

NCEP News

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Enhancing social, recreational and educational experiences for children and youth in the town of Newmarket

Newmarket Community Education Partnership

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Nicholas Popov Memorial Award recipients announced

Nicholas Popov recipients for 2015 were announced at the end of the school year. Honored recipients, including a \$1,500 grant, are Jeremy Adams and Nancy M. Miller.



Adams, the owner of Jeremy's Pizza, has been a true supporter of Newmarket for years. He

helps with fundraisers, coaches local youth sports teams and provides Thanksgiving dinners to our community. His generosity grows every year and this award recognizes how much he is appreciated in our town.

Nancy M. Miller is the PE teacher at the Elementary school. She goes above and beyond from the first day of school right through June. She runs the jump rope,

cross-country and golf programs, coordinates field day and other PE fieldtrips. She is on the school's climate committee, and diligently works to include students with disabilities into the PE learning curriculum. The award recognizes her tireless hard work and commitment.



Facilitated by NCEP, the **Nicholas Popov Memorial Awards** are given to a member of the Newmarket Community who demonstrates the spirit of personal generosity, kindness and service that Popov radiated through his actions as a long-time volunteer in the town of Newmarket.

Honorary Nicholas Popov Award recipient

Retiring teacher, **Ann Keefe**, received a special Nicholas Popov Memorial Award. For 30 years, Keefe had been an advocate for her students. She honed in on each of their strengths, allowing them to not only shine in her classroom, but walk with



confidence beyond her door. Nick Popov volunteered in her classroom for 13 years. She not only greatly enjoyed his company, but appreciated his time, attention and wisdom that Popov imparted to her students.

Thank you for your dedication and service, Ms. Keefe!

NCEP's Newmarket Eats held in November was a huge success!



We were

thrilled to see so many community members having a great time and enjoying delicious food donated by local restaurants. Attendee support helped NCEP raise almost \$5,000 – funds that went directly to programs, equipment and projects for Newmarket's youth.

We hope to make this an annual event! See you in November?!



Classroom collaboration



Jr./Sr. High School English Teacher, Katie Guthro was granted \$219 for a document camera. Guthro will use the Hovercam

document camera to capture the writing process of brainstorming, drafting, editing, proofreading and finalizing students' written work. The tool will allow for instant sharing and feedback. "It takes a lesson - that in the past could only be shown to two or three kids crowded around a notebook - and now projects it for everyone in the classroom to collaborate, discuss and grow," said Guthro.

Philadelphia scholarships

NCEP is pleased to grant \$750 to help fund 8th grade student scholarships for the annual class



trip to Philadelphia. This grant will help make the educational trip – which will include visits to the Constitution Center, Independence Hall, the Franklin Institute, etc. – financially accessible to all students.

Bicycle riding for all

Elementary school PE teacher, Nancy Miller was granted \$750 to help with the purchase of a Duet Tandem bicycle. The bicycle will



allow students with disabilities who use a wheelchair

for mobility, the opportunity to actively engage in learning with their peers. The bicycle can accommodate children in grades 1-5. Miller has been seeking a bicycle like this for a long time, but the cost was exorbitant. She is thrilled to be able to use her Nick Popov Memorial Award of \$1,500 as well as this grant to help fund the acquisition.

Art room on the move

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At the beginning of the school year, Art teacher Annette Blake moved her classroom from the Jr./Sr. High School across the street into the Perkins Building. Equipment, not earmarked in school/supply budgets, was required organize the classroom into a functional and creative workspace. NCEP granted \$750 to help with the required fixtures.



Chromebooks

The 8th graders love their Chromebooks! NCEP funded \$750 for the purchase of three new Chromebooks. The computers join many others (funded by NCEP through four previous grant cycles) and will be shared among the whole 8th grade team. They have made a huge difference; enhancing



existing programs in the curriculum, and helping students engage in the material. Every Chromebook put in students' hands has "exponential effect on learning," said grant requestor and eighth grade teacher, Elizabeth Franceschini.

Summer camp matters

NCEP has recognized the importance of a summer-camp experience for



Newmarket's youth for 11 years, and we continue to make scholarships a priority. Funds raised during our 2016 campaign will help to make this happen.

Newmarket Millspace was

integral to the success of NCEP's Newmarket Eats. The historic

vibrant civic space is dedicated to



the community with a focus on creative and cultural exploration, perfect for events like Newmarket Eats! If you are interested in using the space, visit www.millspace.org for more information.



Ocean Gaming

Casino provides valuable funding to NCEP! NCEP will be partnering with Ocean Gaming soon. Watch for the dates on our Facebook page. Come on down to Hampton Beach for some fun, and help support NCEP! www.oceangamingcasino.com