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PRESS RELEASE

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The LFHS Emotional Wellness Initiative is in its fourth year. To most effectively move forward, they are asking students, parents, and faculty to participate in the Comprehensive School Climate Inventory (CSCI). The survey, built on several decades' worth of research on school climate, evaluates school's strengths and weaknesses, providing a platform for future planning. The survey results are completely anonymous – no names are recorded and no identifying information will ever be attached to specific responses. To participate in this important survey, visit www.lfhs.org. If you have any questions, contact Jen Knight (jknight@lfschools.net) or John Maher (jmaher@lfschools.net).

The Illinois State Board of Education has announced that they will not be paying any Parent Guardian Transportation claims filed for the 2008-09 school year due to lack of funding at the state level. For more information, visit www.lfhs.org to view the [Illinois State Board of Education memo dated September 2009](#).

There will be an LFHS Freshmen/Sophomore parents meeting addressing “Parents, Teens and the Law” on Thursday, November 12 at 7:00 pm in the David Miller Theatre, 1285 N. McKinley Rd., Lake Forest, IL. This is a LEAD sponsored meeting. Contact Karen Cunningham at LEAD for more information: 847-295-9075;

cunninghamlead@aol.com or visit LEAD's website at www.LEADweb.org or www.lfhs.org.

LFHS yearbook "Senior Commemoratives" will be printed on a first come, first serve basis for \$75 and will include a picture of the student with a written message. The deadline to be included is Friday, November 13, 2009. More information can be found at www.lfhs.org or by contacting Mrs. Christofylakis at echristofylakis@lfschools.net.

LFHS students may drop a semester course or request a level change without penalty by Monday, November 16, 2009. The Pass/Fail option deadline is also on Monday, November 16 and is available to ONLY seniors. Students must submit the form signed by student, parent, teacher, counselor and the Student Services Director no later than November 16, 2009. For additional information, visit www.lfhs.org.

November 18 will be an LFHS Late Start Day (Teacher Department work 7:50 a.m. Students start at 9:50 a.m.)

The LFHS Red Cross Club is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Thursday, November 19 at the Lake Forest High School Metcalf Center from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. All community members are encouraged to give blood. Students must be 16 years of age and older to donate. All donors will need a picture ID. Students who are 16 years of age need written parent permission. This must be done on the Red Cross Parent Permission slip which can be obtained in the Health Office at Lake Forest High School, 1285 N. McKinley Rd., Lake Forest, IL. Students who are 17 and 18 years old may donate without parent permission. If you do not wish your student to donate blood, please contact Nurse Diane Bower at 847-582-7335 as soon as possible. This Blood Drive is sponsored by the Red Cross Club and American Red Cross of Greater Chicagoland.

Support the LFHS Foundation when you shop Sunset Foods before Thanksgiving. Shopping Days are Tuesday, November 17 and Wednesday, November 18 only. Shop at any of the four locations: Sunset Foods on Waukegan in Lake Forest; Sunset Foods

on Green Bay in Highland Park; Sunset Foods on Church Street in Northbrook; and Sunset Foods on Peterson Ave in Libertyville. Shopping slips can be found and printed from www.lfhsfoundation.org. A percentage of your purchase goes to the LFHS Foundation who thanks you for your support.

Performances for the LFHS Frosh/Soph Play "The Man Who Came to Dinner" will be Thursday – Saturday November 19-21, 2009. After begrudgingly accepting a dinner invitation at the spiffy home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley, portly, Faustian Sheridan Whiteside is waylaid by an unfortunate slip on the ice on the front steps. Although famous for his writing, radio broadcasts, and friendships with every famous and prestigious person on the planet, Mr. Whiteside falls a bit short on the patience, tact, and human kindness fronts, much to the consternation of all who encounter him. His attempts to sabotage his secretary's romance for his own selfish purposes end up about as successfully as his trip up the stairs. This gem written by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman was first produced in 1939; adapted as a film in 1942 starring Monty Woolley, Bette Davis, Ann Sheridan, Billie Burke, and Jimmy Durante; adapted for radio in 1949 featuring Charles Boyer, Jack Benny, Gene Kelly, Gregory Peck, Dorothy McGuire, and Rosalind Russell; and produced once again on Broadway in 2000 featuring Nathan Lane as the intrepid Sheridan Whiteside. Featured in the 2009 production at Lake Forest High School will be Sammy Dolgin, Emily Neuberger, Hannah Gersten, Lia Donovan, Sara Ransom, Icelle Anderson, Alex Levin, Ellie Doyle, Johanna Kuhl, Colin Seikel, Jenny Poth, Erica Werner, and Mac Myles and twenty two other freshman/sophomore actors (a complete cast list is available at www.lfhs.org). Student Directors are Topher Loos, Alyssa Loiacano, and Olivia Passalino. Barbara Papp directs, with Brad Balonick providing technical direction. Advanced ticket purchase on line at www.lfhs.org is highly recommended.

The LFHS SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) club will be hosting "The Clothesline Project" at Lake Forest High School on Friday, November, 20 2009. The Clothesline Project is a resource for women who have survived the injustices of sexual assault, abuse, incest or battering. Many continue their healing process by

creating a shirt. These shirts express the hatred, fear, hurt, hope, and disappointment that survivor's experience. Shirts can also be made by family and friends of sexually abused and murdered victims. At each display, abuse survivors have an opportunity to let their voice be heard by creating a shirt. The Clothesline Project began in 1990 when members of the Cape Cod Women's Agenda hung a clothesline across the village green in Hyannis, Massachusetts with 31 shirts designed by survivors of assault, rape and incest. Women viewing the clothesline came forward to create shirts of their own and the line just kept growing. Since that first display the Project has grown to 300+ local Clothesline Projects nationally and internationally, with an estimated 35,000 shirts. The Clothesline Project has become a distinctive resource for healing from violence and creating social change. Lines have been displayed at schools, universities, State Houses, shopping malls, churches, and women's events. The shirts hang side-by-side to "Break the Silence" and to bear witness to violence against women. The Clothesline displayed at LFHS was made entirely by people living in Lake County and was co-sponsored by the Response Center. Similar to the AIDS quilt, the Clothesline Project puts a human face on the statistics of violence against women. The Project increases awareness of the impact of violence against women, celebrates a woman's strength to survive, and provides an avenue for her to courageously break the silence. The project focuses on providing healing for survivors of violence, educating the public about violence, and providing solutions through individual action to prevent violence. Many classes at LFHS will attend the Clothesline Project and will then spend time reflecting through discussions or writing assignments. Students are also able to visit the Clothesline Project, on their own during their lunch or free periods. For more information about the Clothesline Project, visit www.clothesline.org .