



## Spirit, Pride, Excellence February 2019

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- ◆ The East Irondequoit Teachers Association and the Irondequoit Police Department had another spirited basketball game on February 2. The police ended with a hard fought 2 point win but the real winner was the Irondequoit Community Cupboard. The event raised over \$3300 for the ICC. A huge thank you to all the sponsors and those who donated items for the silent auction. Middle School teacher Jennifer Costello once again did an amazing job of putting it together and pulling it off without a hitch.
- ◆ More good news for the ICC-this time from Helendale Road. The school held its annual "Souper Bowl" to collect canned goods to be donated. The grand total was almost 400 cans collected, with the kindergarten classes leading the way with 132 donations.
- ◆ Talk about a hands-on lesson! Students in 8<sup>th</sup> grade biology and Living Environment had the opportunity to learn about and handle parts of animal circulatory systems. They were able to examine and hold pig and cow hearts to see how they function. Because they are very similar to how the human system works, they gave the students a good idea of how theirs work. Amy Gilbert, Stefanie Cornell and Melissa Hutto helped to set up the lesson.
- ◆ Second graders at Ivan Green received a very special art lesson from a guest instructor. Ning Su came in to Melissa Phillips' art classes show the students how to write their names in Chinese calligraphy and they even got to recreate a painting of a panda. School librarian Geri McMahon helped make the visit possible.
- ◆ Laurelton Pardee students put on another amazing production this year, *Beauty and the Beast Tell All*. More than 80 students took part in the play, from performing to set construction and costumes.
- ◆ The Eastridge Indoor Percussion Ensemble hosted its annual Rythms on the Ridge on February 9. The show kicked off the competition season and welcomed 11 other groups to Eastridge High School.
- ◆ The Lancer basketball team put together impressive back to back wins recently. They knocked off cross-town rival and state ranked West Irondequoit on January 26 and then 3 days later upset state ranked Greece Odyssey. Head coach Dan Roser's squad has only lost three of its last nine games-by a total of 9 points.