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Tewksbury Education Foundation

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News You Can Use

The Tewksbury Education Foundation Turns 25!



The Tewksbury Education Foundation is turning 25 and we would like to invite you to share in our annual township Barn Dance event this year on May 2nd. Hamilton Farm Golf Club will provide a stunning backdrop as we celebrate this momentous milestone and highlight "25 Faces" of the Tewksbury Education Foundation.

In the months to come, and again at the event, we will pay homage to 25 "Faces" - teachers, administrators, former students, community members, sponsors and program providers who have contributed to the long-term success of the TEF. Of course, we could not celebrate this momentous occasion had it not been for the foresight and philanthropic spirit of one of our founding members, and 1st Honoree, Jean Frankel.

Community Corner



Holocaust Survivor Speaks
March 30th, 2020
1:15 - 2:45 pm
OTS

25th Annual Barn Dance
May 2, 2020
Hamilton Farms
Country Club

TEF presents the "King of the Hill" 5K (formerly known as Tiger Trot) and 1 Mile Kids Dash
June 6th, 2020 8:30 am
New Location!
Hoffman's Crossing Road
Califon, NJ



For those of you who do not know Jean, she and her husband Gregg, took the path that many have traveled before choosing to call Tewksbury “home.” Initially venturing to Hunterdon County as weekenders seeking a reprieve from the city they eventually saw that it was, in fact, much more than they imagined. Like many of those reading this newsletter, they agreed it would be an idyllic place to raise their family and as a mother of two young children twenty-five years ago, Jean saw the need for an education foundation to help bridge the gap between the needs of our schools and the limited state funding available for our district. As with all great ideas, the seed was planted, and the TEF was born.

The goal was, and still is, quite simple: **to generate and distribute funds to establish, enhance and expand educational opportunities for students in Tewksbury Township school district.** Since 1996, the TEF has contributed over \$1.6 million to Tewksbury schools in support of programs that have provided, and will continue to provide a meaningful, long-term impact on the entire school community. Our dedicated administrators, tireless volunteers and generous donors have attributed to the TEF's incredible success.

As with many great ideas, often there is a by-product that exceeds expectations. An unintended consequence of the TEF's fundraising efforts began 25 years ago...on the corner of Lamington Road and County Road 517, at the Dewey Farm. It was there that the first Barn Dance was held. Since 1996 the Barn Dance has become synonymous with the TEF.

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TES Happenings

TEF Sponsored Programs:

Wellness Residency
RECOVER
January 23rd
4th Grade

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OTS Happenings

TEF Sponsored Programs:

Smart Car Developers
Code the Future
January 2nd - 9th
6th Grade

**News from
Our Neighbors**

Make no mistake; this event is not for “parents” only! This will be an amazing evening open to our entire community as we celebrate the TEF’s success and those who have helped the TEF thrive. We will proudly flaunt our Hunterdon hospitality by welcoming alumni, grandparents, friends and neighbors to join us once again.

Guests are invited to raise a glass while we raise “FUN”ds to support curriculum-enriching programs and mini grants in Tewksbury public schools. Opportunities to support our fundraising efforts will include a live auction, tricky tray and wine pull. The Tewksbury Education Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. Your donation of \$175.00 per ticket can be purchased in advance through our website at www.tewksburytef.org.

We look forward to seeing you on May 2nd at Hamilton Farms!

Program Spotlight

History of the Earth with John Miller

March 17, 18 and 20th - 4th Grade



Each class will participate in a three-day adventure across New Jersey’s geologic time. Each class will make a large wall model of NJ from millions of years ago. The models will show where the continents and NJ were, how they fit together and how they slowly drifted apart. Each NJ wall model will be displayed in the hall so that everyone can see the changing of NJ. John Miller will show students the many different fossils that he’s found in NJ. Students will learn how and where these creatures lived providing further evidence that NJ has changed over time. Students will research and add animals from their time period to their model NJ. Finally, student will learn about NJ Mountains that were taller than the Rockies, Glaciers that were miles long, Lava flows that covered the land & the Atlantic Ocean

Register to become a
PTA member

tewksburynjpta.com

Women's Club of Tewksbury Township

presents Taste of Tewksbury
March 27th
6:30 pm

Beaver Brook Country Club

For more info:

www.tewksburywomansclub.com/events/

Before you go, in case you
missed the news,
CONGRATULATIONS to the
Governor's Educator of the
Year Award Recipients!

TEWKSBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Regina DeStefano -
Governor's Teacher of the
Year

Sheila Donovan - Governor's
Educational Services
Professional of the Year

that covered all of South Jersey.

Tewksburian Spotlight

Megan McCoy, School Psychologist



Thank you for the opportunity to introduce myself as well as to provide some insight into my role as the new School Psychologist for the Tewksbury Township School District.

My name is Megan McCoy and I have lived in Hunterdon County for over twenty years with my husband, son, daughter, and extended family. During my free time, I enjoy cooking, baking, gardening, reading, and traveling. I received my Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Rutgers University and Master's Degree in Educational Psychology/Professional Diploma in School Psychology from Kean University.

I completed a 1200 hour school psychology externship where I gained experience working with preschool through high school students thereby earning my New Jersey state certification as a School Psychologist. I proceeded to work for over six years total in two Hunterdon County preschool through eighth grade school districts before choosing to become a stay at home parent to my son and daughter. During my time at home, I enjoyed being an active member of my Moms' Club, Home School Association, Girl Scouts, and church. Upon returning to school employment, I performed as a supplemental School Psychologist at a nearby, similar school district during the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years before beginning here this past July.

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Scott Steinman -
Governor's Teacher of the
Year

Carolyn Scheper - Governor's
Educational Services
Professional of the Year

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latest news.

As my adjustment to all the newness grows daily, so does my excitement to be working with the Tewksbury children, parents, and fellow employees. Thank you for the opportunity to get more acquainted with me.



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