

## October “Did You Know?”

### Hartland High School

Did you know that Hartland High School’s AP History and History Seminar teacher, Mr. Paul Scheidler, was honored with an award from the Michigan Council for History Education at Grand Valley State University? Paul was awarded the Annette and Jim McConnell High School History Teacher of the Year Award, which honors the best elementary, high school, and pre-service level teachers in the state. Mr. Scheidler presented a lesson to those in attendance that offered a glimpse into his classroom, and it was one lesson that changed not only lives of his students, but also the lives of a Hartland family.

Last summer, Paul was given a box of WWII letters, photos, and memorabilia that was found in the attic of another history teacher’s relative’s home. Most of the pictures were not labeled, so Paul and his history seminar students spent an entire semester researching the people and places in the pictures, the WWII battles that took place during the time period, the movement of the young soldier, and the jobs that his battalion were responsible for. Paul and his history seminar students then presented their findings to the family of the WWII soldier at the high school. The family was so appreciative of the work Paul and his students put into the project. Mr. Scheidler and his students were able to clearly map out the movement and jobs of the soldier during WWII, as well as answer some questions about what he did during the war, people he met, and how he ended up in Michigan. Congratulations, Paul! A well-deserved award!

### Legacy High School

Did you know that LEGACY students went on an all-school field trip to Kensington Metro Parks on October 18<sup>th</sup>? Staff and students enjoyed the sunshine, cooked out and participated in a variety of team building activities. LEGACY students participated in Homecoming Spirit week and got a chance to tie-dye t-shirts in blue and gold to help celebrate the football game and dance. Did you know students now have more lunch choices and snack options in our new lunchroom-student union room at LEGACY? Students are loving all the yummy treats and extra lunch options this year.

### Hartland Middle School

Did you know that the Middle School Students Taking a New Direction (STAND) Club sponsored by teachers Peggy Storey and Denise Terry are promoting HMS involvement in the national "Red Ribbon Week" campaign? This year's theme is "Life is Your Journey-Travel Drug Free". STAND members make daily announcements, hand out red ribbons to promote the campaign, and plan other events to spread this message to the HMS community.



### Farms Intermediate School

Did you know that the Farms Highly Capable Cluster (HCC) group is up and running and is bigger than ever? We currently have over 80 students that are participating in HCC events this year. We also have a team of parents, led by Becky Linton, Catherine Pantelas, Kelly Swims, and Angie Cheney, leading the organization and instruction. Last year, we had approximately 14 events throughout the school year. This year, we have over 30 events scheduled for 5th and 6th grade HCC students. Some of the topics that we will be discussing are the following: Game Design, Upper Level Mathematics, Foreign Languages, Financial Literacy, Robotics, and others. We are very lucky to have an amazing parent group that is excited to offer these opportunities to our HCC students. Our HCC students meet during A-time in the art room and often take homework to share with parents and to continue their accelerated topics.

### Creekside Elementary School

Did you know that Creekside has a Movement Hallway circuit for all students? Brightly colored vinyl tape patterns have been added to our main hallways, creating movement zones. As students walk through the hallways, several times a day they can jump, skip, or hop following the patterns on the floor. Donna Ingamells, our creative OT, has turned a passive hallway walk into one that is active and engaging. Agreeing with the research, this intentional movement circuit supports student focus and learning. Students also develop physical literacy and body awareness such as hopping, body balance and crossing mid-line. Move your Body.... Activate your Brain.... Engage in Learning!

### **Lakes Elementary School**

Did you know that Lakes just held our Lakes Family Science Night in the Lakes cafeteria and gym, put on by the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum? This event is provided by the generosity of the Lakes PTO. We had hundreds of students and families attend this evening to take



part in twenty hands on Science experiments, ranging from identifying various animal teeth, testing the strength of their paper bridge designs, launching plastic bottle caps to study chemical reactions, and doing simple coding on chrome books, among many other fun-filled activities. We would like to thank the over twenty Hartland High School volunteers who helped run these exhibits. They were so helpful and their dedication to this event is greatly appreciated! Our students and families love the opportunity to enjoy these STEM-based activities each year!



### **Round Elementary School**

Round Elementary had their annual Fall Fun Run on Friday, October 19th. The Round PTO and Families raised over \$25,000.00. These funds will be used to purchase new touchscreen chromebooks with a charging station (cart), assemblies, books for instruction and take home reading, teacher supplies, and much more. We celebrated reaching our goal with Detroit Lions fullback Nick Bellore while Mrs. Hottum's hair was dyed in rainbow colors! Mrs. Hull's class had the most pledge participation and will host the trophy for the year. Mrs. Hottum will enjoy a pizza lunch with top earners: Cameron Taylor, Jayden Clemons, Jacob Diehl, and a friend of their choice. Thank you Round families and community for supporting our school and district. Together Everyone Achieves More (TEAM)!

### **Village Elementary**

Did you know that on October 19th Village Elementary held their Annual Hedge Hog Hustle? Thanks to the incredible support of our parents and community, we once again exceeded our fundraising goal of \$15,000. Our students participated in a one mile fun run and raised \$15,520.31 for our PTO this year! We will be celebrating our success on Halloween morning with 115 students 'sliming' Mrs. Day at our school-wide assembly and again on November 1<sup>st</sup> with our 'Bounce House Extravaganza' and Crazy Sock Day! Thank you to our parents and our Village school community for your continued support of our PTO and the resources and programs that they provide for our students and teachers each year!

### **Community Education**

On Friday, October 19th the Hartland Gymnastics Program held a Trunk or Treat for all children including a chance to participate in open gymnastics. Several hundred children joined in the chilling, spooky games and snacks that evening.

The Hartland Senior Activities Center had over 1,000 people attend their annual SAGE productions show. This year's *Feelin' Groovy*, under the direction of Ms. Alice Andrews, was a big hit. Thank you to the Center's Director, Ms. Kim Konarski and all the volunteers who participated in one way or another to make this show such a success. Your contributions made it happen!

### **Student Nutrition**

Did you know that on Tuesday, October 23, in celebration and support of the Michigan apple industry, Hartland elementary students participated in Michigan Apple Crunch Day? Every student in the cafeteria was offered a Michigan apple! Together the students "crunched" healthy Michigan Apples. In our elementary schools, over 1,400 Michigan apples were crunched that day!

### **Hartland District**

Did you know that there is still time to get a flu vaccine? Costco will be administering the vaccine at Farms Intermediate on October 30th (3:45pm – 5:00pm), Hartland High School on November 1st (2:00pm – 4:30pm), and at the HESSC (Board room) on November 6th (1:30pm – 3:15pm). All parents, employees and children (over the age of 5) are invited to attend any of the district's flu clinics. Typically, your health insurance will cover the cost, and if you do not have insurance, the cost is \$19.99. We look forward to a 'healthy' winter in Hartland and invite our students and employees to participate in this opportunity!