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## **WORLD'S GREATEST DESSERT PARTY HONORS LIFELONG EDUCATOR**

John Hill, superintendent of the Bullock Creek School District, has been named the honorary chair for the 2010 World's Greatest Dessert Party, one of the largest charity events in Midland County.

This year's Dessert Party, which benefits the Literacy Council of Midland County, will be Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the suite level of the Dow Diamond.

Mr. Hill is retiring as superintendent this summer after a 35-year career as an educator in Michigan and Illinois.

"There is no skill more important in today's world than reading," Mr. Hill said. "The work that the Literacy Council does is vital to our community. I am very supportive of their work with struggling young readers and adults seeking basic education."

Mr. Hill is a graduate of Southeast Missouri State University and Southern Illinois University. As a lifelong educator, he has served as a high school biology teacher, baseball and football coach, athletic director, and principal. He and his wife Sharon live in Lee Township.

Allen Richard, executive director of the Literacy Council, said, "We are pleased to recognize John Hill's commitment to education and congratulate him on his years of service. Through his progressive and innovative attitude, the Literacy Council and Bullock Creek Schools formed a partnership that helped a lot of kids. His support has been an asset to the Literacy Council as we build our Dyslexia Initiative program. Having the chance to work with John on our event is exciting."

The Literacy Council of Midland County is also honoring the "Bigs and Littles" from Big Brothers Big Sisters by selecting them as this year's group of celebrity chefs. The "Bigs and Littles" will make a favorite dessert together and serve it at the Dessert Party.

Tickets for the Dessert Party are \$20 per person or \$35 for two people and are available at Eastman Party Store, Village Green, and Ace Hardware. For more information, call 989-839-0540.

**Event details:**

- The World's Greatest Dessert Party
- Tuesday, Feb. 16
- 6 to 8:30 p.m.
- Dow Diamond, 825 E. Main St., Midland
- All proceeds benefit the Literacy Council of Midland County

Established in 1986, the Literacy Council of Midland County helps people achieve their goals in literacy. The council provides free, confidential, one-on-one tutoring in reading, spelling, math and English as a Second Language.

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