

# Lake Park 5th grade creates interactive wax museum

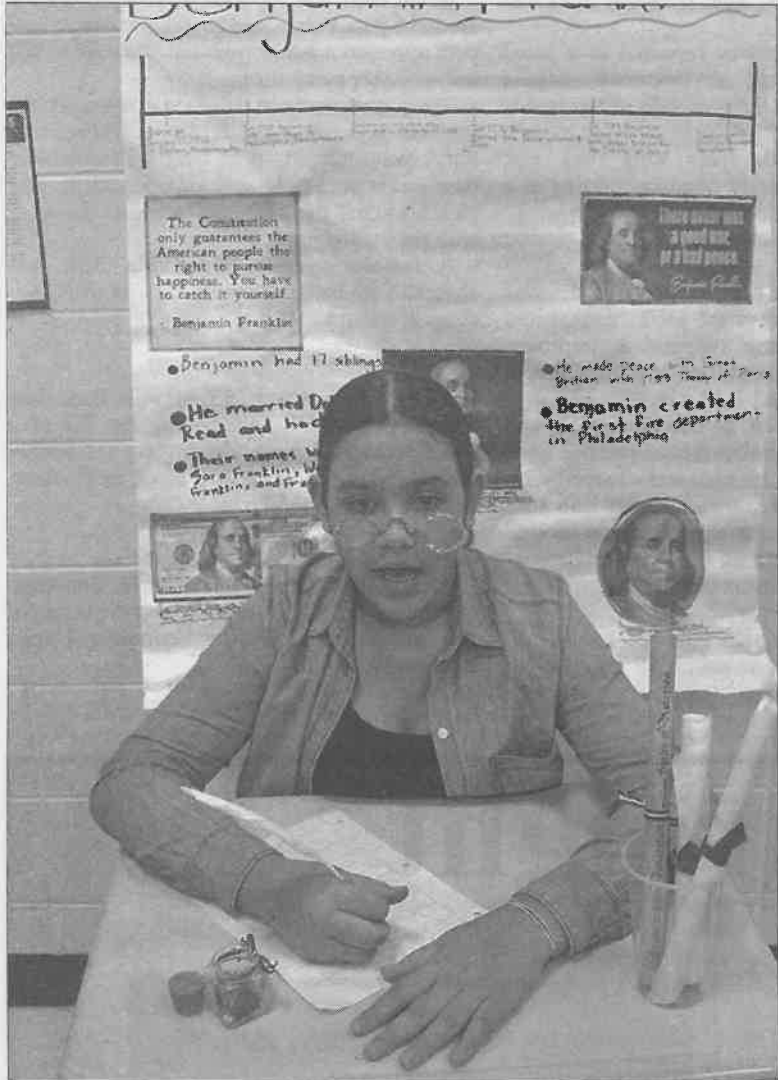
Mrs. Poremba's and Mrs. Groth's 5th grade classes researched, wrote scripts, created posters, and wore costumes to create a biographical interactive wax museum at Lake Park School on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

Each student selected an influential historical character to portray—including George Washington, Harriet Tubman, Ben Franklin, Clara Barton, Sojourner Truth, Pocahontas, and Francis Scott Key. The students studied their characters and created posters for displaying in the

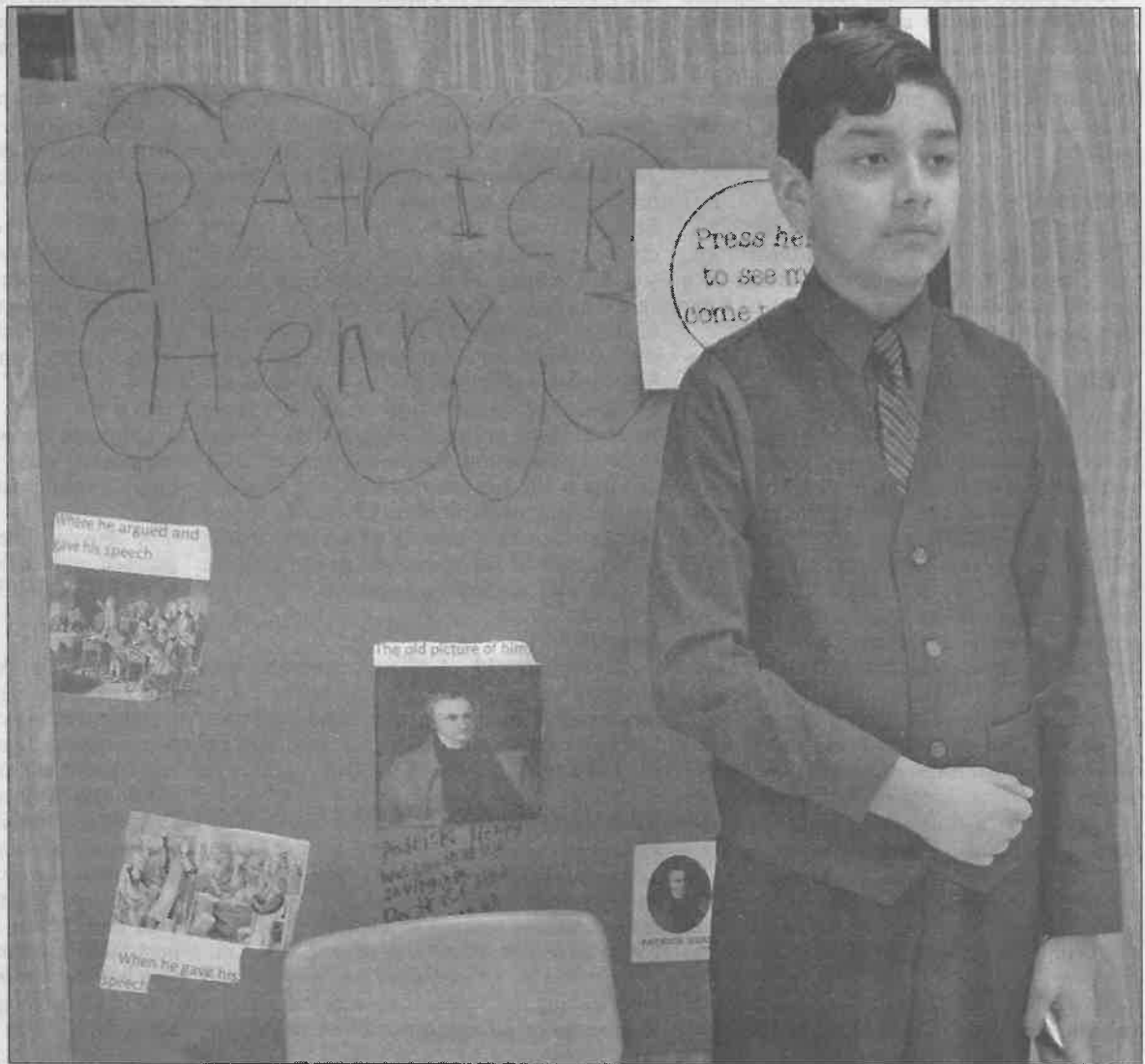
museum.

In order to give the effect of a wax museum, each student also worked to develop a still pose that they would be able to hold while waiting for visitors to approach. Each student had a "Press Here to see me come to life" button that visitors could touch in order to make that character share information.

Parents, teachers, and Lake Park students from the lower grades enjoyed visiting the museum and learning history in an interactive setting.



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 This young lady wears her own handmade eyeglasses as she portrays the role of Benjamin Franklin, who invented bifocals.



This Lake Park 5th grader stands very still as a wax museum statue before being "brought to life" as Patrick Henry, who gave the famous "Give me liberty or give me death" speech.



Above: This 5th grade student portrayed the character Sojourner Truth at Lake Park's own interactive wax museum. Born into slavery, Truth was an abolitionist and a women's rights activist, who went to court to recover her son and in 1828, became the first black women to win such a case against a white man.



Pictured here is a 5th grader from Lake Park School playing the role of Pocahontas when the class created its own interactive wax museum.



This 5th grader portrays Rosa Parks as she speaks to younger Lake Park students who came to visit the class's "wax museum." Parks told the story of refusing to give up her seat on a bus to a white man.



Right: This 5th grade student takes on the role of George Washington, our nation's first President.