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FFA News

The Mt. Vernon FFA will have the annual Mt. Vernon FFA banquet on Friday, April 30, 2010 at the Roland Lewis Community Building at 6:30 pm. We invite all the agriculture students and their parents to attend this event. We will be presenting many awards to our outstanding agriculture students. Teachers and staff are also invited to the banquet, which will include a free barbeque meal and chicken dinner.

The Mt. Vernon FFA will also have a labor auction at 6 pm before the banquet meal for 8 hours of Saturday labor. We are looking for community members and teachers to bid on these students. Half of the money will be sent to the FFA and the other half will go to the student worker.

Congratulations to the FFA members who competed with their record books and agriculture projects and placed as follows in District Level at Benton High School last night: Austin Taylor 2nd in Sheep Production, Felicia Marlowe 3rd in Agriculture Education, Scott Hefner 2nd in Electrification, Brittany Williams 2nd in Veterinarian Technician, Hugo Papazian 3rd in Fruit Production, Dylan Williams 3rd in Agriculture Services, Kaitlyn McLearn 2nd in Swine Production and Samuel Oliger 1st in Forestry. Samuel Oliger will advance to the final five in Illinois at the University of Illinois on April 10, 2010.

From The Superintendent's Office

By this time of the school year, all fees should be paid. The only fees in question might be for a spring sport your student is trying out for. This fee should be paid as soon as they make the team. Please use the family access website (www.mvths.org) to check your student's account.

Remember, all fees must be paid and first semester books must be returned to allow the purchase of a Prom ticket. Please check now on the website and see what your student has listed as outstanding or the pleasure of seeing everything marked PAID.

If you have any questions or concerns about fees, please call Mrs. Holt 246-5909; if it's concerning textbooks, Mrs. Elliott at 246-5922; if it's regarding a waiver, Mrs. Jane Brown at 246-5910.

2010 YMCA Youth and Government News

The 2010 YMCA Youth and Government delegation will go to the 61st General Assembly on March 19, 2010 for three days of legislative action. This year's delegation has 60 delegates with six delegates running for state offices within the program. Samantha Allen is running for Lt. Governor along with John Palmer Rae of Sesser-Valier High School. Kelsey Allen is running for Sect. of State. Kelsey was unopposed in her primary election. Two delegates are running for Speaker of the House; Jeanette Straetor and Clay Jackson. Finally, Stephanie Modert and Blake Fields will be serving as Committee Chairs. The Mt. Vernon delegation will have 11 bills that they will try to pass while the assembly is in session on Saturday and Sunday. Parent advisors this year will be Mr. Paul and Mrs. Lee Ann Schuette and Mr. Jim and Mrs. Shannon Marler. Faculty advisors will accompany delegates to Springfield this year on charter buses are Ms. Jessica Pilson, Mr. and Mrs. Sean Docherty, Mrs. Sarah Watts and Mrs. Melanie Gulley. This will be Mr. Any Wells' last year as Youth and Government Advisor due to his retirement.

Mark Your Calendar

- April , PSAE Testing
- April 24, Prom- Mt. Vernon Holiday Inn
- May 7, Last day for Seniors. (if no exam)
- May 10, Sr. Exams
- May 11, Sr. Exams
- May 13, Honors Program
- May 14, Graduation Practice 8:30am Aud.
- May 15, Graduation
- May 19, Last day for underclassmen (if no exam)
- May 20, Underclass Exams
- May 21, Underclass Exams
- May 21, Last Day of School for students (if no more emergency days are taken)
- May 24, Teacher Institute Day

Prom 2010

Prom will be held at the Mt. Vernon Holiday Inn on April 24, 2010. Tickets will go on sale the week of April 6-9 AFTER SCHOOL ONLY in the cafeteria annex.

Qualifications for attending Prom 2010 are as follows:

- Junior or Senior in High School
 - Graduate under 20 years of age
 - Has or currently working on GED.
 - Must be in good standing and have all debts paid.
- Verification will be needed in order to purchase tickets.

Tickets will be \$35 for singles and \$70 for couples. Students must present their school ID when purchasing a ticket. They must also have their Prom form present when purchasing tickets as well. Further information can be found in the "Student and Parent Handbook." You can download this form from the MVTHS webpage. Go to www.mvths.org and click on the Prom Link for more information.

If you have any questions about Prom call Mrs. Boldt or Mrs. Tieffel at 244-3700 or email them at mvthsprom@yahoo.com.

Remember to call 618-244-3700 to update us on any address or phone number changes.





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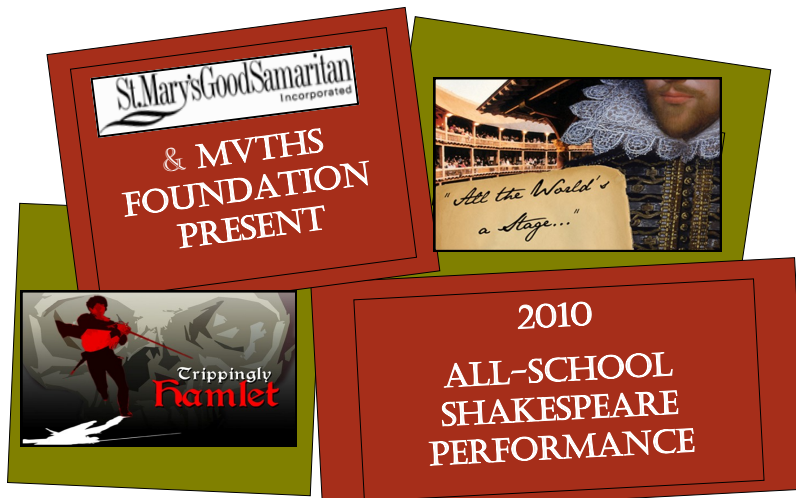
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Attention Freshman Parents and Guardians

The first year of the Freshman Academy is nearing an end. We have experienced some success with the academy this year but there is still room for improvement and we would like to ask for your assistance as we look forward to next year. We are having a Freshman Parent Meeting on Thursday, April 15th at 6:30 p.m. in 119H to evaluate this year's program. We will appreciate any feedback you can give us. We hope you can attend!

Thank you,
Tammy Beckham



Monday, April 26, 2010
MVTHS Auditorium
Morning Performance: Class of 2013
Afternoon Performance: Class of 2012, 2011, 2010

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Silver at State!

After two nail biting games, the inaugural MV Special Olympics Basketball Team brought home the Silver medal from State. MV inched out an overtime win against the Rushville-Industry Rockets (56-47). In the championship game, MV held tight in the foul-heavy game and always remained within 10 points of the Northside Huskies, but fell by only six points (41-47). The Rams "Spirit of the Game" award recipients were Michael McCluskey and Aaron Rudolph. The team received a well-deserving welcome home from our fans and the MVPD & MVFD! The players developed confidence and independence skills that they never would have been able to develop otherwise and those skills have carried over into other areas of their lives, such as the classroom.

Team members include: Rachal Kidd, Rachel Flanagan, Sydney Irvin, Nathanael Garner, Antonio Moore, Shakur Sadiq, Aaron Rudolph, Tony Wood, Michael McCluskey, Ivan Nason, Jacob Gass, and Donyale Black.

Coaches: Megan Clodi & Kevin Braddy

Project Graduation 2010 Fundraiser Dates

Mark these dates on your calendar and come out and support this year's Project Graduation!

- **March 29 & 30—Dine In** at **Chili's** from 4:00—9:00 p.m.
Project Graduation will receive 10% of proceeds for all diners who have the flyer*.
- **April 1—Pork Chop Lunch** at First Methodist Church parking lot.
Pre-orders: 618-237-7559.
- **April 12—Dining to Donate** at **Applebee's** from 5:00—9:00 p.m.
Project Graduation will receive 20% of proceeds for all diners who have the flyer*.
- **April 19—Spaghetti Dinner** at **Pasta House** from 5:00—9:00 p.m.
Project Graduation will receive **100%** of proceeds!!!

⇒ All parents of graduating seniors are welcome to come to the meetings to help plan Project Graduation. Meetings are held in the high school cafeteria every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

* Flyers for restaurant dining will be available soon.

Project Graduation is also accepting donations from individuals and businesses.

Contributions may be made payable to: Project Graduation 2010
Checks may be mailed to: Mt. Vernon High School
Attention: Project Graduation
320 S. 7th Street
Mt. Vernon IL 62864

