

**MurrENEWS – April 29, 2010**  
**Murray City School District, Murray, UT**  
***Meeting the Needs of All Kids!***

**MurrE-RECIPE : “April Salad”**

1 pkg. Romaine hearts, broken up  
4 oz. shredded Swiss cheese  
1 cup cashews (halves or whole)  
1/4 cup raisins  
1 apple, cubed  
1 Anjou pear, cubed

Dressing:

1/3 cup lemon juice  
2 tsp. finely chopped onion  
1 tsp. Dijon mustard  
1/2 tsp. salt  
2/3 cup olive oil  
1 tbsp. poppy seeds

Mix dressing ingredients in blender except poppy seeds. Add seeds and mix. Toss with salad, chill.  
Refreshing for spring (in case it ever gets here)!

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**ADMINISTRATOR CHANGES IN THE MURRAY DISTRICT**

Elementary principal assignment changes in the Murray Schools: Margaret Young, a new principal hired at the last Board of Education meeting, will be assigned to Viewmont Elementary; Connie Amos will move to Longview Elementary from Liberty Elementary; and Darren Dean will be moving to Liberty from Viewmont Elementary. Andy Forsythe will be retiring from Longview and we wish him the very best in his future endeavors, along with sending a thank you for his great service to Murray students.

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL CLASSES**

The last day of classes in the 2009-10 school year for the Murray City School District will be Thursday, June 3, 2010. Monday, May 31 is Memorial Day and the district will be closed.

### **DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR OUR MURRAY TEACHERS!**

We have four teachers from the Murray City School District in the final round for the "Teacher Who Does it Better" competition: Ginger Brakke, Jill Horne, Chantel Thackeray Olsen and Jake Shewmake. Winners will be determined by online voting, so WE ALL NEED TO VOTE for our Murray colleagues! We would love to see a cute little wrapped car tooling around Murray with one of our great teachers in the driver's seat! Voting must be completed by April 30, 2010. Just go the link below and vote. *\*Firewalls in our District email setups may prohibit you from voting while at work.\** <http://saltlakeradiocontest.com/>

### **MURRAY REGION PTA EDUCATOR & VOLUNTEER RECOGNITIONS**

The following individuals (listed in educator, volunteer order) were recognized for their outstanding efforts during the April 27 PTA Appreciation Social at IHC:

Grant – Jen Laidlaw, Malisa Brown  
Hillcrest – Michelle Mathews, Darleen Moller  
Horizon – Margaret Swanicke, Kelli Taylor  
Liberty – Colette Smith, Michelle Schafer  
Longview – Jill Horne, Lori Brockbank  
McMillan – Teresa Bigelow, Cyndie Anderson  
Murray High – Ryan Moffet, Patty Ward  
Parkside – Keri Hohnholt, Laurie, Weston  
Riverview – Kathy Dale, Angie Mann  
Viewmont – Anne Kjar, Rebecca Selph

### **MURRAY SPANISH STUDENTS TOP NATIONAL COMPETITION**

Three MHS AP students and two Hillcrest JH students swept a Spanish literary contest sponsored by the Instituto Cervantes through the government of Spain. Entries were accepted from the entire state of Utah with the top prize a scholarship for a Language School 2-Week Study Abroad in Spain this summer. Murray High students took all three top places in the state of Utah and Hillcrest Junior High students took 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Junior High Division. Competition requirement for the high school non-native speakers division was to write an original story of 400-800 words in Spanish. A representative from the Instituto Cervantes will be coming to MHS to make the presentations. Also to be congratulated for exceptional efforts are Murray District Spanish teachers Virginia Smith/MHS and Carina Coria/HJH.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place First place – Chelsea Thompson, MHS senior & Sterling Scholar (study abroad)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Heidi Bahr, MHS senior (scholarship recipient)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Melesa Aune, MHS junior (award recipient)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Junior High – Natalie Sefilian, HJH 9th grade
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Junior High – Hailey Brown, HJH 9th grade

### **MURRAY TEACHER ACCEPTED TO SEMINAR AT YALE**

Amber Rydalch, Murray High School AP World & US History teacher, has been accepted into the Gilder Lehrman Summer Seminar at Yale University called "Passages to Freedom and Abolition." Only 28 teachers from across the United States were accepted with room, board and travel expenses included for the July 2010 seminar. Ms. Rydalch has also had the opportunity for studies at the Larry Miller Summer Seminar, and at an AP World Training in Seattle. Congrats!

## **MURRAY HIGH HAPPENINGS**

- **Alex Clawson, Murray High sophomore awarded EnergySolutions Foundation scholarship.** One sophomore at each Utah high school has been offered the merit-based scholarship in the value of \$2,000 each to pursue bachelor's degrees in math, science or engineering, and then be eligible for additional awards upon entering college. Scholarship recipients were evaluated on academic achievement, community involvement and career goals.
- **Murray High Instrumental Students received great ratings at recent State Music Competition:**  
Sara Palma – Superior Solo Region and State; Outstanding Soloist  
Guitar Ensemble – Superior Region and State  
Shannon Oveson – Superior Region and State Marimba soloist  
Percussion Ensemble – Superior Region and State  
Ariana Fuller – Superior Region, 1 at State  
Joshua Nelson – Superior Region, High Excellent State
- **Renaissance MVP Breakfast 2010 Honorees:**  
Lexie Gardner, Andrea Hausknech, Madison Greggrigh, Derek Brown, Haley Thornton, Camerson Kempff, Alex Gaston, Stephanie Marsh, Dylan Draper, Dylan Halverson, Johnna Alejandre, Caitlyn Swanagan, Tanner Brock, Pilar Pappas, Shiloh Elliot, Kealey Gill, Shelley Whittaker, Ender Navarro, Jake Rush, Tosha Kelsey, Alejandra Mendez, Conner Marsh, Mariah Shipley, Jael Lewis, Katie Murdoch, Mikeala Cosgrove, Josh Whitecar, Tyler Allen, Daniel Platt, Eric Phillips, Arthur Diaz, Sam Lennartson, Jesse Cyrus, Zach Gibbs, Christina McBride, Andy Ivey, Stacie Sessions, Dane Richeson, Charlotte Pope, Melanie Miller, Breanna Orullian, Harmony Nipper, Alex Mathews, Mariah Duran, Shandi Beckwith
- **Top MHS student finishers at this year's Fashion Place Mall Art Show.** Congratulations to these outstanding student artists (HM=Honorable Mention):  
Watercolor – 1<sup>st</sup> Place/Taylor Richmond; HM/Alexa Palmer  
Graphics (pen and pencil) – 1<sup>st</sup> Place/Ryan Irvine; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Rob Adair; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place/Krista Purser; HM/Dennis Flores; HM/Jared Jackman  
Graphics (pastel, charcoal) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place/Jared Hamilton  
Traditional Photography – 1<sup>st</sup> Place/Connor Giles; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place/Jeka Graczyk; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place/Daniel Nelson; HM/Russ Ballou  
Digital Photography, Photo Collage – 1<sup>st</sup> Place/Daniel Nelson; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place/Logan Astle; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place/Chelsey Baldwin; HM/Sarah Taylor; HM/Julian Ornelas  
Ceramics/sculpture – 1<sup>st</sup> Place/Courtney Mamani; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place/Clayton DeMann; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place/Robert Griffith; HM Brian Campbell  
Ceramic Surface – 1<sup>st</sup> Place/Connor Giles

## **SUMMER SCHOOL UPDATE: MURRAY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER (ECEC)**

**73 West 6100 South, Murray, UT 84107; phone 801-264-7404**

The Murray Childhood Education Center is a self-supporting program offering for children ages 3-5. Fully inclusive classes are designed to support children of all abilities. Play-based learning helps children develop critical thinking and reasoning skills; social, emotional, physical and intellectual development. Summer Adventure programs are held at the Murray Early Childhood Education Center. Register at the center or by mail. If parents have concerns about a child's development and are residents living within the Murray Schools boundaries with children 3-5 years old, contact ECEC to schedule a free screening.

- **Summer Kindergarten Readiness Program**  
This class helps prepare children for the transition into kindergarten; literacy based with social

skills addressed. Children will participate in both large and small group activities as well as having opportunities to interact with their new friends in a more formal classroom atmosphere. June 21- June 30 & July 19-July 28– Cost: \$90 per session (\$50 to hold space suggested) Mon-Wed both sessions; 9 AM-12 PM

- **“Learn & Discover” in the 2010 Summer Adventure Program**

This program is similar to “day camp”. Your child can attend either or both. Each week will focus on a new “theme”. Children ages 3-5 are welcome. Enrollment is limited and is on a first-come first-served basis. Emphasis is on discovery, literacy and fun!

Session #1 & Session #2 – Cost: \$85

June 21-June 30 & July 19-July 23; Mon-Wed both sessions; 9 AM-12 PM

## **MURRAY SCHOOLS IN THE NEWS:**

**SL Tribune Chalkboard section features perfect ACT students, MHS student Tyler Wilcox**

<http://blogs.sltrib.com/education/index.php?p=13588&more=1&c=1&tb=1&pb=1>

### **Murray High annual student service day stories**

Murray High School is gearing up for its fifth annual service day.

Planned for Thursday, the event is held as part of the annual Global Youth Service Week.

<http://www.ksl.com/?nid=148&sid=10457002>

<http://www.fox13now.com/news/sns-bc-ut--schoolserviceday,0,1531641.story>

**MHS students were featured on KUTV Channel 2 Keys to Success promo** (news link expired). See cute Murray High kids on website: <http://www.kengarffkeys.com/>

**Murray High Student Featured in story** by Peggy Fletcher Stack, The Salt Lake Tribune

04/23/2010 – Utah Teens get sense of Monastic lifestyle. Sixteen high school seniors from Utah returned Sunday from a weekend-long graduation celebration.

[http://www.sltrib.com/ci\\_14945414?IADID=Search-www.sltrib.com-www.sltrib.com](http://www.sltrib.com/ci_14945414?IADID=Search-www.sltrib.com-www.sltrib.com)

### **Murray School District Earth Day Participation**

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/700025464/Photo-Cultivating-community.html>

Four ways to Go Green for Earth Day

[http://www.abc4.com/content/about\\_4/links\\_numbers/story/Four-ways-to-Go-Green-for-Earth-Day/gW8nFCZK\\_0aJDF9V\\_mF9ng.csp](http://www.abc4.com/content/about_4/links_numbers/story/Four-ways-to-Go-Green-for-Earth-Day/gW8nFCZK_0aJDF9V_mF9ng.csp)

Salt Lake County celebrates Earth Day, Part 1

<http://www.fox13now.com/videobeta/?watchId=30b4cf23-c160-46ff-a1fd-a99aa650334d>

Salt Lake County celebrates Earth Day, Part 2

<http://www.fox13now.com/videobeta/?watchId=8499d784-9ffe-4d6e-ae3b-606196d68bca>

Earth Day celebrated at Salt Lake County’s Environmental Health Services building, Part 3

<http://www.fox13now.com/news/local/kstu-earth-day-celebrated-at-salt-lake-countys,0,7403778.story>

Earth Day means recycling for some, controversy for others

<http://www.ksl.com/?nid=148&sid=10489918>

Events focus on ways to make every day Earth Day

[http://www.sltrib.com/ci\\_14923961?IADID=Search-www.sltrib.com-www.sltrib.com](http://www.sltrib.com/ci_14923961?IADID=Search-www.sltrib.com-www.sltrib.com)

Salt Lake Valley Health Department to host Earth Day celebration

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/700026445/Salt-Lake-Valley-Health-Department-to-host-Earth-Day-celebration.html>

Earth Day events abound in Utah

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/700025803/Earth-Day-events-abound-in-Utah.html>

Photo: Cultivating community

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/700025464/Photo-Cultivating-community.html>

Salt Lake County Celebrates Earth Day

<http://kcpw.org/blog/local-news/2010-04-26/salt-lake-county-celebrates-earth-day/>

**And in Murray City student-related News: Murray Boys & Girls Club Receives Grant**

Grant funds program to keep Utah teens in school, KSL Television  
Every 26 seconds a student drops out of school in America. That statistic comes from the Boys and Girls Club in Murray, which is implementing a new program to keep Utah teens in school.  
<http://www.ksl.com/?nid=148&sid=10386472>

#### **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES:**

##### **Utah High School Activities Association (UHSAA)**

Most recent newsletter publication on UHSAA website  
<http://www.uhsaa.org/news/Update/UPDATEMarch2010.pdf>

##### **Problem Solving with Smithsonian Experts - April 28-29**

Explore problem solving in the sciences with researchers from across the Smithsonian, and teachers and students around the world. In six live and lively sessions, you will be able to join the conversation without leaving your computer. Registration is free online. Attend any or all sessions as many times as you like. Sessions are archived within 24 hours for replay any time. <http://expert.si.edu/>

##### **BYU Summer Educator Workshops**

The Division of Continuing Education at Brigham Young University is offering Summer Educator Workshops for summer 2010. These workshops are specifically designed for teachers and parents of elementary and secondary students who are interested in teacher recertification, lane-change salary increases, the latest in teaching methodology, or a variety of new ideas to use at home or in the classroom. Each workshop is held for two to five days and may be taken for credit or noncredit. For educators, BYU credit can be transferred to any district. Workshops begin June 7 and run through July 29. Limited Financial Aid is available so apply and register early. If you have any , call 801-422-2568. Website <http://ce.byu.edu/cw/sew/murray> Brochure <http://ce.byu.edu/cw/sew/pdf/brochure.pdf>

##### **Camp Kostopulos in Emigration Canyon**

Enrollment is underway now for children, teens and adults with physical, developmental, and intellectual disabilities for Camp Kostopulos Summer Camp and all its intrinsic therapeutic recreation programs. Each of the 11 weeks of summer camp is targeted to a different age group and primary disability and ends with a stomp-style dance, talent show, and awards ceremony. Campers stay in heated, bunk-style cabins, dine in the lodge, swim in the heated pool, ride horses, climb, paddle a canoe, fish, canoe, play games, perform, and make friends and memories. Staff is carefully screened and background checked; scholarships and DSPD assistance available. Questions or to enroll, call 801-582-0700; website [www.campk.org](http://www.campk.org)

##### **“Utah History to Go” website <http://historytogo.utah.gov/> (example segment below)**

Eli Houston Murray – A native of Cloverport, Kentucky, born in 1843, Murray attained the rank of brigadier general during the Civil War and also completed a law degree at the University of Louisville. He married Evelyn Neal and was a U.S. marshal and newspaper editor before Rutherford B. Hayes named him governor in 1880. Murray certified the election of Allen G. Campbell (who never served) as delegate to Congress, although George Q. Cannon, an LDS Church leader and a polygamist, received more than ten times as many votes. Murray's attacks on the Mormons influenced national policy. Following the Cannon incident, twenty-three bills dealing with polygamy were introduced in Congress. Chester A. Arthur reappointed Murray, but Grover Cleveland dismissed him in 1886. Murray worked as a journalist in San Diego before returning to Kentucky. He died in Bowling Green in 1896. Murray is named for him.

## **FOLLOW MURRAY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ON TWITTER!**

If you are a social networker, you can now follow Murray City School District on Twitter! Along with current happenings at MCSD, you'll receive lots of other district information and educational retweets. We are excited to use this social media tool as yet another way to communicate with you. We already have 267 followers; join us and invite your friends! <http://twitter.com/MurraySchoolsPR>

## **DISTRICT CALENDAR**

See the Entire calendar online at [http://www.murrayschools.org/wworks/spotlight\\_events.shtml](http://www.murrayschools.org/wworks/spotlight_events.shtml)

4/29-5/1 Murray Community Arts Series, A Midsummer Night's Dream, MHS, Green Show Free;

4/29 & 30 only, 6 PM; play \$3 admission at 8 PM

4/30 McMillan Elem School Spirit Day

4/30 Viewmont Elem School Spirit Day

5/1 MHS Baseball make-up game, Home VS Skyline, 12 PM

5/3-7 McMillan Elementary Teacher Appreciation Week

5/04 MHS Softball at Skyline, 3:30 PM

5/05 MHS Softball at Home VS Taylorsville, 3 PM

5/06 MHS Softball at Home VS West, 3 PM

5/6 Riverview JH Jazz Band, Percussion Ensemble, Solos & Ensembles Concert, 7 PM

5/11-13 State Softball Tournament at home sites, times TBA

5/12 Murray Board of Education Meeting, DO, 7 PM

5/12 Riverview JH Orchestra & Symphonic Band Concert, 7 PM

5/13 ArtsFest, MHS, all day

5/13/10 Hillcrest Orchestra Concert, 7 PM

5/13-14 State PTA Convention, Provo

5/15 Murray Community Series, Murray Symphony Concerto Night, MHS, 7:30 PM

5/17/10 Hillcrest JH Choir Concert, 6 & 7:30 PM

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MURRAY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Contact Denise McDougal at the DO for more info, 264-7487; [dmcDougal@murrayschools.org](mailto:dmcDougal@murrayschools.org) Check online at [http://www.murrayschools.org/wworks/humanresources\\_employment.shtml](http://www.murrayschools.org/wworks/humanresources_employment.shtml)

### **LICENSED OPENINGS:**

- Boy's PE Teacher – Hillcrest Junior High

### **CLASSIFIED OPENINGS:**

- Assistant Drill Advisor – Murray High, part-time with stipend
- Indian Mentor Advocate – Murray High, part time (4 hrs a wk)
- Summer Paint Crew
- On-Call Cook I

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