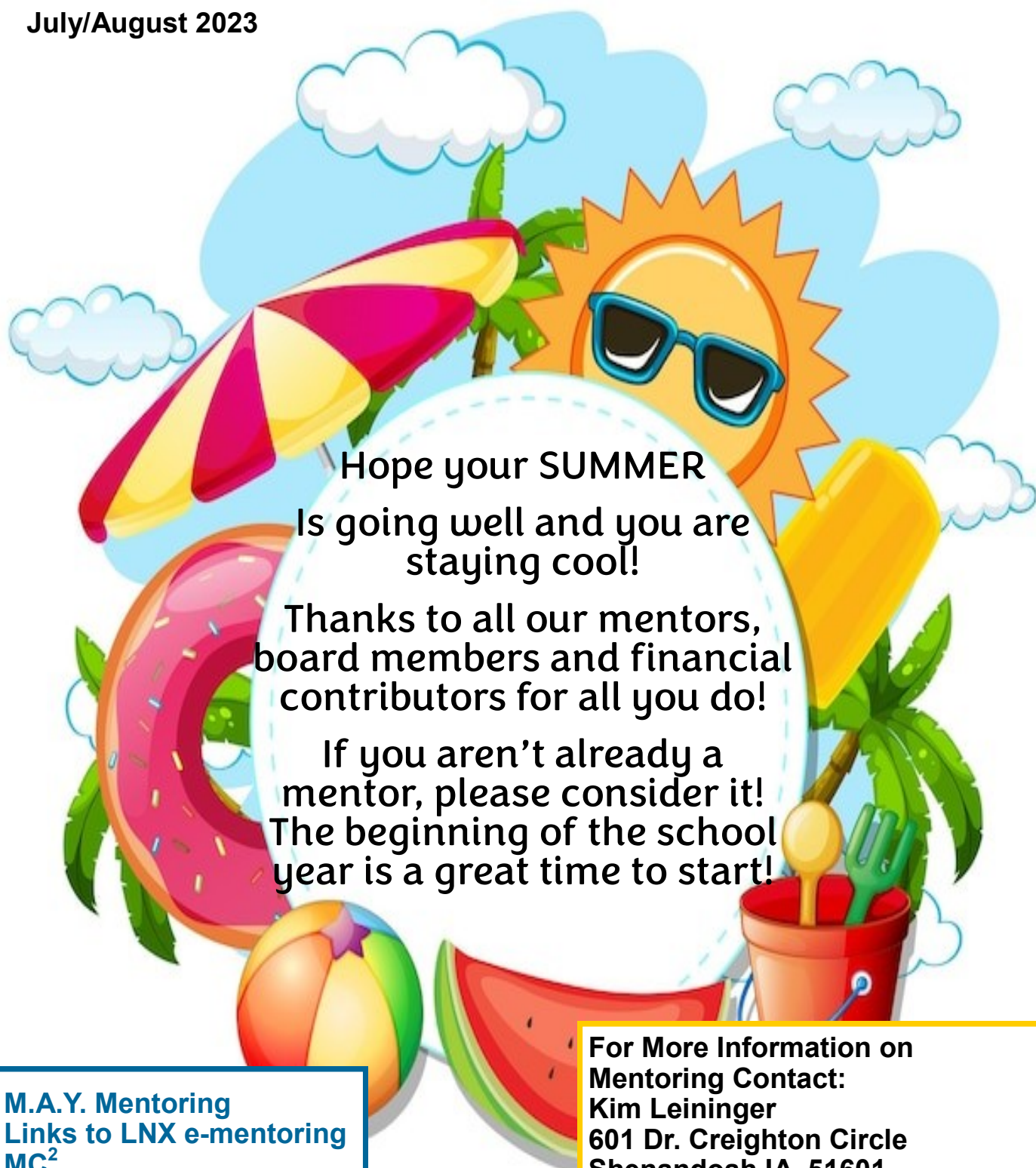

M.A.Y. Newsletter

July/August 2023



Hope your SUMMER
Is going well and you are
staying cool!

Thanks to all our mentors,
board members and financial
contributors for all you do!

If you aren't already a
mentor, please consider it!
The beginning of the school
year is a great time to start!

M.A.Y. Mentoring
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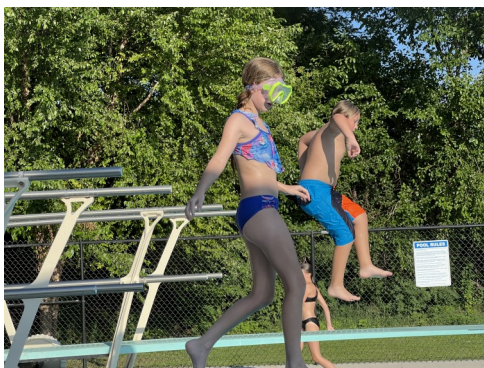
Fridays After Five

A HUGE THANK YOU to First National Bank for sponsoring Fridays After Five!

This is a wonderful event to bring community members together to enjoy quality entertainment and an opportunity for many local groups to raise funds for worthwhile endeavors that invest in our community! We also thank the Elks Club, Jeff Slater, our mentors and board members who helped and Mother Nature for a wonderful evening on June 9th!



M.A.Y. Annual Pool and Pizza Party





As many of you have heard by now, I, Kim Leininger, Shenandoah Schools Mentoring Coordinator, have resigned this position effective September 1.

This comes with many emotions, but some of you will know what I mean when I say....sometimes you just know when it is time for a change! I have loved every minute of this position. I have loved our mentees, our mentors, my board members, school staff and so many awesome community members that have made this program thrive over many years. I have valued the variety of duties and the expansions of our program. When we say "it takes a village to raise a child" we mean it, and the success of this program is because of so many of YOU! YOU have made my job easy, fulfilling, rewarding and fun. I cannot thank all of you enough for giving me this opportunity that I feel very blessed to have held for 23 years. We have grown, added programs, learned new ways of reaching and helping students, and I hope and believe we are making a difference in their lives.

Mentoring is a process of hope and of planting seeds. I believe in the value of mentoring, as I maintain that relationships and treating each other with love, compassion and respect is what life is all about. We all mentor in one way or another whether we intend to or not, but if we mentor intentionally with purpose and discernment, we can make a huge impact. I thank ALL of you who have contributed in so many ways and I am confident that you all will continue this endeavor wholeheartedly with a new person at the helm! I did not make this program work -YOU did, so please keep doing what you're doing! I love you all! Kim