Superintendent Corner

What a great start to a special school year!

Every new school year is filled with special activities and opportunities for learning, growth, enrichment and competition, but 2019-2020 will be even more impactful. Fifty years ago, the boards of education in Bridgewater, Leonardsville, and West Winfield unanimously supported the merger of the three school districts to form Mount Markham. Over the last fifty years, over 4000 Mount Markham graduates have made their mark locally, regionally, across the state and nation; many graduates have proudly served our country; many have become public servants, first responders and law enforcement officials; many have run successful businesses, had distinguished careers, and become leaders in their fields and communities; many have remained in the local area, some serving the school district, while others have moved away but continue to remember Mount Markham fondly. Mount Markham has a proud past and a bright future. During this school year, the school community and the Mount Markham Central School Foundation will support activity to recognize this important anniversary.

Homecoming weekend held earlier this month was our first opportunity to celebrate. Our 50th Anniversary Organization Committee did a wonderful job organizing three days of activities that welcomed hundreds of alumni, friends and family to campus. Gene and Mary Doremus led the committee while other alumni and school staff supported activities including campus tours, an alumni dance, a bonfire, participation in the homecoming parade, the Big ‘50”, great food, vendors and of course, great sports action including modified soccer and football. It was wonderful to see alumni reconnect with classmates and revisit memories from years past. None of these activities included any registration or admission fees and could not have occurred without the generous support of the Mount Markham Central School Foundation.

As a school staff and school community, we are proud to be able to participate in the recognition of the 50th Anniversary of Mount Markham! How can you become involved in the celebration? Alumni and community members are encouraged to support the grant and scholarship programs of the Mount Markham Central School Foundation; consider nominating a classmate who has distinguished themselves to the Mount Markham Hall of Fame; offer feedback about your Mount Markham experience via email, Facebook or Twitter; plan on attending the Hall of Fame Induction and Graduation program in June or the Alumni Reunion Picnic to be held next summer. See our website for more information about each of these opportunities. Join us in this special school year to mark the 50th anniversary of the district.