Southwestern High School Says Goodbye to Teachers

By: Eilee Trombetta

Two of Southwestern’s teachers, Mr. Dan Bennett and Mrs. Sue Sinclair, are getting ready to retire as the year winds down.

Mr. Bennett, who teaches Driver’s Education, commented, “I’m going to miss getting to know students, especially when we’re driving. You get to know students pretty well in the car.”

After 34 years of teaching in all and 27 at Southwestern, Mr. Bennett noted that he has mixed feelings about leaving. After he retires, Mr. Bennett plans on pursuing his hobbies such as hunting, fishing, being involved in church, and helping with disaster relief groups.

Mr. Bennett originally went to college for commercial art but hated his first job so he started teaching. Over the years he has taught P.E., health, and Driver’s Ed.

Mrs. Sue Sinclair has taught at Southwestern for about half of her career. Out of 30 years, 17 of them have been spent at Southwestern. She also taught at Normandy Jr. High and Evangelical.

Mrs. Sinclair said, “I’m very sad to go. The only good thing will be no more grading and not having to go to the store three times a week!”

She has taught classes including Medical Occupation, Consumer’s Ed., Home Ec., Culinary Occupation, and Nutrition as well as being a cafeteria worker.

Being a teacher has been Mrs. Sinclair one and only career as it was her first choice. She commented that she is going to miss her teacher friends, students, and seeing students after they’ve graduated.

Junior Class Presents “Midnight Masquerade” for Prom 2013

By: Alysa Kaiser

The Junior prom committee and prom sponsors, Mrs. Chris Brown, Mr. Rodney Knittel, and Mrs. Kari Burns, have spent months preparing for the 2013 prom, which was themed “Midnight Masquerade.” Prom was held on Saturday, May 11, from 8-11 p.m. in the Lewis and Clark Commons.

Tickets were sold to juniors and other guests for $35, but the seniors were free of charge.

Promenade was held prior to the dance, from 7-8 p.m., and valet parking was available. The prom court consisted of Emily Bachman, Danielle Gillespie, Tarah Wallace, Erica McCord, Kayla Poe, Devynn Wittman, Tanner Beichler, Chris Catlett, Walter Mitchell, Jonathon Moulton, Kylor Smith, and Erick Sosa. Students voted for king and queen during lunch. Emily Bachman and Chris Catlett were crowned king and queen during coronation.

If students wished to attend after-prom at Lake Williamson in Carlinville, it was an additional $5. After-prom included multiple activities for students, including: swimming, glow-in-the-dark dodge ball, rock climbing, and a nacho buffet.

It was fun and there was a lot of stuff to keep us busy,” commented junior Katie Wooldridge, “and the food was awesome.”
FFA Banquet Ends Successful Year

By: Hannah Price

On April 14, FFA officers and members held their annual FFA Banquet to celebrate and recognize the achievements of the year for the chapter, teams, and individuals.

There were 144 people in attendance. The banquet began with a dinner at 6 p.m. Students, family members, and friends sat down for a meal prepared by parents of FFA members. The banquet continued in the MPR where the opening ceremonies were started and officers were introduced. Each officer stated their position and duties.

Past officers were also introduced at this time, as well as section president, senior August Schetter. Hanna Moore and Shelby Albert continued by presenting the Nation’s colors and recognizing all veterans who were in attendance.

The FFA Creed was then performed by freshmen Ashley Egelhoff and Serena Schafer. The Greenhand Degree, the first of four degrees achievable, was presented to those first year members who qualified, and the Star Greenhand award was given to the individual who has competed within different competitions and shown qualities of a leader which was freshman Ashley Egelhoff.

The Chapter Degree, the second degree achievable, was given to all second year members that have previously received their Greenhand Degree and have had a satisfactory school record and have shown process in achieving awards in FFA programs.

The Leadership Award was handed out to junior John Payne, the member who possessed leadership qualities and shows commitment to the FFA chapter.

There were also six scholarship awards given to FFA members who show outstanding academic achievement; the recipients were: freshmen Jacob Ritzhaupt and Mackenzie Wolff; sophomore Nick Ballard; junior Bailey Allen, and senior Emily Wilson. Foundation and community members were also recognized for their support of the FFA chapter.

Outstanding CDE participants were recognized: Horse evaluation CDE: Senior Katie Baker; Forestry Evaluation CDE: Sophomore Nick Ballard; Ag Sales CDE: Senior August Schetter; Agronomy CDE: Sophomore Nick Ballard; Quiz Bowl: Freshmen Taylor Graham, Serena Schafer, and Ashley Egelhoff; Job Interview CDE: Senior Shelby Albert; Poultry CDE: Junior Leighton Grothaus; Dairy Foods Evaluation CDE: Sophomore Ailee Mans; Meats Evaluation CDE: Junior Nathaniel Sellers; Parliamentary Procedure CDE: Senior August Schetter; Land Use CDE: Junior Leighton Grothaus; Public Speaking CDE: Senior August Schetter. Honorary Memberships were also given to Terry Baker, Wayne Schafer, and Dale Wilson.

Parents of seniors were also introduced before senior FFA members took the stage to say their “Senior Goodbye” to the FFA members. The senior goodbyes were followed by the end of the year video and officer members “declare the meeting adjourned,” end-

Briana Gillespie Wins “Best of Show” at Art Show

The 2013 Art Show was held on Wed, May 15, in the M.P.R. Students and faculty voted for their favorite art works.

Best of Show was Briana Gillespie’s “Keira Knightly”.

Other winners included:
First Place winners:
Charcoal Drawing- Briana Gillespie
Pen & Ink- Morgan Cates
Tempera Painting- Laci Hudson
Photography Nature- Sydney Waldon
Animal Pen & Ink- Marissa Jones
Colored Pencil- Morgan Cates
Photography People- Aubrey Thornsbury
Painting acrylic- Jessica Werts
Sculpture/ Ceramics- Ashlyn Madison
Egg Photo- Adrienne Grothaus
Portrait Drawing- Leanna Fones
Mixed Media Drawing- Morgan Cates
Pencil Misc.- Emma Norris

Graphic Design- Emma Norris
Photography Misc.- Aubrey Thornsbury
Interior Design- Erika Daube

Mrs. Susan Ruyle, art teacher, said, “Thanks to everyone for making the show a success!”

She added that all art work may be picked up in the art room.
National Honor Society Inducts 22 New Members

By: Lauren Peiffer
National Honor Society is an organization started by the Principal’s Association which encourages academics and the six pillars of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. It is service oriented, encouraging members to help out the community.

Members are required to have at least 10 hours of community service, along with 3.5 or higher G.P.A. An application must be filled out by any student hoping to be inducted into NHS, where it is then sent to a committee made of five teachers who discuss and calculate the points that each applicant earns. In order to be accepted, a student must have 13 of the possible 16 points.

Southwestern’s NHS Induction was held on May 6, at 7 p.m. in the middle school commons where the officers (president Nick Simmons, vice president Phillip Reedy, secretary Adrienne Grothaus, treasurer Abby McNear, and historian Laci Hudson) gave speeches based on the pillars of character, and inductees were asked to light the unity candle which officially inducts them into the organization.

The 2013 Inductees were: Ryan Laramee, Brenden Emmons, Mackenzie Rose, Keely Egelhoff, Leo Vinyard, Megan Peuterbaugh, Ashlyn Ringhausen, Emily Harbison, Grace Luly, Lora Fritsch, Daniel Woodman, Aly Siglock, Ellie Trombetta, Morgan Chandler, Nick Ballard, Courtney Bangert, Miranda Daube, Ashley Kraushaar, Hannah Wilfong, Emily Jones, and Brandon Murphy.

Step Up and Take the D.A.R.E.: Role Models Visit Grade Schools

By: Emily Jones
Each year, the staff of Southwestern High School picks four seniors who have resisted the use of things such as drugs, alcohol, and smoking to be D.A.R.E. Role Models. This year, the students chosen are Danielle Gillespie, Adrienne Grothaus, Kairegan Johnson, Kylor Smith and Hunter Watson.

During the last two weeks of school, these students travel to the Southwestern District’s elementary schools and speak to the sixth grade classes about the importance of resisting things such as drugs, smoking, and alcohol. While they are there, they ask the students questions and tell the students to ask them any questions they have as well. Also, they allow the kids to use the fatal-vision goggles while playing basketball and walking on a balance beam to experience what it is like to be under the influence of alcohol.

“It is important to have D.A.R.E. Role Models because it allows the kids to actually see someone who can tell them they have made it through high school without giving into negative peer pressure. They may not believe it is possible until they can actually see it,” stated Officer Dan Mathis.

Congratulations to the Southwestern Baseball and Softball Teams on their Regional Championships. Both teams were also the SCC Conference Champs! Good luck in Sectionals!
Katelyn in the Halls with the Senior Class

Best high school memory?
- Jacob Segrest—beating Roxana in basketball
- Caleb Rich—meeting my two best friends
- Florian Rambow—track
- Samantha Horn—Hasquin’s class
- August Schetter—hiding Nick’s lock
- Heather Main—Geometry Class freshman year
- Jarrett Sebastian—Goofing off with Josh Constable
- Amanda Smith—Banana dance
- Bailey Hallows—winning triple crown in track
- Michael Payne—Mr. Henry’s class
- Katie Baker—freshman Biology class
- Kaitlyn Gunning—Jon Moulton rapping
- Katelyn Stanley—Publications with Mrs. Goetten
- Dalton Greenwalt—meeting Ryan Goeken

What will you miss?
- Caleb Muenstermann—sitting around all day
- Kaitlyn Lawson—Algebra 3 class with Mr. DeVries
- Wannida Artsavapongtanet—friends
- Angela Newby—band
- Emily Wilson—Rachel Meisner
- Danielle Gillespie—seeing friends every day
- Dalton Greenwalt—Ryan Goeken
- Alicia Woodman—teachers
- Katelyn Stanley—Lauren Peiffer
- Rachel Luly—being able to talk to friends any time
- Kevin Smith—Mrs. Sinclair
- Erick Sosa—basketball
- Miranda Daube—close friends
- Brendan Lawson—cheerleading
- Amanda Burgess—school lunches
- Allison Moran—softball
- Shelby Albert—FFA
- Abby McNear—Kairegan Johnson

Senior Class Honors Classmate Logan Mathis

By: Katelyn Stanley

On Thursday, May 23, at graduation practice, the senior class took time to remember their classmate Logan Mathis. Mrs. Kelly Goetten, class sponsor, said that the class officers decided to order a memorial stone that was presented on this day. The stone has been placed in front of the school in the landscaping.

Logan began attending Shipman Elementary in 2nd grade and remained a part of the Southwestern School District until April 24, 2010, when he was killed in an ATV accident. At that time, the senior class raised money so they could later buy a memorial.

“Students have put a lot of time and effort into creating a special memorial for Logan,” commented Mrs. Goetten. “They are excited about graduation but also want to take time out of their busy schedules to remember their classmate and friend.”

Memorial stone in remembrance of Logan Mathis is placed in front of the high school.

In May 2010, Brittney Gilleland wrote a poem, “RIP Logan” that included the following lines: “Let the class of 2013 band together...forever Logan will be in their hearts, they will always remember he loved pop tarts. Monster energy drinks, and Grave clothing too, riding was what he loved to do...”
First Spring Assembly Held to Recognize Student Success

By: Danielle Halcom

On April 26th, Southwestern High School held their first ever spring assembly, recognizing the spring sports and their accomplishments.

The band started the assembly by playing the National Anthem and our school song. After that the girls and boys track team was introduced by senior Danielle Gillespie and junior Ryan Goeken. Coach Hanslow and Coach Mitchell announced all the accomplishments that the baseball and softball teams have achieved.

Shortly after, Mrs Ruyle recognized the Yearbook staff and the senior favorites.

Senior Sierra Spraggs recognized all the band accomplishments. Mrs. Laura Naugle recognized the drama students.

Yearbook Announces Senior Favorites

Mister & Miss Most Friendly -Phillip Reedy & Rachel Luly
Mister & Miss Flirt -Erick Sosa & Lauren Cox
Mister Style & Miss Fashion -Kylor Smith & Tarah Wallace
Mister & Miss Comedy -Jon Moulton & Devynn Wittman
Mr. Awesome Eyes & Miss Pretty Eyes -Hunter Watson & Libby Linhares
Mister & Miss Cutest Couple -Walter Mitchell & Jasmine Jacobb
Mister & Miss Fame -Tyler Gilleland & Kairegan Johnson
Mister & Miss Good Hair -Josh Foiles & Abby McNear
Mister & Miss Congeniality -Dalton Greenwalt & Kayla Poe
Mister & Miss Smile -Walter Mitchell & Kaylin Sansone
Mister & Miss Athletic -Jacob Segrest & Alayna Ducharme
Mister & Miss Creativity -Brendan Schelle & Danielle Gillespie
Mister & Miss Transformed -Nick Ansell & Jessica Pugsley
Mister & Miss Brainiac -Jonathon Montgomery & Emily Bachman
Mister & Miss Confident -Clark Couch & Briana Kinkel
Mister & Miss Unique -Jonathan Kirby & Anna Betts
Best Bros—Tom Connors & Quincy Dunn
Best Friends -Lucy Krokeschel & Demi Lowis
Mister & Miss Talent -Brendan Lawson & Karrigean Johnson
Mister & Miss Success -Chris Catlett & Adrienne Grothaus
Mister & Miss Involved -Nick Simmons & Erin Huff
Senior Track Members Take Their Final Lap

By: Danielle Gillespie

After battling some poor weather, the track season has been making a final surge towards its conclusion. With so many “normal” meets being canceled most of the meets for April and May have been large scale.

At the third annual Southwestern Co-ed Relays on Tuesday April 9, Southwestern took first. Each relay team consisted of two girls and two boys and field events were scored by adding the lengths of the boys and girls throws or jumps together.

The track team then traveled to Staunton for the annual Staunton Invite on Friday, April 12. The boys ended up beating Staunton by 5 points with a score of 111 to win the meet, and the girls came in second to Gillespie with 69 points.

The following Friday, the teams headed up to Rochester to compete in the Rochester Invite with nearly 20 other teams. On Wednesday, April 24 Southwestern hosted the Bert Trump Relays. Boys walked away with fourth place and girls ended up taking first.

With only three meets left, the girls track team traveled to Litchfield to compete in the SCC Conference meet on Tuesday, April 30. The meet was used as an experiment to determine potential relays and other events that might be used at the sectional.

That Thursday, both girls and boys traveled to Gillespie to compete in the Macoupin County track meet. Despite a thorough soaking, both teams managed to walk away with second place plaques.

With sectionals fast approaching, Boy’s Coach, Mr. Matt Hasquin stated, “I would like to see us strengthen our relays and have better hand-offs.” He said the thing that he’s been most pleased with is the good spirits and high hopes despite the weather set backs.

Girls and Boys Track Athletes State Bound and Record Breaking

The girls track team competed in the Class 1 A sectional at Carlinville on Thursday, May 9. Senior Emily Bachman made a jump of eight feet nine inches in the pole vault breaking the school record of 8 feet 6 inches set by Kristen Bowman. Southwestern’s 4x100 meter relay, 4x200 meter relay, and 4x400 meter relay consisting of freshman Erin Laubscher, junior Lauren Jenkins, and seniors Bailey Hallows and Danielle Gillespie, qualified for the State track meet on Thursday, May 16.

The boys track sectional was held on Thurs., May 16, in Litchfield. The following athletes qualified for the Class A Boys State Track Meet next week: Ryan Goeken in 100 meter dash., J.P. Mueller in 200 meter dash, and the 4 x 100 and 4 x 200 Relay teams. The 4 x 100 set the school record mark at 43.76 seconds by Jacob Segrest, Goeken, Mueller, and Trenton Hagen. Chris Catlett, Walter Mitchell, Shawn Rutledge, Leo Vinyard, Tyler Skelton, and Nick Ballard will also go to state.

Lady Birds Basketball Team Recognized

The girls basketball banquet was held on March 12, in the high school cafeteria.

Senior Jamie Geisler and freshman Maddie Greeling were announced as free throw winners. Greeling was also named The Telegraph Player of the Year and honorable mention All-State.
Lady Birds Wrap Up a Successful Season

By: Alysa Kaiser

The softball team is pushing through the 2013 season with a 9-5 record. Coach Mitchell claimed that this year, the team’s biggest competition will be either Litchfield or Greenville; however, if the team doesn’t show up to play, anyone could be a big competitor. Junior, Lindsey Snyder, also noted, “It doesn’t matter who we play, competition isn’t what we’re worried about; winning is more important.”

Coach Mitchell believes that in order for a team to be successful, players must understand their roles. “So far, the team has done an excellent job of stepping up and understanding their roles, but we need to put more hits in a series, because we are leaving too many people on base,” stated Mitchell.

Kelsey Rhoades, freshman, has shown her talent through hitting, and has earned her way into the Varsity hitting line up. She said she looks up to a few people on the team, but especially idolizes junior, Katie Wooldridge, because she hits really well.

Baseball Team Ends the Season with a Winning Record

By: Katie Wooldridge

So far the 2011-2012 baseball season has been a success. With the boys holding a current record of 16-6, Coach Hanslow is pleased with the outcome. The boys are doing much better than he expected due to the fact that it is tough not playing on a regular basis because of the rain and damage done to their home field.

Hanslow is also proud of his four varsity pitchers: seniors Hunter Watson, Phillip Reedy, Nick Parrino, and also sophomore, Spencer Heineman. “The pitchers have stepped up and are doing very well with an ERA in the low 2’s,” Hanslow stated.

On April 11 the baseball team played East Alton-Wood River at GCS stadium. Varsity had a close game, but came out on top with a score of 2-1. JV also had a good game with a final score of 17-4. When asking freshman, Zack Seymour how his experience was at GCS for the first time he said, “It was fun. They had a nice field, and we even got the win.”

With much of the season still ahead sophomore, Eric Beyer, claimed that Alton is going to be their biggest competitor. “They’re a bigger division than us with more competition, and they will be ready to play,” Beyer said.

Jimmie Naylor, junior, said that the biggest highlight so far from this season has been the team’s seven-game win streak. After falling to Freeburg the streak ended, but the team hopes to get going into another streak as soon as possible.
Senior Awards Night was held on Thurs., April 25, at 7 p.m. in the Middle School Commons. Principal Mark Bearley welcomed students and their families and presented the Top 10 students of the senior class: Emily Bachman, Abigail


Mr. Bearley recognized the following seniors on their accomplishments on the Prairie State Exams: Anna Betts, Christopher Catlett, Cassidy Jones, Demi Lowis, Hunter Watson, Emily Bachman, Mason Cunningham, Josh Foiles, Danielle Gillespie, Adrienne Grothaus, Kairegan Johnson and Abigail Bregenzer.

The Illinois State Scholars were also recognized. They are: Emily Bachman, Anna Betts, Abi Bregenzer, Christopher Catlett, Danielle Gillespie, Kairegan Johnson, Cassidy Jones, Demi Lowis, Abby McNear, Caleb Rich, Tarah Wallace, Hunter Watson and Emily Wilson.

The President’s Award for Educational Excellence was given to: Emily Bachman, Abi Bregenzer, Christopher Catlett, Josh Foiles, Danielle Gillespie, Kairegan Johnson, Demi Lowis, Caleb McNear, Caleb Rich, Tarah Wallace, Hunter Watson and Emily Wilson.

High School band director, Elwyn Mielke, recognized the following band members for their outstanding musicianship: Shelby Albert, Sarah Bennett, Samantha Horn, Laci Hudson, Kaitlyn Lawson, Ryan Lively, Angela Newby, Caleb Rich and Sierra Spraggs.

Mrs. Sue Sinclair, FCCLA sponsor, recognized Erin Huff and Alicia Woodman with a Four– year Member Award.

Nine students were awarded with Excellence in Math. These students had straight “A’s” every semester through Calculus. They are: Emily Bachman, Abigail Bregenzer, Christopher Catlett, Danielle Gillespie, Adrienne Grothaus, Demi Lowis, Abby McNear, Hunter Watson and Emily Wilson.

Mrs. Kelly Goetten, English teacher, awarded Emily Bachman and Danielle Gillespie with the English Award.

Mrs. Jennifer Borkowski, Science teacher, awarded Emily Bachman, Christopher Catlett, Danielle Gillespie, Demi Lowis and Emily Wilson with the Top Science Achievement.

Mr. Matt Hasquin, Social Studies teacher, awarded Cassidy Jones and Nick Simmons with the Excellence in Social Studies Award. Mrs. Laura Naugle, Drama sponsor, awarded Jon Moulton with the Drama Club Award.

The night ended with refreshments created by Mrs. Sinclair’s Foods Service classes and served by FFA members.
By: Morgan Ozark

On June 10, 2013, a total of twenty-two people will be leaving for Europe. Sophomores Meghan Peuterbaugh, Hannah Greeling, Jessica Werts, and Brianna Gillespie; junior Ashley Kraushaar; and seniors Katie Baker, Chris Catlett, Nick Simmons, Caleb Rich, Alayna Ducharme, Bailey Hallows, Cassidy Jones, Emily Bachman, Danielle Gillespie, Jonathan Kirby, Jimmy Barnett, Kaitlyn Gunning, Carly Hines, and Sondra Thurm. Mr. Darren Mosley, Mr. Matt Hasquin, and Mr. Corey Pace will be chaperoning. The trip will last ten days, and the group will be visiting Paris and Normandy, France.

“I can’t wait to experience the different environment and see new things,” stated Hannah Greeling. Greeling said that she has always wanted to go out of the country and now she gets to visit Europe and can experience it with her friends from school.

Drama Club Presents “Encore”: SNL-like Comedy Skits

By: Sarann Boker

On April 19 and April 20, the Southwestern Drama Club teamed up with Bunker Hill to put on an “Encore” performance. Eleven Southwestern students were in the production along with junior Austin O’Heron who was the sound technician. Mrs. Laura Naugle and Mrs. Kay Elroy were the directors.

The students who participated were freshmen Tyler Allen, Nathan Beilsmith, Kaleb Cruse, Serena Schaefer, Abby Mueller, Samantha French; sophomore Aubrey Thornsbury; juniors Emily Bowman, Mackenzie Rose, Morgan Cates; and senior Jon Moulton.

There were two showings for the performance at Bunker Hill High School. At least 200 people came to the show the first night, and just a few less the second night. The play was a combination of Saturday Night Live type skits.


When asked if she would do it again, Cates stated, “Absolutely, in less than a heartbeat.”

Moulton mentioned, “I’ve been considering failing my senior year just so I can come back and do drama club again next year!”

Mrs. Naugle stated, “I had never done a small skit drama, however, I feel that our Southwestern students selected very funny and appropriate skits. Each student did a remarkable job. I was very proud of them.”
“The Satisfaction” Wins the 2013 SHS Boat Regatta

By: Frank Steward

On May 8, Southwestern High School held its third “Boat Regatta”. After being post-poned due to bad weather, the day was perfect “weather-wise” to hold the event.

The object of the event was for students to create a boat made only of cardboard and duck tape, and having a series of races across the school pond.

Twelve groups competed and most of the boats floated. In first place was “The Satisfaction” created by Shawn Rutledge, Chris Catlett, Ryan Goeken, and J.P. Mueller.

In second place was Mr. Henry’s boat, built by Brendon Emmons, Cade Muensterman, Max Merzlyakov, and Leighton Grothaus.

In third place was the so-called “Shane” created by Kylor Smith and Josh Foiles.

Alex Ernst explained how his boat was made. He stated, “We used cardboard tubes and sealed them together and used them as the base of our boat. Then built around it.”

His group came in fourth place but the boat did not last the whole event.

When asked what his favorite part of the event was, he responded, “When my boat actually floated.

Alex said that he only spent ten dollars on the boat.

For the girls competition, first place went to Alayna Ducharme and Kayla Cole. Second place was Yearbook’s boat with Tarah Wallace and LeAnna Christopher in charge. Third place for the girls went to Jamie Moore and Taylor Graham.
Ms. Gaffney’s AP Chemistry students, Ethan Garland and Ashley Kraushaar, shoot off Curious George during an experiment.

Juniors (left to right) Corey Moore, Garrett Simpson, and Zach Davis attend the ZAPS seminar to prepare for the ACT.

Senior Miranda Daube, along with many other students, give blood at the annual American Red Cross blood drive sponsored by FMLA.

Junior Lindsey Snyder contributes to the total of fifty units of blood donated at the blood drive which was held on May 6.

Ten seniors were awarded silver medallions on April 18, at a banquet held at LCCC.

Mr. Henry’s Pop Culture class fit twenty-four people into Aly Siglock’s Cavalier to carry on the annual “car stuffing” tradition.
Senior Trip

Awesome ACTs = Senior Trip to City Museum

Mitchell Nunley, Destin Partridge, Tyler Gilleland, Thomas Connors, and Nick Parrino hanging out at the museum.

Walter Mitchell and Jazmine Jacob find a comfy spot next to the fish tank.

Erick Sosa, Chris Catlett, Brandon Robinson, Jacob Segrest, Tarah Wallace, Dalton Greenwalt, Phillip Reedy, Jonathon Montgomery, Hunter Watson and Adrienne Grothaus fill the stairs at the museum.

Caleb Rich plays a few notes on the piano for Jessica Pugsley (left) and Britney Moore.

Erin Huff, Rachel Luly and Sarah Bennett take a break at the City Museum.

Amanda Beeman, Brandie Menzie and Katelyn Stanley pose at the City Museum.

Jared Gamble makes his way down the slide as Jon Moulton waits his turn.

Demi Lowis, Lucy Kroeschel, Austin Dorris and Josh Constable hanging out and enjoying the day.

Hunter Watson, Adrienne Grothaus, Phillip Reedy and Allison Moran stop for a picture.

Kaitlyn Lawson, Craig Erwin and Shelby Albert relax after seeing all the museum had to offer.

Garrett Sebastian, Erin Huff, Amanda Beeman and Brendan Lawson spend time outside of museum.