



# THE BLACKHAWK BULLETIN

AUGUST 2017

*Futures Taking Flight*

## Woodworth Construction



From The Superintendent

**Jeff Manthei**

Leslie Public Schools

The start of school is just days away and there has been a lot of activity at Woodworth. During the summer, underground drainage systems were installed. The concrete work, consisting of sidewalks and curbs, started on July 24.

As this article was going to press, the asphalt work had not yet begun. However, the asphalt work was scheduled to begin the first week of August.

I know the construction work at Woodworth has been inconvenient for some people; however, when the project is completed, the traffic flow, before and after school, will be much easier and safer for those dropping off and picking up their children. Thank you for your patience and understanding while construction is in progress.

To see more pictures of the project, please turn to page 8 of the bulletin.

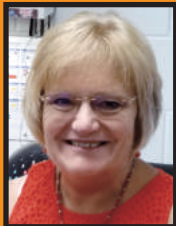


### New Year - New Faces

I hope that you have had an enjoyable summer so far. The first day of school for students is August 28.

Each year the start of school brings new faces to Leslie Schools. This year is no exception. The district has several new teachers and coaches. Additionally, we have a new principal, a new building secretary, and a new executive secretary in the administration office.

After 18 years serving as the executive secretary in the district, Loretta Vince has decided to retire. The entire district wishes Loretta the best in the next stage of her life.



The district is very happy to introduce Marcy Best as the new executive secretary

in the administration office. Marcy comes to Leslie after working for the State of Michigan for 28 years. Marcy's first day was June 5, and she has done a great job transitioning into her new position. Marcy says, "I like the fast pace of the office, the new challenges, and, of course, the five-minute drive to work." When you see Marcy, please welcome her to the Blackhawk family.

Save the Date for the 2017 **Pink Hawk** game!

**Friday, September 22, 2017**



Once again, our school and community will come together this September for the 6th Pink Hawk event. The mission of the Pink Hawk Project is to honor those who have fought and won their battle with cancer as well as to honor those who have lost their battle. Additionally, the Pink Hawk Project provides financial assistance to those receiving active cancer treatment. Funds for the project are primarily raised through the sale of t-shirts and jerseys. Pictured here is this year's t-shirt design, which will be available starting in August.

Over the last six years, the Pink Hawk Project has raised nearly \$100,000 and helped over 50 families in the Leslie community. Your purchase of these t-shirts has helped make this possible. To get information on t-shirt and jersey sales as well as event information, "Like" our Leslie Pink Hawk Project Facebook page. Let's make the Leslie community a sea of pink that day and continue raising funds to help those in our community!

If you know of someone who is battling cancer and needs assistance, please contact Leslie High School at 517-589-9500 for a Family Support Application or request one through email at [pinkhawk@lesliek12.net](mailto:pinkhawk@lesliek12.net).



**Jim Dell**

Principal

Woodworth  
Elementary  
School

### Faces of the School



My name is Cindy Bean, secretary at Woodworth elementary. My hobbies are painting, drawing, scrapbooking and outdoor activities/camping. I grew up in the Portage/Kalamazoo area and lived in Lansing for 10 years. I have lived in Leslie for 20 years and have raised two children here. My favorite thing about

working at LPS is the camaraderie. I love the friendships that I have built and the teamwork with everyone. We are a family! I really can't choose just one memorable moment that stands out. Every day at Woodworth is an adventure!



I am Megan Casper, secretary at Woodworth elementary. My hobbies include camping, reading, and spending time with my family. I grew up in Holt, and moved to Leslie shortly after I graduated from high school. My favorite thing about working for LPS is the constant activity. There is never a dull moment! My most memorable

moment happened before I worked for LPS, when my son disappeared during back to school night. I turned around and he was gone, just gone. We checked all the bathrooms, his classroom, and called his name on the playground and over the PA system. It seemed that everyone was looking: teachers, other parents, and kids. We finally found him just swinging away on the playground with a friend. He was safe, but it made me realize what a good community we live in. Luckily that situation never happened again.

### Many Exciting Changes Coming This School Year!

With the construction taking place this summer around Woodworth, there will be changes to the parent-drop-off, pick-up, and busing procedures. Parents will be notified of the new procedures prior to school starting. Keep in mind that student safety will be the number one priority when it comes to these procedures.

We have several new staff members to introduce to our families so hopefully we will be able to have our Back-to-School Night on the **tentatively** scheduled date of August 23 from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The date is tentative due to the construction project. The first day of school is Monday, August 28. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

### Summer Reading Program



### Summer Explorers



### Childcare

One of the excellent benefits the Leslie Public School District offers is before and after school childcare for school age children through age 12. We also offer childcare for preschool age children, ages 30 months through pre-k.

is provided to those who want it, and then students ride a bus to Woodworth Elementary School before school begins. Preschool children enrolled in our childcare program remain at the Jean Ekins Family Learning Center until 2:45 p.m. Those who need continued care after this are bused to Woodworth Elementary School.



After school care is provided at Woodworth Elementary School until 6:00 p.m. Children can participate in many activities such as outdoor play, gym time, computer lab time, table toys, games, and art. A snack is available each day, and students may work on homework at a quiet table as needed.

We offer competitive rates, per child, based on his/her daily attendance. For more information, contact JoAnn Isham, our Childcare Director, at joann.isham@leslie12.net or call 589-8205. Applications for childcare are available at Woodworth Elementary School and at the Jean Ekins Family Learning Center.

Before school care begins at 6:00 a.m. at the Jean Ekins Family Learning Center located at 460 Kimball Street, across from Leslie Middle School. Our friendly staff provides a safe and comfortable environment for children to begin their day, breakfast

### Mark your calendars!



Woodworth  
Elementary

- August 23\* – Back to School Night
- September 26 – Picture Day
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – December (dates to be announced)

\*tentative due to construction project



## Reaching Higher Reaches the Upper Peninsula By Kristen Phillips

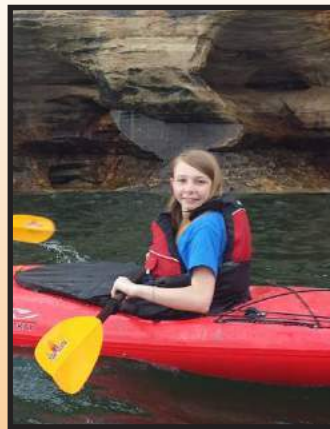
On the last day of school, 33 Reaching Higher students, staff, and family members traveled to Munising's Pictured Rocks in the Upper Peninsula for a four-day adventure. Our students were able to experience three of the five Great Lakes including Lake Michigan, Lake Huron, and Lake Superior; travel across the Mackinac Bridge; camp in rustic cabins at Camp Hiawatha; participate in the Pictured Rocks annual festival; hike a waterfall; go on a kayak or boat tour of the Pictured

Rocks; and create memories with each other that will last a lifetime. This trip was fully funded for our students through the Reaching Higher program.

Reaching Higher is run by Highfields, Inc. and is funded through grants from the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program. During the school year, Reaching Higher operates Monday through Thursday after school until 5:30 p.m. The program's objectives are to provide

academic support in the form of math lessons, reading lessons, homework time, and to provide social support through fun enrichment activities. A meal, snack, and busing (for in-district students) is provided daily through this program.

We would love to have your child join us! If you're interested in your child being a part of our after school and summer Reaching Higher programs, please check with the middle school office for a registration form.



### Faces of the School



My name is Jennine Stern, secretary at the middle school. I enjoy spending time with my family,

being in the sunshine and listening to country music. I have lived the majority of my life in Leslie, but after high school I did live in California for seven years. My favorite thing about LPS is the daily interactions with my coworkers, parents, and of course, all of our students. I don't really have a most memorable moment, but one thing we can always count on is that no two days are ever the same!



My name is Joan Beachey, and I am the special education secretary for the entire district, but you can find me in the

office at the middle school. I enjoy attending my boys' sporting and school events. I also enjoy reading, scrapbooking and the beach. I grew up in Grand Blanc, but have lived in Pleasant Lake for the last 19 years. One of my favorite things about working for Leslie Public Schools is the interactions I have with the students and parents. One of my most memorable moments happened when the fire alarm wouldn't shut off for almost an hour. We had to push a button every 20 seconds to keep it from disrupting the school.

Mark your calendars! 

**Leslie Middle School**

- August 22 – Back to School BBQ
- October 4 – Picture Day
- October 17 – Fall Choir Concert
- October 11 & 12 – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- October 25 – Halloween Band Concert
- November 2 – After School Activity (5th Grade)
- November 9 – Family Science Night



**Scott Powers**

Principal

Leslie High School

### Welcome Back!

This summer is moving along so quickly. Leslie High School just received their 2017 Advanced Placement (AP) scores, and they were outstanding, beating the State average in many of the subjects. We offer AP English, European History, Calculus, and Chemistry. Students can also take many other AP classes online if they choose. These scores are a testament to the hard work of our students and teachers this past year. Great work everyone!

### Faces of the School



My name is Glenda Frohriep, secretary at the high school. My hobbies include camping, shopping, and boating. I have lived in Leslie for 16 years. My favorite thing about working for LPS is the staff. My most memorable moment was having my children.



My name is Dayna Montroy, secretary at the high school as of this school year. Prior to this year, I was a secretary at the elementary school. My hobbies include hunting and photography, and I am a life-long resident of Leslie. My favorite part of working for LPS is watching the students grow and learn throughout the years. My most memorable moment would have to be when the Woodworth staff dressed up as minions for Halloween one year. It was hilarious, and we all had a good time.

## Vietnam Veterans of America Visits Leslie High School By Amiah Vickers

On May 4, 2017, the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 109 Presentation Team made a visit to Leslie High School. The 10 member team gave sophomores a presentation about what their lives were like during the war. Each and every one of them shared their story, and all of the stories were different. The veterans started by introducing themselves, playing taps, and giving some historical background on the American flag and folds that are made when a service member passes away. They then began a slide show where they had pictures of themselves in the service and what their surroundings looked like. As the presentation continued, things became very real as members began speaking about "Agent Orange" and PTSD. As I watched the presentation, my heart ached for all those who have suffered on and off the battlefield, as well as for those still suffering.

Overall, the presentation was outstanding. It was truly eye-opening to what we were learning in class as well as outside of class. As we exited the presentation, we had the opportunity to shake hands with all of the veterans, which I considered an honor. We thanked them for their service, for fighting for our country, and for the freedoms that we have today.

"I really liked the Holocaust field trip. My favorite part overall was when we got to hear from a survivor! I liked this the most because it really touched a place in my heart and made me feel terrible about what happened. Hearing his speech will forever have an effect on me."

"The videos got me. Just seeing the pain, suffering and sorrow these poor people had to go through. It really teaches you to appreciate what you have."

"It was a bone chilling experience. It felt like we were there when it happened."

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Back in May, the freshman class went on a field trip to the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Farmington Hills in order to expand on their learning about the Holocaust, a unit they completed in English 9A. Students spent the first part of their time at the museum on a docent-led tour and then had the honor of listening to Holocaust survivor Michael Weiss describe his experiences during the Holocaust. This trip was made possible by generous donations from Leslie First Baptist Church and the LPS Foundation as well as from the freshman class bake sale last October. This is the second year we have taken students on this field trip, and both years the students have commented on what an incredible experience it is. This year's group had some especially thoughtful things to say.  
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"The most powerful thing at the Holocaust Memorial Museum was the speaker, Michael Weiss. I don't normally cry at things like that but I still did."

"When you read about something so horrible it is hard to relate to it, but when you see such awful events and hear the way they were treated you think to yourself, what if this was me and my family."

"Going to the Holocaust Memorial Museum made me realize that I should appreciate the life I have. The trip was very informative and eye-opening."

### Mark your calendars!



- Leslie High School**
- August 23 – Back to School Night
  - September 13 – Picture Day
  - September 22 – Pink Hawk Project
  - October 4 – Parent/Teacher Conferences
  - October 6 – Homecoming
  - October 24 – Choir Concert
  - October 23-27 – Red Ribbon Week
  - November 10-12 – Musical: *Phantom of the Opera*

"The Holocaust field trip was not only educational but very emotional and eye-opening as well. Not only would I love to go again and explore more of what I didn't get to see, but I highly recommend this museum to everyone. It is a very sensitive subject but the victims stories deserve to be told, and so they shall."



## Leslie Public Schools Foundation to Host 2018 Hall of Fame Dinner

By Tom Davis, President of the Leslie Public Schools Foundation

The Leslie Public Schools Foundation is very excited to host the Hall of Fame dinner in the spring of 2018! Winners are selected by a diverse committee that considers athletic achievements and many other qualities that make up a student athlete. Not only are individuals considered, but successful teams are also eligible for the award. The winners are recognized at the dinner and their names are put on a beautiful plaque on the wall in the high school commons area.

If you feel that an individual athlete or a team from the high school is worthy of this special award, please contact the athletic department for a nomination form.

The dinner will be in the spring of 2018. The date will be announced this fall at the beginning of the school year. This year's event will be held in the high school commons. The pricing has been reduced significantly so more people can enjoy this wonderful evening.

Please plan on joining us if you are able to!

### LPS Foundation Board Members

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Teresa DeBaeke  
Bud Fifield  
Jeff Manthei  
Jim Hanson

## Merit Award Winners

The Leslie Public Schools Foundations was proud to recognize three outstanding and worthy winners of the Award of Merit for 2017!



### Travis McComb

Travis has been our “tech guy” in the district since 2013. Some of the comments in his nomination included the following: “Travis has moved Leslie Public Schools into the 21st century. He solves teachers’ and students’ tech problems quickly and easily! The schools now have wireless access for staff, students, and guests! Although his role in working with students is often indirect, he nonetheless has a profound impact on student learning! Travis is a skilled technician, a behind-the-scenes educator, and a forward-thinking administrator!”

### Theresa DeSmith

Special education teacher Theresa DeSmith has worked at Leslie High School for 14 years. Those who nominated her said “She is amazingly positive! She is always smiling and can engage every student. She finds something to like about every student she meets! She also motivates students to succeed. Theresa is one of the most enthusiastic and hardworking teachers at Leslie. She greets students with a smile every day and truly cares deeply for each student! When it comes to exhibiting a compassionate and caring attitude toward students, there is no better example than Theresa DeSmith!”



### Kitty Good

Kitty has been a rock in the transportation system at Leslie Public Schools for 26 years! Her nomination had many great things to say including “Kitty always comes to work with a super positive attitude! The kids love and respect her, and she is always having a good time with them! She is always willing to take another driver’s shift when needed! We will miss Kitty so much and wish her nothing but the best in her new adventures!!!”





Cheerleaders Car Wash Fundraiser



Lansing Hoops  
Hula Hoop Instruction  
at the Middle School



Band Camp



Family Fun Day - Leslie Library



Soccer





Showing at the Ingham County Fair





# SUMMER CONSTRUCTION

AUGUST 2017



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New Blackhawk Head Coaches Highlight Fall Athletic Season



A new school year finds many changes to the Blackhawk coaching staff this year. The Leslie football program will be led by Coach Tom Johns who is also the high school's new math teacher. He brings eight years of experience to the Blackhawk sidelines this fall. Coach Johns grew up in Napoleon, played football and graduated from Defiance College in Ohio, earned his teaching certificate from Siena Heights University, and received a master's degree from Marygrove College. He is married, has three children, lives in Jackson, and comes to us from Jackson High where he has been the past three years. While at Jackson, he was an assistant coach to Scott Farley and for the past two years he served as the defensive coordinator for the Vikings. He taught math for one year at Jackson High and two years at Parkside Middle School. Before coaching at Jackson, he also coached and taught at Reading High School for three years and coached at Napoleon for two years. Coach Johns will also have two new assistants joining him on the Blackhawk football staff: Todd Anderson, a 27-year veteran coach at Napoleon and Bob Eadier, who has coached five years previously at Michigan Center and Vandercook Lake. They will join Coach Johns this fall while assistants Tucker Surbrook, T.J. McCann, and Payne Blanchard return from last year's staff. The boys football team begins practice on Monday, August 7 and opens the season on August 24 at home versus Dansville.



**Scott Cousineau**  
Athletic Director  
Leslie High School

All high school and middle school athletes **must** have a physical, completed after April 15, 2017, on file at the school before they can try out for an athletic team.

All high school and middle school athletes must pay an athletic participation fee before they are allowed to play in a regular season athletic event. The fee allows the athlete to compete in all athletic seasons. Athletic fees, which need to be turned in to the school offices, are listed below.

**High School Athletic Participation Fees**

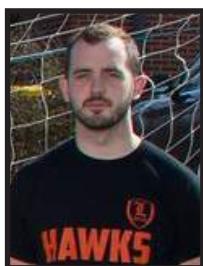
- Individual fee - \$125
- Reduced lunch student - \$30
- Free lunch student - \$15

**Middle School Athletic Participation Fees**

- Individual fee - \$65
- Reduced lunch student - \$20
- Free lunch student - \$10
- Family fee (2 or more) - \$200



Danielle Gibbs is returning to the Blackhawk volleyball staff, this time as the head coach. She was the JV coach four years ago before stepping down to have her third child. We are excited to have her back this year! Danielle, an eight-year veteran teacher at Woodworth Elementary, played volleyball and graduated from Saginaw Valley University. Over the past 10 years, she has also coached multiple AAU teams in addition to coaching at Leslie. She is married with three kids, and she and JV head coach Missy Smieska are very excited to continue to move Blackhawk volleyball forward. The girls begin practice on Wednesday, August 9 and open the season at the Olivet Invitational on August 26.



The boys soccer program will have Mike Compton as their new coach this fall. Coach Compton, who is returning for his second year of teaching English at the high school, played soccer and graduated from Owosso High School. He then graduated from Western Michigan University and has played on many travel and club teams. He has coached indoor soccer and middle school track. Additionally, he was a volunteer assistant coach for our girls varsity team last spring. He will be helped by Jake Alvarado, the previous head coach, who had to step down due to work conflicts. Mike is extremely enthusiastic and excited about the opportunity to be the coach of the boys soccer team. They begin practice on Wednesday, August 9, and they play their first game on Friday, August 18 at home against Quincy.



Finally, our boys varsity tennis co-op team with Lansing Christian has a new coach this year. His name is Ashish Gollapalli. Ashish was a four-year player at East Lansing High School, graduated from MSU with an electrical engineering degree, and has helped coach tennis at both East Lansing as well as Lansing Catholic. He is married with two children. Coach Gollapalli will be helped out by Dan Langeland, our girls varsity tennis coach. The boys will begin practice on Wednesday, August 9 at Kiwanis Park in Holt and will open their regular season on Monday, August 21 at Kiwanis Park against Battle Creek Pennfield.



## FREE & REDUCED MEALS Information:



- FREE & REDUCED APPLICATIONS will be mailed home prior to school starting.
- APPLICATIONS can be found in the school offices.
- APPLICATIONS can be filled out online at: [www.lunchapp.com](http://www.lunchapp.com)
- A NEW APPLICATION must be filled out every year! Please return applications as soon as possible.

## BREAKFAST & LUNCH Prices for the 2017-18 School Year:

• Woodworth:	Breakfast...\$1.25	Lunch...\$2.50	Milk...\$0.45
• Middle School:	Breakfast...\$1.25	Lunch...\$2.75	Milk...\$0.45
• High School:	Breakfast...\$1.75	Lunch...\$3.00	Milk...\$0.45
• Reduced Price Meals:	Breakfast...\$0.30	Lunch...\$0.40	

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email Kristen Hawkins, the Leslie Food Service Director, at 517-589-9616 or [kristen.hawkins@lesliek12.net](mailto:kristen.hawkins@lesliek12.net).

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### Face of the Bus Garage



My name is Sharon Clark, and I am the secretary at the bus garage. My hobbies include horses, art, and gardening. I live just outside Leslie on our horse farm and have been there for 41 years. My favorite things about working for LPS is the commute, the people, and the fact that I worked here while my kids were in school, so I was able to be involved with them here. My most memorable moment during my time here would have to be the day the bus "escaped" from it's parking spot, slid (sans driver) along the length of the bus garage, and stopped when it hit a boom truck being used for the high school construction.

## Pesticide/Herbicide Use Notification

Leslie Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program. Inherent with this are the District's efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may occasionally be necessary to apply a pesticide, these will only be used as a last resort. This program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc. to prevent pests from becoming a problem.

Parents will receive advanced notice of the

application at their child's school of any pesticide other than a bait or gel formulation. This advance notice of the application will be given 48 hours before the application. The law requires us to provide notification by using two methods. The second method we are going to use is posting a notice in a common area located by the main office of the school. Parents are also entitled to receive this notice by first-class United States mail postmarked at least three days before the application. If you would like to be notified by mail, please contact the Facility Department at 517-589-8413. Leave your

name, mailing address and which school your child attends.

In an emergency (for example, bees nest), pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but parents will be provided notice following any such application.

You may review our IPM program or pesticide application records by calling the Facility Director at 517-589-8413 or by emailing [troy.james@lesliek12.net](mailto:troy.james@lesliek12.net). This number or email may also be used when school is not in regular session.



Leslie Public Schools

2017-2018 School Calendar

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School Closed/Holidays

Teacher In-service Day (no school for Students)

Half Day for students

Late Start 2 hour Teacher PD

First Day of School

11/20/17 3 hour PD for teachers  
 3/8/18 3 hour PD for teachers  
 6/7/18 2 hour PD for teachers

Trimester 1 Ends November 21, 2017  
 Trimester 2 Ends March 9, 2018  
 Trimester 3 Ends June 8, 2018

Full day 8:00 a.m. - 3:01 p.m.  
 Half day 8:00 a.m. - 11:33 a.m.  
 2 hour late start 10:00 a.m. - 3:01 p.m.

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### IMPORTANT DATES!

September 1, 4 – No School/Labor Day  
November 22, 23, 24 – Thanksgiving Break  
December 25 – January 5 – Holiday Break  
January 15 – No School  
February 16, 19 – No School  
March 30 – No School/Good Friday  
April 2-6 – Spring Break  
May 28 – Memorial Day  
June 8 – Last Day of School

### Cancellation of School

Occasionally school may be cancelled due to inclement weather or other emergencies. The school district will notify parents of school closings or delays through the telephone and email notification system. Television stations 6 and 10 also provide closing information. School cancellations can also be found on the Leslie Public Schools website at . Cancellation of extracurricular events is based on a case-by-case decision.

### We want to keep you informed!

For updated information, “Like” us on Facebook, follow various Twitter accounts, and view the district website. The website can be found at [www.lesliek12.net](http://www.lesliek12.net).

### Contact Information

Central Administration	517-589-8200
Woodworth Elementary School	517-589-5151
Leslie Middle School	517-589-8218
Leslie High School	517-589-9500
Family Learning Center	517-589-8205
Bus Garage	517-589-8413
Food Service	517-589-9616

### Rights, Protection and Benefits for Homeless Children

Your children may be eligible for certain rights and protections under the Federal McKinney-Vento Act. Homeless children and youth are defined as individuals who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. Does your family live in a homeless shelter, motel, campground, car, abandoned building or doubled up with other people due to loss of housing? If so, your children may have the right to homeless benefits. If you believe your children may be eligible for these benefits, contact the homeless liaison

(Marcy Best 517-589-8200 ext. 101) or a school counselor for more information.

The Leslie Outreach, a food bank, can provide low income families living in Leslie Public School District with one week’s worth of groceries per month. It is open on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions or need information, please call the Leslie Outreach at 517-589-5814 or contact them at [leslie\\_outreach@att.net](mailto:leslie_outreach@att.net).