

### *A Letter from the Superintendent*



Dear Friends,

The first semester has come and gone for the Camdenton R-III School District. Over the course of the first 18 weeks of the 2013-2014 school year a number of our staff members have received several honors.

Mr. Todd Shockley, Principal of Hawthorn Elementary School, was recently named the Distinguished Principal of the Year by the Southwest Missouri Association of Elementary School Principals. Mr. Shockley is also a candidate for the statewide principal’s award through the Missouri Association of Elementary School Principals.

Jane Noyes, teacher at Camdenton Middle School, was recently bestowed two statewide awards. First, Jane was named the Missouri School Age Care Professional of the Year at the fall conference of the Missouri School Age Community Coalition Conference. Jane was also named as Coach of the Year for the Eastern Division of the FIRST LEGO League State Championship in St. Louis.

Angie Rogers, teacher at Hawthorn Elementary, was recently named the Elementary Missouri Council of Teachers of Mathematics Teacher of the Year.

Dr. Gail White, Director of Lake Career and Technical Center, and Senior student Sarah Wages were recently recognized as two of the Lake Area’s Top 10 Women of the Year.

The Camdenton School District is made up of hundreds of fine staff members who work together to strive to achieve our common vision of *“Everyone Learning Every Day!”* Our school district also has bright and talented students who walk our halls every day. On the pages that follow you will get acquainted with a number of our award-winning students

as this issue highlights athletic and academic honors at the Conference, District, and Sectional levels.

Not only have individual members of our school family been recognized this year, exemplary programs have also been highlighted. The Afterschool Camdenton 4-H FIRST LASER robotics teams have been nominated by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as one of fifteen afterschool programs nationwide to be a part of the United States Department of Education’s science technology and mathematics “STEM” showcase. The U.S. Department of Education will award three programs as exemplary national models by March 1st.

This past November, the district held groundbreaking ceremonies in Osage Beach and Hurricane Deck. Site clearing and excavation have begun for our elementary buildings at these locations. Completion of these projects is scheduled for spring of 2015. We are also beginning the bidding process to construct two more secure entry access points in our district. These points will be constructed at Hawthorn Elementary and Oak Ridge Intermediate Schools. Construction will take place during the summer of 2014.

At the December meeting of the Camdenton R-III School Board, the Board of Education voted to approve yet another way to communicate with our Board members. The district has established a district email account for our Board. Patrons can submit comments or questions via electronic means to our Board. The Board’s email address is [board@camdentonschools.org](mailto:board@camdentonschools.org).

Your Partner in Education,

Tim Hadfield, Superintendent  
TEH/III



*Second Quarter 2014*

## School District's Patron Panel--

The Camdenton R-III School District held its quarterly Patron Panel meeting on December 2nd. The Patron Panel is a committee of district residents that includes parents of students currently attending in the district, parents of alumni, and non-parents from all parts of the school district. The Panel was established in 2011 in order to help the district meet challenges by providing input to help identify potential solutions to difficult issues. At the December meeting the topic regarding district communication was discussed from parent and non-parent perspectives.



At each meeting, the group's input is documented then presented back to them in the form of a survey. The results of the intra-panel survey are used to narrow the focus. Allowing for an open discussion and then following it with a survey gives members the chance to truly brainstorm when they are together, then share more specific thoughts individually once they have had a chance to reflect on the group discussion.

The district would like to thank the members of the group for their time, hard work, and dedication to the process.



### LCTC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Three adult students from Lake Career & Technical Center have been awarded the Newcomers/Longtimers Scholarship. Congratulations to Blake Clayton, Kenton Bressie, and Jeramey Burton! Jeramey is a second-year student in Collision Repair Technology. Kenton and Blake are both students in Marine Service Technology. These gentlemen, along with instructors Larry Wittrock and Larry Briscoe, attended a luncheon at Osage National Golf Resort Club in December to honor them.

### WANTED: COMMUNITY EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS

The Community Education Program at Lake Career & Technical Center is looking for new, exciting classes and individuals to teach them. You don't need a teaching degree, just knowledge about the subject and a willingness to share that knowledge. Maybe you're a whiz at chess and can explain the strategy to others. Do you have a passion for couponing and want to share your tips? The possibilities are limitless. Call 573-346-9271 with your ideas and they will send you an outline of what information they need. In the meantime, check out the 2014 Spring Community Education Brochure under Headlines on the district home page at [www.camdentonschools.org](http://www.camdentonschools.org).

## The Laker Theatre Company presents the musical...

*Tickets on Sale Now!!*



Tickets are now on sale for the high school version of "Grease." This

play is suitable for all ages and will be presented by the talented students of Camdenton High School's Laker Theatre Company. The musical, set in 1959 at fictional Rydell High School, follows ten working-class teenagers as they navigate the complexities of love. The score attempts to recreate the sounds of early rock and roll.

The show will take place Friday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 22, at both 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 23 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for students and children and \$7 for adults. For phone orders and more information, call 573-216-8926. Tickets may also be purchased online at [www.camdentonschools.org](http://www.camdentonschools.org) for an additional convenience fee. Limited seating may be available at the door.



## School Board Recognition Week

Missourians benefit every day from the dedicated energies and countless hours devoted by a group of more than 3,600 men and women in every community across the state. These public servants are elected by local constituents and do not receive compensation for their tireless efforts. These men and women are the local school board members of Missouri.



School Board Recognition Week is sponsored by the Missouri School Board Association. MSBA is a private, not-for-profit organization that exists to help school boards succeed. The Camdenton School District will recognize their Board of Education during their regular school board meeting on February 10.

During the week of January 26-February 1, communities across the state honor the dedicated service of local boards of education during School Board Recognition Week, as proclaimed by Governor Jay Nixon. The goal is to build awareness and understanding of the important function an elected board of education plays in communities and schools. All Missouri citizens are asked to recognize the important contributions of these men and women and focus attention on the vital role these public officials play in the education of Missouri's children.

### Camdenton R-III School District Board of Education

- Chris C. McElyea, President, 5 years**
- Nancy A. Masterson, Vice-President, 16 years**
- Selynn Barbour, Treasurer, 3 years**
- John L. Beckett, Member, 6 years**
- Jackie Schulte, Member, 3 years**
- Laura Martin, Member, 2 years**
- Tom Williams, Member, 1 year**

### Camdenton Teachers Association Honors Board with Book Donation

This year, in celebration of Missouri School Board Appreciation Week, January 26-February 1, the Camdenton Teachers Association (CTA) decided to do something a little different and recognize Camdenton R-III School Board's commitment to literacy and education. Early in the fall, CTA President Nickie Jones asked the Board members to tell her the titles of their favorite books from childhood. The Board members were not told the purpose of this strange request, but they were willing to comply.

CTA then purchased a copy of each book and presented them at the January Board meeting. The books were then placed in the school libraries throughout the district in honor of the Board members. Each book has a bookplate affixed inside the cover that indicates which member it represents.

The books presented are as follows:

- \*Brave New World*, by Aldous Huxley, presented to Camdenton High School in honor of Jackie Schulte
- \*The Fellowship of the Ring*, by J.R.R. Tolkien, presented to Camdenton Middle School in honor of Tom Williams
- \*Meet the Malones*, by Lenora Mattingly Weber, presented to Oak Ridge Intermediate in honor of Nancy Masterson

- \*Little House on the Prairie*, by Laura Ingalls Wilder, presented to Hawthorn Elementary in honor of Selynn Barbour
- \*Where the Wild Things Are*, by Maurice Sendak, presented to Dogwood Elementary in honor of John Beckett
- \*Where the Red Fern Grows*, by Wilson Rawls, presented to Osage Beach Elementary in honor of Chris McElyea
- \*Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great*, by Judy Blume, presented to Hurricane Deck Elementary in honor of Laura Martin



*Pictured left to right: Nickie Jones, Tom Williams, Jackie Schulte, Chris C. McElyea, Laura Martin; Student Advisors, Logan Clary and Brittany Kurtz; Nancy A. Masterson, and CTA Vice-President David Swantner.*



# Gail White and Sarah Wages receive Lake Media's Top 10 Honors

Lake Media/Lake Lifestyles magazine, Photos Alan Wohlgenut/Lighter Focus Photography

## Dr. Gail White

**Occupation:** School administrator/director of Lake Career & Technical Center, Camdenton R-III School District, **Residence:** Camdenton, **Education:** Bachelor's in business education from Truman State University, Master's in guidance and counseling from Missouri State University, Education Specialist in human services from the University of Central Missouri, and Doctorate in career and technical education from the University of Missouri, **Family:** Husband, Gary, and daughter, Darrah, **Volunteer work:** Serves on the boards for the State Fair Community College - Lake of the Ozarks Advisory Council, Lake of the Ozarks Employment Security and the Public Water/Sewer District (PWSD #5).

Moving to the Lake area in 1995, Gail White took an administrative position with the Camdenton R-III School District and became the director of the technical school the following year. *"I had always admired the school district and the beauty of the Lake and the surrounding area, so this was truly an opportunity to be in a school that I think of highly and a community that has a lot to offer,"* states White.

Lake Career & Technical Center is part of the Camdenton R-III School District, serving students and adults in the community. It provides quality training (both skill and academic) to students, giving them the opportunity to work with their hands and their minds. *"Students thrive in the career center because they have found something they connect with or have a passion for. They lay the foundation to continue their education in preparation for a fulfilling career,"* continues White.

Most of White's volunteer work is in activities associated with school and student organizations. She has had the opportunity to serve at the state level on several committees, through the Missouri Association for Career & Technical Educators and the Missouri Council of Career & Technical Administrators organization. Both advocate for career and technical education.



### What is your motto or personal philosophy?

Work hard every day. Be fair to people. Maintain ethical behavior. Have a great support group of friends. Take time to be with family.

**What one thing have you learned as a woman in this community that has served you well over the years?** To support your supervisor/employer and to remember that each and every day, when we go to work or school, we are there to do our best.

White shares, *"Not everybody has the same work ethic and sometimes you have to fill in when another does not do their part. Just do it and don't complain (too much). You just never know who may be watching."*

## YOUNG ACHIEVER OF THE YEAR



### Sarah Wages

**Student:** Camdenton High School Senior, **Residence:** Camdenton, **Family:** Father, David; mom, Kori; sister, Emma Morales.

For a 17-year old, Sarah Wages is off to a good start. As an active student at Camdenton High, she plans to continue her education to become an architect. Having lived in the Camdenton School District since third grade, this straight-A student has lofty goals for her future, and judging by her list

of honors and activities, she's on the path to success.

Wages currently spends her time involved in the student council as the executive council vice president, is in the art club, president of Family Career and Community Leaders of America, is part of the freshman mentoring program, A+program, National Honor Society, track and field and is a graduate of the Camden County Leadership program. She was also the first student advisor on the Camdenton School District board (her term ended in December). She is studying several advanced courses including three Baccalaureate classes (visual arts, psychology and math) and two college-credit classes (chemistry and composition).

Once she graduates in May, Wages will attend the School of Design at the University of Kansas. She will graduate as a licensed architect from its five-year masters of architecture program. For now, she plans to finish out the track season where she runs relay races and the 400 meter dash, and enjoy her final summer at home, working, before settling into college life.

Her greatest influence, she says, has been her supportive family, who has been there for her every step of the way. *"They really make me feel that my efforts pay off and that they will always support me no matter what."*

Wages volunteers for a number of community events, including raising money each year during the Polar Plunge for Missouri Special Olympics. She also held a clothes drive at school, participated in a school recycling program, and spends a lot of time mentoring or helping with school clubs.

### What is your motto or personal philosophy?

I believe that if you do your best with what you have, persevere, and keep smiling, you can do anything you put your mind to.

### What is one lesson you learned the hard way?

You can't always win. Even if you don't win, it doesn't mean that you've lost. You can either try again or accept and appreciate where you are now.

*"As a student I have learned that good things can come from small things, even if those small things are things you don't want to do,"* states Wages.

# CAMDENTON R-III EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.

## STARS WILL SHINE APRIL 25TH

Hopefully everyone's new year is off to a great start. The Camdenton R-III School District Education Foundation has been energetically working on behalf of the district's students and staff.

The Foundation's Classroom IMPACT Grant program is successfully proceeding as we have approved FOUR more projects for 2014, adding to the eight grants we have already awarded over the past two years.

The awardees are:

- Hurricane Deck Elementary-- teacher: Kathy Jones- Reading books for all grades and reading levels to support Volume Reading program
- Camdenton High School-- teacher: Jennifer Gladbach - SMART Board with SMART Math software to assist learning in Geometry and Algebra 1
- Hawthorn Elementary-- teacher: Lisa Vasquez - SMART Document Camera that will facilitate learning by displaying student work or other learning tools to the classroom
- District wide-- teachers: Missy Arl, Twyla Doyle, Rita Sanders, and Juan Acosta - Twelve tablets to be used throughout the District to elevate teaching strategies among the growing population of English Language Learners

Our biggest project that is fully underway is our exciting annual fundraiser called the "**Elegant Evening**". Many "*stars*" will shine on this very special evening scheduled for **Friday, April 25, 2014** at the Camdenton High School Commons area.

As in the past, the Elegant Evening will induct new members into the Hall of Leaders. The inductees will be honored during the festivities with an introduction and a plaque unveiling. Be sure to watch for the announcement of the 2014 Hall of Leaders recipients and make your table reservations to honor them on April 25.

The Elegant Evening fundraiser supports the Education Foundation's motto, "*Steering the Course for the Future*". Serving the district for 12 years now, the Foundation has distributed more than \$135,000 toward scholarships to graduating seniors and educators, classroom grants, individual Outstanding Students Awards for those who participate extensively in the Elegant Evening, and other worthy activities that fall outside the district's operating budget.

This will be the **12th annual Elegant Evening**, which serves as the one and only fundraising event for the Education Foundation. In addition to our Hall of Leaders, we will showcase the numerous talents of our students in the areas of art, music, academia, culinary arts, woodworking, and agriculture.

If you attended in the past, you know what a treat it is, and if you have not joined us, then you are in for a delightful evening. We receive rave reviews on the exceptional dinner that rivals the best local restaurants, fully prepared and served by LCTC culinary students. The stars will shine April 25 in an all-new and exciting format. The CHS Jazz Band will be the featured dinner entertainment with, for the first time, the opportunity to open the dance floor. Our spotlight will be on the very talented art department with not only their prestigious gallery, but also a live demonstration with audience participation. Guests will be able to view the award-winning science research projects and more.

**You won't want to miss this Elegant Evening!**

Camdenton resident Marcheta Keedy has attended the Elegant Evening for several years and provides this insight: "*Our school district's students are so gifted. This is a unique chance where I get to see them perform on one occasion, and I walk away enthused by their talent every year.*"

So please consider this as an opportunity to experience an extremely memorable evening while supporting the Foundation's mission to enhance learning opportunities for the district's students and staff. To secure tickets, contact Linda Leu at the district's administration office (**573-346-9213**). We hope to see you there!

For more information about the Foundation, visit our website at [www.camdentonschools.org](http://www.camdentonschools.org), click on District Information, then Education Foundation. We look forward to working with all of you to create the best possible learning environment and experience for the students throughout the Camdenton R-III School District.



With Laker Pride,

Selynn Barbour  
President  
Camdenton R-III School District  
Education Foundation, Inc.

# Camdenton R-III Afterschool Services Selected to Participate in National Elementary STEM Pilot Program



Camdenton R-III Afterschool Services is proud to announce its selection as one of just 44 schools in the United States invited to pilot the newest science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) program for students

in grades K-5. The elementary STEM program is designed and developed by Project Lead The Way (PLTW), the nation's leading provider of STEM education curricular programs for middle and high school students. By offering this new elementary STEM program to its students, Camdenton R-III is expanding its high-quality educational offerings for its students.

Studies show that students decide as early as second and third grade whether they like, and think they are good at, math and science. PLTW's elementary program is designed for students in kindergarten through fifth grades and will align with standards such as Common Core State Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. Through a series of topic-based modules, students will engage in design problems that encourage collaboration, analysis, problem solving, and computational thinking.

Denise Richardson, the instructor designated as the Master Teacher for the elementary pilot, will help instruct the professional development for those teachers at Camdenton R-III who will be involved in the pilot program.



The 44 schools invited to participate in the pilot program will test 12 STEM modules and play an integral role in the development of the final version of the

curriculum by providing feedback on their experiences to the PLTW. This feedback will influence the development of engaging curriculum and balanced

assessment for elementary students, and the creation of effective professional development for instructors.



The final version of the elementary program will be available to all school districts in the United States for the 2014-15 school year. Camdenton Afterschool Services was one of only two afterschool programs in the nation selected to pilot this exciting new elementary program.

For questions about the Project Lead The Way program at Camdenton R-III, please contact Sherry Comer, director afterschool services, at 573-346-9233 or [scomer@camdentonschools.org](mailto:scomer@camdentonschools.org).

#### About PLTW:

Project Lead The Way (PLTW) is the leading provider of rigorous and innovative STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education curricular programs used in schools. As a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, PLTW exists to prepare students for the global economy through its world-class curriculum, high-quality professional development, and an engaged network of educators, students, universities and professionals. PLTW's comprehensive curriculum has been collaboratively designed by PLTW teachers, university educators, engineering and biomedical professionals, and school administrators to promote critical thinking, creativity, innovation and real-world problem solving skills in students. The hands-on, project-based program engages students on multiple levels, exposes them to areas of study that they typically do not pursue, and provides them with a foundation and proven path to college and career success. More than 4,700 schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia are currently offering PLTW courses to their students. For more information, visit [www.pltw.org](http://www.pltw.org).



# 2013 Fall Sports Honors and Awards

## Softball

### All-Conference

#### 1st Team

Bailey Bilyeu  
Kelly Uthe

### All-Conference

#### 2nd Team

Kylee Compton

### All-Conference

#### Honorable Mention

Danielle Ballard

### All-District

#### 2nd Team

Bailey Bilyeu  
Kylee Compton  
Lyndsay Reeves  
Kelly Uthe

### All-Region

#### Southwest Missouri Coaches Association

Kullen Carlock  
Ace Martin

### All-District

#### 1st Team

Kullen Carlock  
Shayne Cook  
Bo Dean  
Ryan Elliott  
CJ Santon  
Alexx Wilsman

### All-District

#### 2nd Team

Brigham Arnold  
Brendan Babbs  
Matt Endsley  
Elijah Ollison  
Jordan Webster

## Volleyball

### All-Region Honorable Mention, 1st Team All-Conference, and 1st Team All-District

Schae Vanderploeg

### All-Conference

#### Honorable Mention

Abby Moulder  
Daphne Dinsdale

## Cross Country



**Faith Scheidemantle**  
*Class 4 State*  
*Sectional Qualifier*

### All-Ozark Conference

#### 1st Team

Kullen Carlock  
Shayne Cook  
Bo Dean  
Elijah Ollison  
CJ Santon  
Alexx Wilsman

### All-Ozark Conference

#### 2nd Team

Brigham Arnold  
Brendan Babbs  
Ryan Elliot  
Matt Endsley  
Ace Martin  
Josh Martin  
Jordan Webster

### All-Ozark Conference Honorable Mention (H.M.)

Eric Frandsen, Colby Rizer, and Logan Sousley

## Boys' Soccer

### All-Region and All-Conference 1st Team

Alex Amerine

### All-District

#### 1st Team

Alex Amerine  
Tanner Moesch

### All-Conference 2nd Team

Tanner Moesch

### All-District

#### 2nd Team

Brooks Green  
Connor Hickman

### All-Conference Honorable Mention

Brooks Green  
Connor Hickman

### All-District

#### Honorable Mention

Cody Meyers  
Dylan Bergthold  
Riley Paskach

## Football All-State



**Kullen Carlock**  
Coaches Assoc. 2nd Team  
Media 1st Team



**Shayne Cook**  
Coaches Assoc. H.M.



**CJ Santon**  
Coaches Assoc. H.M.  
Media 2nd Team



**Alexx Wilsman**  
Coaches Assoc. H.M.

### All-Central District

#### 1st Team

Brigham Arnold  
Brendan Babbs  
Luke Burris  
Kullen Carlock  
Shayne Cook  
Bo Dean  
Ryan Elliott  
Ace Martin  
Colby Rizer  
CJ Santon  
Logan Sousley  
Jordan Webster

### All-Ozark

Kullen Carlock



**Jeff Shore**  
**2013 District 4**  
**Football**  
**Coach of the Year**

*The Lady Laker Soccer team received Spring, 2013, National Soccer Coaches Association of America Team Academic Award.*

## Ozark Conference

### All-Academic

*Criteria require athletes to earn a varsity letter and a 3.85 to 4.0 GPA on a non-weighted scale.*

*\* Denotes Academic All-State*

### Cross Country

Morgan Henry  
Josiah Peterson  
Cole Roam  
Coleman Roberts  
Kemper Virtue  
Tessa Weber

### Softball

\*Danielle Ballard  
Kylee Compton  
Erin Rasmussen  
Madison Selby

### Cross Country

James Bail  
Blake Jesse  
Tara Poole  
Jacob Rabenold  
Faith Scheidemantle

### Girls' Tennis

Carleigh Emanuel

### Football

Justin Murdock

### Girls' Golf

Katie Alford  
Katie Bird

### Football

Henry Brownell  
Tyler Cunningham  
Eric Frandsen  
Logan Sousley

### Boys' Soccer

Brooks Green

### Softball

\*Hope Johns

### Girls' Tennis

Grace Bommel  
Maisy Borden  
Maria Martin  
Finessa Rassel

### Girls' Golf

Anne Holland  
Brianna Knopf  
Payten Letterman  
Amber Theobald

### Volleyball

Daphne Dinsdale  
Josie Dinsdale  
Polly Dinsdale  
Abby Moulder

### Boys' Soccer

CJ Borden  
Justin Gerdiman  
Christian Helvey  
Riley Paskach  
Will Pierce  
Nick Weber

## Ozark Conference All-Academic Honorable Mention

*Criteria require athletes to earn a varsity letter and a 3.5 to 3.84 GPA on a non-weighted scale.*

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*The Camdenton FFA  
Booster Club is sponsoring  
an Auction and Chili  
Dinner on Friday,  
February 21, from 5:00  
p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the  
Knights of Columbus Hall in Camdenton.  
All Proceeds from the auction and dinner  
will go to the Camdenton FFA Chapter to  
help fund activities and scholarships.*

## BOX HOLDER

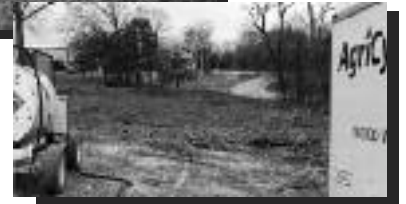
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## Camdenton R-III School District Breaks Ground at Hurricane Deck and Osage Beach



**Scheduled Completion Spring 2015**

