

## The Hampton News

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## **HMS** and Wyland Advance to States at Odyssey of the Mind Competition



Hampton Middle School Balsa team advanced to the state tournament. Back row from left to right: 6<sup>th</sup> graders Carley Rodenbush; Anna Derence; Justine Sullivan; Juliana Valenti From row from left to right: Cole Stapleton; Josh Worobij and Enrique Marte

by June Gravitte

he Western Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind (OOM) Regional Tournament was held on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at Moon Area Middle and High Schools. The Hampton Township School District had six teams attend the tournament this year. OOM is an international creative problem solving program and competition for students in grades K-college. ters teamwork, divergent thinking, risk-taking, & creativity. The teams create skits and build technical items in five different long-term problem categories that they work on throughout the school year. At each team meeting and at the tournament, they also solve spontaneous verbal, hands-on, or combination verbal/handson problems.

Hampton had 5 teams competing this year. The grades K-2 team is non-competitive. The grades 3-5 team from Wyland and one of

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### **Hues & Harmony**

by Gail Scott

The Hues and Harmony Fine Arts Festival was better than ever this year, with live demonstrations of artists at work, musical and instrumental performances, and displays of art work from all grade levels in the Hampton School District. The event was held on March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at the Hampton High School.

Kate Powell, Art Teacher at Wyland and HMS, was the Visual Art Liaison for the festival this year. She worked with Music Department Liaison Mary Magdic and Assistant

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### Fallen Alumnus Honored by Lacrosse Team

by June Gravitte

On Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, 2015 Hampton High School graduate and lacrosse player, Haylee Flory passed away due to her long-fought battle with cancer. It was shortly

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### **RESCHEDULED:**

2018 Litter/Clean-up Day Volunteers needed on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Call to sign up 412-486-0400 x303

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### Police Log

The Hampton Township Police Department is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of our residents and guests by providing the very best in law enforcement services. The twenty-two officers and two civilian clerks take pride in serving the community in a professional and proactive manner. Thank you to the staff for helping to keep our community safe.

A summary of noteworthy incidents that occurred between February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018—March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018:

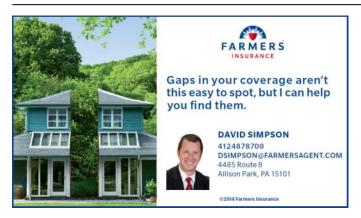
### **Drug Arrest**

On February 26, 2018 at 5:25 p.m., a Hampton Township officer was on patrol when they stopped to perform a welfare check on an occupied vehicle that was parked in the parking lot of a closed business. Upon making contact with the vehicle occupant, the officer detected the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. The occupant was found to be in possession of drugs and paraphernalia.

On March 5, 2018 at 10:21 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on Route 8 after observing a redlight violation. The vehicle's registration was also found to be expired. Upon speaking with the operator, the officer detected the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. The operator was found to be in possession of drugs and paraphernalia.

#### Scam

On March 9, 2018 a Hampton Township officer took a report of a suspicious incident. The reporting party stated that they received a package in the mail that contained a single can of ravioli. Upon looking into the matter, it is understood that the sender of the item fell victim to a "Secret Shopper" scam and cashed a bogus check from an illegitimate company.





#### Vehicle Accident/DUI Arrest

On February 20, 2018 at 7:54 p.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to the intersection of Hardt Road and Banks School Road for a single vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers located the involved vehicle in the front yard of a residence at that location. The vehicle had heavy front-end damage from striking a tree, a gas meter, and a mailbox. The operator of the vehicle had minor injury due to airbag deployment but refused medical treatment. The operator stated that they took their eyes off of the roadway for a moment and ended up driving off of the roadway. The responding officer detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the driver's breath as they were speaking, and observed red, bloodshot eyes. The operator refused to submit to field sobriety tests and was taken into custody for suspicion of DUI. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

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### **Blessed Trinity's Forensic Team** Takes 1st Place For 2018

The Forensics Team at Blessed Trinity Academy had an extremely successful inaugural year. Having competed in 3 meets during the season, the team earned enough cumulative points to win the 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy for the Diocese at the finals meet in March!



Olivia Krummert, 8<sup>th</sup> grade and Xander Hill, 7<sup>th</sup> grade

### **Pedaling For Dollar\$**



Matt Scoletti of Hampton successfully completed his goal of biking 250 miles in Australia. He accomplished this in 23 hours and so far has raised \$37,000 for the Young Adult Cancer Support program. Pictured with his wife Stephanie.



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On March 9, 2018 at 2:44 a.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Wildwood Road for a single vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers located the vehicle in question in a wooded area. The vehicle operator showed visible signs of impairment. After conducting some field sobriety tests, the operator was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

### **DUI Arrest**

On February 13, 2018 at 11:48 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on Stella Drive after observing the vehicle weave out of its lane of travel multiple times. Upon speaking with the operator, the officer detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the vehicle. The operator also had slurred speech and dry cotton mouth. The operator was observed to be unsteady of their feet and was unable to complete field sobriety tests as had been explained and demonstrated. The operator was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI.

### **Vehicle Accident**

On February 23, 2018 at 4:27 p.m., Hampton Township officers responded to the parking lot of a business on Middle Road for a hit and run report. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the reporting party, who stated that they had been in the southbound left turn lane on Route 8, at McNeal Road, when their vehicle was struck from behind. They stated that the other vehicle was a silver Toyota sedan, and it was last seen traveling east on McNeal Road. The operator had obtained the registration plate from the other vehicle and provided it to the responding officers. Officers then drove to the address that

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### **Paper Off-Site Shredding Event**

State Representative Hal English will host a free paper shredding event on Saturday, May 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in conjunction with Hampton Township School District Recycle Rama. The event will take place at the Hampton High School parking lot located 2929 McCully Road, Allison Park, PA 15101. Limit 2 bags or boxes. No books, magazines or metal other than staples. For more information, please call the office of State Representative Hal English at 412-487-6605.

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Police Log

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was associated with the provided registration plate and spoke with the vehicle owners. The vehicle owner stated that they had pulled into a parking lot on McNeal Road immediately following the crash and thought that the other driver would pull in behind them to exchange information. They waiting for a period of time, and the vehicle they had struck never pulled into the parking lot, so they left the scene. The operator of the involved vehicle stated that their foot slipped off the brake, which resulted in their vehicle striking the car in front of them. No injuries were reported at the time of the incident.

On February 26, 2018 at 11:39 a.m., Hampton Township officers responded to the area of 4290 Route 8 for a two-vehicle accident. Upon the officer's arrival, one vehicle was found to still be in the roadway. Both involved vehicles sustained disabling damage and had to be towed from the scene. The accident occurred when the operator of one vehicle was attempting to pull out of a parking lot at that location to travel south on Route 8. The operator did not observe another vehicle traveling on the roadway and collided with the other unit.

On February 27, 2018 Hampton Township officers responded to 4284 Route 8 for a single vehicle accident. Upon arrival, the operator of the involved vehicle stated that they were traveling south on Route 8 when they hit a patch of black ice, which caused them to lose control of their vehicle and strike a utility pole. The operator complained of injury and was transported to the hospital by ambulance. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

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### **Hues and harmony**

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Superintendant Dr. Cunningham to organize Hues and Harmony. Ms. Powell explained that, "The festival is our opportunity as a district to celebrate the valuable role the arts play in our community. This year we added the student art demonstrations, QR code explanations, and the collaborative reflection canvases which lent Hues and Harmony a more interactive feel this time. We intend to expand upon that facet of the experience."

The elementary student art work on display included Andy Warhol-inspired prints, fiber arts such as weavings and soft sculptures, clay bowls influenced by the flowing organic shapes in the style of glass artist Dale Chihuly, and silhouette paintings that emphasized color theory. The pop-can logo designs created by Wyland fourth graders were a new addition to the art show. The fourth graders designed the logos using Google Drawing on their school-issued hybrid laptop devices. These devices provide the opportunity for students to begin engaging with digital art-making tools earlier in their time at Hampton. Art by the middle school students reflected a range of work from clay houses and mugs, to woven hangings, portrait drawings and artist study paintings. There were also screen-printed shirts and bags from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade student art business, Hampton Creates. They are selling handprinted products to people around the world and giving 100% of the proceeds to the homeless. Their goal is to help as many people as possible in the city of Pittsburgh. The high school students displayed colorful ceramic creations, handmade jewelry, watercolor and acrylic paintings, and AP Art projects. A large crowd watched as a high school student worked with clay on a pottery wheel to demonstrate how some ceramics are made. There were other live art demonstrations as well.

On the first night, there were wonderful musical performances from the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Elementary Orchestra, Middle School and High School Jazz Bands, High School Orchestra, and the Talbot Chamber. The Drama Department performed a song and tap dance scene from the spring musical production "Nice



Work If You Can Get It" which will debut in April. On the second night of the arts festival, the chorus department entertained audiences with music sung by the Middle School and High School Chorus, Wyland Chorus, Central Chorus, and the Poff Chorus. The evening concluded with a combined chorus of students from 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

The Hues and Harmony arts festival takes place every two years

and each time it gets better. This year there were so many different types of art work on display that they filled the high school entrance and continued all the way to the back side of the school and wrapped around the far side of the auditorium. If you missed the festival this year, be sure to attend when it is offered again in 2020!



Ruth, high school junior, working the pottery wheel



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### Miss Mousie's Alphabet Adventures! Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. April 4<sup>th</sup> through May 9<sup>th</sup>

Join us for a half-hour of fun that will introduce a love of reading to your child! This lapsit storytime focuses on building preliteracy skills through stories, songs, and interactive play. Caregivers, if you are looking to make new friends, get out of the house, and build a foundation in literacy for your little ones, this is for you! This storytime is planned for newborns to 3-year -olds, but all are welcome. Registration is appreciated!

### **Pint Sized Picassos!**

Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. April 4 $^{\rm th}$  - May 9 $^{\rm th}$  Thursdays 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. April 5 $^{\rm th}$  – May 10 $^{\rm th}$ .19 $^{\rm th}$  .

This program combines stories with art and is designed for fun and mess for little artists ages 4 through 6 years of age! Please dress in clothes they may get "messy!"

### Registration is required and space is limited!

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### It's Game Time with Teen Tabletop! First Friday of the Month - April 6, 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Unwind after school by playing tabletop games (board, card, and dice games) with other teens! We'll provide the games, a mix of old favorites and new classics—or bring your own to share with the group. Come and hang-out with other teens at the library for an afternoon of strategic fun. This program for Grades 6-12 is brought to you by **Teen Bookends**, the HCL Teen Activity Group. No need to register. Stop in after school—snacks will be provided, but feel free to bring your own food (and games), and be able to eat in the Library!

### First Fridays! A Casual News and Views! Fri., April 6<sup>th</sup>, May 4<sup>th</sup>, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 1:00 p.m. Hosted in the Library!

Still hosted by Gerry K. Smith this group will meet monthly to discuss a host of topics! Bring your questions, your opinions and an open mind. Be informed! New members are always welcome to join in the conversation or just listen in. Registration Appreciated.

### Scrapbooking!

Friday, April  $13^{th}$  and Tuesday April  $24^{th}$ , 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m..

Come create scrapbook pages and make new friends!

### Color Me Calm: A Coloring Program for Adults! Fridays, Now through April 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Stressed? Looking for a fun, easy way to beat the winter blues after the holiday craziness? Join us for Adult Coloring! Did you know? The meditative process in coloring has proven to calm the mind, lessen anxiety and bring a sense of peace. Try it out for yourself! Coloring pages and pencils will be provided or bring your own.

### Murder by the Book! A Mystery Book Club! Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss IQ, by Joe Ide.

Books available at the library. Make new friends, discover new authors, and get a clue!

### **Betty's Book Buzz:**

### Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m.

Join Betty as she gives her opinions, (both good and bad) about A Simple Favor, by Darcey Bell. Copies of the book will be available at the library. Make new friends, meet new books!!

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### Congratulations to Team "Pond Scum"

The winners of Hampton Community Library's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Trivia Night. Pictured from left to right. Matthew and Elaine Ruzomberka, Steve and Wendy Levine, Leslie Kozler, Michele Hurst and Matt Pace.



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On March 6, 2018 at 8:02 a.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to the area of Route 8, at East Hardies Road, for a two-vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers located one vehicle still blocking the roadway. The accident occurred when the operator of one vehicle was traveling south on Route 8 and was attempting to make a left into the Sheetz parking lot. The vehicle turned in front of a vehicle traveling north on Route 8 and the two cars collided. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene.



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Cooks-N-Books:

Inspired by Food Network's 50 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 26th - Bacon!

Cooks-n-Books is a cookbook and food discussion group for people who love to cook and make new friends! No real experience or culinary expertise is needed- just a desire to share recipes and food!

We meet in Great Room A in the Hampton Community Center. Here's what to do...

- 1) Check out a cookbook or magazines from the library that has a recipe that fits the region.
- 2) Cook that dish and bring it to the group the evening of the discussion. Please bring a copy of the recipe as well
- 3) Sample all of the amazing recipes! Please note there will be a \$2.00 fee to cover the cost of supplies.

### A Plant-Based Diet What Can It Do for Me?

### Tues., May 8- 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

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### **Local Irish Dancers Perform in** Saint Patrick's Day Parade

by June Gravitte

ampton Township's Irish dancers from The Bell School of Irish Dance participated in the 2018 Pittsburgh St. Patrick's Day Parade that was held on Sat-

urday, March 17. The parade was dedicated to former Pittsburgh Steelers Chairman Dan Rooney. It is the 2nd largest St. Patrick's Day Parade in the world. Pittsburgh's very large and active Irish community comes together each year to produce a family oriented celebration of Ireland's patron Saint. Hampton Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade dancer Audrey Brienza exclaims, "It's so much fun being in the parade, especially with all of my dance friends. You get to see so many people with a lot of spirit and some pretty crazy costumes. It's so much fun because there is energy all around you."

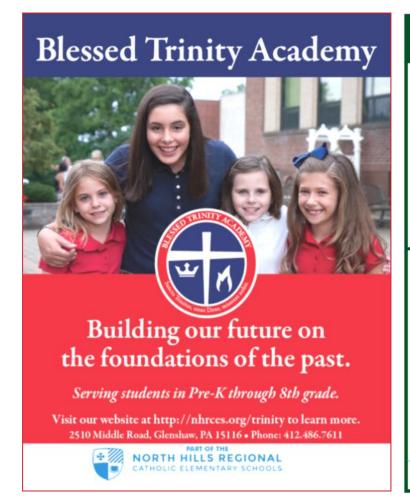
The Bell School had over 150 students dance/march in the parade and the group spanned most of an entire city block! Each time there was a pause in the forward motion of the parade the students danced. This works out to be approximately one performance per city block from 11<sup>th</sup> & Grant to the end of the Boulevard of the Allies, ending at Commonwealth Place. The dancers in the front lines of the school group dance a treble reel, a dance that is typically done in hard shoes, although the dancers on the street march in sneakers so you can't really hear the beats. You can hear them from the graduating high school

seniors who dance on the school float in the usual Irish dance jig shoes. The dancers in the second half of the school lines are newer and perform a soft shoe

High Schooler Reilly Smith states, "I look forward to the St. Patrick's Day Parade every year! It's fun to celebrate Ireland and spend time with my friends!" The school was awarded The Sara Madigan Award (Best Overall Irish Entry) of the 178 units that marched in the parade. Marching units are judged on uniforms, originality, general effect and marching skills.

Left: The Brienza family withstanding the cold temperature at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Pittsburgh. Left to right: Audrey, Karen (mom), and Rose Brienza





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### Freshmen Hart and Dietz Wrestle **In National Competition**

by June Gravitte

Hampton High School freshmen earned All-American status and went on to compete in nationals along with the top kids from all 50 states. Freshman Justin Hart took 3<sup>rd</sup> and Dawson Dietz, also a freshman, took 7<sup>th</sup>. Tyler Kocak was slated for nationals but was unable to compete due to a last minute injury. It was a 3 day competition held in Virginia March 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. Head coach Chris Hart explains, "It's the best of the best around the country!" Hart continues, "As a young team we did well. We went 20-3 with the 3



Dawson Dietz, Chris Hart and Justin Hart

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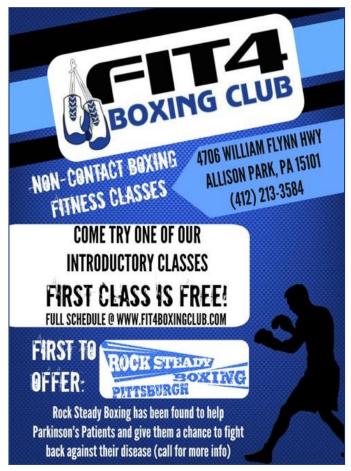


state. There are 19 kids on our roster and they practice 6 days a week, unless we compete on a Saturday. We had 5 starting freshmen that really accepted the challenge this year. 10 out of 14 quali-

> fied for the WPIAL championships with 2 ending up as state qualifiers: freshman Justin Hart and sophomore Tyler Kocak. Although they fell short of their goal of finishing on the podium, they both wrestled very well and drew a lot of experience from being there and gained something to build on."

> Coach Chris Hart, a '93 Hampton graduate, was a 3 sport athlete, playing football, baseball, and wrestling. He placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at states during his senior year. This was his first year coaching high school after spending the past 2 vears at the middle school level. Prior to that he was an assistant to Joe Bursick and coached his nephew Jake Hart (Justin's older brother) to a state title. While home from the army, Jake worked out with Justin while he was preparing for competition. Justin's goal is to beat all of his brother's records!

> The team looks forward to the off season as they head into spring and summer workouts. They are extremely motivated to keep improving.





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### **North Park Ice Skating Team**

by Marsha Turner

The North Park Ice Skating Team skated through the decades on March 5<sup>th</sup> at the North Park Ice Skating Rink. Each skate team member selected a solo and impressed the large crowd with their talent. After practicing Saturday mornings at 7 am all winter, as well as two nights weekly, they showed their skills and teamwork by participating in several group skating events.

Costumes and songs were matched to various decades and the audience enjoyed each moment as skaters skated to songs like "Rock Around the Clock," "Let's Get Physical," and "I Want to Dance with Somebody."

Skaters who took lessons at North Park were also invited to demonstrate their skating skills and also did an outstanding job. The crowd, of at least 300, loved every moment!

The North Park Skating Team consists of residents from North Allegheny, Pine Richland, Mars and Hampton. Hampton skaters include Abbey Todd, Lauren Turner and Lindsey Turner. Skating Director Allison Martorelli said, "What an amazing night! Watching all of the performances come together and seeing all the hard work pay off is refreshing. Our skaters shined throughout the entire show."

One of our 2 graduating seniors, Natalie Constantakis, said, "I love how supportive everyone is on show nights and how we all cheer for each other because it makes it so much fun."

The show is free and is held in March annually.



**Front row:** Lauren Latuszewski, Caroline Kasunich, Rachel Lannis, Ayla Chandola, Lauren Turner **2nd Row:** Abbey Todd, Sarah Tabacchi, Jenna Latuszewski, Lindsey Turner, Maddie Kasunich

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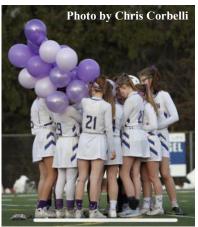


#### **Lacrosse Commemoration**

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after the holiday break that the senior girls on the Lacrosse team approached head coach, Kelsey Viets, asking what they could do as a team to honor her memory this year. The seniors this year were freshmen when Haylee was a senior and several of them were close with Haylee and her family.

Coach Viets explained, "We decided as a team that in addition to donating to a cancer research fund as a team through our Boosters, we would also dedicate our season home opener to Haylee and the Flory family. Haylee's favorite color was purple so my players wore purple ribbons in their hair in honor of Haylee, and released purple balloons during the moment of silence celebrating Haylee's life, memory and our ongoing support for her family and friends. The Mt. Lebanon Coach also had his players wear purple ribbons to commemorate our dedication which was an extremely appreciated gesture of sportsmanship." Hampton senior lacrosse player Nikita



Corbelli shares her thoughts, "I thought it was really impactful that the whole team, families, and community members could come together to celebrate her life. It was really important to play the game for her and it shows that she will always be remembered and be with us." The girls on the team shouted her player number, "18," each time before going out on the field.

Coach Viets continued, "As 2017 WPIAL Champions, I have

very high expectations of our team this year. While we came up short to AAA program Mt. Lebanon on Monday night 11-7, I have no doubt that we will be a force to be reckoned with in the AA WPIAL bracket this season. We have 6 out of 11 Varsity starters returning with significant depth on our roster and we've determined to make a name for ourselves again this season."



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### Peaceful Student Walk Out

by Gail Scott

n March 14<sup>th</sup>, students at Hampton High School peacefully walked out of class to stand in solidarity and support of the students of Parkland, Florida. The air was bitter cold and the sky was a cloudy blue as the students stood together in the grass in front of the high school. Hampton Police, school administration, and some teachers were in attendance outside the school to ensure the students' safety.

The walk-out was planned to last 17 minutes in tribute to the 17 young people

and adults who were killed in a mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fl on February 14<sup>th</sup>. Students across America walked out of their schools on March 14<sup>th</sup> to support the Florida students and to let lawmakers know that they

are going to be the generation to create change in gun control laws.

In Hampton, more than half of the students in the high school walked out while the rest of the students chose to remain in the school. The students who chose to stay in school cited different reasons such as: they didn't want to get involved in political issues, some forgot to bring a coat and didn't want to go out in the cold, while others just did not want to participate for personal reasons. The students who walked out were orderly and had a plan. Some student leaders stood on the back of a parked pick-up truck and spoke to the gathered crowd. The names were read of the 17 victims of the Florida

shooting and a brief description of each of them was told such as "he was a great trumpet player" or "she was going to attend college in the fall." It was very emotional because most of the victims were the same age as the Hampton students. One of the Hampton speakers spoke about stricter gun control laws. Another talked about being prepared so this never happens at our school. Senior Tyler Anderson was one of the speakers and said, "I am very proud of my high school for not silencing themselves and standing up for what we believe in. We are the future and we will make this world a better place, one step at a time."

Parents of the Hampton students said

they were proud and inspired by these young people as they stood in solidarity with students across America to support the Parkland students.

Additional peaceful walk-outs may take place in the future but a date is not set at this time.





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The schedule of trucks is: 4/6 Bado's Pizza 4/13 The Coop Chicken and Waffles 4/20 Pittsburgh Smokehouse 4/27 Vagabond Tacos 5/4 Franktuary 5/11 Revival Chili

St. Catherine of Sweden parish is located at 2554 Wildwood Road. For more information, contact Will Reaves at 412-486-6001 x 15.



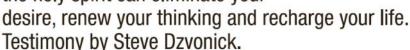
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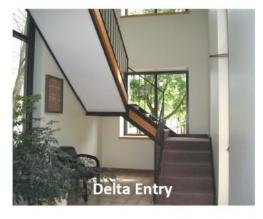
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### **Current Events**

### College Panel Scheduled

Admissions representatives from Carnegie Mellon and the University of Pittsburgh will participate in a panel discussion for 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents in the auditorium at Hampton High School on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm. This is a great opportunity to learn about high school class requirements for colleges and majors, when to start the college application process and whether to take the SAT or ACT, ideas for writing the essays for applications, how to stand out over others applying to the school, how colleges can help you figure out your major and help you get internships, and options for paying for college. Two of our guidance counselors will also participate and there will be time for questions and answers.

### "Bags, Bangles & Bows... Fabulous Purse Bash"

On Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> Saint Catherine of Sweden Parish on Wildwood Road will host their annual purse bash from 1:00 -3:30 p.m. in the church social hall. Kathy Svilar, the host of Cornerstone TV's "Sister 2 Sister" and Pittsburgh's own Shop 'n Save Lady is the emcee for this fabulous afternoon of raffles, bingo and a delicious sit-down luncheon. Designer handbags from Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Coach, Dooney and Bourke and Brahmin are raffled throughout the afternoon and two lucky guests win handbags playing "Vera Bradley Bingo". There is a bonus basket raffle, a mystery gift bag raffle and a \$500 cash prize if you purchase the winning Betsy Ann chocolate bar! In "Catherine's Closet" you will find terrific bargains on gently used handbags. The ticket price of \$40.00 per person includes lunch, two Vera Bradley Bingo cards, complimentary beverages and the chance to win a designer handbag. Tickets are available beginning April 4<sup>th</sup> through the parish office. Tables will be reserved for groups of six or more and every guest has an assigned seat. Gluten free or vegetarian diet options are available upon request.



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### **Upcoming Events**

### 11th Annual Recycle Rama

Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 12 noon at Hampton High School and Hampton Township Park (Pool Parking lot)

Event information can be found at:

http://www.ht-sd.org under Community Links and on the Hampton Township website at http://www.hampton-pa.org/275/Recycle-Rama

### Class of 1998 Reunion

The Hampton Class of 1998 20 year reunion will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at Gator's Grill from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Please contact Sarah (Komoroski) Cadarette with any questions at scadski@gmail.com. There is a facebook page created to post updates on the event and an RSVP link will soon be added.

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### **Perfection for Wright**

by Gail Scott

enior Doug Wright received a perfect score on his AP Research exam in 2017. The Hampton High School senior is one of only 176 students to receive a perfect score worldwide.

Wright received a letter from the AP College Board notifying him of his achievement but he didn't realize the depth of his accomplishment.



Initially, he even forgot to tell his mother. Last year, 6,297 students took the AP Research exam in May and only 2.79% got a perfect score.

Wright is interested in solar energy so he completed his research on the economic feasibility of converting the Hampton High School building to solar energy. He reached out to professionals in the solar energy field as well as the HTSD director of administrative services Jeff Kline. Doug used his

knowledge from his high school AP classes as well as his experiences outside of class to compile his research.

Doug wanted to do somethingthat was worthwhile with all of his research on solar energy so last summer he contacted SonLight Power in Ohio. Then, he visited Arcahaie, Haiti to install solar power systems on a medical clinic and two orphanages. In addition to his work with solar power, Doug is also on the HHS student council and he plays tennis.

### **Aguiar Returns from South Korea**

The University of Kentucky (UK) cheering squad represented the USA winter Olympics. Riley Aguiar is a sophomore at the UK and a former Hampton High School class of 2016 and was fortunate to attend and cheer at the 2018 Winter Olympics. Says Riley, "It was an amazing

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Odyssey (Continued from page 1) the grades 6-8 team from Hampton Middle School competed in the balsa building category transforming their structures into animals, feeding them, and placing weights on them until they crushed. Hampton Middle School's balsa team placed third weighing in at 140 pounds, although some of their practice structures held up to 245

pounds. Wyland Elementary's balsa team had a structure that held 145 pounds and they placed second in the elementary division. Both teams will advance to the state tournament that will be held in the Poconos on April 7<sup>th</sup> to represent our school district. This is the second year in a row that Wyland's balsa team will represent our district at the state tournament.



Left: Wyland Elementary's Balsa Team: Ashley Rothenberg, Giovanni Valenti, Teagan Turcsanyi, Coach Colleen Turcsanyi, Rosha Kazemi and James Pearl . Not pictured: Daniel Tabakov and Levi White.

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### Mercer Advances in State Spelling Bee

quinas Academy eighth grade student, Jillian Mercer, daughter of Rob and Eileen, has been notified by the National Geographic Society that she is one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 2018 Pennsylvania National Geographic State Bee. The contest will be held at The State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.



Having also won in 2015 and 2017, Jillian established herself as the only three-time Aquinas Academy geographic bee champion. Jillian faced sixth grade student, Chase Harrison, in the championship round. Harrison's second place was a repeat of his second place finish as a fourth grader in 2016.

As the school champion, Jillian then took a qualifying test, which was submitted to the National Geographic Society. The National Geographic Society

has invited up to 100 of the top-scoring students in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Department of Defense Dependents Schools and U.S. territories to compete in the State Bees. This is the third time that Jillian has qualified to compete in the State Bee.

Visit <a href="www.natgeobee.org">www.natgeobee.org</a> for more information on the National Geographic Bee.

### **Aguiar**

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experience! Representing my school is already a huge honor but representing the whole country is something I never dreamed of! When we were in South Korea performing various events and venues around South Korea and PyeongChang in hopes of proving to the world that cheerleading should get the same national recognition as other sports. We met people and made friends from Russia, Germany, Switzerland, Korea, Norway, and Canada. Knowing that USA cheerleading inspires cheerleaders from all over the world makes what we do that much more special."



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Vehicle Accident No Entrapment	6
Vehicle Accident With Entrapment	1
Wires Down / Transformer Problem	3
Total Incidents for the Month	29
Total Incidents for 2018	69

#### Noteworthy incidents and events:

- ♦ NHVFD was dispatched to assist Richland VFD with a vehicle accident with entrapment at the intersection of Rt. 8 and Ewalt Rd. Crews assisted with stabilization and removal of the driver's side of the vehicle.
- ♦ NHVFD was dispatched to multiple pumping details due to the heavy rains and flooding conditions

### Training:

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Salon 13 "Celebration of New Beginnings - Lucky Dog Benefit" is planned for April 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-5:30 PM at Salon 13. Come out and help them celebrate a new beginning at Salon 13 and provide a new beginning for some lucky dogs. The event benefits Gentle Ben's Giant Breed Rescue, a non-profit organization. Salon 13 is collecting doggie donations through the month of April. Some of the suggested donation items include XL toys, collars and leashes.

with some of Gentle Ben's adoptable dogs, basket raffles/giveaways, food for sale from Sonny's Smorgasbord Food Truck, beer tasting and live music.

Kelsey Galbraith is the owner of Salon 13. When asked where she came up with the name for her business, Kelsey responded, "Thirteen is frequently portrayed as an unlucky number in movies and books, but it's quite the opposite for my family. Since I can remember, the number 13 has continued to surface, and its recurrence has become a symbol of luck and calm. Quite simply, any time we all need luck, we place our bets on 13." Kelsey has over a decade of experience and her dream of being a salon owner is now a reality. She is extremely passionate about the hair industry and is dedicated to bringing your own kind of beautiful to life.

Salon 13 is located at 2400 Ferguson Road in Allison The event will include an opportunity to interact Park. Phone # 412-487-1313. Their website is www.salon13.net. Come out and Celebrate these New Beginnings with us!

All proceeds will help the dogs of Gentle Ben's Giant Breed Rescue find their new beginning.

All guests are encouraged to bring a donation for these lucky dogs. If you are unable to make it to the event, donations are also being collected at Salon 13 and The Village Center for Holistic Therapy from April 1st - April 30th.

Saturday, April 14th, 2018 2400 Ferguson Road, Allison Park, PA 15101

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- Basket Raffle opens 1:30 PM
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