

The Blue and Gold Digest

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- The newly renovated Perin Learning Commons at Madeira High School opened for student use yesterday! This is an exciting time for our school community and our district has a first-rate, 21st Century facility that our students are going to enjoy for many years. For more about the former Perin Media Center see <http://www.madeiracityschools.org/districtNewsArticle.aspx?artID=11110> and for photos of the transformation see <http://www.madeiracityschools.org/photos.aspx>. More news about this exciting project will be coming soon!
- Our friends at TGIF are once again helping the Madeira Music Boosters in their mission to support the excellent music programs in the Madeira City Schools. Use this coupon http://madeiramusic.com/?attachment_id=1065 at the Montgomery Road Friday's today or tomorrow (December 11 or 12) and the Boosters will receive up to 20% on your check total. Please help to make this a great fund raiser!
- Would you like to win an iPhone 6? Make plans to attend the boy's basketball game this Friday at MHS as the Mustangs battle Wyoming at 7:30 pm. Wear this year's Banana Bunch shirt for 5 chances to win, layer your past shirts for additional chances to win an iPhone 6 at half time that has been generously donated by Mercedes Benz. The Banana Bunch is the boys basketball spirit group that was created 14 years ago to cheer on the Mustangs and this year is celebrating Jim Reynolds 25th year as a Madeira basketball coach.
- The MHS Key Club is holding a "pictures with Santa" event at the municipal building this Saturday from 10-2. Kids and their family and friends can have their picture taken with Santa for \$5.00!
- Madeira City Schools places a high value on literacy. Read about MMS art teacher Liz Rossi's favorite books at <http://www.madeiracityschools.org/districtNewsArticle.aspx?artID=11059>
- The Empty Bowls Dinner, a seventh grade service learning project, raised \$1,430.46 at last Friday's event. The money will go toward world hunger by putting food in 'empty bowls.' For photos please see <http://www.madeiracityschools.org/districtNewsArticle.aspx?artID=11101>
- Congratulations to the winners of the 2014 district greeting card contest: Charlotte Geary, Nina Gravlee and Rosie Geers. They will be honored at the December 15 school board meeting where they will receive copies of the card they designed. Thank you to all the students who entered!
- Neal Hoffman is a Madeira resident and elementary school parent. He's also the developer of 'Mensch on a Bench,' the plush doll that's a Jewish answer to the wildly popular 'Elf on the Shelf'. The product will be featured on Shark Tank Friday night. For more please see http://m.local12.com/news/Hanukkah-inspired_toy_comes_from_Madeira?mobileredirect=true
- Support our Music Boosters by ordering Mustang and Amazon spirit wear at <http://www.rokkitwear.com/school/4845-madeira-city-schools>. Orders must be received by December 17 to be received in time for the holidays
- MHS Business and Technology teacher Jennifer Jordan's Personal Finance students were awarded a \$7,500 grant from H&R Block for placing in the top five in the H&R Block Budget Challenge, a national personal finance competition. More than 32,000 high school students throughout the U.S. participated in the challenge which is a financial literacy program that simulates life as adult in which students invest, manage bills, save for the future and pay taxes. Several students were also awarded \$20,000 scholarships.
- Madeira City Schools will be closed for winter break December 22 through January 2. From all of us to all of you, best wishes for a happy and safe winter break!