

# Celebrations of the Fairfield Public Schools

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## Superintendent's Message



Dear Faculty and Staff:

Many thanks for your hard work and dedication throughout the 2012-2013 school year. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing you in August.



McKinley Art Teacher, **Kathy Reddy**, has been part of the *American Mural Project* for the past ten years, and now she and her 5<sup>th</sup> grade class will be subjects of the latest phase of the mural.



Congratulations to **Glenn Mackno**, Roger Ludlowe MS Principal, on being awarded the *2012-2013 Outstanding Middle School Principal of the Year* from the CT PTSA. Mr. Mackno, who has been an administrator in Fairfield for over twenty years, was honored at the Annual PTSA Awards Dinner for his significant contributions to the students, parents and teachers, and the strong educational impact he has made during his career.

Roger Ludlowe MS teacher, **Polly Torrence**, went to Panama to teach the *Youth Orchestra of Natá*, which she helped found in 2008. The students presented a concert at the conclusion of music camp.



**Dave Schulz**, Fairfield Ludlowe HS Athletic Director, plunged into Long Island Sound for the annual *Freez'in for A Reason* fund raiser benefiting the Wakeman Burroughs Center in Black Rock.

Fairfield Ludlowe HS girls tennis coach **John Reisert** and gymnastics coach **Kim Longobucco** were voted *FCIAC Coach of the Year*.



**Dwight** - Led by P.E. teacher, **Gennaro Gelsi**, students raised over \$10,000 in support of the *American Heart Association's Hoops for Heart Program*.



**Jennings** - Held its first Book Swap where students traded over 650 books. Leftover books were given to the library and donated to a local hospital.

**Osborn Hill** - Osborn Hill 1<sup>st</sup> graders were visited by Channel 12 Weatherman Paul Piorek. Students were spotlighted on news broadcasts throughout the afternoon and evening with the Channel 12 Weather Kids program.



Students at **Osborn Hill** conducted their annual *Souper Bowl Friday* canned food drive. Each student brought in a canned good or non-perishable item and predicted the team they thought would win by placing it in either the San Francisco Forty-Niners or Baltimore Ravens Team decorated SUVs in front of the school. The canned goods were then donated to *Sister Theresa's Daughters of Charity* in Bridgeport, CT.

**Riverfield** - Teachers, students and families participated in their annual *Holiday Angels* drive with their sister school, Cesar Batalla in Bridgeport. Clothing, toys and books were donated along with household items.

**Roger Ludlowe MS** ranked 6<sup>th</sup> out of 22 competing schools, in the *Mathcounts* competition this past February. One of the team members, **Emily Ji**, qualified for the State competition in March.



**Roger Ludlowe MS** Track and Field team participated in the *Western Connecticut Conference (WCC) League Championship*. The meet consisted of 12 conference schools. The RLMS boys and girls teams earned first place overall. Congratulations to all who participated.



**Dwight** - PTA Reflections winners are: **Danielle Hazelton** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in the State for Film/Video and **Colleen Cooke** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in the State for Literature and the Award of Excellence at the National Level. Congratulations!

**Sherman** - Announces the following PTA Reflections Winners: **Danielle Wilklow** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Country for Photography. Danielle will be recognized for her photograph in the National contest with an Award of Merit. **Jasmine Conley** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the State for Literature. **Giulia Goughary** placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State for Photography.



**Sherman** - **Miranda Lien** won the *CHET Dream Big Competition* that was open to all 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders in Connecticut. The essay prompt was: "How I will change the world after college."

**Fairfield Woods MS** - **Michael Acciarino** just published his first novel, **Joel Kinder: Living with Zombies**. It was inspired by a short story he wrote in 7<sup>th</sup> grade.



**Roger Ludlowe MS** - **Nick Fech**, was given the special honor of being a guest conductor with the *New Haven Symphony Orchestra*. Nick conducted **Sleigh Ride** by LeRoy Anderson in a holiday concert presented at Fairfield University's Quick Center. Polly Torrence and the RLMS Band served as his conducting coach and assisted him at the concert.

**Brendan Daly** - **Roger Ludlowe MS** has qualified to represent RLMS at the State level of the *National Geographic Bee* at Central Connecticut State University.



**Maddie McDermott** - **Roger Ludlowe MS** was the 6<sup>th</sup> grade winner of the *Barnum's Got Talent Vocal Competition* that took place at the Klein Memorial in Bridgeport.

**Tomlinson MS** - **Jacob Patterson** and **Michael McMahon** are winners in the local *Daughters of the American Revolution American History Essay Contest*. Their work has been entered in the State level of the competition.

The following **Tomlinson MS** students were recognized at Fairfield University's *Poetry for Peace* reception: **Owen Baeky**, **Phoebe Cardenas**, **William Cohen**, **Ethan Grzeda**, **Olivia Parsis**, **Justin Rhodes**, and **Emily Tortura**.

**Nicholas Muro**, **Tomlinson MS** student received the *Dominion Millstone Power Station Physical Sciences Award* for his project at the 2013 Connecticut Science and Engineering Fair that took place at Quinnipiac University.



**Fairfield Ludlowe HS** - Orchestra teacher **Lynda Smith** announced that violinist **Alex Yokokawa** is the recipient of the *Greenwich Symphony Orchestra's 2013 Music Award*. Alex also won the *Stamford Symphony Scholarship Competition* held earlier this year.

**Riley Blumenfield**, **Fairfield Ludlowe HS** student was chosen to attend the *Youth Financial Institute* hosted by Junior Achievement at the UConn School of Business.

**Fairfield Ludlowe HS** - PTA Reflections winners include: **Kiara Burns** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in Dance, **Sheryl Chan** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in Literature. **Diana Rose Smith** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in Visual Arts, and **Jessica Zaccagnino** - 1<sup>st</sup> place in Photography. Honorable Mention was earned by **Maddie Anderson**, **Marie Benton**, **Charlotte Blatt**, **Susanna Casey**, **Morgan Kish**, **Catalina O'Connor**, **Andrew Rose**, and **Patrick Stern**.

**Fairfield Ludlowe HS** students **Victor D'Ascenzo** and **Jill Toner** were nominated to receive the *Scholar Leader Award* at the *Fairfield County Association of Secondary School Principals* banquet in New Canaan.

**Fairfield Warde HS** - The following four students were selected to perform in the 2013 *National Association for Music Education (NAfME) All-Eastern Honors Ensembles*: **Ankit Anil**, **Bailey Kenney**, **Zachary Roberge** and **Jefferson Zhang**.



**Fairfield Ludlowe HS** - The following students auditioned and were accepted into the Western Regional Festival: **Dan Adajian**, **Kyra Adajian**, **Olivia Anderson**, **Alex Barker**, **Timoney Campbell**, **Ben Crosby**, **Rachel Cupp**, **Eric Derwallis**, **Hamish Dewar**, **Daria Efimov**, **Ryan Redak**, **Emily Fish**, **Karl Forst**, **Brendan Geiling**, **Davey Hawthorne**, **Thomas Huerta**, **Peter Jacobs**, **Steven McArdle**, **Elizabeth MacPherson**, **Matt Montanez**, **Zach Nerod**, **Peter Nesbitt**, **Mike Perlman**, **Tommy Romano**, **Tami Stawicki**, **Andrew Strauss**, **Lauren Therriault**, **Erin Valade**, **Sofie Wall**, **Sarah Wakefield**, **Kevin Warten**, **Eliza Wiant**, and **Kristen Young**.

The Western Region Festival Musicians from **Fairfield Warde HS** are: **Ankit Anil**, **Stephen Battaglia**, **Charlie DeNatale**, **Alison DiMaio**, **Bryan Fichera**, **Evie Fulda**, **Carson Greene**, **Zoe Haley-Johnson**, **Bailey Kenny**, **Emily Lerman**, **Connor Levinson**, **Jonathan Liu**, **Braden Macchia**, **Isaiah Mansour**, **Henna Mohamed**, **Joy Moon**, **Kyle Nelson**, **Dylan O'Brien**, **Matt Oster**, **Daniel Pavoni**, **Thomas Quinn**, **Lindsey Reuter**, **Zach Roberge**, **Liam Russell**, **Hanhee Song**, **Joe Sugrue**, **Jack Ullman**, **Amanda Violone**, **George Wang**, **Melissa Wasserman**, **Christopher Wilson**, **Emily Wood**, **Jennifer Zhang**.



The *Scholastic Art Awards* recognizes the work of talented young artists in grades 7 to 12. This program is a Statewide competition that is also part of the *National Scholastic Art Awards*. The students selected are awarded Gold or Silver Keys and Honorable Mentions. The winners of the Gold Key award will have their work submitted



as a digital image to the *National Level Scholastic Art Awards* at the close of the exhibit. The following students were recognized for their outstanding artwork: Gold Key Winners - **Andrea Atlani**, **Harrison Carpenter**, **Ryan Crudginton**, **Mikayla Curtin**, **Sophie Edwards**, **Katherine Murphy**, **Miki Sakaguchi**, **Lulu Shaffer**, **Hillary Therriault**, and **Lindsay Zilling**. Silver Key - **Teresa Andres**, **Sheryl Chan**, **Maia Hernandez**, **Lauren Hill**, **Alexandra Markowich**, **Cameron Marrelli**, **Chris McGowan**, **William Mergenthaler**, **Michaela Meyer**, **Mia Peru**, **Selena Pinho**, **Stanley Pomichter**, **Bao-Anh Tran**, and **Joanne Trinh**. Honorable Mention - **Cara Bebey**, **Christine Chang**, **Alyssa Colleran**, **Brandon Contreras**, **Lindsay Faria**, **Stephen Kelly**, **Jisoo Kim**, **Shannon Magnaldi**, **Genevieve Parkington**, **Kyla Redgate**, **Emma Reid**, **Aliza Schaffer**, **Connor Sullivan**, **Kember Vanderblue**, and **Corinne Wilkow**.

