



# Middle School Newsletter

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## Substance Abuse Prevention

Willard High School has been given a chance to participate in a grant through Burrell Behavioral Health. This program is coordinated by Jena Meyer, MS, LPC, Coordinator of Prevention Services. The object of this small group is for participants to be taught social skills, decision making skills, refusal skills and appropriate alcohol and drug knowledge. The purpose is to encourage the development of strength, courage, confidence, honesty, and communication skills. This is an educational group and not therapy. The groups will meet during 6th hour once a week starting February 3, 2010. We will meet one day a week for 6-8 weeks. If you feel your child might benefit from participation in this group, please contact Debbie Burks, Willard High School 417) 742-3524 ext 3254.

## ACADEMIC TEAM

Willard Middle School is hosting an academic team tournament Feb. 20. Our academic team will be participating along with middle school teams from southwest Missouri.

Yearbooks are still on sale! If you pre-order your yearbook the cost is \$22 per yearbook, \$29 with personalization. The deadline to pre-order your yearbook is



**Friday, March 12.** We will be ordering a few extras, but they go fast! The cost after March 12 is \$25 per yearbook with no option of personalization. Pick up an order form from Mrs. Loveland or outside the office. Don't miss out on your copy of *Paws In Time!*

**Auditions for the WMS Musical ANNIE**  
**Thursday, February 25 & Friday, February 26**



\*All students in Choir or Drama Club are invited to audition.  
 \*Audition material and information will be available soon.  
 \*See Mrs. McKinney or Ms. Graves for details!

**The Willard Archery Club** competed in the first ever Southwest Missouri National Archery in the Schools Program Regional Tournament on Saturday, February 6th hosted at Willard Middle School. The team finished 2nd Overall. Individual award winners were Katie Nordstrom who won the MS Girls Division with a score of 246 out of 300 and Chenoa Schween finished 3rd with a score of 238. The Archery Club will compete at the Missouri NASP State Tournament in Linn on Saturday, February 13th. Team members include: Jeffrey Arnold, Taylor Boyer, Clayton Carter, Shawn Clutter, Carolyn Dawson, Ridgley Harless, Carter Havens, Ryan Henslee, Alyssa Hultgren, Savannah Irwin, Kari Jarmin, Kenzie Lambert, Katie Larson, Allie London, Jacob Long, Callie McCleod, Kyle McKinney, Robert Mitchals, Alexander Newman, Katie Nordstrom, Timothy Olson, Lance Parrish, Courtney Quin, Chenoa Schween, Cameron James Smith and Nik Taylor.

## Haiti Collection

Money collected in classrooms for Haiti will be going to Convoy of Hope. Mrs. Rice is looking into partnering with a corporation that will match the money we collect. Convoy of Hope was already in place in Haiti long before the earthquake. As of Jan. 26 Convoy of Hope had already fed 1.6 million people.

## March is WMS Spirit Month!

Show your Tiger Spirit on the following days:

Wed, March 3  
**Crazy Hair Day**



Wed., March 10  
**Twin Day**



Wed, March 17  
**Hat Day**



Wed, March 31  
**PJ Day**



**SNOW MAKE-UP DAYS**  
**Feb. 15 and April 5**

**Student Half Days**  
**March 19 and May 7**

**Girls Night Out**  
**Thursday, Feb. 11**  
**2:30 - 5:30 p.m.**

Please see attached calendar for schedule of events.