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Tyrone Railroad Park improved by Eagle Scout

By JULIE WHITE Staff Writer

A new Eagle Scout will be spreading his wings in Tyrone this Sunday during the dedication of the newly-restored Tyrone Railroad Park at 1 p.m. Tyrone Area High School sophomore Mikie Cherry spent the majority of his summer vacation working on the project, fully restoring and landscaping the flagpole area at the park as well as improving the gazebo.

Cherry raised the necessary funds and began with the gazebo, powerwashing a section each day before beginning to stain. Then he removed rust from the flagpole before priming and repaint-



ing. Then he began on the keystone-shaped patio. "I selected the shape of a keystone as it is a symbol of the PRR and I selected red brick pavers to coordinate the site with the existing hardscape of the downtown," Cherry said.

After all of the landscaping work, "my final step was to install a new light to light the existing flags," Cherry said. While he was pleased with his work, Cherry said that the relatively small flags were not noticeable at the top of the 50 foot pole. He then contacted the Borough to ask permission to purchase new flags. "I received permission to purchase two new flags, an 8-by-12-foot American flag and a 6-by-10-foot POW flag. These larger flags are proportional to the pole and should draw your eye to the site."

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Thanks to Scout Mikie Cherry, the Tyrone Railroad Park now boasts a beautifully landscaped patio area in the shape of a keystone, and flags on a refurbished pole. Cherry also planted trees and flowers which will bring vibrant color to the area in spring. (Submitted Photo)

YAN Club Golden Eagle Halloween provides a spell-binding good time

By PENNY SMITH News Correspondent

The place to be Tuesday night was Tyrone Area High School for the First Annual "Golden Eagle Halloween" sponsored by the YAN student association in an effort to "provide a service for the community and to teach students the importance of donating time and money to others," said YAN co-advisor, Cummins McNitt.

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For its inaugural year, the event was a great success, raising a total of \$786.55 which will be distributed equally between the Tyrone Area Food Bank and the Panzi Hospital in the Congo.

Festivities began promptly at 5 p.m. as families, dressed in costumes, entered the high school and received goody bags filled with many useful items such as a water bottle, notebook and coupons.

The price to participate was \$2 per person or \$5 per family, a bargain for all the fun, treats and activities. Another plus? "It was a safe and climate-controlled environment," adds Jeri Peterson, parent volunteer in the girls' volleyball room, which served Witch's Brew-more common-

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Mr. Funicelli and his science department helped kids make slime during the Youth Action Network's Golden Eagle Halloween event on Tuesday. (Submitted Photo)

VA marching band takes Tyrone to 'other side' in zombie show

By ADEENA HARBST Editor

Tyrone doesn't only exist in Pennsylvania, but also in Virginia for the 2014 marching band season as it is featured in the Heritage High School Band's field show in Lynchburg, VA.

The show, titled "The Other Side" is "sort of a zombie-type show portraying a town and its residents being transformed into zombies. Sort of a Walking Dead-type portrayal," said Director Mike Hand, formerly of Tyrone.

"The story is a little dark, but takes place in the town of Tyrone, PA," added Michelle Fultz, band booster secretary. "There are large color prints of



The Heritage High School marching band in Lynchburg, VA features Tyrone in this year's show, "The Other Side." Director Mike Hand was born in Tyrone, a community that has inspired him. (Submitted Photo)

Veterans Day Parade planned for Tyrone By JULIE WHITE honored that the band was

Staff Writer

The Tyrone Veterans Day parade is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Tuesday, November 11. Local veteran Charlie Mills, who served our country 14 years in the Navy and 17 years in the Army, is organizing the parade and is hoping that all veterans in the community will participate in the event and that the community will come together to support and honor local veterans.

Leading the parade this year will be the Tyrone Golden Eagle Marching Band. Band Director David Hock was very asked to participate in the parade and was even more humbled that the band was asked to lead the veterans in the march, which will begin at the Legion and will follow the traditional route through town.

In a recent e-mail to band parents, Hock said, "This parade is a very important event for our band to show support to our community and especially to our veterans. We have been placed at the front of the parade, directly in front of the veterans who we are honoring in the

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different areas of town that are displayed throughout the show. During the show as our kids go to 'The Other Side' in their zombie costumes, the images are flipped

over to a gray side."

Hand was born in Tyrone in 1967 and his parents, Mike and Rita Hand were born and raised here. The family moved to Virginia in 1971 after the papermill closed. Hand surprised his par-

TYRONE AREA SCHOOLS ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOLS

BREAKFAST

MONDAY Oatmeal. TUESDAY Waffle w/Syrup. DAILY BREAKFAST CHOICES: Hot Entree, Assorted Cereals, Whole Grain Muffins, Assortment of Donuts.

LUNCH

DAILY LUNCH CHOICES: Chef Salads & PB&J Sandwiches are offered daily.

MONDAY Hot Dog. TUESDAY Cheeseburger/Hamburger.

MONDAY, NOV. 3 BBQ Chicken Sandwich, Broccoli w/Cheese, Chilled Pears, Low Fat Milk.

TUESDAY, NOV. 4 Mashed Potato Bowl, Mixed Veggies, Dinner Roll, Tropical Fruit Salad, Low Fat Milk.

HIGH SCHOOL

BREAKFAST

MONDAY Oatmeal. TUESDAY Waffle w/Syrup. DAILY BREAKFAST CHOICES: Hot Entree, Assorted Cereals, Whole Grain Muffins, Assortment of Donuts.

LUNCH DAILY LUNCH CHOICES: Chicken Sandwiches, Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Pizza, Packaged Salads, Fruit & Veggie Bar, PB&J are offered daily.

MONDAY, NOV. 3

Buffalo Chicken Sandwich, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Chilled Pears, Low Fat Milk.

TUESDAY, NOV. 4

Mashed Potato Bowl, Mixed Veggies, Dinner Roll, Tropical Fruit Salad, Low Fat Milk. Each entree served w/choice of vegetable, fruit & low fat milk. Fresh fruit & fresh vegetable varieties available daily.

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL

LUNCH Monday, Nov. 3

Ham & Cheese Hoagie, Veggie Tray, Fruit, Low Fat Milk.

TUESDAY, NOV. 4 Buffalo or Grilled Chicken Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Low Fat Milk.

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ents with "The Other Side" show when the band performed the first time this season.

"When I decided upon the show concept, I thought a small town would be a heart-catching storyline and Tyrone seemed a logical fit as it has always had a special place in my heart," Hand said, who always wanted to pay tribute to his parents who "are great fans of the band and frequent visitors to Tyrone, as well as guiding forces in my life."

Hand's late paternal grandparents, John and Cecelia Hand were lifelong residents of Tyrone and all of his family has influenced his life.

The photos used as backdrops on the field are sentimental places to Hand: Gardners Candies, where his grandmother Laurie Angelo (who still resides in Tyrone with husband, William) was manager for decades; Lincoln School, where his parents attended; familiar places like a panoramic downtown view; and his personal favorites such as the Tyrone welcome sign and the front of The Daily Herald building.

"My time in Tyrone was and still is very special to me," Hand mentioned. "My students were touched as to my continued feelings for Tyrone even to this day, which has made the show even more sentimental for me as director."

The Heritage band has received the highest honor— Commonwealth of Virginia Honor Band—from the Virginia Band and Orchestra Director's Association 10 times. This year, the response to the marching show has been unbelievable, said Hand.

"You would be amazed as to how many of our viewers throughout Virginia have asked about Tyrone, our association or its location," he said. "The town has really become the centering point of the show."

The Heritage band was award-

ed three grand championships this season and "has been virtually unbeaten in every category competitively."

Hand has been directing band for 24 years after having completed a degree in music education from the University of Tennessee. He has been with Heritage band for 10 years. Today, Heritage band competes in the last competition of the season.

"The show has been a labor of love dedicated to a community that has had a lasting impact on my life," said Hand. "I like to think that Tyrone is a touch of Americana that all of us can hold onto. A touch that we all can take with us for those who believe in a strong sense of community and family values.

"Many of these lessons I hold onto...that they were the result of a strong upbringing by my parents and their influence by a wonderful community."

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BREAKFAST

MONDAY Chicken & Biscuit Sandwich; MS/HS: Egg, Sausage & Cheese Sandwich. TUESDAY Pancake & Sausage on a Stick; MS/HS: Bacon, Egg & Cheese Sandwich. DAILY BREAKFAST CHOICES: Baked Donuts or Pastries, Cereal w/Graham Crackers & Other Nutritious Options, Whole Grain Muffins, Assortment of Donuts.

LUNCH Monday, Nov. 3

Chicken Primavera, Garden Salad, Assorted Fruit.

TUESDAY, NOV. 4 Sloppy Joe on Roll, Tater Tots, Assorted Fruit.

Each entree served w/choice of vegetable, fruit & low fat milk. Fresh fruit & fresh vegetable varieties available daily. or two about farming. As a hired hand at Fostoria Farms, I know I'm tired of legislators who have never set foot on a farm telling us how to do our job.

I'm also tired of different government departments and agencies being judge, jury and executioner to enforce nonsense legislation. We need to protect our livelihood, we need to protect our future, we need to protect agriculture. Let's keep someone in office who's on our side.

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