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### **Karen Martin receives the Helen Villaume Education Enrichment Grant**

The Board of The John and Helen Villaume Foundation has announced the selection of one of the recipients of the 2017 Helen Villaume Education Enrichment Grant Award.

Ms. Karen Martin, a 6th grade Science teacher from Wayne Highlands Middle School, received an award of \$4,861.36 from Villaume Foundation board member Paul Edwards. Ms. Martin will use this grant for "Alaska: The Land of Gold, Earthquakes and Volcanoes". While in Alaska, Ms. Martin will explore gold mines, view and tour active volcanoes, including the Augustine Volcano, hike Exit Glacier to explore erosion, sedimentary rocks and relics of the ice age as well as visit the Alaska Museum and Earthquake Park to gather information about the 1964 Earthquake. From this, Ms. Martin will design a Power Point on the 1964 Earthquake, will use rocks, lava, pumice and ash from the Augustine Volcano to provide students with hands-on exploration and have the students design and build a volcano model of their choice which will be erupted as the culmination of their volcano unit.

The John and Helen Villaume Foundation established grants to provide Wayne County teachers with a unique opportunity to enhance, expand or experiment in their areas of certification, thereby enriching and improving the achievement of their students.

The John and Helen Villaume Foundation, established by Honesdale natives John and Helen Villaume, is dedicated to benefit charitable, religious, scientific, literary and educational programs within Wayne County. Since its inception, the Foundation has made awards totaling over \$1,000,000.00 with Wayne Bank managing the account in the Wealth Management and Trust Services Division of Wayne Bank.

Additional information about the Foundation and grant applications may be obtained from: The John and Helen Villaume Foundation, c/o Wayne Bank Wealth Management and Trust Department, 717 Main Street, Honesdale, PA 18431; by phone: 570-253-8507; or email: [trust@waynebank.com](mailto:trust@waynebank.com).

**PHOTO CAPTION-LEFT TO RIGHT:** Karen Martin, 6th Grade Science Teacher at Wayne Highlands Middle School and Paul Edwards, Villaume Foundation Board Member.

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