

## **Superintendent's Student and Staff Accomplishments October 4, 2017**

**Community Involvement:** Pocono Mountain West High School students from SADD, Aavidum and Project Purpose partnered with the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Department to provide information and fun activities at the Celebrate Recovery event at The Mountain Center in Tobyhanna in September.

**SEC Donation:** Prior to the start of the school year, Swiftwater Elementary Center teachers participated in a team building event with the winning teachers being rewarded Scholastic dollars in the amount of \$1,500 from the SEC PTO. These amazing teachers generously decided to donate the \$1,500 Scholastic Dollars to a teacher in Texas whose classroom was destroyed by Hurricane Harvey. The PTO decided to increase the amount by another \$500 so that a total of \$2,000 is being sent to help rebuild a Texas classroom.

**TEC Outdoor Classroom:** Last week, Eagle Scout Michael Scardigno, a senior at the West High School, broke ground and began work on the Tobyhanna Elementary Center Outdoor Classroom project he plans to complete toward earning his Eagle Scout Badge. The outdoor classroom building should be completed by the end of October. It will be a wonderful place for students to complete writing assignments or have book discussions. TEC plans to use the outdoor classroom in conjunction with its nature trail.

**New EHS Field Hockey Record:** East High School Junior, Jaiden Wittel, earned her 61<sup>st</sup> career field hockey goal on Friday against Dieruff, surpassing the previous school record of 58 career goals set by former Cardinal, Aly Roth.

**WHS Girls Soccer News:** West High School Senior, Kathryn Gonzales, scored her 78<sup>th</sup> career soccer goal, which tied her with former Lady Panther soccer player, Nicole Brigante, for the most career soccer goals scored.

**Hurricane Relief Donation:** This morning East Junior High School teacher Kasey Reish, and I had the pleasure of presenting a check for \$10,562.81 to the organizers of the Fill-Up-The-Truck Hurricane Relief effort, which our District raised through a District-wide dress-down day for students and employees. Through the generosity of our school community, we were able to more than double what the organizers raised through their GoFundme page.

**Special Guest:** Senator Mario Scavello is here tonight to explain the Referendum on Homestead/Farmstead Tax Relief.