

Serendipity



THREE TEAMS from Tuscola played in a baseball tournament recently at Ervin Park with teams from Arcola, Arthur, Neoga, Okaw Valley and Villa Grove. There were eight teams total with first and second graders. This Tuscola team sponsored by Kelsey Furniture placed second. Front row, left to right, are Bronwyn Minger, Maeve Wienke, Everley Ring and Emma Wienke. Second row: Aja Romine, Kelsey Bales, Hazel Cordes, Emery Lyons, Alex Black and Charlotte Franklin. Back row: Coaches Ted Minger and Josh Bales. *Submitted photo.*



THE K-KIDS (a Kiwanis-sponsored group) at North Ward Elementary School, donated \$350 to the Douglas County Animal Shelter. From left are Waylon Buchanan, Kaja McCall, Mike Jones, Spencer Dyke, Charlie Coad, Shelbi Fleener and Parker Lantz. *Submitted photo.*



CALVIN COOK, left, and Kamden Flenner, check the temperature of their pizza cooked in a solar oven at East Prairie Middle School. Omni Energy Partners donated supplies and prizes for the project. *Photo by David Porter.*



FROM LEFT, Katy Mills, Natalie Zimmerman and Bella Dueker record the temperature generated by their solar oven at East Prairie Middle School. Clouds rolled in lowering the effectiveness of the solar ovens. *Photo by David Porter.*

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ART is Closer than you think!
Vault into the arts with classes for kids and adults taught by the artists at The Vault Art Gallery in Tuscola, Illinois

Kick off your summer by learning new art skills! Bring your creativity and take home your masterpiece (all materials provided)

June 4th 2-4pm New exhibit and reception in our Gallery featuring Jenny Elkins! Her colorful, whimsical paintings are filled with color, joy and cats (all ages) Free

June 6th - 10th "Within The Realm" Art Camp with Deb Nivens create dragon and kingdom art over 5 days (school age kids; grouped by age) \$95

June 14th 9-11am "Feather for Peacock" Create and paint a large scale peacock based on this charming book with Jamie Willis (ages 5-11) \$20

June 16th 1pm Make an amazing Nature Collage Box with Kim Hanley (ages 8+) \$15

June 18th 10-1 BARNYARD BONANZA! Bring your family and paint portraits of our farm friends! Expect horses, chickens, ducks, and more! Multiple artists on site to help you create a work of art (all ages) \$5
• 1-2 pm Dogtown Artworks are debuting their new book!!! (all) free
• 2-4pm Bluegrass Jam session! Enjoy live music! (all ages) free

June 21st 10:30-12 Learn to sketch and draw a chicken or object of your choice with Tim Pettenger using colored pencils (ages 8+) \$15

June 23rd 10:30am & 1pm 'Paint Yo Pet' with Jenny Elkins-bring in a picture of your favorite pet and paint a fun likeness (ages 8+) \$20

June 25th 10am Paint a Summery Sunflower in acrylics on an 11x14" canvas with Jim Powell (ages 8+) \$25

June 28th 10am Jan Van Bokel will teach Bubble & Ink cardmaking
• 12-2pm Paint an Umbrella and be ready for rain in artsy style with another class with Jan VanBokel (ages 6+) \$15 each

June 30th 10:30am & 2pm Learn three acrylic pour techniques and make a colorful canvas, paperweight and 4 trading cards with Tricia Willoughby (ages 9-12 (with parent)@10:30); (ages 13+ @ 2pm)

To Register for any of these activities—visit us: 100 N. Main in Tuscola; call us: 217-722-2187 or email us: thevaultarts@gmail.com (and we will call you back) *Class sizes limited*

Kiwanis BUG awards at East Prairie

B.U.G. (Bring Up Grades) is a Tuscola Kiwanis program that gives students attending East Prairie School a goal of improving their grades. East Prairie School and the Tuscola Kiwanis Club work together to support this program. The following students are being recognized as B.U.G. winners for improving their grades from the 3rd quarter grading period to the 4th quarter grading period of the 2021-2022 school year:

Fifth grade: Isaac Chaplin, Gavin Cleland, Meadow Cravens, Grace Ellis, William Gibson, Ann-Marie Grant, Linus Goodman, Hannah Israel, Sierra Lingafelter, Alyssa Mann, Joleacia Neamtu, Jeremiah Williams, Evan Wright, Lily Yantis.
Sixth grade: Hudson Broady, Ethan Chaplin, Jacob Calderon, Kyndra Hollenbeck, Jaes Mentock, Makenzie Stockton, Savannah Taylor**, Cale Wallace, Brayden Weaver*, Vivian Wheeler, Isabella Wishard.

Seventh grade: Sam Baird, Harley Baker, Aiden Greenstone, Kylie Mann, Finnigan Means*, Celeste Rebollo, Nixon Steinert.
Eighth grade: Kayleigh Bales, Chloe Bowden, Owen Brewer, Kaeden Chenoweth, Willow Kravens, Logan Feeler, Kaliana Foner, Chloe Fowler, Reeder Manning, Alaina Smith.
* Indicates second time receiving a BUG award; ** Indicates third time receiving a BUG award

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