

# dividends of Learning in Northridge Schools



## Northridge Hall of Fame Class of 2019

This month we continue the *2019 Northridge Hall of Fame* articles by featuring **Dr. Milan Pantelic**, Class of 1978.

Dr. Milan Pantelic was born in Yugoslavia in 1960, migrated with family to the United States and the Northridge community, and became a naturalized citizen in November, 1973. At Northridge High School, Milan had outstanding success in the classroom. Graduating as Valedictorian in the 1978 class, he remembers fondly faculty and staff who reached out to him, challenged him, and assisted and supported him along the way. Fond memories include: • The clackity teletype and spools of punch tape in **Mr. Hardisty's** math class; • **Dave Greismeyer's** simulations in social studies; • Deep discussions with **Alice Berry** and **Jim Damewood**; • Piling into **Sam Zaidain's** van on the way to tennis matches; and • Bridge games with **Mrs. Holland** during study hall.



Milan matriculated to the University of Pennsylvania in the fall of 1978, where he eventually earned Bachelor Degrees in science and arts with special emphasis on computer science, engineering, and biological behavior. Obviously more degree work followed—University of Pennsylvania (1984), masters in engineering; University of Toledo College of Medicine (1984-88), doctoral degree; Henry Ford Hospital (1988-92), residency in Diagnostic Radiology. Continued studies followed with a visiting fellowship at University of California (1994) and an ABR Certification in Diagnostic Radiology with Certificate of Advanced Qualification in Nuclear Medicine (1992-1993).

Such honors and training have enabled Milan to hold numerous positions during his career. He has served as a consultant in statistics and psychiatry, hardware and software designer, house officer in diagnostic radiology, senior staff radiologist. Currently he is Director of Body Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Cardiothoracic CT and MRI; also, he serves as Radiology Co-Director in Advanced Cardiac Imaging Fellowship. Such duties and obligations keep him and his associates busy at the Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital.

In Milan's own words, *"My life has been spent teaching. I've had the pleasure of helping train young physicians, as well as allied health professionals from 1993 until today."* This doctor has been an active member in numerous professional societies on both the local and national levels, and he has authored and co-authored many publication, abstracts, and presentations.

Milan's wife **Marcy** is a Clinical Psychologist; together they have three children: **Molly**—a recent graduate of the University of Michigan; **Mathew**—currently entering his third year at the U of Michigan; and **Samantha**—starting her freshman year at Walled Lake Central High School and busy with her softball travel team.



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# NEWS

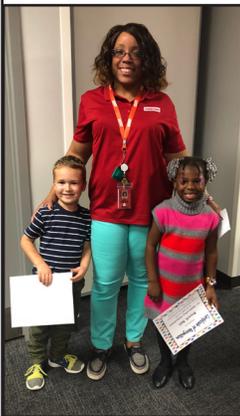
## Northridge Community

### Student & Staff Recognition

Each month the Northridge Board of Education honors outstanding students throughout the district based on the 40 Developmental Assets as developed by the Search Institute.

On November 5th the School Board honored the following students: From TLC: **Brandi Bell, Jack Deupree, William Jenkins,** and **Ayden Richardson.** From EDMS/GK: **Emily Ball, Kayla Cobb, Athena Comer, Kadin Debraux, Dalayla Lazarus, Logan Mohn,** and **Dakota Vaughn.**

The Board also recognized employees **Kris Konicki,** TLC Instructional Assistant, and **Carrie Williams,** EDMS/GK teacher.



### Cooking Class at Champions TLC



Champions Preschool invited **Judi Hunter,** Food Service Supervisor, to help with a cooking class for the wee polar bears. On September 18th, accommodations were made so the cooking class could take place in the TLC cafeteria and kitchen. Thank you to **Tony Branscomb, Lisa Bolser,** and **Donna Bronner** for sharing and preparing the work space for this special event.

A book about making pizza was read first. Then, students volunteered to help Mrs. Hunter demonstrate the proper technique for draining canned pineapple and using a plastic knife to cut mushrooms and peppers. Next, students made their own mini pizzas, spreading the dough and sauce and topping it just how they wanted. Students are encouraged to practice these skills at home when helping an adult prepare their family meals. Pizzas were baked in Mrs. Bolser's oven and enjoyed by the young chefs.

### Weather Delays/Closings

Inclement weather during the winter months can result in school cancellations because of unsafe travel conditions. The primary consideration in the decision to delay, dismiss, or cancel school are:

- safety of students and staff
- street conditions
- current weather and forecasts
- status of bus fleet
- condition of buildings and grounds
- consultation with police, township road department, and other schools.

The delay/closing options for the Northridge Schools are:

- **one-hour delay** - ALL schedules are adjusted one hour.
- **two-hour delay** - ALL schedules are adjusted two hours EXCEPT: **A.M. preschool is cancelled, and kindergarten is on a two-hour delay.**
- **closed** - ALL buildings are closed.

The decision to close and/or delay school is usually broadcast by area TV, radio stations, and the district one-call system by 6:30 a.m. **In order to be sure you receive the district one-call, please contact your child's school to make sure they have your correct phone number on file.**

### Choir & Band Concerts

The annual Northridge High School Holiday concert will be at 6:30 on December 18th in the high school auditorium. The 7th & 8th grade general music classes will begin the concert and will be followed by the 7-12 Choir and the 7-12 Concert Band. Admission is free. Please help us celebrate the season by joining us for a wonderful evening filled with holiday music.

## Undefeated Season and SWBL Champions!



The current 8th grade football team has made Northridge proud over the last two years. From their victorious seasons on the football field to their academic success in the classroom, they have earned a reputable spot in Polar Bear history. During their 2017-2018 football season, the young Polar Bears won the SWBL Championship title, which has not been accomplished since the 90's. They followed this with another SWBL title for 2018-2019, plus an undefeated season (the first time since 1997!). They worked tirelessly on and off the field, putting in the hours in the weight room, reaping the benefits. The Bears would like to thank the parents, fans, teachers and the community for their continued support.

Players: **Ta'ron Hill #3, Jayden Kelly #5, Dakota Evans #6, David Brombaugh #7, Marcus Tyree #10, Jaylen Holloway #11, Anthony Ayler #12, Jeremy Henry #15, Kaleb Florence #18, Tyler Weaver #19, Pete Chafin #21, Joey Konst #24, Justin Buelow #30, Ron Johnson #50, Branden Rice-Hartzell #57, Chris Jackson #65, Lucas Hawkins #73, Jacob Robbins #74, Ben Koopman #75, and Cedric Ayler #76.**

Coaching Staff: **Eric Brockert, Jason Watercutter, Jeremy Henry, Nick Long, and Zach Rutan.**

## Veterans Honored at Memorial Monument

On the morning of November 12th, the Timberlane Learning Center students gathered at the Alumni Veterans Memorial to honor our service men and women. Principal **Todd Petty** explained the meaning of Veterans Day, then lead students in the Pledge of Allegiance. Two students, with the help of a veteran, placed a wreath at the memorial. All the students presented their



hand made flags to each of the alumni veterans in attendance. The Northridge Alumni Veterans Memorial was dedicated in November 2013.

# EVENTS Calendar

- 10 EDMS/GK PTO Meeting  
- 5:30 p.m.
- 12 TLC/JHM PTO Meeting  
- 3:45 p.m. at TLC
- 17 Board of Education Meeting  
- 7:00 p.m.



## December Sports

### Varsity Boys Basketball

(Game time is 7:15 unless noted)

4 Monroe*	21 Dixie*
7 Preble Shawnee	28 Ponitz
14 Waynesville*	- 7:30 p.m.
15 Bellbrook*	29 Belmont*
18 Urbana	- 7:30 p.m.
- 7:30 p.m.	

### Varsity Girls Basketball

(Game time is 7:15 unless noted)

	1 Preble Shawnee*
	- 1:15 p.m.
	3 Oakwood
	6 Thurgood Marshall
	- 7:00 p.m.
	8 Waynesville - 1:15 p.m.
	11 National Trail*
	13 Madison
	15 Dixie* - 1:15 p.m.
	17 Bradford* - 6:00 p.m.
20 Carlisle*	
22 Milton Union - 1:15 p.m.	

\* Home

### Varsity Wrestling

- 1 Sidney-9:00 a.m.
- 3 Northridge Tri-Meet\*-6:00 p.m.
- 6 Thurgood Marshall-7:00 p.m.

Find more athletic schedules at [www.gopolarbears.com](http://www.gopolarbears.com).

## Little Libraries



Who says nothing in life is free? Actually the best things in life are free. And books are free at the *Little Library*!

**Christie Healy**'s kindergarten class, along with TLC librarian, **Charlotte Butler**, joined school board members, **Tina Fiore** and **Margie Glock**, Pastor **Rachel Smith** (FHMCC), and a handful of other staff and students for the dedication of the *Little Libraries* book box. A special thanks to **Jim McDowell**'s high school students who built the *Little Library* box.

TLC is very appreciative of the efforts of all involved and thankful for donors who are putting books in the little library. We hope that many will continue to read a book and share a book using this wonderful resource. You can learn more at [littlefreelibrary.org](http://littlefreelibrary.org).



## Opportunities at NHS

The NHS junior and senior classes have been very busy this fall. In September, **Barbara Mendoza** organized a presentation from the University of Dayton and Wright State University, where students learned about the schools' admissions processes. The Ohio State University and Sinclair Community College visited in late November.

In October, **Ty Long**, **Eric Brockert** and **Barbara Mendoza** accompanied students to the Construction Career Expo, where they discovered opportunities in the construction trades. **Timothy Broughton** invited **Judge Erik Blaine** to explain various aspects of the legal system to juniors and seniors.

Also in October, teachers **David Belna** and **Barbara Mendoza** joined seniors for a night of cosmic bowling, and **Gilbert Ghand** of the Public Health Department spoke about various health issues with students in the Senior Seminar class.

The 12 first-time College Credit Plus students visited Sinclair Community College in October. This is the fourth year offering college credit to students here on the NHS campus. They receive all the privileges of college students and have access to all the facilities that Sinclair has to offer. Pictured are **Chad Florence**, **Kaylee Wagers**, **Samantha Petroski**, **Elena Rodriguez**, **Abigayle Sweet**, **Elizabeth Shinlever**, **Hanna-Lei Mills**, **Jaelyn Freed**, **Olivia Slomski**, **Travis Royalty**, **Fifine Marshall** and **Crista Condray**.



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