

BR BUZZ

Dedication of Thomas Kean Memorial Auditorium December 20 at 6:30 pm



“**November 17, 2018** marked the first anniversary of the passing of Mr. Thomas Kean. Tom was both an exceptional teacher and a remarkable man. Yet, he was much more than that. Tom was universally beloved and respected. Of course, he was brilliant, but more importantly, he was also kindhearted and caring. In short, Tom Kean was a gentleman. We miss our dear friend, and acknowledge his contributions will continue through the ages in the lives of his students.”

~Dr. Michael Wright

The legacy of Tom Kean will be memorialized at the dedication of the **Thomas Kean Memorial Auditorium**. Ceremonies will be conducted on **December 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm**, at the newly remodeled Blue Ridge High School Auditorium. **Dress will be semi-formal.**

The high school winter concert performance will follow the dedication ceremonies.

Administrative changes at Blue Ridge High School

Rebecca Frazee is the new principal and Bryon Crain will serve as assistant principal. Jay Cox is the new Director of Community Outreach and School Safety.

Congratulations!

Blue Ridge Senior Nate Campbell named National Merit Semifinalist



Scholar, athlete, accomplished musician and community volunteer are words that describe Blue Ridge Senior Nate Campbell, recently named a semifinalist in the 64th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

Campbell is ranked first in his class with a 5.0. He scored a perfect 36 on the ACT and perfect 800s on his SAT subject tests for Math 1 and 2 and Physics 1.

Campbell will compete for one of 7500 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$31 million that will be offered next spring.

Boys Soccer, Volleyball and Football reach playoffs BR Junior High increases letter grade to B

This time it's an Apple FROM the teacher

Alayna Bishop receives an iPad for perfect attendance from Blue Ridge Elementary School (BRES) Student Services Director Michele Gagnon.

Alayna Bishop, 6th grade, won an Apple iPad for perfect attendance the first quarter of the school year. Bishop was trembling with excitement when her name was drawn from a bucket of 265 names in the Blue Ridge Elementary awards assembly.

The prize was donated by Blue Ridge Sports, Arts and Clubs (BRSAC) which raises money for student scholarships, program costs, facilities updates, camps, and other types of student recognition.



Reading Warriors join Rotary Volunteers to raise literacy at BRES



Back row left to right: Ellen Baker, Kim Whitley, Mary Ellen Van Canneyt, Ryan Reinhold, Principal Dave Clark, Steve Rodney, Michael Brock, Superintendent Dr. Mike Wright, Rotary Volunteer Coordinator Robert Butler, Kent Schipper. Middle row:

Claude Nicolet, Lorinda Reinhold, Student Support Services Director Michele Gagnon, Crisanta Cruz-Loera, Tony Alba, Liz Rogers. Front row: Sharon Kay, Leilani Brandon, Ronda Beus, Penny Brandon, PTSO President Aly Brandon

Sheri Ramirez is Navajo County Teacher of the Year for 2018

Sheri Ramirez proudly displays her award for being named ARSA Navajo County Teacher of the Year for 2018. Ramirez is a second grade teacher at Blue Ridge Elementary School.

“I believe in the inherent goodness of each student and in my ability to bring it out. When students see and feel the power in kindness, there is nothing they can’t accomplish. Excellence is the result when students feel safe, empowered, and engaged.”
~Sheri Ramirez.



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