

FBLA Banner Dedication

This evening it is Ms. Birdwell's privilege to honor three outstanding Otterville Future Business Leaders of America members. Hannah Blankenship, Carlie Helmig, and Halle Morrison all middle school members last year that took a step up and tried their hand at competition. Middle School state competition was held at Mizzou on March 27th. These three girls worked not only on test events but succeeded in presentation events. When a member decides to do a presentation event it takes time to prepare the speech, memorize it, work on presenting it, until Ms. B is happy with the result. That is a lot of time for them to spend together.

Carlie's event was the FBLA Mission and Pledge, which was a three-minute memorized speech where Carlie had to implement her year in FBLA activities. Hannah and Halle's was the Marketing Mix Challenge which was like Shark Tank. The girls created a product and then had to sell it and document the research. Once the girls placed in the top five at state the excitement began to compete at the national level, which was held in Orlando, Florida. We all took three days of visiting various businesses and presenting in preparation for nationals. Each event had a preliminary round with Carlie competing against 45 other state qualifiers which was then eliminated down to 12 for the final round. Halle and Hannah competed against 56 other state qualifiers, which was eliminated down to 15. Ms. Birdwell can't explain to you what the feeling is to see middle school members go up the escalator by themselves at the national level as a finalist. This all happened despite Halle and Hannah both going to urgent care the day before competing because they were sick!

With love and respect, Ms. Birdwell has the honor to place this banner in the Otterville School Gym as National winners to hang forever with Hannah Blankenship and Halle Morrison placing tenth in Marketing Mix Challenge and Carlie Helmig placing fifth in FBLA Mission and Pledge. May this only be the beginning of many accomplishments for you all. Now is the time to prepare for this year's competition! Congratulations ladies.



Otterville Christmas Program

Otterville Christmas Program "Gnome for the Holidays" December 11 @ 7pm Pk-5 and JH/HS Band



FBLA - Attends NFLC

The Otterville FBLA Chapters both high school and middle school boarded a school bus with the Green Ridge FBLA members and traveled to Columbus, Ohio, November 7. The FBLA National Fall Leadership Conference provided workshops along with motivational speakers for members to be an active participant in.

Members stopped enroute at the Arch in St. Louis and toured it. Next a picnic lunch at a roadside park along with volleyball, football, and frisbee outside time was enjoyed by all. Supper was at Olive Garden.

FBLA members also visited Buckeye Raceway which offered go karts and laser tag. Once the conference was over everyone enjoyed a college football game at Ohio State. The weather was beautiful for a football game. Then home we all came.



Ohio State Game





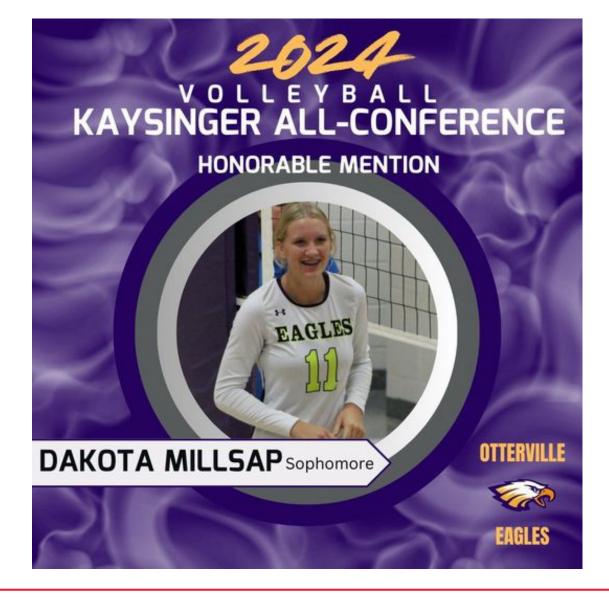
All District Volleyball

Halle Morrison was recently recognized for All District Volleyball Honorable Mention. Congratulations, Halle!



All Conference Volleyball

Dakota Millsap was recently recognized for Kaysinger All Conference Honorable Mention! Congratulations, Dakota!



Cross Country

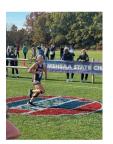
Halle Morrison was the only XC athlete this school year at Otterville. Before districts, she was ranked 36th in the state and 7th in district. Her personal record time for a 5K was 22:40.

Districts were held on November 2 and she beat her personal record by 31 seconds with a time of 22:09. She placed 4th at the disrict meet in Fulton whicj allowed her to advance to the MSHSAA State Cross Country Championship. After districts, she was ranked 30th in the state.

On Friday, November 8th she ran in Columbia at Gans Creek against 153 athletes in Class 1. At the state meet, she placed 15th beating her personal record again by a little under a minute with a time of 21:11. The top 30 athletes meadal at the State Championship meet making them All State Cross Country Athletes!!!

Congratulations, Halle!!!



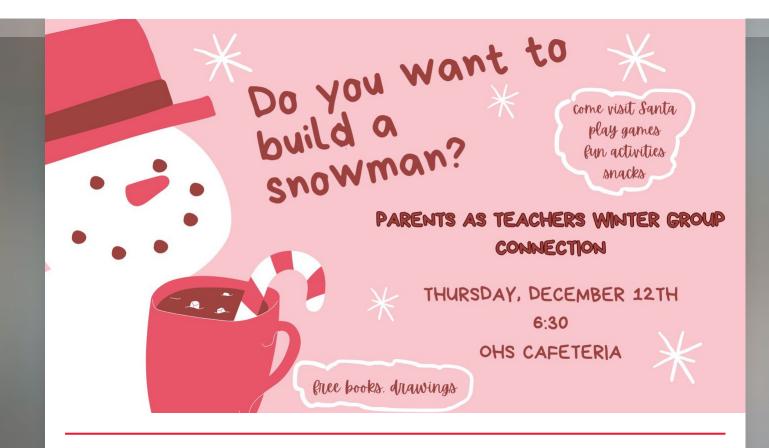




Coming in for the finish!! Getting that state medal!



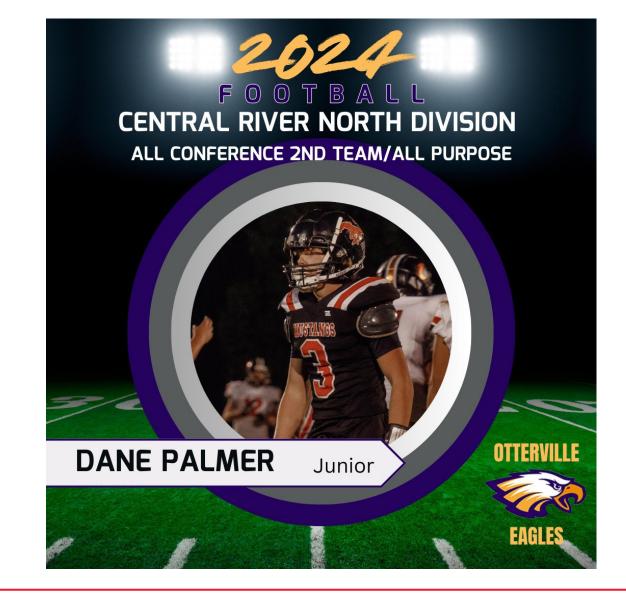
Just the beginning of the 5K!



Football All Conference

Dane Palmer was selected for the Central River North Division All Conference 2nd Team All Purpose Player. Congratulations, Dane!

Troy Phillips was selected for the Central River North Division All Conference 2nd Team Defensive Back Player. Congratulations, Troy!





Yearbook Dedication

Ryan Benny

August of 1999 a brown-haired little boy entered the halls of Otterville School to start a lifelong career that entails education, activities, and sports. I would like for Ryan Benny to join the yearbook class at this time along with his family. Ryan, dedicating the yearbook is a special honor that you deserve. The cover of this year's book is "Behind the Scenes". The construction in progress on the new baseball field, which you worked hard to see come to life for students now and the future is just a small example of the behind the scenes work you do.

Ryan married Paige in 2017 who also teaches first grade at Otterville. They have been blessed with two sons, Jerome and Jett.

I would like to share a few personal accomplishments of Ryans with you. Ryan was very involved during his younger years at OHS. His accomplishments are displayed throughout the gym in sports as well as activities to include Basketball District Champions 2012, in 2013 it was a very good year with honors in boys' basketball earning 2nd in steals with 267, third in points with 1,584, and first in assists with 435 according to our standings today. In FBLA he placed 5th in the American Enterprise Report at Nationals which is also shown on a banner in the gym.

One of my many favorite memories of Ryan in his school years was his senior year at the end of the year awards ceremony Mrs. Homan honored Ryan with the Overall Best FACS Student Award which Ryan claims to this day is his housewife award. Ryan graduated from Otterville R-VI and continued his education at Avila University where he received his Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology and played basketball as well. He then moved up in education to obtain a Master's in Administration (Educational Leadership) from Northwest Missouri State University.

He started teaching Junior High through 12th Grade Science classes in 2019 here at OHS as well as a class sponsor. He has been an assistant coach in girls and boys Junior High and High School basketball along with assistant and head baseball coach, and assistant football coach. Ryan is also our Athletic Director.

Tonight, Ryan, the yearbook class is happy to present to you a signed baseball by the class, a fungo bat to use on that new baseball field at practice and games (which Gabe and Braedyn assured me you wanted and needed), along with a gift card to McDonalds for eats after an away game, and a basketball signed by "your" team. Many may not know that tonight marks your career opening home game as a head basketball coach in your hometown gym.

Let us congratulate Ryan Benny, for receiving the Otterville R-VI Yearbook Dedication honor, a man that works hard "Behind the Scenes" for 2024-2025.



Senior Spotlight~~Alie Bemboom

Parents: Dena & Chris Bemboom Siblings: Liam & Eli

School Activities: *FBLS- 1 year *NHS- 2 years *Softball- 1 year *Volleyball- 4years *Drama- 3 years *Band 3 years A+

Work Experience: *T.J. Maxx

Career Choice: Computer Science College Major: Computer Science

Favorite Color: Blue Favorite Musical Artist: SZA Favorite Sport or Activity: Reading Favorite Food: Tiramasu



Senior Spotlight~~Zariah Bice

Parents: Tina Bice Siblings: Mia Hopper Bice

School Activities: *FBLA- 3 years *Softball- 1 year A+

Work Experience: *B & B Movies. I sell tickets and food to patrons.

Career Choice: Cosmetology

Favorite Color: pink Favorite Musical Artist: Michael Jackson Favorite Sport or Activity: Softball Favorite Food: pickles



Art News

Art Classes are getting ready for the winter art show that will be open for viewing during the winter Christmas concert on December 11th!



Junior High Still Drawings



Creative Time



Weaving





Playdough time



Creative Playdough time



Playdough time

Weaving



Playdough time



Playdough time

Notes from the Editor

I hope that you have enjoyed the new format of our newspaper. If there are patrons in the district that you know of that would like to receive an email notification with our next edition please have them contact Michelle Davis at <u>mdavis@ottervillervi.k12.mo.us</u> and their email can be added to our list.



Michelle Davis

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