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Getting to Know Your School Board

Name: Steve Fry

Married: To High School Sweet Heart, Bonnie Fry

Born: Garden City, KS

Education: Garden City Public Schools

Years of Residency in Mulvane: 21

Children: Denille, Steven Jr., and Charlton - All Mulvane Graduates

Grandchildren: Timothy 5, Savannah 4 1/2, Trinitee 4, and Kaden 1



I am currently serving my 12th year as a board member. I have recently been re-elected for another term.

Greatest Challenge: The State of Kansas is reducing our funding to a level that moves us back to 1999 funding levels. We, as a board, need to keep the cuts as far away from the instructional side of the classrooms as possible. It isn't going to be easy, but with the help of district employees we look for ways to think outside the box to achieve results.

Favorite Teacher: It would be Mrs. Florence Wilson, my First Grade Teacher. She taught us to accept people as they are. I was given the opportunity to have in my class a young girl that had been blind since birth. Mrs. Wilson had us learn Braille so she could be included in our class as much as possible. She went the extra mile with us to make sure each of her students reached their greatest potential. I would ask that you think of someone in the District that has made a difference in your education or your child's education and tell them thanks for what they do for the kids.

It is most gratifying when you see students of Mulvane exceed and excel and move on with their lives as they become young adults and our future.

First Graders will Attend Exploration Place

The first graders at Munson Primary will be going on a field trip to Exploration Place on Friday, May 6th. This field trip is being funded by a Target Field Trip Grant. At Exploration Place, we will watch a movie at the CyberDome Theater and explore all the hands-on exhibits. We will leave Exploration Place at approximately 11:30 and head towards High Park in Derby to eat our sack lunches and enjoy some play time. It will be an enjoyable day with many learning experiences.

2011 Hoops 4 Heart Campaign a Success!

On March 8th, students gathered in the Mulvane Grade School gym to watch the Hoops for Heart Shoot-out. Students qualified for this shoot-out in one of two ways, either by raising the most money for the event itself or winning the most knock-out games on the day of the event. The money was sent to the American Heart Association who will use it for programs and research to help fight heart disease. Since Mulvane Grade School began participating in this important campaign in 1996, this community can be proud that they have donated in excess of \$130,000 to the American Heart Association!



Students involved in the Shoot-out were as follows:

Ms. Pound's class: Drew
Ms. Wehrheim's class: Kole
Ms. Parrott's class: Jeremy
Ms. Elliott's class: Jayden, Ashley and Kennison
Mr. Townsend's class: Trey and Brittany
Ms. Cottrell's class: Brett and Morgan
Ms. Cline's class: Grace and Addison
Ms. Headrick's class: Jacey
Ms. Canfield's class: Tarreyn
Mr. Goertz's class: Zane
Ms. Beck's class: Kayleigh

Zane, in Mr. Goertz class raised the most money at \$190 Kenninson, in Ms. Elliotts class, raised \$135 Kayleigh, in Ms. Becks class, raised \$125 and Addison in Ms. Cline's class raised \$102.

The class that raised the most money for this event was Mrs. Cline's class at \$1,128. Winners of the shoot-out were as follows: First place boy and girl receiving a one month membership from the Derby Recreation Center were Kole and Jacey. Second place boy and girl receiving a three day pass each from the Mulvane Recreation Center were Trey and Kayleigh.

All students involved received a free cherry limeade coupon from our local Sonic and a buy one meal get a kid's meal free coupon from Applebees. Thanks to the kids and the community for working so hard, raising so much money and making this such a fun and worthy event for the kids of Mulvane Grade School.



MGS is TRC

Mulvane Grade School has participated in a TRC (Technology Rich Classroom) grant for the past two years. The grant has provided over \$200,000 which targeted instructional practices that encouraged technology integration in the classroom; the purchase of computer hardware and software, teacher attendance at professional conferences and trainings, local inservice opportunities, and collaboration experiences with other TRC schools within our state.

The classrooms of Mrs. Cuthbertson, Mrs. Entwisle, Miss Pound, and Mr. Townsend have been directly involved with this grant. We sincerely appreciate the parent and student support and involvement. Please continue to embrace the energy technology has on the motivation and learning of our students.



Observing the Bald Eagle

Over the past few weeks, our fifth graders have been observing the bald eagle family in Decorah, Iowa via the Raptor Resource Project's ustream site. (www.ustream.tv/decoraheagles). From eagerly anticipating the first crack of a shell, to the amazing births of the three chicks, our students have been periodically checking in on these majestic birds whenever they can. Named by us for the days they were born, "Saturday", "Sunday", and "Wednesday" have become a fixture in our daily conversations. Many students check the 24/7 live feed from home and report back interesting details about the eagles' daily lives. The experience of seeing bald eagles up close is one they will not soon forget!

The Flat Stanley Project

Third grade students are currently participating in a Flat Stanley project. We read Flat Stanley in class, and then students created their own "flat people" out of construction paper. We sent them to friends and family near and far for our own flat adventures. We have had flat adventures in Kansas City, KS; Tennessee; and even as far as Australia. We are learning lots about many different places.

BAL - A - VIS - X

Did you know that Mulvane Grade School has a BAL-A-VIS-X (BAVX) lab this year? "BAL" stands for BALANCE; "A" for AUDITORY; "VIS" for VISION and "X" for EXERCISE. Bill Hubert, the creator, says the following: "Bal-A-Vis-X is a series of Balance/Auditory/Vision Exercises, of varied complexity, all of which, are deeply rooted in rhythm."

Exercises are done with sand-filled bags and racquetballs, sometimes while standing on a balance board.

In distilled essence, BAVX enables the whole mind-body system to experience the natural symmetrical flow of a pendulum.

Bal-A-Vis-X requires focused attention, demands cooperation, promotes self-challenge, and fosters peer teaching. It is school friendly and just plain fun. For more information about who benefits from the program, go to the website listed and click on the appropriate link, www.Bal-A-Vis-X.com.



2011 Art and Technology Show Bigger and Better than Ever

The 2011 USD 263 Art and Technology Show was, as always, a huge success! This year's show was even larger and had greater attendance than last year's, with over 1000 members of the community in attendance.

Hundreds of pieces of flat and 3D artwork from grades Kindergarten through 12th were on display, as well as, a large number of projects from MMS and MHS Industrial Arts Classes. The yearbook and newspaper staff members and KCAT students were also there selling yearbooks and playing a montage of favorite KCAT episodes throughout the evening.

Featured visual artists were Brittany Beck, Jennifer Rayl, Jordan Nooney and Maeghan Thompson.

The tentative date for the 2012 Art and Technology Show has been changed to sometime in the month of March so as not to interfere with softball/baseball season and prom.

MMS Vocal Music

The Mulvane Middle School vocal students went to Winfield for the Pioneer League Vocal Music Festival on Wednesday, April 27th and received the following ratings:

7/8 Choir "II"
Women's Ensemble "I+"
Mixed Ensemble "II"

Soloists:

Jordan Boden "I"	Taylor Bradley "I"
Taylor Tavares "I-"	Heather Culver "II"
Caitie Wampler "II"	Lindsey Lampe "I-"
Kallee Walton "I"	Brandon Boyer "II+"
Jack Marks "II+"	Bradi Allen "II"
Jaidyn Schulke "I-"	Emery Potucek "II"
Sabrina Orsman "I-"	Anna Leslie "II-"
Raven Fetterhoff "II-"	

Overall we had 26 "I's" and 59 "II's". Congratulations on a job well done!

Volunteer Recognized for Her Contribution to the District



Mulvane Primary School volunteer Donna Jantzen was recognized at the Friends of Education Banquet held in Haysville on April 9th. The award was presented to Donna by Haysville Superintendent, Dr. John Burke. The Confidence in Public Education Task Force Awards volunteer efforts throughout the state. Donna is a regular volunteer at the Mulvane Primary School and throughout the district. Ms. Jantzen prepares cookies, cakes, drinks and "goody bags" for entire classrooms for children that come from less fortunate families. When she is not baking cakes or cookies for birthdays, she is collecting and organizing gifts for needy families at Christmas time. She donates even more of her time embroidering towels for various clubs and athletic teams.

The Class of 2015

8th Grade Graduation and Awards Ceremony

Tuesday, May 24, 2011
6:30 pm
MMS Gym

A reception will follow the award ceremony.
Students should report by 6:00.
Student dress is semi-formal
(no jeans or shorts, please)
School dress code applies.



ATTENTION <<

ALL STUDENTS/ATHLETES
SPORTS/ACTIVITY PHYSICALS

Good for 20011-2012 School Year

\$20.00

Tues., May 24th 5:00 - 7:00 pm @ MHS

Print out your sports physical form online at
www.KSHSAA.org

Make checks payable to: MHS

Please do not drink energy drinks the day of your physical. They cause the heart rate to rise to an abnormal rate. Please bring/wear your glasses or contacts for the eye exam.

Sponsored by Mulvane Family MedCenter, Dr. Tony Carro, Dr. Brian Comer, Dr. David Hufford, and Mulvane EMS

Mulvane Football Grazers Golf Tournament Scheduled

The Mulvane Football Grazer Golf Tournament will be held June 18th at 2:00 pm at the Wellington Golf Club. All alumni, supporters, and other friends of the program are encouraged to attend this event.

Ready Set Go to the Cardboard Boat Race

The Cardboard Boat Races will be held Tuesday, May 24th @ the Mulvane Sports Complex Pond. The MHS Engineering Applications class has been participating in designing, building and racing boats made from cardboard for several years. This is a very inspiring project for the students and has spread throughout the school with other classes building boats to race. This turned out to be a ton of fun for the participants last year, and we hope that we have more groups racing this year. **Any contributions of large discarded cardboard sheets and boxes are appreciated.**

MHS Vocal Department

The Mulvane High School Vocal Department has been busy with competitions this month. Saturday, April 9th, we traveled to Andover Central with 67 students competing in Regional Solo and Ensemble Festival. We qualified 27 to go on to State Solo and Ensemble Festival at Andover High School on April 30th. Qualifying events include the Mixed Ensemble, soloists Allyson Geschwentner, Nathan Leslie and Lizzy Hampton. We also secured fifty Excellent "II" ratings and one Average "III".

The Women's Ensemble traveled to Winfield on April 14th to compete in State Large Group Contest and received an Excellent "II" rating.

Auditions for next year's Esprit de Corps will be held April 20th after school in room 607 at MHS.

MHS will perform Catapalooza on May 2nd in the MHS auditorium at 7:00. Admission is free. We hope to see you there!

MAPS (Mulvane Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse)

The next MAPS meeting is scheduled for May 11 at 6:00 in the High School Commons and Auditorium.

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is sponsoring a national **prescription drug take-back** on **Saturday, April 30, 10:00-2:00**. This is to help citizens safely dispose of unused Rx drugs so they are not diverted. The following collection locations are listed for Sedgwick County. Please pass this on to your coalition memberships or others who may be interested.

Go to www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov and click on drug disposal for a collection location in your area.



MHS ElectroRally Team Competes in Beloit



The Mulvane ElectroRally team competed at the Kansas ElectroRally races in Beloit Tuesday, April 19th. The race was held at the North Central Kansas Technical College parking lot. Fifteen schools from Ulysses to Olathe were on hand with a total of forty cars competing in two classifications. The course was laid out on a loop around the buildings and parking lot of the school to cover about two thirds of a mile. Our team finished third out of the field in the advanced class. We were only able to take one car but the students did an excellent job preparing the car and Devin West was outstanding driving the course. Many of the cars had mechanical breakdowns or electric problems with the rough track. We were able to be consistent in the race and finished very strong in our heat.

The schools finished as follows; Advanced standard class 1st Scott City, 2nd Hays, and Mulvane in 3rd. The experimental class placers were 1st Ulysses, 2nd Scott City, and Campus 3rd. We are looking forward to the next race at Clearwater High School on Saturday May 7th. We hope to have both cars at the race but will have to get the other car finished for the event.

This is the 12th year that we have competed in this competition. In that time, Mulvane has done a pretty good job finishing 4th the first year and coming up 3rd several times in the final state points. The state points are a combination of an engineering notebook that the students put together and have graded by the state organization and the finishing placement from two state sponsored races.

We would like to thank Butler Rural Electric for their generous donation this year allowing us to purchase new batteries. Organizations that have helped the teams in the past include Phillips Southern Electric, Carson Bank, Midwest Fasteners, Wolf Machine, and Davis Signs. These organizations have made it possible for the students to build and maintain electric car teams. The cars cost about \$1600 to build and between tires and batteries it is an ongoing expense to race the cars for the season. This a great event for our students to participate in and our community is very lucky to have the opportunity for our students.

District Art Show a Success!

On Saturday, March 19, the General Federation of Women's Clubs held their district art show at the Goddard City Library in Goddard, KS. High school art teacher, Lauri Terhune, submitted 50 entries in a show made up of 200 works of art from surrounding districts. There were many ribbons awarded to our Mulvane art students. We earned 14 first place ribbons, 11 second place ribbons, and 25 third place ribbons. From the fifty entries entered into the show, 10 were selected to go to state competition. State qualifiers were: Maeghan Thompson, Katlin Bryant, Meghan Schippers, Jordan Nooney, Rebecca Malanchuk, Kaitlyn Flickinger, Jennifer Rayl, Taylor Belden, and Madison Cox.

The state art show was judged on Saturday, April 9 in Newton, Kansas. Among the 10 state qualifiers, our students took home 2 second place ribbons (Maeghan Thompson and Jordan Nooney), 1 third place ribbon (Elizabeth Sooby), and 1 fourth place ribbon (Madison Cox). Congratulations to all who had work in the state show, and those who took home ribbons!

District Retirements

We'd like to recognize the following staff members for their years of dedicated service to the students of Mulvane. Retiring from the district will be:

Paul Goertz, 4th grade teacher - 38 years
Debra Jelinek, Kindergarten teacher - 26 years
Rebecca Veron, MMS social studies teacher - 27 years

We will miss these staff members and wish them well in their future endeavors



38 Years of Service



Jane Constance, Speech/Language Pathologist at MGS, sat down with Mr. Goertz to ask him a few questions about his 38 years of employment with the Mulvane District. Here is what he had to say:

When and where did you graduate? Buhler High School 1968; Bethel College 1973; Continuing Education; Friends, Emporia State, WSU

What year did you begin teaching? 1973-1974 **What grades have you taught?** Only 4th grade for 38 years with the Mulvane School District. I also coached 20 years of grade school track and basketball and 12 years MMS girls basketball.

For the first few years, I was the sole teacher for my students (no Title 1 or Special Ed., no PE, no Nurse, no Art, no Counselor, no Social Worker and one Secretary for the building). We did our own art projects and took our kids outside for games.

What do you remember about the first year in the new MGS building? Our first year in this building was 1988, no major problems, however, in the 70's at Bloomenshine some days were very uncomfortable. Without air conditioning, it would sometimes get as hot as 90 degrees in the classroom and I remember sweat dripping off of student's noses. When we opened the windows, we had to compete with the traffic noise right outside on Main Street. After the fourth grade was moved to the new addition at Munson in 1978, we had air conditioning! Starting out at Munson, the only furniture we had in the new classrooms was one table and one chair for the teacher. I assigned spots on the floor where the students sat to do their work. After two weeks, they received chairs, and after six weeks, they finally got desks! This was one of my favorite classes, so cooperative. One of the leaders of that class was Kendall Gammon, who went on to play football for the Kansas City Chiefs and Pittsburgh Steelers and is now on the radio broadcast team for the Chiefs. The best classes always have strong student leaders with positive attitudes.

What were your best memories in your 38 years of teaching? My best memories are of the many students I have admired, respected, and enjoyed over the years. Some have stayed in touch and some of them have had children in my classes. Next on the list of good memories would probably be field trips especially the ones out to Nelson's pasture west of Mulvane along the Arkansas River. It was such an adventure as we hiked through the different habitats learning about plants and animals. Much more meaningful than achieving high test scores are the experiences where a teacher has a passion for a lesson or project and all the students buy into it.

What are your pastimes/hobbies? Bicycling, WSU basketball games, yard work - working with plants & trees.

Where have you traveled and with what form of transportation? 40 states, Canada and Ireland. Biked across Kansas, and around the country of Ireland.

When did you develop the idea to do the yearly recycling project? It must have been about 20 years ago, as I remember Kim Canfield helping me with it as a fourth grader. I started recycling paper because it did not feel right to throw it away and thought it was a good project for the students. For the first few years the money we received paid only for the gas to haul it. More recently, we've been able to earn \$200-300 a year and divert the money into trees, shrubs and benches for our schoolyard. We also collect paper from several local sources outside the grade school

What are your future plans? Teaching takes a lot of time and energy, and for me it will until the very last day of school this spring. After that, I may sleep a week, but the time and energy will return, and although I have few definite plans at this point, I will start out with a trip to Canada to visit relatives.



Immunization Requirements for the 2011 - 2012 School Year

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or a childcare program operated by a school. There are changes in requirements for immunizations for the upcoming school year. Please carefully review the requirements below. The usual number of doses required are listed; however there are exceptional circumstances that could alter the number of doses a child needs. If you have questions about your child's immunization status, contact your child's primary care provider or local health department.



Proof of receiving the immunizations must be provided to the school prior to attending the first day of school.

Early Childhood Program Operated by a School Ages 4 years and Under	
Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	4 doses
IPV (polio)	3 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	1 dose
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Hib (haemophilus influenza type B)	3 doses
Prevnar (pneumococcal conjugate)	4 doses

Kindergarten - Grade 2	
Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 3 - 6	
Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grade 7	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 8 - 9	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose***
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grades 10 - 11	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose****
IPV (polio)	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose**
Hepatitis B	3 doses

Grade 12	
Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap	1 dose****
IPV	4 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses

Additional ACIP Recommended Vaccines NOT REQUIRED for School Entry
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influenza (flu) vaccine yearly for everyone 6 mos and older • Meningitis Vaccine at age 11 yrs, and booster at age 16 yrs • HPV Vaccine (a three dose series) at age 11 yrs

School Entry Physicals
Any new early childhood program or kindergarten student will need a school entry physical completed by a Kansas physician within 12 months prior to the first day of school.
New students under the age of 9 years who are attending a Kansas school for the first time, also require a physical as described above. Documentation of the physical must be provided to the school prior to attending.

- * Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had chickenpox disease and disease is documented by a physician signature. Without physician signature, vaccine is required even if you believe your child has had chickenpox disease.
- ** Although 1 dose of varicella is required for school attendance, 2 doses are recommended by the ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices).
- *** All 7th - 9th graders are required to have one dose of Tdap regardless of the interval since the last dose of Td (tetanus/diphtheria). This is to improve pertussis (whooping cough) immunity due to increasing outbreaks.
- **** All 10th - 12th graders are required to have one dose of Tdap if more than 10 years since previous DTaP (pertussis containing vaccine). This is to improve pertussis (whooping cough) immunity due to increasing outbreaks.

If your child is not in compliance with required immunization by November 8, 2011 he/she will be excluded from school.

FROM THE CITY OF MULVANE

City Web Site: www.mulvanekansas.com

City Hall - 777-1143

City Utility Bills: Payment online now available. Go to the City web site and click Online Payment on the sidebar. Payment is due by the 5th of each month in order to avoid the late penalty. Bills paid after the 5th are subject to a 5% penalty. Bills must be paid by the 19th of each month in order to avoid being disconnected. Please attach your utility bill stub to your payment to insure you receive proper credit to your bill. For after hours utility service, please call the Mulvane Police Dept. Dispatcher at 777-4262.

City Council Meetings: First and third Mondays of each month at city hall at 211 N. 2nd at 7:30 p.m. Public welcome. Council members are Mayor Jim Ford, Joe Johnson, Jenean Keck, Doug Hatfield, Terry Richardson and Shelly Steadman.

Sewer Back-ups Happen! Basements with floor drains are susceptible to this problem. You should install a back-flow preventor on your basement sewer service line. Be sure your homeowner's or renter's insurance policy covers sewer back-up damage. It may need to be a separate policy rider.

Utility Bill Savings Ideas:

- Don't overwater your lawn.
- Most grasses need only 1 inch of water per week and need only be watered once or twice a week.
- Zoysia, bermuda and buffalo grasses use much less water and fewer chemicals.
- Check toilets and faucets for leaks and have them repaired.
- Retrofits – install retrofit kits to decrease water use from showers, toilet flushing and faucets.
- Make sure your home air conditioner unit is in proper working order for the summer.
- Install energy efficient light bulbs.
- Practice water and energy conservation whenever possible!

Mulvane USD 263 Mission Statement:

The mission of the Mulvane Public Schools is to prepare all students with academic and life skills while respecting the diverse social, educational, and cultural characteristics of each individual student.

The core values of Mulvane students and staff are based on a foundation of:

- *Respectful, positive relationships*
- *Safe learning environment*
- *Competent, knowledgeable staff*
- *Appropriate social skills and citizenship*
- *Professionalism with integrity*
- *Open and honest communication*

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