

Fairfield Ludlowe High School
HEADMASTER'S MONTHLY REPORT
April/May 2016

Student and Teacher Achievements

- The **Red Cross Club's** spring blood bank yielded 38 viable pints which was beyond the goal.
- A tradition continued this spring when the **freshman boys' lacrosse team** carried out the Great Spring Clean Up of the Sturges Park hill. They collected 8 bags of garbage, a car seat, a mattress frame, tubes and more.
- Winners of the National Latin Exam are: Gold: **Molly McLaughlin and Jesse Sprague**; Silver: **Jisoo Kim**; Magna Cum Laude: **Sam Zelin, Katie Coolidge, Will Allen, Michael Garbarino, Maggie Restrepo, Kaylie Minogue, Will Laroche, and Amanda Schramm**; Cum Laude: **Aidan McLaughlin and Paul Cipollaro**.
- March (Niche) Falcons of the Month are: **Ally Kochersperger, Kelsey Brown, Brian Deely, Elizabeth Sander, Dylan Lanham, Riley Blumenfield, Eleanor Roberts, Victoria Guasco, Ismael Serrano, Yan deOliviera, Henry Durham, Melissa Zaccagnino, and Ryan O'Shea**.
- April (success) Falcons of the Month are: **Andrew Hevita, Peter Gallagher, Natalie Nadolny, Peter Stack, Henry Prestegaard, Tamsin Brenner, Owen Granberg, Jeff Meyers, Julio Morales, Kate Sullivan, Kevin Wheeler, Nate Roberts, Alexander Poulter, Nicole Pierpont, Hannah Sharpe, and Erick Espinal**.
- The skills of the culinary arts students (**Rachel Keleher**, teacher), fashion design students (**Donna Huber**, teacher), and child develop students (**Linda Mushala**, teacher) were easy to appreciate at the Night of Stars. The students created food and fashions for an evening of entertainment and fund raising. Proceeds benefited Relay for Life and Yale's Children's Hospital.
- Senior **Zach Trippodo** won first place in the national Extreme Redesign Challenge, Art and Architecture category. His design won a \$2,500 scholarship.
- The **Ultimate Frisbee Club** captured the State Championship.
- **Headmaster Hatzis** sponsored the first LGBTQ Forum. The meeting was open to all.
- The Climate Committee partnered with the Anti-Defamation League to present The Truth About Hate, an assembly for freshmen addressing bias and the devastation it can cause. Particularly instrumental in developing the assembly were **Jodi Kostbar (housemaster), Deb Deren (social worker), Betty Lockwood (Computer Tech), Sam Eckhardt (music), and Jen Smith (teacher)**.
- The buildOn Club (**Ann Newburg**, advisor) sponsored a benefit concert and a car wash to raise funds to build a school in Nicaragua.
- Through multiple fundraisers, the Youth American Cancer Society (**Kristy LeFebvre**, advisor) raised \$950.00 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.
- Social Studies teacher **Chris Parisi** and his students organized three days of voter registration.

- Orchestra teacher **Lynda Smith** reports that the following students were selected to perform at the 2016 Connecticut Music Educators' Association All-State Music Festival: **Nicole Bilotto, John Bookas, Rachel Cupp, Xenia Efimov, Leila Mishalani, Julia Oppenheimer, Tom Roberts, and Ben White.**
- The buildOn and Operation Hope Clubs hosted a pasta dinner fundraiser, and each club was able to donate \$450 to their respective causes.
- The Supporting Our Selves Club (**Cindy Stetter**, advisor) sponsored Teen Awareness Day which provided presentations throughout the day addressing such topics as HIV/AIDS, intoxication, drug abuse and recovery, peer pressure, and the dangers of social media.
- The following outstanding social studies students were chosen to attend the League of Women Voter's Symposium on Social Media: Global Impact on Political Engagement, Youth & Privacy at Yale University: **Hannah Sharpe, Nitya Sridhar, Ingrid Duffy, and Lindsay Taylor.**
- Art teacher **Virginia Zimmermann** was invited to participate in the Annual Members' Exhibition at the Center for Contemporary Printmaking in Norwalk, and the Connecticut Woman Artists 2016 Annual Juried Member Show in New Britain.