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# Woodland Park School District e-Newsletter



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## Important dates

Friday, Dec. 20 - Early dismissal: Memorial and BG, 12:48 p.m.; CO, 1:28 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 20 - CO & BG report cards will be posted on the Parent Portal

Dec. 23- Jan 1, 2020 -  
Winter Break - School Reopens  
Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2020

Welcome to the Woodland Park School District e-Newsletter, which will be sent out weekly when school is in session. This will serve as a glimpse of some of the wonderful things going on in our schools, as well as a point of reference for upcoming events.

Your Partner in Education,  
Michele R. Pillari, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

## Young Engineers



Charles Olbon School students in Ms. McGinnis' computer class recently participated in the Hour of Code Week. They explored the concepts of computer engineering and coding using robots.



## Saluting Service



The Board of Education on Monday night saluted two outgoing members who are finishing up their terms - Dina Bargiel and Dr. Mark Salemi, who both have served for over nine years. Their fellow board members and Superintendent Dr. Michele Pillari lauding both trustees for their dedication to the students of town and successes in moving the district forward. Dr. Pillari noted that Dr. Salemi and Mrs. Bargiel were "always, always looking out for the best interests of the children." The pair are the last two original board members from when Dr. Pillari joined the district. "We have accomplished everything that we set out to do six years ago," she said.

# Library gives thanks to its youth volunteers, educational partners

The Alfred H. Baumann Free Public Library held its annual appreciation night on Dec. 12 to honor its resident, community, business, program and school partners. The library Board of Trustees and staff would like to send its thanks to everyone who contributes their time and talents to the library.

## Youth honorees included:

**Teen Volunteers:** Mohammed Abualouf, Emily Burgers, Yoselin Carpio, Yasuri Carpio, Hassan Chaabane, Ahmad Chaabane, Sajida Daghsh, Zakria Dahhan, Dayalis DeJesus, Jaidyn Dillon, Alexander Ferenc, Maria Flores, Joseph Granata, Othman Haddouche, Hatem Haddouche, Zeth Lambertus, Natalie McKinney, Alberto Leon, Nayeli Montoya, Stephanie Martinez, Lima Nabeed, Allison Neyra, Brian Roerich, Vanessa Ruiz, Patrick Ryan, Karla Salazar, Crystal Sandoval, Gabriella Sevillano, Jerry Sevillano, Elif Sozer, Anabelle Vargas and Brianna Velez

**Teen Tutors:** Lindsay Amendola, Mia Basile, Jessica Camal, Anthony Ceceres, Victoria Marques, Stephanie Martinez, Sarah Mitchell, Michaela Raguseo, Natalie Rofail, Jerry Sevillano and Joseph Valencia

**Junior Ambassadors:** Adam Abumwais, Eyad Abumwais, Tayeeba Ahmed, Layla Ascencio, Anthony Billson, Timothy Brito, Amira Chaabane, Laiyal Daghsh, Basell Dahhan, Andrew Darby, Qasim Elnatshe, Crismarly Fernandez, Alex Limone, Aayaan Malik, Brayden McGovern, Daniella Mencia, Jad Nabtiti, Maite Olivera, Lily Owens, Amayah Pena, Jayden Perez, Patrick Puzio, Victor Puzio, Marios Rotsides, Erin Ryan, Katie Ryan, Stivet Salcedo, Gonzalo Vila, Joaquin Vila and Francesco Vincenti

**Library Beautification Partners:** Girl Scout Troop #96362: troop leader Trish Ryan, Chloe Bergrin, Bianca Maldonado, Gracyn Roerich, Erin Ryan and Katie Ryan

**Family of the Year:** McGovern Family

**Junior Patron of the Year:** Gonzalo Vila

**Teen Patron of the Year:** Stephanie Martinez



# Service Project

Brownie Troop 96790 recently held a food drive to assist Eva's Village in Paterson.

David Bein, Community Kitchen Chef Director at Eva's Village, came to speak with the girls about what services Eva's provides and to thank them for all the donations. Chef Dave directs a staff of six that produces over 500,000 meals a year for Eva's guests, residents and staff.



## Sending Cheer



Students at Beatrice Gilmore School created cards to send to children who will be spending the holiday season in the hospital. Mrs. Capo's class helped collect and send these cards to the organization Cards for Hospitalized Kids. Cards were sent all over the United States to send cheer and words of kindness to children in various children's hospitals.

## Future Travelers



The Postcard Exchange project in 4-Wilson/D'Astolfo's class at Beatrice Gilmore is in full swing. Students researched facts and fun information about New Jersey from a variety of sources. Students then worked on letter writing skills and together composed a postcard to be sent out to the other 49 states. The class is enjoying the postcards that are coming in from other states. Students are learning interesting information from peers across the country, and take the time to compare and contrast the geography and culture of each with our own. Students have taken an interest in many landmarks and places of interest from the other states. Some have taken it to the next level to research and share photographs and information inspiring us all as future travelers!

# Sharing The Spirit Of The Season Through Song



Students in the choirs at all three district school as well as the Memorial School concert band have been busy this month showcasing their musical talents in seasonal shows, under the direction of Mrs. Beirne at CO and Mr. Schaefer at BG and Memorial. Each school held its own performances for the student body as well as the public. The choirs at all three schools also performed in Municipal Chambers on Sunday afternoon, Dec, 15, hosted by the Alfred Baumann Library. In addition, the Memorial School choruses performed for the WP Seniors at their Dec. 18 meeting and the concert band performed for BG students yesterday.

