



GOOD NEWS REPORTER

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What's happening in our neighborhoods and schools...



ROGER BACON HIGH SCHOOL:

Senior Awarded Scholarship for National Merit Finalists

Being a National Merit Finalist is impressive, but now it is starting to pay off - literally. Roger Bacon senior **Natalie Foertmeyer** has been offered a UC/21 Scholarship Award for National Merit Finalists from the University of Cincinnati.

The scholarship ensures full in-state tuition and room costs, a value of more than \$60,000 over four years. It also includes a one-time \$1,500 funding for computer, study abroad or research in combination of UC funds. **Foertmeyer** would have to maintain a 3.2 GPA and perform 30 hours of community service.

Natalie has not decided if she is going to attend UC. She is waiting to hear from other schools.



ST. JAMES OF THE VALLEY SCHOOL: Technology News

Grade four just finished their Real World Geometry power point projects. Now they are moving on to a research project that incorporates Ohio history, state parks, economy, budgets, and Excel spreadsheets. Look for these projects on our school website soon!



WINTON WOODS CITY SCHOOLS:

The Winton Woods High School Varsity Ensemble has returned from their trip to China with the sound of applause ringing in their ears. The trip was a huge success, and the students gave amazing performances. Their musical excellence was commented on by our Chinese hosts and by the directors and parents of the other choirs who attended the music festival., *Perform in Harmony—With Olympic Spirit.* **Mike and Debbie, Kyle, Michael, and Becca Day** arrived home from their action-packed trip with the Varsity Ensemble.

The spring musical, *The Sound of Music*, will be performed on April 18 and 19 at 8:00 pm in the high school auditorium.



The Scholastic Book Fair will be held at Winton Woods Intermediate School from April 14-18 in the PDC. Students will visit the Scholastic Book Fair with their teachers during the school day.

Primary North and South's "Fine Arts Night" for each primary school is scheduled on April 17 from 7:00-8:30 pm. This is an opportunity to view student work and is an Open House for new parents.

MCAULEY HIGH SCHOOL: PERFORMING ARTS CENTER OPENING:

March 2, 2008 was an historic occasion at McAuley High School. Three landmark events happened simultaneously. The Sisters of Mercy began a year-long celebration of 150 years of service to the people of Cincinnati, three high schools, a large hospital network, and many social agencies. A concert was held to celebrate this anniversary year, featuring a chamber ensemble, Conundrum, and the choirs of McAuley and Mother of Mercy High Schools. This marked the first time students the two schools sang together in concert. Additionally, this performance feted the grand opening of McAuley's stunning new performing arts center, featuring a pit lift, air conditioning, refurbished seats, and new lighting and sound systems.

Spartan Band is Named Best High School Marching Band

Every year, *CityBeat* readers vote and the staff picks the best in Cincinnati. This year, they recognized the talent of the **Roger Bacon Band**, naming it **Best High School Marching Band**.

This is the description in the issue: "Roger Bacon High School's marching band struts across football fields in crazy formations and even has one of those animated dudes (drum major) carrying a fancy stick thingy (baton) and dancing around. The former all-boys school is 21st century female friendly now, and the entire corps is into the performance, which often combines cool pop dance moves with the traditional marching band performance styles."

ST. BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL:

Last Thursday evening, all of the St. Bartholomew Consolidated School seventh graders selected and researched a different county/nationality and prepared a presentation board highlighting an overview of the counties demographic, economic, social, religious and cultural features. Many of the students wore native clothing, served international food samples and displayed artifacts from their adopted country. Based on their thorough research of each nationality, the students were able to discuss pertinent facts about their featured country and were able to answer questions about the culture.

