

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA



Presents Awards, Recognizes Staff

The Friend of Education Award was created in 2018. This award recognizes a person, family, business, or organization within the School District of Manawa whose contributions of time, talents, resources, or donations enhance the lives and education of district students.

For 2022, the Friend of Education was given to two incredibly deserving recipients. The first Friend of Education Award was given posthumously to Robert (Bob) Conroy. His wife, Mary, and family were present to receive this award in Mr. Conroy's honor and memory.

The nomination form notes that "Mr. Conroy has researched and maintained the historical archive of Manawa area military veterans over



Robert Conroy was posthumously honored with the School District of Manawa's 2022 Friend of Education Award. Mary Conroy and Dr. Melanie Oppor are pictured.

many years dating as far back as the mid-1970s. Mr. Conroy presented information to Junior High students about his experiences in World War II and also shared memorabilia from that time period. Annually, he presented a historical summary of the service of area veterans at the School District of Manawa Veterans Day program hosted by Manawa Middle School. His dedicated work to teach future generations to remember the sacrifices of our veterans is invaluable. While Mr. Conroy has passed away, we feel this Friend of Education award would



Sturm Memorial Library was one of two recipients of the 2022 Friend of Education Award. Mayor Mike Frazier is pictured with Dr. Melanie Oppor presenting the Sturm Memorial Library staff with the Friend of Education award.

meaningfully acknowledge to Mr. Conroy's family how much his devotion to keeping our veteran's history alive was respected and appreciated."

This year, we were pleased to be able to name a second recipient of the Friend of Education Award - the Sturm Memorial Library Staff.

The nomination essay included the following special message:

"Sturm Memorial Library Staff - the ladies at Sturm Memorial Library are extremely supportive of our schools. They run programs throughout the school year, and especially in the summer, to encourage our students to read

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GO WOLVES! GO WOLVES! GO WOLVES!

Robert (Bob) Conroy graduated from LWHS in 1946. In 1948, he joined the Wisconsin National Guard. Bob was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in January of 1954. He attended Basic Branch Infantry Training at Fort Benning in Georgia in 1955. In 1957, he was transferred to Branch Artillery as a 1st Lieutenant. In 1958, he went to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and then Basic Branch Artillery in 1959. Bob proudly served one year of active duty from 1961-1962 during the Berlin Crisis. He left the Wisconsin National Guard in 1968 and was transferred to the Army Reserve. He attended a Command and General Staff course at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in the Class of 1972. Bob retired from the military in 1974 with a rank of Major.

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and share ideas. They come into our schools to promote a love of reading each year. They are there to support the needs of our students and staff when our libraries do not have the book being sought after. I could not do my job as District Library Media Specialist without the love and support I get from Ellen, Lyn, and Carol. Ellen, Lyn and Carol will bend over backwards to assist anyone in need. They have made deliveries to the school when I couldn't get down to pick things up. Lyn was a guest judge at a literacy event this past February. They usually set up a table at the Open House at the beginning of the school year. The students LOVE to see them in the schools and they LOVE working with our students. They are truly an asset to the community of Manawa."

2022 Heart of Gold Award

A person nominated for the Heart of Gold Award exemplifies qualities that seemed to come naturally to Tammy Kempf, the staff member in whose honor the award was created. A Heart of Gold recipient is caring, patient, generous, considerate, compassionate, humble, and demonstrates a strong work ethic. Nomination essays are submitted to the Recognition Committee and go through a rigorous scrubbing process to provide anonymity. The essays are then sent to the Mrs. Kempf's three adult children who make the selection of the award recipient. This year's Heart of Gold recipient was Beth Trice.

Years of Service

The following people have hit major milestones in their years of service to the district:

Nancy Zabler 35 Jennifer Krueger 30 Jeanne Meier 30 Dawn Millard 30 Susan Suehs 30 Deanna Lowney 25 Carmen O'Brien 25 Sharon Baldwin 20 Diane Teuscher 15 Megan Anderson 10 Patrick Collins 10 Daniel Koehler 10 Sarah Bortle 5 Thomas Polkki 5 Andrea Whitman 5 Jessica Hauser 1 Mary Johnson 1 Michelle Johnson 1 Dean Marzofka 1 Susan Miller 1 Arthur Pethke 1 Kevin Plekan 1 Megan Schuelke 1 Kara Tohm 1 Beth Trice 1

Melinda Doss 1

Retirements

Kathy Flamang-Field 36 years in education Daniel Wolfgram 33 years in education Ruth Boerst retiring as

substitute staff and bus driver



The School District of Manawa created its Heart of Gold Award in memory of Tammy Kempf, pictured with her children.



In honor of her retirement, Kathy Field received a certificate of service from District Administrator Melanie Oppor.



District Administrator Melanie Oppor presented Beth Trice with the Heart of Gold Award.

Thank you for all your support!





District Administrator Melanie Oppor presentedDan Wolfgram with a certificate of service in recognition of his retirement as principal of Manawa Middle School and Little Wolf High School.

Senior From Returns to Masonic Lodge

This year marked the return of the 2022 Prom to an indoor venue. Last year, due to the pandemic, the students held the prom at the Symco Thresheree Grounds in more of an open air venue. This year's prom returned to the former location of the Manawa Masonic Lodge.

Another change for this year was that the court was composed of seniors versus a junior prom. This was to accommodate the year that the prom was not held due to the pandemic. Students will consider in years to come a potential transition back to a junior prom.

Students danced from 8:00 p.m. until midnight, and then many students returned to Little Wolf High School for the post-prom. The prom king and queen were Zach Schertz and Amber Fietzer. Thanks to the Manawa Masons for their ongoing support in using the facility.



Little Wolf High School's prom returned to the Manawa Masonic Lodge this year.

Little Wolf Art Team Takes First At State

BY JACK O'BRIEN

After advancing to state by taking first overall at the UW-Stevens Point Regional, the Little Wolf High School Art Team competed at the Visual Arts Classic (VAC) State competition, held at the George L. Mosse Humanities Building on the UW-Madison campus.

The VAC competition is divided into three parts. First is the long-term piece in which students are given a prompt list three months in advance, as well as a list of twelve artists to study for the Quiz Bowl section. Projects are brought to competition to be judged. Competitors are then given a new prompt and three hours to make a different piece in accordance with the prompt. They are all judged and given a score corresponding with an individual placement. The point value from each individual is then added to the overall team score. The team transitions to the Quiz Bowl competition where they answer thirty questions about the twelve artists that they have studied for this event. All scores and points earned in Quiz Bowl are combined and the team with the most points comes out on top.

Taking second in Quiz Bowl and

From L to R; Back Row: Olivia Ogle, Emma Riske, Ted Emmert, Keither Jepson, Ricky Pingel, Coach Nancy Zabler, Alexa Korotka; Middle Row: Mya Stephens, Morgan Rosenau, Grace Tohm, Jack O'Brien, Molli Riske; Front Row: Xochitl Grimm, Addie Bortle.

to be judged. Competitors are then given a new prompt and three hours to make a different piece in accordance with the prompt. They are all judged and given a score corresponding with an individual placement. The point

> The twelve members of the Little Wolf team completed their on-site projects. All were all judged with the LWHS Art Team earning many individual firsts as well as many perfect scores.

> Little Wolf and Hortonville, along with ten other teams, competed in the Quiz Bowl portion. Hortonville came out victorious again, taking second place over Little Wolf's third place finish. The eventual winner was Martin Luther High School.

> After combining the points earned in Quiz Bowl with their long-term and on-site scores, Little Wolf came out the winner, taking first place over runnerup Luck and third place, Franklin. Little Wolf competed against seven other regional champions, with fortyfour total teams competing across the state in their respective regions.

Coached by longtime art teacher Nancy Zabler, this is Little Wolf's second state title. The first winning state title occurred back in 2016. The team returned home to a fire and rescue truck escort as fans cheered on the streets and flashed porch lights in support of the team. We thank the SDM community for their support!

Peeling Back the Curtain on Social Studies

BY JAKE KACZOROWSKI, TOM POLKKI AND TRACY BREAKER

Why do I need to know this? This happened 400 years ago, who cares? What does this have to do with me? Why don't we just print more money? Which one is Nebraska?

If you are a Social Studies teacher, you have inevitably had all these types of questions come across your desk at some point in your career. You have questions; we have answers.

"Why do I need to know this? This happened 400 years ago, who cares?" I'm sure you have heard the phrase, "Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it," as Winston Churchill said. While cliche, there is a lot of truth to that statement. A little understanding of what has happened in the past, can make present situations easier to comprehend and predict what might happen moving forward or what can be done to prevent future turmoil.

"What does this have to do with me?" Who you are and your life situation is a result of everything that has happened in your world and the greater society. The society you live in today is a combination of economic, historical, and political factors that you are better prepared to handle if you are aware of them. Understanding these factors can also help you take part in the ever-changing societal, economic, and political forces and become a well-rounded citizen.

"Why don't we just print more money?" "Which one is Nebraska?" While there might appear to be a very simple solution to some questions, the reality is often more complex. For example, the first question will lead to inflation and often the worsening of the conditions you are trying to fix. Unfortunately, money does not, in fact, grow on trees. As for the second question, just Google it, said no Geography teacher ever. In reality, students having a basic understanding of common knowledge and awareness of surroundings greatly increases their ability to have intellectual growth.

Part of our goal as Social Studies teachers is to help students become productive citizens, who can establish their own opinions based on evidence, and embrace intellectual curiosity throughout their life. While it can sometimes be hard to see it, Social Studies impacts your life every day.





KADENCE ANDERSEN

ANNA ARMSTRONG



NOAH BRATT



GRANT BRISTOL





RUDY DROZD



ALAINA GAST





SOPHIA HAUSMANN



CARTER HERMANSON



CAYLEB HIROSKEY





RYLEE KETTLESON



REANNE MIKKELSON



ANDREW NIEMUTH



MALEAH PIRK



COLTON PRUE



ANDREW REYES





DALTON RUDIE



SETH STIEBS



HUNTER SUEHS



CODY THOMA



GRACE TOHM



JESSICA VELIE





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MORGAN RUDIE





CONNOR SCHAEFER





CONNER SCHEID



ZACHARY SCHERTZ



ALEXANDRA SCHEUERMANN





LANDON SOBIESZCZYK



ANDREA WENTWORTH



ALAN WERTH





ANGELO WIESNER



Congratulations

ISAAC WESTPHAL

GO WOLVES! GO WOLVES!

MANAWA MIDDLE SCHOOL EIGHTH-GRADERS



CHEYENNE BAILEY



JAYDEN BESSETTE



CASHTON BOTTING





KALE FENSKE





AVA FLANAGAN



ALEJANDRO GARCIA



WYATT GUNDERSON



HAYDEN HARTFIEL



NOLAN HEISE



DEVIN HILL







XEON LONEWOLF



CADEN MAY



HANNAH MEYER







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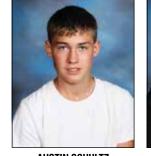
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LANDON SMITH









GO WOLVES! GO WOLVES!

CASHTYN J. BOTTING

HAYDEN R. HARTFIEL

KALEA R. KLOTZBUECHER

KALE R. FENSKE

NOLAN N. HEISE

CADEN M. MAY

Third-Quarter Honor Roll

Manawa Middle School

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL **EIGHTH-GRADERS**





TATE DRUMMOND



ABIGAIL ELMHORST



BRANDEN HEBERT



MALEA SCHERTZ



ISABELLA FRADRICH



AARON PETHKE



RYLEE VANDENHEUVEL

Third-Quarter Honor Roll Little Wolf High School

HIGH HONORS

GRADE 12 AMBER A. FIETZER ALAINA J. GAST SAWYER J. LEW ALEX M. MEIDL MALEAH M. PIRK **KENNEDY L. ROSIN** GRACE 0. TOHM JESSICA T. VELIE ANGELO E. WIESNER GRADE 11 NOAH A. BORTLE JUSTIN J. BUSCHKE THEODORE D. EMMERT EMILY S. LOUGHRIN

MORGAN ROSENAU **GRADE 10**

ALEXI E. KLOTZBUECHER GRADE 9 LEAH A. BORTLE ALEXA KOROTKA LIBERTY R. SCHERTZ

HONORS

GRADE 12 **KADENCE N. ANDERSEN GRANT I. BRISTOL** SHELDON L. CRAVY RUDY J. DROZD HAILEE A. FENSKE RYLEE J. KETTLESON MAKENZIE JO M. KRUEGER GAVIN A. LINJER ANDREW L. NIEMUTH CONNER W SCHEID ZACHARY C. SCHERTZ ALEXANDRA P. SCHEUERMANN ANDREA WENTWORTH **ISAAC S. WESTPHAL**

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ANGELINA N. DEPAOLI **XOCHITL Y. GRIMM** ALEXIS M. HEDTKE **KEITHER J. JEPSON** TISHNYA K. JOHNSON GAVIN R. LETTAU XYRUS R. LONEWOLF LILLYANA R. RAUSCH EMMA I. RISKE **KELSEY J. ROSIN** JACOB A. TIMM ALIVIA A. TRINRUD MADALYN D. WEPNER MARGARET S. WESTPHAL ADAM G. ZIELKE **GRADE 10** EMILY R. BUCH DALTON J. CRAIG ALEXANDRIA A. FRADRICH JOLIE JAEGER **BRENNAN K. KETTLESON** HALEY L. KITOWSKI MARILYN J. KLATT ERIN M. MEHLBERG JACK P. O'BRIEN

OLIVIA E. OGLE

BAILEY D. ORT

RICKY J. PINGEL

CODY G. ROBINSON

JULIA J. SEEGER MYA M. STEPHENS SPENCER T. STREBE DAKOTA STROUD MAGGIE E. TOHM LAUREN A. WEGENER BRADY L. ZEMPLE GRADE 9 CASSANDRA L. ARNDT KELSEY K. BEHNKE CALLEIGH S. BEYER **BREANNA L. BONIKOWSKE** MCKENNA J. GRIMM MATAHYA M. JOHNSON LILY A. KRENKE ISABEL R. KRIESEL **BROOKE J. KRUEGER KAYLEE S. KRUEGER** NATALLIE E. MAYBERRY KATHERINE M. OGLE PATRICK E. PAQUE AMOLLIA K. RISKE **BRILEY E. ROSIN OLIVIA G. SANTOS** ELLIE E. STROESENREUTHER ALECIA M. WEBER **BRAISON J. ZIELKE**

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GRADE 12 NOAH R. BRATT ETHAN E. FRADRICH JADEN L. JAEGER MCKENNA M. KRIESEL REANNE J. MIKKELSON MIKENNA J WEGENER MAKENNA J. WEINAND ALAN L. WERTH GRADE 11

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HIGH HONORS GRADE 6 ZOE A. KRUEGER ISABEL A. ZIRBEL HONORS

SOPHIA M. BRATT ALEXIS V. FERG AVA L. FLANAGAN **DEVIN HILL XEON R. LONEWOLF** HANNAH J. MEYER **GRACE K. PINGEL** JOHNATHAN T. PIONTEK **BELLA G. RAFFIN** MASON TRUAX

GRADE 7 ADALYNN V. BORTLE

LILIAN M. KLATT KATELYN D. KRUEGER PIPER M. O'BRIEN ANDREW M. PAMPERIN EMILIA V. SITTER ODEN D. STROESENREUTHER HAYDEN T. WEPNER **OLIVIA C. ZIELKE** ZOE L. ZIEMER LOGAN S. ZIRBEL

GRADE 6

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HONORABLE **MENTION GRADE 8**

JAYDEN D. BESSETTE

Substitutes Needed

BY DANNI BRAUER

Do you love to work with children or teenagers? Do you have a passion for helping people?

Do you take pride in keeping buildings clean?

Are you looking for something to keep you busy while your children are at school? The School District of Manawa is actively seeking substitute teachers, paraprofessionals, office staff, and custodians.

Substitute teaching requires a bachelor's degree and a license through the Department of Public Instruction. Support staff substitutes only require a high school diploma and background check.

Contact the District Office for more information at 920-596-2525.



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MES PTO Returns Successfully

BY ANDREA WHITMAN

The Manawa Elementary Parent Teacher Organization has successfully regrouped and is back to full-strength supporting students, teachers, and school needs.

Under the direction of Britney Riesenberg and Cassie Steingraber as Co-Chairs, and along with a dedicated group of members-atlarge, parent volunteers, and school staff, the PTO officially restarted back in November 2021. Take a look at what the PTO has accomplished the past few months! All fundraising proceeds will help fund the new playground system at the MES!

Jenny's Penguin Patch Holiday Shop: Students were provided the opportunity to shop for their family members.

Christmas Through Song Celebration: provided funds for cookie decorating supplies and a visit from Santa.

School Staff Appreciation Luncheon: provided soup and sandwiches to school staff members from The Busy Bean before winter break.

Bag Toss Tournament: hosted the fundraising event at USC

Sports Complex in coordination with school staff and also featured classroom-created raffle baskets.

Cookie Sales: done at Valentine's Day and Easter.

Bus Driver Appreciation: provided gift cards to bus drivers as a thank you for all they do.

Pieces for Peace: a partnership with MES Student Council and several staff members to raise awareness and funds to be donated to an aid organization for children and their families affected by the crisis in Ukraine.

Teacher Appreciation Week: a breakfast and a lunch catered in for teachers.

PTO Fun Day in June: planned activities and events for all students at the MES.

The PTO welcomes any parent, teacher, caregiver, family or community member willing to become part of this service-minded organization. It's a truly rewarding experience. Find us on Facebook @ Manawa Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization or email for more info at pto@manawaschools.org.

Website Accessibility

The School District of Manawa strives to be inclusive and responsive to the needs of all district residents. Anyone finding district information or website functionality to be inaccessible to persons with disabilities is asked to contact the District Webmaster, Mr. Marzofka, by telephoning 920-596-5737 or emailing him at: dmarzofka@manawaschools.org

The following links provide direct access to the School District of Manawa Policies related to Section 504 and Title II along with the names and contact information for the District's 504/ADA Compliance Officers and can be accessed from the district website under Board of Education > Board Policies > Link to Policies:

2260.01 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION BASED ON DISABILITY

1623 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

3123 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

4123 - SECTION 504/ADA PROHIBITION AGAINST DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

2260 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND ACCESS TO EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

1422 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

3122 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

4122 - NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The School District of Manawa's Section 504 and ADA Compliance Officers are as follows:

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A SUB?

We are in need of custodial subs, paraprofessional subs, food service subs, as well as teacher subs. You can apply by going to www.manawaschools.org/district/employment.cfm

STEP VOLUNTEERS:

Senior citizens can save on their property taxes by volunteering in the schools through the Senior Tax Exchange Program. Contact Ruth Lord, Director at 920-596-5673 for more information.



School District of Manawa Information

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Little Wolf High School Grades 9-12

Manawa Middle School Grades 6-8

Phone: 920-596-2524 515 E. 4th Street Principal: Daniel Wolfgram

Manawa Elementary School

Grades 4K – 5 Phone: 920-596-2238 800 Beech Street Principal: Danielle Brauer Paving the Way Phone: 920-596-2526 407 S. Bridge St. Director: Danielle Brauer

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Board Meetings:

Regular Board Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month (except April – 4th Monday) in the Board Room located at the Manawa Elementary School at 7:00 pm. Any additional meetings are duly posted on the district's website, in the City Hall and at Sturm Memorial Library. For additional information please contact the District Office at 920-596-2525.

The Board of Education and Administrative Team would like to thank all the individuals, groups, and businesses that so generously contribute to the District. Your gifts of money, time, materials, and talents support and enhance programs for all our students and staff!

The School District of Manawa does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability. Federal law prohibits discrimination in education and employment on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, sex, religion, or disability.

Mission Statement:

The School District of Manawa is the place where students choose to excel academically and realize their strengths.

Vision Statement:

The School District of Manawa engages students to reach their full potential in a changing global society through highly effective instruction and leadership.



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