



VIKING ALERT

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New North Canton School Buildings Update

Work continues on the community's two newest school buildings. The Primary School is being built on the corner of Charlotte Street and Hillcrest NW, the original location of No-Ca-Hi/North Canton Jr. High/North Canton Middle School. It will house Pre-school through 2nd Grade students. The new Intermediate Building, which will house 3rd through 5th Grade students, is being constructed on East Maple Street on property adjacent to the

current Clearmount Elementary School. Underground utilities and building slabs are scheduled to be completed by the end of July. Interior non-bearing masonry walls are to be completed by the end of September. Structural steel construction should be finished by the end of October, and exterior walls, windows and roofing completed by sometime

PHOTOS: Architectural renderings of the finished schools and current progression photos of each site from approximately the same angle. *Top:* New Primary School with former Portage Elementary in background. *Bottom:* New Intermediate School with Clearmount Elementary in the background.

in December this year.

2023 will see a flurry of activity with all of the drywall, interior trim, painting, interior finishes and site development completed.

2022 Hall of Distinction Honorees

The Hall of Distinction Selection Committee has selected this year's class of honorees. They are:

Martha (Strauch) Bell, Class of 1985 – a proponent of the arts in Mount Vernon and Knox County Ohio.

Logan Family Foundation – a local charitable foundation that “pays it forward” to the North Canton and Stark County area.

Bina Mehta, MD, Class of 1987 – a leader in pain management in north-east Ohio.

Kyle Putinski, Class of 2003 – a leader in the area non-profit sector, currently executive director of the local Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization.

Handy Wolf, No-Ca-Hi Class of 1942 – a leader in public education for the Plain Local school district; WWII vet with Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

We will have an in-person induction ceremony on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 7:00pm at Hoover High School.

We will be serving light refreshments after the ceremony, and it will be open to all. There will be no charge for attendance, although we will be accepting donations.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!





2022 Scholarship Recipients



Will Shumaker
Awarded the
G. Kenneth Oberlin Eagle
Scout Scholarship



Kaylee-Ann Craig
Awarded the
William A. DeGregorio
Scholarship



Caroline Merritt
Awarded the
William DeGregorio
Scholarship



Emilee Wallace
Awarded the
Frank Berrodin
Citizenship Scholarship



Abigail Kapas
Awarded the
Frank Berrodin
Citizenship Scholarship



Tristen Gierhart
Awarded the
Fred & Barbra Stevens
Memorial Scholarship

William Shumaker

William is planning on attending Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, and majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

He became interested in engineering at a young age, attending STEM programs and camp in elementary school. In middle school, Will took some beginning engineering programs, and his Boy Scout troop built model rockets using the high school's engineering lab. He is also a 4-year member of

the school robotics team.

For his Eagle Scout project, Will led others in prepping, priming, and painting 4 areas of WDNP 102.3, a non-profit educational radio station serving Dover/New Philadelphia. These areas were newly constructed studios, hallway, and vestibule. Since this was new construction, the effort included walls, trim, ceilings, and doors.

William's other activities include: Delegate to Buckeye Boys State; WDNP Radio Volunteer; Hoover

The North Canton Alumni Association has been awarding graduating seniors with scholarships since 1995 with over 100 scholarships awarded. Please join us in congratulating these extremely worthy recipients!

See more on our scholarships at: <http://www.northcantalumni.org/honors-awards/scholarships/>

If you would like to contribute to our scholarship fund and help more graduates, please send your tax-free donations to:

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Marching Band Leadership Team;
National Honor Society; Class of
2022 Summa Honor Student

Kaylee-Ann Craig

Kaylee-Ann is planning on attending Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, and majoring in Broadcast Journalism.

She has an outgoing nature and began thinking about broadcast journalism at an early age. Kaylee-Ann participated in the middle school broadcast journalism program as well as NCTV morning announcements at the high school.

Outside of school, Kaylee-Ann is a YMCA and Dogwood Pool lifeguard, and works at Piada after school.

Caroline Merritt

Caroline is planning on attending

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Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, and majoring in either Journalism or Business Marketing.

At the high school, she is currently the editor-in-chief for the yearbook. She also is in the marching band, Link crew, AGAPE Girls, National Honor Society, and Spanish Club. Caroline continued through AP Spanish V and earned a Seal of Bilingualism.

Abigail Kapas

Abigail will be attending Cedarville University in southwest Ohio, and majoring in Elementary Education.

At the high school, Abigail is a member of Educators Rising. She is also in the Teaching Professions program, which gives her field experience in teaching. Her mentors have observed her ability to instruct and adapt according to the different

abilities of the students.

Outside of school, she is a student leader for her church youth group, a crew leader for the church's Vacation Bible School (VBS), and has gone on a few mission trips.

Emilee Wallace

Emilee will be attending Kent State University, and majoring in Nursing and minoring in Physiology.

At the high school, Emilee received her STNA (State Tested Nursing Assistant) through Hoover's medical technology program. This enabled her to work at Aultman Hospital. She plans to use her university degree to pursue a career as a trauma nurse.

Tristen Gierhart

Tristen will be attending Ashland University, and majoring in Biology

with a minor in Sign Language.

Tristen has played on Hoover volleyball teams since 7th grade. She is a 3-year letterman, team Captain her senior year, and was selected as first-team all-district, all-county, and All-Federal League. She is also a member of AGAPE Girls.

At Ashland, Tristen will continue her athletic career as a member of their volleyball team. She hopes to pursue a career in the medical field. This summer she will be working at Powerhouse Gym in North Canton as well as helping coach summer camps and do personal training with Nova Juniors Volleyball Club.

Pre-1960 Hoover Viking Logo

Many of you have not had the privilege of seeing some of the other Viking Logos that were used over the years. Here's one version which was used as the masthead of the Viking Views school newsletter from 1959.



Upcoming Class Reunions!

Class of 1962 - The Hoover Class of 1962 will celebrate their 60th reunion Saturday, September 10, 2022 at the North Canton VFW. Contact Lorin@sssnet.com for further information.

Class of 1967 - The Hoover Class of 1967 is skipping a Reunion for 2022, and instead plans on holding a 75th Birthday party in 2024.

Class of 1972 - The Hoover Class of 1972 will celebrate their 50th reunion on Friday, August 19th and Saturday, August 20th.

Class of 1982 - The Hoover class of 1982 will hold their 40 year reunion on September 24, 2022 from 6 pm-11 pm at the North Canton Eagles, 6979 Sunset Strip Ave., N.W., North Canton, OH 44720. We are currently working on a price, which includes dinner. Contact us at hooverclass1982@gmail.com.

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Recent Deaths

Class of 1941 - Wanda Blatti Wise

Class of 1967 - Lloyd Paul Doerschuk

Class of 1946 - Bill Braucher

Class of 1969 - Pat Gurganus

Class of 1947 - Helen Richards Alex

Class of 1970 - Sue Peters Beier

Class of 1948 - Niles G. Baab

Class of 1971 - Randy Dragomire

Hugh Gross

Frances Wise Valliere (Greentown High)

Class of 1972 - Brad Teis

Class of 1950 - Jack Sumser

Class of 1973 - Deibe Nimen

Class of 1958 - David Hohler

Class of 1977 - Robyn Swingley Eley

Carol A. Fischer Young

2007 Hall of Distinction Recipient - David Kinkema

Class of 1962 - Karen L. Colwell

Class of 1965 - Michael G. Holben

Carol Brogden Selinsky

Do **YOU** have a news-worthy article or piece of interest that you would like to share with your fellow classmates in our newsletter? If so, please drop us a line at: North Canton Alumni Association, P.O. Box 2534, North Canton, OH 44720 **OR** contact us at www.northcantalumni.org **OR** contact us by email: northcantalumni@gmail.com.