



ROUND THE SCHOOLS



Oct. 31, 2011

Bobbi English earns life achievement award

Hilliard and Holly Lane counselor Bobbi English is the recipient of the Ohio School Counselors Association Mary Claytor/Charles Weaver Life Achievement & Membership Award.

The award honors and rec-

ognizes a counselor who has contributed with excellence to the school counseling profession for 15 years or more.

English will be honored during the All Ohio Counseling Conference in Columbus.



Master Facilities Plan Phase I update

Site works is now underway at both construction sites.

Jersey barriers will go up shortly on the middle school/Dover site to create a construction drive that is completely separate from construction traffic. There will be no access from the Dover lot to the LBMS lot without going back to Dover Center Road.

Walkers also will not have access and will need

to walk to the sidewalk on Hilliard to get from one side to the other. Plans have been reviewed with the city, Westlake Police Department and building administrators to develop the safest route for the site.

At the WHS site, temporary lighting was added to the back student lot for safety reasons. Preservation of the landscaping in front of the PAC will be used throughout the district.

Former employee passes

Elizabeth "Betty" Ramey, a former WHS administrative assistant who retired after 30 years with the Westlake Schools in 1997, died last week. After her retirement she continued to work with the WHS Athletic Department at athletic events. Please keep the Ramey and WHS families in your thoughts.

Math/Science teaching awards

Nominations are now open for the 2012 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). The deadline is April 1, 2012. This year's nominations are restricted to teachers in grades K-6. Visit <http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=530&ContentID=8708&Content=113553> for more information.

Preschoolers rock to the beat

A \$200 donation from the Westlake Music Boosters to the Westlake City Schools Preschool Program was recently used to buy various drums, egg shakers, multi-cultural instruments and music CDs.

Music Boosters President Beth Hudak informed the program in the spring that they would receive the donation to "support and promote the arts through musical education and performance in our schools for all students, in all grades,

and in all forms."

The students have been excited to try out the new instruments and are open-minded as they listen to music from different countries, such as Trinidad, Honduras and South Africa.

The preschoolers are also grateful for the new aerobic



music as they exercise their minds and bodies with music such as Wake Up, Warm Up, Animals in Action, Lettercise, and Around the World.

The Stork Report

Congratulations to CFO/Treasurer Mark Pepera and his wife, Jane, on the birth of their daughter, Katherine Elaine Pepera, born Oct. 25. Katherine weighed in at 7lb, 10 oz,

and measured 19.5 inches. She joins a big sister and a big brother at home. Congratulations to the Treasurer and administrative teams on this new addition.

Ohio law requires that each school devote at least one hour or one standard class period on or around Veterans Day to an observance that conveys the meaning of the day. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs also offers a free teachers guide at <http://www.va.gov/opa/vetsday/>.

LBMS eClub collecting cell phones to save gorilla habitats

The LBMS Environmental Club is taking action to help the environment, along with helping gorillas and their habitats. To help, just find any used, working or not, cell phones and bring them to school. There will be a container located in the main offices at each building (except WHS) waiting for your donation. Coltan, found in cell phones, is mined in Africa, resulting in the destruction of gorilla habitats. Your donation will keep the harmful chemicals out of landfills, lessen the need to mine Coltan, and lessen the clutter in your home. Please do your part and help today by donating your old cell phones to the container in the main office, or send them to the LBMS eClub.



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