

# I Touched the Future

I would like to recommend **Barbara Dietterich** for the **I Touched the Future Award**.

I was fortunate to work with Barb in my first years in the district. After I became a Technology Specialist at Bushkill, and she became one for Lower Nazareth, we worked hand in hand in the area of technology that, at the time, was very up and coming. She was a mentor and a friend! Since she has retired from the District, Barb has continued to be a mentor to me and cheerleader from the sidelines as I engage in different technology projects!

Aside from my personal connection, Barb has continued to be involved in the Nazareth Area School District as an alumnus and through the Moravian Historical Society.

Barb graduated from Nazareth and works with her class to promote the Nazareth Area School District and donations in different clubs and district activities. She is also a part of the Joyce Black Scholarship Committee that selects an NASD senior majoring in Education to be a recipient of the scholarship. She belongs to the Bethlehem Chapter of the AAUW (American Association of University Women) that assists with the History book section of their annual book fair. She continues to work with Nazareth graduates that are striving to go into elementary education in college through this effort.

Barb also works closely with the Moravian Historical Society, which collaborates with the NASD K-12 to bring the rich Moravian history to our students. She is involved with the Colonial Days at the Intermediate School, even at times dressing up as a Moravian and wearing the traditional garb to teach students about colonial trades.

Overall, **Barb Dietterich** has dedicated her life to the Nazareth Area School District as a former graduate, teacher, and today. She is the epitome of what we hope all of our Nazareth Pride will continue in former students and teachers.

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*Melissa Whitman*