## GEORGETOWN -RIDGE FARM HIGH SCHOOL

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I have been meeting with departments discussing various items. Also our school RTI problem solving team has been meeting weekly and is working on strategies to improve reading. This also coincides with our school improvement team which also meets weekly working our developing our plan.

We presented our first Leader of the Herd awards for the month of September. They were Freshman, Regan Smith; Sophomore, Jennifer Thompson; Junior, Erika Briggs; and Senior, Cal Hackler. Their picture was in the October newsletter and the last Independent News issue.

Reminder of the Project Successes activity, Lights on After School Fall Party on October 21<sup>st</sup> from 12 to 8 pm at the high school. This is in conjunction with our Parent/Teacher Conferences. They will have various activities throughout the event for the parents and students, door prizes for parents who meet with teachers, and make your own tacos from 4 to 8 p.m. for parents, students, and staff. Mrs. Kotcher and her home economics classes will also be providing snacks and drinks for all that attend. They will also provide prizes for the teachers who has the most conferences by percentage of students

We had a fire drill with the fire department on 10/7 and will have another fire drill on 10/21.

The GRHS choir will hold its first concert on Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> in the high school gym at 7:00 p.m. The next performance will be Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Homecoming week went very well. The staff and students are to be commended for their participation in all events. They really showed excellent school spirit and the administration thanks them.

Staff attended the Fall Institute day at Westville and Georgetown on 10/8/10 National Honor Society will have a blood drive in our gym on Monday November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Fall sports are winding down. There are two varsity football games left with Friday the 22nd being senior night for football, soccer, cross country, golf, and marching band. Volleyball senior night is October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Cook and Ms. Heil are talking to all seniors and will inform them of their status for graduating.

Mrs. Vitanemi will be opening the computer lab on Mondays from 4 to 7 p.m. for anyone in the community to come and be able to use computers.

Mrs. Vitanemi is ready to send out the password and parent id so parents can access Information Now and see their student's progress.

Mr. Andersons construction trades class has been working at the city park raising the dugout roofs and filling them in so they are at ground level.

The English department has given the first STI test and will be discussing the results.

You can now access our newsletter on our school website. We will not mail them home unless there is a request to do so.

We have two University of Illinois students observing/team teaching for 5 weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays. They are Andrew Stern and Melorie Masacupan