



Perrysburg Area Arts Council

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(left to right): 1.) PAAC Emeritus Members Roy Lessing and Lois Rubright man the membership table. 2.) Volunteer artist Greg Harrison helps children assemble make-it-and-take-it pinwheel art. 3.) Abby Solon enjoyed Sparkles facepainting. 4.) Preston Harp, 2, makes the football shot from close range. 5.) The Bounce House brought many a smile. 6.) Many visitors tried their hands at hockey. 7.) After creating their projects, little artists reached new heights in the Bounce House. 8.) Kendal Roberts, 4, admires 2-year-old brother Cooper's new look. 9.) Mariah Sievert, a Penta junior, volunteered at the event. 10.) Kiana Harp, 10, immersed in the stegosaurus-shaped ball crawl. 11.) The Quarterback Toss was mobbed with fans. 12.) Magician Owen Redwine entertained at two magic shows. 13.) The Harp family - Amiah, 7, Kiana, 10, Preston, 2, and mother Kristinna, learn a rope trip from magician Owen Redwine. (jpgs available by emailing dhersch@bex.net)

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Suggested Headline: Arts Council Spring Fling ushers in the season and budding artists

Last Saturday, the Perrysburg Area Arts Council (PAAC) presented Spring Fling, a cultural arts and activities event for families at Perrysburg Schools Commodore Building. Formerly March Mania, the newly named event was a terrific success, according to PAAC Executive Director and organizer Valerie French.

"This is such a creative way for families to outwit cabin fever, by enjoying fun activities and cultural arts and leave wearing or carrying art," she said.

Children created colorful beaded necklaces, glittering paper windmills and had their faces painted in avatar-rivaling makeup by face-paint artist Sparkles the Clown. They enjoyed pizza, popcorn and Nedley's Ice Cream. The arts council hopes children will be inspired to participate in its upcoming contest for young artists in the Perrysburg community. Students through high school age may submit artwork for First Fridays in downtown Perrysburg.

"Thanks go out to our sponsor Brown Automotive Group, Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Perrysburg Schools, Welch Publishing Co., all our incredible volunteers, vendors, Perrysburg Area Arts Council Board members and staff for bringing about a successful and memorable cultural arts event for Perrysburg families," said Diana Hersch, PAAC president.

Among other programming, the Perrysburg Area Arts Council provides the Perrysburg area community with Art in Public Places, Harrison Rally Day Rally for the Arts, Youth Theatre and the Summer Concert Series. PAAC was founded in 1989 as a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of cultural arts in the area. It is funded through the City of Perrysburg, Perrysburg Township, community-minded businesses, and through its membership.

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