

# The Maire Messenger - January 2018

## Rock Wall

by: Audrey M.

The fifth grade went to Camp Howell this year at the beginning of November. At Camp Howell there's a 60 foot climbing tower! The climbing tower is the second tallest climbing tower in Michigan. The climbing tower has two windows where you can take a rest or just take a minute to enjoy the beautiful view! The rocks come in all shapes and sizes. They can be big and easy to hold onto or small and very slippery. The wall is very safe, you are in a safety harness and if you slip... you hang! If you climb to the top, you're 60 feet in the air, that is high! The climbing tower at the Howell Nature Center is awesome! Everyone is waiting to visit the Howell Nature center in 5th grade, the climbing tower will be one of your favorite activities!

## Camp Howell

### Camp Food, an Editorial

By Kiernan

In my opinion the food they served at Camp Howell was the best. The food is so good you will never want to leave. One of my favorite meals we had at camp was the fried chicken, it was so good. The workers called it Super Chicken. It is also awesome how it was so cold outside and then you come and have a nice warm dinner to warm you up. One of my favorite breakfasts at Howell was the pancakes. It was everybody's most loved breakfast. Lunch fills you up so you will have energy to have fun at all of your remaining activities for the day. In conclusion the food at camp is great and you will get what I mean when you go there.



The 5th grade at Camp Howell

## Skit Night

By: Ruby B

One of the fun things you do at Camp Howell is skit night. Skit night is one of the great activities where you can really express your feelings. Skit night is where you and a couple people from your activities group are assigned a skit. The group practices the skit for about a half hour before the night of the show. Then - during your night activity - you will watch many hilarious skits from your classmates and try to figure out riddles in between skits. Skit night is an amazing night, and you won't want to miss it when you go!

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Have a great New Year! 😊

## Coney Night

By Julia R. and Kyle S.  
As you may know Coney Night happened as we started the school year in September. National Coney Island comes to Patterson Park in Grosse Pointe Park. National Coney Island sells their famous hot dogs. The PTO funds it (pays for it) and it raises money for the PTO - which pays for many cool things for the school. The last couple of years at Coney Night there have been other highlights like lemonade stands and recyclables to pay for nice things at our school like drinking fountains and class tools. Also, Coney Night has ice cream every year. The school sets it up for the parents to get to know each other - especially those new to the school. Kids play during Coney Night on the huge

## Amelia Getting around

by: Ruby B.

As you know Amelia MacGillis had crutches in October. She was very strong and was able to power through when she had them. Now Amelia thankfully doesn't have crutches and she is getting around school just fine.

## New Gym Teacher

By Julia R.

Our new gym teacher is Ms. Kefgen. She is the teacher at Trombly and Maire. She started her new job here on the first day of school back in September. The old gym teacher was Mr. Williams. He was so nice like Mrs. Kefgen. She is very nice as a teacher. Ms. Kefgen has lots of class vs. class games. They are very fun!

## New Teacher

By Jack M. and Audrey M and Kiernan T.

We interviewed Mrs. Arbury, our new Maire Elementary 3rd grade teacher. We asked her a few questions. The first question we asked her was, "How do you like teaching 3rd grade?" She replied, "I love the books and the new Math Program (Everyday Mathematics)." Our second question was, "Why did you want to teach at Maire Elementary?" Mrs. Arbury's reply was, "I have family from Grosse Pointe, I was lucky enough to be

## Gleaners

By: Julia W.

Donating food to Gleaners is a good way to kick off the Thanksgiving spirit every year. We needed you all to donate food. Every year our goal was to donate 1,000 pounds of food from our school. It is very important to donate food to the needy year round. It really means a lot to the people in need that get the food. This year we got to our goal and we beat it by 25 pounds. Great job Maire Bears!

## Kindergarten

## Interview

By Audrey M

I interviewed James Koto, A new kindergartener at Maire. I asked him a few questions. Lets see what James said!  
Question 1: What do you like about Maire so far? "I like my 5th grade buddies." Question 2: Do you like kindergarten? "Yes." question 3: What do you like best? "Library" Thank you James for doing this interview and for coming to Maire!

## Blue Ribbon School

By: Julia W.

As you may know our school is a blue ribbon school. A blue ribbon school means that we got recognized by the National School Board. Mrs. Franchett went to Washington D.C and accepted the blue ribbon

wooden playground at Patterson. Coney night is awesome for everyone!

## Shanghai

By Griffin Z.(Living in the city of Shanghai ) I would think that Shanghai is a beautiful city full of towers, museums, sightseeing places, & More! From my perspective I see a lot of people who mean business. I love it here (not as much as Grosse Pointe!) & I live in a place called Willow-Brooke. I'm thinking of making a newspaper here as well! Most Americans are here for the car company (that's why I'm here!) ,because Ford & Buick are popular here... even to the Chinese! This is one sightseeing place. It is called The Tower of Shanghai Bund!



The Tower of Shanghai Bund

put at Maire.” Our next question was, “What is your biggest teaching goal this year?” Mrs. Arburys’ answer was, “My biggest teaching goal is to use technology and computers in different ways.” Our last question was, ‘What is your favorite subject?’

Mrs.Arbury’s answer was, “Math challenges me, I love to read out loud and as a kid I loved gym!” We loved interviewing her and everyone hopes she has many good years to come!

## Revenge of the Turkeys

By Kyle S. and Jack M.

One sunny night there were three turkeys, they were very mad turkeys and they hated humans. They were always eating their family members so they vowed to eat some humans on that Thanksgiving night. They were so happy they had a temper tantrum and a party. Then Thanksgiving day came and they made a plan. That night all the turkeys went into every home in Gotham City and ate all the humans. Then someone turned on the bat signal. Batman rushed into Gotham and ate all the turkeys. Then he became really big. He felt woozy.

award. Mason and Maire were both recognized. Did you see the blue hand tree in the hallway? Well did you know that all of us made the blue ribbon happen, not just the students,or teachers, and the PTO? It’s all of us. We all worked hard for it. Pat yourself on the back and say good job. And next time you see a teacher say thanks. We all worked hard to earn a blue ribbon and we are all proud of each other and ourselves.



Batman eating all the Turkeys



The tower of shanghai is the second tallest tower in the world! (google it if you don't believe me!) I would say it's about a mile high. Shanghai is a well developed city. The houses are mostly nice and all. The school I go to is called Concordia! They allow you to do many different subjects. For mine I chose band & all my friends here are in it! (I didn't know that until the first class!) Mandarin, the language, is fun to learn & on the last class I had, we get to have Mooncakes! A Mooncake is a treat in China! All I really know is the numbers! Most houses here are nice like mine. I don't like mine due to so many stairs. I have asthma so it is really hard for me! Otherwise I like it. It'll really feel like home when my dog gets here! I wish I was in Michigan with all of you! Though I will be there in 2020 and I enjoyed my visit in December - see you this summer!

