



## **Principal's Newsletter-December 2019**

### **Rotary Student of the Month-November**

Congratulations to Eiren Kleszczewski who was selected as the Rotary Student of the Month for November. Eiren is a senior at Suffield High School and has volunteered in several groups throughout her years here at the high school. Eiren is involved with Chick-Fil-A Leader Academy, where she helped organize a Trivia Night to raise money for the Dustin Doyon and Brianna Mailloux Scholarship Fund. This group also organized a movie night for elementary aged children, where they collected socks to donate to those in need for the winter. Eiren is also a member of our Wildcat Advisory Group. WAG students help incoming freshmen get acclimated to the high school by hosting an open house for them during the summer. WAG students also volunteer their time at open house and parent teacher conferences to help parents navigate around the high school. Eiren and her family organized a donation drive at the time when Hurricane Sandy hit where they collected supplies to bring to the victims of Hurricane Sandy.

Eiren has been on the Varsity Girls' Soccer Team since 10<sup>th</sup> grade. She also played on the Simmons Golden Eagles Premier Soccer Team throughout her years in high school. Previously Eiren played on the New England Mutiny Premier Soccer Team. Eiren has been a member of the Girls' Varsity Tennis Team since 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

Eiren has also worked as a soccer referee for the Suffield Soccer Association, worked at a local farm for several years, and currently works in an office at a Manufacturing company, where she inspects parts, does data entry and filing and ensures parts are packed and shipped accurately.

Congratulations to Eiren for earning the honor of Rotary Student of the Month for November. Well done!



Gail Demko, Rotary President and Eiren Kleszewski

### **Rotary Student of the Month-December**

Congratulations to Anna Blakely, who was chosen as the Rotary Student of the Month for December. Anna is a senior and an Honors student at Suffield High School and is involved in many extracurricular activities. Anna has been involved in the Chick-Fil-A Leadership Academy, where she was awarded the Chick-Fil-A Leader Academy Scholar in her junior year. She has been a member of WAG (Wildcat Advisory Group) during all four years at SHS. WAG is a group of students who help freshmen make a smooth transition from middle school into high school. WAG students also volunteer their time at open house and parent teacher conferences to help parents navigate around the high school. Anna is also the Varsity Tennis Manager and the Varsity Basketball Manager. She is involved in groups such as High School Reimagine (a group of students who discuss making changes for the better in our school) and Game Changers (a group of students who are trying to spread awareness about abuse). Anna is also a member of the Interact Club and is an Auxiliary Member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Anna has been a member of the Suffield Tennis Team, as well as the Basketball team and was awarded Scholar Athlete.

Anna has volunteered in several out-of- school activities such as the Easter Bunny Lunch at Mt. Carmel, Easter Baskets for Emergency Aid, the Feast of Mt. Carmel, coaching at basketball camp and volunteering at Kent Memorial Library and St. Patrick's Church. Anna was also a member of the Girl Scouts for many years.

Anna is involved in "Marketing to Manufacturing" a group that she created. From this, Anna is starting a water bottle business. She is learning to make a website and how to work with graphic design. This website will help other students pursue other business ideas. She hopes from this project that other girls will be inspired to try manufacturing.

In Anna's spare time, she is a Parts Manager at a Boat Marina and also enjoys babysitting.

Congratulations to Anna for all her accomplishments and for receiving the Rotary Student of the Month Award! Anna is very well-deserving of this award.



Anna Blakely

### CIAC Class Act Schools

Suffield High School Athletics Program was honored along with 19 other high schools from Connecticut and received the CIAC Michael's Achievement Cup, which was part of the CIAC Class Act Schools sportsmanship program. This program is designed to empower schools and specifically students to enhance sportsmanship. The twenty schools were honored at a Sportsmanship Conference at the Aqua Turf. There were more than 850 school representatives who attended the event.



From left to right, Front Row: Victoria Kent, Karissa Stanio, Cassandra Bosco  
From left to right, Top Row: Alex Harfouche, Cameran Bosco, Sarah Kent, Michael Bosworth, Athletic Director

## Music Department News

The Suffield High School Music Department will be presenting its annual Winter Program on Monday night, Dec. 16, at 7pm. The concert will features students in the Vocal Ensembles, the Concert Band and the Jazz Ensemble. Admission is free. Please join us as we celebrate the holiday season.

## Readers are Leaders

The National Honor Society recently participated in its annual Readers Are Leaders activity with kindergartners at Spaulding Elementary School. On Monday, November 25th, forty-five NHS members visited the eight kindergarten classrooms. While together, we shared a story and then led them in a fun activity related to the stories. All of the students and teachers thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and we hope to repeat it more often in the coming months.

