



Superintendent's Report – November 2015

Rotary Students of the Month

Krystina Rodkey

Krystina is the daughter of Jessica Rodkey of Lebanon. She is a member of the marching band, jazz band, percussion ensemble, the musical, National Honor Society, orchestra and Chamber Orchestra. Krystina plans to attend Lebanon Valley College to prepare for a career as a high school band director.

Huy Luu

Huy is the son of Houng Luu and Trang Thach of Lebanon. He is a member of the soccer team, a pole vaulter on the track and field team and a member of S.T.A.R. Club. Huy plans to join the Army Reserves and then go to Millersville University to study Computer Science.

American Education Week: Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility

Special events are happening throughout our schools during American Education Week. On Friday, November 20, the following volunteers will be honored as "Friends of Education" at a special banquet given in their honor:

- Rick Beard, nominated by Mr. Giovino
- Anne Brubaker, nominated by Ms. Gingrich
- Paula Doney, nominated by Dr. Bartley
- JT Dorsey, nominated by Mr. Reager
- Harry Fenton, nominated by Dr. Danz
- Peggy Gipe, nominated by Mrs. Spangler
- Denny & Judy Habecker, nominated by Mr. Murphy and Mr. Habecker
- Brenda Harwick, nominated by Mrs. Best-Biscotti
- Jacklyn Major, nominated by Mr. Cruz
- Nancy Strohm and Norman Tobias, nominated by Mr. Habecker
- Karen Weaver, nominated by Mrs. Citko
- Judy Williams-Henry, nominated by Mrs. Connelly
- Paul Davis Restoration, nominated by Mr. Hartman

We will also recognize the following two distinguished alumni:

- Bernerd A. Buzgon, Esquire, Class of 1955
- Jared Odrick, Class of 2006

Congratulations to all!

Proud of You!

Zachary Leffler, 3rd grade student at Henry Houck, found a substantial amount of money at a football game and turned it in to the press box. The Administration and Board are very proud of Zachary for making the right decision. The woman who lost the money needed it very badly and Zachary's kind action made a big difference. On behalf of the Board, President Peter Pyles presented Zachary with a Good Citizenship Award Certificate.

Northwest Elementary School Update

Our Board approved the application of a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant to help pay for the installation of pedestrian and bicycle paths for the Northwest Project. The District will apply for the grant, in conjunction with the City.

2015 Parent Satisfaction Survey

Our parent satisfaction results are terrific! We received completed surveys from about seventy-five percent of our parents; and ninety-nine percent of those parents have a favorable impression of our schools.

Rotary Four-Way Speech Contest

The mid-level competition will be held in the LHS Atrium on Wednesday, November 18 at 4 PM. Ten students from six Lebanon-Lancaster School Districts will compete. Three students from LHS will be participating: Mariangelys Pagan, Janessa Biddle, and Kiaya Sechrest.

3rd Annual Futures Seminar

We have asked our juniors, and some seniors, about their future interests and have invited them to attend the Futures Seminar. Students were seated with an adult who is in a career that they are interested in pursuing after high school. About fifty students attended the seminar. Tito Valdes, Class of 2010, was our keynote speaker; he was amazing! We also collected canned item for our Veterans. We will work with our VFW to get the food to Veterans in need.

Music Update

- ❖ Congratulations to the five students who were chosen to represent our school in February at the District Chorus Festival:
 - Natalie Payne, soprano 2
 - Paige Hall, alto 2
 - Charles Hildebrand, tenor 1
 - Gian Fabian, tenor 2
 - Matthew Plummer, bass 2
 - Isaiah Fenstermaker is the 1st alternate as a bass

- ❖ Exciting News!! Seventy-one students will be traveling to Florida to perform at Disney World from November 28 to December 2.

- ❖ The Music Boosters need our help. The current truck will not make it through another school year. It is used to transport all musical instruments, equipment, uniforms and props to our numerous events throughout the school year. The cost of a new truck is \$42,000. The Cedar Foundation is going to help the Music Boosters with the fundraising. Donation envelopes will be provided at all concerts. Thank you in advance, for any amount of donation.

Family Night Out

Come join us for a Family Night Out Scavenger Hunt held in the high school atrium on Wednesday, November 18, 2015. The evening includes dinner, childcare, transportation and a book for each child who attends.

New and Updated Policies

The Board is reviewing three new policies this month. They will be on January's agenda for a final reading:

1. Homeless Students
2. Educator Misconduct
3. Naloxone

The Board is revising the Disciplinary Procedure Policy. It will also be on the January agenda for final approval.

2015 Audit

The District received a favorable audit for the 2014-2015 school year. The analysis of the district's finances showed no material findings, as reported by Trout, Ebersle & Groff.

Athletic Update

Congratulations to Miranda Beard and Pam Bencosme on being named to the 2nd Team All Star list for girls volleyball in the L-L League. It's a huge honor to be a selected member of the All Star Team. If you see either of these ladies today, please congratulate them.

Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council/PTA Meetings

Our third PAC/PTA meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17, beginning at 6 PM. Meetings are held in the board room and all parents are invited and encouraged to attend.

Board Update

We will miss the following School Board Members who did not run for re-election:

- Anne V. Dall, served 8 years
- Cornell Wilson, served 4 years
- Joshua Gologowski, served 2 years

We welcome our three new members:

- Robert Okonak
- Cesar Liriano
- Ashley Cessna

Our Re-organization meeting will be held on Monday, December 7, at 7 PM in the board room. Judge Eby will be here for the swearing in our our new members.

Quiz Bowl Update

Currently the LHS Quiz Bowl team is 6 and 0 through two matches, beating Donegal and Pequea Valley.

Contract Approvals

The Board approved two new contracts:

1. A five year beverage vending contract with Pepsi.
2. A five year contract with Phillips Office Solutions for managed print services.