

Tiger Times



Blessing Buddies

By: Kade Bollinger

The Union City FCA will be holding new group sessions known as "Blessing Buddies." All of FCA agreed upon the name, and a large portion will participate. Many high school athletes are also participating in this group which will allow them to spend time with elementary students. The purpose of this new group is for the high school students to connect with and get to know the younger students which includes the middle schoolers all the way down to Kindergarten and Pre-K. The group will also help the high schoolers to be encouraging to the younger kids, while also being a good influence for them. Their main mission is the same as FCA as a whole — to love, support, and encourage all kids, students, teachers and other adults. They hope to not only be a great influence, but most of all a great friend to anyone with whom they come in contact. FCA has assigned a few high schoolers to each class in the elementary school. They will be allowed to come and speak to them from time to time during which they hope to reflect a good attitude, behavior and lifestyle. It is very important to FCA to do so, and most of all, they want the kids to remember them by their love and support for them.

Spaghetti Dinner is a Hit

By: Zoe VonHolt

This year's spaghetti dinner was an overall success. Many families attended the dinner and also showed their support in the silent auction. The fundraiser, which was put together by Coach Griggs, was intended for the Union City baseball team's trip to Arizona and also the school's athletic department. After discussing with Coach Griggs his opinion on the intense bidding for the pie that sold for \$2000, he said, "The auctioneer and ring man really helped it along." The baseball team can now say that they are halfway along with funding for their trip thanks to those who contributed in the Union City Silent Auction.

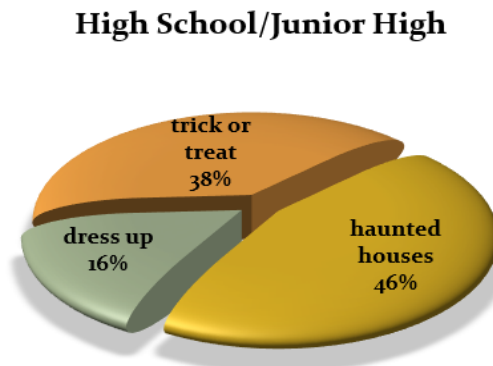
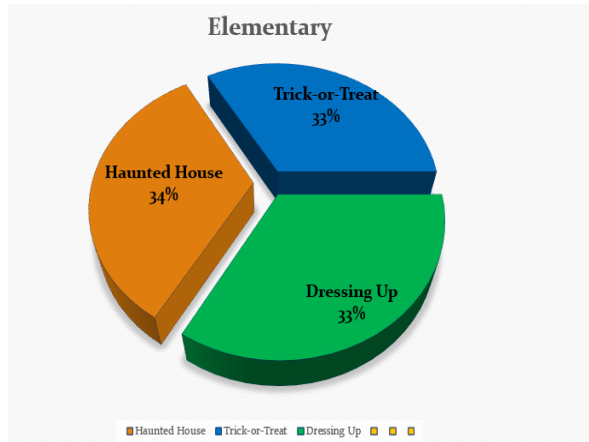


Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 2nd – JH B-ball vs. Binger-Oney at 6:30
- Nov. 3rd – 5th and 6th grade B-ball vs. Minco
- Nov. 4th – JH Academic Meet at 2 p.m.
- Nov. 6th – HS B-ball vs. Lookeba-Sickles
- Nov. 7th – 5th and 6th grade Minco B-ball fest.
- Nov. 9th – JH B-ball Calumet tournament
- Nov. 9th-Nov. 13th – Celebrate Freedom
- Nov. 10th – HS Basketball vs. Verden
- Nov. 11th – JH Academic Meet at 4 p.m.
- Nov. 13th – HS B-ball vs. Binger-Oney
- Nov. 16th – 5th and 6th grade B-ball vs. Ampo
- JH B-ball at Hydro-Eakly at 6:30 p.m.
- Nov. 18th – K-20 Meeting from 1:00 to 3:00
- JH academic meet @ Lomega
- Nov. 19th – Sports/Senior/Retakes Picture Day
- JH B-ball vs. Minco at 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 20th – HS B-ball at Lomega
- Nov. 21 – HS B-ball vs. Cement Homecoming
- Nov. 23rd-Nov. 29th – Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 30th – 7th and 8th grade B-ball at SWC

Halloween Survey

Blake Nelson and Ricky Metcalf wanted to find out what everyone's favorite part of Halloween is. Blake Nelson surveyed 36 elementary students, and Ricky Metcalf surveyed 57 junior high and high school students. You can see statistics in the graphs below.



ACT Test Dates

- ◇ December 12, 2015
- ◇ February 6, 2016
- ◇ April 9, 2016
- ◇ June 11, 2016

Visit www.actstudent.org or
www.unioncity.k12.ok.us for more information

A Blast From the Past:

Meet an Alumni: Riley Woods

Class of: 2015

Riley currently attends Southern Nazarene University. He plays for their baseball team as a pitcher. We asked Riley what the biggest difference between high school and college? He said, "I really enjoy not being forced to go to class." He says the main thing he misses about high school is having all his friends around him. When asked what advice he would give about college to the seniors this year, he replied, "just don't be in a hurry to get out of high school."

A Monster Book Fair

By: Erin Chipps

The Book Fair came to Union City on October 26th and stayed through the 30th. The theme this fall was "Monster Book Fair — Reading is so much fun you'll get goosebumps!" There were several contests during the book fair. The contests included, "Guess How Many Monster Teeth," a book basket raffle for Pre-K through 6th grade, locker lottery for 7th through 12th grade, sucker pull for a chance to win \$5 off, and a change collection class challenge for Pre-K through 7th grade. The winner of the contest "Guess How Many Monster Teeth" was Crystal Stilly with a guess of 486. There was a total of 494 candy corn in the jar. The book basket winners were Jaydn Patton for the Pre-k through 2nd grade basket and Seth McNeil for the 3rd through 6th grade basket. Many students in 7th through 12th grade won a free poster from the locker lottery. A total of 4 students won \$5 off from the sucker pull, and the class that collected the most change during the week was 4th grade. Every student in the 4th grade won a free book under \$5.

The Monster Mash Family Event was a huge success. The parents, teachers, and students who came out to support the library helped earn enough to purchase over 200 new books for the library.

Elementary Basketball

By: Josh Michalicka

The elementary basketball teams have done very well this year. The girls got 2nd in the Am-Po tournament while the Boys finished 4th. Both the girls and the boys' basketball teams are coached by Coach Rennells. Coach Renells does a great job, especially since his schedule is so packed. He coaches high school and junior high basketball and also teaches math classes for the high school. He does all of that while still finding the time to coach the elementary teams.

The girls' record is 6-4, and the boys' record is 4-6. Overall, it is fair to say that the boys and girls basketball teams have had a good season and look forward to the rest of the season.

Lady Tiger Basketball Preview

By: Morgan Englebretson

October 1st was the first day teams were allowed to start practicing basketball, but the Lady Tigers did not get to start that soon due to still being in volleyball season. The volleyball season, however, has since ended for the Lady Tigers, and it is now officially basketball season.



The girls have been working hard to have a successful season. So far, the Ladies have had one scrimmage at Hennessey and will have another one coming up in Burns Flat. "Are you ready for this year's basketball season?" is the question we asked Coach Daniel Anderson, with the response of, "Yes, the first games of the year are always exciting." Their first game will be November 9th against Lookeba-Sickles in Union City. "Our goal before every game is to find a way to win. If we do what it takes to give ourselves a chance to win on a nightly basis we should have a fun season," Coach Anderson said about his junior high and high school team. The Ladies made it to the second round in regionals last year and look to move on even further this year.

Coach Rennels: Q & A

High School:

What are the main keys for the team this year that will help guide you to success?

"The keys for our team this year are going to be working extremely hard defensively every possession and being selfless as a team offensively by moving the basketball and creating for others."

What can we look forward to seeing from the team?

"With this team, you can look forward to a great group of kids working very hard. This team is a joy to be around, and they love the game of basketball. That should be evident on the floor."

How important will leadership be for you guys this year, and how has it looked for the team thus far?

"Leadership will play a key role for this team. We have many juniors and seniors who have worked hard the past few years to get where we are. They expect to win and will hold each other accountable."

Is there anything that you would like to add?

"Through about fifteen practices and two scrimmages the team has played well in spurts and played hard. At this point in the season all we are concerned with is getting better each and every day."

Junior High:

Who do you see being the toughest matchup for your team this year? Why?

"Our toughest matchup in junior high changes year to year. We play many teams that will be a handful and that will help us continue to improve. Our measuring stick is ourselves. All we are trying to do is be better today than we were yesterday, and better tomorrow than we are today."

What does the team need to do in order to be successful?

"In order to be successful, this team needs to practice with a purpose every day. Again, I go back to improvement and hard work but that is truly the way to be successful in any endeavor."

Red Ribbon Week

Day 1: Day to come in your pj's



Day 2: Wear Red



Day 3: Sports Day



Day 4: Throwback Day



Day 5: Halloween Dress-up



Just For Fun

By: Kennedy Sepulvado

Black Polo & Khaki Wednesday

The prices for a black polo shirt and a pair of khaki pants can range from 20 dollars to above 50 dollars, but price does not matter for two Union City teachers. Science teacher Mr. Bengé and softball coach/media expert, Coach Schmidt have been wearing a black polo shirt and khaki pants every Wednesday for the past month. The day was based on white polo Friday from the previous school year.

Both Mr. Bengé and Coach Schmidt take part in BPKW each week and would like other staff members to join them. The two believe that it would help the staff become one unit — and a well-dressed one at that. Other teachers, however, believe that it takes more than clothing to create one cohesive group. Coach Anderson was asked if he would participate, and he answered, “I like to wear what doesn’t need to be ironed.” Therefore, his answer was a no. Some teachers said they didn’t even know about the official dress on Wednesdays. One teacher, Ms. Kolar, didn’t feel like she was invited to join, and others don’t enjoy the style. Coach Griggs stated, “It doesn’t compliment my slimming features,” while Mrs. McReynolds jokingly said that she will be letting Coach Schmidt wear her khaki pants.

Coach Schmidt, original founder of BPKW, says, “The day means who you are, not what you are wearing, and Mr. Bengé added, “and knowing someone always has your back”. Both then agreed that it is not just clothing, it is a lifestyle.



Tiger Talk

Mrs. Pugh

Q: Have you enjoyed being able to use the Chromebooks this year?

A: Yes. They help the students tremendously I believe.

Q: Who do you think could dance better, Mr. Carel or Coach Anderson?

A: Coach Anderson because he likes 1990’s boy bands.

Q: What is your favorite dress up day for Red Ribbon Week?

A: Pajama Day.

Tyler Norton

Q: If someone in your class was the next American Idol, who would it be?

A: Emily Griggs

Q: What is your favorite school dress up day?

A: Pajama Day so you can sleep in class.

Q: What are you going to be for Halloween?

A: I’m going to be a zombie.

Q: If you had to perform in a talent show, what would you do?

A: Baseball and basketball tricks

Peyton Flowers

Q: If you could choose to be any animal for a day, what would you be and why?

A: Cheetah so I could be really fast

Q: If someone in your class was the next American Idol, who would it be?

A: Sarina Brothers

Q: What is your favorite School dress up day?

A: Pajama Day. I get to be lazy!

Oscar Escarcega

Q: What’s your favorite dress up day for Red Ribbon Week?

A: Thursday because it’s cool to see everyone dress in throwback.

Q: If you had to listen to a 24 hour lecture who would be your teacher of choice?

A: Mr. Bengé for his sense of humor