



January 16, 2017

MONDAY MESSENGER

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday, January 18:
Math Court Registration
- Friday, January 27:
Wine and Tapas Fundraiser
6:00 at the Hyatt Hotel
- Friday, February 3:
School-wide Spelling Bee

Middle School Reaches Out

You have probably never heard of Elyse Wickenheiser. She is an eight-year old girl living in Carleton, Michigan. On her eighth birthday, test results came back that indicated she had leukemia. That was certainly not a happy birthday gift. She is scheduled to have two years of chemotherapy and has had to drop out of school, leaving her suddenly lonely without her friends and teachers.

Elyse, or Elly as most people call her, now waits for the daily mail with eager anticipation. She has requested cards from all over the United States.

Carleton, Michigan is in the same Michigan county as Ms. JoAnn's home. She heard about Elly and brought the story to her classroom at school. The students signed a card for Ellie and sent her a piece of Saipan. They acquired a TRIBES T-shirt, hat, and stickers as a gift and introduction to Saipan. TRIBES is a locally owned shop that mixes island culture and urban street culture, blending into a unique presence on the island through clothing. Sharing the TRIBES clothing with Elly will allow her to wear a piece of our island



and bring awareness of the location and culture of Saipan to her community in Carleton, Michigan. We are very thankful to Tribes for donating the shirt, hat, and stickers that we were then able to send to Elly.



Elly and her two older sisters read each card aloud. When they're finished, they put a dot on a map to show which state or town the card was mailed from. She has received cards from all over the US, and Spain and Australia too. Our students have added Saipan to Elly's map.

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