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L'Anse Creuse community invited to hear Rachel's Challenge

HARRISON TOWNSHIP, Mich. – Out of the Columbine tragedy came Rachel's Challenge, a national program promoting acts of kindness and compassion to combat bullying and violence. Two Rachel's Challenge assemblies will be held at L'Anse Creuse Middle School-South **Sept. 26** and at L'Anse Creuse Middle School-Central **Sept. 27** at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. for students, and then the community is invited to attend the 7 p.m. assembly at each school.

On April 20, 1999, Rachel Scott was the first person killed at Columbine High School. Out of her acts of kindness and compassion, coupled with the contents of her six diaries, her father, Darrell Scott, started Rachel's Challenge. The 60-minute assembly motivates students to positive change in the way they treat others. In order to sustain the positive change created by attending the assembly, a 90-minute training session involving both adult and student leaders is conducted at the school later in the day. In addition, the school is encouraged to participate in a year-long curriculum called the Friends of Rachel (FOR) Club that encourages students to continue the chain reaction of kindness and compassion (www.rachelschallenge.org).

L'Anse Creuse Middle School-Central is located at 38000 Reimold and L'Anse Creuse Middle School-South is at 34641 Jefferson Avenue. For information, contact Meredith Beard, Middle School-Central counselor, at beardme@lc-ps.org or at 586-783-6430, or Margo Schuch, teacher at Middle School-South, at schucma@lc-ps.org or at 586-493-5620.

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