

THE WING LAKER



Fall 2015

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Welcome Back!
2015/16 school year

Student Council

Room	Representative	Alternate
FH	Cole Kapalla	Brian Jackson
3	Analeesa Browning	Zoe Outlaw
4	Zoe Nicholas	London Davis
5	Delanie Cooper	Breyanna Russell
6	Lucie Morris	Darryl Hendrix
7	Michael Szmyd	Paulina Albaran
8	Linley Kamyszek	Dillon Elder
9	Gerald Hayslett	Autumn Simms
10	Alex Rowley	Stephanie Burnham
11	Kaleigh McNeil	Alexis Canady
12	Jack Malaga	Katelyn Reynolds
14	Nick Oska	Michael Tsao
15	Peter Chippero	Josh Williams

Upcoming Events

- **Book Fair-**
October 26-30
- **Open House-**
October 29, 6-8PM
- **Parent Group-**
November 11, 10-11:30
- **PTO Meeting-**
November 12, 7:30PM
- **Gleaners Food Drive**
Ends...November 18

Student Council has been very busy since the beginning of the 2015/16 School year. Nick Oska is the President and Peter Chippero is the Vice President. The Treasurer responsibilities are shared between Gerald Hayslett and Autumn Simms and the Secretary position is shared between Alex Rowley and Stephanie Burnham. The adult leaders are: Laurel Wolma, Lisa Thompson, Kim Martus, Angie Petkoff and Christina McCarthy.

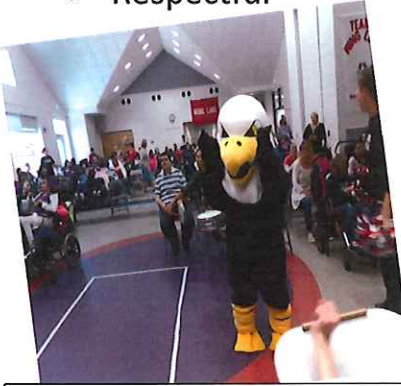
Student Council also had a successful Wing Lake water bottle sale. Perhaps you have seen the red water bottles around the school with the Wing Lake Eagle mascot on the front. Student council counted, bagged and delivered classroom orders.

Student Council was introduced to the school during our SOAR assembly. They led the school in a cheer and helped the school learn our new fight song.

Currently, the Student Council is collecting food donations for our annual Thanksgiving food drive. They will be collecting donations until November 18th. They will be donating to Gleaners Food Bank.

SOAR...

- Safe
- On Task
- Attitude Positive
- Respectful



SOAR... The Wing Lake SOAR assembly was a huge success! All week long classrooms learned what it means to be **Safe, On Task, Attitude that is Positive, and Respectful**. At the assembly we did a Wing Lake Cheer as we met our Student Council. Our Eagle mascot and Jessica Krull helped cheer everyone on. Joe Yankee played drums and Nick Oska assisted as we learned our new Wing Lake fight song. We released our positive behavior supports video (which will be added to the website shortly). At the end, we had a drawing and room 3 won a pizza party for their classroom participation in *SOAR*.



MICHIGAN

Students in our Adult classrooms (Jessica Krull, Beth Monroe, and Leslie Navarro) are learning about Michigan and its economy. Since Michigan is known for its automobiles, the classrooms decided to have a Wing Lake Auto Show.

On a beautiful fall day, students had a Tailgate in the Wing Lake parking lot. Students had an opportunity to sit in and explore a Van, SUV, Truck and a Car. They learned new vocabulary words and were able to locate parts of the car like "rim" and "steering wheel". While music blared, several students "chilled" in the back of the pickup. The students and staff really enjoyed this activity!



Community Outings

Community outings have always been a part of the program at Wing Lake....

This summer, many students were able to attend the Fishing Derby at Cass Lake. Students were treated to a pontoon ride and a lunch provided by the Oakland County Sherriff's Department.

In September several classes were able to attend Troy Daze. Students had beautiful weather and were able to go on rides, play games and enjoy a fun day out.

Other students went on an outing to the U of M Botanical Gardens. What a beautiful setting!

Most recently some students were able to visit the Parade Company. This is a huge warehouse that houses the floats for the Thanksgiving Parade. Students were allowed to touch and explore the displays. They were able to see Artists creating and developing new floats.

Goodbye.....Hello

Retirements June 2015

- Noreen Donovan (school nurse).
- Bob Mossman (school psychologist).
- Mary Pat Reichel (physical therapist).

Jamie Wing accepted a position as a Bloomfield resource room teacher.
Mira Palokaj (custodian) will be moving to East Hills.

All will be missed!!!



Darcy Barry is our new nurse. Previous to Wing Lake she worked as a nurse in an operating room, recovery and pre-op. She especially like “hands on patient care”.

Darcy has been married to her High School Sweetheart for one year. In her free time she loves to read. She and her husband LOVE to watch movies.....especially HORROR movies.

In the past Darcy has volunteered at Wing Lake. She was familiar with our school because her mom, Marcia Hauptman was a Bloomfield school psychologist for 30 years!

Kara Deschler is our new school psychologist. She has been with Bloomfield Hills School District for 6 years with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing program. She is fluent in sign language. Previous to this she worked for the Genesse Intermediate School District.

She has two children; a 14 year old son and a 13 year old daughter. She also has 2 crazy dogs...who are the “Masters of Escape”...

Kara keeps busy attending her children’s soccer and volley ball events. In her free time she enjoys reading. She also enjoys camping and riding her bike.



Ralph Ellis is our new physical therapist. He was at Children’s Hospital for 12 years. Most recently he was a Rep for a pediatric rehabilitative equipment company. He also volunteers with MI Adaptive Sports.

Ralph has 2 boys aged 7 and 4, a wife, a dog and a turtle (in that order). The boys keep him busy and he helps to coach soccer and T- ball.

For fun he enjoys anything out doors. He likes fly fishing, kayaking, snowboarding, surfing, climbing, hiking, biking and much more.

Ralph has completed 3 **Ironmans**, has done triathlons for 14 years and recently did his first marathon.

Jessica Shuler is the new teacher in our Elementary SCI classroom. She taught in Lamphere School District for the last 10 years.

She has a son who just turned 2 and a daughter who is 5. She and her husband have been married for 10 years. They are in the process of moving into a new home with more land.

For fun Jessica likes to exercise, run and crochet. She likes to do things with her kids. The whole family is obsessed with anything Disney. Anything “Princess” is popular in their home.

Jessica is happy to be here!

Erma Wilson is the new Foster Grandparent in Cindy Cashmore’s classroom (Adult SXI). She volunteers through a program with Catholic Charities.

Erma is a “real grandparent”. She has 7 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. One of her grandson’s plays professional football for the Tennessee Titans.

For fun Erma enjoys reading and spending time with her family.