



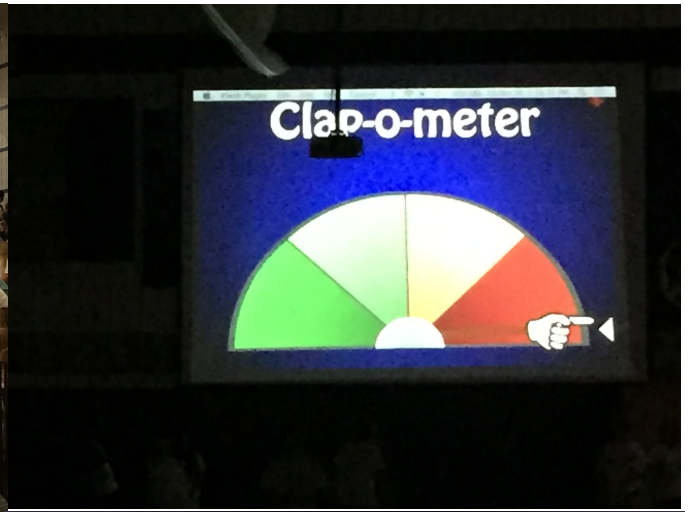
Superintendent's Report

To: Board Members
From: Dr. Leah M. Christman
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- The High School had a very moving presentation by Ester Bauer, a holocaust survivor on Oct. 15. Details of Ms. Bauer's visit are captured in an article in the Laconian. The high school streamed the presentation to classes who could not fit in the auditorium. You could have heard a pin drop in the assembly as students listened intently and were very respectful. Students asked very thoughtful questions of Ms. Bauer and lines up to meet her and ask more questions after the talk.



- Homecoming activities went very smoothly (photos follow) A display of school spirit began during a pep rally that highlighted a "clapometer" measuring student's class cheers, some dance moves from teachers and administrators, and a kick-off of the Energy program by CEI club that shot t-shirts into the stands. The High School student activities sponsored free food and games during the pre-game tailgate, thanks to Mr. Ruch and Student Council who organized the fun. While the outcome of the game was disappointing in the last 18 seconds, crowning of the Homecoming court, and performances by the Marching Band, Drill Team, and Cheerleaders impressed the crowd. The Homecoming dance held on Saturday also went off without incident.
- This Thursday and Friday, Mrs. Lewis and I will attend the 2015 annual Safe Schools Conference, "Keeping Our Children Safe: Strategies for Schools and Communities Safe Schools Conference." In Harrisburg. Sessions include on topics including cyberbullying, social media, suicide prevention, peer abuse, gaming addiction, compassion fatigue, lockdowns and more, and keynote speaker will address issues of equity in schools.



- On Sunday, November 1, Hanan Gawdet, our former Egyptian teacher arrives for a month of classroom visits. In addition to visits to the Arabic language classes, teachers have requested Hanan to cover many topics with elementary through high school while she is here.

Class being Taught	Grade level(s)	Topic Requested	Building
Art	7th-8th	Art in Egypt	MS

Contemporary Issues	12th grade	Education system	HS
Journalism	10th, 11th, 12th	The editors will do a story on the visit and will interview Ms. Gawdat as she is available throughout her visit	HS
AP W. Cultures/Gifted/Arabic	9/12/15	PENN MUSEUM- Egyptian Tour	HS
Music	8	Egyptian music Modern and Traditional	MS
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4th Grade Math	4th	Instruction on Ancient Egyptian Number System	IS
SS/LA	Hopewell First Grade	holidays, schools, life of a 6/7 year old, dress, food, entertainment, plants and animals native to Egypt, children's games played	HW
DESIGN 21	7th-8th	Classroom technology in Egyptian schools	MS
Physical Education	6th	Middle Eastern Games- about 70 children -plan some common team or group games that children would play outside that involve physical activity.	IS
Specialists	LB 3rd grade- Skype with children from Egypt	Music, Art, Dance, Children's literature - a cross-curricular activity -elements of the Egyptian culture in our respective 3rd grade classes. As a culmination, Hanan presents a simple program to our 3rd grade students focusing on a "Day in the Life" of an elementary aged child in Egypt. 45 minute time block to share school information, sports, popular past-times or hobbies and things of that nature.	LB
SS/LA/Math/Science	LB second grades	Thanksgiving equivalent? school life, outside of school activities for 2nd graders, how many language(s) learned or spoken by average child/citizen	LB

Science	8th Grade	Flora/Fauna in Nile Valley and/or geology's place in building a civilization, and any uses of science in ancient and modern Egypt.	MS
FCS	7th- 8th	Middle Eastern Cuisine / Grape Leaves	MS
FCS	9th - 12th	Parenting and Young Child - family and child rearing Multicultural Foods - Food and Culture with a demonstration of a simple Egyptian food Nutrition - Food and Culture with an emphasis on health/fitness in the Egyptian culture Housing and Interiors - housing styles, city life Family and Consumer Sciences - Egyptian dress, family dynamics and culture	HS
SS/LA	3rd	Holidays, schools, life of a 7/8 year old, style of dress, cultural food, entertainment	HW
SS/Science/LA/ Math	5th	Holidays, school customs and traditions.	IS
SS/Science/LA/ Math	5th	Holidays, school, sports, life of a 10/11 year old.	IS