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Mount Mercy Academy is Out Serving the Community

Service has long been one of the hallmarks of a Mount Mercy Academy student. Students are expected to give back to the community and this year Mount Mercy students are off to an exceptional start. Students have been volunteering in many different capacities.

The students have been hard at work with the Mercy Rising project, a fund-raising project to support the rebuilding of a school on the border of Nigeria and Cameroon that was destroyed by the Boko Haram. The school is sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy. This project has been spearheaded by the leadership team of seniors Emily Lewandowski (East Aurora) and Megan Michalski (Buffalo), junior Megan Cycon (West Seneca) and sophomore Olivia Larson (Orchard Park).

During the month of September Mount Mercy students volunteered at the Ryan Purcell Run, The Mercy Hospital Scrub Run, Cazenovia Park, and for the sisters at the Mercy Center. The varsity volleyball team, along with Coach Molly Gasuik and teacher Beth Ilecki prepared dinner at the Ronald McDonald House for the guests staying there.

October was highlighted by the junior retreat, where the junior class goes out into the community and volunteers. Students helped out at St. Luke's Mission of Mercy, The Ronald McDonald House of Buffalo, Our Lady of Black Rock Elementary School, and Harvest House. Senior Phoebe Palmisano (Buffalo) collaborated with Sister Mary Gormley to provide volunteers for the Community Dinner at Holy Family Church.

A group of Mount Mercy students, accompanied by Sister Jenny, volunteered at Habitat for Humanity Buffalo, a connection that Mount Mercy hopes to continue during the school year. Students also attempted to provide service at Cazenovia Park, but their endeavors were cancelled due to the rainy October weather. The month of service culminated with pumpkin painting at the Mercy Center with the Sisters of Mercy.

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