



## **NEWS from the CHAGRIN FALLS SCHOOLS**

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### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Dr. Brian Donley, orthopedic surgeon at the Cleveland Clinic, spoke to Lisa Salyers' Senior Biology students about his schooling, job, and different types of injuries/joint replacement that he encounters on a daily basis. His power point presentation and use of actual orthopedic devices really enhanced his presentation.

### **INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL**

The Intermediate School has completed two very successful lockdown drills this year. We are very lucky to have such a wonderful police department as Officer Jason Weiskopf came to observe the drills and offer his expert advice. The staff and students did a marvelous job of executing our safety plan that Officer Weiskopf said was one of the best he has ever seen.

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Students in Mrs. Courtney Polcar's 7<sup>th</sup> grade English class recently studied the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe and other authors. They then journaled, shared, and analyzed fear, suspense, and mystery in terms of plot and then authors. Next, the students chose a mystery book to read in small literature circle groups. They met for activities, discussions, and reading time during class 2 times a week. After finishing their novel, they chose events from the novel to use to write scenes for a "haunted house" based on what they studied and read during this unit. They put together costumes and props presenting them to fellow students and faculty members and tried to set a chilling scene for audiences to enjoy!

### **Book Fair at Chagrin Falls Middle School**

The Chagrin Falls Middle School Library will be having the Scholastic Book Fair December 4, 5 and 6, 2007. Students will have an opportunity to purchase books at the Book Fair during their scheduled times. They will be receiving Book Fair schedules in November. Proceeds will benefit the Middle School Library. Parents may call the Middle School Library with any questions, 440.893.7695 ext. 4319.

### **GURNEY SCHOOL**

Gurney School recently was the scene of “Rock-n-Recess, Refuel with Milk” a program hosted by Dairymen’s and Radio Disney which promotes this program as a way of encouraging children to become physically active through alternative physical activities such as dance.

Radio Disney personalities performed 25 minute programs with trivia, dancing, and contest give-aways in the Gurney Gymnasium with each of the grade levels. Then students went to lunch where Dairymen’s and the American Dairy Association were waiting with Calci (short for calcium) the Cow. Activities at lunch included things such as “Milk Mustaches” and give-aways. In addition, the American Dairy Association awarded the Chagrin Falls Schools a \$4000 grant.

### ***As You Like It* tickets available**

The hilarious comedy *You Can’t Take It With You* marks the first high school play to be performed in the new 765 seat beautiful Chagrin Falls School District’s Performing Arts Center. Please come and support these high school students and enjoy this amazing play in the new Center located on the 7-12 campus, 400 E. Washington Street, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Performance dates are Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices for general admission are \$7.00 for students, \$9.00 for adults and \$12.00 for reserve seating. Please call the box office at 440-247-5500 ext. 4288 to reserve your tickets.

### **Order Your Sweatshirts and Sweatpants**

Destination Imagination (DI) is holding a fundraiser to help finance all Chagrin Falls DI teams in their competition. Hooded and crewneck sweatshirts, and sweatpants in all sizes are available. Contact Dana Hann for more information at 440-338-1749. Order by Nov. 20, 2007.

### **Poinsettia Sale Underway**

The Chagrin Falls After Prom Parents Committee is again offering poinsettias, garland and wreaths through its annual Poinsettia Sale beginning November 1-23<sup>rd</sup>. Shop for all your holiday needs while providing for a fun and safe After Prom Party for our students. Call Robin Kratche at 440-338-1121 with questions or to place an order.