

**Tuesday,
April 19th
Pauls Valley Home
4:30 A-5, B-5**

**Thursday,
April 21st
Newcastle-Home
4:30 A-5, B-5**

**Saturday,
April 23rd
Little Axe Away 12:00
A-5**

**Monday,
April 25th
Tuttle
Away 4:30
A-5, B-5**



Big Red Report

Juleigh Wright District Teacher

By: Vanessa Herrera, Keke Hernandez, and Emma Berry

Mrs. Wright was recently awarded Teacher of the Year for Purcell Junior High. She also won for our whole school district. She felt surprised and really honored for the award. Mrs. Wright has been our building teacher of the year before, in the year 2002. She graduated from our very own Purcell High School. She is married to Bryan Wright and has three children: Nick is 16 years old and is a sophomore, Carson is 10 and is a fifth grader, and Logan is 5 and in kindergarten. Her favorite subject in school was math, and the college she graduated from was East Central. If Mrs. Wright had chosen not to be a teacher, she would have been a journalist. Her-

favorite part of teaching is that her job keeps changing. We want to congratulate Mrs. Wright on her hard work and dedication to her job. Every district teacher of the Year will compete for state Teacher of the Year.



2 Babies, 1 Due Date.

By: Ashton Nemecek, Riley Wren, and Echo Akerman.

Annabel Reese Roberts will be the daughter of Coach Roberts and her husband, Ronnie Roberts. The baby is due on August 17th of 2011. This will be Coach Roberts's first child. When we asked if she was excited, she said, "I am very excited and happy to be joining the mommy club." Annabel's nursery will be vintage with an antique color scheme. Coach Roberts is currently five months into her pregnancy, and says she feels great... most of the time. On the subject

of her daughter playing softball, she says, "I am just hoping for ten fingers, ten toes, and for her to be a healthy baby. But I am sure she will end up being a little ballpark rug rat."

Mrs. Anderson and her husband, Chad Anderson, will be having a baby boy on August 17th of 2011. The name of her baby is undecided. Mrs. Anderson says, "Boy names are hard!" Her first son, Chase, is very happy to be a big brother. In Chase's opinion, the baby should

be named "Guy." The baby's nursery will have primary colors and be themed off of sports. He will be her second child, and she is extremely excited.

Both of these ladies are overjoyed to be having their babies on the same day, "She better not beat me in having the baby first!" laughs Mrs. Anderson. They found out about their shared due date at a teacher in-service meeting in January. The students, as well as the teachers, cannot wait for these babies to arrive!

Student of the Month

By: Vanessa Herrera, Keke Hernandez, Lynn Terrell, and Megan Green

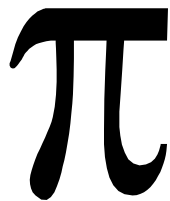
Tech Boats By: Zach Quattrone

The Marine Design Challenge was taught by Coach Wollenberg. Boats were built to show how they are constructed. The assignment also required a 2-3 page report telling the different information. The boats had to have a flag over the country and the country's name on it. The challenge was in the parking lot behind Coach Wollenberg's classroom. We put the boats in a water trough and had a fan to push them to the other side. All of this happened on April 7th.

Pi Day!

By: Zach Quattrone and Vanessa Herrera

Pi Day is a celebration of the number pi, the mathematical number that starts with 3.14. Therefore it is usually on 3-14, but this year it was on 3-10 because of spring break. All of Ms. Matthews's classes participated in Pi Day and memorized the first six digits of Pi. The person who memorized the most digits won a pizza prize from Rodney's Pizza Place. The winner of the Pi Day Contest was Dalton Heater.



Students of the Month 8TH Grade

Shelby Lauren Wren is the daughter of Michelle and Kelly Wren. She has a sixteen-year-old sister named McKenzie who is in the 10TH grade. She has one dog named Roscoe, and her favorite subject is science. She wants to go to college at OU and be an athletic trainer when she grows up. The sports she plays are cross country, cheer, basketball, and track.

Carson Andrew McLain is the son of David and Debbie McLain. He has one sister and one brother. Kelsey is sixteen years old and in the 10TH grade, and Jacob is twenty years old and has already graduated. He has two cats named Khaki and Gracy. His favorite subject is U.S. history, and he wants to go to college at OU. He wants to become a pharmacist when he grows up. The sports he plays are track, cross

country, and weightlifting.

7TH Grade

Makayla Michelle Derby is the daughter of Stephen and Kristy Derby. Her sister Laci, eleven years old, is in the 5TH grade, and her brother Matthew, nine years old, is in the 3RD grade. She has four dogs, and her favorite subject is math. She wants to go to college at OKC. The sports that she plays are softball and track. Her dad is also in a military unit.

Eric Asa Lynch is the son of Toni and Lee Lynch. His sister Echo, eleven years old, is in the 6TH grade. He also has a dog named Pup. His favorite subject is pre-algebra. He wants to go to college at OU and wants to be an engineer when he grows up. The sports he plays are baseball and basketball

Get to Know Ashton Nemecek

By: Echo Akerman and Riley Wren.

Recently, we had the chance to interview Ashton Nemecek. Her full name is Ashton Skye Nemecek. Her favorite color is purple. Her favorite movies are Paranormal Activity 2, Despicable Me, and Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs. Her favorite singer is Justin Bieber. She plays basketball, golf, and cross country. She has blue eyes, blonde hair, and

she is 5'8". She has no siblings but has a dog named, Jake. Her parents are Amy and Kerry Nemecek. Her mom is a P.E teacher at Purcell Elementary and her dad is a fireman in Oklahoma City. Her mom was an all-state softball player. She has lived in the same house all of her life. She also has a lake house at Lake Texoma. This year she had twin cousins born

on her birthday! She is exactly 13 years older than they are. Every summer she plays in the South Central PGA Golf tournament. Her best friend is Whitney Taylor. She loves being around her friends and family. She is looking forward to the 8th grade!



Track

By: Abbey Berrey and Lexie Mixon



The Purcell Junior High track team has already participated in three meets. The first meet was held in Purcell. The second was located in Pauls Valley. The third was in Seminole. They will be having a meet on April 25th. In the Purcell meet, the 7th graders got first overall and the 8th graders got 3rd overall. At the Pauls Valley meet, on April 2nd, the 7th grade girls got 1st in the 2 mile relay, and they tied the school record. The 7th grade boys have always gotten first in the 400 meter relay. The 8th grade girls beat the record at the Seminole meet in the 800 meter relay. Also, the 8th grade boys have gotten really close to beating the record. The 7th grade girls 400 meter relay is also less than a second away from the record. The shot put and discus team have gotten stronger and more skilled at their events. Our talented track team has only 1 more track meet, and we hope they do well!

Match the Teacher!

By: Randi Briana , Keke Hernandez,
Megan Green, and Lexie Mixon

On a separate piece of paper, you can match the teachers with the answer you think is right and give it to the office. The person with the most answers right will win a prize.



1. Mrs. Anderson
2. Mrs. Bacon
3. Coach Belicek
4. Ms. Brannon
5. Mrs. Conklin
6. Mrs. Cottingham
7. Coach Gray
8. Mrs. Green
9. Mrs. Kyzer
10. Mrs. Lambert
11. Mrs. Lemons
12. Ms. Matthews
13. Mrs. Murray
14. Coach Misak
15. Mr. Petty
16. Coach Roberts
17. Coach Savage
18. Mrs. Scott
19. Ms. Shaw
20. Coach Wollenberg
21. Mrs. Wren
22. Mrs. Wright
23. Mrs. Howell

Bonus Question!

Name the 4 teachers that were cheerleaders in junior high or high school. Winner gets EXTRA PRIZE!

- Had to wear head gear in school in jr. high
- In the 5th grade lived in Kuwait
- Had airplane crash into house
- Has a twin sister; 3rd generation of twins
- Is double jointed
- Only child that has three sisters and two brothers
- High school basketball homecoming queen
- Best 5K running time is 18:20
- In Hawaii was in a hit and run biking accident: spent 2 days in hospital
- Lived in Germany for 7 years
- Is married to a judge
- Parents both own snow cone stands
- Likes to lift weights and sing
- Taught at Wayne for 5 years
- Likes eating apples and chocolate chip cookies together
- In college job was an ear-piercing specialist
- Lived by the singing group The Platters
- Jumped out of an airplane
- Born and raised in Alabama
- Ran 2 marathons
- Trampoline spring went through leg
- Can kill a chicken with one hand
- Has been to Hawaii twice

Cheerleading

By: Echo Akerman and Riley Wren

The 2011-2012 Junior High cheer squad has been decided.. The 8th grade cheerleaders are Echo Akerman, Stefani Johnson, Maddy Martin, Lexie Mixon, Ashten Pendley, Marlee Smith, Christina Trumbo, and Riley Wren. The 7th grade cheerleaders are Daytin Christian, Lauren Crawford, Cheyenne Fulks, Stanzi Gibson, Caitlyn Land, Echo Lynch, and Raigan Tompkins. The squad will be attending cheer camp at OSU June 21-24. Last year's team went to OU

and won many awards including a top team trophy, a spirit stick, the Herkie Team award, which is only given to one team in the junior high division, and overall in leadership, teamwork, and other qualities. Another award which the cheerleaders must individually try out for is All-American. All- American is a tremendous honor among cheerleaders. Olivia Couch tried out and was awarded All- American for 8th grad-



ers. Riley Wren also tried out and made it for 7th graders. The cheerleaders practice every other Wednesday until school is out. Their coach is Mrs.Wren. The cheerleaders, as well as Mrs.Wren, are very excited for the season!

Survey Results!

By: Carly Collins, Emma Berry, Megan Green, and Wynter Richey



1. Do you like OU or OSU better?

OU- 79% OSU-16%

2. Which do you like better, McDonalds or Sonic?

McDonald's- 58% Sonic- 42%

3. Would you rather have a snow cone or an ice cream as an after school snack?

Snow cone- 64% Ice Cream- 36%

4. Have you enjoyed this school year?

Yes- 64% No- 36%

5. Which do you like better Twilight, Harry Potter, or both?

Twilight- 34% Harry Potter- 32% Neither- 17% Both- 17%

6. Do you like opened-toed shoes better or closed-toed shoes better?

Closed- 79% Opened- 21%

7. Do you think we should have a salad bar in the cafeteria?

Yes- 83% No- 17%

8. Would you like to have an ice cream machine in the cafeteria?

Yes- 83% No- 11%

9. Which do you prefer: Taco Bell, Taco Bueno, or Taco Mayo?

Taco Bell- 47% Taco Bueno- 15% Taco Mayo- 38%

10. Do you think we should have a soda machine?

Yes- 93% No- 7%

11. Do you like Coke, Dr Pepper, or Pepsi better?

Coke- 18% Dr. Pepper- 34% Pepsi- 48%

12. Would you rather have study hall or an elective class?

study hall- 27% elective- 73%

13. Which do you like better, backpack or binders?

Backpacks- 72% Binders- 28%

14. Do you think students should be allowed off campus for lunch?

Yes- 97% No- 3%

15. Do you prefer spring, summer, fall, or winter?

spring- 11% summer- 73% fall- 8% winter- 8%

