

## ARTWORKS RECEIVED REGIONAL AWARD

Last month, Tim White, Resident Support Services Supervisor, received a call from Keith Jones, News anchor for WOWK-13 informing him that the WV Media Group had selected Artworks as one of the 55 best things about WV.

Keith requested interviews with several of the students who worked on the various ArtWorks projects as well as interviews with Tim and Catherine Cox, Director of Educational Programs at the Huntington Museum of Art.



All of the CBS affiliates across the region aired a one hour special highlighting each of the 55 counties in WV and recognizing various events, people and activities that make that county special.

The students who were interviewed along with Tim White and Catherine Cox were Katelyn Clay, Whitney Hodges and Randy Pleasant.

Tim, and his wife Dreama, were invited to Charleston as special guests of the station for a recognition dinner and to highlight the ArtWorks Project to the other media outlets throughout the state of WV.

HHA once again applauds our youth for their dedication, hard work, and on-going positive impact into our community. You have made us proud.



## STUDENTS COMPLETE NINTH ARTWORKS PROJECT

Once again, Operation Right Choice students spent two weeks in August working on their latest ArtWorks Project entitled, "The Open Book Peace Project".

Each day for two weeks in August, these students were taught how to make paper from raw materials such as tree bark, leaves, and grass.

From there, the students had to turn the pulp into sheets of paper. This was done by pounding it and softening it up to be small pieces of fiber. This fiber would later be used as the pages in the book.



Along with learning how to make paper, the students learned how to knit and carve ink stamps out of rubber material.

Each student made a Peace Book of their own and produced over 600 sheets of paper for the public to create their own peace page at the Huntington Museum of Arts Hilltop Festival which was held Sept. 11-12, 2004.





During the Hilltop Festival the museum placed the entire book on display for all to see.

When it is opened, the book measures over two football fields long and is still growing. The goal of the Peace Book Project creator is to have the book visit every continent of the world and have other children and youth add their page for peace.



**Operation Right Choice students who participated in the Open Book Peace Project with Tim White and Sockie Minor were, Paul and Russell Bailey, Katelyn Clay, Whitney Hodges, Josh Clark, Larry Webb, Darrin Chinn, Jaytese Westmoreland, Teresa Canada, Ja'Leeza Canady, and Britney Jenkins.**



# RAZE ON HIGH

Members of the Huntington High School RAZE team, RAZE on HIGH, sponsors a RAZE booth at all the home football games at Huntington High School.

RAZE members from Cabell Midland and Spring Valley have also stopped by to lend a hand in passing out information and conducting commotions focusing on the dangers of tobacco use.



The response has been tremendous. Adults, children, teens and staff stop by to see the lung demonstrations and to hear what the youth have to say about the dangers associated with using tobacco products such as cigarettes and snuff.

RAZE members also shot RAZE T-shirts into the crowd throughout the ball games.

To join HHS RAZE on High contact Mrs. Middy Aloise in the Math Department at HHS or call Tim White at 522-0576.

## **Last year alone, tobacco use among West Virginia high school students dropped over 32%.**



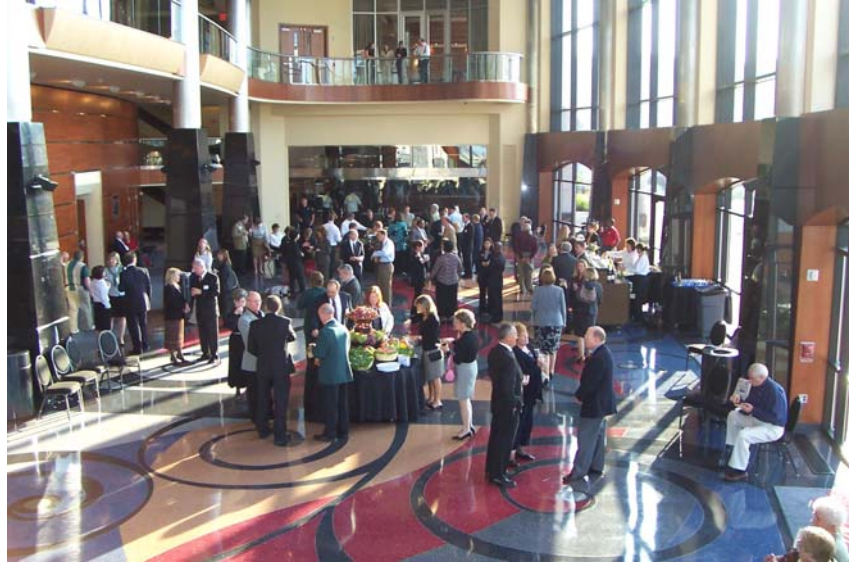
Much of this is attributed to the hard work students enrolled in Teens Against Cigarettes and Snuff and the RAZE teams are doing. Keep up the good work!!!!

## ARTWORKS HONORED AT GALA EVENT

On Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, the Clay Center in Charleston, WV was the sight of a ceremony honoring the 55 Best Things About West Virginia.

Each year, The State Journal, a statewide publication owned and operated by the WV Media Group, receives nominations from across the state for programs, people, and places that represent the best of our state.

This year, ArtWorks was selected as one of the 55 best things to represent Cabell County.



On Monday, September 27, from 7 to 8 PM, a one hour TV special was broadcast statewide through all the CBS affiliates highlighting the 55 selections.



Operation Right Choice and ArtWorks students that were interviewed along with Tim White, Artworks Coordinator and Catherine Cox, Director of Educational Program at the Huntington Museum of Art, were Katelyn Clay, Whitney Hodges and Randy Pleasant.

Each recipient received a copy of the TV program and a framed copy of the article that was seen in the September State Journal publication. Tim White and his wife Dreama, attended the event and met the man who nominated ArtWorks for this recognition. ArtWorks was nominated by Len

LaCara, who lives in Huntington, formerly with the Herald Dispatch and now with the State Journal.

Tim was delighted to receive the award on behalf of the students who have worked so hard over the past three years on each of the ArtWork Projects.