Superintendent’s Reflections

Meet Rufus and Toby. Both get stinky about one day after their baths. They have bad breath, shed like crazy, and bark at everything, BUT we love them.

You can see how gentle and loving they are by their soft and sweet eyes. They both seem to have a sixth sense and know when to be gentle and quiet. They fancy themselves to be lap dogs and will climb onto our laps to snuggle into us.

When someone is sad or a baby is crying, both of them are there. They lay down close to the babies to protect them and at our feet when no babies are around. Rufus takes some serious abuse from Gabby but is gentle and patient with her always. Toby is less accustomed to baby hair or tail pulls, but simply moves away from the little ones with busy hands.

Our kids had a sweet dog for nineteen years. Cinnamon was a black mutt who fiercely protected each baby when we brought them home. She provided love and attention to all four of our children when they most needed it.

I would love to have the disposition of a dog—to never get mad when someone yelled, “Get away!” and to see myself as a comforter, protector, and master of gentleness.

I wish that I could give every child a dog. I would send the dog with a lifetime supply of food, medication, and all of the other necessities. Then, just maybe, I could find enough peace to actually sleep knowing that our most traumatized children always had a friend by their side.
I read a good article about motivating employees at work. It was a generic article (not necessarily for educators) that gave a lot of solid advice. One point I was struck by was how "career development" or helping employees develop their career goals builds employee retention and increases employee satisfaction. The article suggested that organizations should help employees develop their career goals and help employees "build their resumes." I was thinking about how this translates to and for educators. If the author of the article (and others, I assume) believe that career development is key to employee satisfaction, how can Center Line Public Schools mirror or replicate this point?

So what is career development? It has to do with helping employees fulfill their personal career goals. It means providing professional development opportunities that are focused and clear. It means to provide networking opportunities. And, it means to offer support to employees when needed. Career development means assisting employees to excel in areas they may or may not know they have passion for.

We want strong performers here. We want teachers, clerical staff, custodial, kitchen, drivers, and administrators who do their best work every day. We want educators who ARE looking to build their resume. So, I encourage you to take on an initiative or project. Lead something in your area/building that you are passionate about. Build that resume. And, let us help you do it.

At Center Line we want to create a high-performance culture with high performing employees. We commit to helping you build and refine your career goals.

**In the District**

**New Peck Progress**

Construction crews are working hard to get the main structure completed before the cold weather hits! Current tasks include the site storm water detention system, bearing walls, concrete placement for floor slabs, and underground conduit installation.

Bond Information

The mission of Center Line Public Schools is to provide all students relevant and challenging learning experiences to inspire success and empower them to be leaders of tomorrow.
The Peck PTC/Parent Lighthouse Team is responsible for putting on many events for families and staff and also provides additional support for teacher classroom needs. For example, the PTC provides funding for student folders, assemblies, weekly readers, staff appreciation and food during conferences, first day of school breakfast, and fifth grade breakfast. Sponsored activities include the Halloween Dance/Trunk and Treat, Mingle and Jingle, Color Run, Daddy-Daughter Dance, Mother-Son Event (often bowling), Open Gym & Swim, and assisting staff with Leadership Night. Goals for this year is to get more parent involvement, create a stronger community, and give parents a better understanding what it means to be a lighthouse school. To help with this, Peck PTC has a Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/Peckelementaryptc/) and uses Remind 101.

In order to do all of these great things, the group needs to do two things: get parent involvement and raise funds. The Peck PTC/Parent Lighthouse Team meets each second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm. Free childcare is available during the meeting. Come to a meeting or volunteer to help at an event—you will be glad you did, and so will your kids!

Current fundraisers for the group include an American Fundraising Company catalog (now through Oct. 28, Team Michigan products, cookie dough, and holiday items), Kroger Rewards, and Box Top collections; in the winter there will be Chuck and Dave’s Salsa, and in the spring, the Color Run. This past Wednesday was also the Crypt Keepers fundraiser. If your schedule is too busy to give time to help at events, support the fundraisers. If you are short on money—give us your time and energy! There are many ways to help. Contact a PTC board member for more information!

2019-2020 Peck PTC Board Members
President—Colleen Goralski
Vice President—Tawanna Taylor
Secretary—Suzanne Britt
Treasurer—Kelly Willis

PeckPTC@clps.org

Please join us on
Monday, October 14, 2019
9:00am at Center Line High School or
6:00pm at Center Line Administration Building
for
Coffee Club Community Conversations
Topic: Becoming a Ford NGL Community
We are excited to announce that Ford Next Generation Learning and the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development is partnering with us to enhance our Academies of Center Line through community partnerships. Your input and feedback is wanted, valued, and appreciated. Future dates: Nov. 25, Jan. 13, Feb. 24, March 23, April 27.
Panther Marching Band took 1st place Division B at the Chippewa Valley Invitational on Saturday with a score of 78.7. They also won awards for music and marching. Congratulations! Watch videos of their performances on the Band Facebook page!

Varsity boys’ soccer beat Fitzgerald in an exciting match last week, 5-4!

CLHS’s volleyball teams held a tournament among themselves, their parents, and some alumni. Word has it the alumni team won and the parents came in 2nd. It sure was nice of our girls to go easy on the “old folks”!

CLHS’s journalists are back in action! Check out this month’s edition of The Panther Press on the CLHS website—https://clhs.clps.org/apps/pages/PantherPress
Manufacturing Day

On October 4, CTE students participated in Manufacturing Day, a nationwide event which allows manufacturing companies to provide a tour of their facility for students. This provides learning and exposure to career opportunities in the manufacturing industry, and allows students to see first hand how products are manufactured.

Brose Jefferson, a door and closure systems automotive supplier, was the morning tour for Center Line students. Headquartered in Germany, Brose provided a welcoming introduction with refreshments and a presentation explaining product lines and the company history. Students were broken into groups and toured the facility, ending with a fun group activity to assemble a Brose product.

The afternoon tour was at Futuramic Tool and Engineering, a manufacturer of tooling and machined parts. Students visited several stations on the plant floor and moved upstairs to visit the engineering department and enjoy refreshments. All tour leaders explained their jobs thoroughly and detailed their background, giving students the opportunity to ask questions.

2019 grad Jakaris Vereen just completed basic training with the marines and is waiting assignment to active duty. Well done, Jakarris!

VIP at CLHS

State Representative Lori Stone spent the day at Center Line High School in Mr. Reeve’s 10th grade Social Studies class that had recently completed a PBL answering if the State of Michigan should celebrate Indigenous Peoples’ Day. Students compiled presentations on the topic and presented them to Rep. Stone.
This week the Wolfe Leadership Team met and planned grade level “family meetings,” discussed showing pride during the CLHS Homecoming parade, and shared the important qualities of a strong leader! We can’t wait to see the memories this team will make and impact it will have at Wolfe!

Cool Use of Classroom Tech
Check out how students “quiz” these days in Mrs. Cook’s freshman biology class. Thanks to the new interactive boards, teachers are able to gather immediate feedback from students and discuss misconceptions and errors on the spot.

Last month the entire freshmen class went on a guided tour of the DIA as a freshman experience. They explored how art affects them and made them feel.

Science in Motion
The physics classes rode carts to measure and describe motion in an inquiry lab to figure out what factors were necessary to measure.

What’s Up at Wolfe
Crothers’ Corner

Words to the Wise
Ms. Prevo’s and Mr. Landoski’s 3rd grade students are enjoying their free personal student dictionaries, compliments of the Warren Rotary Club. Thank you, Rotary!

Roose students are preparing for the homecoming dance during half time this Saturday. They will rock you!

Martin W., in grade 5, made his own diagram of the federal government. This wasn't a class assignment, but Martin loves to learn about history and government and made this diagram to organize his thoughts. He says, "We were basically learning about the three branches of government- about the structure and the main jobs." Next, Martin hopes to learn "about the history of the government as well as the political parties." Keep up the good work, Martin!

Peck Points
Peck third graders are enjoying their Rotary dictionaries, too!

Roose Roundup
Roose students are preparing for the homecoming dance during half time this Saturday. They will rock you!
Community Opportunities

CENTER LINE PUBLIC SAFETY OPEN HOUSE
OCTOBER 13, 2019 10 AM – 2 PM
Come out and support our Public Safety Department!!

Center Line City Hall
7070 E. Ten Mile Rd.
Center Line, MI

- Pancake Breakfast
- Narcan Presentation
- Free Give-Aways for Kids
- First Aid Kits, Bike Helmets, Smoke Detectors
- Public Safety demo: cut up cars, put out a fire...
- and more...

Youth Basketball League
DIVISIONS (Boys & Girls): 4th & 5th Grade, 6th Grade, 7th & 8th Grade
Please note: Members of private or public school basketball teams WILL NOT BE ALLOWED to participate in the 2019-2020 season.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES: Elementary Schools, November 3; Middle Schools, November 24

PRACTICE: Practices will start in November and will practice one day per week. Teams will be given scheduled practice times and locations after coaches are assigned.

GAMES: Will be played Saturdays at local middle schools and recreation centers.

COST: $50 resident $85 non-resident (includes league play and shirt)

Volunteers Needed!
This activity cannot be successful without your help! Would you be interested in coaching? Contact Dave Klein at dave@cityofcenterline.org or 586-754-5000. Note: All volunteers must pass a background check.

REGISTRATION ONLINE AT https://webtrac.cityofcenterline.org/webtrac/ or CALL 586-266-8400.

NEED COMMUNITY SERVICES HOURS?
JOIN THE SNOW ANGELS!

SIGN UP TO SHOVEL SNOW THIS WINTER FOR THE ELDERLY/DISABLED RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF CENTER LINE
WE ARE LOOKING FOR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUR RESIDENTS DURING THE WINTER SEASON
SHOVEL RESIDENTS WALKWAY, DRIVEWAY, PORCH (WILL TRY AND ASSIGN HOMES NEAR YOUR HOUSE)
1 HOUR PER HOUSE, PER SNOW FALL/AS NEEDED
CITY WILL PROVIDE SOME SHOVELS, YOU MAY USE YOUR OWN OR YOUR SNOWBLOWER
CONTACT YVETTE SMITH AT YSMITH@CENTERLINE.GOV WITH YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 586-757-6800.
The **Week in Review**
is published every Friday
during the school year.

Submissions are welcome and encouraged; email
your pictures and news to Sue Pauling at
paulings@clps.org by
Thursday noon to guarantee
inclusion in that week’s edition.

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**You’re Invited!**

Meet and Greet Info Night with the Special Education Department and Community Agencies

**Tuesday October 29, 2019**

5 p.m.-7 p.m. @ Center Line High School Media Center

We welcome everybody from our district and the neighboring districts!