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From the Administrator's Desk

by Mr. James Delikowski

As this edition of the District Mirror goes to print, we can finally say we made it! It's been a long and difficult year, but thanks to our excellent staff, supportive community, and Administrative team, Auburndale Schools did what few other districts have done this year - stayed open five days a week, all year! Congratulations to our graduating seniors, they will be missed by all! We look forward to hearing about your success in the next steps of your journeys. Hopefully, a few of you may even return to us as teachers and staff members.

Building Project Updates

The District leadership and the Buildings and Grounds Committee have been working for months on the design phase of our building project. The bids are in, the ground is broken, and work is already beginning in the buildings and District sites. We hope to have updates available on our website and District Facebook page to keep you informed as the construction begins. During the summer, we will be doing some video and pictorial walkthroughs, which we'll post for you. We are looking forward to the new playground being finished at the Elementary building for the start of the new school year in September. The new Tech Ed space, greenhouse, and FACE updates will take a little longer, but we should have full access to the new spaces by the end of the second quarter.

First Year in the Books for the Eagle Mascot

We have finished our first year as the Auburndale

Eagles! You have probably seen the mascot just about everywhere. The District wants to thank all the community members, staff, and students who played a role in developing our new label and mascot. Students K-12 sent in some beautiful artwork that helped steer our final concept approved by the Board of Education. Although no one student submitted the mascot that was finally developed and voted on by the student body, we want to thank all the kids for their great ideas that drove us to our fine-looking eagle, which the students overwhelmingly chose.

A Much Deserved Summer Vacation

Students and staff are heading into the summer, ready for a rest. We are sad to see a few of our staff members go this summer; as they head into a joy-filled retirement. Jan Stashek, Sheila Hellner, Celia Sturzl, and Sue Richardson are heading into retirement with all of our love and appreciation for their years and years of service to our students and community. All the best to you, as you enjoy some new adventures!

The District Administration will be working hard this summer to get ready for the school year of 2021-2022, which will be here before we know it. I hope you and your family find some time to watch the fireflies, smell the fresh-cut alfalfa, and enjoy a meteor shower or two. We'll be here making sure we're ready for a great 2021-2022 school year; and continued growth and success for our school district and our wonderful community.

Elementary School Report

by Mr. Andy Scharenbroch, Principal

The school year has come to a close and it's time to enjoy summer sun, but before we do we need to say a big THANK YOU to everyone at Auburndale Elementary School who made the 2020-21 school year a success! A school doesn't happen because of individuals; it happens because of a team. We were able to keep our doors open and in person learning 5 days a week since September 1. It's because of EVERYONE that this was possible. Thank you for keeping students home when showing symptoms or ill, thank you for getting COVID tested, thank you for wearing masks and keeping the spread in school to a minimum, and thank you to all teachers and staff for their talents and adapting to so many safety protocols while still providing a solid learning environment. THANK YOU ALL!

The students learned a great deal and there was lots of positive growth both in academic knowledge and social development. Our 4K students now know their upper and lower case letters, our K and 1 students are reading at or above grade level, and our 3-5 students have made huge strides in math, reading, and writing too. As a school, we look to continue and get back to our tradition of Exceeding Expectations on our state report card. We also talked a lot about showing good character and being the best we can be. Through hard work and perseverance so much has been accomplished. As we close the doors on another year, a summer awaits that is full of fun and learning! Keep reading, keep writing, and always ask questions to find out how and why.

The building will be ready for new and exciting things as we open the doors next September and get ready for another adventure in learning and growing!.

May your summer be full of relaxation, fun, and good health!

Auburndale Middle and High School Report

by Mr. Steven VanWyhe, Principal

Wow, what a year it has been! As we come to the close of the 2020-2021 school year, I am reflecting back on a school year like no other. I am impressed with the resiliency of our students, teachers, and families. Thank you for all of your support through the year.

As we look onto next year, I am excited for a new year. The building project will require us to be flexible early in the school year, as the project will extend into the school year. We will be adjusting the drop-off and pick-up for buses, as the usual location will be affected by the building project. More information will come out before the start of the year.

We have adjusted our schedule for next year, and we will have a new time in the middle of the day for the high school called Eagle Time. Students will be able to utilize this time to get help from teachers, use it as a study hall, or choose from a variety of options including the art room, band room, or shop (once the building project is completed). One change from this year, that we plan to continue, is open campus for our seniors. Seniors, with parental permission and who qualify, can leave school for lunch and Eagle Time. Open campus has been popular for seniors and has been a great incentive.

I hope you are all able to enjoy your summer break!

Veterans on Main Class of 2021

On behalf of the Auburndale Community Leadership Class, we are honored to present to you the Veterans on Main Class of 2021. The Veterans on Main include 29 veterans ranging from World War II to active service members. We hope as you drive down Main Street that you reflect upon the service and sacrifices of our honored local veterans. The Auburndale Community Leadership class has enjoyed the process of assembling the honorees of the Class of 2021 and looks forward to helping our communities honor future Veterans. Veterans on Main books are available at Auburndale area businesses and contain all honorees plus messages of hope and stories of our class's veteran initiatives. The banners will be up through Veterans Day. If you are interested in sponsoring a veteran with a for the Veterans on Main Class of 2022, please contact Joren Anderson at janderson@aubschools.com. Thank you to all who have served!

Drama Club

by Amber Guldán

The 2020-2021 school year started with uncertainty but the determined students continued to advocate for a production. In fact, we managed to complete two productions. One of the productions was virtual and the other was a traditional live theater production. Virtual practice was a new challenge and many of the students played multiple characters because of the flexible script. Help Desk was written by Don Zolidis and produced by Playscripts Productions. This one act play is a series of mini-scenes depicting situations where customers are unhappy with delivery, scammed of their credit card information, and other absurd situations

The live theater show was Bad Auditions by Bad Actors written by Ian McWenthy and produced by Playscript Productions. The aspiring first-time director is holding auditions and is bombarded with the worst talent in town. Extreme method actors, a woman who thinks she is a cat, and many more strange auditions make this a great comedy for the whole family to enjoy. Due to limitations, the play was performed only for invited guests of the cast and crew for two shows.

Thank you to the 18 students who are members of the drama club this year. Special thanks for all the support from family, friends, and community members. The drama club is looking forward to continuing live theater in the next school year.

Health Care -Thank You

As the 2020-2021 school year comes to an end, I want to thank all the parents, students, and staff for making me feel so welcome. When I started in January, I didn't know what to expect, especially with coming in half way through the school year and COVID. I have been pleasantly surprised by how well I have adapted to my new position as the Health Care Coordinator for Auburndale School District. It was a very welcome change from outpatient care at a medical facility. It has been a pleasure getting to know everyone (even with masks on).

Thank you for making my transition so smooth and welcoming me into this "family." Also, a big congratulations to everyone for making it through a school year during COVID. Parents, thank you for keeping your kids home when they were sick. Doing so kept our students learning in-person all school year with limited COVID cases. Thank you for keeping everyone safe and healthy. We still don't know what next school year will look like, but I know we will overcome whatever is in store for us! I look forward to seeing you all next school year. Have a great summer!

Rachel Schmuhl
CMA (AAMA)
Health Care Coordinator

Helping Hands Daycare

Helping Hands Daycare is an afterschool program available for all students in grades 4K-5. We offer help with homework (when available), we also offer a snack and a safe and secure place for your child to be after school. Helping hands learning center is open from 3:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m, on all in-school days. The rate for the 2021-22 school year is \$5.00 per hour per child. Let us help with your child care needs!

Applications can be found on the School District website. Please mail them to Auburndale Elementary School, 10564 School Avenue PO Box 139 Auburndale, WI 54412 ATTN: Helping Hands. Early registration closes on August 25, 2021. If you sign up after the early bird time, you may be put on a waiting list depending on vacancy.

Boys' Basketball

by Coach Weinfurter

The varsity boys basketball team completed their season with a 16-6 record. The boys finished in 2nd place in the ultra-competitive Marawood South Conference. We beat Pacelli on our home floor for our first playoff game but lost the Regional Championship to Iola-Scandinavia at Iola. We played a spirited second half but came up short.

We had several players recognized for Marawood South All-Conference honors. Hunter Wright was named to the 1st Team Unanimously while Schuyler Gilhausen earned 2nd Team honors. Carl Lundgren and Alex Willfahrt were named Honorable Mention. Hunter was voted Player of the Year in the conference. Hunter was also voted to the Channel 7 All-Star Team, 1st Team All-State for Division 4 by the WBCA, and AP Honorable Mention All-State. He also had the good fortune of being selected for the WBCA All-Star Game this summer.

Hunter became the 9th player in program history to surpass 1,000 points finishing with 1,015. He also finished 5th in assists, 16th in rebounding, and 11th in three-pointers. Schuyler made the list for three pointers at 13th with 73.

Here is a list of the 1,000-point scorers:

1. Scott Anderson-1,977
2. Mickey Vandehey-1,537
3. Austin Hawkins-1,427
4. Dale Aue-1,416
5. Cooper Weinfurter-1,360
6. Brian Bauer-1,163
7. John Bauer-1,150
8. Hunter Wright-1,015
9. Doug Grube-1,004

Members of our program include the following:

Seniors: Schuyler Gilhausen, Carl

Lundgren, Hunter Wright, Cade Krings

Juniors: Terrance Roberson, Austin Quinlan,
Gavin White Eagle

Sophomores: Charles Jewell, Alex Willfahrt,
Ian Brown, Lucas Yeske, Trayton Weber, Mason
White Eagle, Timothy Schmitt

Freshmen: Caden Weinfurter, Evan Scholl,
Kaden Anderson, Aden Cherney, Mason Meissner,
Nicholas Steines, Berkley Katzner, Ethan Onsager

The JV team finished with a 13-3 record and the JV2 finished 9-2. Coach Klawitter and Coach Marth did an outstanding job with our underclassmen. I'd also like to thank Coach Gehrke for everything he did for our team this past season.

It was a season unlike any other, and we appreciate the sacrifice the players and families made to make this season a success. We would like to thank all the people who supported our teams throughout the season. It means a great deal to us to have such great fans throughout the season. Go Eagles!

Auburndale MS Girls Softball Recap

The middle school girls softball team completed a successful season despite some of the hurdles presented by a lost season last year. Great pitching, solid defense, and timely hitting propelled the teams to an impressive 14-4-1 record on the season. Our girls had a wide variety of games, with some very low scoring affairs and even a few shootouts, but this team stuck with each other and exhibited class in both victory and defeat. Despite some adversity, the girls never lost their competitive edge and played the game with an attitude that can only be described as joy.

Many of these middle school girls will be competing this summer in 12U and 14U leagues and tournaments, so if you are in the mood to see some of the upcoming talent on display for the Auburndale fastpitch program, check them out. I want to thank all of the players first of all for their dedication and hard work this season, but also the fans and parents who showed up to support these girls as they competed across central Wisconsin.

Best of luck to all of the players this summer, thanks for a great season, and I hope to see you on the diamond next year.

Coach Schmidt

Solo and Ensemble 2021 Results

State Class A 1st

Solos: Ashley Esser
Carl Lundgren
Kimberly Lundgren (piano)

Class A 1st* Advancing to State

Solos: Ashley Esser
Carl Lundgren
Kimberly Lundgren (piano)

Class A 2nd

Solos: Annalise Jewell (clarinet)
Jayden Schmitt
Annalise Jewell (piano)
Kimberly Lundgren (clarinet)

Class B 1st

Solos: Mason White Eagle
Joseph Holbrook
Grace Engel
Ayden Wargowsky

Class B 2nd

Solos: Ben Willfahrt, Rachel Pankratz, Jay Kearns, Gen Nelsen
Duets: Ella Santiago & Lili Grube; Nikita Pilz & Abigail Post; Savannah Grosskopf & Mallorie Plawman; Haylee Sandley & Brody Braunsky

Class B 3rd

Solos: Corbin Haemer
Duets: James Norby & Tanner Wargowsky
Trumpet Trio: Hailey Reshel, Molly Jewell, Dominic Vine

Class C 1st

Solos: Rykker Rademan, Emma Whitehead, Josh Lundgren, Samantha Kadrlík
Duets: Gracie Hasenohrl & Alayna Richardson; Rose Hasenohrl & Grace Schulte; Gannon Sweeney & Sophia Chase
Trombone Trio: Alana Steines, Grace Schulte, Jaxon Grube
6th Grade Woodwinds & Percussion: Alayna Richardson, Ashlyn Homb, Will Akins, Gracie Hasenohrl, Ryan Gonzalez, Ray Teska, Russ Teska, Adam Wechorek, Cooper Meddaugh, Kyle Bohman

Class C 2nd

Solos: Keegan Empey, Isaac Pleet, Christopher Burgess, Mady Van Asten, Phil Salzwedel, Rylee Graf
Duets: Chelsea Parrish & Hailey Ertl
6th Grade Brass Ensemble: Alivia Wolf, Alana Steines, Jaxon Grube, Grace Schulte, Adeline Schmitt, Zoe Sandley, Myah Katzenberger, Carter Grassl, Kylie Kearns, Alexis Godard, Rose Hasenohrl, Mark Norby, Isaac Kloos

Class C 3rd

Duets: Kennedy Crane & Colleen Schmitt

Band Awards

Congratulations to the following students receiving band awards this year!

Carl Lundgren: Louis Armstrong Jazz Award & John Phillip Sousa Award

Ashley Esser: Director's Award

Genevieve Nelsen: Middle School Outstanding Bandsman

Archery Team Highlights

The Auburndale Archery Team started their second year with increased enrollment despite the pandemic. Our tournament season looked a lot different- most of them held at home with limited capacity- but our archers made the best of it.

The elementary team took first in every tournament they qualified for (must have a minimum of 12 archers including 4 boys and 4 girls) including Badger State Games and the State Tournament. 2021-22 season looks very promising for the team. While we did not have enough archers to qualify as a team for middle or high school archery- that didn't stop them from doing their best! Several personal bests were bested, tournaments were won as individuals and most importantly the kids had fun improving their skill.

Several archers qualified for the World tournament that will be held June 10-13 in Myrtle Beach, SC. From the elementary team, Sawyer Malsin qualified in both the bullseye and 3D shoot. Tyden Dorshort, Riley Peterson, and Brooklyn Guldan also qualified for the 3D tournament. From the middle school team, Sydney Lobner qualified for the 3D tournament. With the funds that were raised throughout the season, we will be able to purchase a new arrow net, new bullseye targets, and some of the 3D targets for next season. Students in 4th grade and up are welcome to join the Club. We teach you everything you need to know and provide all of the equipment.

If you are interested in archery for next season, please visit our Facebook page or contact Coach Corey at 715-305-2159.

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Auburndale School District Summer Office Hours 2021

District Office:

June 3 - 30	8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
June 8, 24, 25	Office Closed
July 1 - 5	Office Closed
July 6 - 30	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
August 2 - 31	8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

High School Office:

June 3 - 11	7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
June 15-17, 22, 23	7:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
July 6, 13, 20, 27	7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Starting August 2	7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Elementary School Office:

June 3 - 25	7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
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No Office Hours in July

August 2 - 6	7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
August 9 - 31	7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Alternative Open Enrollment Application for the 2021-2022 school year will be available July 1, 2021

Parents who have missed the regular open enrollment application deadline for applying to the Auburndale School District for the 2021-2022 school year may submit an Alternative Open Enrollment Application on or after July 1, 2021. Alternative applications are available for easy completion on the DPI Website at <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>. For more information or to complete a paper application, contact Casey Aschebrock at 715-652-2117, ext. 1544/ caschebrock@aubschools.com. Completed applications can be delivered to the District Office at 10564 School Ave, PO Box 139, Auburndale WI 54412.

Bus Drivers Wanted

Contact Jake Hahn, 715-305-6664, if you are interested in being a school bus driver. Morning and afternoon routes available.

