



Chagrin Falls Schools



NEWS from the CHAGRIN FALLS SCHOOLS

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HIGH SCHOOL

Chagrin Falls High School's Women's Soccer Coach, Pamela Malone, has been selected as the Ohio High School Athletic Association's Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity (SEI) Award winner for 2007. Mrs. Malone received a plaque honoring her award at the Ohio Scholastic Soccer Coaches Banquet held last week in Columbus.

The Greater Cleveland Scholastic Soccer Coaches Association nominated her as the candidate for the SEI Award. The nomination was then sent to the Ohio Scholastic Soccer Coaches Association and voted on for the state of Ohio recipient. The award is a project of the OHSAA Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Committee. Individuals selected reflect the values of sportsmanship, ethics and integrity in all their professional responsibilities.

Mrs. Malone just completed her 16th year coaching the Chagrin Falls High School team and has an overall record of 233-60-30 ranking her as the top female soccer coach in the State of Ohio.

GURNEY

First graders at Gurney are taking a trip around the world! During the month of December, they will be visiting all seven continents from the comfort of their own classrooms. They are finding out about customs, traditions, and celebrations from around the world. They are reading books, investigating maps and globes, and researching countries on Gurney's mobile lap top lab. Families are participating by sending in artifacts from around the world such as clothing, books, money and crafts to create a museum for each classroom. The students are then comparing life around the world with their lives here in Chagrin Falls. **First Graders are also gathering up fall leaves to create an autumn painting of a tree as part of their art unit. They will trace around their arm and fingers to create the trunk and branches of a tree then use real leaves to print on the many colors of fall.**

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

The fifth graders at the Intermediate School were off to Williamsburg once again through the magic of the Electronic Field Trip. This is the second one of the year and it was quite a success. Our students heard from Benjamin Franklin, Admiral Lord Howe and a modern historian. They learned about the Declaration of Independence, the

capturing of General John Sullivan by Admiral Howe, and Richard Stockton going to jail as a rebel. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and hear first hand about this pivotal part in American History.

Parent Education Opportunity Offered

Chagrin Falls High School will offer parents the opportunity to connect in a nationally acclaimed parent discussion group beginning January 9th. Sponsored by Community Partnership For Youth (CP4Y), participants will meet in small groups to examine and discuss issues parents of teens are likely to face.

The format will be similar to a book group and discussions will be guided using the new 2007 edition of *Please Stop the Rollercoaster! How Parents of Teenagers Can Smooth Out the Ride* by Sue Blaney. Some of the discussion topics include: improving communication, keeping teens from engaging in risky behavior, “normal” teen development, exploring parents’ changing roles, and supporting your teen in school.

The discussion group program is comprised of eight sessions, with meetings scheduled every other Wednesday at noon beginning January 9th in the Sands Community Room. Please register early so that the textbooks can be ordered. Send a \$29.95 check (payable to CP4Y) to Carol Nash, 817 Sun Ridge Lane, South Russell, OH 44022 or call 440-338-1089 for more information.

Save the Date

The After Prom Fundraiser, “Fat Friday” will be held on Friday, January 25, 2008 at 7:00p.m.at the Chagrin Valley Athletic Club. All proceeds benefit a safe After Prom for Chagrin Falls students. For more information, contact Lou Ann Hebble at 440-338-4193.