

BLOCKHOUSE MONTHLY

A Monthly Publication Of the Sussex Consortium- Life Skills



After 38 Years with The Consortium, Mrs. Susan Berry is retiring. In this Edition of *Blockhouse Monthly*, she shares her favorite memories, the growth and evolution of the Sussex Consortium, and plans for the future. Plus, a recap of the Lewes Polar Bear Plunge, and my opinion on Our Souper Bowl Feast!!!



The American Veterans Thrift Store

Students work on skills such as vacuuming, sorting and hanging up clothes, dusting, straightening shelves, and folding. If extra time is allotted, students may browsing time. The American Veterans Thrift Shop accepts donations. Proceeds go towards our Vets, who do so much for this country!



Interview With: Susan Berry, Assistant Principal. Mrs. Berry is retiring on March 1, 2024 after 38 years.

FRS: Congratulations on your retirement! What are your plans? Are you looking to travel, play with your grandkids, or sit on the beach?

SB: I am looking forward to spending a month in North Carolina to help with my new Grandchild. I also plan to travel.

FRS: When you joined the Sussex Consortium in 1986, how large was the program? How has it changed?

SB: There were 72 students at the Fred Thomas Building. I was one of three speech pathologists. We had one secretary, one principal and one assistant principal. Now, we have grown to 467 students.

FRS: What inspired you to become a Speech Pathologist?

SB: My brother needed speech therapy when we were little. From there on out, it became my mission to help children learn how to talk.

FRS: Was the transition from Speech Pathologist to Assistant Principal easy for you?

SB: Being a Special Education Coordinator helped me transition to Assistant Principal. The hardest part was supervising the co-workers I worked with.

FRS: What are some of your favorite memories?

SB: We used to have a staff Bowling League that I played on. Hearing students' voices for the first time. I've had the privilege to see students graduate. I've been to staff and specialists' weddings and Baby Showers. Being able to hug Dr. Bush after her house burned down. Working with Wendy Harrington as assistant Principals.

Shout Outs & Events

2/9 Souper Bowl

2/11: Super Bowl 58: 49ers and Chiefs

Lucky Friday 3/8

Birthdays

Mr. Brent 2/3

Ms. Virginia 2/16

Ms. Gallagher 2/23

Spring Sport Sign-Up Closes March 15

March 10: Daylight Savings Starts

March 15- Professional Development Day- No School

March 16: State Tournament.

Spring Break 3/29-4/5

Souper Bowl Soup Review

I enjoyed our Souper Bowl on February 9th! Here are my thoughts!

Cheeseburger Soup:

Positives:

Consistency of the base. Reminds me of Clam Chowder

Negatives:

Potato

Rating: 4.5

Jacob's Chili (Gluten and Dairy-Free):

Positives:

This amazing chili accommodates Most special diets. This is the best homemade chili of ALL TIME!!

Negatives: None!

Rating: 5/5 AWESOME!!! Great Job, Jacob!!!

Hot Dog Soup : By Dr. Bush

Positives: Hot dog

Negatives: No baked beans

Rating: 4.5/5

Chicken and Rice:

Positives: entire meal

Rating: 5/5

Taco Soup:

Positives:

Consistency, the Beans

Negatives: None

Rating: 5/5

In conclusion, my favorite soup was Jacob's Chili.

LEWES POLAR BEAR PLUNGE Update

The 2024 Lewes Polar Bear raised a \$1.5 million for Special Olympics Delaware.



February Historical Events:

February 22 1732: George Washington is born.

February 12, 1809: Abraham Lincoln is born in Larue County, KY.

February 9, 1913: Rosa Parks is born in Tuskegee, Alabama.

February 15, 1948:

The National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR) is established by William "Big Bill" France

February 22, 1959: The inaugural Daytona 500, the Season Opener for NASCAR.



On February 17, The Sussex Riptide, Adult Basketball Team flooded the competition in the Mid-Season Qualifier at Kent County Recreational Gym!! Go Riptide!!!!



What an amazing Job!! On March 16, we're Traveling to The University Of Delaware for The 2024 Basketball Tournament!!! We'll be Blue Hens for the day!!

Who always has a date on Valentine's Day?

A calendar.

Jacob's Famous Chili

Recipe of the Month- 5 Ingredient Easy Chili.
(Jacob's Chili) Like I said in my Soup Review
"The best Chili in the History Of Chilies!"

