



# Our Voice

## Tri-Village Local Schools

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### Mrs. Miller is Nationally Board Certified

The Tri-Village Local School District is proud to announce that Mrs. Brenda Miller is Nationally Board Certified. Mrs. Miller teaches language arts at Tri-Village Local Schools. She received this highest honor in the teaching profession in November and the district recognizes her for her hard work and dedication.

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards improves teaching and student learning. National Board Certified Teachers are highly accomplished educators who meet high and rigorous standards.

Like board-certified doctors and accountants, teachers who achieve National Board Certification have met rigorous standards through intensive study, expert evaluation, self-assessment and peer review. NBPTS offers 25 certificates that cover a variety of subject areas and student developmental levels.

In a congressionally-mandated study, National Board Certification was recently recognized by the National Research Council as having a positive impact on student achievement, teacher retention, and professional development.

Since 1987 more than 82,000 teachers have achieved National Board Certification. These teachers prepare America's diverse student population with the skills it needs to compete in the 21st century workplace. Congratulations Mrs. Miller!



### Adopt a Family Campaign

The High School Student Council, Junior High Student Council, National Honor Society, Key Club, and FFA at Tri-Village High School teamed up this holiday season for their annual Adopt-A-Family Campaign. Each organization sponsored a day at school where special treats were sold in the cafeteria as well as sponsoring a hat day and a pajama day for the students. Donation boxes were put in each classroom throughout the elementary and high school. The campaign was a huge success. The students and faculty at Tri-Village were able to raise over \$3200 to use for families in need in the district. The Adopt-A-Family campaign was an opportunity for the different organizations within the school to work together and support families in need in their own community. A special thank you goes to the New Madison Kiwanas, FPE in New Madison, and Beechwood Golf Course for their help with donations. Five families were touched in some way due to the generosity of these donations.

### Broadway has come to Tri-Village!

The Drama Club is performing the Broadway production of "Into the Woods." The musical combines the well-known fairy tales of Cinderella, Rapunzel (Alex Bietry), Jack and the Beanstalk(Leah Metzcar), and Little Red Ridinghood(Kellie King) with the story of the Baker and his Wife (Craig Harrison & Erica Hammaker) who desperately want a child. Unfortunately, the Baker and his Wife have been cursed with childlessness by a witch (Megan Stephan) and must perform various missions involving the characters in the other fairy tales to break the spell. Once the characters have accomplished their goals, however, they learn about the pitfalls of greed and gluttony. Finally, they learn about the need for community and family when they must unite to fight against the wife of the giant which Jack killed who has decided to come back for revenge.

Performances are Saturday, February 12 at 7 p.m. & Sunday, February 13 at 2 p.m. Tickets will be on sale in the high school office starting February 1 for \$6.00.

### 8th Grade Orientation

8<sup>th</sup> grade orientation is set for March 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the commons. This meeting is for students and parents to discuss high school scheduling for next year, a representative from IU East and MVCTC will be on hand to answer any questions.

### Kindergarten Sign-Up

Kindergarten Registration for the 2011-2012 school year begins in February. All students age 5 by August 1, 2011, will need to register for Kindergarten. Please make time to stop in the office to fill out the appropriate paperwork. The office is open from 7:30 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. Please bring copies of your child's birth certificate, social security card, and custody papers if they apply.

## TRI-VILLAGE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Tri-Village will host its 7th annual Hall of Fame Induction on Saturday, January 15, 2011. Those being inducted between the junior varsity and varsity games will be: Debbie Brinley Frech, Zac Graham and Coach Lee Falknor. The public is invited to attend a reception held in the commons area following the varsity game.

### DEBBIE BRINLEY FRECH

Debbie a 1980 graduate competed in volleyball, basketball and track at Tri-Village.

She was a four year letter winner in volleyball and held the honor of Most Kills in a season with 101 her senior year.

On the basketball court Deb held three varsity letters. In 1979 she led the team in field goal percentage while supporting her team to win the Bradford Holiday Tournament. During her senior year the 1980 team were CCC Champs with a league record of 11-0.

In four very successful track seasons Deb received a varsity letter each of those years and proved herself in earning the honor of advancing to state competition in the shot put and discus her junior and senior years respectively. At the district meet Deb held the record in the shot and set a Tri Village school record at 35' 7.25".

### ZAC GRAHAM

Zac graduated in 2000 and was a four year varsity letter winner in cross country and track.

One of Tri-Village's most successful runners Zac received numerous awards during his career in Cross Country; he was chosen as All-State, placed 7<sup>th</sup> at the State Meet and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Regional's. He was District meet champion, Conference Champion and remained undefeated until the regional meet. Zac was Daily Advocate Fall Athlete of the Year, chosen as a member of the Dayton Daily News All-Area Cross Country Team, received All Conference Honors all four years of high school and was a former school record holder at 16:23.

In track during his senior year Zac excelled in the 2 mile race. He received the following honors: All-State, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State Meet and had been undefeated the entire season. Graham was Regional Champion, District Champion and Conference Champion in 2000. He held the conference meet record for numerous years and is the current Tri Village school record holder in the 2 mile at 9:42.

### COACH LEE FALKNOR

Coach Falknor has led many Tri Village teams onto victorious seasons and he and those teams have been rewarded with many accolades. Lee has a Tri Village Varsity Mens Coaching Record of 248 wins and 175 losses. He coached Cross County Conference Champion Teams 6 times those being in 1981, 1990, 1991, 2000, 2002 and 2003. Teams in 1981 and 2000 were District Runners Up with 1982, 1983, 1999 and 2002 teams being Sectional Runners Up.

Falknor received the 1991 Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Association, Coach of the Year Award, the Ohio North-South All Star Game Coach in 1992, was named Southwest Ohio Coach of the Year 3 times as well as being chosen as District 9 Coach of the Year 3 times. Lee was selected 3 times as Cross County Conference Coach of the Year and in 1990, 1991 and 2000 had teams that won 20 or more games in a season.

In 1991 Coach Lee Falknor and his team of "Bad Boys" played their way to the State Championship game and became the State Runners Up in a very hard fought battle.

## Spelling Bee

Twenty-five junior high students competed in the Tri-Village School Spelling Bee. Ecko Brown, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, will represent the school at the county bee. Jordan Buckley, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, was the runner-up.



Twenty-four students in third through sixth grade participated in the Tri-Village Elementary Spelling Bee. Elijah Driver, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, will represent the school in the county bee. Haleigh Gilloz, third grade was the runner-up.



## 2011 Yearbook!

The 2011 yearbook goes on sale February 1st. The price will be \$45.00 until February 18th. After February 18th the price is \$50.00. The sale ends March 18th. Checks can be made payable to SPIRIT. Contact Mrs. Kathryn Pleiman or a yearbook staff member with questions or orders at 996-1511 ext 352.



**WPP**  
Wee Patriot Preschool registration is now open to the public for the 2011-2012 school year. Please contact Joanie Hollinger at 937-996-1511 at ext 346 for more information.

**School Open for Walking**  
Walkers may use the gym before school from 6:45—7:30 a.m. and from 3:00—8:00 p.m. You may enter through the main entrance door #1.

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