and Illinois competed in an intense all day competition for the State Title. Williams Bay came away with these awards:

- Wisconsin State Varsity History Bee Champion — Gen Paur
- 2nd Place Wisconsin Varsity State History Bowl Team
- 2nd Place Wisconsin State JV History Bowl Team

We have so much to be proud of here at Williams Bay High School!



End of the Year Chromebook Collection

As stated in the Williams Bay School District Chromebook 1:1 Initiative Handbook, Chromebooks assigned to students will be collected prior to the end of the school year. Seniors will have their Chromebooks collected on Wednesday, May 29. The remaining High school

student Chromebooks will be collected on Tuesday June 4 during periods 7, 8 and FAST. Middle School Chromebooks will be collected on Monday, June 3 during their Literacy classes. Students need to return their Chromebook, charger, and carrying case.

The students will retain their original Chromebook each year while enrolled in the Williams Bay Schools, unless it is deemed by the technology department that the device has reached its normal end-of-life and needs to be replaced. The Chromebooks will be returned to students during the first few weeks of the 2019 – 2020 school year.

Additionally, next year the Williams Bay School District will be requiring students to utilize their school issued Chromebook. Students will no longer be permitted to use their own computer in school.

Way to go!

Kohl Excellence Scholarship Winner

Congratulations to Victoria Pollak who was recognized as one of 100 Kohl Excellence Scholars statewide and will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. The Kohl Excellence Scholarship is awarded to students who show leadership, citizenship and community involvement, and academic achievement.

Kikkoman Scholarship

Congratulations to Hanna Fredrickson for receiving the Kikkoman Scholarship. The scholarship will be for a six-week, cultural experience in Japan.

Blood Drive

Thank you to everyone who supported the WBHS Student Council’s Blood Drive! More than 100 people came to donate blood and 92 units were donated! A special thanks to the sponsors: Elizabeth’s Cafe, Clearwaters Salon & Spa, Dip in the Bay, Abbey Yacht Club, Geneva Lake Cruise Line, Lucke’s Cantina, Balance Bath & Body, Ms. Thiel, Mrs. Leece, and Mrs. Snyder.

Walworth County Arts Council Children’s Art Show Exhibitors



Congratulations to this year’s Walworth County Arts Council Children’s Art Show Exhibitors. The art show was held April 7, 2019 at Elkhorn Area Middle School.

Top from left: Braden Hayes, Lauryn Sikes, and Liam Beth. **Middle from Left:** Allie McMannamy, Evan Vanderstappen, Finn Connelly and Brynn Robach. **Front from left:** Patrick Wagner, Kristina Straubel

Congratulations Braiya Nolan

Braiya Nolan was chosen by the National WWII Museum in New Orleans to participate in the museum’s American Spirit Awards program taking place May 22-23. The museum honors one student in every state who has maintained a strong record of volunteerism, demonstrates school and community activism, and helps implement creative solutions to recognized problems.

Geneva Lakes Art Foundation Art Show

Congratulations to Faith Lensmith for receiving an “Award of Recognition,” including a \$100 gift card to Blick Art Materials at the Geneva Lakes Student Art show on Friday, April 12. Also, a job well done goes to Jack Kuiper, Malia Bronson, Hanan Ghazzaoui, Sonia Lauten and Chloe Schlesner for their work also being displayed.

Pro Start Competes at the Wisconsin Center

Congratulations to the High School Prostart Culinary Team that competed March 12 at the Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee. Members of the team are Hanna Fredrickson, Alex Kelby and Nettie Dellheim.

Book Bonanza Team

Congratulations to the 8th Grade Book Bonanza Team for placing 3rd at their regional competition. Team members include: Kaeden Weberpal, Sam Thompson, and Keileen Weberpal.

All-Conference Basketball

Congratulations to the following 2018-2019 girls and boys basketball players who were recognized by the Trailways Conference:

Girls South Division

Hannah Rabenhorst	Honorable Mention
Tori Pollak	Honorable Mention

Boys South Division

Ben Venteicher	Second Team
Jaden Randall	Honorable Mention
Nate Mannelli	Honorable Mention

Over 124 Years of Dedicated Service... Congratulations, Class of 2019 Retirees!



Class of 2019 Retirees: Front Row: Sandy Johnson, Coe Reynolds, and Elizabeth Arney. **Back Row:** Laura Lombardo, Nancy Anderson and Karen Hanson.

Nancy Anderson, Student Services Administrative Assistant

I started my career at the Williams Bay School District 27 years ago. It's hard for me to believe because the part time job I was hired for was going to be temporary until both of our daughters were in school full time. They are now 33 and 35 respectively.

My time at the Bay has been filled with many great times, lots and lots of laughs and a few tears. The students and staff supported and encouraged me through three bouts of cancer and congratulated me when I became a grandmother four times....soon to be five times. I feel so blessed to be part of this very caring staff. I don't have any concrete plans for my retirement but I plan on spending time with my granddaughters in Lake Geneva as well as my grandchildren in Minnesota. My husband, Rex, is not retiring yet so major travel plans will have to wait a while. What I will miss most is my daily interaction with the students and staff of the Williams Bay School District... we laugh a lot, work hard and care deeply. Thank you Williams Bay--you have always had a special place in my heart and will continue to do so.

Karen F. Hanson, Third Grade Teacher

Where did the time go? "Time flies when you are having fun!" they say. I graduated from University of Eau Claire, WI in December of 1980. My husband and I then moved to southern Wisconsin from Rice Lake, WI. I began substitute teaching wherever I could, even High School Chemistry! In the fall of 1981, I was hired for fifth grade in Waterford, WI. I taught seven years there. I was hired at Williams Bay Elementary in the fall of 1988. I thought I had died and gone to heaven! My first year at Williams Bay was a split fourth/fifth grade classroom. Then I taught six years of fourth grade. After teaching fourteen years total, I was offered a third-grade classroom, which was my dream come true! Here I am now having taught 31 years at Williams Bay Elementary and a total of 38 years teaching children.

I am looking forward to retirement. I want to learn skills for woodworking and stained glass making. I want to make soap, paint and watercolor. I earned a minor in art from Eau Claire, WI and I am ready to use it! I want to visit family up north and not have to travel home on a Sunday for school on Monday.

I will truly miss everyone; my friends, my students, and my friendly administration. I will miss my classroom; its library and bathtub, teaching the love of learning, and my unique school where kids come first! Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the many opportunities I have been given.

Coe Reynolds, Administrative Assistant for Business

I won the lottery and I'm moving to Hawaii!! This is why I decided to leave the Williams Bay School District. Just kidding! It's true that I'm leaving the District, but it's because, after 32 years, I'm retiring.

I hate good bye messages. How can you summarize a life-changing experience with an amazing cast of characters in two or three paragraphs? It just isn't possible. During my time here, I have had the opportunity to work with an extraordinary group of teachers and administrators, parents and students who welcomed me from the beginning, challenged me and have made an indelible imprint on my heart. I am so grateful for having the opportunity to be a Williams Bay Bulldog!

I'm not good with good byes so this is a see ya' later! Go Bulldogs!

Elizabeth Arney, Fifth Grade Teacher

I am one of those "Illinois" people who has adopted Wisconsin as my home state. I began teaching primary grades in Arlington Heights, IL. I taught in Arlington Heights/Palatine for ten years. I grew up in Arlington Heights and received my teaching degree from Western Illinois University.

In 1991, my family and I moved to Williams Bay. I immediately appreciated living so close to Geneva Lake. I have taken many lake path walks.

In 1996, I began teaching at Williams Bay Elementary School as a 6th grade teacher. After six years, I moved to fifth grade. As an upper elementary teacher, I was able to take part in our sixth-grade outdoor education program at Camp Timberlee for 19 years. I enjoyed the experience as much as the students.

Throughout the years I have taken on various co-curricular duties. I have been our Elementary Student Council Advisor, Outdoor Education Director, Battle of the Books Advisor, Talented and Gifted Coordinator, Safety Patrol Advisor, Anthology Coordinator and Math Team Advisor.

I have always been proud to call myself a teacher at Williams Bay Elementary. I am even more proud of my two daughters who are Williams Bay High School graduates. Education has changed in many ways since I began my career, yet one thing has remained constant: spending your days in a school setting is nice!

Laura Lombardo, Special Education Aide

Every fall getting ready for school, I would think of the poet, Rilke's quote, "And now we welcome the new year, full of things that have never been." And for the past 12 years that I have been at Williams Bay Elementary School, each new year brought students, colleagues, knowledge and experiences that have impacted my life that had not there before.

Prior to working at the school, I was an Adult Education Programmer at Covenant Harbor, Director of Conference Services at George Williams College, Director of Student Activities at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and a Therapeutic Recreation Specialist in psychiatric hospitals in Chicago. Working with children and providing non-traditional education experiences has always been my passion.

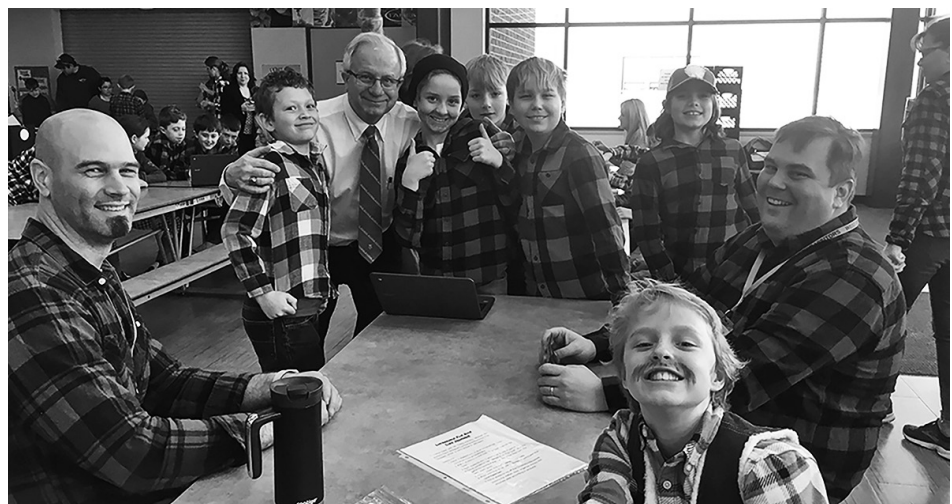
It has been an honor working at the Elementary School with all of the wonderful teachers and students. I will miss the day-to-day interactions with everyone, and am grateful for the opportunity to have been part of such a caring learning community.

Sandy Johnson, Special Education Teacher

I began my teaching career right here in Williams Bay, 38 years ago. At that time, I was the only special education teacher for grades 1 - 12. My, how things have changed! We now have 4 special education teachers and 2 aides serving grades 4K - 12.

I have been privileged to work with many talented, kind, funny, generous, and cooperative colleagues. I have loved having the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our students. Teaching students to read, spell, and do math independently is very exciting. Seeing their confidence grow and their skills blossom in the classroom has been very rewarding. I will truly miss interacting with students daily.

In my retirement, I plan to spend more time with my grandson. My husband and I are planning to travel. Look for me at The Apple Barn Orchard and Winery during strawberry and apple seasons, as I enjoy my part time work there. I will also always be open to opportunities to use my talents and gifts in service to others.



The fourth grade Lumberjack Breakfast held on March 22 in the Elementary School cafeteria was enjoyed by students, parents and District Administrator Dr. Anderson.

Tops in Their Class

CLASS OF 2019 VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

Valedictorian Jack Kuiper will be attending the University of North Dakota to major in Commercial Aviation. The son of Steven and Jodie Kuiper, Jack has been a student in the Williams Bay School District since Kindergarten.

Jack played basketball his freshman and sophomore years. He played baseball all four years, where he earned MVP his sophomore year, as well as conference honorable mention his sophomore and junior years. He has also played travel baseball during his freshman, sophomore, and junior year summers. His summers consisted of playing baseball in numerous states, including Texas, Georgia, and Tennessee.



Jack participated on the Math Team all four years, winning first place as a team his first three years. He received first place on the individual test for Algebra II his sophomore year. He participated in the Academic Bowl his freshman year, winning first place as a team. Jack has been the class treasurer all four years, and Student Council his freshman and sophomore years. He was an Outdoor Ed counselor his junior year. He has also been involved in History Club his freshman, sophomore, and junior years. He went to Germany, Austria, and Switzerland on the History Club Europe trip his sophomore year.

Jack was inducted into National Honor Society his junior year. His artwork received honorable mention at the Williams Bay Art Show his sophomore year. He also received honorable mention at Geneva Lakes Art Foundation art show, as well as first place at the Williams Bay Art Show his junior year.

Jack has been involved at his church, volunteering for fish fries and food packagings. Jack has also been working on his Private Pilot License in Burlington most of his senior year, to get a head start on his degree.



Salutatorian, Victoria Pollak, will be attending Stanford University this fall. She will be double majoring in Economics and International Relations. "I'm excited to join the Stanford community because it is a relatively small university with huge opportunities for undergraduates. The small class sizes and research opportunities are some things I'm really looking forward to." Tori found her way to an economics major due to it being a combination of her love of math and social studies. Her dream job is to work as

a foreign service officer overseas creating fair and free trade agreements between nations.

While in high school, Tori participated in the Academic Bowl, Math Team, History Bowl as well as History Club, Spanish Club and Band. Tori was a three - sport athlete playing volleyball, basketball and softball all four years of high school and played on a traveling softball team outside of school. She was the Vice President of her freshman class and President her sophomore and junior years. Service as Vice President of Student Council, being a delegate to both Badger Girls State and the World Affairs Seminar helped her gain a better sense of government, leadership and community. Being an intern with the Geneva West Chamber of Commerce instilled in Tori her passion in government policy. Tori has been named a Herb Kohl Excellence Scholar, a member of National Honor Society and an Questbridge National Scholar.

"I cannot imagine my high school career without the extracurricular activities as they have given me countless opportunities to grow as a person."

Seniors and Graduation

A letter was mailed home to seniors addressing many end of the year and graduation items. Please take time to read this letter and review what your student has submitted to be read about them when they receive their diploma in order to make sure it meets both the student and parent expectations. We want to make sure this is a special time for the entire family. If you did not receive the letter, please contact Mrs. Anderson in Student Services to obtain a copy.

The Mysterious Paw Print

There's always something cool to find when you're outside! Molly Crowley and Margaret Lothian, two second graders in Mrs. Bailey's class found a bunch of paw prints in the mud during recess.

"When we were out looking for rocks, we found a paw print. We tried to find out what it was with some friends, and then Mrs. Lombardo took a picture of it," said Margaret.

Mrs. Hanson had a book of animal prints and ours matched to a coyote print. Mrs. Hanson made plaster of paris so we could cast it. "Everyone in Mrs. Hanson's class was crowding the paw print while it was getting casted," said Molly.

We used paint brushes to brush off the mud from the casting when it was dry. "It's exciting to be the ones who found the paw prints and it's really fun seeing our own work in the ground now in plaster," said Margaret.

Everybody likes to find mysterious things outside when they are exploring the outside world. Always keep your eye on the ground to find wondrous things!



Free Medical, Dental, and Vision Exams

Saturday, June 22,

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Open Arms Free Clinic

205 E Commerce Court, Elkhorn, WI

This free service is brought to you by the generous volunteers of Open Arms Free Clinic. Maximum 50 students. First come, first serve. Please bring child's proof of age (birth certificate or other legal document). There are no requirements for proof of income or insurance status to receive all the services. Please bring required school forms on the day of service. For questions, contact Sara Nichols at 262-379-1401/info@openarmsfreeclinic.org.

Williams Bay Sends Ten to State

By Jon Tomaszewski

Since the beginning of the school year, freshmen and sophomores at Williams Bay High School have been creating projects for the annual National History Day (NHD) competition. This year marks the fourth year that WBHS has participated in the event, with growing success every year.

Each year the competition has a different theme. The 2019 theme was Triumph and Tragedy in History. Students were tasked with focusing on a historical event that displayed both parts of the theme and how that event shaped history and has an impact on current world events. In addition choosing their topic, students also choose how to present their project. The options include: writing a paper, designing a website, creating an exhibit, making a video documentary, or acting in a performance.

The NHD competition has four levels: a school competition, regional competition, state competition, and finally national competition. Williams Bay has sent one student to the national competition (Braiya Nolan, 2018), and has sent numerous students to the regional and state competitions. This year WBHS sent thirteen students to the Regional competition at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee where they competed against seven other schools and over sixty other students. Of those thirteen, ten qualified for the state competition at the University of Wisconsin.

Those qualifying include: Anna and Josh Rolfs for their documentary titled, Warsaw's Heroic Struggle Against Totalitarianism; Braiya Nolan for her performance titled, Gerda Taro: The Triumphant Development of Modern War Photojournalism; Caden Binger, Aidan Hoover, and Travis Johnson for their performance titled, The Oregon Trail: America's Triumphant Journey West; Adriana Ramirez and Mannat Toor for their website titled, The UW Oshkosh Tragedy: How Student's Triumphant Overcame Discrimination on Black day; and Cole Birkett and Landon Palmer for their website titled, The Spanish American War Triumph and Tragedy. These ten students will now compete against students throughout the entire state of Wisconsin with hopes of being one of the 30 students who qualify for the national competition in College Park, Maryland.

Congratulations to all of these students and good luck!



High School Graduation • Friday, May 31 at 7:00 PM

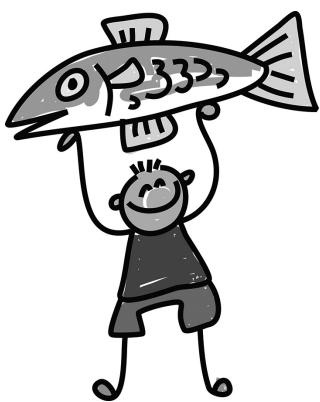
Elementary Floor Hockey Tournament

By Liz Boss

March 11-22 we had a floor hockey unit in PE for grades 3-4-5. Many students were very excited about floor hockey and didn't want the unit to end, so I decided to run a tournament over lunch recess for the students who wanted to continue playing. Many students signed up and we had 16 teams, with students divided equally onto those teams. It was a single elimination tournament with two games going on simultaneously. We eventually crowned a winner, and that team was able to play one last game against the staff.

What made this tournament so remarkable was the fact that students ran it for me. I had students volunteer to be referees and scorekeepers. I only had to supervise. Sportsmanship has been highly stressed this year, and I believe the students have taken it to heart. If good sportsmanship did not prevail we would not have been able to have a student led tournament. Kudos to the kids who were able to handle this. The idea of having a tournament with little supervision would not have entered my mind in the fall, but I have seen growth and maturity from our kids and I'm super proud of them. I appreciate all the parental support as well. Thanks for reinforcing good sportsmanship at home!

The final game between students and staff was a thriller, with the teachers prevailing 2-0. Miss Schauer scored both goals for the staff and Mr. Kuespert made some outstanding saves as goalie to keep the students from scoring. Great job to all!



FISHEREE

The 29th Annual Williams Bay Elementary FISHEREE will be held on Tuesday, May 21 after school at the Municipal Piers. Williams Bay Elementary is again sponsoring an after-school fishing contest open to students in grades K-5. We will take buses down to the lake front at about 3:30 and will fish from the municipal piers. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to join in the fun. A fishing raffle will be held and also prizes for the longest fish caught by a girl or boy of each grade will be given. Look for more details in the next few weeks.

Spring Sing and Art Auction

Friday, May 10 at 1:30 PM (Doors open at 1:15 PM)

This year's Spring Sing theme is "Up in Lights" and will feature showtunes from several different musicals. The performance begins at 1:30 PM on Friday, May 10. Come enjoy the show!

After the concert, peruse the lobby to view and bid on student and staff art work during our annual Children's Art Auction. All proceeds benefit The Time is Now.

Academic Bowl Teams Compete

Both the High School and Middle School Academic Bowl teams placed in their respective team competitions. Students competed in the categories of math, science, language arts, and social studies.

The Middle School Academic Bowl team competes as part of the Southern Lakes Advanced Learners Network. Williams Bay hosted the competition this year on the beautiful George Williams College campus. The team took third place overall.

The High School Academic Bowl team competes as part of the Trailways Conference. The competition took place in April, and the team placed second.



Middle School Academic Bowl Team Front Row: Olivia Wiley, Ethan West, Jose Pilo, Scott Campbell, Ben Broll. **Row 2:** Sydney Scerba, Nicholas Schnobel, Evelyn Hamberg, Lacey Silverman, Liam Feehan, Kara Rees, Kristina Sterns **Back Row:** Elizabeth Lothian, Penelope Sanchez, Aaron Johnson.

Middle School Academic Bowl Individual Awards

Jose Pilo - 3rd place, 6th grade math
 Lacey Silverman and Kara Rees - tied for 3rd place, 6th grade social studies
 Scott Campbell - 3rd place, 6th grade language arts
 Aaron Johnson - 2nd place, 7th grade math
 Penelope Sanchez - 2nd place, 7th grade science
 Liam Feehan - 1st place, 7th grade social studies
 Sydney Scerba - 2nd place, 8th grade science
 Evelyn Hamberg - 3rd place, 8th grade science
 Nicholas Schnobel - 3rd place, 8th grade social studies



High School Academic Bowl Team Front Row: Tori Pollak, Briana Thompson, Annie Sanchez. **Row 2:** Marissa Erdman, Hanan Ghazzaoui, Faith Lensmith, Braiya Nolan, Annika Olson, Travis Johnson **Row 3:** Laurena Erdman, Hannah Rabenhorst, Nettie Dellheim, Rowan Danou, Orion Danou, Daniel Rees.

High School Academic Bowl Individual Awards

Laurena Erdman - 1st place, biology
 Hannah Rabenhorst - 2nd place, chemistry
 Hannan Ghazzoui - 2nd place, physics
 Braiya Nolan - 3rd place, biology
 Travis Johnson - 3rd place, physical science
 Annie Sanchez - 1st place, grammar and vocabulary
 Faith Lensmith - 1st place, literary potpourri
 Annika Olson - 2nd place, American literature
 Daniel Rees - 2nd place, novels
 Rowan Danou - 2nd place, civics
 Nettie Dellheim and Orion Danou - tied for 3rd place, American history

Williams Bay School District 2019-2020 Calendar

Approved 3/11/19

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Williams Bay Elementary School
250 Theater Rd.
Williams Bay, WI
(262) 245-5571

Williams Bay Middle/High School
500 W. Geneva St.
Williams Bay, WI
(262) 245-6224

Williams Bay School District Office
P.O. Box 1410
Williams Bay,
(262) 245-1575

- Vacation
- Teacher Day
- Early Dismissal (4K-5th Grade: Noon)
(6th – 12th Grade: 11:20 a.m.)
- △ 4K-5th Grade: Normal Student Day (8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.)
6th-12th Grade: Early Dismissal 1:00 p.m.
- ◡ Teacher Day for 4K-5th Grade
Early Dismissal for 6th-12th Grade (1:00 p.m.)

Teacher Inservice—August 27, 28, 29
Labor Day—September 2
First day of Classes—September 3
Thanksgiving—November 27-29
Winter Break—December 23 –January 3
Mid-Winter Break—February 21
Spring Break—April 6-10
High School Graduation—May 29
Eighth Grade Graduation—June 3
Last day of classes for 4K-5th Grade—June 3
Last day of classes for 6th-12th Grade—June 4

Parent Teacher Conferences

Time: 3:45 – 7:15 p.m.

Elementary School:
September 12
November 7 and 12
March 19

Middle/High School:
October 17 and 24
February 13



Thank You, Environmental Education Foundation!

The 6th grade Outdoor Education leaders would like to send a warm thank you to the committee members from Environmental Education Foundation, Inc. for choosing Williams Bay as a scholarship recipient. Their generous donation to the 6th graders attending Outdoor Education at Camp Timber-lee helps us continue to attend this educational camp experience yearly. Outdoor Education has been taking place in the Williams Bay School District for more than 60 years, and it's an activity that all students look forward to. All of the students and the staff who have attended Outdoor Education are thankful for everything the foundation does to help students experience and enjoy Outdoor Education.

Sixth graders explore the ecosystem of "The Swamp", a favorite activity while at Outdoor Ed.