



After School Discovery Communications

November 2011

Success in Learning~ Success in Life...

Casey Kozlowski Visits After School Discovery

On Monday, October 10th, State Representative Casey Kozlowski visited Discovery Cove, Celebrate, and Club 212. Students in all programs learned about the Ohio House of Representatives and what the legislators in Columbus do. Representative Kozlowski in turn learned about After School Discovery and what all of our programs have done in the past and what they are currently working on.



Discovery Cove showed Representative Kozlowski how to make a scarecrow while learning about shapes.



At Club 212, he watched as students learned about and made Native American clay pots and observed the Yearbook club as they began to piece together a page.



Celebrate proved to be very musical as students from the Jumbie Jam Band performed and students and Representative Kozlowski made and played Sound Sandwiches.

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Parent Teacher Conferences

Just a reminder that Parent Teacher Conferences are Wednesday, November 9th and Thursday, November 17th. There will be NO Celebrate or Club 212 on conference nights. Watch for After School Discovery information and student showcase tables during Parent Teacher Conferences.

Parent Training Workshop Held

On Tuesday, October 18th, "The Power in You", a parent workshop was held in the Community Room at the Ashtabula Towne Square, co-sponsored by After School Discovery and the Closing the Achievement Gap (CTAG) initiative through Ashtabula Area City Schools. Sally Bradley, CTAG Coordinator said "I am very excited about the turn out at the first parent training and hope to get more parents involved in the next training". Parents from Club 212, Celebrate, and CTAG participated in the workshop. Parents who would like more information or are interested in attending the next CTAG workshop should contact Sally Bradley at 645-4532.

Other Parent Education/Training Opportunities

Ashtabula County Adult Basic & Literacy Education

The Adult Basic & Literacy Education (ABLE) Program provides FREE daytime and evening classes throughout Ashtabula County for those who want to:

- Improve basic reading, writing or math skills
- Prepare for the GED (High School Equivalency Diploma) Test
- Take a FREE practice GED test
- Improve your ability to speak, write or read English (English Speakers of Other Languages)
- Prepare for U.S. Citizenship
- Prepare for post-secondary training or college



ABLE Centers are located throughout Ashtabula County:

- Ashtabula County A-Tech
- Conneaut Human Resources Center
- Geneva Community Center
- Job Source – Ashtabula
- Kent State University –
Ashtabula Campus
- Orwell Country Neighbor

For more information or to set up an orientation, please call 24/7 and leave a message at 440.576.5599 or email us at ableatech@suite224.net



Discovery Cove

News

Come and Discover the Treasures at *Discovery Cove!*

We welcome you all to come and see what is happening at ASD's newest program located in the Michigan Primary building. Providing safe, convenient and affordable before and afterschool care for K-3 students is just the beginning at *Discovery Cove!*

* New Nutcracker program!

It's almost "Nutcracker" season... and Discovery Cove is celebrating by offering a special program. During Discovery Cove, children will create art projects, read the book, and have pictures taken with real live characters from the *Nutcracker*. Free tickets to the local production will be raffled off.

We will also be exploring **Winter Celebrations Around the World** through music, food, stories and art.



* FREE Child Care!

During **Parent/Teacher Conferences** on November 9th and 17th *Discovery Cove* will provide **FREE** childcare for K-3 students while parents are attending conferences. Registration forms must be filled out before attending but all charges and the \$10 registration fee will be waived. Forms are available in all primary building offices.

*The children will also be busy **creating Holiday Greeting Cards** to send to our Troops. It is our way of saying, "thank you" to those who sacrifice so much to serve our country.



Lights On Afterschool

*Discovery Cove participated in **Make a Difference Day** by inviting residents from the Country Club Retirement Campus to join us for a Harvest Celebration. The afternoon was spent decorating pumpkins, sharing stories and enjoying cider and donuts. Children at Discovery Cove are having a great time while learning and connecting with their friends and new people!

Funds from the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism supported this event.

*** *We're off and running!*** The "official" Grand Opening of Discovery Cove was held on September 22nd with a Chamber of Commerce *Ribbon Cutting Ceremony!* Thank you to all who attended for showing your support.

Support for Discovery Cove has been provided by the Robert S. Morrison Foundation.



****Please call Lisa Schira at [440-218-0108](tel:440-218-0108) for more information****



Celebrate News

A 21st Century Community Learning Center

Celebrate Lights On Afterschool



On Friday, October 21 students from Celebrate held the first Celebrate Dance with over 60 students in attendance. Tank Jackson taught students the steps to Michael Jackson's *Thriller*. Students were treated to "walking tacos" and do-it-yourself ice cream sundaes in the cafeteria. Students discussed plans for other Celebrate "specials" in the coming months.

One Sweet Catapult

The 4th Grade Youth Activity Coaches assisted students in making Marshmallow Shooters, a catapult device, to demonstrate potential and kinetic energy. After building their Marshmallow Shooter out of a coat hanger, rubber bands, and a plastic spoon, students had the opportunity to try their skill by taking aim at a target.

Woodworking

Students made a challenging marble game in Woodworking with Mr. Stevenson. Using pre-cut pieces of wood to construct the game board, students placed nails in strategic positions to form a "maze" through which to guide their marbles.

Fun with Food

To celebrate the autumn season, Mrs. Gancos' Fun with Food students made Mini Caramel Apples and Pumpkin Rice Krispie Treats complete with a surprise inside and a math and reading lesson. Students in Grade 5 also enjoyed making waffles and put their math skills to use measuring the difference in perimeter and area in round versus square waffles.

Music to Your Ears

Monday Nov. 14th Celebrate students will walk to St. Peter's Episcopal Church for a workshop with Cynthia Wohlschlager, a soprano who teaches voice at The Cleveland Institute of Music. Dinner (Sloppy Joes) will be served before the workshop, and the children walk back to LI following the event.

Funds from the St. Peters Fine Arts Concert Committee will support this event.

Coffee House

Each week, students listen as Mrs. Hazen reads chapters from the book *The Tales of Despereaux* by Kate DeCamillo. The students then discuss the chapters that were read.

Second Step

Celebrate 'Second Step' students meet weekly with Mrs. Hartwell to learn steps to respect and qualities of character. Sixth graders met Mr. Paul Stofan, from A-Tech, and listened to his anti-bullying message. The Second Step topic for 4th and 5th graders is Impulse Control. Positive changes have come about following classroom discussion and role playing exercises.

Fun Activity! Recipe for Success – Eggs-periment

Ingredients: peeled hard-boiled egg, glass bottle with an opening just smaller than the egg, bowl of cold water, hot tap water, dish gloves

Set the egg on the rim of the bottle and try to push it in. Now place the egg in a bowl of cold water. Meanwhile place the bottle under the hot tap water for a minute or so, letting it fill. Then, wearing the dish gloves to protect your hands, empty the hot water down the drain. Quickly place the egg, tapered end down, on the mouth of the bottle and watch carefully. The egg slowly gets sucked into the bottle with a satisfying *thunk*.





Club 212 News

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Matt Cramer Visits

Club 212



Matt Cramer visited students in Club 212 on October 17th. Mr. Cramer talked with students about the living conditions in Liberia and showed pictures of his work with Orphan Rescue and Relief.

Student Services

Officers

The results are in! Congratulations to those who ran in the October 27th election. Student Services Officers for the school year are as follows:

Quindon Harris — President Clark Heath — VP
Chantelle Lucas — Treasurer Keishla Cruz — Secretary

Important Dates!

- November 4th — Game Night from 2:30 to 5:00p.m.
- November 21st & 22nd — NO Club 212
- December 8th — Club 212 Last Day of Fall Session
- December 8th — Fall Session Showcase from 5:00 to 6:00p.m.

Students Volunteer

Club 212 students volunteered with the Downtown Merchants Association to hand out Halloween candy during Trick-or-Treat on Saturday, October 29th. Students who donated their time include: Richard Bertrand, Khaila Miller, Quindon Harris, John Watt, Keishla Cruz, Jeisha Cruz, Alexis Hotz, Cassie Meyers,

Make a Difference Day

On October 21st, Club 212 celebrated Make a Difference Day. Students worked with Faith In Action's Ramp It Up Project to install the four sections of wheelchair ramp that the IDC (Instruction-Destruction-Construction) Club had built. Those in attendance also planted mums, pulled weeds, and mulched all of the beds in the front yard of a very deserving family.



Funds from the Ohio Commission on Service and Volunteerism supported this event.

Ramp It Up

We the students at Club 212 were involved in a helpful group constructing and installing a ramp to a nice citizen's house. Our group installed the ramp and the other group laid down mulch around the trees and bushes and in the gardens. As a snack we had pizza and juice. When we were done, I was covered in mud and I had mulch in my hair. My sister stepped on my white shoes and turned them black. It was awesome because we helped a citizen in need. Before we built it she couldn't get out of her house for days and because of us now she can leave her house whenever she wants.

By: Jeisha Cruz

Found in Feel the Heat

Bump, Set, Spike, Serve
 The most important things in volleyball
 You're on the court, sweating and working hard
 If you don't work as a team
 We don't have a team
 We are a family and that means
 Work together
 Whether we win or lose
 We are a team...no wait, a family

By: Taylor Lopez

and Shannan Hiltabidel.

Feel the Heat

The *Feel the Heat* club published the first edition of the LJHS newspaper on October 24th. *Feel the Heat* may be purchased in the junior high school cafeteria during lunch at a cost of 25cents.

Fifty students in soccer and volleyball participated in Club 212 during the fall session.