

'In the Loop' with the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education

A perfect opportunity to give this holiday season

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Board of Education President

One of the great joys of the holiday season is the opportunity to give. Across campus, the Lew-Port Holiday Project is underway. Each building has a giving tree adorned with ornaments corresponding to a child (with their age and a gift they need). Faculty and staff select an ornament, purchase a gift, wrap and return it (with the ornament attached). This year, gifts are due back by Friday, Dec. 11.

Thank you to all who fulfill a Christmas wish, and heartfelt gratitude to Lew-Port's school social workers, Danielle Kudela, Erin Myers, Emily Brook and

Alyssa Cino, who organize our Holiday Project each year. The Holiday Project is supported by the generous assistance of Messiah Lutheran Church, Lewiston Kiwanis, the Town of Porter Christmas Basket Program, Lewiston Senior Center and the Lewiston Police Department.

Community members who wish to support the Holiday Project may send gift cards to the district office (Tops/Wegmans and Walmart gift cards are best). Gift cards are accepted year-round to support families in extenuating circumstances.

So many in our community are in need this season. If you are in a position to give, please consid-

er all the ways to do so and give generously and with joy. Donate to the Care-N-Share Food Pantry, Heart, Love & Soul and the Wear-N-Share Clothing Closet (to name just a few local nonprofit organizations).

Contact any of the organizations supporting the annual Holiday Project - Messiah Lutheran Church, Lewiston Kiwanis, Town of Porter Christmas Basket Program, the Lewiston Senior Center and the Lewiston Police Department - to see how you can help them.

Reach out to the Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce, local churches, your volunteer fire companies, local Girl Scout/Boy Scout troops and see how

you can help them help others. Join the districtwide PTSA and support their good works.

If your family is struggling, in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out. We are all here to help. Contact your child's teacher or building principal, or reach out to Lew-Port's school counselors and social workers directly.

Please remember that Lewiston-Porter continues to provide all students with meals daily at no cost. Students will have regular breakfast and lunch served on the days that they are in school. On days that students are remote (hybrid and all 100% remote learners), families will be asked to pick up meals. The grab-and-go bags

consist of two meals (breakfast and lunch). This service began Sept. 8 and will continue throughout the 2020-21 school year, or until amended by further New York state guidance.

Meals are available for pick up on Mondays, Tuesdays (for Tuesday and Wednesday) and Thursdays (for Thursday and Friday). Families can pick up the grab-and-go meals at the high school main entrance (family last names: A-L - 8:30-9:15 a.m.; and M-Z - 9:15-10 a.m.). Families who are eligible for free and reduced lunch or do not have transportation should email pgrupka@lew-port.com to make arrangements for delivery.

St. Peter's Lutheran School student honors

Mrs. J. Michelle Scibetta, principal of St. Peter's Lutheran School in Sanborn, announced the following students were named to the high honor, honor and merit rolls for the first quarter marking period of the 2020-21 academic year.

High Honor (95-plus average)

Grade 3 - Harry Gerlach, Cameron Marotta and Hope Reiman; Grade 4 - Jackson Tonemah; Grade 5 - Emily Berner; Grade 6 - Skyler Saavedra; and Grade

8 - Aliyah Printup.

Honor (90-94.4 average)

Grade 3 - Sam Fischer, Madison House, Abraham Thorstad and Jet Wilson; Grade 4 - Abbey Alley, Lilliana Nachreiner and Jayce Sinatra; Grade 5 - Sam Donato, Isabella Fahs and Jake Murawski; Grade 6 - Sadie Baird and Nicholas Lemke; Grade 7 - Justin Shaw; and Grade 8 - Lily Baird, Allison Coyle and Allison Milleville.

Merit (85-89.4 average)

Grade 3 - Landen Wylke;

Grade 4 - Jennilee Carpenter and Troy Sullivan; Grade 5 - Aftann Ferguson and Brianna Wylke; Grade 6 - Randy Chrysler and Brennan Sherriff; and Grade 7 - Rya Anastasi, Vincent Etopio, Andrew Schul and Giuliana Sinatra.

St. Peter's congratulates its first quarter honor and merit roll students.

For more information, call 731-4422 or visit discoverstpeters.org.

Lew-Port ends season at 14-4 with tough loss in sectional finals

Robert Woods & Jacob Forney named to All-WNY teams

SUBMITTED BY COACH RICK SWEENEY

The Lewiston-Porter boys varsity soccer team recently ended its season, finishing with a record of 14 wins, 4 losses, and ranked No. 8 among large schools in Western New York.

The team saw its season conclude in a match against the No. 2-ranked large school team in WNY, Williamsville South. Lew-Port played a tough gritty defensive game, with Williamsville taking them into the double overtime. Williamsville South scored the game-winning goal off a corner kick with seven seconds remaining.

Had Lew-Port held on to earn the draw, both teams would have been named co-champions, as there was no further game for either team to advance into, due to COVID-19 restrictions.

The sectional final saw Lew-Port net minder Nate Russell make a handful of acrobatic saves, and defenders Dominic Massaro, Josh Long, Nathan Jowdy and Justin Dillon consistently limit the quality of the scoring opportunities generated by Williamsville South.

Lew-Port advanced to the A2 sectional final with a 5-1 win over Iroquois, with goals scored by Eli Veltri, Drew Leardini, Jacob Nicola, Spencer Reisman and Robert Woods.

Over the course of the season,

the team ended up being the top goal-scoring team in all of WNY, with 61 goals. Lew-Port also was the top team in WNY for goal differential at plus 51; Lew-Port's 10 goals against was the fourth-lowest among large schools in WNY.

Among individual accolades for the season: Robert Woods was the top goal scorer in WNY with 26 goals; Spencer Reisman led all players in WNY with 16 assists; and Nate Russell earned 11 shut-outs for the year as a first-year starter.

All-Niagara Frontier League recognition was earned by seven players. Jacob Forney was named to the 1st team all league for the second consecutive year as a midfielder; Robert Woods was named a 1st team all league selection as a forward; and Josh Long was voted as a 1st team all league player as a defender.

Spencer Reisman was 2nd team all NFL as a forward, Jacob Nicola was 2nd team all NFL as a midfielder and Nate Russell made the 2nd team as a goalkeeper. Dominic Massaro made 3rd team all NFL as a defender, while Dominic Palumbo was honorable mention as a midfielder.

Robert Woods and Jacob Forney were also named to All-WNY teams. Woods was selected as a forward on the 1st team overall while Forney made the large school team as a midfielder.

Stella Niagara first quarter accolades

Stella Niagara Education Park announced the following students were named to its high honor and honor rolls for the first quarter marking period of the 2020-21 academic year.

"We are very happy that we were able to have all of our stu-

dents back in school this first quarter," said Amy Reynolds, director of institutional advancement.

High Honor

Grade 4 - Zehra Huzmeli and Evan Kutis; Grade 5 - Lily Hartloff, Caleb Koepcke and Reina

Straub; Grade 6 - Grace Burton, Elizabeth Cumbo, Josephine Riley, Maimouna Samb and Olivia Taylor; Grade 7 - Ella Kutis, Adam McNab, Giuliana Slepian and Caleb Walker; and Grade 8 - Anna Cumbo, Aniyah Evans, Ada Onyenma, Zoe Ranieri, Jack Riley, Jenna Sweeney, Ava Taylor, Delilah Winker and Arian Zohur.

Honor

Grade 4 - Clara Riley, Lola Schimmelpennick, Cameron Stack and Drake Straub; Grade 5 - Muhammed Cisse, Emma Grace, Rocco Hall and Santino Valencio; Grade 6 - Victoria Christensen, Aliye Huzmeli, Isaac Lauger and Elliot Slepian; Grade 7 - Cassidy Crogan, Caden Koepcke, Francis Murphy, Cameron Panepinto and William Wagner; and Grade 8 - Mirabella Abbondanza, Daman Khabra, Elle Pauly and Chad Szymanski.

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