

# The Paw Print

2001, 2002 & 2003 ODE Excellent Rating; 2003 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

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### Out on Their Own

The class of 2004 graduated on Sunday, May 30. Congratulations and best wishes for success to all of our graduates as they pursue new opportunities and challenges. More details about their future plans will follow in next month's newsletter.

### Building Notes

- ✓ Bids are currently being solicited for the Kalida Local School District's Expedited Local Partnership Program. Anyone interested in bidding all, or part, of the contract or anyone interested in being a subcontractor can receive information from Beilharz Architects, Inc.
- ✓ Site work continues to move forward. Although delayed by recent rains, work should easily be completed in time for construction to begin. During a May 5 meeting with O.S.F.C., the Early Site Package was approved for co-funding between O.S.F.C. (75%) and Kalida Local (25%).
- ✓ During the May 5 meeting, the Schematic Design Phase and the Design Development Phase plans were also accepted by O.S.F.C.

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## ~ History of State and Local Revenues ~ notes compiled by Treasurer Cindy Webken

Many people have been asking why it seems some school districts are always asking local residents for more money through tax levies. **One contributing factor to this is the dwindling of state money toward education.** In districts where the state share of basic aid continues to decline, the burden of funding existing or new educational programs is shifted to local residents. As state aid declines, one option for school districts is to ask residents for additional revenue so they may continue their current levels of service to students. As you can see by the following table, the state share by percentage for Kalida Schools continues to decrease.

	<u>1990-91</u>	<u>1993-94</u>	<u>1996-97</u>	<u>1999-00</u>	<u>2002-03</u>
<b>State:</b>					
School Foundation	65.53%	61.42%	57.50%	60.79%	57.86%
Homestead/Rollback	2.79	2.90	2.96	3.05	3.08
Other State Sources	<u>.05</u>	<u>5.62</u>	<u>7.06</u>	<u>1.36*</u>	<u>.80</u>
	<b>68.37%</b>	<b>69.94%</b>	<b>67.52%</b>	<b>65.20%</b>	<b>61.74%</b>
<b>Local:</b>					
Real Estate Tax	23.92%	25.08%	20.51%	21.84%	22.32%
Personal Property Tax	4.55	3.77	8.70	9.97	7.39
Interest Earned	1.50	.60	1.45	1.40	.50
Other Local Sources	<u>1.66</u>	<u>.61</u>	<u>1.81</u>	<u>1.59</u>	<u>8.04**</u>
	<b>31.63%</b>	<b>30.06%</b>	<b>32.47%</b>	<b>34.80%</b>	<b>38.25%</b>
<b>Federal:</b>					
Grants	<b>.00%</b>	<b>.00%</b>	<b>.01%</b>	<b>.00%</b>	<b>.01%</b>

\*The majority of this decrease is due to Equity Money being phased out in 2000-01

\*\*The majority of this increase is the accounting method in open enrollment receipts.

## A Literary Donation

Two local mothers' clubs recently donated funds to go towards the purchase of novels for the high school students to be used yearly as part of the English courses. *Cradles to Careers* and *Crayons to College* mothers' clubs joined donations from the Kalida High School student council to purchase Mitch Albom's award winning hard cover novel entitled *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*.

## Notes from the Kalida Music Boosters

"We would like to thank everyone in the community who so graciously donated money for our new band uniforms. The Kalida Music Boosters would also like to thank Lynda Fortman and Diane Schroeder for all their hard work on the Election Day Dinners in the past. They are stepping down as the organizers of the dinner this year. We are looking for a couple of volunteers who will be willing to assume the Election Day Dinner Duties. Lynda and Diane have agreed to assist with the dinner this year. If you are willing to volunteer for this duty, please call Marcia Barnhart at 419-532-3759." ~ *Kalida Music Boosters*

## Ohio State Science Fair Superior Rating

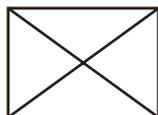
Trent Smith earned a Superior rating for his science fair project, *Can static electricity start a fire?*, at the State Science Day. Congratulations, Trent!

## Putnam County Art Show Results

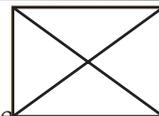
Congratulations to all the ribbon winners in the *Putnam County Art Show* held May 1, 2004. **Best of Show** rosette winners from Kalida included Ross Unverferth, Krista Warnecke and Ashley Kerner. Fourteen high school students from Kalida also earned ribbons at the showing. They included Kristen Rankin, Lindsay Westbeld, Kristen Heitmeyer, Kim Lammers, Jess Winkle, Jen Darby, Kelly Nienberg, Aaron Swihart, Krista Warnecke, Lindsey Remlinger, Brian Stechschulte, Alison Schnipke, Molly Verhoff, and Stacy Hunter. The junior high students also participated in the show. Those students winning ribbons included Trent Smith, Makenna Basinger, Dean Schnipke, Ashley Remlinger, Gina Verhoff, Doug McIntyre, Megan Jorrey, Samantha Recker, Kendra Kerner, Kyle Kahle, Ashley Shultz, and Adam Berheide.

## Induction Ceremony Held

The KHS National Honor Society inducted new members on May 20. Congratulations to the following students on their fine accomplishments: Ashley Horstman, Jennifer Kahle, Cody Maxwell, Kari Phillips, Kristen Rankin, Jackie Schroeder, Nicole Brinkman, Nate Goedde, Kenzie Hanneman, Kristen Heitmeyer, Leah Hermiller, Amanda Kortokrax, Kim Lammers, Craig Unverferth, Neil Verhoff, Ryan Buss, Ross Ellerbrock, Ryan Hoffman, Eric Schnipke, Julie Schroeder and Brad VonderEmbse.



## Elementary School Library Donations 2003-2004



Due to the increase in donations this past school year the list of book donations is rather lengthy. In this issue and the months to follow we will be publishing the donation list as space permits. A sincere "thank you" to the following people for their generous donations to the Kalida Local Schools' libraries this past 2003-2004 school year. We are proud to recognize you for your support of our school libraries and the children of the Kalida Local School District.

### In memory of Louis Fanger

*The Ersatz Elevator, The Miserable Mill* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff  
*The Slippery Slope* donated by Ann Vorst  
*The Vile Village* donated by Ann Vorst, Linda Johnson, and Mr./Mrs. George Tomlinson

*The Wide Window* donated by Linda Johnson, and Mr./Mrs. George Tomlinson

### In memory of Earl Kleman

*Earth, Junpiter, Mars* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff  
*Mercury, Neptune* donated by Carl Vorst Family  
*Pluto, Saturn, Uranus, Venus* donated by St. Michael's Altar Rosary Choir

### In memory of Audrey Vorst

*Child Care Workers, Truck Drivers* donated by Carl Vorst Family

### In memory of Charles Young

*Gus and Grandpa Ride the Train, Seymour Simon's Book of Trains* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff

### In memory of Ann Latkey

*Let's Get Ready for Independence Day, Let's Get Ready for Memorial Day* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff

### In memory of Kyle Kaufman

*You Are Special, Stranger in the Woods, Who Moved My Cheese* donated by Marilyn & Leon Kaufman

### In memory of Agnes Luebrecht

*The Boy Who Saved Baseball, The Million Dollar Kick* donated by Kalida Board of Education  
*Penalty Shot, Some Kind of Pride, The Trading Game* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff

### In memory of Steve Schulte

*Custodians, The Secret of Wildcat Swamp* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff

### In memory of Oneita J. Curtis

*St. Patrick's Day, Sunshine Makes the Seasons* donated by Kalida Board of Education  
*Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores, The Paperboy* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff  
*Green Eggs and Ham* donated by Mr./Mrs Bruce Taylor  
*Courage* donated by Mr./Mrs. Ed Schroeder  
*The Hallo-wiener* donated by Mary Grote

### In memory of Richard Unverferth

*Field of Fury: The American Civil War* donated by Kalida Elem. Faculty/Staff  
*Lucy was there - -* donated by Joyce Brokamp  
*Buffalo Before Breakfast, Dingo's at Dinnertime, Electricians, High Tide in Hawaii, Parachuting Hamsters and Andy Russell* donated by Pat Broecker, Marsha Courtright, Mary Grote, and Ann Vorst

# Kalida Athletics All Season Sports Pass

Available August 2

The Kalida Athletic Department will offer an **All Sports Pass** for the 2004-05 athletic year. Approved by the board in July, 2003, the sale of these passes is now in the second year of a two-year trial basis.

The **All Sports Pass** will permit admittance to **any** Kalida home athletic contest. This includes varsity, junior varsity, freshmen and junior high contests for both boys and girls. **Away contests and tournaments (including the junior high tournaments held at Kalida) are NOT included.**

One concern we have with the **All Sports Pass** is the availability of seating in high attendance contests. An example would be a boys' varsity basketball game where the league title would be decided. The following guidelines will be followed:

- We will abide by the PCL rules and provide a specified number of tickets to the visiting school.
- We will not exceed the number of fans deemed safe for the facility as determined by the fire marshal.
- We will sell remaining seating at the start of the junior varsity contest since we have no way of knowing how many of these passes will be used for any one contest.

Since the purpose of the **All Sports Pass** is to increase attendance at contests, it seems contradictory to hold seats that may or may not be filled. Please note that we have not had a "sell out" in any sport for several years.

To summarize, the **All Sports Pass** does not guarantee admittance to contest where maximum capacity has been reached. Therefore, you may want to arrive early at these contests. **Originally issued tickets must be presented to the ticket taker upon entrance to the gate at the game. No copies or scanned items will be accepted.**

Four categories of tickets will be sold. A **family pass for \$250** will admit a husband and wife and all their children in grades K-12. A **senior citizen pass** for fans over 65 years of age and an **individual student pass, K-12, will cost \$65.** An **individual adult pass** will be available for **\$90.**

Please note there will be an additional cost if you desire boys' varsity basketball reserved seating.

**The passes are non-transferable and may only be used by the person whose name is on the ticket.** If you are interested in an **All Sports Pass**, please complete the ticket application and return it to the superintendent's/ treasurer's office. **Tickets will be available starting August 2.** Tickets will be available for pick up two working days after the application is received. For those dropping off an application in person, if time permits, tickets will be issued immediately.

Clip and return this form with your payment.

## 2004-2005 Kalida Local School All Sports Pass Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### Number of passes requested:

\_\_\_\_ Individual Student Pass @\$65

\_\_\_\_ Individual Adult Pass @\$90

\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen Pass (Age 65 or older) @\$65

\_\_\_\_ Family Pass @\$250

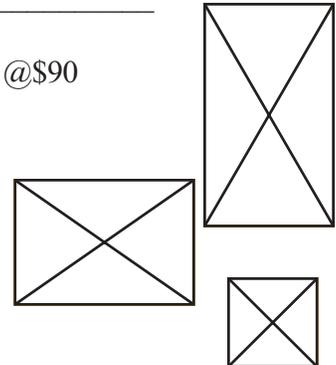
List other family members and grade levels

(Necessary only if purchasing several student individual or family passes.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Total Purchase \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment must accompany this application. If necessary, copies of this form are acceptable. Checks may be made out to the Kalida Local School.**



## Teacher Appreciation Week

During the week of May 3 through May 9, several local individuals and clubs sent food platters and baskets to the schools in appreciation of all the work the teachers do all year long. A special thanks goes out to all of you who sent such delectable cookies, brownies, fruit and treats to our teachers in both buildings.

## Teens Against Tobacco Use

Dressed in identical black Teens Against Tobacco Use (TATU)



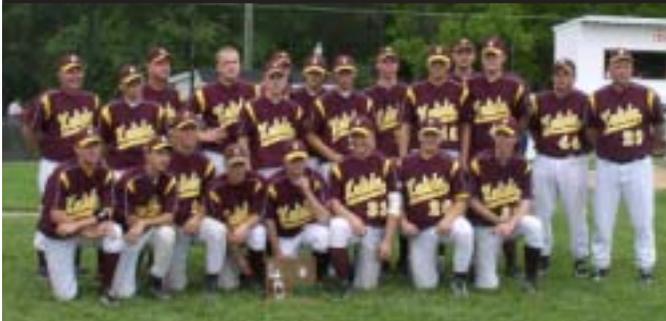
t-shirts Chelsea Verhoff and Ashley Warnecke brought information out to students about the dangers of smoking, second hand smoke and chewing tobacco. Recently they gave a presentation in the fourth grade. They showed the students what tobacco can do to a normal otherwise healthy person over a period of time. Chelsea and Ashley presently are the only Putnam county teens involved in this program having completed the required eight hour training session with the American Lung Association in Allen County. They hope to be giving more presentations in the near future.

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 • *Congratulations to the KHS girls' softball team that*  
 • *finished its fine season as District Champs!*  
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## Buckeye Girls State

The 58th annual session of The American Legion Auxiliary Buckeye Girls State will be at Ashland University. Over nine hundred girls from 88 Ohio counties will descend upon the campus, June 13 through June 19, for a hands-on experience with a working government. Jenna Siefker and Jen Wehri were chosen as the KHS delegates and Beth Mack is the alternate.

*Congratulations to the KHS baseball team  
 2004 District Champs & Regional Runner-up.*



## Scouting Program Awards

Holly Clementz and Tracey Verhoff, recent graduates of KHS, have earned their Gold Awards as senior cadets in the **Appleseed Ridge Girl Scout Program**. Holly was also awarded the \$1000 Graduating Senior Scholarship.

The **Black Swamp Area Council** has announced that the following young men have completed the requirements and have been found worthy of the rank of Eagle Scout. Congratulations to Eagle Scouts Doug Calvelage, Mark Alan Bendele, Jonathon Schindler, Adam Schumacher and Brian Schumacher.

## Still Earning Goals

KHS graduate Cody Maxwell has been named to the **2003 Mid-East Regional (Soccer) Team** by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. The Mid-East Region Team is comprised of players from Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. Qualifications to be nominated to the team include that you must be named to a First Team All-State. Representation from your state also determines the number of players that make the Regional Team. Cody was the KHS varsity soccer goalie for the past three years.

## VFW Poster Contest Winner

KHS 2004 graduate Heather Vorst is holding her winning design that is now being considered in the national judging of the VFW Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest. She will be honored at their Department Convention on June 26, 2004 in Dayton.



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### Music Boosters' May \$50 Winners

Lori Fischer  
 Stan & Joan Smith  
 Mark Unverferth  
 Dave Link

### Music Boosters' June \$50 Winners

Bob Blankemeyer  
 Ettie Rieman  
 Jane Gerdeman  
 Barry & Beth  
 von der Embse

**Superintendent:**  
**Robert Williams**  
 419-532-3534

**HS. Principal Don Horstman**  
**Elem. Principal Karl Lammers**

**School Board Meetings**  
 Second Wednesday  
 8:00 p.m. - High School Library

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**High School Report Cards will be mailed by June 11. Happy Summer!!**