

District selects Michael Liebowitz as the Senior Extraordinaire Award Winner for 2011

Farmington, Michigan—On Wednesday, October 26, Farmington Public Schools held its 16th Annual Senior Adult Forum Breakfast at the Costick Activities Center. The Breakfast gives area seniors an opportunity to speak with District representatives about current educational issues, see student exhibits and enjoy performances by student musicians.

Farmington Public Schools also announced the “Senior Extraordinaire” Award Winner for 2011 at the Breakfast. The award honors a senior who is involved in Farmington Public Schools’ educational activities and who volunteers time and talents to our students.

This is the sixth year the District is naming a senior adult in our community as a “Senior Extraordinaire.” Out of an outstanding pool of nominations submitted by folks throughout the District, this year the honored guest is Michael Liebowitz.

Mr. Mike Liebowitz volunteers nearly every day in the media center at North Farmington High School helping both students and staff in many ways. In addition, Mike has hundreds of hours of volunteer service in the school’s band program.

Along with his gift of time given to North, he has also donated thousands of dollars to North projects such as scholarships for band camp, a new scanner for the library, and providing the final dollars to start the outdoor classroom project with the World Trade Center Sculpture.

Former North Farmington High School principal, Rick Jones, states “This remarkable man, so quiet and humble, will really hate this attention today, but you need to know that he is also brilliant, having been an aerospace engineer...he truly is a rocket scientist! And, although volunteering in the media center is far from the thrill of launching a Saturn rocket, it is just as important in that it allows us to take off every day, with the confidence that our students are well served.”

Liebowitz joins the following past winners: 2005: Demetra and Toula Mehas and the late Tina Mehas, 2006: the late Leona Geotzke, 2007: Lincoln Avery, 2008: Virginia Starr, 2009: Allan Whittemore and 2010: Diane DeSousa.