

MAYVILLE AREA TEACHER CENTER

Mayville Area Teacher Center Newsletter

September 2016

Welcome Back to School!

I am looking at life a little differently these days, from a grandparent's view, as I step into a school building. I was waiting for my six year old granddaughter in her school's beautiful common's area this morning, excited to be part of Grandparent's Day at her school. The room was filled with smiling faces of children clutching games, crayons, or books and as my granddaughter scanned the room, her eyes met mine and we were both thrilled! The school was filled with laughter, smiles, and hugs and that included the teachers as well as children and grandparents! When our hour was ended, my granddaughter started to lose her smile. She was sad that it was over and after hugging her other two pairs of grandparents, she came back to me and said, "Don't go grandma, this was so much fun". We walked her back to her room, her grandfather and I, and she was hanging on pretty hard. I didn't know what to do until I went in the room. It was there that her teacher saw the tears and without missing a beat, she wisely said to her, "Come over here, I need a hug". And with that my granddaughter was off, safely in the care of a very caring teacher. That is what every parent and grandparent wants for the child they love. It is wonderful to know that there are so many of you out there with just that kind of caring. So thank you for being there for another year to give parents, (and grandparents), the piece of mind that their child is loved and cared for even when they are away from us!

Donalee's Hours:

I am in the Mayville Area Teacher Center the following hours (although this will be subject to change on occasion):

- *Monday: 8 am to 4 pm (with the exception of 9-10, as I teach a class during that hour)*
 - *Tuesday: 8 am to 12 noon*
 - *Wednesday: 8 am to 4 pm*
- *Robin Haines will be available to help you at times that I am not available.*



The Mayville Area Teacher Center is now located in the basement center of the BQ Library!

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Mayville State University Office of Diversity and Inclusion Presents a Two Day Event

Featuring Dr. Craig Hockenberry of Oyler, Ohio

Day One: The Screening of the Documentary Film OYLER

Mon, Oct 17, 2016 at 6:00 PM – Mayville State University Classroom Auditorium

Please join us at Mayville State University's Classroom Auditorium for a screening of the documentary film OYLER followed by an open forum discussion with Principal Craig Hockenberry. This documentary follows the one-year journey of Principal Craig Hockenberry on his mission to transform a school in one of the poorest neighborhoods in Cincinnati, Ohio to a "community learning center" that provided services for the entire neighborhood. After the screening, Principal Hockenberry, now Three Rivers's, Ohio Superintendent, will host an open discussion/question and answer forum.

Watch the OYLER trailer here: <http://www.oylerdocumentary.com/the-story.html>

This documentary was produced by Amy Scott who is an independent filmmaker, and education correspondent for public radio Marketplace

Day Two: Schools and Poverty: The Reality of K-12 Educators in the United States

Tue, Oct 18, 2016 9:00-11:00 AM Mayville State University Luckason Room MSU Campus

Please join us at Mayville State University's Luckason Room for a conversation with Craig D. Hockenberry, DHL (Hon.). Dr. Hockenberry is currently Three Rivers, Ohio's Superintendent whose leadership approach made a debut in the documentary film OYLER. Dr. Hockenberry will speak about his journey as an educator, and his experience working as a Principal at Lower Price Hill high school where his leadership transformed a community. This event is open to teachers, administrators and community.

Co-sponsors: Mayville State University's Byrnes-Quanbeck Library, Mayville Area Teacher Center, and the Division of Education

One CEU of Credit Available by following these guidelines:

- 1. Attend the Oyler Documentary Film on Monday Evening. (6p.m-8:30p.m.)**
- 2. Attend the morning Question and Answer session with Dr. Hockenberry on Tuesday . (9 a.m.- 11a.m.) *Support for paying a substitute for 1/2 day in your classroom is available for one teacher per school.**
- 3. Complete and submit a unit plan that will educate students on poverty and finding solutions for communities. Contact Donalee Strand with any questions at donalee.strand.2@mayvillestate.edu**

Register for credit at: <http://www.mayvillestate.edu/community/teacher-center/teacher-professional-development/>(Copy and paste link → Teacher Professional Development ▶ Register Now)

What's New at the Mayville Area Teacher Center?

Starlab

Hatton Elementary is the first to use the new STARLAB portable planetarium and Tracy Iverson's third grade class is pictured here! It appears they had fun:) Contact me to reserve this amazing educational learning tool for your school!

Hatton Eielson Third Graders Outside the STARLAB



Hatton Eielson Third Graders Inside the STARLAB



STEM Robot Mouse Coding Activity Sets: There are 10 sets of this amazing introduction to coding! Along with the Sphero's available in the center, coding activities are available for all levels! These kits were used during the STEM Engineering Camp this summer and they are already on the reserve list for Mr. Strand's Third Graders in Hillsboro as a result!





For Educators

WEBSITES

1.  **TEACH ENGINEERING**
curriculum for k-12 teachers

Teach Engineering is an excellent resource for lessons in all areas of engineering for Grades K-12. www.teachengineering.org

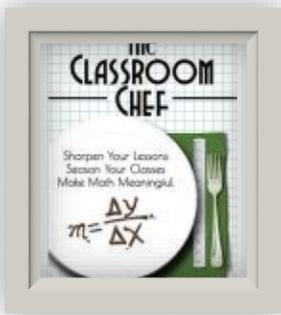
2. Diigo: Diigo is a powerful research tool as well as a knowledge sharing online community (I have over 400 saved sites in mine!) It is sort of like Pinterest without the pictures! Give it a try to save all of the wonderful resources that you find online!
www.diigo.com

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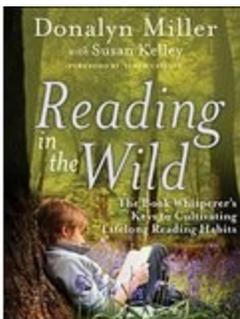
1. The Innovator's Mindset by George Couros

This book helps teacher's lead students to find their abilities to become forward learning thinkers.



2. The Classroom Chef By John Stevens and Matt Vaudrey

Two math teachers and instructional coaches share their secret recipes, ingredients, and tips for serving up lessons that engage students and help them "get" math.



3. Reading in the Wild by Donalyn Miller

Continuing her thoughts from The Book Whisper, Donalyn emphasizes the importance of instilling life-long reading habits in students.

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Highlight Your School Day

This year a new feature is being added to this newsletter! Each month an area school will be given a page of the Newsletter as the "Highlighted School of the Month". I have volunteered with all Mayville Area Teacher Center Schools to come in and do activities in the classrooms and visit with teachers to share the innovative ideas you are all doing in your schools in the newsletter!

I will also include pictures and any other information that your school wishes to share. I have contacted all of the area school principals and I am excited about the possibilities of coming into your schools!

Next Month's Highlighted School will be the Hatton Eielson Public School! The teachers have contacted me about their curriculum and I will be doing STEM activities in grades K-6! I can't wait to share what this great school has to offer! I am excited to come and visit your schools as well!

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

June was a busy month at the campus of Mayville State University! There were 21 teachers attending the "Teacher Time Workshop" and so many great ideas and lessons were shared on incorporating technology into classroom lessons. The presenters included, Sarah Burger (Northwood Public School), Alyssa Horpedahl (Hillsboro Public School), Becca Pulju (Sebeka, MN Public Schools), and myself (Mayville Area Teacher Center:))

College for Kids was also held on campus and 30 students grades K-3 were taught in new and innovative ways by the MSU Early Childhood Pre-Service teachers. STEM Engineering and Boot Camps were also held on campus and Dr. Sarah Sletten along with several engineers led the way to innovation in STEM education for teachers. These camps were attended by 30 area teachers in all.

College for Kids

Teacher Time Workshop

