



**HOWARD-SUAMICO**  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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# Howard-Suamico School District NEWSLETTER

**Summer 2013**

**VISION:**

*The Howard-Suamico School District will excel in developing productive, responsible, civic-minded adults who prosper and serve.*

**MISSION:**

*The mission of the Howard-Suamico School District is to work together with families and community to ensure that our students have the knowledge and skills to succeed in a changing world.*

**BELIEF STATEMENTS:**

- Every student has the right to learn.
- Instruction must be rigorous and relevant.
- Purposeful assessment drives instruction and affects learning.
- Learning is a collaborative responsibility.
- Students bring strengths and experiences to learning.
- Responsive environments engage learners.

Favor de contactar a Maria Montalvo al (920) 662-5087, si usted require alguna información traducida en español.

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## ***The Hope of Something Great?***



**Damian LaCroix,**  
*Superintendent*

With the start of something new comes the hope of something great! Aside from graduation, the first day of a new school year is one of the most exciting as it symbolizes the opportunity, potential and promise brought by a fresh start. When the “bell rings”

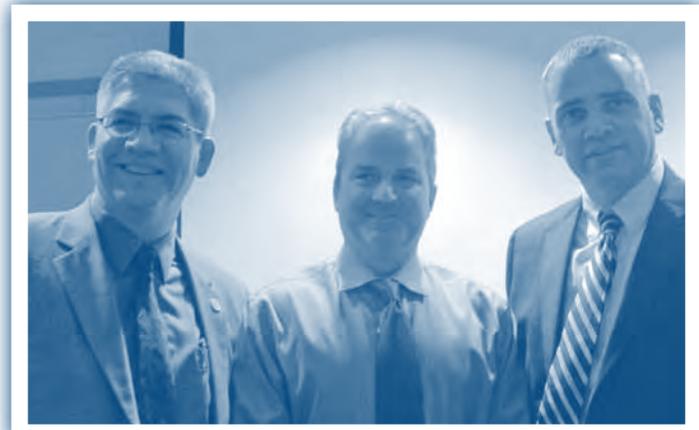
September 3, the Howard-Suamico team will be in shape and ready for another positive and productive campaign. Below are a few highlights from this past year - and a preview of some exciting new opportunities coming in 2013-2014.

***Last year:***

- Three-hundred and ninety-seven high school seniors participated in their graduation commencement ceremony on June 2, 2013. Some of their accomplishments include: 30 students with a grade point average of 4.0 or higher; 103 National Honor Society members; 32 students earning a place on the High Honors list for 7 semesters; Bay Port’s first 12 students to graduate with the International Baccalaureate Diploma; 79 Bay Port High School students earned AP Scholar Awards in 2013; 116 scholarships were awarded to 65 recipients totaling **\$1,557,620**. Graduation is an annual milestone and commemorates 13 years of planning, preparation, and study.
- More than 2,700 students enrolled in summer school! We are proud that our facilities are utilized year-round and that so many of our families are investing in additional learning opportunities for their children.
- Bay Port High School was named as one of the nation’s best secondary schools in *Newsweek 2013 America’s Best High Schools*. Schools that make the list demonstrate the following indicators of college readiness: graduation rates, participation in college-level classes via Advanced

Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) programs, and acceptance into a two- or four-year college program.

- Through a unique business partnership, all Bay Port freshmen met with Human Resource leaders from Festival Foods. During the course of three separate lessons, they learned “real world” career preparation skills that culminated in a mock interview in May.
- Over 110 business and community volunteers representing 43 business partners volunteered in our second “Reality Day” event. This experience promotes basic financial literacy skills by having 440 students experience a series of real life simulations involving finance, budgeting, etc.
- Approximately \$25,000 worth of innovative teacher and student grant requests were approved by the Howard-Suamico Education Foundation.
- More than 91 individuals and 4 teams were nominated for the 2013 Golden Apple Awards. Renee Gantz, Bay Harbor Elementary School, Jacklyn Gombar, Forest Glen Elementary School, and Grades 5-12 Instrumental Music Team – Luther Appel, Tim Johnson, Geoff Stenson, Andrew Zipperer, and Sue Zipperer were recognized as Teachers of Distinction.



***Congratulations to Bay Port High School Principal, Mike Frieder, on being named Wisconsin’s recipient of the 2013 MetLife/NASSP National Principal of the Year Award***

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**This year:**

- At the Board of Education's Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting on August 5, I will be presenting a "State of the District" presentation, which can be viewed on the District home page at [www.hssd.k12.wi.us](http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us). I am pleased to report that the "state" of our community's school district is strong. Moreover, we are excited to continue our mission of "Working together with families and community to ensure that our students have the knowledge and skills to succeed in a changing world."
- HSSD's commitment to this mission is reflected in its implementation of a new initiative called The Digital Transformation. This effort will equip the District's students and teachers with technology tools along with the 21st century skills, training, and curriculum to improve teaching, learning, and college-and-career readiness. Critics pose the question: "Are we preparing students for our past or their future?" This initiative reflects our future-focused direction. To learn more visit: <http://digital-transformation.weebly.com/>
- In partnership with CESA 6, Howard-Suamico School District is implementing a new educator effectiveness model. This effort is designed to support a system of continuous improvement of educator practice that leads to improved student learning. The system will evaluate teachers and principals through a fair, valid, and reliable process using multiple measures across two main areas: educator practice and student outcomes.

- The District is again partnering with the Howard-Suamico Education Foundation, the Optimist Club, and the Howard-Suamico Business Professionals in raising resources for back-to-school supplies for families in need. To help, go to: <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/GivingTree>.
- Beginning October 11, I will again begin hosting a monthly "Coffee with the Superintendent" at Townline Restaurant. Please consider attending to visit, ask questions, and build relations. Also, to stay apprised of the latest happenings in the Howard-Suamico School District, consider following me on Twitter @DLHSSD1.

CEO of Compassion International, Dr. Wess Stafford, was right when he said, "Few gifts on earth are as wondrous as the love of a child. Advocates for children know deep in their hearts the truth of the saying, 'You never stand as tall as when you stoop to help a child.'" We look forward to seeing parents and students at the scheduled Open House events on August 28. Thank you for your continued support of our students and schools. Enjoy the remaining summer days!

*Your Partner in Education,  
Damian LaCroix,  
Superintendent of Schools*

## Howard-Suamico Board of Education 2013-2014 Meeting Calendar

Meetings are held in the Forum Room, Bay Port High School, 6:00 pm

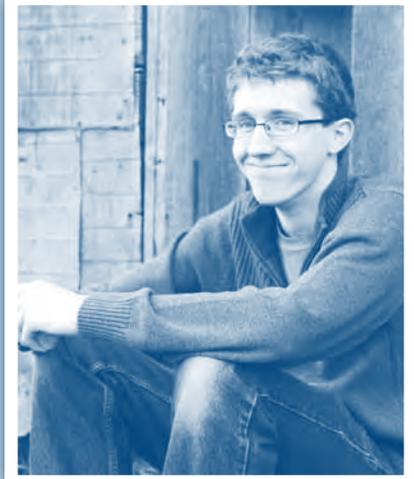
**August 5, 2013 – Budget  
Hearing & Annual Meeting**

**August 19, 2013**  
**September 9, 2013**  
**September 30, 2013**  
**October 14, 2013**  
**October 28, 2013**  
**November 1, 2013**  
**November 25, 2013**  
**December 16, 2013**  
**January 13, 2014**  
**January 27, 2014**  
**February 10, 2014**  
**February 24, 2014**  
**March 10, 2014**  
**April 14, 2014**  
**April 28, 2014**  
**May 12, 2014**  
**June 9, 2014**  
**June 23, 2014**



**Board of Education Members: Front l to r: Laura Barnard, Rachele Paulsen, Teresa Ford; Back l to r: Jeff Anderson, Lisa Botsford, Mark Ashley, Jeff Eilers**

## Bay Port Senior Named 2012-2013 Siemens Award for Advanced Placement



*photo by Paula Kaufman*

Justin Barhite, a senior at Bay Port High School, was one of two students named the Wisconsin state winners of the 2012-2013 Siemens Awards for Advanced Placement, a signature program of the Siemens Foundation administered by the College Board. The award recognizes the nation's top achievers in Advanced Placement Program courses in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (S.T.E.M.) with a \$2,000 college scholarship to one male and one female student in each state. Two national winners are also recognized, each receiving a \$5,000 scholarship. This year, 101 high school students in all 50 states-including 93 seniors and 8 juniors were honored.

## Coffee with Superintendent, Damian LaCroix

**Fri., Oct. 11 – 7:00-8:00 am  
Townline Restaurant**

Meet the Superintendent and engage  
in a community conversation.

**Questions? 662-7709**

## 4 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN

# On Our Way with 4K



**Jennifer Trudell,**  
**4K Coordinator**

It is not too late to register your child for 4K. Over 380 four-year-old children will begin their lifelong learning journey on September 5 when they enter the Howard & Suamico 4K classrooms for the first time. We will be preparing students for the “new normal” in our fast-paced, complex, and global knowledge information age.

The goal of the 4K program is to help children become ready to learn in an environment that promotes acceptance, success, and discovery-based learning. There are many ways our 4K program differs from a kindergarten classroom in terms of expectations and experiences

curriculum, such as offering educational that are play based, yet purposefully structured toward an end goal that will strengthen a student’s comprehension of a skill or concept and also an increased amount of social/emotional development activities.

A typical day will incorporate songs and movement, fine motor development for proper hand grasp



when writing, social exchanges that strengthen the childrens’ communication skills, science activities to help them become more aware of the world around them and how it works, and pre-math activities that bring number sense and math concepts to life. We have a lot of messy “fun” but it is amazing how much they learn and retain over the year.



If you would like more information, please visit our website at [www.hssd.k12.wi.us/4yearold](http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/4yearold) or contact Jennifer Trudell, Howard & Suamico 4K Coordinator at [jenntrud@hssd.k12.wi.us](mailto:jenntrud@hssd.k12.wi.us).

## Congratulations to Shining Stars!

Shining Stars received five out of 5 stars under YoungStar. They are one of three day cares in this region of four counties (Brown, Door, Oconto, and Shawano) to get five stars. YoungStar is a program of the Department of Children and Families created to improve the quality of child care for Wisconsin children.



*Shining Stars 4K children are caring for the vegetable seedlings that were planted in the school garden.*

## TEACHING AND LEARNING CENTER

# Smarter Balanced Releases Online Practice Tests



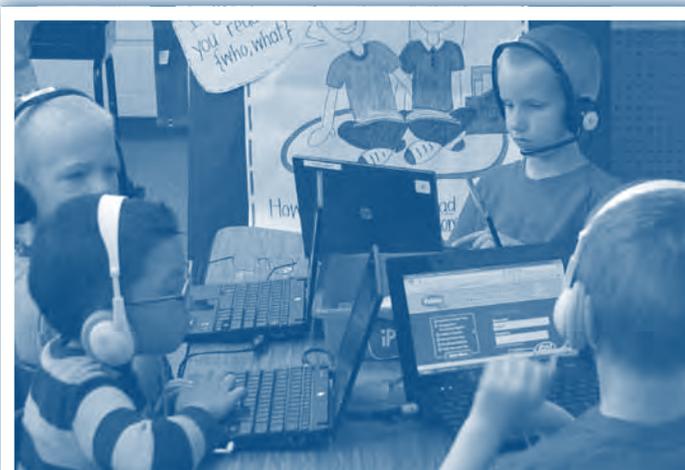
**Andrea Thiry-Wenz,**  
**Director of**  
**Teaching**  
**& Learning**

*Examples provide early look at next-generation assessments aligned to the Common Core*

Teachers, parents, and students across the country can now access online practice tests aligned to the Common Core State Standards. The Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (Smarter Balanced or SBAC) recently released sets of example test questions for grades 3–8 and 11 in both English language arts/literacy and mathematics. The practice tests will help schools prepare for the implementation of the Smarter Balanced Assessment System in the 2014-15 school year.

Select the “student interface practice test” at <http://sbac.portal.airast.org/PracticeTest/default.html> username and password information will be filled in automatically; you can select the grade level and navigate your way to that grade’s practice math assessment, practice ELA assessment, or the practice ELA performance task.

If you have any questions about the Smarter Balanced Assessment that students will be taking beginning in the spring of 2015, information can be gleaned from their website: <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/> or call Andrea Thiry-Wenz, Director of Teaching & Learning at (920) 662-8107 or [andrthir@hssd.k12.wi.us](mailto:andrthir@hssd.k12.wi.us).



### **The Parents’ Guide to Student Success**

The guide was developed by the National PTA in response to the [Common Core State Standards](#) in English language arts and mathematics. Created by teachers, parents, education experts, and others from across the country, the standards provide clear, consistent expectations for what students should be learning at each grade in order to be prepared for college and career. National PTA® created the guides for grades K-8 and two for grades 9-12 (one for English language arts/literacy and one for mathematics).

#### **The Guide includes:**

- Key items that children should be learning in English language arts and mathematics in each grade, once the standards are fully implemented.
- Activities that parents can do at home to support their child’s learning.
- Methods for helping parents build stronger relationships with their child’s teacher.

See <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/> and click on [Parents’ Guide to Student Success](#) to learn more.

# Our Community

## THE GIVING TREE

### MCL Industries, Inc. Lends a Helping Hand

John Zimdars, Director of Manufacturing at MCL Industries, located in Pulaski, presented a check in the amount of \$3,000 to Howard-Suamico School District Superintendent Damian LaCroix, and Melanie Brick, Social Worker/Homeless Coordinator, to help with the needs of children who are homeless. Business partners like MCL Industries, Inc., make it possible for all children in the Howard-Suamico School District to have opportunities that they would not be able to afford on their own.



*Nancy Simons, from OMNOVA Solution, Inc., presented a check on Friday, April 5, to the Bay View Middle School Harbor Program Director Mr. Ciske, Associate Principal, Mr. Hermes, Cristine Kinsley, and students.*

## Thank You

OMNOVA Solution, Inc. donated money to help purchase iPads for the Harbor Program at Bay View Middle School. Cristine Kinsley, parent and member of the Parent Club facilitated this grant.

## \$30,000 Raised for the Taste of the Village Auction

*The Giving Tree* would like to thank the Howard-Suamico community for their continued support with time, money, and service for the 2013 Taste of the Villages Auction. Thank you especially to 1951 West, Thornberry Cottage, our main sponsors Pioneer Credit Union, Associated Bank, SMT Machine & Tool, HSBPA, Fox Communities Credit Union, and Sanimax. A big thank you to Canterbury Farms for the centerpieces, Tom Monahan, Auctioneer, Sarah Thomsen, M.C. *The Giving Tree* and Back-to-School Store will be open August 7 to better meet the school supply needs of our students. For more information on how you can help us serve the 139+ families (over 330 children), visit <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/GivingTree>.



## Lineville Intermediate Students Support the Giving Tree Pantry

Raymond, 5th grade, High Five House was the very happy recipient to get a pie in his face. The Lineville Intermediate School Unity and High Five Houses brought in over 75 cans of food for *The Giving Tree* for this "pie-in-the-face" fund-raiser. For more information visit <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/GivingTree> to get a list of needed items. Please make checks payable to HSSD with student fees/Giving Tree in the notes.

## Howard-Suamico School District RETIREES 2013

*Thank You for your Support & Dedication!*



**Mark Campbell**  
8th Grade Science Teacher  
Bay View Middle School



**George Iken**  
Hardware Specialist  
District Office



**Jean Kaiser**  
Administrative Assistant  
Pupil Services



**Mary Koglin**  
8th Grade Math Teacher  
Bay View Middle School



**Shelly Nicholson**  
Special Education Teacher  
Bay Port High School



**Dan Powers**  
Literacy Specialist  
District



**Debra Servais**  
5th Grade Teacher  
Lineville Intermediate School



**Judy Stary**  
Secretary  
Lineville Intermediate School

# You & Youth

Volunteer & Community Involvement Program  
Howard-Suamico School District



**Diane Schmidtke,**  
Volunteer &  
Community  
Involvement  
Coordinator

Thank you for a great year! Our volunteer database now has over 2,800 volunteers. When a call goes out for classroom, field trip, special activities, or service project volunteers the response amazes me. How great it is to belong to a caring, giving community devoted to excellence in education. Thank you for sharing your time and talents.

Please take a few minutes this summer to update your profile in the online volunteer database, making changes to the school(s) where you volunteer.

*(Please note – do not remove yourself from your current school until you have added your profile to the new school. If you have students in multiple schools, connect your profile to each school.)*

- **ADD** another school to your existing profile:
  - o Go to the volunteer web page - <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/Volunteer>
  - o In the left hand column under “Volunteer Opportunities at:” click on the school you would like to add
  - o In the upper right corner click on SIGN UP
  - o Click YES
  - o Enter your username and password; read the organization’s policies; check “I agree” and click Submit
  - o Review your basic information and Save after each page
  - o Click the “Sign Up” tab and make specific choices for activities that interest you at that school
- **REMOVE** a school from your profile (for example: your student will be moving from Lineville to Bay View, or graduating from Bay Port)
  - o From the volunteer web page - <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/Volunteer> - in the left hand column click on “Registered Volunteer Log In.”
  - o Log in with your existing username and password
  - o Click on the CONTACT tab at the top of the screen
  - o Scroll down to the school you want to remove and click “RESIGN FROM” and confirm

## Cribbage in First Grade?



Meadowbrook 1st grade students learned how to play cribbage as part of their enrichment math class. After a few classes of learning the rules and concept of the game, the students were able to participate in a tournament against each other.

## At A Glance HSSD Calendar Next School Year 2013-2014

<b>August</b>	<b>28</b>	OPEN HOUSE ALL SCHOOLS: <b>Elementary</b> – 4:30-6:00 pm; <b>LV</b> – 5:00-6:30 pm; <b>BV</b> – 6:00-7:30 pm; <b>BP</b> – 6:30-8:00 pm; <b>4K Partner Sites</b> – 6:00-7:30 pm
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<b>September</b>	<b>02</b>	Holiday - Labor Day
	<b>03</b>	First Day of School – K-12
	<b>05</b>	First Day of School – 4K Only
	<b>20</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
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<b>October</b>	<b>04</b>	K-12 Early Release Day <b>Grades K-4</b> – 1:20 pm <b>Grades 5-6</b> – 1:08 pm <b>Grades 7-12</b> – 12:35 pm
	<b>24</b>	Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4:00-7:30 pm
	<b>29</b>	Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4:00-7:30 pm
	<b>31</b>	NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences – 8:00-11:30 am
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<b>November</b>	<b>01</b>	NO SCHOOL
	<b>08</b>	First Quarter Ends
	<b>15</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
	<b>27</b>	K-12 Half Day - NO LUNCH <b>Grades K-4</b> – 11:45 am <b>Grades 5-6</b> – 11:40 am <b>Grades 7-12</b> – 10:53 pm
	<b>28-29</b>	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Holiday
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<b>December</b>	<b>13</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
	<b>23-31</b>	NO SCHOOL – Winter Break
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<b>January</b>	<b>01</b>	NO SCHOOL – Winter Break
	<b>02</b>	School Resumes
	<b>17</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
	<b>23</b>	Second Quarter Ends
	<b>24</b>	NO SCHOOL
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<b>February</b>	<b>07</b>	K-12 Early Release Day <b>Grades K-4</b> – 1:20 pm <b>Grades 5-6</b> – 1:08 pm <b>Grades 7-12</b> – 12:35 pm
	<b>20</b>	Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4:00-7:30 pm
	<b>25</b>	Parent/Teacher Conferences – 4:00-7:30 pm
	<b>28</b>	NO SCHOOL
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<b>March</b>	<b>14</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
	<b>24-28</b>	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
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<b>April</b>	<b>04</b>	Third Quarter Ends
	<b>11</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
	<b>18</b>	NO SCHOOL
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<b>May</b>	<b>16</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm
	<b>26</b>	NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day Holiday
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<b>June</b>	<b>09</b>	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – 4K ONLY
	<b>10</b>	K-4 Early Release Day 1:20 pm LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - Grades K-12 Fourth Quarter Ends

## Bay Port's Reality Day Opens Student's Eyes

Bay Port High School held Reality Day May 23. The partnership project between the Howard-Suamico School District and Fox Communities Credit Union brought together over one-hundred-ten business and community volunteers representing forty-three area businesses. Forty-five students from Bay Port's DECA club also assisted as four-hundred-forty Bay Port sophomores made their way through the financial literacy event. The financial literacy project teaches students money management skills by immersing the students into the financial life of a thirty year old.

Using the student's future career, a monthly paycheck and a life status were given to each student. Making their way through twenty stations students have deductions taken from their check, purchase a home or rent an apartment, find transportation, pay for insurance, day care, groceries, water, energy, and all the other bills associated with monthly living expenses.

"Reality Day is a financial literacy event where students have the opportunity to glance into the future and see whether the career they are considering will support the lifestyle they would like as adults.



*Gay Duclon from BMO Harris Bank assists students in writing a check to make the first payment on their auto choice at Bay Port's Reality Day.*

## HSSD AQUATIC CENTER

### Active Older Adults Enjoy Benefits of Swimming

"Please let the District know how much we appreciate the opportunity to use this pool," says Peg Doctor. The group of people in the photo enjoy swimming laps or walking the pool several times a week. They swim, meet for coffee and spend a few hours of exercise and socializing with friends and neighbors. If you are a resident of Howard or Suamico and over the age of 60, it is FREE! It is hard to say which is of more value, the socialization each week or the health benefits," said Deb Oas, Aquatic Supervisor.



Many older adults like to take a dip a pool and now a small study suggests it can be good for their blood pressure. Researchers found that among 43 older men and women, those who started swimming a few times a week lowered their systolic blood pressure – the "top" number in a blood pressure reading. On average, the swimmers started the study with a systolic blood pressure of 131 millimeters of mercury (mm Hg). Three months later, it was 122 mm Hg. Swimming is often promoted as a good way for older people to exercise, since it's easy on the joints and it's not likely to cause overheating. In addition, many follow that advice: after walking, swimming is the second-most popular form of exercise among the older set. Published in the American Journal of Cardiology, the research appears to be the first to demonstrate that swimming can improve older adults' blood vessel function and curb their blood pressure. See [www.reuters.com](http://www.reuters.com) for more information on the health benefits. Visit <http://www.hssd.k12.wi.us/Pool> or call (920) 662-7874 to get a schedule of pool hours and activities available.

## SUMMER LEARNING IS FUN!



**More than 2,700 students enrolled in summer school.**

# IT'S ALL GOOD - HIGHLIGHTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Bay Harbor Elementary School



### Meet New Principal Anthony Ebeling

Anthony Ebeling is the new principal at Bay Harbor Elementary School. Tony served as an associate principal for Lineville Intermediate School and is ready for this opportunity to join the students, families and staff in continuing its journey of excellence. Tony replaces Kyle Siech, the new Director of Technology for the district.



*The transformation of caterpillar to butterfly is absolutely fascinating and it is easy to bring this spectacular event into the classroom.*



Students stretching and moving to music before beginning a new topic in class.



### Forest Fun

The forest photo is the program Miss Cathy Yurk, Counselor, shows students how to search for various animal homes in the Suamico Forest and they draw pictures of their findings.



### Pond Study at Barkhausen

Suamico Elementary 1st graders, and their teacher, Mrs. Bemmels, search for water animals in the pond.

## Suamico Elementary School



### Artist in Residency

Wade Fernandez did a week long Artist in Residency with Jodi Prien's Suamico Elementary fourth graders in January. The students worked with Wade to write lyrics to a song and then performed the song for their "Paws Pals" (buddy classes) at the end of the week. The Oneida Nation Arts Program (ONAP) sponsored Wade's residency. The instrument he is playing in the photograph is a double native flute.

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## Meadowbrook

Elementary School



### "The Bulldog Way" Extends Outside the School Walls

Students at Meadowbrook took time out of their recess to help beautify the grounds at their school.



### Advertising Meadowbrook Elementary School

Amy Bray's 2nd grade class participated in a Global Solutionist Project that promotes global learning and collaboration skills. Students learned more about the seven continents and how we are all connected. They were assigned a continent and acted the role of a travel agent, trying to convince people to come to their continent.



### Rainforest Museum

Students in Mrs. Goddard's 1st grade classroom created a Rainforest Museum. The students were responsible for researching information about an animal they would find in the Rainforest. Once they found the information, students created a QR code that was posted in the room along with pictures and other Rainforest décor. Teachers and students from other classrooms were invited to visit the Rainforest Museum and used iPads to scan the QR codes posted around the museum/classroom to learn about the animal they scanned.



### Celebrating Earth Day April 22

The 2nd graders discussed recycling for Earth Day and how you can reuse certain foods by creating a compost pile.



### More than a Garden

In the fall of 2012, a club was formed at Meadowbrook Elementary called Sustainable Me, Sustainable World. The purpose of the club is to teach children healthy habits to take care of themselves and the environment we live in. Planting a garden was the perfect way to support the dual purpose of the club. Students and their families care for the garden through the summer months and are currently working with *The Giving Tree* to donate the produce. In fall, they will use the remaining produce for the children to prepare and taste, helping them realize that healthy food tastes good. If the kids plant spinach, they will eat spinach!

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## Forest Glen

Elementary School



Ava, 2nd grader in Mrs. Smits' class at Forest Glen had the opportunity to plan the lunch menu and help the Food Service staff with serving the meal.



### Walking on Eggs

Do you think if you stand on one egg, it will break? What if you stood on twelve eggs? Paula Prokash, 1st grade teacher at Forest Glen guided her students as each one took a turn walking on eggs as part of a science experiment.



### 4th Grade Robotics

Lyzette Maroszek's 4th grade students, Jessica and Ethan, are demonstrating the robot they designed in a robotics class where the students learn to design Lego vehicles and program them to battle. They work on teams to collaborate and use critical thinking skills to determine how to defeat other vehicles. This class introduces boys and girls to engineering and science.



### Howard Students & Staff Participate in the LUV2RUN Program

Howard Elementary students and staff participated in the Prevea Luv2Run (L2R) program which is its training program for the Cellcom Green Bay 5K. Prevea L2R is a six-week program designed to prepare elementary and middle school age children for the 3.1-mile Cellcom Green Bay 5K.



### Designing Electricity Houses

Najma, Kyle, Lucas and Andrew, 4th grade students, used the knowledge gained in their electricity unit in Science to wire a house.

## Howard Elementary School



### Photo Crickets

Howard Elementary 3rd graders; Isabelle, Sofia, and Ethan are building and programming a Pico Cricket machine. As children work on Pico Cricket projects, they learn important math, science, and engineering ideas – and gain a deeper understanding of the process of design and invention.

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## Lineville Intermediate School



### 1st Place in Archery

Jacob, 6th grade, received 1st place at the Hunters Edge Archery Tournament in April.



### Gone Global!

Brenda Utech, 5th grade teacher, invited her cousin Frank Kaminski, to visit Lineville's Clubhouse in June to share some stories and photos from his trip to Ghana, Africa. Frank was part of a group called Engineers Without Borders who were there for a month to build a school.



### Three Win Gold for French Forensics

French Forensics sixth graders at Lineville: Emily, Ashley, and Karina received a gold medal in French song category at the French Forensics State Competition in Wisconsin Rapids in April. They competed against 200 other French students from around the state.



### Hat-Head Rock Going Viral

"Hat-Head Rock" is a musical composition featuring wind, brass and percussion instruments written by Andrew Zipperer, Band Director. This recording and posting on YouTube constitutes a "World Premiere" of this piece, which was written in January 2013. A link to the YouTube recording is available on the Lineville Intermediate School band webpage: <http://lineville.hssd.k12.wi.us/band>.

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Tyler, a 5th grader in Kristin Ashley's class, is looking at various glossy paper and newsprint items to better understand how a lens on a microscope works.



**6th Grade Winning Team – the Alphabatics**  
l to r: Caleb, Seth and Philip

## Battle of the Books

The Lineville and Bay View students participated in the 6th – 8th grade battle of the books competition.

Each grade level read from the same list of 40 books and competed in battles to determine the grade level winners. The three winning teams competed for the Howard Suamico School District Championship on April 2, 2013. The Raging Cupcakes represented our district in the Interscholastic Battle of the Books competition in April at Mishicot Middle School.

## Lineville Intermediate School



**7th Grade Winning Team – the Tough Customers**  
l to r: Kyle, Jakob and Ashley

## Global Censorship Project

During the Global Censorship Project in Lisa Anderson's 5th grade class, students learned about the First Amendment Rights of the United States Constitution. Part of the project incorporated comparing the rights of United States citizens to the rights of people in different countries. Students in the Beach House were able to Skype a 4th grade student (Adam) from Saudi Arabia.



## Environmental Science Fair

Julia, Artist of the winning poster for the Lineville Science Fair.



**"In summer, the song sings itself." ~William Carlos Williams**  
Mrs. Julie Brandt's 5th grade class photo with hands in a circle. They were amazed that their circle looked like a heart.

# IT'S ALL GOOD - HIGHLIGHTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Bay View Middle School



*l to r: Alex, Ryan, Maddi, Hannah, Trevor, Hannah, Brittany, Coach "Maestra" Smith*

### **Congratulations!**

Bay View Middle School placed third for the (DI) Destination Imagination Regional competition in March. Bay View Middle School DI team's have a long tradition of placing at high levels for the Regional Competition.



### **French Forensics**

Jenna, Rachel, Jordanne participated in the French Forensics "Concours Oral" in April. All received an A rating and gold medals at the state competition in Wisconsin Rapids for their achievements in the Reader's Theater category for their performance "à la gare" (at the train station) in French.



*l to r: Gabby, Maggie, Tommy, Cole, Mrs. Erin Patchak*

### **National History Day Winners**

Tommy and Cole - Group Website: The Wright Brothers Fathers of Flight; Gabby and Maggie: Group Performance: Title IX: Bat "Her" Up; Placing first honorable mention: Liv App and Jada Jacques: Group Exhibit: Ruby Bridges

Silent Steps to Greater National History Day is a nationally recognized academic enrichment program dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of history in grades 6-12. This yearlong academic program helps students build critical thinking and research skills as students explore a topic of their own interest connected to an annual theme. The 2013 theme is, "Turning Point in History." Erin Patchak, Bay View teacher and advisor to the students, was also recognized by the organization and was chosen as the 2013 Wisconsin Junior Division Teacher of the Year. This award is given to a teacher who goes above and beyond both in their daily teaching, and also in their work with National History Day. The award is a \$500 prize. Erin Patchak is also eligible for the Patricia Behring National Teacher of the Year Award named at the National Contest in Washington, D.C.



### **Dollars for American Heart Association**

Kaitlyn Bloemer's Bay View Physical Education students raised \$3,193 dollars for this year's hoops for heart event.

# IT'S ALL GOOD - HIGHLIGHTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Music in the Park

The Bay View Middle School Show Choir competed at the Six Flags Great America Music in the Parks Festival June 2 & 3 and received a "Superior- 1st Place" rating for their performance. The Bay View Show Choir was one of three ensembles receiving the highest rating out of the twenty-five groups competing at the festival. Congratulations to Anika VanRossum who was awarded the Outstanding Soloist Award of the day and Bay View Show Choir and Erin Patchak, Show Choir director.



*Front row are the UW-Whitewater student athletes  
Back row - Seth, Cole, Carley, Mrs. Kolz, and Mrs. Shefchik*

## Cornerstones for Success

The UW-Whitewater wheelchair men's basketball team were guests at Bay View Middle School. Physical Education teachers, Ms. Bloemer, Mr. Knutson, and Mr. Neuser wrote a grant through the HSEF (Howard-Suamico Education Foundation) to bring UW-Whitewater wheelchair basketball to Bay View Middle School. Fifty students experienced firsthand what it is like to play basketball in a wheelchair during an assembly presented by the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Wheelchair Basketball Team. The "Cornerstones for Success," assembly began with an introduction of the players and background information about their disability, their lives and experiences. "Cornerstones for Success" is a unique program that dispels myths about persons who have a disability and shows students how they can be successful in and out of the classroom. The team brings world class athletes who happen to have a disability to schools to "tell it like it is" about life with a disability.

## Bay View Middle School

## Student Leaders

The Bay View Student Council hosted the Competitions portion of the Wisconsin Association of School Councils statewide conference at the KI Convention Center in April. Over 1500 middle school student council leaders from around the state attended.



# IT'S ALL GOOD – HIGHLIGHTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## Bay Port High School

### Bay Port High School made *Newsweek's* 2013 list as one of America's Best High Schools

This year *Newsweek's* ranking highlights the best 2,000 public high schools in the nation – those that have proven to be the most effective in turning out college-ready grads. The list is based on six components: graduation rate (25 percent), college acceptance rate (25 percent), AP/IB/AICE tests taken per student (25 percent), average SAT/ACT scores (10 percent), average AP/IB/AICE scores (10 percent), and percent of students enrolled in at least one AP/IB/AICE course (5 percent).



### Solar Olympics

Nine Bay Port students from the Principles of Engineering class and Environmental Club participated in the annual Solar Olympics in May. It challenged students from twenty-four area high schools to demonstrate various skills by designing, constructing, and demonstrating projects related to solar energy. The Hot Water Heater team earned a silver medal in that event: Robbie, Curtis, Tyler, Marc, Mitch, Nate, Danielle, Elizabeth, Caleb.



*l to r: Congressman Reid J. Ribble, Kaylee, Mr. Klewer, Art Teacher*

### Award-Winning Artist

Bay Port student Kaylee Huben's drawing titled "My Little Sister" was awarded 1st place for the eighth Congressional district in the 2013 Congressional Art competition. Each spring, Members of the U.S. House of Representatives sponsor a nation-wide high school art competition, An Artistic Discovery. Kaylee's artwork currently on display at the Neville Museum in Green Bay will be moved to be displayed for one year in the Cannon Tunnel, United States Capital, and Washington D.C.



*l to r: Kris Shuller, Morgan and Erin Davison*

### 2013 Wisconsin Public Service Volunteer Awards

Morgan, Senior, Bay Port High School, received the WPS/Schreiber Volunteer Youth Award. Morgan began to volunteer at the age of seven when her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer. She then became engaged in the Service Learning Club at Bay Port High School. Over the past four years, Morgan has surpassed 1,500 hours of volunteer services throughout Northeast Wisconsin. Kris Shuller and Erin Davison, are anchors for Local WFRV-TV 5 News.



### The Bay Port Military Support Club

The Bay Port Military Support Club walked in the Howard VFW Memorial Day parade Monday, May 27. Students distributed American flags along the route and participated in the honors ceremony at the Duck Creek Cemetery.

### Leading the Way

Lucy and Jennifer will be representing Bay Port High School at two summer leadership programs this summer. Lucy will attend the Wisconsin Leadership Seminars (WILS), program at UW-Whitewater. WILS identifies outstanding high school sophomores throughout Wisconsin for being responsible citizens in their community and/or school



and provide them with the opportunity and encouragement to recognize their leadership potential. They fulfill this mission through an annual 3-day leadership seminar encouraging leadership development through emphasis on personal responsibility, volunteerism, increased awareness of social issues, and open-minded analysis of all sides of an issue.

# IT'S ALL GOOD – HIGHLIGHTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS



*Front row l to r: Allia, Kenzie, Maddie, Megan, Hannah  
Back row-l to r: Katie, Courtney, Mariah, Aly, Megan,  
Haley Stevenson, Caitlyn (Teddy Shim, not in photo).*

## State Forensic Winners Bring Home the Gold!

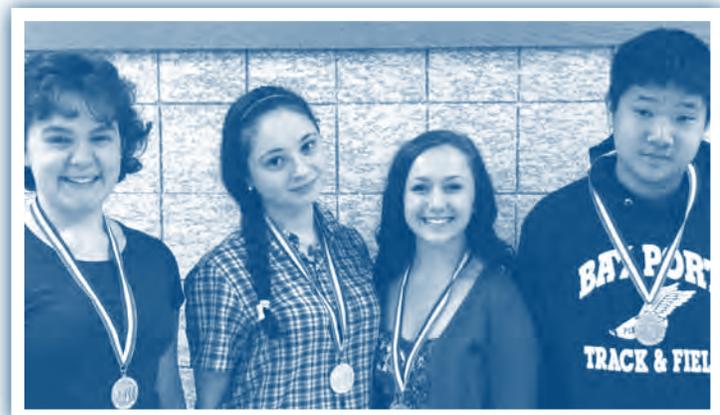
Thirteen Bay Port High School students achieved a perfect score of 25 to receive a gold medal at the State Forensics competition in Madison, April 19. Receiving a perfect score is difficult in a very competitive environment of talented students.



*Front row l to r: Ben, Courtney, Matt, Natalya, Taylor  
Back row l to r: Justin, Travis, Nick, Corey, Coach Janelle Bailey*

## Wisconsin Academic Decathlon Competition 2012-2013 Theme: RUSSIA

The Wisconsin Academic Decathlon program held its 30th Annual State High School Competition March 14 & 15th, 2013 at the Glacier Canyon Conference Center/Wilderness Resort, Wisconsin Dells. Ben from Bay Port was one of two students that broke the state record in Economics in the Honor category. As one of the Division winners, the Bay Port High School team earned the opportunity to represent Wisconsin in the National Online Competition, occurring simultaneously with the event in Minneapolis, April 25-27, 2013. Students tested in the following subjects: art, mathematics, music, language & literature, economics, science, social science, interview, essay, and speech. Students also participated in a Super Quiz Relay. This final event of State Competition included questions (in multiple-choice format) from the following six subject areas: art, economics, language and literature, music, science and social science. The program offers the appeal of mental competition to all achievement levels for students in the grades 9-12.



*l to r: Caitlyn, Lyaison, Reanna and Supapat*

## Four Bay Port Students Win 1st Place at Concours Oral Event

The State French Forensics, in French it is pronounced "Concours oral", was held April 27 in Wisconsin Rapids. This competition is separate from the regular forensics as it is all done in French. Individual 1st place winners include Caitlyn – level 5 extemporaneous prose, Lyaison – level 1 poetry, Reanna – level 2 poetry, Supapat – level 1 poetry.

## "Why My Voice is Important"

Teddy placed 2nd, Megan placed 1st and won a \$2500 scholarship at the State Optimist International Oratorical Contest Saturday, April 27 at Stevens Point.



*l to r: Teacher, Ryan Hibbard, Teddy, Megan*



## Orchestra

The Bay Port Orchestra took their strings to Chicago in March. The students participated in a workshop with world-renowned conductor Stephen Squires at the Chicago College of Performing Arts. Stephen Squires was recently named Principal Conductor, Professor of Conducting and Chair of the Orchestral Instruments Department in the Music Conservatory at the Chicago College of Performing Arts, Roosevelt University.

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