

A newsletter from the Timberlane School Board

Making a difference

Bringing Timberlane and residents together

Timberlane knows that learning is not confined inside school buildings, nor does it stop with the final bell of the day.

That is why students and staff have been working hard at welcoming residents into their schools, as well as hosting events that raise awareness and money for issues that affect our community.

Both Atkinson Academy and Timberlane Regional High School hosted Career Days to bring in professionals from our community to teach students about different career paths. Atkinson welcomed people in the fields of medicine, law enforcement, energy, and health.

At the high school, there were several events aimed at bringing the community into the school, including the annual Health and Wellness Fair, the Senior Spring Fling and Strut for a Cure. The Senior Spring Fling was a great success, bringing in over 50 senior citizens to dance and chat with students and was featured on WMUR-TV.

The Strut for a Cure is just one of many events this spring to raise money for cancer research. The students expect to raise \$15,000.

Pollard School sponsored its third annual Run of the Savages which drew hundreds of walkers and runners to raise money for The Jimmy Fund Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Plaistow Police Chief Stephen Savage who lost his battle with cancer last year.

Businesses join to help schools

The Timberlane School District Community Partnership is off to a great start, according to its director Scott Strainge.

"As we move into the work of growing partnerships we would love to have as many businesses as possible join us in supporting the important work of our school district and the families and students it serves," Strainge said.

The Community Partnership was established to link students with opportunities in our communities and for businesses to help support our schools.

Some of the businesses already on board include:

- New Balance
- AJB Farms Landscaping
- Exxon
- Plaistow
 YMCA
- Sparton Corp.
- Data Electronic Devices, Inc
- Scott Electronics
- Teledyne
 DGO
 - New Hampshire Manufacturing Extension

To get involved, contact Scott Strainge, director of the Timberlane School and Community Partnership Program at 603-382-6541 ext. 3907. Check out the program's web site http://bit.ly/10okmP6

Foods Schneider

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Partnership

- Electric • Greater
- Haverhill Chamber of Commerce
- P.A.C.E.
- Greater Lawrence Community Boating Program
- UNOs
- Align Credit Union
- Epson

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SANDOWN NORTH Students working hard to get ready for art show



Sandown North will hold its annual art show on May 26 from 6 to 7 p.m. These students are shown working with a special type of paint called glaze.



Health Fair a great success

The annual Health and Wellness Fair at Timberlane drew dozens of vendors and over 300 guests. Several people also participated in the bone marrow match program. For more photos go to www.timberlane.net



Student performances live on demand!

From Danville to Denmark, loved ones can now watch live streaming performances of students at our PAC center online. Lip syncs, chorus concerts, and band performances have all been broadcast live with much more to come. Links to live performances can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/timberlaneregional. Past performances can be found on Timberlane's Vimeo channel at https://vimeo.com/trsd

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ATKINSON ACADEMY Careers highlight this year's Enrichment Day

Atkinson Academy's year-long theme for the 2014-2015 school year is "Careers."

Throughout the year, students have been learning about how people's personal interests, skills, and abilities guide them to their career choices, as well as how the academic subjects students learn in school are applicable and relevant to the day-to-day working world.

Enrichment Day focused on this theme. Fourteen presenters, many of them parents of Atkinson Academy students, spent the day at the school presenting workshops that allowed students to learn about various careers. Many of the highlighted occupations were STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics) careers. Presenters included mechanical engineers, nurses, physical and occupational therapists, a game warden, a weatherization consultant, a lawyer/prosecutor, and an arborist/plant health care specialist.

Other students had a chance to listen to professionals who work in sales and electronics, information technology, and marketing and technology. Additionally, all students attended an assembly presented by The Children's Museum of New Hampshire.



Atkinson Academy students learn about physical therapy at this year's Enrichment Day

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Congratulations to Pollard School first-grader Elizabeth Wagnitz who will be headed to the Connecticut Invention Convention in May with her invention the "Sleepy Switch." Elizabeth finished strong at the New Hampshire Invention Convention last month and several other Pollard students also received awards. Those students are first-grader Emerson Aprile, second-grader Riley Bixby, kindergartners Logan Sharpe and Kenneth Goodwin, and fifth-grader Alexa Wagnitz.

Record numbers sign up for Adult Ed

It was a record year for Timberlane's Adult Education Community Enrichment Program. In all, 315 residents signed up for 39 classes — more than any other year in the history of the program. "The Evening Division Team

is proud of the work we have done to create and promote this program, excited to have brought on board many new classes and instructors and, most importantly, happy that we could offer this opportunity to our community members," said Scott Strainge, director of the program.

More classes start in May. To sign-up, go to <u>http://</u> wp.timberlane.net/hs/ evening-division

HIGH SCHOOL



Great year for Youth & Government

Eight TRHS students participated in the 2015 YMCA Youth & Government Model Legislature earlier this month.

Under the leadership of teacher and adviser Ryan Richman, the students presented compelling legislation. Several of their bills made it out of committee where most die, including:

Cameron Magner's bill on vehicle safety for passenger canines.

Sam Putnam's bill on using state budgetary surpluses to fund schools in need.

Jake Chaput's bill on establishing a state-owned casino.

Ben Longchamp's bill

requiring gun locks in households with an individual with one or more mental disorders. His bill was deemed so important by the Senate, the legislative body unanimously overrode a governor's veto to ensure its passage — an event that is extremely rare at Youth & Government.

Linnie Maguire's bill on physician-assisted suicide was nominated for a legislative award. Jake Chaput, who served as House Chaplain, was lauded for his work by Gov. Maggie Hassan.

Sam Putnam won the Best Lobbyist Award, the first award Timberlane has received at Youth & Government.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Another championship for wrestlers

TRMS Wrestling Team had another great season, winning the Middle School State Championship for the second consecutive season. The future also looks bright for the Tigers as the team also won the 5th and 6th grade Novice Division State Championship. The team had 5 NH State Champions: Connor McGonagle, Brent Seavey, Christian Petry, Dylan Pinault, and Caleb Prothero. The team also placed 4 wrestlers at the Middle School New England Tournament. Christian Petry, and **Devon Simmons** finished in 6th place, Casey Broadhurst in 3rd place, and Connor McGongale was a New **England Champion in** his weight class. There are over 50 members on the wrestling team and all contributed to the championship season.

UPCOMING EVENTS

EARLY RELEASE DAY Friday, April 24 TRHS 'Sweeney Todd' May 7, 8, 9 7 p.m.

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TRHS Graduation Saturday, June 13 10 a.m.