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Vitti-Lyons, Myers, and Palko Receive Riverview's First Annual IMPACT Awards!

During a celebration ceremony on June 2nd, 21 citizens and educators were acknowledged for their support of Riverview School District children. Nominees for the First Annual IMPACT Award included: Ashely Duncan, Kevin Ewing, Pastor Donnie Marsh, John Hackworth, Patricia Palko, Steven Rowe, Mark Carlin, Dolly Provenza, Palma and Bobby Ostrowski, Kristy Lape, Kenneth Kubistek, Pierre Brun, Paul Myers, Dom Conte, Marti Nese, Roxanne Yorio, Shannon Kahne, Regina Vitti-Lyons, Katie Bigenho, and Karen Crowell.

Recipients of the First Annual IMPACT Award, who were selected by Local Newspaper Reporter, Mike DiVittorio; Oakmont Business Owner, Shea Truby Swatsworth; and Verona Mayor, David Ricupero, were Regina Vitti-Lyons, Paul Myers, and Patricia Palko.

Regina Vitti-Lyons

Regina has been a parent volunteer supporting the Riverview School District for more than 15 years. Her volunteer activities include: PTO, dance and Riverview musicals as well as many more. She is a past board member of the Riverview Athletic Association and has served on the Oakmont Parks & Recreation Board for the past 7 years. Regina's most recent endeavor was working to create the Riverview Educational Foundation which supports STREAM programming in our Riverview School District. Regina is the President of the REF and leads a parent driven board of directors to successfully secure funding for innovation at Riverview. Additionally, Regina works full time as the Director of Business Development for KPMG.

Paul Myers

Paul has been the Cubmaster of the Oakmont Cub Scout Pack 137 for the last 2 years. Paul has impacted our youth with countless hours of education and fun. Paul is also part of the district leadership team in Western PA. Paul has opened up his home to many children and families regarding Scout activities. He has been employed by the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center since 2009 and works in the Information Technology Department. Paul's talents and hard work truly are an IMPACT to our Riverview community.

Patricia Palko

Patty has been a kindergarten teacher at Verner Elementary for the past 16 years. She has not only been a purveyor of knowledge and taught her students, or in her words, her “babies” the ABCs and 123s, she has also helped to mold them into respectful and responsible members of our community. Patty has laid the foundation in order to build and foster the whole child. She has been a support to parents and staff in the Riverview Community while remaining modest and never seeking recognition. Mrs. Palko retired this year from the District. We wish her all the best in retirement.

The District wishes to express gratitude to all who were nominated for their continued support of our students. Thank you for making a positive difference in the lives of our students!

