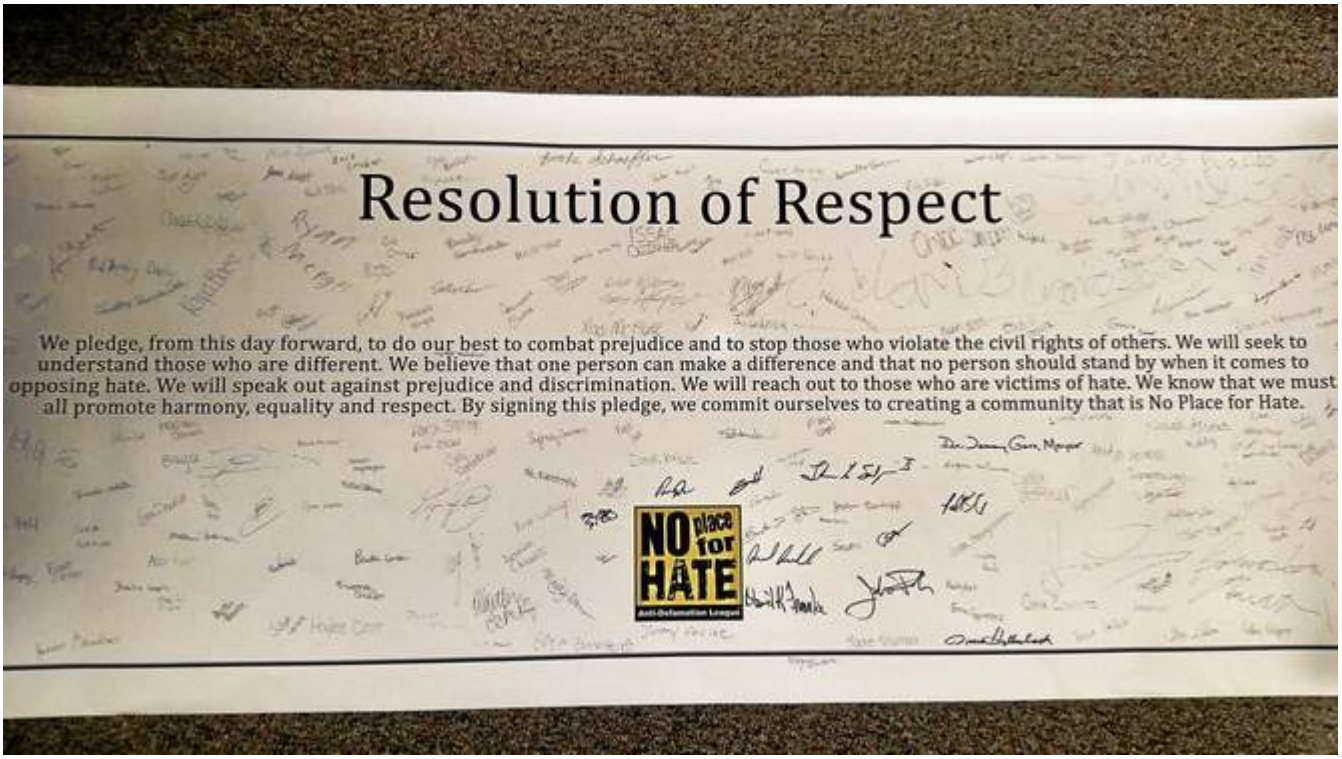
Announcements for the 10.13.15 Committee of the Whole Meeting

High School

1. Fleetwood High School signs **No Place for Hate** pledge; staff, community leaders and students commit to promoting harmony, equality and respect.



Submitted photo by Fleetwood High School. *Fleetwood High School students, staff, administration and community leaders signed the No Place for Hate banner.*

Fleetwood High School launched a No Place for Hate Program on the first day of school, Aug. 31.

"Last year we began a Positive Behavior Support Program to promote appropriate behavior in school. The No Place for Hate Program is being added this year to help students understand that individual differences make our school and community a better place," said Superintendent Paul Eaken. "It helps students understand that different abilities, backgrounds, and viewpoints are important as we continue to grow in our school, community, etc. as we all communicate with one another in the global exchange of information and in our global economy.

"It also helps send a very clear message that disrespecting others, including due to the fact that they are different, will not be accepted or tolerated. The No Place for Hate Program provides school staff with ideas, consultation on activities that will promote our goal, and recognition for our efforts," said Eaken.

Eaken said the district is doing this program in the high school and in the community in conjunction with the Tri Valley YMCA. As part of the launch, they invited community leaders to sign the Resolution of Respect. In addition to school district staff, the community leaders who attended and signed the resolution were Dr. Tammy Gore, Mayor Borough of Fleetwood; Daine Hollenbach, Maidencreek Township Manager; David Franke, Maidencreek Township Supervisor; Rev. Sara Hertzog, Pastor Blandon Union Church; Rev. John Folk, Youth Pastor St. Paul's UCC; Robert Gore, Member Board of School Directors, Fleetwood Area School District; and Megan Dougherty, Manager Tri-Valley YMCA.

"This is part of our ongoing efforts to teach students to treat others with respect and prevent bullying and harassment. Each community leader signed the resolution to demonstrate our commitment to 'do our best to combat prejudice and to stop those who violate the civil rights of others,'" said Eaken. "Each student was asked to sign the resolution during the course of the day as they participated in activities aimed at developing cooperation and understanding individual differences."

The Resolution of Respect states, "We pledge, from this day forward, to do our best to combat prejudice and to stop those who violate the civil rights of others. We will seek to understand those who are different. We believe that one person can make a difference and that no person should stand by when it comes to opposing hate. We will speak out against prejudice and discrimination. We will reach out to those who are victims of hate. We know that we must all promote harmony, equality and respect. By signing this pledge, we commit ourselves to creating a community that is No Place for Hate."

"The significance of this pledge is not only that the students take the pledge, but that also teachers, administrators, school board members, and members of the community are also taking the pledge and have been very supportive of the initiative," said Fleetwood High School Principal Stephen Herman. "It was important to have community leaders signing the pledge so students can understand these issues are not just school-related issues, but they are indeed societal issues."

"Our hope is that everyone involved begins to expand their perspective and have the desire to learn about issues with diversity… how people are different, why people are different, and accept those differences the way they would want others to be accepting of them," said Herman.

Herman said that to this point the student response has been positive.

"Our process is just beginning, we have a long road ahead of us and many stops planned along the way to help us all learn," he said. "Our overall the hope is to develop a climate of compassion and sincerity towards others."
Herman shared one of his favorite quotes.

"Your beliefs become your thoughts, Your thoughts become your words, Your words become your actions, Your actions become your habits, Your habits become your values, Your values become your destiny," Mahatma Gandhi.

2. Congratulations to the newly elected freshman class officers, Class of 2019 and newly elected sophomore class officers, Class of 2018.
3. On Wednesday, October 14th, all 11th grade students will be taking the PSAT.
4. Congratulations to the seniors who were voted on to the Homecoming Court and a special congratulations to the King and Queen.
5. From Monday, September 28th until October 21st, Kauffman's Chicken Dinners will be on sale. Tickets cost $7.00 for ½ chicken, baked potato, applesauce and roll.
6. October 28th will be Relay for Life's Safe *Trick or Treating Night* in the High School from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
7. Saturday, October 17th the Class of 2017 will be holding a Pancake Breakfast in the High School Cafeteria from 7:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Andrew Maier Elementary

1. STUDY CLUB is underway…Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays until 4:15, students in 2nd, 3rd, & 4th grade may stay after school in quiet and supervised setting to start homework, study, work on a report, practice reading or get help on math.
2. Hiester Lanes bowling is held every Wednesday through 12/16/15.
3. Fire Prevention Day is on Wednesday, October 7th and we will get a visit from our local fire department, Blandon Fire Company. This will be another great experience for our students.
4. October 15, PTC Meeting @ 7pm
5. Red Ribbon Week will be held from October 26th through October 30th. Monday is "Wear Red" day; Tuesday is "Team Up Against Drugs" day; Wednesday is "Follow Your Dreams! Don't Do Drugs" day; Thursday is "Have the Power to Be Drug Free" day; and Friday is "Fall Into Good Habits" day.
6. October 30 - Fall Festival

Richmond Elementary

1. Teachers have been reviewing weather drill procedures with students culminating in a drill on September 2nd. Students did a great job moving to their assigned areas quickly and quietly.
2. Grades K-4 have also been practicing their evacuation procedures. We will be having a drill in the very near future.
3. The Science Explorers Club had an assembly for students on Monday, September 14th to encourage participation in an after school science program offered to students in first through fourth grades on Tuesdays from 4-5 pm throughout the school year.
4. Vision and hearing screenings will take place on Tuesday, October 20th
5. October 22 – 2nd Grade Field Trip to the DaVinci Center
6. Red Ribbon Week will be held from October 26th through October 30th. Monday is "Wear Red" day; Tuesday is "Team Up Against Drugs" day; Wednesday is "Follow Your Dreams! Don't Do Drugs" day; Thursday is "Have the Power to Be Drug Free" day; and Friday is "Fall Into Good Habits" day.
7. October 29 – 1st Grade Field Trip to the Philadelphia Zoo.
8. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 24 and Wednesday, November 25th.
9. *Booktoberfest* will be held on Friday, October 23rd from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. There will be hay rides, games, a book fair, food and many other activities to participate in! The Richmond staff are displaying decorated pumpkins and the students are voting for their favorite one. These pumpkins will then be raffled off during the *Booktoberfest* .
10. Our "Paws for Reading" program began on September 21st. Students have been asked to read 4,250 books by November 24th. As of October 2nd, Richmond students have read 620 books!
11. Richmond Elementary students wore red and white to show their school spirit for Homecoming on Friday, October 2nd.
12. Our students also wore blue on Monday, October 5th to Stand Up Against Bullying!
13. On October 7th Richmond students were treated to a fire prevention program courtesy of the Walnuttown and Virginville Fire Companies. Students participated in a fire drill and watched an informational video. The firemen held question and answer sessions in the classrooms and afterwards showed and explained the fire equipment to students.
14. Richmond Elementary students will be collecting non-perishable food items in conjunction with the Reading Royals beginning October 14th.

Willow Creek Elementary

1. October 9 – Career Day – the students portrayed what they want to be when they grow up!
2. October 23 - *Boofest* will be held from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
3. October 23 – Sprit Day – wear Willow Creek or Fleetwood gear
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5.



On International Day of Peace, September 21, Willow Creek students participated in the Pinwheels for Peace project under the direction of Mrs. Jill Wentzel, art teacher at Willow Creek Elementary. The pinwheels were used to design a smiley face as a visual statement about creating a more peaceful planet. The smiley face was placed on the front lawn of the school where it was fully appreciated by the school and the community.

Athletic Office

1. This year the Fleetwood Activity Booster Club and FASD will be honoring all fall senior athletes. Recognition Nights will be as follows:

Boys' Soccer	Monday	10/12/15	6:45 PM
Cross Country	Tuesday	10/13/15	3:45 PM
Girls' Soccer	Tuesday	10/13/15	6:30 PM
Football	Friday	10/30/15	6:30 PM

Golf will be recognized at the Boys' Soccer game **Cheerleading will be recognized at the Football game**

From the desk of Dr. Eaken

Kutztown Patriot, FLEETWOOD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

Homecoming Weekend events start Friday, Oct. 2

Parade will feature the Fleetwood Area High School Marching Band, the Homecoming Court, fire trucks from many local communities, and many school and community groups.

By Dr. Paul Eaken, Superintendent

Homecoming Weekend is upon us. There are many events starting Friday evening through Saturday that the entire family will enjoy.

The weekend begins with the Homecoming Parade which starts from the high school student parking lot at 5:30 p.m. Due to construction issues; the parade will follow a new route this year. It begins, as usual, on Richmond Street. The parade will then turn right on Greenway Street. It will go three blocks and turn left on Forest Street. After two blocks the parade will turn left on Vine Street, go one block and turn right on Maple. It will then turn left on Arch Street and proceed to Richmond Street where it will turn left. The parade will end at the 5/6 entrance to the Middle School. The parade is again being organized by Student Council and will feature the Fleetwood Area High School Marching Band, the Homecoming Court, fire trucks from many local communities, and many school and community groups.

Immediately after the parade, everyone is invited to the Recreation Board's Homecoming Festival and Bonfire in Fleetwood Park. In addition to lots of food, there will be free hayrides, moon bounce, games, amusement rides, fundraisers by school and community groups, and a huge bonfire led by Fleetwood area cheerleaders of all ages. The Homecoming Court will also be introduced.

Saturday begins with a 'Cruz in' from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Fleetwood Park. This is sponsored by CeGees and the Fleetwood Recreation Board. The event will include music, and food will be available. Admission is free for spectators although a donation to the Fleetwood Rec Board will be required to park in the cruise area.

Homecoming athletic games this year begin with our boys' soccer team which plays Oley Valley. The junior varsity game begins at 2:00 p.m. followed by the varsity game at approximately 3:15 p.m. The day concludes with the varsity football game at 7 p.m. Half time will feature the marching band, introduction of the homecoming court and announcement of the Homecoming King and Queen.

Come out and enjoy this wonderful community event. The school district works in conjunction with the Fleetwood Recreation Board to plan and host these events. Our thanks to the many adult and student volunteers whose hard work make this weekend possible.