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Budget Vote Information

District residents will cast ballots on the proposed 2014 - 2015 budget at the annual budget vote and Board of Education election on **Tuesday, May 20**. Voting will take place in the **Victor Intermediate School Auditorium** from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Voters must be at least 18 years old, a registered voter and a resident of the District for at least 30 days prior to May 20, 2014.

Voter Registration

On Tuesday, May 13, 2014, the Victor Central School District will hold a voter registration from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room. This registration is for residents currently not registered to vote in the general election.

For more information on voter registration and/or the upcoming budget vote, contact VCS District Clerk, Maureen Goodberlet at 924-3252, ext. 1402 or email her at goodberletm@victorschools.org

VCS Board of Education Patrick Bolger Timothy DeLucia Gary Gilbert Kathryn Hart Deborah Palumbo-Sanders Trisha Turner Michael Young

The Board of Education meets on the second Thursday of the month in the Victor Early Childhood School Boardroom at 7:15 p.m. Community members are welcome to attend.

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The 2014 – 2015 School Budget

A Message from Our Superintendent Dawn A. Santiago-Marullo



For the past five years, VCS, along with many school districts across New York State, has been carefully creating budgets that reflect a new age of budget building – doing more with less. While it was not easy, thanks to careful planning and collaboration by our staff, administrators and Board of Education, we managed to consistently cast budgets that supported our greatest asset, our students.

As you may recall, one of the biggest challenges that our District has endured over the years, in addition to a weak economy and less state aid, has been a growing student population. Over the past seven years, VCS has added more than 400 new students, and while next year, for the first time since 2007, we do not anticipate any increase in enrollment, we are now in catch up mode.

This year, our goal is to begin to bring student resources back in line with our student population and create a budget that provides our students with an education that will prepare them for their future. Part of the reason we are able to boost budget lines in the coming year is due to the fact that the final 140 billion dollar New York State budget includes additional state aid for Victor Central Schools. The governor's original spending plan promised VCS \$132,256. The final budget now guarantees us \$744,555 in additional state aid.

Some of the ways we will catch up and close past gaps created by past increases in student enrollment and federal Race to the Top mandates will be done through retirements, new hires and the streamlining of services.

There are eight teachers retiring from the District. We are eliminating the switchboard operator position and moving to an automated system. The Senior High School will be adding approximately 50 students in September. We will need to add sections of English, math, social studies, science and foreign language to address this increase in students. We are also adding 3.6 full-time equivalent special education teachers and creating some teacher leader positions to help us address the implementation of the Common Core Standards and Race to the Top initiatives.

With additional funding, positions and programs, the 2014-2015 school budget is reasonable and responsible, coming in at \$62,155,998. It is important to note that the 1.3 million dollar increase in expenditures over last year's budget reflects the cost of our recent capital project for work that has already been done (aquatic center, new classrooms, etc.) VCS will receive 1.3 million dollars in building aid next year to offset these expenses.

Another important aspect of this year's budget is the Real Property Tax Freeze Credit. This new law ensures taxpayers will receive the difference between last year's taxes and this year's taxes if school districts stay within the tax levy cap (Victor is within this cap) and if a homeowner is eligible for the STAR exemption.

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Victor Central School Achievements

Academics

- In September 2013, Victor Junior and Senior High Schools were named Reward Schools for High Performance by the New York State Education Department.
- In February 2013, VJH celebrated its re-designation as a "School to Watch" by the NYS Education Department's Essential Elements "School to Watch" Program. The school was first designated as a "School to Watch" in 2006.
- In 2013, one hundred and seventy eight students earned AP Scholar Awards and six students were named Commended Students in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program.
- ~ In November 2013, one hundred and two juniors and seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society.

Athletics

- ~ All ten 2013 fall varsity teams and eleven of the 2013-2014 winter varsity teams qualified as scholar athlete teams.
- ~ The 2013-2014 Boys Volleyball team brought home the New York State Division II Championship.
- ~ This past fall, the Girls Tennis team won the Section 5 Championship. The last time the team won a sectional championship was in 1999.
- ~ The 2013-2014 Girls and Boys Alpine Ski Teams won Monroe County League Titles this past winter.
- The Girls Alpine Ski Team won their first Section 5 Championship in 2014.

Arts

- This past September twenty Victor Senior High musicians were inducted into the Tri-M Music Honor Society, Chapter 5863.
- ~ One out of every four senior high students participate in a music program.
- ~ One third of our high school students are involved in an art program, and every year, between 10 and 15 students from VCS go on to major in art in college.
- ~ The Victor Varsity and Cadet Winter Guards were named the North East Color Guard Circuit State Champions this past March.



Proposed Expenditures

New York State law			Proposed	
provides that all		Budget	Budget	
district budgets be		2013-14	2014-15	Difference
identified in three	Administrative Component			
categories:	Board of Education	62,939	65,026	2,087
U U	Central Administration	189,236	194,704	5,468
Administrative	Finance	338,271	344,928	6,657
Expenses	Staff	438,262	463,859	25,597
Curriculum	Central Services	395,944	395,944	_
Development Staff Development 	Special Items	730,482	749,768	19,286
In-Service	Curriculum Development	395,537	404,870	9,333
Development	Curriculum Supervision	1,439,605	1,526,597	86,992
Personnel	Pupil Personnel Services	292,289	313,540	21,251
• District Audit	Employee Benefits	1,551,416	1,676,536	125,120
• Tax Collection	Administrative budget	5,833,981	6,135,772	301,791
Central Printing/	Program Component			
Mailing	Legal Services/In-Service	20,700	20,700	
District Votes	Teaching	23,696,489	24,383,710	687,221
Program Expenses	Instructional Media	1,043,879	1,073,947	30,068
All student services	Pupil Services	1,724,304	1,878,216	153,912
• Instructional support	Co-Curricular/Intersch Athletics	1,098,361	1,113,071	14,710
Transportation	District Transportation Services	2,471,503	2,524,030	52,527
operation	Community Services	9,813	9,813	
 Instructional salaries 	Employee Benefits	13,008,541	13,949,893	941,352
and benefits	Total program	43,073,590	44,953,380	1,879,790
Capital Expenses			22,770,000	
All facilities costs	Capital Component			
Debt Service	Operation	2,077,981	2,078,322	341
Operations/	Maintenance	1,036,022	1,013,883	(22,139)
Maintenance	Employee Benefits	751,430	743,284	(8,146)
Supplies	Debt Service	6,018,046	7,231,357	1,213,311
• Utilities	Total Capital	9,883,479	11,066,846	1,183,367
• Personnel	Total Budget Increase	58,791,050	62,155,998	3,364,948
Expenditures	Programs: 72%	Capital: 18%	dministration: 10	%
by Component				

Bus Purchase Proposition

School bus fleet maintenance and safety are driving a bus purchase proposition on the ballot May 20, 2014. Residents will be asked to approve the purchase of six 77-passenger buses.

The proposition totals \$796,700. New York State will provide 60 percent of the funding through NYS Transportation Aid. The new buses will replace vehicles that are at least 12 years old and have mileage in excess of one hundred thousand miles.

Notice is further given that a Bond Proposition in substantially the following form shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election.

Bond Proposition Resolved:

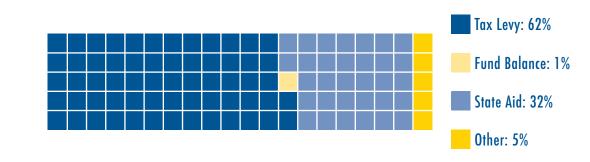
- (a) That the Board of Education of the Victor Central School District, in the Counties of Ontario, Monroe and Wayne, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase various school buses for use by the District; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$796,700;
- (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$796,700 to pay such cost, said tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and
- (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$796,700 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

VCS Budget Additions

- ~ 1 Science Teacher 9-12
- ~ .4 Social Studies Teacher 9-12
- ~ .4 Foreign Language Teacher 9-12
- ~ .4 Mathematics Teacher 9-12
- .2 English Teacher 9-12
- ~ 2 Academic Intervention Services Teachers K-8
- ~ .6 Business Teacher 9-12
- ~ .6 Standards Leader (English) 7-12
- ~ .6 Standards Leader (Math) 7-12
- ~ 1 Music Teacher 4-12
- 1 School Counselor 9-12
- Mentor Teacher Pre-K-12

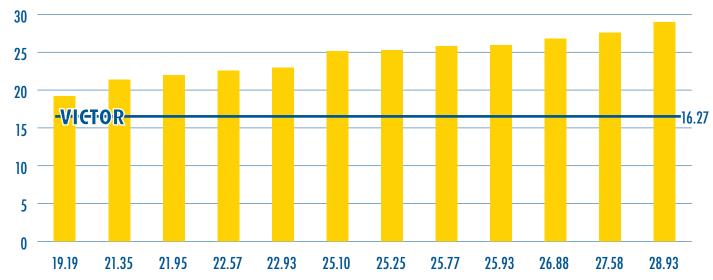
Victor Central School 2014-15 Budget Plan Revenues

	Budget 2013-14	Proposed 2014-15
State Aid	18,062,242	20,156,506
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	1,824,293	1,801,565
Interest and Earnings	100,000	70,000
Reserve Funds	835,000	835,000
Other Sources	278,000	278,000
Fund Balance	529,000	529,000
Tax Levy	37,162,515	38,485,927
TOTAL REVENUES	58,791,050	62,155,998



Where the Funding Comes From

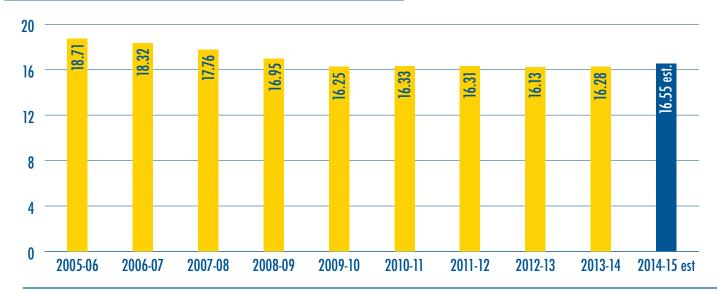
2013-14 True Tax Rate Comparison



(Source: Four County and Monroe County SBA)

Tax Rates in the graph above represent the following districts (not necessarily in the order listed): Bloomfield, Brighton, Canandaigua, East Irondequoit, Fairport, Honeoye Falls-Lima, Manchester-Shortsville, Palmyra-Macedon, Penfield, Pittsford, Victor, Webster, West Irondequoit

The figures above represent the true value tax rate per \$1,000 of home assessment. In comparing the 2013-14 true value tax rates among Ontario County schools plus our contiguous and academic benchmark districts in Monroe County, Victor's true tax rate was the **lowest at \$16.27 per thousand**.



Victor Central Schools Tax Rate History per \$1,000

STAR Program Information

The NYS School Tax Assessment Relief (STAR) program provides qualified homeowners with a \$30,000 assessment reduction for tax purposes. Senior citizens receive a \$63,300 exemption. More than 900 senior citizens throughout the District received a reduction in their tax bills for the 2013-2014 school year.

School Tax Information Using STAR

Tax Bill with STARs				
1997-98	\$1,868			
2014-15 (estimated)	\$1,159			
\$ Decrease	\$709			
% Decrease	-38%			

Victor Central School NYS School District Budget Notice, including Contingent

Property Tax Report Card			
The following is the Property Tax Report Card information that we are required to send to the newspaper per NYS regulations:		Projected	Contingent Budget
	2013-14	2014-15	2014-15
Total Spending	58,791,050	62,155,998	60,832,586
Increase/Decrease for the 2014-15 school year		3,364,948	2,041,536
Percent Increase (decrease) in each proposed budget		5.72%	3.47%
Change in Consumer Price Index		1.46%	
Total Proposed School Tax Levy	37,162,515	38,485,927	37,162,515
Total Permissible Exclusions	1,367,537	1,072,346	
Proposed School Tax Levy (without permissible exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit)	35,794,978	37,413,582	
School Tax Levy Limit	36,551,687	37,413,582	
Difference (positive value requires 60% approval)	(756,709)	0	
Administrative Component	5,833,981	6,135,772	6,010,772
Program Component	43,073,590	44,953,380	43,879,968
Capital Component	9,883,479	11,066,846	10,941,846

Should the 2014-2015 budget be defeated and the above contingency budget be adopted, the Victor Central School District Board of Education will make the final determination of budget cuts in a contingency budget. The following is a list of options the Board may choose to eliminate or reduce: some athletic teams, administrators, teachers and support staff, and instructional programs. In addition, equipment purchases must be eliminated and all community groups will be required to pay for the use of buildings (please note that Section 2023 of the Education Law requires school districts to provide this statement of assumptions made in estimating the contingency budget).

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The projected true value tax rate for the 2014-2015 school year is \$16.55 per thousand; up 28 cents per thousand from this school year's true value tax rate of \$16.27.

The budget process represents more than just facts and figures. As you review the following pages, please know that behind every decimal point and dollar sign are hours of hard work and careful consideration that take every person associated with VCS into account –students, staff, parents, and community members.

The budget road is never easy but I am extremely proud of the way this District

has traveled together during these recent bumpy times. Thanks to this community's unwavering collaboration, creativity, resilience and patience, we will continue to offer our students an education that will prepare them for their future.

The 2014-2015 budget represents our continued commitment to excellence.

Take care,

Dawn A. Santiago-Marullo, Ed.D.

2014 Board of Education Candidates

Residents will vote to fill two board seats on May 20th



Deborah Palumbo - Sanders

Address: 6310 Gillis Road , Victor, NY

District Resident

45 years (10 years away for college and employment)

Education

- K-12 Victor Central School District
- Undergrduate degree: Cornell University plant science major
- Masters degree: University of Arkansas plant pathology major

Profession

Professional experience is in plant pathology and currently works as a laboratory technician for a local company that produces and distributes biological crop protectants.

Community Activities

- President, Board of Directors for Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ontario County
- Master Gardener, Ontario County
- Member, Board of Education for Victor Central School District

Family

My husband Tom Sanders and I have two sons at college and a daughter at Victor Senior High School.

Personal Statement

The Victor community has a long history of supporting the education of its youth. The solid education I received from VCS provided an excellent foundation for my future. Civic involvement is an important part of my life and as a Board of Education member, I am proud to continue the tradition of supporting the youth of our community. I take great pride in what I do, and will put forth my best effort ensuring that our schools will continue to provide quality education for our students while maintaining fiscal responsibility.



Trisha Turner

Address: 1224 Red Fox Run, Victor, NY

District Resident Nine years

Education

Master's Degree in Special

Education (specifically in Learning Disabilities) from Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU)

- Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education/Special Education
- Minor in Psychology from The King's College, SCSU

Profession

- Served in teaching profession as a career
- Currently works as a community liaison for Assembly Leader Brian Kolb

Community Activities

- Currently serve as a VCS School Board Member
- PTSA Senior High Building Representative
- PTSA Grants Committee Coordinator (5 years)
- PTSA Budget Committee (5 years)
- Red Ribbon Week (drug/alcohol prevention) Organizer
- Served on Building Council for Early Childhood School, Intermediate, and Senior High programs.
- Served as Vice-President of VOICE (Parental advocacy group for students with disabilities)
- Participated in the re-evaluation of special education programming as a parent representative
- Active member of Victor Community Church
- Creator and Administration for the Victor, NY Community Link Facebook page
- Help all community groups promote their events and fundraisers as a service to the community

Family

My husband Mark and I have been married 23 years this June. I have 3 beautiful girls. Brittany is graduating from VCS this year. Grace is in 9th grade and Lily is in 5th grade.

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VCS Bids a Fine Farewell to 2014 Retirees

This year, VCS bids a fond farewell to fourteen employees. From leading and instructing to supporting and inspiring, the following men and women have given their all to VCS through the years. They will be missed by so many!

> Victor Early Childhood School: Mary Tandle, 1973 - 2014, Elementary Teacher

Victor Primary School: Grant Juelfs, 2003 - 2013, Teacher Aide

Victor Intermediate School: Steven Brewer, 1983 - 2014, Elementary Teacher

Victor Junior High School: Matthew Bauerlein, 1990 - 2014, Technology Teacher Patricia DiGristina, 1990 - 2014, English Teacher

Victor Senior High School: David Condon, 1982 - 2014, Social Studies Teacher Patrick Fairchild, 1993 - 2013, School Cleaner Gerald Polito, 2002 - 2014, School Cleaner Mary Ann Romagnano, 1995 - 2014, Science Teacher Margaret Schlueter, 2004 - 2014, Typist Claire Silvernail, 1986 - 2014, English Teacher Elizabeth Thomas, 1983 - 2014, English Teacher

District Wide: Pamela Sullivan, 1994 - 2014, Assistant Superintendent

Transportation Department: *Pamela Taylor*, 1981 - 2014, Bus Driver



Caring For Others . . . Introducing Senior High School Nurse, Carol Nardozzi



As the oldest of five children of Italian-American decent, Carol Nardozzi was introduced at a very young age to the importance of family values, education and caring for others. In fact, Carol credits much of the reason she is a nurse to caring for her younger siblings - that, and the influence of her childhood

pediatrician, Dr. Ray Deuel, who lived just down the street from her childhood home.

"I frequently visited our pediatrician's office to observe and assist in his office, and with his encouragement, I knew I was destined to be a nurse. Many of my trips there were to bring him pasta and meatballs as payment for his services!"

These days, pasta and meatballs might be just the right comfort food after a long day at the Senior High School where Carol is in her sixteenth year as the school nurse. But no matter how long or hard the day, Carol says she is the lucky one.

"Caring for the students with serious medical conditions helps me put things in perspective and support them in their daily trials and tribulations. They are the true heroes and their smiles make my heart sing."

Carol's heart is not all that is singing. VCS Associate Superintendent, Kristin Swann says hundreds of students and parents sing Carol's praises, too. "For many students, Carol is an important lifeline to well-being and academic success. Her office is constantly busy as she tends to the needs of individual students. On a deeper level, when families have medical issues that are affecting their children's school performance, she is often called upon to connect that family to the right community resources. At the same time, Carol works tirelessly to bring a public health point of view to the school district. She works with teachers, school leaders and our District's doctor to create programs that positively improve the health and wellness of all staff members," Swann said.

Being a school nurse is not all Carol is known for on campus. She is also the Nurse Coordinator for the District and member of several vital District committees including the Health and Wellness, Safety, and Positive Climate Committees. But of all of the extra activities Carol is a part of, she is most proud to be the advisor of the Medical Explorers Club.

"Eleven years ago, one of my diabetic students came up to me and said she was amazed to learn there were hundreds of careers in the medical field and wanted other students to be aware of that. With Principal Yvonne O'Shea's approval, we started the Medical Explorers Club. The club has grown tremendously over the years and our 80 student members have been a pleasure to work with. They are goal oriented, hard working young men and women who represent Victor Schools with the utmost pride and respect," Nardozzi said.

Representing Victor Schools with the utmost pride and respect . . . that is something Carol Nardozzi knows something about, and the reason she is the Heart of Excellence.

More about Carol, aka, "Noni" to her grandchildren:

Carol and her husband John have been happily married for 43 years and are the proud parents of four children. Lynn is a kindergarten teacher, John and Steve are successful businessmen and Paul now works in the operating room assisting spinal surgeons. Prior to this, Paul was drafted by the Detroit Tigers and played in their minor league system. Carol says she and her husband are extremely proud of their children, all college graduates. "They have blessed us with seven beautiful grandchildren that are the joy of our lives," Carol said.

Students "Chill Out" in Costa Rica

This past February during winter break, eleven Victor students took part in the adventure of a lifetime when they traveled to Costa Rica. It was all a part of "Chill Expectations – Costa Rican Adventures," an interactive excursion that challenges students to engage in active learning and personal growth through a variety of reallife experiences.

From the San Jose and La Fortuna areas of Costa Rica to Tortuguero and Puerto Viejo de Sarapiqui, VCS students had the opportunity to not only reinforce their Spanish speaking skills, but many life skills, too.

In La Fortuna, students explored a variety of geological wonders, including the Cavernas el Venado, caves which were formed during the Miocene Period, 15 to 20 million years ago. There, they also studied strategies for sustainable food production and the importance of geology to Costa Rica, not only as a tourism attraction but also as a biological land bridge between North and South America. At the Tortuguero National Park, where there are no roads, students traveled via boats and learned about one of our earth's most fascinating species, sea turtles.

While there, they also studied water and biodiversity and did a little tropical bird watching, too.

Students completed their eight day exploratory journey in San Jose where they discussed issues such as urban involvement in conservation, living sustainably far away from the rain forest and global vs. local



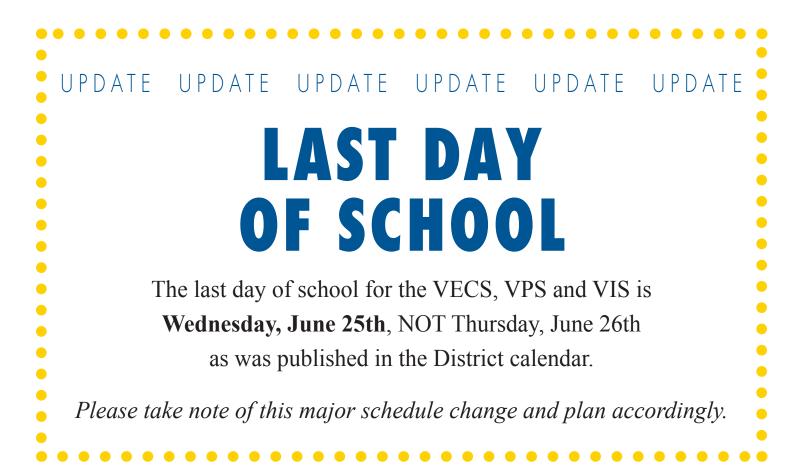






conservation responsibilities. Victor Senior High teacher and trip chaperone, Steve Cronmiller said the trip took learning to a new level.

"It was a wonderful trip that put us in the heart of the rainforest, surrounded by an ecological diversity like no other. The opportunity to witness this variety of life is priceless. I believe the student travelers will have memories that last a lifetime."



Board of Education Election, Trisha Turner continued from page nine

Personal Statement

It has been a privilege to serve on the School Board at VCS over the past three years. My past experiences as an educator, school board member, active and engaged community member, and volunteer provide a rich and unique background to serve on the VCS School Board. Over the years, I have participated in all three Victor parent groups (VOICE, PTSA, and PIE), and have a deep appreciation for the learning differences of each child.

I feel it is critical to view each child as an individual learner, so they can reach their true potential. I feel that it is our responsibility to continue providing a quality education to our children, even with the current cuts in state aid. Our Board has made great efforts in advocacy to restore state aid a priority for our children.

Personally, I have a strong passion for the students of VCS and would be greatly honored to continue in the position of School Board member of Victor Central School District.

VCS Boys Volleyball Team Wins States

On Friday, November 15, 2013 at the Glens Falls Civic Center the Victor Boys Volleyball team took home the New York State Division II Boys Volleyball Championship, defeating defending champion, Bellmore John F. Kennedy of Section VIII. The Boys Blue Devil Volleyball team won state championships in 2010 and 2011.

Victor Varsity and Cadet Winter Guards Named State Champions

On Saturday, March 29, 2014, the Victor Varsity and Cadet Winter Guards competed at the North East Color Guard Circuit State Championships. The Cadet Guard competed against five color guards in the Cadet class and the Varsity Guard competed against three colorguards in the Scholastic A Class. Both guards took home a gold medal winning both of their classes by two points! The Cadet Guard won with a score of 72.610 and the Varsity Guard won with a score of 86.110!

Medical Explorers Club Recognized by American Diabetes Association

The Victor Senior High School's Medical Explorers Club was recently named as a #1 Club for School Walks for 2013 by the American Diabetes Association. The Medical Explorers are currently preparing for their 11th annual walk for Diabetes this May 20th at the high school track. Money raised is used to send a Victor student with diabetes to a special summer camp for diabetics.

2014 Volunteer Committed to Service Award Winner Named

This past April 21st at its annual staff conference day, Victor Central Schools and the Victor Teachers' Association awarded Victor resident Patricia Hall, the 2014 Volunteer Committed to Service award.

The Volunteer Committed to Service award was created by Victor Central Schools and the Victor Teachers' Association as a way to pay tribute to those special men and women who give of their time and talents to VCS, whether through one major event or years of service to a group of students or a building.

Victor Schools' Director of Physical Education, Health and Athletics, Ron Whitcomb said he nominated Hall, a pediatric nurse practitioner and parent of two, for sharing her commitment to healthy living. "As Chairperson of the PTSA Health and Wellness committee, Patty is dedicated to helping our students make healthy choices. In doing this she has worked closely with our physical education staff and principals to create fun ways for students to eat more fruit and vegetables."

Victor Primary School Principal, Danielle Dehm, who supported Hall's nomination, says Patty Hall is a champion when it comes to supporting our schools and teaching children about maintaining a healthy lifestyle. "Most recently she spent time in elementary classrooms teaching about the hidden sugar in foods that we all enjoy," Dehm shared.

VSH Welcomes New Assistant Principal

This winter, Victor Senior High School welcomed Carrie Goodell as its new Assistant Principal, replacing outgoing administrator, Kylene Anson.

Goodell grew up in upstate New York and graduated from Gouverneur High School in 1997.

In 2002, she received her undergraduate degree from SUNY Geneseo in Mathematics Education, grades 7-12. In 2005, Goodell earned her masters degree in Liberal Studies from SUNY Brockport. In 2012, she attained her Building and District Level Administration Certification from SUNY Oswego. From 2002 to 2014, Goodell worked as a math teacher at Marion Junior-Senior High School. From 2011-2014, she was also a part-time math teacher and a part-time teacher-onspecial-assignment at Marion where she worked on implementing the RTI process/ protocols, assessment coordination, professional development planning, district math coordination, master scheduling, and student management.

Goodell is married to Bob Goodell, a physical education teacher in Marion. They moved to Farmington three years ago and have two children, Andrew (first grade) and Emma (Good Start Pre-K) who are currently students at the Victor Early Childhood School. "We are a runningfamily as both my husband and fatherin-law, Bob Goodell, are full-year track coaches, and we love to stay involved with the programs at both Victor and Marion," Ms. Goodell said

VCS Announces 2014 Graduates of Distinction

Three former VCS graduates were selected as the 2014 Graduates of Distinction in January by the VCS Graduates of Distinction Committee. This year's honorees are Master Sergeant Matthew King, Class of 1970, Gorbel President and CEO, Brian Reh, Class of 1991, and former Ontario County Sheriff and Victor Town Supervisor, Edward Guinan, Class of 1947. The Graduates of Distinction program was initiated in 2002 as a way to recognize VCS alumni who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and made significant contributions to society. This year's nominees, as well as one of last year's nominees, Colonel Sharon Duffy (Class of 1975), will be honored this fall.

Physical Education Teacher Named Secondary Teacher of the Year

This past winter Victor Senior High School physical education teacher, Shelly Collins, was selected as the New York State Central Western Zone (CWZ) Secondary School Physical Education Teacher of the Year. Awards Chairperson, Michelle Craig said that the CWZ committee believes Shelly is a professional who should be acknowledged for her dedication and passion for teaching physical education. Collins received her award at a conference on Friday, March 7th at SUNY Brockport. Victor Central School District 953 High Street Victor, NY 14564

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To: Victor Central School District Residents

The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services maintains a list of registered sex offenders and offers many resources through its web site, http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us. People may search the Sex Offender Registry using the criteria of name, county or zip code. Parents and guardians may want to talk with children about interacting with adults and people they do not know.



SPECIAL EVENTS, **IMPORTANT UPDATES**! Throughout the school year, our VCS Superintendent and building Principals send out electronic newsletters highlighting special school events, unique accomplishments, important updates and other timely information. Are you receiving these vital sources of school information? If not, we strongly urge you to sign up for both the Superintendent's and building Principals' e-news by going to our web site: **www.victorschools.org**