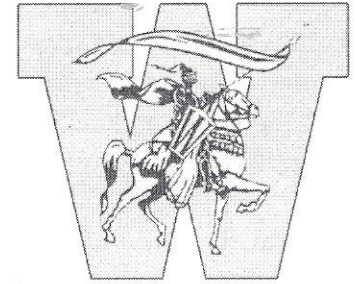


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I am happy to be writing you all to highlight some of the many great things about Windsor. As some of you may know, in the past two months, we have had two Community events that required Windsor Schools and Community members to collaborate, plan, and execute these special events.

I wanted to take some time to highlight a few individuals within the Community who have gone above and beyond this year.

Dave Decker- Streets and Water Superintendent
Rhea Deyo- WYSR Officer
Craig Terrell- Windsor Fire Department Chief

On May 19th, we ran our first *Windsor Strong Community Day*. During our Summer Program last year, Windsor Middle School Students were tasked with the question, "What makes a Community Strong?" These students answered "A Community that runs health-related events helps to bring people together and make the Community stronger." The Windsor Strong students and teachers wanted to act on this belief and formed a committee that consisted of students, teachers, administrators, and Community members to plan a Community 5K race. After months of planning, May 19th finally came and it was a huge success. We had over 70 runners in the race!

The reason I share this story is to highlight two individuals who gave a significant amount of time to this event. Dave Decker, the Streets and Water Superintendent and Rhea Deyo, a Windsor Youth Sports and Recreation Officer. Dave always found time in his busy schedule to attend our planning meetings and provided much input and guidance. There was never a time where Dave stepped in and said "We can't do that." He was willing to do whatever it took to make the event successful. He is a hard worker and it is evident that he cares about this Community. We appreciate the time and effort that he put forth.

Rhea Deyo also volunteered many hours of her free time to be the event organizer. She opened the concessions, loaned many necessary items and organized the 5K and the Community day (which was a huge undertaking!) She systemized and arranged various areas of the event as well as organized our thoughts and put them into action. She is a true asset to the Community and we are thankful for her time and effort. The event would not have been as successful if it weren't for these two individuals.

In June, the Middle School sought to hold a fundraising event to assist 8th grade students of need in raising money so they could attend the 8th grade trip to Washington D.C. We were hoping to run a car wash but needed a place to run it. Craig Terrell, our Windsor Fire Department Chief was contacted and asked if the Fire Station could be used. Craig not only allowed us to use the Fire Station but also offered to do a Chicken BBQ. Craig and a few other volunteer firefighters spent the afternoon cooking and serving chickens. We were greatly appreciative for their efforts... but that is not all that they did. Craig and his crew donated all of the proceeds of the BBQ to our 8th Grade Trip fund! Their generosity allowed five of our financially needy students the opportunity to attend the trip. This act of kindness should not go unrecognized and we could not be more thankful for the contribution.

These three individuals exemplify what Windsor and its Community members are all about. I grew up here, graduated from here, and the reason that I am raising my family here is because of individuals like the ones outlined above. Windsor is a great Community to live in and we have some great people who make it such. Although none of the individuals are aware that I am writing this, I feel their efforts were worth recognizing. I would be happy to share more with you if you would like. Thank you for your time and have a great summer.

Sincerely,



Toby Youngs