

# DMS Sports center

## Students say baseball is their jam, season begins

by Hayden, McKay and Margaret

This issue features three athletes who are passionate about sports including baseball, softball and soccer. Meet Ryder MacGillvary, Osvaldo Rios and Faith Baumgartner.

Ryder plays baseball and football. He plays for Provo Dawgs and his baseball team won their league championship.

He was a starter on the 8th grade football team this fall. That team had a successful season and went to Las Vegas to play in a national championship.

Their baseball team is off to a slow start but they are working hard to be successful. He believes to be successful you have to put in a lot of practice.

Osvaldo plays for Provo United and has been playing soccer for a while. He has accumulated more than his share of medals and trophies.



**For these Dixon students there really is no place like home. It's time for baseball and softball and these students are busy swinging bats.**



## Swimmers compete post best times

Hours of practice paid off for two seventh grade girls, as Brianna Heideman and Savannah Eatnough posted personal best times at the state swim meet.

Their swim team finished third while the two picked up some medals. They swim freestyle, butterfly, medley and relays. Their strength and speed added the team in an excellent finish.



**Brianna and Savannah recently competed at the state swim meet posting personal best times.**

### P.E. Notes

In girls' p.e. they have started working on their Ultimate Frisbee unit. They have learned to throw and catch and all the girls are loving it!

They are looking forward to their fun tournaments in the near future.

In boys' p.e., they are playing soccer. They also do runs each week.

Coach is gearing up for the annual afterschool all star soccer tournament. Make sure to buy one now.



### Calendar

April 11 End of Year testing begins

April 18 Student elections

April 20 Neon dress up day

April 24 Lunch activity

April 27 ballroom dance social 7 p.m.

May 11 Band Concert 6:30 p.m.

May 12 Physics Day Lagoon

May 16 Guitar concert 6:30 p.m.

Ballroom dance cotillion 7 p.m.

May 18 Choir Concert

### Yearbooks can still be purchased

The yearbook staff has ordered 50 extra yearbooks if you haven't purchased one already!

They are \$30.00 each and its first come first serve. This years yearbook will have great pictures and fun ideas!

The yearbook staff has worked hard at making the yearbook great. The staff is Marianne Chambers, McKay Strauss, Kamia Masuda, John Hunter, Brooklyn Biorge, Austyn Hasara, and Josh Orme. Make sure to buy one now.

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# Panther Pride

April 2017

## Dixon gets literacy donation for books

Dixon seventh grade English teachers were happy and surprised this week to accept a donation from the Etienne Literary Club, a local service organization.

"It was so great that this service organization wants to help our school promote reading," said Leann Moody, English teacher.



**Principal Sites accepts a donation from the Etienne Literary Club.**

group, will be used to purchase books for outstanding readers. Those books will include several copies of signed author books. The signed author books are part of an ongoing program organized by Leann Moody, Dixon seventh grade English teacher.

For the past decade, she has worked to bring authors into the school to talk with students about reading and writing. "This is a great experience for our students to meet writers."

## The Funny Papers

Knock, knock  
Who's there?  
Esther--Esther who?  
Esther Bunny!

Knock, Knock  
Who's there?  
Stella --Stella who?  
Stella another easter bunny



Just for laughs by Hustyn



Knock, knock  
Who's there? Some bunny  
Some bunny who?  
Some bunnies are eating all my Easter candy!

Knock, knock who'e there?  
Cargo--cargo who?  
Cargo meep, meep and run over all the Easter bunnies!

Knock, knock who's there?  
Boo hoo! Bo hoo who?  
Don't cry, Easter bunny will be back next year.

### Just for fans by Kamia



Students and Mrs. Moody take a selfie at the Musuem of Curiosity.

### Honors students go on epic quest, end year with service project

Members of the Dixon Honors Society will meet this week to celebrate Earth Day with a service project.

Organized by Mrs. Humpheries, students did school service and then enjoyed a treat in Mrs. Moody's room

Before spring break, they went on a field trip to the Thanksgiving Point Museum of Curiosity. They learned about science in some fun hands on activities.

Students also enjoyed being outside in the Discovery Garden and using the zip line. They had a treat and made friends while riding the front runner.

### Celebrate end of school year

Eighth graders should watch for information on Lagoon Day May 25. There will also be an eighth grade honors night on May 24.

To get into shape for the season and the games, he believes in running and working out. "You have to stay in healthy shape," he added.

His favorite team is Real Madrid.

The girls softball team, the Provo Dawgs, have recently started their spring season, and Faith Baumgartner gave us the scoop on how it's going!

Their team has been playing great in their games and recently played in a tournament. They played all day up into the winner's bracket and got second place out of all the teams.

They played great and are practicing 2-3 times a week to step up their game even more!



Faith



Ryder



Osvaldo

We ordered extra YearBooks,  
Buy today! \$30

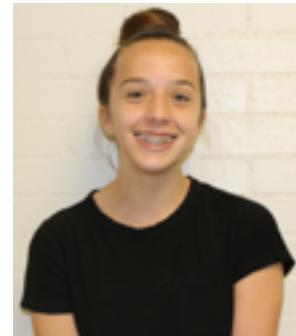


## 'Round campus news...

by Kamia and Sophie

This month in Mrs. Hill's math classes, they are working on finishing up their I-Can's and getting ready for end of level testing.

Meanwhile, the STEM classes are finishing their movies to be shown at the end of school. The STEM students are also getting ready to go to Physics Day at Lagoon.



Mackey Barry's project "Which Water Works, Which Water Won't" won second place in the Animal and Plant Sciences Division and qualified for the Broadcom Masters Competition.

Sophia Luke's project "Cleaning up Oil Spills" won first place in the Earth and Environmental Science Division. She also qualified for the Broadcom Masters Competition and was the Junior Division Grand Champion.

Dixon's eighth grade English classes have practiced citing evidence and presented an argument with murder mysteries. Students worked to solve a murder mystery created by their teacher and then displayed their evidence in a court trial with student and teachers from other classes acting as judges and jury.

Attention students, please check your lunch balances, we cannot have any charging.

Mrs. Moody's English classes will be doing a survival and river rafter unit in May.

In digital media, students have started their stop motion films. In May they will be doing mini people and lego photography projects.

**From the Library**--The Panther Challenge prompted over 90 students and faculty to sign up and post slips identifying the books they have read during this school year.

Sixteen individuals have posted over 20 books, half the challenge.

**End of year notice:** All library materials are due and must be returned by May 11. Please take care of all fines by that date as well. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated!!!

In Mrs. Haacke's STEM science class, they had done a biomimicry hand design challenge.

In Mr. Stevens' U.S. history class, students are researching to give presentations on inventions during the early industrial revolution.

## Student Life

### Spring concerts planned for May

By Josh

Mr. Tijerina's Choir Classes are up to a lot lately. Their spring concert is on May 18. The seventh grade choirs will perform at 6:30 p.m. and the eighth grade choirs will perform at 7:30 p.m. At festival, the concert choirs earned superior ratings.

Mr. Tijerina is super proud of his students and their recent accomplishment. They worked really hard.

Ms. Judd's Orchestra Class is having a concert on Friday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Provo High School. They are combining with the high school orchestras to create some amazing music.

Ms. Giblon's Band Classes are playing with Provo High School on May 10 at 6:30 pm MST. Dixon Bands are playing May 11 at 6:30 p.m. The Guitar recital is May 16 at 6:30 p.m.



### Sea Perch students take honors

by Margaret

In SeaPerch this year, Students designed and built an underwater ROV that could accomplish 4 different tasks. The competition was a simulation of retrieving and deploying samples in an abandoned underwater research facility in Midway, Utah.

They earned points based on the tasks they were able to achieve. Scott Anderson, Jared Eberhard, and Cole Rowberry took 3rd place in the open class division.



TSA members celebrate this top finish at the state meet and qualify for nationals.

### Dixon finish on top at state

by John

This year in TSA Dixon students did an outstanding job in the state TSA Conference this year. There were 16 students represented Dixon and 11 of them won a prize. Five won first place , team awards, three second place awards, and 3 third place awards.

The first place winners are in Catapult design the team of Jessica Redmont, Kaleb Ahlfors, Logan Corless, and Grant Peterson. In the Construction Challenge the team of Kaitlyn Gates, Sarah Bartholomew, Jessica Redmond, Kaleb Ahlfors, Logan Corless, and Henry Harrison. This was there folding desk project.

For the community service video more winners are Sarah Bartholomew, Jessica Redmond, Daisy Bowen, Daisy Bennett, Aubrie Miller, and Kaitlyn Gates all won first place.

For Environmental Engineering, the team of Sarah Bartholomew, Jessica Redmond, Daisy Bowen, Daisy Bennett, Audri Wilsey won first. For The Leadership Challenge the team of Makayla Milord, Daisy Bennett, and Aubri Miller won first place.

## On the book shelf...

### New dragon book returns to Fablehaven

On the book shelf are some new great reads including Brandon Mull, Brendan Reichs and Lana Krumwiede.

New from Brandon Mull is the sequel to Fablehaven. Book one in this series is titled *Dragonwatch*. The story begins with grandpa talking with a stranger at the gates of Fablehaven and Seth on a quest to return the sword Visilis which he borrowed from Singing Sisters.

In the hidden dragon sanctuary of Wymroost, Celebrant the Just, King of the Dragons, plots his revenge.. The time has come to break free and reclaim his power.

No one person is capable of stopping Celebrant and his dragon horde. It will take the ancient order of Dragonwatch to gather again if there is any chance of saving the world from destruction.

As Kendra and Seth confront this new danger, they must draw upon all their skills, talents, and knowledge as only they have the ability to function together as a powerful dragon tamer. Together they must battle against forces with superior supernatural powers and breathtaking magical abilities.

*Freakling* by Lana Krumwiede is a fast paced systopian novel about the dangers of unchecked power and the problems facing a boy torn between two wayss of life.

In twelve-year-old Taemon's city, everyone has a power called psi — the ability to move and manipulate objects with their minds. When Taemon loses his psi in a traumatic accident, he must hide his lack of power by any means possible. But a humiliating incident at a sports tournament exposes his disability, and Taemon is exiled to the powerless colony. The "dud farm" is not what Taemon expected,

I love a Brendan Reichs book. His first series Virals written with his mom was intense and so is his new teen read *Nemesis*.

It's been happening since Min was eight. Every two years, on her birthday, a strange man finds her and murders her in cold blood. Across the valley, Noah just wants to be like everyone else. But he's not. Nightmares of murder and death plague him, though he does his best to hide the signs. But when the world around him begins to spiral toward panic and destruction, Noah discovers that people have been lying to him his whole life. Everything changes in a blink.

### Too late? April Fools comes late to Dixon

### New principal, new dress code changes begin next fall, no more jeans

by Brooklyn

Dress code for next school year will include collared shirts and slacks on the list. With the change in administration and a new principal will also come a change in how students look.

The administration is saying that due to the high number of behavior issues a stict dress code will be enforced next year.

Dixon will move back to a uniform dress code including collared shirts for boys and skirts for girls. Friday will be the only day students will be allowed to wear jeans and t-shirts.

Many of the faculty spoke in favor of the dress code and said it would help students get better grades "I really feel that when students are dressed nicely, They do better in their school work and there would be less fighting," said Mrs. Moody.

Students will be able to purchase discounted clothing through the school website and also through JC Penny and American eagle.

### District bans sugar from lunch menus

by Libby and Rebekah

Hey! Dixon Panthers! The lunch room has some bad news. The district decided to change somethings about lunch. They decided to take out all unhealthy foods and replace it with more fruits and veggies. The school does understand how kids will react to this, but they say that studies show that eating no sugar at all for even two to three weeks can reduce 75% of obesity in young adults.

This means that there will be no more pizza, chips, yogurt, or anything else with sugar in it. The school will be taking action in the next week or two.

The principal is sorry but he wants what's best for us. Mr. Sites says, "Kids need to live their lives the healthy way and not have access to sugar so easily. If they want sugar they get it at home. Dixon Middle School is now a sugar free zone." So get your sugar while you can.



### Assassin's sequel to film this summer at Dixon

Madi & Emily

Attention all Dixon actors!!! The Assasin's Creed crew is coming to Dixon to recruit actors for the movie sequel. They are looking for 25 people with amazing acting skills to be extras in the film.

It will be released in August 2018. The crew wants students who are familar with Dixon grounds, since several scenes will be shot here. If you are interested, fill out an application, which are located in Ms. Mariott's room.

The filming dates will be announced soon, as well the cast. Keep your eyes and ears open for more information. Applications are due ASAP!



## Panther Pics

By Josh and Grace

**Lydia Peterson** is a seventh grader here at school. Her favorite class is english with Mrs. Moody. She likes dancing and swimming.

Her favorite movie is Harry Potter and her favorite singer is Shawn Mendes. During easter, she likes eating all types of chocolate. She like hiking and camping during the warm months.

**Max Jaramillo** is an eighth grader at Dixon Middle School. His favorite class at school is ballroom. During the summer, he likes to play football and longboard. His favorite movie to watch is Rogue One. During easter, his favorite candies are chocolate eggs.

**Drew Nielsen** is a seventh grader here at school. His favorite class is science and loves to play and watch baseball he also does cross country. He likes to listen to Frank Sinatra. His favorite candy to eat at easter time is Cadbury easter eggs and likes to play baseball in the spring.

**Averley Krushinsky** is an eighth grader at Dixon. Her favorite class in school is math class. During her free time, she likes to make crafts. Her favorite movie is Green Day. Her favorite Easter candy is cookies and cream chocolate. In the warm weather months, she likes to play outside.



Lydia



Drew



## Check out some DVD's, watch your favorite flicks

Hey Dixon panthers! Have you ever wanted to know when your favorite movie is going to be out on DVD so you can later go on to the store to go buy it before it is sold out. And you will never have a chance to see it again.

Currently, a lot of movies are coming out and some are already out. There are movies like *Sing*, *Annie*, *Storks*, *Moana*, and many, many more. There can be even movies from the olden days just with new covers on them.

DVDs are kinda like Netflix but on a CD and not on a television. Such as Beauty and the beast, and also Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Even cartoons that you liked ever since you were little kids. Just like Strawberry Shortcake, Dora the Explorer, and also Team Umizoomi.

These DVDs can be the best there is. If you even go to any DVD place I bet there will be any kind of movie that you prefer. Such as comedy, romance, horror, and also mystery, cartoons, and many if you could think of. If you ever wanted a DVD that you missed out on ever since you were little and look back on it then maybe you could get some memories of your old childhood.

I know that if you could dream big then maybe your dreams could maybe come true. If you want to you could look back at the DVDs and could maybe quiz yourself. DVDs are the best thing in the world.

Go get one and look and the wonderful things that these movie producers and directors have made for DVDs and movies for us teens and little siblings or kids.

## Students wage battle over books *Best of art on display*

By Kayla

Three teams competed in the second annual Dixon Book Battle Competition.

The Skittle Monsters took first place and received a \$25 gift certificate. The Crazy Cougs took second place and won a ten dollar gift certificate and the Book Worm Battlion took third place and also got a ten dollar gift certificate.

The Skittle Monster teams included Emily Cannegieter, Neve Black, Lily Tessem and Kate'lynn Miller.

The Crazy Cougs team included Spencer Gardner, Ryan Vance, Cameron Gordon and Drew Nielsen.

The Book Worm Battalion included Michael Bartholomew, Lucia Ashton, Emma Hall and Elise Johnson.



The Skittle Monster team racks up the points to win the annual Book Battle contest.

Dixon students competed in the annual Geography Bee in March. Spencer Gardner and Sean Gutzman were the top finishers. Spencer went on to compete at the state level and did well according to Mrs. Johnston history teacher over the event.



By Sophie and Hailey

All the art teachers at Dixon are getting ready for the Annual Art Show. The art show will be on display in the library. Student art from all of the art classes will be shown.

The Art Show Open House will be on Tuesday, May 2, 2017. The art will be on display from May 1-5.

Students, parents, and community members are all invited to the open house. Refreshments will be provided and awards will be given.

Displays also include photography, photoshop and films from Mrs. Moody's classes.

## Auditions for ballroom teams

Ballroom dance students are preparing for auditions for the Dixon team as well as the Provo High team.

Dixon's team should be notified the end of April and for all 8th graders, it should be the second week of May.

The end of year performance will be held on May 16th in the Dixon gym. Students will perform every dance they have learned this year. They will also be performing number that they created the choreography for.

## Just make it dramatic

Theater and Drama students are working on their acting skills. Intro to Drama is working on scenes and Drama 1 is working on monologues. They will be presenting their final performances to their peers in class.