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Seymour Community School District



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Looking Toward Our Future



"If it's snowing down,
please try slowing down."



Happy
2015

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DRIVER EDUCATION PARENT/GUARDIAN MEETING

The parent and or guardian meeting for students interested in taking Driver Education at Seymour Community High School during the spring or summer of 2015, will be held on Monday, January 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Any student born before February 1, 2000 is eligible.

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL *It's Electrifying!*

Seymour High School will perform *Grease* February 12, 13, and 14 at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday February 15 at 1:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

It is love at first sight when high school teens Danny Zuko and Sandy Dumrowski meet off campus during the summer months. Danny exposes his sensitive side to Sandy but he never expected her to show up at Rydell High that fall. With his friends present, he reverts to his greaser (tough guy) personality jeopardizing his relationship with Sandy. In response to Danny's coolness towards her, Sandy joins the Pink Ladies, the female version of the greasers.

Tickets go on sale Monday, February 2, 2015 at the Seymour ThunderZone. For more information, please contact Seymour High School at (920) 833-2306.

LOCAL STUDENT NOMINATED TO COMPETE IN NATIONAL AWARD PROGRAM

Samantha Maass, a Seymour High School senior, has been nominated to compete in the national 2014-15 Herff Jones Believe in You Scholarship & Principal's Award.

Thomas Mueller, principal, Seymour High School, today announced the nomination, which places Samantha in the national competition. One hundred national PLA winners will be chosen this spring to receive \$1,000 college scholarships.



Participating high school principals from across the country could nominate one senior high student to compete in this year's program. Winners are recognized for exemplary leadership qualities and academic success.

While at Seymour High School, Maass has been active in Dance, Student Senate, National Honor Society, Student Leadership, STEP Crew, SALSA, Junior Class President, and the Wellness Committee. After graduation, Samantha plans to attend UW Stevens Point, majoring in communications. She is the daughter of Tim & Colleen Maass.

SEYMOUR HIGH SCHOOL FRENCH CLUB HELPING IN HAITI



SHS French Club is connecting with a group in Haiti called the Clearway Project. They have donated money to help the community of Trou-du-Nord to provide sustainable solid waste management with environmental education, recycling and composting programs. Haiti recently experienced severe flooding and French club was able to provide them with immediate assistance.

PARENT ALERT ON INTERNET SAFETY

The Seymour Community School District has done a great job in being proactive regarding Internet Safety. As the Police School Liaison, I have partnered with school counselors to speak with students in fourth, fifth, and sixth grade about many aspects related to internet safety. Students are informed of the dangers of the internet and given real life examples of crimes being committed.

Unfortunately, around the state and nation, there has been an increase in the amount of internet crimes. Our school district is no different. The majority of our students have electronic devices. It is important to be aware of what your kids see and hear on the internet, who they meet, and what they share about themselves on-line. Your child's best on-line protection is you. Not only can your child become a victim, if unsupervised and uninformed, they could unfortunately become the perpetrator. Help us reinforce to you child that it is against the law to harass, bully, and/or send inappropriate sexual pictures. It is also a crime to intentionally attack, disrupt or hack into another person's account.

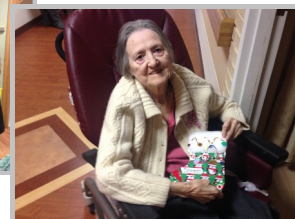
This coming spring we plan on providing internet safety education for parents. This will be in conjunction with the Community Family Resource Center. Thank you in advance for taking the time to talk with your children about internet safety and monitoring their use of electronics.

Officer TJ Hilgenberg



SMS EIGHT GRADERS MAKE CANDY CANE STOCKINGS

The 8th grade students enjoyed making Christmas stockings for the residents at Good Shepherd. On December 19th, they were able to hand deliver the Candy Cane Stockings in person. They were welcomed by many with smiles and heart-felt thanks. Pictured, with staff, from left to right: Taylor Krueger, Isabelle Schluez, Aaliyah House-Webster, and Olivia Moehring.



SEYMOUR MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS VETERANS

Seymour Middle School seventh graders put on a Veteran's Day program to honor local vets. The ceremony was held in the SMS multipurpose room. Fifty four area veterans along with family and friends attended the ceremony.



Become a Foster Parent or Respite Provider Today!

In WI alone, approximately 8,000 children are placed into foster care each year.

LSS needs *you* to join in our efforts to make a difference for these youth.

LSS provides specialized training, 24/7 support, respite care, case coordination, and more so that *you* can help make a difference in a child's life.

Respite providers who can offer weekend or short-term care are also needed.

Do you have a heart for children? Can you provide them with a safe and caring place to call home?

A stipend is provided to help cover the cost.

For more information contact Andrea Tepp at 715-218-0547 or andrea.tepp@lsswis.org

If you're not interested and know of someone who might be, please pass this on.

The need is great throughout the state!

Child Development Days

The Seymour Community School District provides evaluations and special services to those students identified as disabled in accordance with the state and federal guidelines. Each child between birth to 21 years of age is entitled to screening for, and evaluation of, suspected disabling conditions. These services are at no cost to the parents or student identified.

Child Development Days, a screening for children with special needs between three and five years of age, is held in October and April of each school year. If you have a child who will be at least 3 years, 3 months old by April 1st, 2015, you and your child will be invited to participate in **Seymour Community Schools Child Development Days**.

There are two different ways for you to participate. One option is to attend with your child. If you choose this alternative, your son or daughter will be involved in a small play group while you have the opportunity to meet other parents and talk with school personnel about normal growth and development. You can expect to spend about 40 minutes at school. Before you leave, a member of the screening staff will review her/his observations of your child's development with you as well as answer any questions you might have.

Another choice is to have your child screened at his or her preschool/day care location. This opportunity will be available if your child attends Seymour Head Start, Good Shepherd Child Care, or Grow With Us. If this selection is chosen, parents will need to provide written permission but not be present for the screening. Staff will observe your child's development in a play-based setting and then provide written feedback about his or her development to you.

More information will be mailed to you in the upcoming months. Please call Lisa Daubert, school psychologist, if you need more information (833-7199, ext. 310).



Community Family Resource Centers, Inc. (CFRC) is a non-profit organization providing family-friendly, affordable education and entertainment for children birth to 5th grade. Located in the Black Creek Elementary School and the Rock Ledge Primary Center, Seymour, CFRC is close and convenient for you and your family. All CFRC programs are open to ALL area residents.

The PACE Program is Always Open for Enrollment

The 2nd session of the Parent And Child Enrichment (PACE) Program begins Monday, January 26, but PACE is always open for enrollment. Attend PACE to register. Not sure if PACE is what you and your child are looking for? Check us out for FREE your first time!

PACE is designed for families with children ages 0-5 to foster parent and child interaction in a fun, structured environment. PACE focuses on child social skills and learning, parent education and fun through activities including play time, circle-time activities, art projects, story time and snack. Join us for PACE during the day or in the evening – whatever works in your schedule! Children ages birth to one are free, but donations are welcome.

Cost per session for children older than one are \$25 for the first child, \$20 for the second child, and \$5 for each additional child, with a maximum of \$50 per family. Scholarships are available.

2014-2015 PACE Schedule Rock Ledge Primary Center, Seymour

Monday 6-7:30 p.m.
Tuesday 9-11 a.m.
Thursday 9-11 a.m.

Black Creek Elementary School

Monday 9-11 a.m.
Wednesday 9-11 a.m.

Nutrition & Fitness Family Fun Night at Rock Ledge Intermediate – Thurs., Jan. 29, 6-7:30 pm (Register by Jan. 26)

Learn how to be active and make healthy snack choices with your kids, while still having fun, by attending this FREE event on Thursday, January 29, from 6-7:30 pm at the Rock Ledge Intermediate School Gymnasium. Phy. Ed. teachers Mr. Palubicki, Mrs. Cornette and Mr. Bauer will show you and your kids easy ways to get active while school nurse Amber Thompson shows healthy snacks to sample. This event is part of the Fuel Up to Play60 program. All families are welcome. **Register for this event through CFRC by Monday, Jan. 26.**

Black Creek Nutrition & Fitness Family Fun Night at Black Creek School – Tuesday, Feb. 10, 6-7:30 pm (Register by Feb. 5)

Learn how to be active and make healthy snack choices with your kids, while still having fun, by attending this FREE event on Tuesday, February 10, from 6-7:30 pm at the Black Creek Elementary/Middle School Gymnasium. Black Creek School staff will show you and your kids easy ways to get active while school nurse Amber Thompson shows healthy snacks to sample. This event is part of the Fuel Up to Play60 program started at the Black Creek School in 2012 for 3rd-5th graders. All families are welcome. **Register for this event through CFRC by Thursday, February 5.**

14th Annual Winterfest at Seymour Middle School – Saturday, February 21, 2015, 10 am-2 pm
CFRC's 14th annual Winterfest Carnival will feature The Juggler with the Yellow Shoes – Comic Juggler Dan Kirk along with carnival games and bouncers, basket raffles, food and fun for all ages. Kids, bring your parents and grandparents – you won't want to miss this fun event! Watch for more details.

“Like” CFRC on Facebook

Make sure to “like” CFRC Black Creek/Seymour on Facebook to be notified of our upcoming events and programs.

To register for any CFRC events or to be added to our e-mail list, contact us at:
cfrc@seymour.k12.wi.us or (920) 833-5155 x703.

Visit our website at www.seymour.k12.wi.us/cfrc.cfm for more information.

Are You a Tech Savvy Girl?

You will be after a day of hands-on fun and learning at the Tech Savvy Conference!

Tech Savvy gets you thinking about the possibilities for a career in science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM). Bring a parent or guardian because there are special sessions for them about how to help you on your path to college and a career.

Are You Ready?

Save the date: Saturday April 18, 2015

Online application available January 26, 2015

Who

Girls in grades 6–9 and a parent/guardian

Where

UW-Oshkosh campus

Time

8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Cost

\$5 for each participant
(includes lunch & a light breakfast)



Questions? Visit us at www.aauw.org and search for *Tech Savvy*



2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

As a result of federal legislation Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act - AHERA, each primary and secondary school in the nation is required to complete a stringent new inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials - ACBM. Seymour Community School District's goal is to be in full compliance with this law and is following the spirit, as well as the letter, of the law. As a matter of policy, Seymour Community School District shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees.

In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) owned or leased by the school district were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the school prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely and responsibly.

Furthermore, Seymour Community School District has completed its three-year re-inspection requirement by AHERA. Seymour Community School District buildings, where asbestos-containing materials were found, are under repair, removal or being monitored and maintained.

This past year, Seymour Community School District conducted the following with respect to its asbestos containing building materials:

- 1) Removed asbestos containing materials from the Rock Ledge Intermediate kitchen storeroom in June of 2014.

Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called surveillance) every six months of each area containing asbestos. Also the law requires all buildings to be reinspected three years after a management plan is in effect. This will be accomplished under contract by MacNeil Environmental, Inc.

Short-term workers (outside contractors - i.e. telephone repair workers, electricians and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos in which they may come into contact. All short-term workers shall contact the lead maintenance person for asbestos information before commencing work.

Seymour Community School District has a list of location(s) and type(s) of asbestos-containing materials found in that school building and a description and timetable for their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the district office. Copies are available for 25 cents per page. Questions related to the plan should be directed to Tim Diermeier, Facilities Coordinator, at 920-833-2304.



Canned Food Drive and Money Drive at Black Creek

November 18th through December 5th marked the dates of the Black Creek canned food and money drive. Goals were set of 3,000 cans and \$1,500. Both results were impressive. The canned food drive collected a total of 3,092 cans. The winners of the ice cream party were Ms. Laatsch's homeroom with 252 cans and Ms. Helm's middle school homeroom with an average of 31.4 cans per student.

The money drive results were even more astounding. With the help of community members, and the school collection, \$1,940.17 was collected! First place and the winners of the pizza party were Mrs. Barth's elementary homeroom with \$165.01 and Mrs. Haines's middle school homeroom with an average of \$5.78 per student.

By Partnering with Community 2000 and the Adopt a Family Program, local families in need were able to be the recipients of many Christmas presents.

As an extra bonus, since both the food and money drive goals were met, Principal Jason Wesenberg, as promised, dressed up in a sumo suit chosen by the students on December 19th. The community of Black Creek and Black Creek School has much to be proud of again this year!

JUMPIN 4 PAYTON

This year Black Creek Elementary School had an extra special reason to participate in the American Heart Association Jump Rope For Heart event. That reason was one student who was having open heart surgery during the week in which Black Creek K-5 students were participating in the event. Payton Miller who successfully underwent open heart surgery was the reason why Black Creek went above and beyond their fundraising totals from past years. Payton is a current 1st grade student who had a hole in his heart



repaired while his classmates along with other K-5 students jumped rope during their Physical Education classes to raise money for the American Heart Association. The students raised \$6,686 this year to support the American Heart Association. With that being said there was also an individual who raised \$1,000 himself. Payton Miller found the heart inside of his own to go out of his way to raise this amount of money while recovering from his surgery. It was his goal to reach this amount and he indeed accomplished it. In all the years Crystal Helm (Physical Education teacher Black Creek) has been doing this event this is the first time she has had an individual reach the top tier of fundraising. Along with that being said it is also the highest amount the school has raised. She had a friendly little goal for the kids to raise over \$6,000. If they reached their goal she would dress up in a duck costume for the day. So she did dress up and the kids enjoyed it very much. Crystal Helm is very proud of how the students went above and beyond to raise the money for the American Heart Association this year



2014-2015 Black Creek Family Fun Night and Silent Auction

This year Black Creek Family Fun night had a huge turnout ranging from the people in the community to out of state travelers. There were over 100 bountiful baskets & some big items in the raffle/silent auction including hotel/vacation stays, many gift cards containing no less than \$25, and an xbox1....etc. There was also a spaghetti dinner, kids entertainer Mr. Billy, the bobcat bakery filled with many tasty treats, along with many kids games that were made/run by the Black Creek Middle School Students.



Seymour Middle School Spelling & Vocabulary Bee

It's Spelling Bee time again at Seymour Middle School! This year the bee included 20 6th through 8th graders all eager to show off their spelling and vocabulary skills. All of the language arts classes at SMS held their own classroom spelling bee with the winner being sent to represent their grade at the SMS Spelling and Vocabulary Bee. Representing the 6th grade were Derek Kaster, Allison Moede, Lincoln Holl, Georgia Callahan, Riley Clement, Will Warner and Lizzy Zahn. 7th grade classroom winners that participated in the schoolwide bee were Ana Cornelius, Cooper Warren, Levi VerVoort, Jared Barlament, Melissa Doersch, and Ty Witthuhn. Representing the 8th grade were Danielle Zahn, Hunter Clark, Brady Madison, Dayton Priebe, Hannah Gardner, and Josh Gribble.

The Spelling and Vocabulary Bee was held on Tuesday, January 13 in the Library Media Center. Mrs. Jill Nelson, Ms. Jocelyn Hischke, and Mrs. Tanya Nechodom were the judges for the competition. After 15 rounds 6th grader Lizzy Zahn pulled away with the win over 7th grader Ty Witthuhn. She spelled "dandelion" to become the SMS champion. Lizzy will represent the Seymour Community School District on Monday, February 9 at 6:30 pm at Washington Middle School in Green Bay. Good luck, Lizzy!



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