

Foundation NEWS

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4x4 Scholar Award announced at commencement ceremony

In an effort to acknowledge students who excel in the classroom, the Foundation created the *East Butler Foundation 4x4 Scholar Award*. Recipients of this award must meet the following guidelines:

- Students must receive all A's, for all semesters, for all years in courses that count for high school graduation credit.
- Students must complete their entire senior year at East Butler.
- Students who come to East Butler via transfer or school mergers must document all A's in their home school. In the event a grading scale cannot be determined, grades will be viewed through the East Butler grading policy.
- Passing grades indicated by the grade P will not be counted against a student.

After school officials reviewed transcripts dating back to 1962, it was determined that the following 14 graduates qualified for the award: Ronda Kucera ('77), Linda Svoboda ('78), Monica Dolezal ('81), Ann Behne ('83), Stephanie Perk ('88), Kellen Benes ('95), Benjamin Zitek ('99), Kristin Perk ('00), Jen Fate ('02), Ryan Pekarek ('02), Angela Zitek ('02), Andy Behne ('03), Amanda Bohac ('05), and Anthony Aerts ('06).

Initial recipients were recognized at commencement on May 14, with 2011 graduate Kyli Kouma announced as the newest recipient. The Foundation board is extremely excited about this award and congratulates these 15 individuals on their outstanding achievement.



Funding for D.A.R.E. t-shirts provided by the Foundation



D.A.R.E.'s primary mission is to provide children with the information and skills they need to live drug-and-violence-free lives. 57 East Butler fifth and sixth graders graduated from D.A.R.E. in May and pledged to stay drug-and-alcohol free. Officer Siebken from the Butler County Sheriff's Office led the program. The Foundation was happy to provide funding for the D.A.R.E. t-shirts. Congratulations to the graduates!

Golf Scramble nets \$4,000 for scholarship purposes

The third annual four-person golf scramble was held on Saturday, August 27, at the David City Golf Course. Eleven teams entered the 18-hole tournament, with proceeds of approximately \$4,000 benefiting the Foundation!

The top three teams of both flights received cash prizes, and flag prizes were awarded for the first nine holes.

Thank you to the following businesses and individuals for supporting this event. We appreciate you!

Gold Tee Box Sponsors- \$150 Donation: Ameritas Investment Corp., Darell Aerts Family, Egr, Birkel and Wollmer P.C., Hughes Brothers Inc., East Butler Athletic Committee, RVW, Inc., Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Frontier Cooperative, Brand Wise, CTF Service, Trane Corporation, First Nebraska Bank, CK Katering, Perry Law Firm, Security Home Bank/Malmo Insurance Agency, Bank of Prague/Prague Insurance Agency.

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ply, Northeast Professional Engineering, LLC.

Flag Prizes: Danbred, Subway-David City, Bongers Auto, Husker Bar II, Famers Coop Elevator, Kolache Korner Café, Great Plains Nursery, Wal-Mart-Seward, Dvorak Sales & Service, Prague Quik Stop, Kubik Auto & Truck Service, Side Street Salon,

Se'lah Nail Spa Beauty Boutique.

Special thanks to Greg Havlovic for serving as tournament director.

Please make plans to join us next year on Saturday, August 25, 2012! It is not a requirement to be a graduate of East Butler, and all skill levels are encouraged to participate!



Members of the winning team shooting 11 under were Wade Heine, Ross Ricenbaw, Kevin Havlovic ('79), and Tim Reimer (pictured in place of Trevor Svoboda).

"The A Team" (pictured at right) took a break from the action: Larry Aldrich, Chase Aldrich, Chad Aldrich ('91), and Andy Aldrich ('00).



Dean Rolfsmeier Memorial East Butler Alumni Scholarship Recipients

The Dean Rolfsmeier Memorial East Butler Alumni Scholarship was created through the generosity of Dean Rolfsmeier and a perpetual endowment received from his estate. Applicants must attend a two-year, four-year, or post-graduate college or university and hold a 2.5 G.P.A.

This year, almost \$15,000 in scholarship funds was awarded to alumni. In addition, graduates of the Class of 2011 were awarded a total of over \$20,000. Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees, books, room and board, or other educational expenses.

Congratulations to the following alumni who were awarded \$363.64 each: Andrea Aerts, Vincent Aerts, Ross Benes, Janelle Bongers, Marissa Bongers, Mark Cidlik, Ryley Cidlik, Stacey Coufal, Ryan Dolezal, Scott Heiser, Hannah Helman, Heather Helman, Holly Helman, Derek Hines, Sarah Janak, Jordan Jisa, Chelsea Komenda, Megan Krenk, Carissa Novak, Todd Pernicek, Mari Pesek, Dustin Pond, Matt Prochaska, Nathan Prochaska, Troy Rech, Haley Reimer, Mary Rezac, Kylee Sisel, Shelby Sisel, Emily Svoboda, Joshua Sypal, Samantha Tejral, Krystal Trojan, Lynsey Trojan, Andrew Valenti, Jeremy VanDerslice, Megan Vrana, Kyla Witzel, Stacie Zetocha, Ben Zitek, and Ashley Zysset.

2011 Men's and Women's Alumni Basketball Tournaments raise \$2,000



1st Place Men's: Team 2001. Row 1: Nathan Wall, Neal Kotera, Troy Benes, Jeremy Pelan. Row 2: Jeremy VanDerslice, Nathan Coleman, Matt Novak, Kyle Struebing, Doug Heiser.



1st Place Women's: Team 2008-2010. Kylee Sisel, Cassie Zitek, Lynsey Trojan, Chelsea Komenda, Sarah Janak, Stacey Coufal, Shelby Sisel.

April 8-10 was a fun weekend for alumni playing in the alumni basketball tournaments! Approximately 90 graduates returned to East Butler to participate; and after expenses, just over \$2,000 was raised for the Foundation. The weekend started with a 2011 Seniors vs. Coaches game on Friday night. In a close game, the Coaches won 41-40! To view final scores of all games, please visit the Foundation page at <http://www.ebutlertigers.org>.

A big thank you to Matt Buresh ('96), Janet (Rezac) Finley ('97), and Jean (Brecka) Jelinek ('95) for coordinating the weekend and to Greg Jahde and Greg Havlovic ('76) for refereeing Sunday's games. We appreciate your contributions! **The 2012 tournaments are scheduled for March 30–April 1.** Please join us! A kids' shooting contest is being planned as well as tours of the school. See you then!

Summer Reading Programs held in Brainard, Dwight, and Prague

The Foundation is proud to sponsor summer reading programs for all three elementary locations.

Brainard students grabbed their passports and traveled to Europe, China, and Africa for "One World, Many Stories." Over 30 students attended the pro-

gram. Students traveled to China with Mr. and Mrs. Koontz, Europe with Megan Kozisek, and Africa with Trish Ricenbaw. They also made art inspired by each culture.

Throughout the four weeks in *Dwight*, 20 students attended "Reading Around the World." Students used a world map to locate the country and played a hands-on math activity that originated from the country.

Six motivated readers attended the summer reading program in *Prague*. The students made bug catchers, read facts about bubbles, and made flying spiders when reading *Anansi the Spider*. Each student was given the "High Five" Award for their completed reading log.



Thank you to the following staff members for coordinating the reading programs: Sophie Hermelbracht and Jennifer Topil in Brainard, Patti Romshek in Dwight, and Chris Hampl and Heather Kavan in Prague.



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Alumni Basketball Team Photos *See inside for tournament champions!*



2005



2004



1990 & back



1991-1997



2010



2004



2002



1996-2007



1995 & Back



2011 Seniors



Coaches

