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Michael Riley (left), retired Timberlane teacher, presents Pat Coats with the new mascot, the timberwolf. Also shown are Stan Saperstein and Eric Saperstein (right).

Timberlane gets new timberwolf

After retiring as a language arts teacher in the Hopewell Valley School District, Michael Riley decided to give back to the school which meant so much to him. He contacted a local craftsman and former Timberlane student, Eric Saperstein, of Artisans of the Valley, to oversee the project. His company helped defray the cost through donation of time and some materials.

Through the work of Bob Eigenraugh, who did the rough sculpting, and Stan Saperstein, who

did the intricate carving and painting, a chainsaw carving of a timberwolf, the mascot of Timberlane was created.

The wolf, which will be housed in Timberlane's main hallway, is dedicated to the staff and students of Timberlane Middle School who exhibit enthusiasm for learning, compassion and competition on a daily basis. It also commemorates those Timberlane educators and students who have passed away.