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MT. VIEW ALUMNA JAMIE ROONEY GUEST SPEAKER

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Mt View HS Alumna and author of *Black to Blue* speaks
- 2017 Boston Flower & Garden Show trip
- Adult Ed students working on Professionalism

On Thursday, May 18th, Jamie Rooney, Mt. View High School Alumna and author of *Black to Blue* spoke to the community at the Clifford Performing Arts Center at the Mt. View Complex. This is a survivor's story: From poverty and abuse to police department chronicled in her book.

Again and again in the book, Rooney describes her strength, her unwillingness to be defined by her abuse, her focus of her goals. She knew it was this strength, both physical and emotional, that would save her. And it did!

Rooney has always wanted

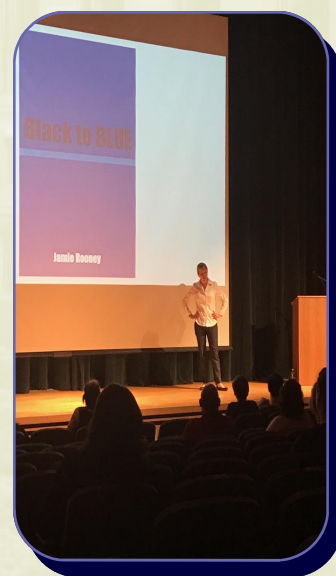
to be a police officer. They were "superheroes," in her eyes. She loved "their badges: they were shiny and covered their hearts." I wanted a badge that would protect my heart, too," she wrote.

Kids at a young age should be taught to listen to their instincts, according to Rooney. She wants to get the book into high schools for high-risk groups (students who are not happy to go home).

"For Rooney, giving back is healing.

"We're all meant to do something," she said. "I heal everyday when I do

what I do."

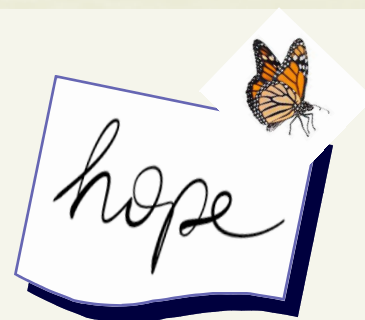


"Jamie Rooney was inspiring to our students; many of which come from situations that are similar to that of Jamie's. It is important that Mount View students hear that it is possible to overcome the predicaments that they have been expected to endure.

The students need to see that they can truly make an impact on the world.

Jamie opened the students' eyes to see that their future may be brighter than they expect."

~Zack Freeman, Mt. View High School Principal



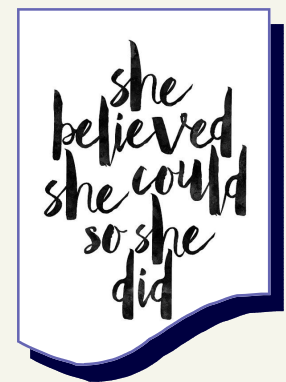
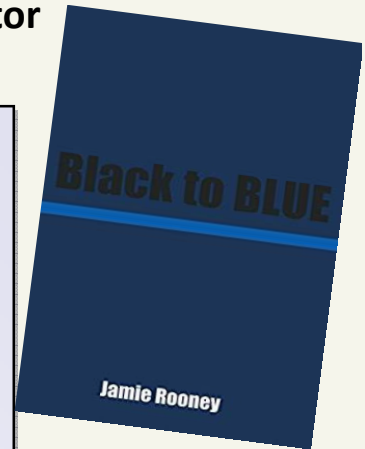


From the Desk of Pat Hughes, Director

Mount View Alumna, Jamie Rooney, author of 'Black to Blue' presented a powerful and hopeful message to the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students at the Clifford Performing Arts Center on Thursday, May 18, 2017. Her presentation was impactful, truthful, and judging from the comments heard after her speech, inspiring to those who heard her talk.

Jamie is a full-time police officer in York. She has been with York PD for over 16 years. Jamie graduated from Mount View in 1995, and lived in Jackson from the age 12 to 17. Her childhood was filled with violence, drugs and poverty, but at the end, she brings hope with her story of survival and creating your own destiny. She gave tools to survive amid abuse to the students during her presentation.

At 6:30PM that evening, she presented her story to the community in the Center. Though she told her story about leaving with a trash bag full of clothes and never looking back, she also told of her support and empowering those with her words. She told us she wanted to pay it forward and give back to the community and Mount View where she felt safe during her childhood. She said she would give tools to the School Resource Officer and would be willing to return to help set up places in the community where people who were facing abuse could go to seek help and support.



In the SPICE Literacy World... by Marie Roberts, Instructor



The 2016-17 school year for **SPICE** students has been a busy one. Students worked hard on their academic goals and studied a wide variety of topics. One common theme for the year was "Professionalism." Professionalism is one of the skills deemed critical by the 21st Century Workforce course offered through RSU #3. Students were all asked to consider professionalism and what it might mean. From there, they all focused on various aspects of professionalism that were relevant to their lives, whether their work life or home life. Many students were able to put their new knowledge to use right away and apply it to jobs or personal situations.



2017 BOSTON GARDEN & FLOWER SHOW

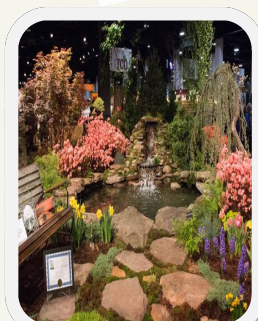
After what seemed like an endless winter with bouts of freezing cold in New England, Waldo County community members boarded a coach bus and headed to the Boston Garden and Flower Show on March 25. The show is a gardeners' paradise offering masterfully landscaped displays and a Garden Marketplace" hosting 200 vendors. The large room

featured gardens designed by over 17-award winning landscapers.

Superheroes of the Garden was the theme of the 2017 show. If you're familiar with the popular Comic-Con celebration of comic books, video games, and pop culture, you'll immediately understand this year's Flower Show- "it's like a Horti-Con,

honoring all the crusaders, innovations, and legendary plants that make possible super gardens." Many of the demonstration gardens combined rocks, water, and foliage.

This is the first time the RSU#3 Adult Ed Program has offered a trip like this, but it definitely will not be the last! Stay tuned for the fall brochure, due out mid August!!!



A "tiny house" (right) makes the center point of this landscape design.



This display garden (below) features a Chinese Moon Gate garden. If you look closely, you'll see lots of sustainable products such as bamboo, as well as decorative rocks and plants suited to our local growing conditions.



Fairy House Display by Maine Stoneworks, LLC (left)



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*"Educating The Mind Without Educating The Heart Is
No Education At All"*

~ARISTOTLE



Program Vision Statement

The RSU#3 Adult and Community Education program is based on the belief that learners of all ages, using the power of life-long learning, will become better equipped for the future by developing needed academic skills and becoming self-sufficient community members

Program Mission Statement

The RSU#3 Adult and Community Education program is designed to promote educational opportunities and provide professional instruction in a safe and positive learning environment in order to assist a broad spectrum of learners to achieve their educational goals and become effective members of our community.



FRYEBURG FAIR

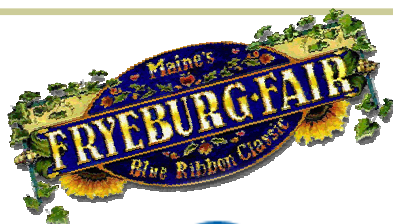
October 1

Enjoy the day at the Fryeburg Fair, Maine's largest agricultural fair. The event schedule includes a flower show, horse pulling, ox pulling and harness racing. The fee includes roundtrip motor coach transportation only. You are expected to pay for your own meals. Participants must pay the \$10 fair admission upon arrival. The bus will depart from Mount View High School at 7:00 a.m. and arrive in Fryeburg around 9:45 a.m. Return time will be approximately 8:30 p.m. Limit 55.

Sunday

Fee: \$34

***No refunds will be given after this date.**



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Join us for a fun packed day in Boston and a visit to the New England Aquarium. At the aquarium, you can explore coral reefs, experience a rain forest, meet a variety of creatures and even attend a movie in the IMAX Theater. Your day includes time to enjoy the shopping and eating opportunities at Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market. Depart from the Mount View High School parking lot at on a Cyr Bus motor coach at 7:00 a.m. and arrive at the aquarium around 10 a.m. Spend as much time as you want at the aquarium and/or walk to nearby locations for shopping and eating. The bus will pick you up at the aquarium at approximately 5:15 p.m. After a stop at the Kennebunk Rest Area you will arrive home at approximately 9:00-9:30 p.m. Your fee includes transportation and general admission to the aquarium. Special event tickets, IMAX, and meals are not included. An adult must accompany children under the age of 16. **Deadline to register: September 1. No refunds will be issued after this date.**

Register at www.rsu3adulted.org or 568-3426, ext. 1 or send registration form and payment to: RSU3 Adult & Community Education 577 Mount View Rd., Thorndike, Maine 04986.

Pick up location: Mt. View High School Parking Lot: 6:49 a.m

Date: Saturday, September 16, 2017

Time: 7:00 a.m. – 10:001 p.m.

Fees: \$69 adult | \$67 senior | \$59 child 3-17 Saturday from 6:49 AM – 11:30 PM, 9/16/2017 with Tammie Leach