

Lions' Roar

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Bluestem Junior Senior High School

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Spring Play

The groom said no! By: Ruth and Nathan Hale.

Cast:

Steve Cameron, played by Trent Navarro.

Inez Cameron, played by Sierra Hall

Clara Curtis, played by Kirby Shaffer.

Shirley Anderson, played by Layne Gilliland.

Patty Cameron, played by Rita Windle.

Mr. Cameron, played by Matt Brownlee.

Virgie Cameron, played by Alex Becker.

Mrs. Sorenson, played by Gabby Albers.

Willie Williams, played by Andrew Long.

Mary Alice Smith, played by Whitney Fulgum.

Ed Smith, played by Jacob Warren.

The drama department would like to thank everyone who came to the play and supported us. Also everyone who brought desserts or purchased them. Both nights were very successful. The drama department made a total of \$1170.00. Coach Dawson said "I am very proud of my cast. They adapted to all the set challenges and gave a very nice performance." During the second night of the play props began to break which made the play even more funny. Some characters like Mrs. Sorenson and Mr. Cameron just had to walk on stage to get the whole crowd laughing. It was really fun putting on the performance and just as fun to watch. Thanks to everyone who came out to watch.

By: Kirby Shaffer.



Band Cabaret

The Bluestem High School jazz band performed for a great crowd on Friday, March 11th in the Cabaret.

The jazz band performed songs for an audience while the audience enjoyed a delicious meal that the band made. They served lasagna with green beans and garlic bread for the main meal, salad for the appetizer, and cookies, brownies, or cake for dessert. I ate this meal myself and I must say it was amazing!

The band's theme for their concert was "Blues in Your Shoes", the songs that they played included, "The Girl from Ipanema" with solos from Augie Schmidt who plays the trumpet and Amanda Schmidt who plays the saxophone. They also played "Cherry Point" with a solo from Augie Schmidt, "Bubbert Goes Retro", "Gospel Blues" with solos from Augie Schmidt, Amanda Schmidt, and Hannah Boline who plays the saxophone. The last song they played was "Somewhere Out There" with solos by Augie and Amanda Schmidt as well.

All of the band players in Jazz Band that performed are Destiney Webster on keyboard, Juan Gracia on bass, Anna Solis on Saxophone, Alexandria Becker on trombone, Miranda Harrison on trumpet, Xavier Harrington on trumpet, Cassidy Holtz on trumpet, Emmett Boucher on drums, Tristen Landreth on saxophone, Kalab Robert on saxophone, Kaysi Wolf on clarinet and Claire Clifford as the Band director. The concert turned out very well, and the players in the band enjoyed themselves, and they all looked amazing! Great job this year Jazz Band! You make our school proud!

By: Charity Young



National Honors Society

NHS

The NHS induction of the new members took place on Monday, March 5th, at 7 p.m. After the induction of the new members, the current member hosted a reception for all members and their families.

The current members served cookies, cake and punch. There were thirteen new members inducted: Kirby Shaffer, Katlin Jurgung, Sierra Hall, Amanda Owsley, Jonelle Reinert, Alex Becker, Cassidy Holtz, Cassey Tompkins, Brandon Powell, Brenda McCollum, Colter Griggs and Samantha Cooper.

By: Natalie Booth



Opinion

Should absences for family vacations be excused?



Tiffany Guardiola

“Yes, because I don’t get to spend a lot of time with my family, so when we do get to do something, it’s pretty special.”



Allison Wonser

“No, that’s what spring break and summer are for.”



Destiney Webster

“Yes, as long as they are not all the time, because sometimes they are important.”



Maranda Bale

“Yes, just because they should be.”



Danielle Chilcott

“No, because we have Friday.”



Veronica Ferry

“No, because we have four-day school weeks.”



Mrs. Kramer

“Our school district usually excuses family vacations; however, with being a four-day week and summer, families should make better choices.”

By: Bethany Davis

Should absences for family vacations be excused?

No, They Should Not

They should not be counted as excused absences, because you can have a vacation over the days that school is not taking place. Over the summer you should have plenty of time to take any kind of vacation. If it were a family reunion I think it would be more understandable. There would be people/family members that you probably don’t see, and you should definitely have to see them and be able to have an excused absence for that. Some family members may only get a certain time off, and family is important. Therefore, most families take advantage of that time and make time for quality time with each other.

By: Mariah Bing

Yes, You Should

I think that family vacations should be excused absences. I think that it should not count against our days of being gone, which make us have to take finals. I think that schools should respect the right of parents to take their kids out of school for an important get together of a family. Some families have very important family reunions every year to keep the family involved and close. I do not think it is fair that our school makes kids feel bad for taking time off to spend time with their family. Also, there are certain things we cannot help like how on those certain days is when your family members can take off and actually take the vacation.

By: Charity Young

Mystery staff

Favorite sports team?

Dallas Cowboys

Favorite color?

Blue

Height?

5' 10"

Favorite hobbies?

Hunting and collecting antique barbed wire

Colleges you attended?

Pratt Community College, University of Arizona and Emporia State

Favorite movie?

Blazing Saddles

Favorite memory while at Bluestem?

Senior trip

Mystery student

Height?

6' 5"

Favorite color?

Red

Favorite movie?

Bench Warmers

How many siblings you have?

None

Favorite class?

Scribner

Favorite sport?

Basketball

Eye color?

Brown

Mystery location



Last week's winners

Mystery location:

Ramp light switch

Mystery location winner:

Trent Navarro

Mystery staff:

Mr. Bergkamp

Mystery staff winner:

Garet Johnson

Mystery student:

Kirby Shaffer

Mystery student winner:

Candis Remsberg

By: Savanna Masters