

Brilliant Minds Amongst Us

The Hampton Township Odyssey of the Mind program participated in the Western Pennsylvania Regional Odyssey of the Mind tournament on March 6, 2021, held virtually. Students from grades K-8 from Central, Poff,

Wyland, Hampton Online Academy, Hampton Middle School, Commonwealth Charter Academy, Western Pennsylvania Montessori School, and homeschoolers participated on this year's teams.

There were two teams from grades K-

2 who participated in the non-competitive primary division, "Animals are People Too." In this problem, teams created and presented a humorous performance about a magical pair of eyeglasses that when

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Classics Team 2nd Place: Brecken Turcsanyi, Sol Ko, Ella Gannon Lavigne, Alyssa Petrovich, Nicholas Radomski, Jack Leyenaar, & Luke Grejda

The 2021 Rachel Is On!

Rachel Carson Trails Conservancy (RCTC)

Register now for the 24th Rachel Carson Trail Challenge. The Challenge will be held Saturday, June 19th, the Saturday nearest to the summer solstice, the longest day of the year. Last year, the Challenge was cancelled due to the pandemic. This year's Challenge will be held with safety procedures event organizers developed from hosting the Baker Ultra Challenge successfully and safely last August.

The Challenge is a 36-mile long, one-day,
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Organ Donor Awareness

by June Gravitte

April is Donate to Life and Organ Donor Awareness Month. Former 25-year Hampton Township residents Bill and Jackie Hutz started Team Fishguy Transplant Foundation out of the desire to give back to others. Bill is known as "The Fishguy" because of spending forty-plus years turning his hobby into a business that set up and maintained aquariums. He retired once his medical issues were too severe. Bill was extremely fortunate to have received a living donor kidney on May 31,

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A summary of noteworthy incidents that occurred are listed below. These incident statistics included, but WERE NOT LIMITED TO, the following between the dates of 2/15/2021—3/18/2021:

Hit and Run/DUI Arrest

 On February 23, 2021 at 848 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to a business on Route 8 for a hit and run accident that had occurred. The complainant advised that they were sitting in their vehicle in the parking lot when it was struck by another vehicle. The complainant then asked the other driver for their insurance information and the other driver shouted obscenities and left the scene. The complainant provided a vehicle description, as well as a registration plate for the vehicle. Police were able to intercept the vehicle in question. The operator of the actor vehicle showed visible signs of impairment and was asked to perform field sobriety tests. The operator was unable to complete these tests as had been explained and demonstrated and was subsequently placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI.

Vehicle Stop/ Drug Equipment Violation

 On February 25, 2021 at 10:30 a.m., a Hampton Township Police officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Route 8 after observing traffic violations. Upon making contact with the vehicle operator, it was discovered that the operator had a suspended driver's license. The operator was also found to be in possession of paraphernalia.

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A NOTE FROM THE HAMPTON NEWS

As *The Hampton News* continues to strive to bring you informative and interesting stories, we still need you. We welcome feedback, ideas and submissions. We are always happy to hear from you and want to help keep the neighbors connected! The deadline for submissions are on the 15th of each month.

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National Technical Honor Society

by Shawn Annarelli

Fifteen Hampton High School students have been accepted into the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) for their academic achievements in various career and technical fields.

These inductees participate in career and technical programs offered by the A.W. Beattie Career Center, which gives students hands-on, real-world experience in courses that fulfill elective credit requirements. NTHS is one of several organizations the students can join while enrolled at the career center.

The Hampton students inducted are:

Ronald Misencik, Auto Collision Technology; **Thomas Voinchet**, Ad Design; **Brock Mattiuz**, Carpentry; **Abigail Molinaro**, Culinary Arts; **Brandon Hilliard** and **Jesse Majewski**, Carpentry/Building Construction; **Jonathan Tabon**, Networking Engineering Technology; **Hailey Majetic**, Early Childhood Education; **Jacob Holt** and **Anna Topper**, Health

and Nursing Sciences; **Mark Gibson**, HVAC; **Jada Ivey** and **Haley Penley**, Pastry Arts; **Riley Isaac** and **Brandi Klutts**, Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation Therapy; **Liana Suski**, Surgical Sciences.

The NTHS describes itself as an organization that “encourages higher scholastic achievement, cultivates a desire for personal excellence, and helps top students find success in



Abigail Molinaro, Culinary Arts

today's highly competitive workplace.” Membership includes the opportunity to apply for exclusive scholarships; the organization has given out over \$2 million in scholarships to its members since 2005.

To be eligible for induction into NTHS, students must demonstrate at least a 3.0 GPA in either their overall education or within their chosen field of study.



Back L-R: Jacob Holt, Ronnie Misencik, Riley Isaac, Jesse Majewski, Brandon Hilliard, Thomas Voinchet, Mark Gibson, Brock Mattiuz
Front L-R: Brandi Klutts, Anna Topper, Liana Suski, Haley Penley, Jada Ivey.
Hailey Majetic and Jonathan Tabon were not available for photo.



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Hooray for Spring! We are very pleased to be continuing our virtual programming! See below for more details!

Please read! CLOSED!
The Hampton Community Library will be **CLOSED April 12th through the 17th for the installation of the HVAC system. NO ITEMS checked out from HCL will be due this week. There will be no fines assessed. Please do not come up to the Community Center to return items as the bookdrop and access to the bookdrop will be blocked. Thank you for your patience and understanding! Check the website or call for updates.**

On the Road: A Family Adventure.

Wednesdays Mornings @ 8am

We care about the important learning that happens through reading, writing, singing & playing. Tune in to a new adventure each week with Ms. Annie & get ready to go places, make things, think about stuff & share ideas. This will be posted on the Hampton Community Library Facebook, Instagram & Blog pages on Wednesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Now through April.

ABC Storytime

Thursdays @ 1 pm

Miss Suzy is still traveling down alphabet lane. Each week will star a different letter of the alphabet with stories, songs & smiles! Posted on the Hampton Community Library Facebook, Instagram & Blog pages on Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Now through April.

Listen Up!

Friday Afternoons @ 1 pm

Somewhere between book club, podcast & digital workshop lives an opportunity for children & youth to get inspired by a story. Each week, listen to the first chapter of a book guaranteed to light a fire in the brain.

Explore discussion questions, a journal prompt & project extension, or just check out the entire story using your library card (eBook, print book & audiobooks available.) Posted on the Hampton Community Library Facebook, Instagram & Blog pages on Friday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Now through April.

Good Night – Sleep Tight!

Sundays @ 7 pm

Sundays are a good time to relax and wind down from the weekend. Join Miss Suzy and Fluffy in your pjs and with your favorite bedtime friend for bedtime stories, songs and rhymes. Posted on the Hampton Community Library Facebook, Instagram & Blog pages on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Now through April.

Murder by the Book!

A Mystery Book Discussion

Wednesday, April 21st at 6:30 pm

Eight Perfect Murders, by Peter Swanson.

The Mystery Book Group will be meeting by ZOOM. Books will no longer be available at the circulation desk. Please call the library to request a copy of the book. Everyone who is interested in great reads is invited to join us!

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Student's Monologue a Winner at Shakespeare Contest

Kai Suyama, a sophomore at Hampton High School, was named a winner in his division of the 2021 Shakespeare Monologue & Scene Contest sponsored by Pittsburgh Public Theatre.



Suyama was one of 500 high school students that took part in the contest, and one of just 6 students in grades 9-12 that were chosen as finalists. This was his third year participating, his second as a finalist.

His winning monologue was from *Two Gentlemen of Verona* as the character of Launce. He was entered in the upper monologue division (made up of students from grades 8-12) and was one of two winners in that

group, along with Maddie Nolen from Upper St. Clair High School.

On Monday, Feb. 22, Suyama got the chance to record his monologue again in a live-streamed public showcase of all finalists.

"Kai dedicated many hours outside of school to prepare for this contest," said Dr. Melissa Survinski, Enrichment Facilitator at Hampton High School and Middle School. "He worked hard to comprehend, memorize, and perform this scene well."

The Shakespeare Monologue & Scene Contest began more than twenty years ago and has featured performances by thousands of Pittsburgh-area students. The program is dedicated to instilling a love of Shakespeare and the theater in young people.

Each winner in the contest will receive a copy of The Complete Works of Shakespeare, and a \$250 cash prize will go to the winner's school or group.



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Betty's Book Buzz Discussion Group

Friday, April 16th at 1:00 p.m.

The Chicken Runs at Midnight, by Tom Friend

Betty's Book Group will be meeting in the library, after the library closes. Books will no longer be available at the circulation desk. Please call the library to request a copy of the book. Everyone who is interested in great conversations and good reads is invited to join us!

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Organ Donor

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2018, from a selfless family member. Bill explains, "You can't take it with you when you go, so are YOU an organ donor?"

Bill's wife, Jackie, immediately set about raising funds towards Bill's transplant when he was added to the transplant list in 2015 because she learned that all was not covered by insurance. She was able to raise \$40,000. She also started putting it out there to see who might be willing and able to donate a kidney. Over the next two years, several friends and relatives attempted to donate a kidney to Bill, and it turned out that Jackie's ex-husband's sister was the perfect match!



UPMC employee Cheyenne Frappier (she traveled to Cincinnati to donate her kidney) and Jackie Hutz

Once Bill was beyond the survival mode, Jackie knew it was time to give back to others. The non-profit, Team Fishguy Transplant Foundation was created to support transplant patients, donors, and their families in conjunction with raising awareness for organ donation. Jackie also holds an advocacy position with the National Kidney Foundation's Kidney Advocacy Committee. In this position, Jackie aggressively interacts with legislators on promoting legislation beneficial to kidney patients. In addition, she works with her community to advance awareness of kidney disease. She received the 2019 Hestia Award from VOICE for her impact in the lives of others.

Most recently, the couple helped a UPMC employee become a living donor by aiding with her travel to Columbus, Ohio, the site of the donation surgery. The Foundation additionally raised more than \$9,000 through a highly successful Purse Bash, held at the Starlight Drive-In on February 27, 2021.

The link to register to become an organ donor is

<https://www.core.org/register/>.

The link to donate or help with Team Fishguy Transplant Foundation is <https://www.teamfishguy.com/index.html>.

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Congratulations to Central Elementary 5th grader, Mia Veverka! Mia's entry won the Venture Outdoors Youth Logo contest and she was granted a \$500 scholarship! Her logo was selected out of over 50 youth entries. Mia enjoys going on hikes with her siblings. Logo pictured above.

D-Day Story Masterfully Recreated

By Gail Scott

Alex Haas, a junior at Hampton High School, has created a history project titled "D-Day: How Communication and Misinformation were the keys to an Allied Success." The project includes a large scale model and a poster.

Alex came up with the idea for the project last summer. He said, "Because I have aspirations of being in the military, I knew that I wanted to create something that related to the military. I



Alex Haas

decided that there was no better subject to make a project in honor of the military than D-Day." Alex created a poster and a model that includes the USS Texas, which was a battleship that was at Omaha Beach and Pointe Du Hoc during D-Day. The ship provided gun support for the soldiers by firing at fortified locations, allowing the soldiers to press forward on the heavily fortified beaches. The battleship model took him 20 hours to build and the whole project took over 3 1/2 months to complete.

The poster illustrates the communication during D-Day including the signal lamps used and communications between soldiers and the battleships. The poster also talks about the misinformation and trickery that the Allies used to convince the Germans of an attack elsewhere.

The exhibit is currently at Hampton High School on display in Mr. Green's room. Alex has no plans on moving it and he hopes it can

benefit students and allow them to learn from it. The timing of the project is perfect because Mr. Greens' history class is currently studying D-Day.

The Heinz History Center runs a local history competition and Alex submitted his project virtually. Alex said, "Now that I am done, I can step back and say that I am proud of what I created. I accomplished something that I did not believe I could actually do. And after all of the hard work, I realized that win or lose, I am just happy that I was able to create the D-Day exhibit."



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HHS Team Wins WPIAL Title

WPIAL's for high school swimming and diving meet took place at Upper St. Clair High School on March 6 and Hampton won their first WPIAL Title in 22 years! The 200 medley relay team of Ben Sheets, Ethan Apaliski, Will Retsch and Richie Donato took first place with a time of 1:36.11, that broke the WPIAL record and set a new school record!

Senior Richie Donato took 2nd place and set a new school record in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 58.22. Ethan Apaliski placed 10th

and Zach Sutterlin placed 13th. Junior Will Retsch won 1st place in the 200 Individual Medley with a time of 1:54.79. Donato placed 3rd and Sheets placed 7th. In the backstroke Retsch placed 14th, Sheets placed 5th and Michael Belch placed 14th.

The foursome made up of Davis Gindlesperger, Sheets, Donato and Retsch took third place in the 400-freestyle relay with a time of 3:16.35. The 200 free relay with Vitaliy Pikalo, Gindlesperger, Sutterlin, and Apaliski

finished 10th. Sophomore Koda Carlsaw placed third in diving.

March 19, they were off to the states at Cumberland Valley High School. Once again, this team did a fabulous job with Donato placing 2nd in breaststroke with a new school record of 58.03. He was less than a quarter of a second behind the 1st place winner. Retsch placed 3rd and Donato placed 8th in the 200 Individual Medley. Apaliski placed 7th in the 100 breaststroke. The 200 medley relay team of Sheets,

Apaliski, Retsch, and Donato placed 3rd with a time of 1:36.02 reaching another new school record! The 400 free-style relay team of Sheets, Gindlesperger, Donato, Retsch and alternate Michael Belch placed 6th. Will Retsch placed 12th and Ben Sheets 13th in backstroke.



Left: Swimmers with coach Morgan Zwegardt at states. Right: swimmers at WPIAL's

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Congratulations to Blessed Trinity Academy's JV Basketball team on winning the Diocesan Championship on March 17. They played Ave Maria Academy and were able to win after being down almost the entire game. This is the school's 13th Diocesan Championship. Front Row: left to right Tommy Rottmann, Bailey Donahue, Will Waskiewicz, Mason Cheeks, Jude Caligiuri Second row left to right: Paul Evans, Francesco Tolomeo, Joey Culleiton, Dylan Murray, Haylan Haught. Missing: Jacob Bridgeman.

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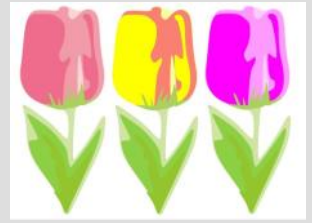
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Trio of Students Named as National Merit Finalists

Three Hampton High School students have been selected as finalists for National Merit Scholarship awards in 2021.

Teja Chaparala, Dylan Mitchell, and Aidan Sawyer are among 15,000 students across the country who are finalists for these prestigious awards. Of

these, around 7,500 will be selected and announced as scholarship winners beginning in March.

Finalists are chosen from 50,000 students with the highest scores on the PSAT/NMSQT Selection Index. Students must meet several requirements in order to qualify as finalists, including demonstration of high academic performance throughout their time in high school, and plans to attend college full-time in the fall of 2021. A Certificate of Merit will be presented to each student in recognition of their achievement.



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Aidan Sawyer

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February 2021, Chief Piovesan's Monthly Report

Assist EMS	1
CO Alarm	1
Commercial Fire Alarm	6
Commercial Structure Fire	1
Flooding Detail	2
Gas Leak	2
Odor / Smell of Burning	3
Residential Fire Alarm	5
Residential Structure Fire	2
Vehicle Accident No Entrapment	6
Vehicle into Structure	1
Vehicle Fire	2
Wires down or on Fire	2

Total Incidents for the Month

34

Total Incidents for 2021

64

Noteworthy incidents and events:

- NHVFD responded to mile marker 43.7 EB on the Pennsylvania Turnpike for a report of a tractor trailer on fire. Crews arrived to find the rear wheels of the trailer were on fire and had detached from the trailer. Crews extinguished the fire and checked the trailer to ensure there was no extension.
- NHVFD responded as second alarm to a residential structure fire on Windmill Lane in McCandless. Crews assisted with salvage and overhaul.
- NHVFD responded to Kramer Rd in Richland for smoke in the area. 165 Chief and Captain arrived on scene to find a commercial structure fire and immediately upgraded the assignment. Crew were able to find the fire in an HVAC unit and were able to contain the fire quickly. Minimal damage was done to the structure.

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Local Students Compete Well in State Trades Competition



A.W. Beattie Career Center had 23 students compete virtually in SkillsUSA Pennsylvania, which is part of a national student organization that develops leadership skills to complement what students learn in career and technical education programs.

“Instead of playing soccer or football, these are our competitions,” A.W. Beattie SkillsUSA advisor Mrs. Heather Brown said. “We are competing to be the best in advertising design, carpentry, medicine, cosmetology, emergency response and so many other categories. Plus, students are showing pride in

what they are learning.”

Students qualified for the state competition in one of two ways – by winning a district level virtual competition or qualifying in school. Students from nine local career and technical education schools entered the district-level event.



B. Deah



John Rizzo

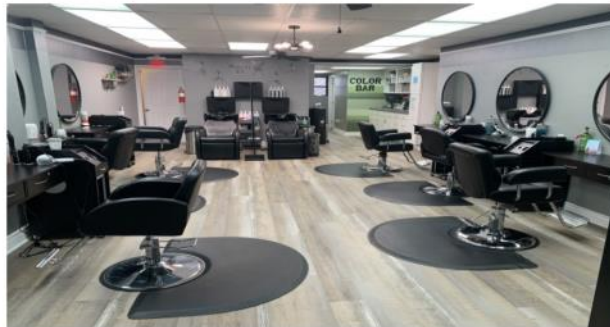
State-level competitions will be held virtually from March 29 through April 9. Hampton students who placed in the SkillsUSA competition are: Hailey Majetic in Early Childhood Education—2nd Place; John Rizzo in Electrical

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Pennsylvania House of Representatives

State Representative Lori Mizgorski will host a free off-site mobile paper shredding event on Saturday, May 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The event will take place at the Hampton Community



Park located 3101 McCully Road, Allison Park, PA 15101. Limit 2 bags or boxes.

In the interest of public health, walk-in service at Rep. Mizgorski's District Office is BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Rep. Mizgorski's staff continues to provide help by phone or online for state government related matters. To make an appointment for services that can only be handled in person, please call 412-487-6605.

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More Current Events



Here Comes the Easter Bunny Hopping Around Hampton Park!

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Thank you to the Hampton & North Hampton Fire Departments for joining the Easter Bunny this day!

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Upcoming Events

Flowers and Fun Bloom at Shaler Plant Sale

Shake off your quarantine blues by heading to Shaler Garden Club's 67th annual plant sale on Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at Kiwanis Park on Wetzell Road, Glenshaw. Hardy perennials from members' gardens will be offered at bargain prices, along with herbs, vegetables, houseplants, potted arrangements and bulbs. A basket auction will add to the festivities. Come rain or shine. Proceeds benefit community projects and philanthropic donations of the Shaler Garden Club. For public safety, all patrons and volunteers will be required to wear face masks and practice social distancing. For more information or any updates about the status of the event, go to www.shalergardenclub.com.

Hampton Band Spring Extravaganza

Saturday, May 8, 2021, 10 am-3pm
Hampton High School
Please join us for a fun day of activities including 80+ vendors, bake and plant sales, food trucks, scavenger hunt, dunk tank, and Amish donuts!

Best Buddies Friendship Walk

Saturday, May 22, 2021 (time TBD) Be awesome and support Best Buddies! Support the Hampton High School team as they participate virtually in the Best Buddies Friendship Walk.

2021 Pool Information

Opening day for the 2021 Outdoor Hampton Pool season will be Memorial Day weekend! The hours for the outdoor pool will be Monday-Sunday 11 am—7 pm. The operating hours of the pool are subject to change without notice due to staffing, inclement weather, or any other unforeseen circumstances. Regular membership rate begins April 1st. If you have questions, call 412-487-7870. Visit www.hampton-pa.org for pool pass information.

See PIPPIN Live at the High School Auditorium

by Gail Scott

Pippin will debut this spring as the Hampton High School Musical for 2021, performed by the Hampton Drama Club. There will be in-person viewing with limited seating in the Hampton High School auditorium. Dates for the show are May 27, 28, 29 and June 3 & 5 with an additional matinee performance on June 5 at 2pm. The curtain time is 7:30 pm for all shows except the matinee. The tickets are \$12 and will be available on the Hampton School District website in mid-May. The school will be following all current state COVID-19 guidelines that are in place at the time of the performance. Make plans to come out and see *Pippin* this spring!

Food Vendors Needed for Farmer's Market

The Township of Hampton is accepting applications from food vendors for the Farmers Market which is scheduled to begin June 2, 2021. The market, which will take place in the Community Park in Hampton Township, and will operate weekly on Wednesdays from 3 to 7 pm. The market is a rain or shine event that continues through October 13, 2021. Interested vendors can obtain an application on the website www.hampton-pa.org (Farmer's Market page) or by emailing Bill Ryder at bill.ryder@hampton-pa.org.

Rachel Carson (Continued from page 1)
sunrise to sunset endurance hike on nearly the entire rugged Rachel Carson Trail. Unlike a footrace, the "challenge" is not to win, but to endure, to finish the hike in one day. This year, the Challenge starts in Harrison Hills Park at sunrise and ends 36 miles later in North Park. The deadline for finishing is sunset, 8:54 PM or 15 hours 4 minutes (the length of daylight on the longest day of the year) for the entire Challenge.

For those who may find 36 miles too daunting, the RCTC offers two shorter events that same day. The first is the **Homestead Challenge**, an 18-mile hike that starts near the Rachel Carson Homestead. The second is a 7-

mile **Friends and Family Challenge** beginning at Hartwood Acres Park. All events finish in North Park.

Over 600 brave souls take on the Challenge each year, with over 300 participating in the Homestead and 50 groups of five taking part in the Friends & Family. For more information visit: www.rachelcarsontrails.org/.

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The contest runs until May 10, when contestants must submit a PowerPoint presentation to My 4-Year Plan. Contestants will compete later in May before a panel of local business professionals, at which time the winner will be announced.

“The goal of the contest is to encourage young entrepreneurship,” says Cathy Lueers, owner of My 4-Year Plan. “Hampton students are creative achievers and being able to both kick-start a business while in high school and enhance their positioning to competitive colleges through their entry in a contest at this level has the potential to serve a dynamic two-fold purpose.”

Business ideas will include a description of the product or service and how it meets the needs of future users, a timeline for implementation, and a marketing outline.

For full contest rules, contestants should visit:

www.my4yearplan.com. You may also call My 4-Year Plan at 412.720.9802.



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Police Log

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Vehicle Accident/ DUI Arrest

On March 17, 2021 at 2:17 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Wildwood Road, at West Hardies Road, for a report of a vehicle accident. Upon the responding officer's arrival, they located two vehicles in the middle of the intersection. Both vehicles were observed to have significant damage as a result of the crash. The accident was said to have occurred when the operator of one vehicle was traveling west on Wildwood Road, and was proceeding straight through the intersection during a steady green light. The operator of the second vehicle was traveling east on Wildwood Road and attempted to turn left onto West Hardies Road directly in front of the oncoming vehicle, which resulted in the collision. The responding officer observed that one of the drivers displayed visible signs of impairment. After investigating the accident, the operator of one vehicle was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene due to severe damage.

DUI

On February 21, 2021 at 4:16 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Route 8 for a report of a possible intoxicated driver. The reporting party advised dispatchers that the vehicle in question had a flat tire and was driving on the rim of the tire. They also advised that the vehicle was swerving all over the roadway, struck the curb multiple times, and nearly struck multiple utility poles. A Hampton Township officer intercepted the vehicle on Route 8, and upon making contact with the vehicle operator observed visible signs of impairment. The operator submitted to field sobriety tests, which they were unable to complete as had been explained and demonstrated. The operator was subsequently arrested for suspicion of DUI. The operator was also found to be in possession of illegal substances.

On 3/13/2021 at 1:24 a.m., a Hampton Township officer was on patrol on Route 8 when they observed a vehicle strike a curb. A traffic stop was initiated on the vehicle, and upon speaking with the driver, the officer observed multiple signs of impairment. The operator was asked to submit to field sobriety tests, which they were unable to complete. The operator was found to have open alcoholic containers within the vehicle and was found to be in possession of an illegal substance.

Vehicle Fire

On February 20, 2021 at 1:39 p.m., Hampton Township Police and Fire Departments were dis-

patched to Route 8 for a report of a vehicle that was said to be on fire and filling with smoke. When first responders arrived on scene it was discovered that there was no active fire the vehicle was found to be smoking. All occupants were out of the vehicle. The vehicle was removed by a private tow company.

Vehicle Accident

On February 17, 2021 at 3:19 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Route 8, near Craighead Road, for a two-vehicle accident. The two involved vehicles were found to be blocking one lane of travel on Route 8. The accident was said to have occurred when one vehicle, which was traveling in the southbound passing lane of Route 8, was coming to a stop due to a line of vehicles ahead that were stopped and waiting for a vehicle to turn left onto McCully Road. The other involved vehicle failed to stop in time and struck the rear of the slowing vehicle. One vehicle had to be towed from the scene due to extensive damage and one operator was transported to the hospital.

On March 3, 2021 at 2:55 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to the area of Hemlock Drive, near Big Rock Road, for a two-vehicle head-on collision. Both involved vehicles were still in the roadway upon the arrival of first respond-

ers. Both vehicles had sustained heavy damage as a result of the collision. One operator was found to be entrapped within their vehicle. The accident was said to have occurred when one vehicle failed to negotiate a bend in the roadway, entered the oncoming lane and struck the front of the other vehicle head-on. The operator of one vehicle had to be extricated and was transported to the hospital. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene due to extensive damage.

On March 5, 2021 at 3:32 a.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Wildwood Road for a single vehicle accident involving a utility pole. Upon the responding officer's arrival, they located a vehicle that had collided with a utility pole, which had completely sheared the pole in half. The pole was found to be hanging by the utility wires. Duquesne Light Company was requested to respond to the scene. The operator of the vehicle stated that they had fallen asleep at the wheel, resulting in the collision. The operator was transported to the hospital and the vehicle was towed.

On March 16, 2021 at 5:12 p.m., a Hampton Township officer came across a three-vehicle accident that had just occurred on Route 8. Two of the involved drivers complained of injury and were transported to the hospital. Two of the three vehicles


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Police Log

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had to be towed from the scene due to extensive damage. The accident was said to have occurred when one driver, who claimed to be distracted by another individual in the vehicle, failed to stop their car in time for a line of traffic that was stopped in the southbound passing lane of Route 8. The vehicles were stopped waiting for a car to turn left onto McCully Road. The operator was unable to stop in time and struck another vehicle from behind, which then was pushed into the rear of a third vehicle that was stopped ahead.

 On March 18, 2021 at 6:25 a.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Middle Road at East Hardies Road, for a disabled vehicle. Upon their arrival, officers located a vehicle off of the left side of the road into a storm drain. The driver stated that they were traveling north on Middle Road and became disoriented by the bright headlights of a large truck that was approaching in the oncoming lane. This caused the driver to attempt the left turn onto East Hardies Road too early, resulting in the vehicle going off the side of the road and into the storm drain. The vehicle had to be removed from its position by a tow truck.


Animal Complaint

 On 3/12/2021 at 3:28 a.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to West Bardonnor Road, near Field Acres Drive, for a report of a dog that had been barking in the area for a long period of time. Upon the officer's arrival, they could hear a dog barking from a wooded area. Upon following the sound, the officer and a good Samaritan located a small black dog that was stuck in a creek under some branches. They were able to free the dog and found that it was a dog that had been reported missing. The dog was reunited with its owners.

Open Burning

 On 3/10/2021 at 5:20 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Mount Royal Boulevard for a complaint regarding a large recreational fire. The responding officers located the fire and found that it was in violation of the township ordinance. The home owner corrected the issue. For information regarding the township burning ordinance, visit the Hampton Township web site and/or utilize the following link: [Township of Hampton, PA Open Burning Regulations \(ecode360.com\)](https://www.townshipofhamptonpa.com/open-burning-regulations)

Water Main Break

 On February 28, 2021 at 4:48 a.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to the area of Rothschild Court for a report of a water main break. The responding officer observed large amounts of water flowing across the roadway and notified Hampton Shaler Water Authority. end

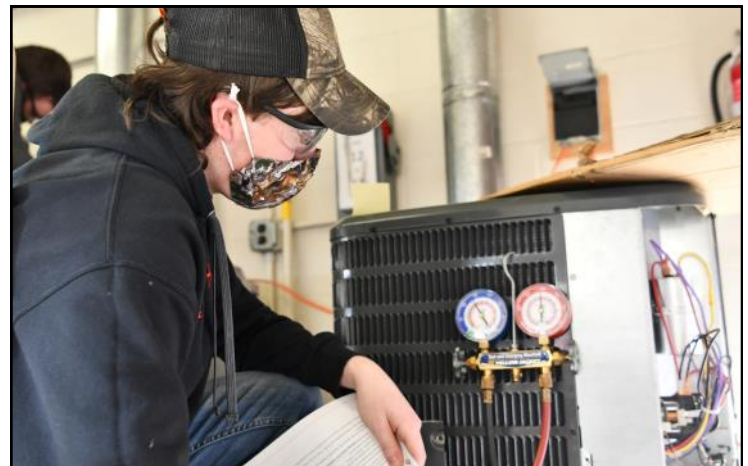
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looked through, made people look like animals. Teams designed a costume that transformed a character's appearance from human to an animal, and another costume that transformed an animal to a different animal. These students were: Lincoln Boslau, Kensley Cottrell, Charles Graham, Elizabeth Graham, Jane Graham, Charlotte Hamberg, Nikitha Kota, Kieran Li, Abigail Melnick, Jonathan Radomski, Anthony Schott, and Claire Veldkamp.

A team with students in grades 3-4 from Central, Poff, Wyland and Homeschool competed in the technical problem category, "Virtual Odyssey," where teams created a Virtual Reality World. As part of the world, they designed and built various technical effects, which included changing something that is two-dimensional into three-dimensional. This team earned 3rd place in the virtual Division I category. These students were: Anastasia Hoy, Kylie John, Gwen Okerberg, Gabe Sand, Adelaide Smith, Anthony Sovek, and Abram Veldkamp.

A team with students in grades 3-5 from Wyland Elementary and Charter Commonwealth Academy competed in the classics problem category, "OMER and the Beanstalk" where teams had to bring classic children's stories to life and create a mystical storybook land at the end of the beanstalk that teaches a character an important life lesson. Teams used ARM & HAMMER Baking Soda (a generous Odyssey sponsor) to create works of

team-created superhero is in peril and needs help to escape through the use of a pair of Super Socks that give the hero a special power that they use to fend off the adversary who caused the cliffhanger situation. The team had to create and incorporate an extreme weather setting, a humorous character,



Zoom photo: Hampton Middle School Balsa team:
 Top left: Claire Hukriede, Top center: Teagan Turcsanyi, Top right: Giovanni Valenti, Middle left: Isabel Romul, Middle center: Braden Krysinski, Middle right: Ashley Rothenberg, Bottom center: Joseph Petrovich



Wyland Balsa Team: L to R: Jack Miller, Carson Krysinski, Aiden Rauso, Saffron Rose and Emily Krysinski

art relating to the stories in the team's storybook land. This team earned 2nd place in the Virtual Division I category and are pictured on the cover of this issue.

A team with students in grades 3-5 from Central and Poff Elementary Schools competed in the performance problem category, "Superhero Socks: A Cliffhanger Beginning". Teams had to create a story that begins with a cliffhanger ending. Their

and a creative sound effect that occurs whenever the character activates the Super Socks in the performance. This team earned 2nd place in the virtual Division I category. These students were: Dorothy Bennett, Adrien Duarte, Lily Ippolito, Hailey Jacobs, Anna Kavic, and Benjamin Lin.

A team with students in grades 3-5 from Wyland Elementary competed in the balsa problem category, "It's A Trap!" Teams designed and built a structure made of only balsa wood and glue to hold as much weight as possible after it was used to trap a moving object. In addition to the balsa structure, the team's performance had to include a character that obviously avoids several team-made traps. This team's balsa structure held 181 pounds before being crushed and they earned 1st place in the in-person Division I category. These students were: Carson Krysinski, Emily Krysinski, Jack Miller, Aiden Rauso, and Saffron Rose.

A team with students in grades 6-8 from Hampton Middle School and Commonwealth Charter Academy also competed in the balsa problem category, "It's A Trap!" Their balsa structure held 723 pounds, a Hampton record, and the team earned 1st place in the in-person Division II category. These students were: Claire Hukriede, Braden Krysinski, Joseph Petrovich, Isabel Romul, Ashley Rothenberg, Teagan Turcsanyi, and Giovanni Valenti.



Superhero Socks Team: Left to right: Anna Kavic, Dorothy Bennett, Hailey Jacobs, Benjami Lin, Adrien Duarte, Lilly Ippolito

Four Hampton teams will be competing virtually in the PA state tournament on April 10, 2021 with a chance to advance to the World Finals. For more information about the Hampton Township Odyssey of the Mind program, please visit the website at <https://htsdodysseyofthemind.weebly.com/> or contact HTSDOotM@gmail.com.



JUDGE TOM SWAN

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Judge Tom Swan is running for reelection as Magisterial District Judge for the townships of Hampton, Richland and West Deer. Judge Swan has served in this role since 2016 and has built a record of fairness and commitment to the community.

While serving as a District Judge, Judge Swan has presided over 27,000 civil and criminal cases. He has protected the well-being of domestic violence victims by granting more than 750 Emergency Protection from Abuse Orders. Judge Swan has made the Court more accessible to the public by re-instituting evening hours for traffic hearings and other Court business. He has performed marriages for more than 300 people and sponsored car seat distribution events with local EMS departments at no charge to families.



Judge Tom Swan

With over three decades of legal experience, he worked for 27 years at the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office as a Deputy District Attorney. In this role, Judge Swan gained over 6000 hours of courtroom experience and prosecuted thousands of criminals for homicide, robbery and numerous other crimes. He has also worked as an adjunct professor at the University of Pittsburgh in the administration of justice program.

Judge Swan currently serves on the board of directors for the Pine Richland Youth Center and on the Pennsylvania Mental Health and Justice Advisory Committee. Additionally, he has served on the boards of the Autism Center of Pittsburgh, The Alliance for Safe & Drug Free Schools, the Crime Prevention Association of Western Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania Homeland Security Advisory Committee. Judge Swan has received the William Moore Award for Excellence in the Field of Law Enforcement and the President's Award from the Crime Prevention Association of Pennsylvania.



Judge Swan and his family

Judge Swan earned his Bachelor of Science, *Cum Laude*, from The American University in 1980 and a *Juris Doctor* from Ohio Northern University School of Law in 1984.

Judge Swan has resided in Richland for more than 28 years with his wife, Jaclynn. Together, they have three children, Kevin, Grant and Caroline. He is deeply involved in the community in a variety of capacities. Judge Swan has been an instructor for the Hampton Citizens Police Academy and the UPMC Passavant Hospital ER nursing staff. His volunteer work includes Richland and Hampton community clean-up events, the North Hills Community Outreach foodbank; coaching youth basketball and soccer, and as a hospice volunteer at Saint Barnabas.

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Annual Healthy Kids Day

Local nonprofit partners with local parks to offer a family scavenger hunt

In an effort to provide an outlet for Pittsburghers to stay active, healthy and safe with COVID-19 restrictions still in place, the YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh will launch a series of physically distanced activities for the 29th annual celebration of Healthy Kids Day.

[Healthy Kids Day](#), the Y's national initiative to improve health and well-being for kids and families, is designed to encourage families to take a moment to help kids be kids. Prior to the pandemic, the day-long event featured activities such as games, healthy cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts and competitions to motivate and teach families how to develop and maintain healthy routines.

This year, the YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh will host a series of events throughout April and May available to YMCA members and non-members.

Family Scavenger Hunt: April 1 – April 30

From April 1 through April 30, individuals and families are invited to participate in a family scavenger hunt. The scavenger hunt will take place via a virtual scoring system that families can take with them on their phones to the contributing parks to complete tasks such as finding landmarks within the park, completing activities, answering questions, taking photos of wildlife, and so much more.

Families can complete one park for fun or attempt to complete them all for a chance to win the ultimate prize pack including a free one-year family membership to any YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh location, a free week for a child at a YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh Day Camp, one free fall Guides and Princesses Campout for a father and son or father and daughter, pool passes from the parks and other YMCA merchandise. Other chances for bonus points and prizes will be offered as well.

Scavenger Hunt Park Locations:

- **North Park** — 303 Pearce Mill Rd, Allison Park, PA 15101
- **South Park** — 3730 Buffalo Dr, South Park Township, PA
- **Settlers Cabin Park** — 608 Ridge Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15205
- **Allegheny Park** — 810 Arch St, Pittsburgh, PA 15212
- **Sampson Family YMCA Park** — 2200 Golden Mile Hwy, PGH
- **Avonworth Park** — 498 Camp Horne Rd, Pittsburgh, PA

To register for the YMCA's scavenger hunt, visit www.pittsburghymca.org/scavengerhunt.

Healthy Kids Week: May 3 – May 8

For those that participate in the scavenger hunt, they will be invited to enjoy a free week at any YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh location from May 3 through May 8 to celebrate Healthy Kids Week. Activities will include yoga, activities in the basketball courts, camp crafts and more.

Healthy Kids Week Locations

- **Allegheny YMCA** — 600 W North Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212
- **Baierl Family YMCA** — 2565 Nicholson Rd, Sewickley
- **Sampson Family YMCA** — 2200 Golden Mile Hwy, PGH
- **Spencer Family YMCA** — 305 Church Rd, Bethel Park, PA
- **Thelma Lovette YMCA** — 2114 Centre Ave, Pittsburgh, PA

Following a year of social distancing, virtual schooling, mask wearing and endless hours of screen time, the Y's 2021 scavenger hunt and Healthy Kids Day is a reminder to families that we can help ensure all children have access to fun and healthy activities in order to reach their full potential, even during out-of-school time.

"As adults, we know that 2020 was difficult on so many levels—it's important to remind ourselves that as much as we try to protect our kids from worry, they faced many of those same difficulties," says Todd Brinkman, vice president of youth development, YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh. "As communities continue to reopen, the Y is here for families, helping kids recover both physically and mentally from a stress-filled year. When a child is healthy, happy and supported, they can make great things happen."

About the Y

The Y is the nation's leading nonprofit committed to strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Our mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. [The YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh](#) is a 501c(3) charitable organization committed to closing the achievement gap, eliminating health disparities and providing aid to financially struggling families throughout the greater Pittsburgh region. Our Y serves more than 80,000 individuals each year and provides nearly \$1.5 million dollars in membership subsidies to individuals and families. Every day, the Y works side by side with people of all faiths and beliefs to ensure that everyone regardless of age, income or background has the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive.



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HHS Student Council held a Neighbor-to-Neighbor food drive. Students collected non-perishable items then offered the items to residents in need. The remaining food was delivered to the North Hills Community Outreach.

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Central Primary Team: Back L-R: Kieran Li, Abigail Melnick, Lincoln Boslau, Kensley Cottrell
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