# May "Did You Know?"

## Hartland High School

Did you know...Hartland High School's DECA members competed at their International DECA Conference in Orlando, Florida? Business teacher Mrs. Stephanie Ritter and Jaime Riley traveled with 30 high school students who qualified to compete at the international level, where Hartland DECA made a strong showing out of the 20,000 other students competing. Partner teams of Zach Linfield and Mitchell Waters, along with Alex and Megan Acs, finished in the Top 20 in the world, while Senior Mackenzie Ford finished in the top 10. Congratulations to all members and advisors in the prestigious Hartland DECA chapter! Go Eagles!

### Hartland Middle School

Did you know over 100 Hartland Middle School students were named as weekly EAGLES this school year? EAGLES are nominated by students or staff for showing Empathy, Achievement, Grit, Link, Empower, or Service. Students selected have their names announced over the P.A. and posted on the Student News bulletin board. They received a candy bar, a voucher for \$1 in the cafeteria, a voucher for a free milkshake at Dairy Queen, a Hartland EAGLES bracelet, and a year-end Slurpee event during lunches! More importantly than the rewards, our EAGLES winners are great examples of those qualities we strive for at Hartland Middle School.

## Farms Intermediate School

Did you know that Farms participates in the Play60 program called Flag Football for Heart? For this event, students at Farms help raise money for the American Heart Association. For one month prior to the event, students track their minutes of exercise outside of school. The 5th and 6th grade homerooms with the most minutes of exercise earn an extra free hour of recess. In addition, all students get to participate in a flag football game during their Encore/Music hour. Our Hartland High School football players spent the day with our students as coaches for each of the games. It is a long, fun day and it is wonderful to see the students have so much fun for a great cause! This year, Farms raised over \$1,500 for the American Heart Association. Thank you to everyone who donated! A special thank you to our high school football players who took time out of their busy schedules to help us out!

### **Creekside Elementary School**

Did you know Creekside students have many opportunities to learn and experience education outside of the normal classroom environment? Our fourth grade recently returned from a two-day trip to Mackinac Island where they learned about the history of lumber and fur industries in Michigan, and life without cars. The third grade students will soon be visiting Greenfield Village to learn about the history of the automobile, electricity, powered flight and much more. Second graders just returned from an authentic 1890's one-room schoolhouse experience at the Stanley Schoolhouse at Crossroads Village. Our first grade students were able to hold and interact with some curious and fascinating animals provided by Supe's Exotic Zoo. The kindergarten students were disappointed that the weather did not allow them to make their annual trip to the Kensington Farm this month. We are thankful for the support of our district, parents, and PTO, which allows our kids to have these great learning experiences!

## Lakes Elementary School

Did you know that Lakes Elementary just received \$400 from Hartland SOUP in April along with a matching \$400 from a private donor to help fund our upcoming Literacy Day and Night on Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>?

During the day on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, nearly 100 students from Lakes will receive 10 books at their reading level to take home to read for the summer. We have some students who have little to no access to books over the summer, and this will provide them with plenty of reading materials to help prevent "summer slide". Each student will go to the library with their teacher to shop for 10 books at their level. Principal Howerton will be in regular communication with these families throughout the summer to help ensure students are keeping up on their reading. Cromaine Library is providing the book bags for these students!

During the evening of June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lakes families will be attending our second Literacy Night (we had one in December of this school year). This spring literacy night is labeled "Camp Read-A-Lot" and Lakes staff will have a number of fun outdoor reading activities revolving around a night of camping style fun. We will be educating parents on the importance of summer reading; and Cromaine Library will be there to sign students up for their summer reading program. Principal Howerton will also be grilling hot dogs for everyone!

### **Round Elementary School**

Did you know that Round Elementary teachers enjoy time to learn on Early Release Fridays? Teachers report for professional development every Friday when students are released 60 minutes early. This is a time for teachers to collaborate and participate in training or workshops to improve instruction. This year we have learned about: Interventions to close student achievement gaps, Writers and Readers Workshop, Peer to Peer, Explicit Instruction, Classroom Assessment for Student Learning and Social Emotional Learning. In addition, we have met between grade levels to ensure alignment in Mathematics. Our teachers are working hard to ensure the success of all students, and we appreciate the time to learn and collaborate every week.

### Village Elementary School

Did you know that Village Elementary third graders, as an extension of their weather unit, participated with the American Red Cross in the Pillow Case Campaign? The third graders enjoyed an hour-long presentation in their classroom by the Red Cross where they learned the basics of disaster safety (specifically fire and tornado). They also looked at a map of the United States and learned that different regions of the country have different types of natural disasters. Each child was given a booklet and a pillow case to decorate and fill with the needed disaster relief items discussed in the presentation. We are proud to partner with our American Red Cross to keep our students and communities safe!

#### **Community Education**

Did you know that Hartland Community Education's Dance Program, Dynamic Expressions, just finished its 20<sup>th</sup> year with its "CELEBRATE" dance recital? We had 130 dancers who performed for two full auditoriums. Thank you Ms. Teresa Dorough, our Director, and our awesome team of teachers, Ms. Annie, Ms. Denise and Ms. Marissa. A special thanks to our dedicated helpers, Ms. Betsie White and Mrs. Amelia Kraft.

Did you know that we just witnessed 136 four-year olds graduate from Hartland Community Education's preschool? Lots of happiness as each one of these children enters their next educational chapter. A special thank you to Mrs. Laura DeRosier who retired from teaching after 20 years. She was our constant and our rock, and she will be missed. We estimate that she had about 80 graduation ceremonies over the years. That is a lot of celebrating!! Thank you Mrs. DeRosier for your love and support of our children!

Did you know that we have over 100 children joining our Kids Camp program at the Child Care Center? We have center activities, exciting field trips, and lots of fun things planned for this summer. Please spread the word, we have room for more. We also have other recreational camps and classes, along with educational opportunities for children and adults of all ages all summer long! Come join in the fun.

## Senior Center

Did you know that the Hartland Senior Activity Center has our very own Recycled Rockettes? There are over 35 members of this tap and jazz dancing group and they are hosting their annual fundraiser on

June 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. and June 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the Hartland Performing Arts Center. It's so awesome to see these folks, ages 55-85, dancing and having a blast on stage - even poking a little fun at themselves! Please join us and celebrate our seniors in their "Broadway" performance.

