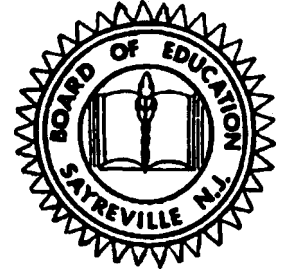


HEAD OF THE CLASS



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The Sayreville Board of Education congratulates those who are at the

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HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOOL STUDENTS, STAFF AND PARENTS

The Truman Elementary School students and their families continue to demonstrate that "Together They Can Do Great Things" for others. During the month of January, the students of Truman Elementary School participated in a special community service project called "Pennies for Patients" for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The school collected \$1,347.08 for this great cause. Special thanks to Mrs. Charlene Kenny, school nurse, for organizing and implementing this school-wide endeavor. She presented a lesson to each grade level explaining this cause and what it meant to have this disease in a way that touched each student with a sense of empathy. Also, many thanks to Mrs. Barbara Mangiaracina, Co-President of the PTO, who converted the pennies into dollar bills at a local bank. After all, "Together We Can Do Great Things" at Truman School!

HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOOL "JUMP ROPE FOR HEART" PARTICIPANTS

On February 29, 2008, over 300 Truman Elementary School students in grades 1 through 3 participated in "Jump Rope for Heart." This event gave the children an opportunity to benefit from the physical activity as well as do something to help others. The Truman School jumpers were an enthusiastic group and a fun time was had by all. Hats off to Ms. Allison Cenci, physical education teacher, for organizing and implementing this worthwhile activity for our students. Also, thanks to the PTO for their involvement and help with this project. The school raised \$3,011.13 for the American Heart Association.

HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOOL M.C.F.O.O.D.S. SPRING FOOD DRIVE

During the month of March, the Truman Elementary School participated in the M.C.F.O.O.D.S. Spring Food Drive. Once again, the students and their families demonstrated their kindness and good will by making a difference for Middlesex County families by donating an overwhelming amount of nonperishable foods and necessities. In addition, the Truman PTO sponsored a "Sock Hop" in March in which they collected 150 pairs of socks for a local Veterans' Home. Special thanks to Ms. Lisa Greene for delivering the socks to the Veterans' Home in Menlo Park.

PEARL SHAH

Congratulations to Sayreville War Memorial High School student Pearl Shah who took First Place in Public Speaking II at the 2008 NJ FBLA (Future Business Leaders Association) Conference and Competitions.

MR. MICHAEL WEINERT

Congratulations for being named White Division Bowling Coach of the year.

BRIANNICHOLAS

Congratulations to this SWMHS Bowler on being named First Team All Area by the Home New Tribune, Second Team All State Selection and First Team All Central Jersey by the Star Ledger.

MARCINGOLEBIOWSKI MATT WALCZAK

Congratulations to these SWMHS Bowlers on being named Second Team All Area by the Home New Tribune and All GMC for the White Division.

MATT WASIELEWSKI

Congratulations to this SWMHS Bowler on being recognized as Honorable Mention by the Home New Tribune and All GMC for the White Division.

RAMON SANTIAGO

Kudos to Sayreville War Memorial High School Junior, Ramon Santiago who placed 5th at 140 lbs. at the 2008 New Jersey State Individual Wrestling Tournament. This is the highest place for any junior wrestler in Sayreville Wrestling history.

MICHAEL KNIGHT

We would like to also recognize senior Michael Knight who qualified for the State Tournament, but unfortunately was injured and could not compete. Qualifying for this event is, in itself, a major accomplishment. Speedy recovery, Mike!

MAUREEN McKENNA

Congratulations to freshman swimmer, Maureen McKenna, who was awarded GMC 1st Place Champion in the 100m Backstroke. Way to go Bombers!!!!

ALEX RATAJCZYK

Congratulations to Alex Ratajczyk, who not only broke the high school's 50m Freestyle Record, but more importantly broke a GMC record.

MS. HEATHER MONAHAN

Congratulations to Ms. Monahan for completing the Boston Marathon in 3 hours, 19 minutes, and 47 seconds. Among all runners, she finished in the 82nd percentile. Among all women, she finished in the 95th percentile. Among women in her age group, she finished in the 93rd percentile. At the 23rd mile, Ms. Monahan passed the South Brunswick track coach! By all counts, Ms. Monahan is a winner and has made all of us at SWMHS extremely proud!

ALL GAVE SOME, BUT TO THOSE WHO GAVE ALL ...

As we approach Memorial Day, the Sayreville Public Schools remember and give thanks to all those who made the supreme sacrifice for the freedom that we today, as Americans, enjoy. Let us never forget ...