The Spotlight

Water Walk for Swaziland

On April 29, 2015, the District’s Green Team members from all three schools were joined by faculty, Administration, Board of Education members, and the public to participate in a water walk simulation to raise funds to support the Global Water Crisis, specifically in Swaziland. This year’s walk was a great success. Eighteen vendors were on hand, seventeen of which were clubs from the three high schools. There were 75 Jugs of water available for carrying that were donated by Starbucks on Blackwood-Clementon Road. Approximately 300 people attended the event. $2,200 in donations was received at the door in a 2-hour time period. Additional donations are still trickling in from clubs, Blackwood Rotary, Runnemedge VFW, and Atco Lion’s Club. We thank Holman Enterprises for sponsoring the event. We would also like to thank everyone who participated in making this year’s event a success and are grateful to our community for their continued support!

Timber Creek Named National Green Ribbon School

We are thrilled that Timber Creek Regional High School has been named a Green Ribbon School by the State of New Jersey and the U.S. Department of Education. The Green Team commits to changing behaviors, practices and products that lead to greater energy efficiencies and results in responsible and sustainable environmental stewardship. “This has been one of my Superintendent’s goals since becoming Superintendent in July 2013”, says Dr. Brian Repici.

At Timber Creek, their commitment to Reduce, Re-Use and Recycle has emphasized a Composting and Single Stream Recycling Program. Timber Creek has led the School District in replacing outdated, inefficient lighting (gymnasium and auditorium in particular), shifting teacher and student behaviors about turning off lighting and computers when not in use, curtailing excessive air conditioning and heating costs, and managing irrigation practices wisely. These efforts have all led to Timber Creek reducing its Carbon Footprint.

We compost and recycle food waste or products in our school district, especially in our cafeteria kitchens. We have an Organic Garden in operation at Timber Creek that is managed by students and supported by a solar-powered electric pump set-up atop a drainage (rain) collection tank. Additionally, the Solar Panels have obviously contributed to Timber Creek’s Carbon footprint reduction as well.

Congratulations to Timber Creek on a job well done!
April Spotlight Winners

Grade 9  Sierra Blocker
Grade 10  Fathema Begum
Grade 11  Renae Moken
Grade 12  Chelsea Scheiter
Staffulty  Tiffany Strauss

Jazz Band Championship

The Highland Jazz Ensemble successfully performed in the State Championship in Nutley, NJ. Highland entered as the #9 seed and finished in 5th place! Moving up 4 positions is a remarkable accomplishment.

Senior Katie Jorgensen (Flute/Vocals) was awarded one of only four outstanding soloist awards at the championship. To earn this honor, you have to be in another galaxy in terms of talent than the average student, and Katie earned Highland’s first state finals outstanding soloist award since 2004!

Vice Principal’s Choice Awards

Grade 9  Rabya Raza
Grade 10  Dojai Upshaw-Burgess
Grade 11  Billy Jackson
Grade 12  Christian Reece

Accomplished Author

Highland freshman Grace Simmons is already an accomplished author of two published books within the last three years. Grace’s books are part of a series titled Secret. Her first book is titled “Unexpected” and the second book is titled “Released.” “I wanted to prove to kids that no one must wait till adulthood to realize our dreams,” stated Grace. Involved in a multitude of school clubs and sporting a 4.0 GPA, Grace has also made principal’s list. Her latest book is available online at Barnes and Noble and Amazon.com.

4th Legislative District Enrichment Program

Congratulations to Aimee Hanstein, Brandon Tural, and Shannon Kobsar on their graduation from the 4th Legislative District Enrichment Program.

Logo Design Competition

Taylor Hagan (11th Grade) was the winner of The Gloucester Township Education Foundation (GTEF) Logo Design Competition. This logo will be used for letterhead, mailings, and other appropriate purposes. This contest was open to any former Gloucester Twp. Public School student currently enrolled at Black Horse Pike Regional School District.
**PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES SALUTE MR. KARETNY!**

Congratulations to the 2015 Citizens Bank Red Goes Green Sustainability Initiative Contest winner, Elliott Karetny! Mr. Karetny leads his students in many projects, including performing energy audits in their classroom, composting and maintaining a 1,000 square foot rain garden that serves as an outdoor classroom.

Congratulations to Mr. Karetny and his students at Timber Creek Regional High School!

**FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT:** Timber Creek had 8 students selected by audition, from over 400 students, from 39 schools to perform with the Olympic Conference Honors Band. Included were Seniors: Lisa Harkisheimer and Zachary Warren. Juniors: Kaitlin Bassi. And Sophomores: Krunal Desai, Katherine Fox, and Micah Husk. The concert took place at Washington Township High School. Timber Creek is proud to be represented by these students. Congratulations!

Timber Creek has won the **National Green Ribbon School Award!!!** Green Team Advisor, Chuck Renner assembled the 35 Green Team student members in the LMC classroom, along with Vice Principal Rob DiMaulo, Maintenance Supervisor John Gallagher, District Maintenance Supervisor, Joe Newsham and Principal Mae Robinson while waiting for the official announcement. Anticipation was extremely high as the list of 58 national schools appeared on a scroll. There were only 9 secondary schools on the list. When Timber Creek Regional High School appeared on the list everyone in the room raised their voices and their hands in celebration. We are all very excited and congratulate Mr. Renner and his Green Team members as well as Mr. Gallagher and our innovative Maintenance crew. Congratulations to all of our "Creekers" for your help in continuing to keep Timber Creek "green".

**STUDENTS SELECTED FOR BOYS STATE:**

Jeffrey Crisanti, Jake Koester, and James Lyon

**STUDENTS SELECTED FOR GIRLS STATE:**

Stacy Bell, Jenna Kornicki, and Tinah Ogalo

**WORLD OF DIFFERENCE WALK FOR WATER FUNDRAISER:**

The World of Difference Club proudly raised $50.00 at the Walk for Water fundraiser. Several great members came out to walk for this great cause. Members who attended were Sarah Diamond, Josh Scarborough, Andrew Foster, Megan Crowen, Jaron Robinson, Nick Pierson, and Serena Moore. Thank you to all! We helped make a **World of Difference.**
**Spotlight on**

**Triton Regional High School**

*Home of the Mustangs*

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**CAREER DAY**

The 6th annual Career Day for Juniors highlighted 55 presenters from various career areas including engineering, health care, education, technical fields, the arts, communications, and military representing their jobs. The juniors were able to speak with presenters to gather information about job descriptions, training, education needed, and any other important questions needed to begin making career decisions. Many juniors came away with an awareness of job possibilities that are going to be helpful to them as they enter their senior year and begin their post-graduation plans.

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**MISS MUSTANG**

Triton High School held the 10th Annual Miss Mustang Competition on April 24th, 2015. Over 300 people were in attendance to see 25 intelligent, poised, talented, senior girls take the stage to vie for over $8,500 in college scholarships: Miss Mustang - Dominique Dockery $2000
1st Runner Up - Channel Jordan $1500
2nd Runner Up - Brianna Resenwitz $1000

In addition to that, $1,300 was given to this year’s Choice Charity the Helen J. Diller Home for the Blind. A non-profit shore house in Avalon, NJ which provides a free one-week vacation to visually impaired children in need. For many of these kids, it is the first time they have ever felt sand or heard the ocean. We were happy to help make someone’s summer more memorable.

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**PEOPLE’S CHOICE AWARDS**

Over sixty students were recognized by Triton teachers, paraprofessionals, and secretaries for making a difference in their lives. The spotlight was shone on these deserving mustangs for their dedication, hard work, perseverance, and mustang pride. Thank you to everyone who nominated a student and joined us in celebrating student success.

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**“BELIEVE IN U” HONORS SPOTLIGHT MUSTANGS**

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