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Cheer Team Goes to Nationals

by Gail Scott

The Hampton High School Competitive Cheerleading team is having a great year. They competed in the PIAA Competitive Spirit Championships in Hershey on January 19th -20th and placed 4th out of 43 teams in the

small varsity division, thus qualifying for Nationals in February. Earlier in January, the team competed in the WPIALs at Hempfield High School. This year the cheerleading team received 2nd place in the small varsity division.

There are 14 girls on the team who competed at Hershey. They are seniors Elyssa Evans, Vienna Howat, Olivia Berarducci and Addison Rutkowski; juniors Brooke Weeks, Casey Lux, Jordan McMill-

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Cheering Team: *front:* Olivia Berarducci, Ryan D'Amico, Ashley Berg, Amber Milchak, Rhiannon Rutkowski, Elyssa Evans. *back:* Jaidyn Lange, Brooke Weeks, Jordan Fink, Addison Rutkowski, Coach Amanda Kerestes, Casey Lux, Vienna Howat, Grace Claus, Jordan McMillen

Ice Hockey

by June Gravitte

"Fire and Ice" is how the season is going for Hampton High School's Varsity Hockey Team. Coach Dave Anderson explains, "Looking at our season as a whole, we've had some success but aren't there yet. We are in a good position to make a push for a state championship." Board President Dave Andrews also believes this may be the year they make it past the first rounds in the playoff

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Citizen Police Academy

By Gail Scott

The Hampton Township Police Department is offering a new program to qualified residents the first annual Hampton Township Citizens Police Academy. The program is designed to give the average citizen a better understanding of the criminal justice system, particularly, the role police officers play in the community. Throughout the academy, students are presented information on several key law enforcement topics. Such topics may include police academy training, crime and vehicle codes, narcotics investigations, the role of the court system, use of force issues, evidence collection, and much more.

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He is committed to improving the community through a variety of endeavors including board and organization memberships, church activities and youth sports. Jeremy is an avid outdoor enthusiast, and resides with his wife of 14 years and five children in Ross Township.

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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 December 12th 2017— January 14th, 2018:

DUI/Drug Arrest

 On December 12, 2017 at 9:34 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Mount Royal Boulevard after observing that the vehicle had an expired registration. Upon speaking with the operator, the officer detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the vehicle. The operator was asked to perform a series of field sobriety tests, which they were unable to complete as had been explained and demonstrated. The driver was subsequently placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI.

 On December 20, 2017 at 9:06 p.m., an officer began following a vehicle on Wildwood Road Extension. During the time the officer was behind the vehicle, it failed to maintain a lane of travel on multiple occasions. A traffic stop was initiated on Middle Road, and upon approaching the driver, the officer detected the strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the vehicle. The operator had slurred speech and red bloodshot eyes. The operator was asked to submit to field sobriety tests, which were unable to be completed as had been explained and demonstrated. The operator was subsequently placed under arrest for DUI.

 On December 26, 2017 at 5:01 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Route 8 after observing a vehicle equipment violation. Upon contacting the vehicle occupants, the operator was found to have an active arrest warrant. Another passenger provided a false name and date of birth. During the traffic stop, the officer located drugs and paraphernalia.

 On December 29, 2017 at 3:34 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Route 8 after observing multiple traffic violations. Upon approaching the vehicle, the officer detected a strong odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. The driver was found to have a suspended driver's license and was found to be in possession of drugs and paraphernalia. The operator was asked to submit to field sobri-

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Kindergarten Registration Dates Set for Hampton Township School District

The 2018-2019 registration for Kindergarten and any Grade One students new to Hampton Schools will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. as follows:

Central Elementary: Tues., Feb. 6th, 2018
Wyland Elementary: Wed., Feb. 7th, 2018
Poff Elementary: Thurs., Feb. 8th, 2018

Children ready to enter Kindergarten should be 5 years old by August 15th, 2018. First graders should be 6 years old by August 15th, 2018. A birth certificate or other acceptable evidence of birth and proof of Hampton residency (closing papers, lease agreement, rent receipt or residency form and utility bill, cable bill, paid wage tax receipt, guardianship form, or court order) are necessary before



Speak with Hal One-On-One Meetings

Residents in the 30th Legislative District will have the opportunity for a one-on-one meeting with Rep. English. If you would like to share your concerns or ideas with Rep. English he will be available at the following locations scheduled for January, February and March.

FEBRUARY

Thursday, February 1

8:00 -10:00 a.m. at O'Hara Township Municipal Building
325 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh
5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Northern Tier Community Library

Saturday, February 3

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Hampton Community Center
1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Shaler North Hills Library

Thursday, February 22

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Cooper-Siegel Community Library
5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Shaler North Hills Library

Friday, February 23

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. at Northern Tier Community Library
3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Hampton Community Center

MARCH

Thursday, March 8

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Shaler North Hills Library
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Northern Tier Community Library

Saturday, March 10

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. at Hampton Community Center

Thursday, March 22

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Northern Tier Community Library
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Shaler North Hills Library

Friday, March 23

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at Hampton Community Center
1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Cooper-Siegel Community Library

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children can be enrolled. Proof of immunization is necessary as well.

Parents of those who do not meet the above-mentioned age requirements may register children, but must also submit a written request for early admission to the building principal by April 15th, 2018. This request should state reasons why early admission to school is appropriate for the child and may also include information and test

data from the school(s) he or she may have attended previously. Admission will be based upon the recommendation of the Instructional Support Team of the school in which the student seeks enrollment and the authorization of the Principal and Superintendent. Registration packets are available on the District website at www.ht-sd.org/District/MovingHampton/EnrollingNewStudents.

Blessed Trinity Class Helps Community

The holiday season was a great time to give back to local communities and Mrs. Mitchell's 5th grade class at Blessed Trinity Academy made it their goal to make a significant impact.

Throughout the month of December, they took on two big service projects. The first project was through Project Star. Project Star is run through the Children's Institute and helps foster children find permanent homes. Mrs. Mitchell's class sponsored a 13 year old boy, who provided the class with a "wish list of items." Through the generosity of the class families, most of the items were donated in addition to another \$200. Mrs. Mitchell took 9 students to Wal-Mart and they were able to purchase the remaining items PLUS enough to sponsor two other teenagers who were also in the program.

The second project the 5th grade worked on was the donation of 25 blessing bags to the homeless at the Light of Life Rescue Mission in the Northside. With the help of Patricia Caplan, a class parent, they assembled bags with items the students donated such as hats, gloves, socks, snacks, toothbrushes, chapstick, gum and gift cards. Each student wrote a special, uplifting note which was included as well. Both projects made a big impact on the community as well as on the class!



Pictured above

Left to Right front Row:

Alexandra Meier, Em-malyn Blackburn, Isabelle Lukitch, Anthony Zattola, Marco Napolitano.

Left to right 2nd row:

Dante Palmer, Madison Bradley, Hannah Sahr, Christopher Nolder, Nolan Thiel, Mariah Fugh, Grace Melocchi, Shayla Thimons, Donnie Schubert, Joseph Waskiewicz.

Left to right 3 row:

Nadia Pace-Snoderly, Michael Bridgeman, Sophia Neelan, Zachary Caplan, Sam McGowan, Maia Hauser, Calvin Vento.

Missing: Ryan Tatar, Abby David, and Akeelah Rooke




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Distinguished Alumni Award

The Hampton High School Student Council is accepting nominations for the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award.

Nominees must be a Hampton High School alumnus who has served as an inspiration in their community, the workforce or the private sector. The recipient will attend the Hampton High School graduation ceremony and present a 3-to-5 minute speech to the graduating class. Recipients must be able to attend the graduation ceremony in order to be named the Distinguished Alumni.

Nomination forms are available on the Hampton Township School District website. Copies of the forms also are available in the Hampton High School office.

Forms must be completed and returned no later than March 19th, 2018.

For questions, please contact Kevin Green at green@htsd.org or by calling 412-486-6000.

Cheer

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len, and Amber Milchak; sophomores Jaidyn Lange, Jordan Fink, Rhiannon Rutkowski, Ashley Berg, and Ryan D'Amico; and freshman, Grace Claus.


The team has a demanding practice schedule of 3-4 days per week plus outside tumbling lessons. This is the fifth year of the competitive cheerleading program at Hampton, and the team has received a bid to the PIAA competition every year since its inception. Coach Amanda Kerestes says, "This year's team has the most difficult routine of any team that I have coached at Hampton. Our goal each season has been to improve the difficulty of the previous year's routine while also executing and focusing on performance value and cleanliness. I am excited to see what the girls can do in Florida and I know they are capable of big things! The team has worked extremely hard this season and has come so far since the beginning of the year. I am so proud of the season they've and will be sad for the competitive year to end after our trip to Nationals."


This year's last competition is the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship in Orlando, Florida on February 10th-11th. This will be Hampton's 3rd year attending the most prestigious high school cheerleading competition in the country. The goal for the team is to make it to the finals again and hit clean routines at every stage of the competition.

Police Log

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ety tests, which they were unable to complete as had been explained and demonstrated. The driver was subsequently placed under arrest for DUI and possession.

 On January 8, 2018 at 2:02 a.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Route 8, after observing multiple traffic violations. Upon making contact 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.

 On January 15, 2018 at 2:09 a.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on Route 8 after observing two vehicles speeding and driving carelessly. Upon making contact with the operator of one of the involved vehicles, the officer detected the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. The operator was found to be in possession of drugs and paraphernalia.

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Community Park Sport Courts Renovations Project

The Township of Hampton Council awarded bids for the much-anticipated Hampton Community Park sport courts renovation project.

Funding for this \$400,000 project was made possible by a \$200,000 DCNR park renovation grant along with a \$200,000 match by the township.

The project is scheduled to begin March 1st with a June 2nd, 2018 completion. The project will include demolition/removal of the existing basketball courts and street hockey courts & pole lighting system. New construction and site re-orientation of the following: one new regulation size street hockey court; two new regulation size basketball courts; will add a new regulation size sand volleyball court with under drains; new construction of a concrete ADA accessible ramp/walkway from the parking lot to the tennis courts; a new concrete ADA accessible sidewalk installed from the parking lot to the sport court area; and a new pole L.E.D. lighting system will be installed for each new court.

Although the existing sport courts area will be closed for public use during the renovation, the tennis courts and adjacent play ground will remain open for public use.

School District Holiday Greeting Cards Inspired by Students

by June Gravitte

Over 25 years ago the Hampton Township School District instituted an annual District Holiday Card program. The Hampton Township Board of School Directors and the Superintendent use the cards as its official holiday greeting. They are sent to all Allegheny County School Districts, Hampton Township School District staff



School Board VP Mary Alice Hennessey & Dr. Loughhead photographed recognizing Declan Jameson & Andrew Noll

members, vendors and others with whom the District conducts regular business such as the local media.

The 2017 winners are Declan Jameson, grade 12, and Poff 2nd Grader student, Andrew Noll. Any student can enter the contest each year. The contest information is sent to the

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Address	Sold Price	Address	Sold Price	Address	Sold Price
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4819 Country Lane	\$377,000	3073 Meadowbrook Ct	\$164,900		
5026 Meadow Crest Dr	\$375,900	4306 Hemlock Cir	\$159,000		
3091 Swansea Crescent W	\$357,500	4540 Bucktail Dr	\$158,000		
3905 S Monet Ct	\$320,000	3075 Meadowbrook Ct	\$158,000		
2556 Red Oak Ct U#4	\$290,000	3041 McNeal Rd	\$156,000		

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Miss Mousie's Alphabet Adventures! Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Now through March 23rd (no storytime Feb. 14th)

Join us for a half-hour of fun that will introduce a love of reading to your child! This lapsit storytime focuses on building pre-literacy 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!

Winter Willems Fest! Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. AND Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. February 7th & 8th: Hello Pigeon!

We are inviting our favorite Mo Willems characters to the library to help chase away the winter blues! Each week, we will feature a different character from these award winning books and share stories, games, and lots of fun. Please note that each program is offered twice: Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. The program will be the same each day; please only register for one. For ages 3 to 6. Registration is required!

Get ready for Kindergarten through play with Play K!

Join us at Hampton Community Library as we play our way to learning! Each week, your little one will have a chance to practice skills to help them succeed in Kindergarten. We'll work on listening and taking turns, as well as basic concepts like letters, shapes, and colors! Unlike our usual storytimes, Play K is designed to model the kind of teacher-student interactions that are encountered in school, but parents and caregivers are encouraged to join us for creative play after our circle time. We will be offering two 5-week sessions:

Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m., February 21st to March 21st - OR - Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., February 22nd through March 22nd.
Registration will begin February 1st - space is limited!

It's Game Time with Teen Tabletop!

First Friday of the Month - February 2nd, March 2nd, and April 6th, 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!

"Soup"er Bowl Crop! All Day Scrapbooking!

Thur., February 8th, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. in Activity Room 1. Come join the fun all day as we have a "Souper" Bowl time creating scrapbook pages and completing books. Make it a new year's resolution to finish all of last year's scrapbooks! \$20.00 to cover the cost of supplies, drinks and food. There will be giveaways and prizes too! **Registration Required!**

Tax Law 101! Thursday, February 8th, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

You've heard all the hype about the new tax law, but what does it mean to you? Should you itemize or do a standardized deduction, what about health insurance or retirement? If you're overwhelmed by the thought of it all, join David Martin, MSFS, CFP as he talks about the major changes to the tax law and what you can do this tax season! Mr. Martin has appeared on Good Morning America, WPXI-TV, WTAE-TV, and KDKA-TV. Registration is appreciated, free child-care, (ages 5+) will be offered in the library. The program will be held in Activity Room 1.

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Kids' Night Out, Thursday, February 8th, 6:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

While Mom and Dad attend the New Tax 101 program, kids ages 5 and up can come to the Library! We are planning stories, crafts, and games for this fun evening together. Parents can sign their children in at the Library, and then head to the adult program in Activity Room 1. Registration is appreciated. This program is being hosted by Teen Bookends.

News and Views! Fridays, Feb. 9th - March 9th, 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. in the Adult Lounge.

(Please note: Feb. 23rd meeting to be held in the library.)

Be informed! Join this lively discussion group lead by local author and journalist Gerry K. Smith. Topics span from global issues to backyard happenings. New members are welcome to join in the conversation or just listen in. Registration Appreciated.

Scrapbooking Club!

Tuesday, Feb. 20th, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in Activity Room 1.

Still need to finish off those pages and scrapbooks you started? Join us for a free mini session and get those pages done!

Color Me Calm: A Coloring Program for Adults!

Fridays, 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.

Betty's Book Buzz, Thursday, February 15th, 1:00 p.m.

Join Betty as she gives her opinions, (both good and bad) about *Maggie Murders*, by Anthony Horowitz. Copies of the book will be available at the library. Make new friends, meet new books!

Murder by the Book! A Mystery Book Club!

Wednesday, Feb. 21st, 6:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss, *The Keeper of Lost Causes*, By Jussi Adler-Olsen. Books available at the library.

Make new friends, discover new authors, and get a clue!

Cooks-N-Books: Inspired by Food Network's 50...

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Thursday, February 22nd - Meatballs!

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.

SAVE THE DATE for TRIVIA! Friday, March 9th.

6th Annual Hampton Community Library Trivia Night!

Knowledge of the Dewey Decimal System is not required.

Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Trivia begins at 7:30 p.m. Program ends at 9:30 p.m.

Assemble your own team, or let us put one together for you that night. \$20/person, (6 -10 people/table).

Test your general trivia knowledge! Will Team "Old and Rested" hold onto the title or will a new "Young and Spry" team snatch it away?!? Perhaps **your** team will surprise them all! Please note this is an adult program. Space is limited; Registration required. Registration opens February 1st!

Chili Cook-off

A good time was had by all! The BookEnds' (Friends of the Hampton Community Library) first ever Chili Cook-off was held Saturday, January 27th. Twelve Chili Masters entered their chili with over 100 people tasting! Chili varied from white chicken, smoked andouille, meatless, and sweet. The celebrity judges, Sharon McRae, Carolyn Johnson and Mike Peters all agreed, **MAX HARDMAN** was the winner of the Ladle of Glory for his "*Aurora*" chili and father and son team **BEN and ROB LAMB** won the People's Choice Spoon of Victory for their "*No Beans About it Chili*". Thank you to our contestants, judges, staff and the many friends and volunteers that helped make this such a successful night!

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2018 Chili Cookoff was enjoyed by all attendees!

Aquinas Girls Storm Into WPIAL

After competing in the SouthWestern Christian Athletic Conference for the past five years, the returning team members decided last January that they wanted a more challenging experience and voted to move to the WPIAL. The girls had won three championships in the past five years in the SWCAC with a combined SWCAC/WPIAL record of 92-23. Early into the Class A Section 3 season the team has an overall record of 8-2 and a section record of 3-0.

The team is led by the six seniors, with added responsibility on the three captains. Ruth Zaharko (5'3") serves as a ball handler and shooting guard, and is very devoted to playing superb defense. Ruth was chosen as a captain because of her impressive focus in practice (and willingness to correct Coach Carson when he fails to be articulate). The second captain is small forward Emily Rose Vangura (5'6"), who has earned




Back Left: Coach Alan Carson, Regina Liguori, Emily Rose Vangura, Chloe Scioscia, Mary Casamassa, Cecilia Liguori, Susan Austin, Coach Jennifer DeWitt
Front left: Ruth Zaharko, Sarah Richthammer, Elizabeth Blume, and Anneliese Truschel.

the respect of the coaching staff for demonstrating that she cares about the "soul" of the team. ERV is a good rebounder, shooter, and defender. The third captain is Ceci Liguori (5'7"), who is responsible for player-coach communication. Ceci is a 5'7 forward who on any given night can lead the team in scoring, rebounding or assists. Senior shooting guard Sarah Richthammer (5'6") is an excellent athlete, capable of

defending the opponent's best guard. The strong inside presence for the team is senior Chloe Scioscia (5'7"). Chloe often breaks double figures in both rebounding and scoring. The very valuable newcomer to the team is 5'10' senior Mary Casamassa. After a wealth of experience at the AAU level, Mary joined the squad this year and is proving to be invaluable at both ends of the court— in addition to being a stabilizing influence. Mary is averaging 16 ppg. Two juniors who often start


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Aquinas

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are Anni Truschel (5'6") and Elizabeth Blume (5'5"). Anni is an explosive athlete and basketball player who leads the team in steals and is among the leaders in all other statistical categories. Lizzy is a point guard, expected to run the offense and guard the opponent's ball handler. Two additional players who will be counted on heavily next year are junior Susie Austin (5'9"), who is fairly new to basketball and is a reserve post player, and Gina Liguori

— a 5'7" sophomore reserve guard.

The team started their section play with wins against Eden Christian Academy, St. Joseph's Academy, and Imani Christian. In preparation for their inaugural season in the WPIAL, the team participated in the University of Pittsburgh Team Camp, competing mostly against Class 5-A and 6-A junior varsity teams. Coach Alan Carson said, "One of the blessings of my life has been the opportunity to coach at Aquinas Academy.

These students are amazing young people. Every player is mature, focused, coachable, respectful, and hard-working. They are elite competitors who always do their best." Carson went on to say, "In high school athletics, it is easy to have sports become a priority in the student-athlete's life. At Aquinas Academy, faith, education, and family take priority over sports. As a retired public school teacher and coach, it is refreshing to see."

Nominate Your Positive Athlete

Hines Ward's Positive Athlete Program is officially underway! From now until April 13th, we will be accepting nominations for Positive Athletes and Coaches in any grade (9-12), and in any boys or girls sport.

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Edwards Reaches 1000

by Gail Scott

Laryn Edwards scored her 1000th point with the Hampton Talbots Varsity Basketball Team on January 8th in a game against Burrell High School. It was an exciting night for the senior player as the Talbots defeated Burrell.

Laryn will attend Loyola University in Maryland in the fall where she has accepted a scholarship to play basketball and major in International Business. Edwards said, "These past four years have gone by so fast and I want to thank my family, teammates, and coaches for supporting me and making these high school years so enjoyable."



Senior Laryn Edwards

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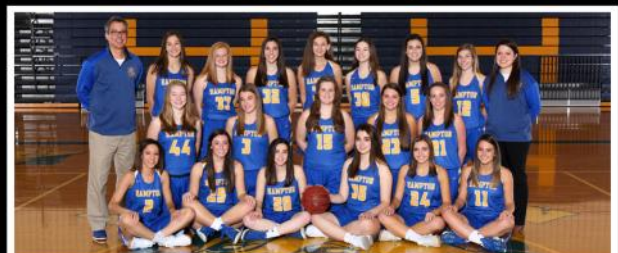
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Hockey

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games. Senior defenseman Justin Milchak adds, "The season is going well. We started slowly but we've picked it up. I think we've found our groove!" The team is in second place in their division and four members have been selected for the All-Star team including: Justin Adamski, Colin Andrews, Michael Orban, and Jason Reinert. Michael Orban, junior forward and the team's alternate captain remarks about making the All-Star team, "I wouldn't be able to have such an honor without the help of my teammates. Without them, I wouldn't be able to achieve any

individual feats."

The Hampton Hockey program differentiates itself from other clubs because of the copious support it receives from the coaches, school, faculty, hockey board, parents, and students. "I am very thankful, and it's been a joy and blessing to work with everyone involved with Hampton Hockey," stated Coach Anderson. There are about 70 kids in grades 2-12 in the pipeline that feeds the program. Hampton Hockey has a high tradition of success and strives to allow players to further their hockey careers beyond the high school level. In addition, the players

seem to gain much more from the program than just hockey instruction. Senior defenseman Doug Wright advises the underclassmen, "Don't focus too much on the game but on what you learn from it, like how it builds character. Take every moment to bond with your teammates – those are relationships that will be important." Senior forward Colin Baker also has great advice for the upcoming players, "Enjoy it while it lasts – you don't realize what a good opportunity it is until it's over. Thank your parents!"



Hampton Varsity Ice Hockey 2017-2018: Back: Ryan Koprivnikar, Luke Reiser, Will Meglio, Ryan Bates, Matt Commatore, Jake Schwarzbach, Jason Reinert, Evan Koprivnikar, Justin Milchak, Michael Orban, Andrew Coholich, Coach Luke Leya.

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The Deacon's Tavern is located at 4743 Pioneer Road, Allison Park, 15101 within the Historic Depreciation Lands Museum.

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 On January 19, 2018 at 1:55 a.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Duncan Avenue after observing the vehicle speeding. Upon making contact with the vehicle operator at the driver's window, the officer detected the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. The operator was found to be in possession of drugs and multiple paraphernalia items.


Single Vehicle Accident/DUI Arrest

 On January 1, 2018 at 2:16 a.m., two Hampton Township officers came upon a single vehicle accident at the intersection of Route 8 and Duncan Avenue. The vehicle was observed to have disabling damage to the front passenger side. The operator stated that they had struck a guide rail in the area of Route 8, near Clearview Road. While speaking with the operator, the officer observed slurred, severely muffled speech and bloodshot eyes. The operator was found to be in possession of drugs and paraphernalia and was placed under arrest after being unable to complete field sobriety tests.

Structure Fire

 On January 9, 2018 at 7:04 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Wildwood Road for a structure fire. Upon the officers' arrival, flames were observed to be coming from the building. Hampton Township Fire Department responded to the scene and were able to quickly extinguish the fire. There were no injuries reported.

Vehicle Rollover

 On January 8, 2018 at 2:33 a.m., Hampton Township officers responded to Route 8 for a single vehicle rollover accident involving possible entrapment. Upon the officers' arrival, the operator of the vehicle was found to be out of the vehicle and complained of minor injury. The accident occurred when the operator swerved to avoid striking a deer, which caused the vehicle to strike a curb and roll over. The vehicle had to be towed from the scene.

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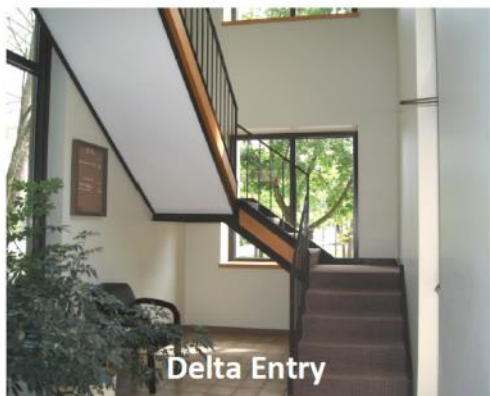
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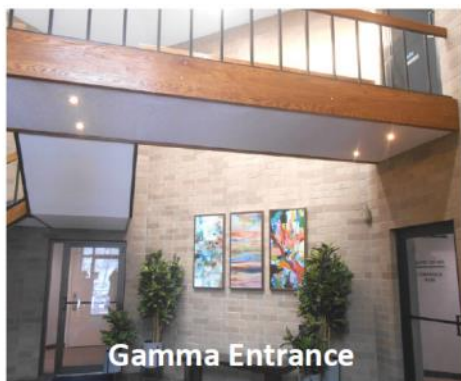
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Current Events



Crash Course Theater

By Gail Scott

"Crash Course Theater Fest" is a completely student run fundraiser for the HHS spring musical. Designed to be a black box theater type event, HHS students will write, direct, act, and stage eight short plays. Prior to the event, the students will only have 24 hours to put their play together. The event will take place on February 10th from 6:30-10:00 p.m. at the HHS cafeteria.

Between the plays, there will be a variety of musical acts performed by other members of the musical. There will also be refreshments and desserts available for purchase, as well as opportunities to purchase raffle chances on over 15 themed auction baskets. They will also be giving a sneak peek at one of the numbers from this year's musical, 'Nice Work If You Can Get It.'

Tickets for the Crash Course Theatre Fest are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students. For additional details and information, go to Hamptoncats.org. Come out and enjoy a night at the theater with the Hampton Talbot Players!

A Taste of Hampton

The 2nd annual "A Taste of Hampton" fundraiser will be held on February 10th at the Hampton Community Center. The Hampton Community Association (HCA) held the event last year and the tickets sold out before the event. Proceeds from the fundraiser benefit the Hampton Community Park Trail Project.

Pancake Dinner

Tuesday, February 13th at 4:00 p.m. –7:00 p.m.
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"A Taste of Hampton" will feature the music of local band Austin Drive. Also, Hampton restaurants will serve a variety of appetizers. This year's event will feature many more local restaurants than the previous year. Local personalities will be guest bartenders to add an element of fun to the evening, wine and beer available for purchase. Tickets will be available for purchase on-line at the Hampton Township website and Eventbrite.com. Tickets are \$25 each and include appetizers and admittance to see Austin Drive Band. Tickets on sale at the door for \$30. Doors will open at 6:30pm at the Hampton Community Center. Event is from 7-10 p.m. This is an over 21 event.

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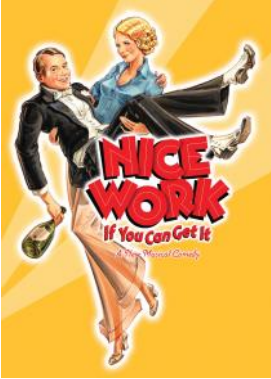
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Upcoming Events

HHS Spring Musical

The Hampton High School Drama Club has begun production of this year's spring musical, titled "Nice Work if You Can Get It." Auditions for the cast were held in October and by December the initial practices had begun. The stage crew has mapped out plans for sets, the costume team is creating the wonderful show costumes, and the orchestra is learning the new music. All in all, the drama department has been very busy!



"Nice Work If You Can Get It" is a musical that takes place in 1927 and features the music of George and Ira Gershwin. It is the story of a jazz-age playboy who gets involved with rum-runners and bootleggers. The show is action packed with lots of dancing and singing. Dan Franklin, the show's director and producer, says, "I'm very

excited for this production because the music and style harkens back to the classics of the Golden Age of American Theatre, yet it was actually staged for the first time in 2012. It allows us to look at all of the fantastic elements of musical standards, without having to actually produce one of the many overdone and overplayed musicals." The show is scheduled for April 13th, 14th, 20th, and 21st at Hampton High School. Stay tuned for more details.

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Multi Vehicle Accident

🚔 On December 13, 2017 at 4:57 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Route 8, at Clearview Road, for a multiple vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers discovered that two vehicles were involved. One driver complained of possible injury. The accident occurred when one vehicle was traveling southbound, and was stopped in the passing lane to make a left onto Clearview Road when they were rear-ended by another vehicle. One vehicle had to be towed from the scene due to damage.

🚔 On December 21, 2017 at 8:57 a.m., Hampton Township Police received a phone call at the station regarding a two-vehicle accident in the area of Route 8 and Harts Run Road. Upon arrival, the officer located both vehicles pulled over into a business parking lot in that area. The involved operators stated that one vehicle was traveling north in the curb lane, and went to change lanes, striking

the other vehicle. The operator stated that they did not see the other vehicle due to the fact that it was traveling in their "blind spot". Both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene.

🚔 On December 28, 2017 at 6:54 a.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to Route 8, at Oxford Boulevard, for a two-vehicle accident. Upon arrival, two-vehicles were found to be blocking both southbound lanes of the roadway. Both vehicles sustained major damage and were towed from the scene. Both driver's sustained injuries and were transported by ambulance to the hospital. The accident occurred when the operator of one vehicle attempted to turn left onto Oxford Boulevard from the northbound turning lane of Route 8 and collided with another vehicle traveling south on Route 8.

🚔 On January 2, 2018 at 11:51 a.m., Hampton Police were dispatched to the area of Route 8 and McCully Road for a two-vehicle accident. Upon arrival, it was determined that the crash occurred when

the operator of one vehicle attempted to pull out of McCully Road onto Route 8 and collided with an oncoming northbound vehicle. Both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene.

🚔 On January 2, 2018 at 5:36 p.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to the area of Middle Road, near Cedar Ridge Road, for a two-vehicle accident. Upon arrival, one operator complained of abdominal and head pain and was transported to the hospital. One vehicle had to be towed from the scene due to damage. The accident occurred when one vehicle stopped in the roadway for deer that were crossing in front of it. The second vehicle did not see the deer and struck the other car from behind.

🚔 On January 2, 2018 at 6:15 p.m., Hampton Township officers responded to Harts Run Road, at Woodland Road, for a two-vehicle accident with possibly injuries. Upon arrival, one operator complained of chest pain and was evaluated by EMS. Both vehicles had to be towed

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from the scene due to heavy damage. The accident occurred when one operator was traveling east on Harts Run Road, and was making a left onto Woodland Road when they were struck by a vehicle traveling west on Harts Run Road. The westbound vehicle had failed to stop at a stop sign at that location and collided with the other vehicle.

Single Vehicle Accident

 On December 16, 2017 at 4:41 p.m., a Hampton Township officer came across a two vehicle accident on Mount Royal Boulevard, at Trotter Drive. The accident occurred when one operator failed to remain at a stop sign at that location until oncoming traffic was clear. One vehicle had to be towed from the scene due to damage.

 On January 14, 2018 at 9:41 a.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Route 8 for a single vehicle accident involving a utility pole. Upon their arrival, the operator stated that they lost control of their vehicle due to icy road conditions. The vehicle crashed into a utility pole and had to be towed from the scene. The operator was transported to the hospital by ambulance due to possible injuries sustained from the crash.

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Applications can be picked up at the Hampton Township Police Department at 3101 McCully Road beginning January 2nd, 2018. Please complete and return the applications no later than February 28th, 2018, to be considered for the academy. All participants will be contacted via phone or email with additional information, if selected. Please join us for a unique, behind the scenes experience into the world of law enforcement.

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Other	1
Residential Fire Alarm	9
Residential Structure Fire	1
Smoke Scare / Odor	2
Vehicle Accident No Entrapment	6
Wires Down / Transformer Problem	4
Total Incidents for the Month	32
Total Incidents for 2017	430

Noteworthy incidents and events:

NHVFD was dispatched as mutual aid to Pine Township as second alarm for a residential structure fire. Crews assisted with suppression and overhaul.

NHVFD was dispatched with HTVFD for a transformer fire along Rt. 8 near McNeal Road. Crews set up traffic control for numerous traffic signals out between Bardonner Road to Wildwood Road.

Training:

Training for the month included driver training as well as a through the lock forcible entry class. Six members completed their Fire Instructor 1 state certification as well.

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20 Years of A Fare To Remember

by June Gravitte

This month, local business owner Jeanne Buckholtz-Lewis celebrates her 20th year serving our community. The business began in 1998 as a catering company in the 3600 block of Rt. 8, providing catering services for weddings, parties and gatherings of all kinds. In 2010, the focus changed to prepared meals, ready to go into your oven or freezer any day of the week.

This service has brought forth a new and upcoming trend-catering to our everyday busy lives. Seven years ago the business moved to its current location in Shopper's Plaza. There is always an abundant stock of fresh and frozen foods available including entrees, sides, soups, salads, appetizers, snacks, and desserts. Everything is cooked fresh on sight, so they are able to accommodate any dietary need.



Owner, Jeanne Buckholtz-Lewis
& Head Chef, Carly Apaliski

Aside from being proud of staying in business for all of these years, Jeanne has been greatly rewarded by all of the customers and staff who have become like family. She feels truly blessed to share in the happiest and saddest of times in our community, always giving out hugs to those in need. Jeanne remarked, "The store has become a meeting place where our customers can feed their bellies and their souls!"

Dinner is always ready, whether a co-worker just had a baby, a neighbor/family member is in need, or you just don't feel like cooking...

A Fare To Remember has you covered, with good fresh homemade food. Gift cards are available in any amount and also new this month, online ordering.

Please join Jeanne in celebrating Women Owned Businesses at an Open House on Saturday, February 24th, from 10-2pm at Fare @ Home, located at 4960 Route 8, Shoppers Plaza, catty-corner to Panera Bread. Other local women will be promoting their businesses with items available for sale. Come enjoy some wonderful food samples and beverages.

You can follow A Fare To Remember on it's website:

(www.fareathome.com)

Facebook: ([afaretoremember@home](https://www.facebook.com/afaretoremember@home))

Twitter: (@fareathome) Instagram: (@afaretoremember)

Contact them: Phone (724-443-1200)

Email: (order@fareathome.com)

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 10am-6, Saturday 10am-2pm, Sunday-closed.

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Holiday Cards

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district art teachers who distribute the information out to all the students via the teachers. The submissions are then collected and sent back to the administration office. Formerly, the contest was offered on a rotation basis to one school level per year (one year to the high school students, next year the middle school, and the next year to the elementary school students). It is now sent to all teachers and submissions are accepted from students at all levels. The winners are selected by a review and vote by the district office leadership.

Current Events

Valentine's Day Tea

On Wednesday, February 14th, 2018 Hartwood Acres Mansion is hosting a Valentine's Day Tea from 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. Come share Valentine's afternoon with the special people in your life at this newly offered tea which includes a tour of the mansion. The great hall will be adorned with hearts and flowers in a celebration of love and friendship. The cost is \$33 per person for county residents, \$41 for non-residents. Call to make reservations 412-350-4636.

Wind Ensemble Invitational Concert

Tuesday, February 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium—Free to the public.

10-Minute Play Festival

Join the Hampton Middle School Drama Club for its Ten-Minute Play Festival on Thursday, February 22nd and Friday, February 23rd, 2018. Thirty students will present short plays in a variety of genres—it's sure to be an entertaining evening! Proceeds benefit the annual Hampton Middle School Musical. Check the school district website for ticket sales!

Hampton High School Band Flea Market

Saturday, February 24th from 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. at the high school.

The Tamburitans

On Sunday, February 25th, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. The Tamburitans continue to delight audiences with new costumes and dances from all around Europe. Pittsburgh's own jewel mesmerizes audiences of all ages with their authentic display of dances from a variety of cultures. Don't miss this lovely performance that connects so many people to their ancestors. To purchase tickets for this show call the Legacy Theater at 412-635-8080. Ticket price is \$34 in advance—\$39 at the door.

Band POPS Concert

Wednesday, February 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the Hampton Middle School auditorium—Free to the public.

North Hills Community Outreach

Run for the Hills! NHCO seeks 5K runners, relay teams and marathoners

North Hills Community Outreach invites runners of all abilities to run one of the races of the Dick's Sporting Goods Pittsburgh Marathon May 5 and 6. Registration is FREE when you run for NHCO and help local families in need. Runners can form a relay team or choose the 5K, half marathon or full marathon. Visit www.crowdrise.com/northhillscommunitypitt2018 or contact Harriet at hzklatte@nhco.org or 412-408-3830 x 3204.

NHCO's Annual Citrus Sale is underway

North Hills Community Outreach is taking orders through February 5 for its annual Citrus Sale. Boxes of grapefruit, oranges, and pears are hand-checked by volunteers and are available for pickup March 3 and 4 in St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 1965 Ferguson Road, Hampton. Purchases benefit NHCO, which served 3,692 local families in need last year. Boxes of fruit can also be donated to NHCO's food pantries. To order online, please visit nhco.org/fruit.cfm or call 412-307-0069 x 3311 for an order form.

NHCO offering FREE Tax Preparation

North Hills Community Outreach is once again offering FREE tax preparation for low-income individuals through the United Way Free Tax Prep program. Appointments are required and must be made by calling United Way's helpline, 2-1-1, starting **January 10, 2018**. Income eligibility requirements:

For households with ONE PERSON, annual income must be \$25,000 or less. For households with MORE THAN ONE PERSON, annual income must be \$45,000 or less. NHCO's Bellevue/North Boroughs site will be open for tax prep appointments Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 7:30pm, beginning January 22.

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NHCO's Millvale site will be open for tax prep appointments Saturdays, 9:00am to noon, beginning January 20.

Employment help is available at NHCO

North Hills Community Outreach offers multiple programs aimed at helping people attain self-sufficiency, including employment help. Those seeking help with career counseling, updating a resume, job search techniques and more can contact NHCO Resource Coordinator Jackie Boggs at jmboggs@nhco.org or 412-408-3830 x 3217.

Volunteers Needed in the Upper Route 28 Corridor

North Hills Community Outreach has an urgent need for volunteers interested in helping seniors in the route 28 corridor near Tarentum and Brackenridge. Specifically, volunteer drivers and on-board dispatchers are needed for the Free Rides for Seniors shuttles, which transport seniors in the Route 28 communities to UPMC medical appointments and shopping during weekdays. No special license is needed and training is provided. Shifts are short. If you are interested, please contact Kerry at kkmulhern@nhco.org or 412-449-0151 for more information.

Seniors need volunteer snow shovelers

Seniors in all neighborhoods in northern Allegheny County need volunteers to keep their yards and sidewalks safe by shoveling snow. This is a great project for teens, youth groups and families. Please contact Cathy at North Hills Community Outreach at 412-307-0069 x 3313 or clpschirer@nhco.org to register to volunteer.

Ask the Attorney sessions for low-income families

Free legal consultation for issues such as divorce, bankruptcy, credit issues, family matters, rent disputes and more is available for families in need at North Hills Community Outreach locations the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm except December. The next ATA sessions are: February 21 in NHCO North Boroughs and March 21 in NHCO Millvale. Attendees MUST preregister for these sessions by contacting Jackie at jmboggs@nhco.org or 412-408-3830 x 3217.

Donate your vehicle to NHCO's Transportation Assistance program, our former Community Auto program

Year-end is the time to think about tax deductions! Your unwanted car, van, truck, boat, RV or motorcycle can help a low-income individual or family. Vehicles donated to NHCO's Transportation Assistance program (NHCO's former Community Auto program) are sold at auction and 100 percent of the funds NHCO receives help local people in need meet and overcome transportation challenges. Please visit nhco.org/donate/donate-car/ or call 412-408-3830 x 3225. Your donated car could change lives. **FREE pickup or towing and hassle-free donation process.**

NHCO Speakers Available

North Hills Community Outreach's staff or volunteer speakers will speak to your congregation, business, civic group or school at no charge about NHCO's programs and services and volunteer opportunities. For more information or to schedule a speaker, please contact Jen at JLKissel@nhco.org or 412-487-6316 opt 1 x 3112.



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