

Sweet Opportunity



By: Mary Fleming, Teacher

Any learning opportunity is great, but having the opportunity to prepare for your future career is a sweet one! The Advanced Culinary Arts classes are very excited to be afforded many new educational experiences and opportunities due to a \$25,000 "Teacher in the Workplace" grant from the Department of Education. The grant opportunity was coordinated by Mary Fleming, Superintendent Mike Calla, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Justi Glaros and Principal Mike Fitzgerald.

Grant money will be used to tour Pittsburgh Technical College in March where students will watch an instructor/chef give a demonstration in the Culinary Arts Department. Students will then enjoy a culinary experience at the exceptional Capital Grille where head chef and manager, Tom White will speak about managing a restaurant and the importance of ServSafe.

Also in March, the grant will afford the Advanced Culinary Classes the opportunity to take the ServSafe course and test to earn the ServSafe Food Handler Certification which will help them become more marketable in the restaurant industry. Those students who would like to further their education and add an additional certificate can also take the ServSafe Manager Course and Test.

Currently, the Advanced Culinary Arts Classes and Club are busy preparing for the February 27th Tiger Treat Bakery. Staff and students can look forward to New York Style Cheesecake, Quick Breads, beautifully decorated cakes, truffles, Texas sheet cakes, muffins, coffee cake, cookies and more! The lunch special will be delicious meatball subs and homemade cavatelli and sauce.

The Advanced Culinary Arts students operate the Tiger Treat bakery, an entrepreneurial experience where students are learning 21st century workforce skills that will aid in their future career endeavors. Students are learning critical thinking, interpersonal skills, technology literacy, applied academic skills as well as personal skills including flexibility, professionalism, leadership, responsibility and productivity.

Nation's Best!

By: Lynne Parrish, Teacher

Students in Sharon Middle School's Reading Program mentored other students across the country as they learned the online component of the Reading Program. Research indicates that online vocabulary games are beneficial to reading development as is mentoring others.

Pictures: Malak Kanan, 7th grader who was the Number One score on the National Leaderboard for Vocab Journey, Zion Reitenower-Norris, Taylor Higgs, Miss DeJulia, Emma Allenbaugh and Alexis Wilson participated in a student mentoring day as a part of the Middle School's Reading Program.



West Hill Elementary Students Enjoy a Reward at the Olympic Fun Center

By: Amy Hammond, Guidance Counselor

West Hill Elementary students were treated to a trip to the Olympic Fun Center from our Positive Behavior Support Team.

110 students were able to go skating and use the play area at the Olympic Fun Center on January 23rd for a few hours in the morning. At the beginning of the school year the students learned about our P.B.S. expectations in all areas of our school. During our roll out of the school rules and expectations the students gave ideas for what they wanted as a reward and knew how they could earn it for the first semester. The Olympic Fun Center

was a popular request amongst the grades K-6 here at West Hill Elementary.

The 110 students had to earn the field trip. These students followed our 4 school rules, BE Here, BE Safe, BE Respectful and BE Ready. In order to earn the trip the students could not have one office discipline referral to the principal and could not be sick or not attend school 5 or more days of school. We would like to thank the Olympic Fun Center for working with us to provide this to our students. We would also like to thank our students, staff and parents who throughout the school year fundraised to provide special incentives for our students.

Sharon Wrestling Coach to be inducted into the Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame!



Congratulations to Sharon Wrestling Coach, Dave Ciafre who will be inducted into the Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame!

Dave Ciafre is a 1966 graduate of Shaler High School and a 1975 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh with a degree in Counselor Education. Dave began his 40-year wrestling coaching career in 1979 at Riverview Junior High School before assuming the junior varsity coaching duties from 1981-1985 and, then, became the varsity head coach from 1986-1990. He served as head coach at Mercersburg Academy for one year (1991-92) before moving to Sharon High School in 1993. He has coached 41 section champions, 82 district placers, 40 regional placers, 18 PIAA state placers and three PIAA state champions. Dave worked the Clarion Wrestling Camps as a coach from 1983-2016 and the Clarion Team Camps as a coach from 1999-2006 before serving as head administrator of the Clarion Team Camps from 2006-2016. Dave's been actively involved with PA USA Wrestling as Junior Nationals Coach (1985-97), Junior National Assistant Coach (1985-90) and Head Coach of the PA Freestyle Junior National team from 1990-1997. During his time with the PA Freestyle National Team, he coached some of the most recognized names in PA wrestling history. He also served as a Pennsylvania Freestyle/Greco Roman official from 1983-1997 and was named the PA USA Wrestling Official of the Year in 1989.

The PWCA Hall of Fame induction ceremony is May 17 at Mountainview Country Club in Boalsburg, PA. The other individual inductees are Bob and Bobby Ferraro, Tim Flynn, Jarrod King, Joel Kislin, Walter Peppelman, Scott Schleicher and Frank Vulcano.



Spreading Holiday Cheer

By: Kelly Manzo, Advisor

Sharon Middle High School Student Councils volunteered their time during the busy holiday season to help St. Joseph's Church Food Pantry in Sharon. Students thoroughly enjoyed helping patrons organize their Christmas presents and other donations throughout the morning. 'Tis the season for giving and the members of both the Middle and High School Student Councils were blessed to share their time with many caring people. Student Council Middle School Advisor is Elizabeth Musulin and High School Advisors are Kelly Manzo and Kellie O'Brien.



French Club Excursions

By: Courtney Nelson, Advisor

The French Club spent their Black Friday at the theatre. They traveled to the Benedum Center in Pittsburgh to see the Broadway version of *Les Misérables*. Based on the classic novel by Victor Hugo, *Les Mis* tells the story of the struggles of ex-convict Jean Valjean and his

search for redemption during revolutionary France. Pictured from left to right are: Chelsea Spatara, Emma Miller, Anastasia Stonebraker, Jacque Flower, Caleb Childs, Brihauna Wilson, Shane Rowe, Rozelynn White, and Cara Kightlinger. Missing from the picture: Chris Lozano.



Musser Elementary Among the Best in PA!

By: Jeff DeJulia, Musser Elementary Principal

Musser Elementary School has been designated a Title I Distinguished School for the 2019-2020 school year. Each year the Division of Federal Programs honors the top performing Title I schools in Pennsylvania. In

order to determine this year's honorees, the most recent academic performance data available for the school year 2018-2019 and 2017-2018 was used. Over the past two school years Musser students were in the top 5% of the state for demonstrating student growth. The staff and students are extremely proud to be recognized for their performance.

Middle School Students Of The Month

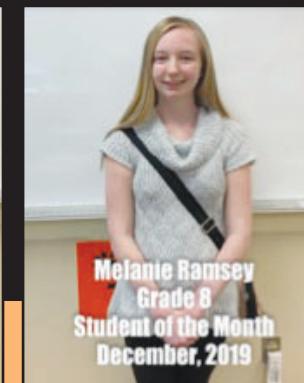
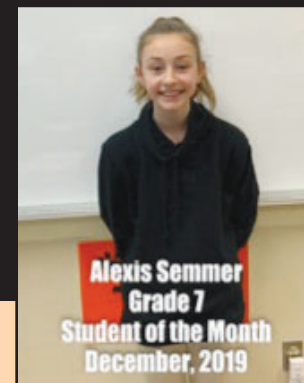
By: Erin Borowicz, Teacher

The following students have been voted Sharon Middle School Students of the Month for the month:

December: Carmine Thomas, Seth Carroll, Melanie Ramsay and Alexis Semmer

January: Torrin Zeigler, Mia Labbiento, Carter Burns and Isabella Gee

Students of the month are nominated and voted on by faculty. To be nominated, students should possess a mix of good character, kindness, school spirit, cooperation and a good work ethic.



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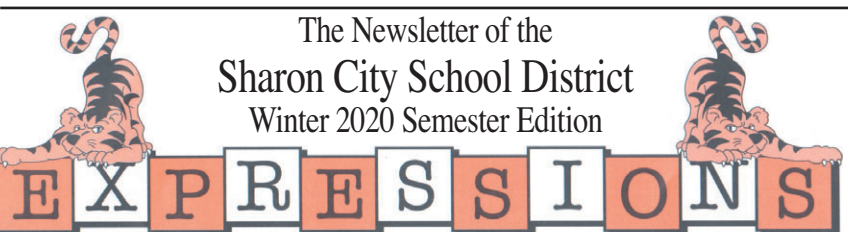
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