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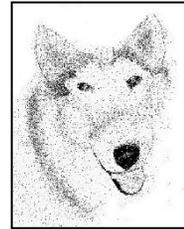
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## 2017 Inkspot

Copies of the 29<sup>th</sup> annual edition of the *Inkspot*, Medina County's collection of student writing and artwork, will be delivered the week of May 1 to students who are featured in this year's publication. Building principals and teachers of published students will also receive a copy of the book that features work from students in Medina County public schools. Over 200 entries were submitted by young artists and authors for consideration. The *Inkspot* publication, facilitated by the Educational Service Center of Medina County, is a showcase of poetry, prose, and artwork by students in Medina County schools, Grades K-12.



Drawn by:  
**Kayla Amick**  
Applewood Elementary  
Grade 4



The Medina Sunrise Rotary Club will be purchasing an additional 100 copies of this year's *Inkspot* to be placed in waiting rooms and offices throughout Medina County. The club purchases these books to promote literacy within our community. Extra copies of the *Inkspot* can be purchased for \$5. Please contact Keturah Zacharias at 330-723-6393, Ext. 102.

*Kristine Rutledge, Inkspot Chairperson*  
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## Ian Byrd

Ian Byrd landed in Medina, Ohio, on March 7, 2017. The nationally-known speaker presented "Differentiating With Complexity" to a full house of 120 educators. Mr. Byrd taught gifted students in Garden Grove, California, where he grew up as a gifted student himself. On his journey to becoming a teacher, he earned a degree in Computer Science, briefly played bass in an almost successful rock band, and married a fashion designer. He writes about gifted education at [Byrdseed.com](http://Byrdseed.com) to an audience of over 30,000 monthly visitors and develops videos at [Byrdseed.TV](http://Byrdseed.TV). Participants noted that the strategies Ian discussed could easily be implemented the following day.



Deb Allen, Ian Byrd, Janice Kollar, and  
Kristine Rutledge

A parent session was held later in the evening. Mr. Byrd discussed creating future innovators while spending quality time with our parents. We look forward to his return next year.

### *Inspirational Quote*

The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.

*H. Jackson Brown, Jr.*

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## Transportation

The ESC Transportation Department has created an in-service type program that is designed to encourage those involved in school transportation to enhance their knowledge of transporting those with special needs. Positive Interactions focuses on teaching vital tools that can be used to promote safe environments and encourage positive interactions during times of difficulty. In addition, participants will learn how to recognize a potential behavior, how to handle a behavioral episode, and what to do after the behavior subsides. Anyone interested in this program may contact April Johnson at [330-723-6393 ext. 147](tel:330-723-6393) or email [ajohnson@medinaesc.org](mailto:ajohnson@medinaesc.org)



## School Bus Safety Road-E-O

The annual School Bus Safety Road-E-O will be held on Saturday, April 22, at Buckeye Local School District in Medina. The School Bus Driver Safety Road-E-O is a friendly competition amongst school bus drivers that includes written tests along with a driving course. The driving course highlights several maneuverability skills that are designed to test drivers' abilities. The Road-E-O is designed to promote safety, professionalism, and recognition through the cooperative effort of school districts, Ohio Association of Public School Employees, Ohio Association of Pupil Transportation, Ohio Department of Education, Ohio Education Association, and the Ohio School Bus Mechanics

Association. The top six drivers from the region will then qualify for the State School Bus Driver Safety Road-E-O.



If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact the Transportation Department by emailing April Johnson at [ajohnson@medinaesc.org](mailto:ajohnson@medinaesc.org) or Gerri Edwards at [gedwards@medinaesc.org](mailto:gedwards@medinaesc.org). It is not required to be a school bus driver or even a Transportation Department employee to help out!

## High School Academic Challenge

High School Academic Challenge competition came to end on Friday, February 10. During the regular season, Brunswick High School was awarded first place for the Varsity and Revere High School won first place for Junior Varsity. The Medina County Tournament was an exciting match of wits. Participating districts included Black River, Brunswick, Buckeye, Cloverleaf, Highland, Medina City, Revere, and Wadsworth City Schools. Black River and Brunswick both had five wins. Cloverleaf and Highland tied with six wins. The rules state that in the event of a tie, the winner of the head-to-head match between the tied teams is the winner. Highland beat Cloverleaf! Highland was awarded first place and Cloverleaf was awarded runner-up! Congratulations to all teams for a fantastic year of friendly competition!



Highland Winners

## 2017 Medina County HS Senior Art Show Scholarship Awards



2017 Medina County Art League Scholarship Winners (pictured above from left to right): Kasey Kania, Courtney Klebau, Zachary Batey, and Erin Murphy

- Photo courtesy of William Beuther Photography  
[www.bpfa.biz/photo](http://www.bpfa.biz/photo)

The Educational Service Center of Medina County and the Medina County Art League have announced the award winners of this year's Medina County Art League Continuing Art Education Scholarships. On March 8, this year's festival opened its doors to over 230 works of art by 57 local high school students. The Medina County Art League (MCAL) presented the 2017 scholarships at the awards reception on Monday, March 20, at 7 p.m. The following high school seniors who are continuing their art education at college received awards:

<b>First Place</b>	<b>Zachary Batey</b> Wadsworth High School (Dave Derrig, teacher) Planning to attend The University of Akron	<b>\$1,000</b>
<b>Second Place</b>	<b>Erin Murphy</b> Wadsworth High School (Dave Derrig, teacher) Planning to attend Ohio University	<b>\$700</b>
<b>Third Place</b>	<b>Courtney Klebau</b> Brunswick High School (Rhonda Januszewski, Nichole Scheutzow, and Shauna Spiesz, teachers) Planning to attend University of Cincinnati	<b>\$550</b>
<b>Honorable Mention</b>	<b>Kasey Kania</b> Medina High School (Bobbie Foy, teacher) Planning to attend Kent State University	<b>\$350</b>

## 2017 Medina County HS Senior Art Show Scholarship Awards (cont.)

Janet Baran, Medina County Art League Scholarship Committee Chair, stated, "I taught art for 36 years before retiring recently. I taught Advanced Placement Studio Art for the last 16 years of my career. I took on the Scholarship Committee because I truly miss working with students and seeing their world. I had three other judges working together with me, and we were bowled over by the quality and maturity of many of the works. We were looking for consistency across the works, sensitivity to the medium, and a point of view. These students are the ones who will carry on reaching out to the community and making our world a better and more interesting place in which to live."

Medina County Art League holds a raffle of donated artwork from participating artists at its Art in the Park event, held annually on the third Sunday in July. For several years the league has added to the raffle earnings, making the Scholarship Awards an outstanding amount of money for the students.

High school seniors who are students of Medina County visual arts teachers were eligible to participate. Scholarship portfolios, non-scholarship portfolios, and individual entries were accepted. Artwork was to be original, school appropriate, and created in conjunction with school assignments. Portfolios were to contain five pieces of art showing a diversity of talent. For students entering portfolios, the format is similar to a graduating art major in college who is required to hold a senior show.

The winners for the non-scholarship portfolio entries are as follows:

**First Place**                    **Danielle Taylor**  
Cloverleaf High School (Julie Krueger, teacher)

**Second Place**                **Olivia Foose**  
Cloverleaf High School (Julie Krueger, teacher)

**Third Place**                   **Emily Holmberg**  
Highland High School (Bonnie Kubilus, teacher)

Individual entry winners are listed below:

**First Place**                    **Hailey Ellis**  
*Meow Chick a Wow Wow*  
Highland High School (Bonnie Kubilus, teacher)

**Second Place**                **Allison Chudzinski**  
*Charcoal Clarinet*  
Cloverleaf High School (Julie Krueger, teacher)

**Third Place**                   **Hailey Ellis**  
*Alive But Not Living*  
Highland High School (Bonnie Kubilus, teacher)

## 2017 Medina County HS Senior Art Show Scholarship Awards (cont.)

The 2017 Medina County Visual Art Festival—High School Senior Show continues to run through April 19 in the South Medical Office Building, Entrance D, 970 East Washington Street, Medina. Show hours are as follows: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Monday through Friday) and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Saturday).

This event is being presented by the Educational Service Center of Medina County in partnership with:

- Medina County Art League
- Cleveland Clinic/Medina Hospital
- C.B. Richard Ellis



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## 2017 Ohio Educators' Symposium



Gifted education, technology tips, diversity, and special education strategies.



Opening Keynote is Dr. Sylvia Rimm. Dr. Rimm is a psychologist and gifted child advocate.

### Location

Medina County Career Center  
1101 West Liberty Street  
Medina, OH 44256

*Attention All Ohio Educators!*

### **2017 Ohio Educators' Symposium**

June 12, 13, 14, & 15, 2017

8 a.m.—4 p.m.

\$490 - Includes 2 Semester Hours

OR

\$350 - Includes 1 Semester Hour

OR

\$210 - Includes 2.8 CEUs

OR

\$100 - June 12 Gifted PD Only

Please contact Janelle Sailer with any questions.  
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# 2017 Ohio Educators' Symposium (cont.)

ESC of Medina County \* Ashland University \* The University of Akron  
**Ohio Educators' Symposium**  
 June 12-15, 2017

**Personal Contact Information**

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I am requesting  
 \_\_\_\_\_ CEUs only  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Semester Hour Ashland University  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Semester Hours Ashland University  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Semester Hour University of Akron  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Semester Hours University of Akron

**Answer these questions only if you are requesting Semester Hours.**

**Ohio Resident** \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO  
**Date Ohio Residence Established:**  
 Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

___ Male ___ Female	<b>I have a valid teaching license</b> ___ YES ___ NO
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\_\_\_ Black or African American  
 \_\_\_ American Indian or Alaska Native  
 \_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  
 \_\_\_ Asian  
 \_\_\_ White  
 \_\_\_ Hispanic or Latino

**I have at least a Bachelor's Degree**  
 \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

**College/University** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date Awarded** \_\_\_\_\_

**Other names under which you have registered at Ashland/Univ. of Akron** \_\_\_\_\_

\$490 - Includes 2 Semester Hours  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$350 - Includes 1 Semester Hour  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$210 - Includes 2.8 CEUs  
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 \$100 - June 12 Gifted PD Only

**Registration Deadline: June 1, 2017**



Please complete and send this registration form with payment to:  
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## Special Needs Department

Our Project Search interns have started their third and final internships at Westfield. By the end of May, all six students will have an impressive resume and will have received valuable job experience. All of the interns have applied for jobs in and outside of Westfield, and some have had interviews as well. They continue to work with our intervention specialist, Kayla, and a job coach to reach their goal of competitive, paid employment after graduation.

Rachel Krauss has been working with Summit ESC and SST8 on a professional development series for non-core teachers focusing on special education and behavior management. We have had two sessions already, which have been full of engaging conversation around inclusion within non-core classes and how to best serve ALL students. We are looking forward to the April session where we will dive deep into behavior--one of my favorite topics to talk about!

Christina continues to meet the needs of students throughout our districts with the development of social skills groups. These groups tackle important social skill topics and encourage interaction, engagement, practice, and generalization of these skills. She facilitates groups of all ages and ability levels, based on the needs of each learner.

