



## *WTMS Hosts First of Many Community Nights*

By: Kaitlyn Maccaroni

On Wednesday, October 29, 2014, Winslow Township Middle School hosted its first of many Community Nights. People in attendance were the Mayor of Winslow Township, parents, teachers, administrators, students, and community volunteers. There were plenty of events for kids of all ages to participate in such as pumpkin painting, costume contests, and even a dance party. Entertainment and performances were provided by the Dance Team, Chorus, Orchestra, and Band. The fall sports teams were recognized up on stage for their participation, effort, and teamwork. Complimentary snacks were provided such as hotdogs, pretzels, and bottled water. Additionally, there were door prizes, guessing contests, and poster giveaways. If you were able to head down to the gymnasium, you could also find information and giveaways from local businesses. “This is a great way to bring the community of Winslow Township together. My kids are having a great time and I was so proud when my son preformed his dance routine twice!” A local parent enthusiastically commented. So if you missed the fun, be sure to keep a look out for the next community night; it will be a great time!



## *SGA Attends the Fox Good Day Parade*

By: Asha Wiggins

The Student Government Association is an entity that was created to provide students the experience and training in the democratic form of the government. On September 29, 2014, the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade members of the Student Government Association led by Ms. Donohue and Ms. Hill, participated in the

Fox Good Day Trip in Philadelphia, PA. The trip was an event honoring individuals who served in the military and also included a conference about leadership and taking initiative. The attendees wore red, white, and blue to respect the veterans and show support as well as patriotism. One SGA stu-

dent boasted, “It was a nice trip and we were happy to go out and support our veterans.”



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## Field Hockey Fever

**By: Kiara Barrientos**

*“ We encourage the players to work together to achieve a common goal of winning.”*

The Winslow Township Field Hockey team started the season off with a win and their season continued in a strong manner! On Monday September 29<sup>th</sup>, Winslow Township played Pine Hill with a home field advantage. When some of the teammates from WTMS Field hockey team were asked who

the MVP’s were the most given response was Rayven, Aliyah, Morgan, and Laura. The team consisted of Morgan Stump, Laura Stump, Rayven Rouse, Dalyne Chea, Lily Samoyan, Lauren Tolver, Kamryn Sherif, Mikela Duclos, Leah Kennedy, Jenafer Greene, Mackenzie, Hannah Tull ,Aliyah, Nicole, and Jone’ Loat-

man. The coaches, Ms. Hill and Ms. Howell were successful in building an extraordinary team full of camaraderie, talent, and sportsmanship. The WTMS field hockey team ended the

season with seven wins, three losses and one tie.



## Boys Soccer Season

**By: Marcus Young**

The WTMS Boys Soccer team, led by coaches Mr. Mapps and Mr. Jacobs, began the season with a bang, winning their home season opener versus Pine Hill on September

29th. The second game proved to be victorious with a 5-1 win over Berlin Twp. Coach Jacobs stated, “The team worked collaboratively throughout the season and continually supported one

another.” Coach Mapps and I are extremely proud of all of their efforts.” They ended the season with a 2-3-1 record.



## Girls Soccer Soars Through the Season

**By: Precious Kamara**

The Winslow Township Girls Soccer team coached by Katelyn Reiter and Trish Deal ended the year on October 28 with seven wins and two losses naming Jasmin Matthews, 8<sup>th</sup>

grader, as their MVP. When asked how the coaches motivate their players, Ms. Deal commented, “ We encourage the players to work together to achieve a common goal of winning.” Great job to all of the players...we cannot wait

to see what next season has in store!



## Renaissance Rules the School!

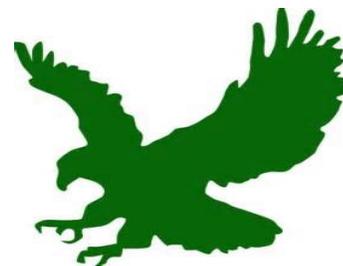
By: Shane Gallagher

The Renaissance Program run by Ms. Kownacki and Mrs. Kernaghan, kicked off the year with a field trip to Nifty Fifties on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Renaissance members started the trip by miniature golfing at the 18-hole course located next to the restaurant. After the scores were counted and

the winners were crowned, the students entered the restaurant to eat and were treated to various milkshakes as part of their trip. Once the crispy fries and colossal cheeseburgers were gobbled down, the students proceeded into the entertainment area where they spent their tokens playing various arcade games. After the

fun was done, the Renaissance members began their trip home.

During the month of October, the Renaissance program sold Wawa Hoagie Coupons. The money raised will go towards future trips and other expenses. Stay tuned for upcoming trips and fundraiser dates!



## Hot Reads!

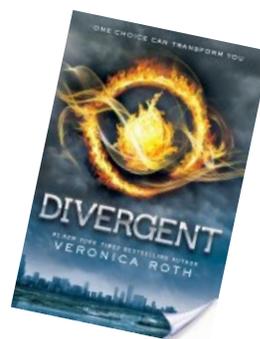
By: Michelle An

### Divergent

Faction or family? In *Divergent*, written by Veronica Roth, society is divided into 5 factions, or groups. In the Dystopian Chicago world, each faction is dedicated to a particular virtue. The factions consist of Abnegation: the selfless, Candor: the honest, Dauntless: the courageous, Amity: the peaceful, and Erudite: the intelligent. Soon, 16-year

old Tris Prior finds herself coming of age to find out which faction she will belong in, depending on the results of her Aptitude test and her own decisions. However, the results of Tris's test turn out to be inconclusive, and she is identified to be Divergent, which meant that she didn't fit into any one faction, but instead three different factions,. Soon, Tris realizes that to be Divergent meant danger, and that

everyone was after her; somehow a threat to their seemingly perfect society, and that she had to keep this a secret. At the Choosing Ceremony, she makes a choice that shocks everyone-including herself. I give this book all 5 out of 5 stars, and I recommend it to those who enjoy action, thrills, and a completely unpredictable, astounding plot.



# *Mr. and Mrs. Know It All*

**Do you have an issue that you just cant seem to fix? Need advice on school, family, or friends? Well, have no fear, Mr. and Mrs. Know It All are here. Get the male and female perspective on your issue!**

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Know It All,

I am someone who loves to be involved in every aspect of school. I belong to many clubs and also participate in sports teams during the fall, winter, and spring. I also babysit my little brothers when my mom works weekend. Lately, I've found it hard to balance grades, friends, and time with my family in addition to all of the extra curricular activities mentioned above. I would really love some advice on how to balance everything and still keep my sanity. HELP!

Yours truly,  
Balancing

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Dear Balancing,

I get that it's hard to balance a job and still have time for your friends and family. School work is very important to do, so you must make that a top priority. Family and friends are extremely important as well. I would suggest possibly stepping back from a club or two until you are able to find your "balance". Friends are very hard to maintain when you have a lot on your mind and of course, family is very important. If my advice doesn't work for you, you can also talk to you family about everything that's going on. Families are meant to stick together and will always be by your side. Just take a deep breath and remember what is most important!

Yours truly, Mrs. Know It All

Dear Balancing,

I bet it's difficult to handle everything plus you have many people such as teachers, parents, coaches, siblings, and friends depending on you for various things. You always need to remember to take time for yourself. Do something that makes you happy at least once a day; even if it is for 10 minutes. Whether it is reading a book, going for a run, or playing a favorite "word game" on your phone, you must always remember to take time and unwind. And most importantly, don't forget to confide in your family, friends, and teachers. These are people you can lean on for advice and support; don't be afraid to ask for help!

Yours truly, Mr. Know It All