



# Insights

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## Valedictorian



**Naomi Spoelman**, daughter of Dan and Tina Spoelman, will be graduating Valedictorian of the Class of 2010. She will graduate Summa Cum Laude with a GPA of 4.0. Naomi is President of the Senior class and has served as treasurer of the Ravenna FFA Chapter. Throughout her years in FFA, she has advanced to State competition for three consecutive years and competed in a National competition. Other organizations that Naomi has been involved in throughout high school include National Honor Society, Business Professionals of America, the First Reformed Church youth group, bowling, track and field and volleyball. She was a member of the State Runner-up volleyball team this past year. Various awards that she has earned include multiple academic excellence awards, honor roll, student of the month and Academic All State for volleyball. Naomi served as Ravenna's Academic Honoree at the 2010 West Michigan Student Showcase. Upon graduation, Naomi plans to attend the University of Michigan.

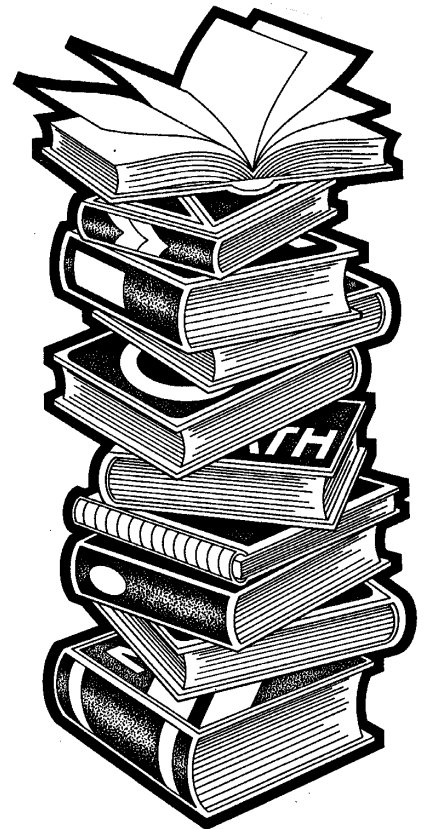
## Salutatorian



**Nicole Jean Arends**, daughter of Mark and Leah Arends will be graduating Salutatorian of the Class of 2010. She will graduate summa cum laude with a GPA of 3.98. Nicole has spent her years in high school participating in volleyball, basketball, track, FFA, BPA and is a member of the National Honor Society. She was also active in 4-H serving as historian, vice president and president. She received numerous awards in the Muskegon County 4-H Fair including Grand Champion Showmen of Showmen. She earned All-State honors in volleyball her Junior and Senior years. Nicole's FFA agricultural sales team placed 1st in the State and competed at the National FFA competition. Throughout her high school career, Nicole has been the recipient of numerous academic awards including honor roll, student of the month and the Scholar Athlete Award. Upon graduating from high school, Nicole will be attending Wayne State University where she will play on the volleyball team and major in Food and Nutritional Sciences on her way to becoming a Rheumatologist.

## Upcoming Dates

- August 26 School Tailgate Party  
3:00-6:00 p.m.
- August 31 High School Bulldog Day
- September 1 Beechnau Open House  
6:00-7:00 p.m.
- September 1 MS Registration/Open House  
4:00-7:00 p.m.
- September 7 Opening Day
- October 4 Beechnau Pictures



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# District News

## 2010 Honor Graduates



**Andrew Adam Cook**, son of Arthur and Audrey Cook will be graduating summa cum laude of the Class of 2010 with a 3.97 GPA. Throughout his high school career, Andrew has been active in Student Council as the Treasurer for the Executive Board and Class of 2010. He has also participated in National Honor Society and Business Professionals of America, where he served as Treasurer this year. Within BPA, he placed at the Regional conference four times and had two State conference appearances in two events. He has also taken advantage of the Dual Enrollment program with eleven college credits. He has participated in basketball for four years and received numerous Honor Roll, Student of the Month and Academic Excellence awards. Outside of school, Andrew participates in his youth group and has taken many mission trips across the country. Andrew plans to attend Cornerstone University in the fall to study psychology or youth ministry.



**Matt VanderWal**, son of Mark and Janice VanderWal, is graduating summa cum laude with a GPA of 3.95. Matt's accomplishments include: Academic All-State in Track, All-Conference Scholar Athlete in Track, Football and Basketball, Meijer Scholar Athlete, Ben Homily Award Recipient, Student Showcase Athletic Honoree, National Honor Society, Student Council Vice-President, Div. 4 State Long Jump 3rd Place, Football All-Conference and 2nd Team All Area Defensive Back. Outside of school, Matt has participated in church youth group, mission trip, and praise band. Upon graduating, Matt plans to pursue a career in Physical Therapy at Central Michigan University.



**Chelsey Elizabeth Bonthuis**, daughter of Dave and Kathy Bonthuis, will be graduating magna cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.8 GPA. Chelsey is an active member of the FFA and has served as the Secretary and President for her chapter. She has also served as the Region V FFA Secretary. Within this organization, she has earned the right to compete at both the State and National

level. Throughout her high school career, she has also been a member of National Honor Society, cross country and the State qualifying bowling team. Chelsey has been the recipient of student of the month, academic excellence and honor roll awards. After graduation, Chelsey plans to attend Michigan State University.



**Devin Kane Aue**, son of Warren Passage and Tammy Hopman, will be graduating magna cum laude from the class of 2010 with a 3.74 GPA. Throughout his high school career he has actively been involved in the National Honor Society, football, baseball, basketball and FFA. He has been on the honor roll and has received student of the month and academic excellence awards. He has also received All Area and All Conference awards in football, baseball and basketball along with All Conference Academic awards in all 3 sports. Devin plans on attending Ferris State University in the Fall and has been accepted into their honors program.



**Shelby Rae Navarre**, daughter of Lauraine and Chris Navarre, will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.68 GPA. Shelby has been an active participant

in several extra curricular activities including 4-H, National Honor Society, FFA, softball, the equestrian team, track, bowling and Business Professionals of America where she competed at the State level. Shelby is a teen leader in 4-H and also serves as reporter/historian for her club. She has received numerous awards including academic excellence, honor roll, student of the month and various awards within her extra curricular organizations. Additionally, she has received the Kohl's Kids Who Care award for volunteerism. As a Junior, Shelby took part in the Sister Cities Program and traveled to Omuta, Japan, for a home stay. Upon graduation, she plans to attend Grand Valley State University to study criminal justice.



**Ashley Mae Arends**, daughter of John and Mary Arends, will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.61 GPA. She is an active member of the FFA and has earned the right to compete at the State level three times, placing second in the Demonstration contest this year. Ashley has played various sports throughout her high school career including volleyball, bowling and basketball. She was awarded the MVP award for both volleyball and bowling her senior year. She also earned Honorable Mention All-State as captain of the 2009 State Runner-Up volleyball team. Throughout high school, Ashley has been a recipient of numerous honor roll, student of the month and academic excellence awards as well as a member of the National Honor Society. Outside of school, she participates in 4-H and is an active member of St. Catherine's Church. Upon graduation, Ashley plans to pursue a career in speech pathology.



**Jessica Marie Moran**, daughter of Tim and Barb Moran, will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.65 GPA. Throughout high school, she has been actively involved in SADD, BPA, NHS and dual enrollment. Jessica has been part of the volleyball team for four years, helping them become State finalists as well as participating in soccer for four years. She has been on the honor roll and student of the month. Upon graduating, Jessica plans to attend Baker College to pursue a career in nursing.



**Daniel Roy Brueck**, son of Tony and Elaine Brueck will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.61 GPA. Daniel has been actively involved in SADD, National Honor Society, choir, track, cross country, basketball, FFA, BPA, and Student Council. Throughout high school, Daniel has received academic excellence, honor roll, student of the month, Scholar Athlete, and Coach's awards. Daniel has been one of Ravenna's Performing Arts Honorees in the 2007, 2008 and 2010 West Michigan Student Showcase. Daniel plans to attend Muskegon Community College in the Fall to study marketing.



**Tia Nicole Martin**, daughter of Tom and Chris Martin, will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.56 GPA. Throughout her high school career, Tia has been very active in many different activities including SADD, Drama, Destination Imagination, bowling and basketball. She has been actively involved in FFA, National Honor Society, BPA and softball. Outside of school, Tia participates in 4-H and attends the Ravenna Baptist Church. Tia has received multiple academic excellence, student of the month and honor roll awards.

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**Lynsey Ann VanderZanden**, daughter of Brian and Kelly VanderZanden, will be graduating cum laude with a 3.55 GPA. She has enjoyed being involved in volleyball, basketball, softball, the National Honor Society, prom committee and powder puff football. Upon graduating, Lynsey will have earned 11 varsity letters. Her leadership roles have included Captain of the basketball team for 3 years and Co-Editor of the yearbook. Lynsey has earned several All-Conference Scholar, All-Conference Athlete, All-Area Athlete, academic excellence, student of the month and honor roll awards. She was honored as Ravenna's Athletic Nominee at the 2010 Showcase. Lynsey plans to pursue a career in nursing at Baker College.



**Chelsea Jourdan Haan**, daughter of Tim and Mabelle Haan, will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.54 GPA. Chelsea is secretary of the National Honor Society, which includes organizing

and volunteering for the Red Cross Blood Drive, Gleaner's Food Truck and the senior citizen luncheon. Chelsea has been a member of the basketball, cross country, softball and bowling teams. Her 2010 varsity bowling team won the Regional Championship and qualified for the State meet. As a result, she was named All-Conference Honorable Mention. She has earned several honor roll, academic excellence and student of the month awards. Outside of school, she enjoys hunting and fishing with her family. Upon graduation, Chelsea will attend Muskegon Community College.



**Miles Thomas Dodson**, son of Steven Dodson and Kimberly Mann, will be graduating cum laude from the Class of 2010 with a 3.52 GPA. During high school, Miles has been actively involved in cross country, track and the National Honor Society. He has received numerous honor roll and academic excellence awards. He has also received several scholar athlete awards. Miles plans on attending Michigan Technological University to study anthropology.

## Letter From The Superintendent

June 2010

As we come to another end of the school year, I need to take time to reflect about the successes we have enjoyed and learn from the situations that have been a challenge.

We again have made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in all buildings for the past year. Our scores on state tests are very high and exceed state

standards. This is not a reason to sit back and relax. We need to continue to push forward with better initiatives, curriculum and the way we assess our students. I have encouraged our staff and the students to step back for a moment and be proud of the job they are doing. However, this is a journey, not a race with a finish line. Education is about continuous, lifelong, teaching and learning, it is not a final destination.

I can honestly tell everyone associated with Ravenna Public Schools, that times ahead will continue to be challenging. The economic issues we face with school funding will be here for many years to come. We are constantly battling the perception that RPS is a school too small to provide a quality education to its students, combined with more members of the community moving out of state to find jobs, makes for real struggles in the education system here in Michigan and in Ravenna.

I can also honestly tell you that our students are performing at educational levels equal or exceeding our neighboring school districts. When you see how many seniors are graduating with honors, the scholarships they have earned, the plans they are making for their futures, the standardized tests scores that continue to be knocked out of the park, you begin to realize that Ravenna is a quality place for educating kids.

With the professional staff that work extremely hard to do what is best for their students, the overwhelming support that we get from parents and this great community, combined with the fantastic, state of the art facilities that have been provided by the taxpayers, we have the best kept secret in Michigan. Let's tell everyone about our secret!

Thank you for entrusting your students to us, and thank you for the opportunities you all afford Ravenna Public Schools. I hope you have an enjoyable summer and I eagerly look forward to another school year in the fall. GO DOGS!!

# Destination Imagination

Destination Imagination is just one of the many academic, extra-curricular opportunities offered to the gifted children of Ravenna. For those of you that have not had a chance to experience this program first hand, it is an opportunity for children from kindergarten through college to develop their creative, on the spot thinking skills that will better prepare them for future challenges! While participating in this program, Ravenna children have had an opportunity to receive scholarships, internships, complete resume building experiences, and have just plain higher-level fun. We have also had an opportunity to build one of the strongest creative programs in the state!

Each year, children participating in this program have a chance to demonstrate their solutions three different times, regional, state and global competitions. This year we were able to field 14 teams (2 non-competitive primary teams and 12 competitive teams) to competition. We had a great showing at regional competition with nearly 70% of our teams moving on to state. Of these teams, we had three first place finishes, one second place finish, and two third place finishes. At state, we again did very well. Our DIrect DIposit primary team (Ethan Sitzer, Kyle Brown, Tim Linck, Maddie Abbott, Amber Jacobs, Madeline Peterson, and Schuyler Wetzig) places third for the second year in a row, just missing a trip to global finals! Our DI-

rect DIposit Middle Level team (Paige Welch, Allie Russell, Ella Mabrito, Emily Kubasiak, Lora Ruch, McKenna Aguilera, and Alexis White) placed fifth due to a last minute technical difficulty. Our DI-Bot primary team (Camryn Rogers, Dalton Klenk, Haliiegh Jablonski, Sammy Edwards, Alyssa Theile, Sydney Theile, and Shaun Praay) finished 6<sup>th</sup> behind some extremely tough competition. The DI-Bot middle level team (Jaimie Spoelman, Shaina McKinnon, Laine Nerlie, Morgan Abbott, Austin Almyda, and Dakota Garbrecht) finished fifth with a perfect instant challenge score! Our last competing team was the DI-Bot senior level team (Harry Greer, Calob McKinnon, Ben Helsen, Bobby Lawrence, Doug Dygas, Samantha Spoelman, and Morgan Kantola). This team finished first and will be making another trip to global finals. They will be joined in this trip by Ravenna's first Global champion team (Sara Leonard, Hillary Nienhouse, Juyong Deems, Jordan and Austin Kantola).

We would like to take a moment and thank all of the community members, teachers, staff and parents for their support. Their efforts are a large reason this program continues to grow better and better each year.

We would also like to remind families of Destination Imagination members that the year in pictures DVD is can be purchased for \$20. This is a fundraising event to help support the global teams. If you would like to purchase one, please contact Tammi Kantola at [tkantola@ravennaschools.org](mailto:tkantola@ravennaschools.org).



# High School News

## Ravenna Students Compete at West Michigan Science Challenge

Ravenna Public Schools had 14 students participate in the West Michigan Science Challenge held at Muskegon Community College on March 18. There were over 70 projects entered into the competition with 63 earning some type of an award.

Ravenna's award winners were:

2nd Place Winners: (Earned a \$100 Savings Bond) -



Todd Nestell - "How can different metals affect the strength of an electromagnet?"



Jennifer Robeck & Taylor Burns - "What percentage of people are able to correctly differentiate between low fat and regular food products?"

**Ravenna students won over \$1200 in cash and savings bonds!**

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Kerri Bolen - "Does watching TV affect either quality of work or the amount of time needed to complete the work?"

3rd Place Winners: (Earned a \$15 Cash Award)



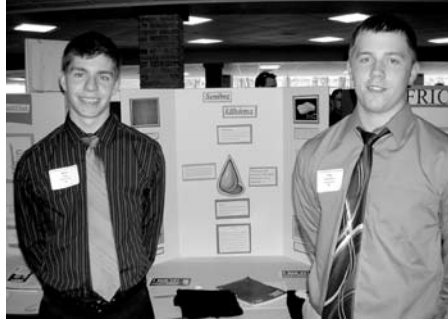
Manuel Yanez (pictured) & James Lear - "Does the type of liquid affect how constant a liquid clock operates?"



Shanell Hodges & Alex Dygas - "Is environmentally friendly insulation more efficient at trapping heat in a sealed room than traditional insulation?"



Honorable Mention Winners:



Alex Rust & Tim Danklefsen - "Will changing the material inside a sandbag affect how well it holds back water?"



Emily Allen & Gabriel Arrieta - "How does changing the amount of baking soda and vinegar affect the size of the reaction?"



Andy Jazdyk & Cody Helsen - "Can you create an engine that can sustain itself with its own sources of energy?"

Special Awards:

Gerber Foundation High School Award

Todd Nestell - \$500 Savings Bond  
Jennifer Robeck and Taylor Burns - \$400 Savings Bond - (\$200 Each)

Invitation to present their projects at the Michigan High School Math and Science Symposium held at Grand Valley State University where only three High School projects were invited from the West Michigan Science Challenge.

Todd Nestell, Jennifer Robeck and Taylor Burns

## Accounting Class Weighs BPA Pop Tabs

Thank you to our community members and students that participated in the RHS BPA Pop Tab Drive for the Ronald McDonald Charity Houses. The Ravenna High School Accounting class counted and weighed tabs. A total of 20 pounds and 6.38 ounces were collected. The tabs will be delivered to the State BPA Leadership Conference by the BPA Chapter finalist who have advanced to the next level of competition. BPA chapters from all over Michigan will make a contribution to this worthwhile charity event. Tabs will then be sold to an aluminum recycling station, and the cash will be donated to the Ronald McDonald Charity Houses. Thank you, Ravenna BPA Chapter for sponsoring this event.

(L-R) Floor: Matt VanderWal. Second Row: Danny Bruek, Ana Ponce, and Marie Kooiman. Third Row: Emily Gardenour, Tara Helsen, and Andrew Iwaniw. Fourth Row: Edgar Santoyo, Carlos Guzman, Miles Dodson, and Kevin Ashley.



# Middle School News

## Electrical House Science Camp

During the past school year, middle school students had the opportunity to participate in mini-science camps held after school. The purpose of these camps was to help students discover basic principles of science and math in a hands-on setting.

In March and April, the Electrical House Science Camp was held. There were two sections of this camp, and each camp lasted 8 days. Students started by learning about the basics of electricity. Second, they built a four room house out of popsicle sticks and hot glue guns. Next, using small Christmas tree light bulbs they wired their house so each room had a light bulb. They included a switch to control the lights in one of the rooms and also a master switch. Finally, students also had the opportunity to build trusses for their houses and attach walls and a roof. As a highlight, each section also received a tour by Mark Thompson, an electrician from Parkway Electric who is working on the new middle school.

This science camp was made possible through the financial support of Mr. Tom and Elizabeth Tuttle.



### Electrical House Group A

Front Row (L-R): Logan Jacobs, Hunter Nerli, Noah Moran, Colton Christopher, and Nolan Liszewski. Middle Row: Connor Moran, Kellen Timlin, Gabby Postema, Madi Broton, and Kelsey Hood. Back Row: Michael Moran, Dakota, Willick and Sam Smith.



*Gabby Postema*



*Mark Thompson from Parkway Electric*

### Electrical House Group B



Front Row: Brooke Carrier, Hanna Corpe, Hannah Erffmeyer, Autumm Burns, John Goodno. Middle Row (sitting on bench): Jared Boonstra, Sydney Hanson, Brittany McKenzie, and Korson Munding. Back Row (standing): Trevor Baushke, Cutter Bullen, Kaitlyn Hasper, Emily Frank, Kyle Dick, and Parker Wetzig.



*Korson Munding*



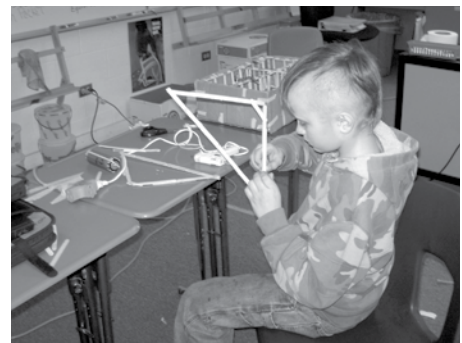
*Hannah Erffmeyer and Sydney Hanson.*



*Cutter Bullen gluing.*



*Hanna Corpe putting on switch.*



*Colton Christopher working on a truss.*

# Fun at the NEW Middle School

RAVENNA PUBLIC SCHOOLS ... PLANTED IN PROMISE, GROWING IN PRIDE



## Grand Opening of the New Middle School Cafeteria



*Student council officers: Seth Goebel, Christian Meyers, Rebecca Goodo, Madaline Jazdyk, and Emily Erffmeyer. Also in the pic are food service workers Lori Maleski, Sue Darcy, and Phyllis Young, and food service director George Siedis.*

## Moving On Up

Beechnau's 5th grade teachers had some help from some of their current 5th grade students as they moved their things into the middle school. On Wednesday, Mrs. Sharp brought her horse trailer to school and students helped load everything into the trailer. Several students then went along with Mr Yeager and Mrs Sharp and they unloaded everything into the middle school. Many hands make light work, it only took a little over an hour! On Thursday the students will be going to Michigan Adventure and on Friday they will be having their culmination ceremony.



*Shane Goebel, Emmett Davis, Jacob Grzybowski, Mr. Yeager, Dalton Klenk, Tanner McFarren, James Robinson, Jordan Wenzinger.*

## 5th Grade Students Hit the Mark!

The 5th grade celebrated their heading to the middle school with some outside fun. Mr Yeager got into the dunk tank for his annual swim. Each of the students had an opportunity to dunk him. This one hit the mark!



*Justin Crowley Coburn, Paige Veen and Madeline Peterson enjoy the pools while Angela Martinez enjoyed the slip and slide.*

## Fourth Grade Fun

Fourth grade students had a celebration to celebrate their going to the middle school next year. Mrs Lemkie brought some blowup water toys and kiddie pools for them to play in.

# Beechnau Elementary School News

## FREE PRESCHOOL

If you live in the Ravenna School district and have a child that is or will be four by December 1st you may be eligible for the Great Start Readiness Preschool Program at Beechnau Preschool. This class runs September to May, Monday through Thursday 11:45am - 2:45pm. Stop by the Beechnau Elementary main office for an application to see if you qualify or call (231) 853-2645 for more information.

## Preschool

We are currently enrolling children for Preschool next school year. We have both three and four year old preschool programs. Your child must be three years old by December 1st, these students attend Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30am-11:30am. Or four years old by December 1st and they would attend Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 8:00am-11:30am.

## Braveheart Raptor Rehabilitation Center



Third graders learned about our birds of prey in the area and what to do if they encounter a wounded one.

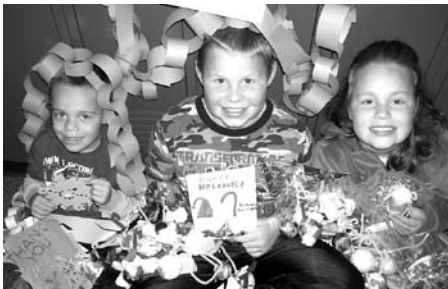
## Muskegon YMCA

Third graders learned how to rescue a struggling swimmer with the use of a noodle at swimming lesson held for 6 weeks at the Muskegon YMCA every Spring. This trip lasting 6 weeks includes a swimming lesson and classroom lessons on swimming skills such as staying afloat if you fall in, water safety, proper flotation device usage, ice safety on Michigan's water ways, and becoming a stronger swimmer. Each child is taught at their own level. An exit evaluation is completed in the water and a level is assigned for future swimming lessons.



## Christmas to the Troops

The picture below shows the district's efforts to bring Christmas to the troops serving with the McCullough family's uncle. Various cards, decorations and ornaments were created and sent in time for Christmas.



## Volcano Eruption

The picture below is of children during a volcano eruption activity following information and narrative readings about volcanos including the historically known eruption of Mount Vesuvius on the city of Pompeii.



## Wax Museum

Johnny Appleseed in our wax museum this year.



John F. Kennedy in our wax museum this year.



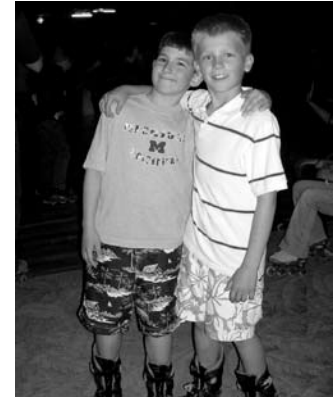
## Bounce Party

A "Bounce Party" was put on by our fundraiser for children who participated in selling items.



## Roller Skating Field Trip

The children played multiple "games" and activities at Ravenna Roller Fox that challenged their ability to start, stop, sit down and get back up, and "dance" on the skating floor.



## Fun is in Session for 26 Beechnau Students

Twenty-six students enjoyed a trip to the Apple Store in Woodland Mall on Monday April 26. They learned how to create their own music in a program called Garage Band and were able to burn it to a CD to take home. In addition to the great learning that took place that morning, the Apple staff also gave each child a t-shirt and certificate for participating in the field trip. Beechnau students were among only 5 of such field trips open to the students of West Michigan. In the afternoon they traveled to Fred Meijer Gardens to view the butterflies, the Chuihuly glass collection and the outdoor gardens. The Beechnau students were very well behaved and represented the district at a high level while enjoying this experience in public. The 2nd annual trip was coordinated by Beechnau teacher Mindy Lynch. Thank you to all the parents who signed up to join us for this great day of learning and fun.

### 2010 Field Trip to Mac Store

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|------------------|--------|
| 5th              |        |
| Mychala Spoelman | Lox    |
| Cassie Wright    | Kohn   |
| Sidney Linck     | Yeager |
| Camryn Rogers    | Lox    |
| Emily Crowley    | Kohn   |
| Dalton Klenk     | Lox    |

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Tanner McFarren	Kohn
Austin Sied	Lox
Trevor Hazen	Yeager
Emmett Davis	Yeager
4th	
Kendall Parker	Pranger
Kayla Spoelman	Olrich
Megan Oltoff	Olrich
Amy Greer	Pranger
Tim Linck	Pranger
Levi Skuse	Lemkie
Kain Turner	Olrich
Thomas Hart	Olrich
3rd	
Brianna McFarren	VanOss
Laine Rogers	VanOss
Shelby Piper	Luce
Bailey Williams	Arbogast
Brody Bullen	Arbogast
Grayson Kloostra	Luce
Michael Moy	VanOss
Owen Lynch	Luce

## March is Reading Month

Superintendent John VanLoon turned into the Cat in the Hat on Tuesday to celebrate March is Reading Month and to help us kick off our months activities. Here he is reading to the Kindergarten students. During the day he read to each grade level.



performance. Pictured here are: Mad-die Abbott, Angela Martinez, Amy Greer, Dakota Neymeiyer, Tim Linck, Tristan Robinson, Justin Crowley-Co-burn, Noah Espinoza, Oscar Stiver, Kelsey Raap, Savanna Spoelman, Matt Hutson, and Mrs. Vandenburg.



## 4th Graders Visit the Capitol Building and Impressions 5 Museum in Lansing

The fourth graders had the opportunity to tour the Capitol Building and view active sessions in both the House and the Senate. Mrs. Pranger's class sang a song about Michigan at a press conference on the steps of the Capitol Building. The 4th graders also visited the Impressions 5 Museum where they participated in many hands-on science activities and experiments.



## Economics Lesson

On Thursday, April 29, 5/3rd bank came to fourth grade and did an economics lesson on what money can and cannot buy. It was a great lesson and a wonderful opportunity to connect with our community. Pictured here are: Lindsey Ruch, Tristan Robinson, Sierra Swartz The Financial Center Manager for 5/3rd bank, Zachary Mc-Cleary, and Paige Veen.



Students are pictured outside the Apple Store in Woodland Mall. They learned Garage Band, burned their song to a CD, received a free t-shirt and certificate.



Students pictured outside the Fred Meijer Gardens.



Shari Luce and 5 students outside of a Wigwam at the Goodwillie Environmental School.

## West Shore Symphony

On April 21 fourth grade students played their recorders with the West Shore Symphony at the Fruenthal Theater in Muskegon. Mrs. Vandenburg and Mrs. Burkall did a great job preparing students for this amazing opportunity. They had a great time and afterward enjoyed lunch out at McDonalds to celebrate their outstanding

