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Bring on the Competition

by June Gravitte

Hampton High School's High Q team won the first round of KDKA's Saturday morning Hometown High Q quiz show. The team battled against Sharpsville High School

(Sharpsville, PA) and University High School (Morgantown, WV) by answering questions about school subjects such as math, science, history, geography, music, art, literature, and sports. The show, host-

ed by Hampton resident Rick Dayton, was taped in October at the KDKA studios in Gateway Center and was aired December 2nd on CBS Pittsburgh. The team will move

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Ted Donegan, Riley Kuhn, Mr. Thomas Gleason, Jacob Concolino, and Tejas Badgujar

Student Council Lifts Spirits at Children's Hospital

by June Gravitte

Several cancer patients at Children's Hospital Pittsburgh of UPMC had their day made brighter recently by eight officers of Hampton High School's Student Council. The students dressed as "Toy Story" characters and arrived at the hospital to play with the patients during the patients' "Fun Friday"

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Gone but Will Never Be Forgotten

Will Pilarski's Courageous Battle with Cancer

by Lainy Carlaw

"After 30+ hours of fighting, at 3:14 p.m. Will Power decided to leave this earth and take his flight to the next level. Let the battle for the cure rage on. Will Power forever!"

This was the Facebook post written by Will Pilarski's mom, Abby Pilarski on December 30th, 2017, for worried friends and family who had anxiously been awaiting an update since learning that Will had slipped into a coma earlier that morning.

But this is not about Will's last day. It's not about his last months, when, after learning that his tumor had

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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 November 22nd 2017 - December 10th 2017:

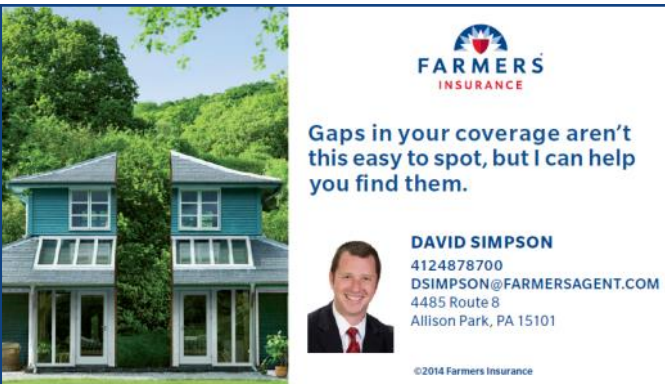
Drug Arrest

 On November 24, 2017 at 10:38 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on Route 8 after observing that the vehicle was unable to maintain its lane of travel. Upon making contact with the operator, the officer detected the odor of suspected marijuana emanating from the vehicle. A second officer observed a plastic baggie containing suspected marijuana in plain view on the floorboard of the front passenger seat. The passenger of the vehicle was observed to be trying to move the baggie with his foot. Concluding the investigation, the passenger was charged with possession.

DUI Arrest

 On November 25, 2017 at 9:54 p.m., a Hampton Township officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle on East Hardies Road after observing multiple traffic violations. Upon contacting the operator, the officer smelled the odor of burnt marijuana emanating from the vehicle. The operator showed visible signs of impairment and was asked to submit to field sobriety tests. The driver was subsequently placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI.

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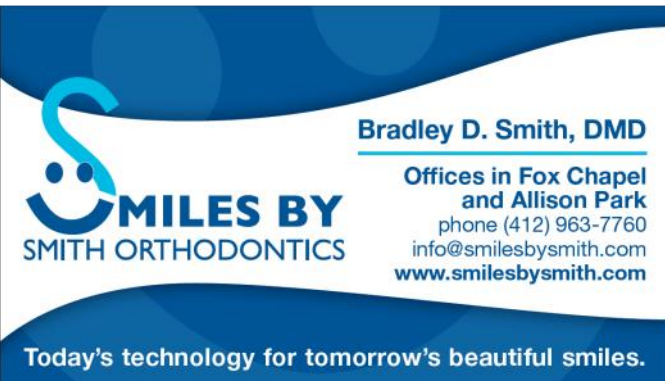


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On Thursday, November 30th, the Township received notice from Hampton EMS that effective at midnight, they would cease operations with regard to answering emergency medical service calls.

Beginning at 8:00 a.m. on December 1st, a Shaler EMS unit was relocated into the Hampton Police Building on McCully Road where it will operate on a 24 hour / 7 day a week basis until further notice. It is unfortunate that this action was necessary, but Hampton residents should rest assured that top of the line emergency medical services are in place in Hampton, and will be available should they be needed.

Should you be holding a Hampton EMS subscription, it will be honored by the Shaler EMS until they send out their annual subscription drive next September.



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Police Log

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The driver was also found to have a suspended driver's license, and officers located suspected marijuana and paraphernalia within the vehicle.

 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.


House Fire


 On December 10, 2017 at 3:53 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Swansea Crescent West for smoke that was reported to be coming out of a residence. Upon arrival, the homeowner stated that they were attempting to start a fire in the fireplace when the house became very smoky due to a fire igniting within the chimney area. Fire units responded to the scene and gained control of the situation.

Hot Tub on Fire

 On November 24, 2017 at 7:00 a.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Ridge Drive for a hot tub that was reported to be on fire. Upon arrival, the fire had already been extinguished by a neighbor. Hampton Township Fire Department also responded to the scene to verify that the scene was safe.

Vehicle Accident

 On November 24, 2017 at 3:18 p.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to Middle Road, at McNeal Road, for a two vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers located both vehicles parked on the side of Middle Road. Upon speaking with the operators and witnesses, it was determined that the accident occurred when the operator of one vehicle was attempting to turn off of McNeal Road onto Middle Road. The vehicle had been stopped at the stop sign at that location, and did not see a vehicle traveling south on Middle Road directly behind an uninvolved vehicle that was turning onto McNeal Road. The operator attempted to enter Middle Road, and collided with the second vehicle.

 December 5, 2017 at 8:18 a.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to Richland Road for a single vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers located a vehicle that was over an embankment and crashed into several trees. The driver stated that they were traveling west on Richland Road when they lost control going around a bend and went off the roadway. The three vehicle occupants were all transported to the hospital by ambulance for injury treatment and further evaluation. *end*



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.

JANUARY

Thursday, January 25

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Shaler North Hills Library
1822 Mt. Royal Blvd., Glenshaw

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Cooper-Siegel Community Library
403 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh

Friday, January 26

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Hampton Community Center
3101 McCully Road, Allison Park

3:00 – 5:00 pm at Northern Tier Community Library
4015 Dickey Road, Gibsonia

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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Student council (Continued from page 1)
 activity time on December 8th, 2017. This has become a tradition with the student council and the students pick different themes each year for their costumes. President Matt Bagley commented, "The children were very excited. Our main purpose was to cheer up them up". One patient at a time, plus their siblings, met with the high schoolers to play with them. Some of the activities included playing Wii, dinosaurs, and even pretending to make soup! Student Council officers who participated are Doug Wright, Matthew Bagley, Ryan Bates, Lizzie Jungling, Hailey Pritts, Anna Shumaker, Jessica McGinley, and Emily Januck.

Will Power
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spread, he refused to stop fighting or stop living. He went trick-or-treating, he helped plan trips to Disney World and Atlantis in the Bahamas and he experienced his favorite Pittsburgh Penguins players up-close and in person. In his final days, he was wrapped up in a blanket and brought outside where he sat on his father's lap, looking out onto a sea of candlelight, as his



amount of time he became a warrior, a fighter, and the hero named *Will Power* who we all came to root for.

This is about Will Pilarski's whole life. It is a life that has made a difference. It is a life that has inspired others. And it is a life none of us will ever forget.

To ensure Will's life will continue to make an impact, his brain will be donated to scientific research in hopes of

finding a cure for cancer. ... "Will's theme and war cry became: I can, I will...watch me!" wrote Abby, "and he did. It may seem like his fight is over and he lost, but I assure you his fight and will power has just begun."

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Amazing Glaze Donut Company Opens in Middle Road Plaza

by Lainy Carslaw

Ten years ago, if someone had asked Sarah Cadarette if she ever thought she might open a donut shop someday, she would have said they were crazy. She had a successful career in publishing, plus little to no experience with baking.

But after she became a mother, her priorities changed. Although she had never thought about opening her own business, she had a desire to take her life in a new direction, a love of her community, and perhaps most importantly, a passion for donuts, which are a favorite Sunday tradition in her home.



Once she and her husband, Mark, decided to embark on this journey, doors felt like they were opening up for them, including a space in the Middle Road Plaza, just a few doors down from Wagner's Market. The location was perfect, and her husband and her father went to work, spending the next six months renovating what would become their first donut shop.

It has been a whole Komoroski/Cadarette family affair getting *Amazing Glaze* up and running. Her parents, who have lived in Hampton for 27 years, are now her business partners, and even her nieces and nephews are learning to make donuts and help around the shop.

Cadarette grew up right here in Hampton with her two brothers, graduating in 1998, and is now raising her own two kids in the district.

She knew that she wanted the shop to be in the community where she has lived most of her life. "There is nothing like this here in Hampton," says Cadarette. "I want people to feel comfortable here. I hope neighbors will want to come together here. I'm excited to meet more people from the area. And eventually, I would like to host small community events."

Currently, *Amazing Glaze* has been open for almost a month. Sarah says that the response from her customers has been great and she is optimistic for the future.

You can visit *Amazing Glaze* at 4988 Middle Road in Gibsonia and create your own customized donuts during their hours of operation, Tuesdays-Saturdays 6 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and Sunday 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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2. Shine & Tighten Door Knobs and Hinges
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Library News



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Miss Mousie's Alphabet Adventures!

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Starting January 10th

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. Starting January 10th and 11th

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!

January 10 & 11: Duckling

January 17 & 18: Knuffle Bunny

January 24 & 25: Elephant & Piggie

January 31 & February 1: Naked Mole Rat

February 7 & 8: Pigeon

Coming Soon: PlayK at the Library!

Will your little one be starting Kindergarten in the fall? Our new PlayK program will help to get them ready! During the hour we are together, we will practice Kindergarten skills like listening, taking turns, and basic concepts like letters, numbers, shapes, and colors to ensure that your little one has a successful school year. Registration will begin on February 1st.

Color Me Calm: A Coloring Program for Adults!

Fridays, Starting January 12th at 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:

There will be no Book Buzz in January. Join us Thursday, February 15th at 1:00 p.m. as we discuss.. *The Little French Bistro*, by Nina George.

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High School High Q

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on to the quarterfinals in the spring 2018 and then on to the semi-finals and finals should they keep winning. The Hampton High Q club has approximately 13 members that meet once per week before school on Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m. They practice trivia questions from previous competitions. The 3 students who represented Hampton were selected based upon their scores from a written test. They are Ted Donegan (Senior), Jacob Concolino (Senior), and Tejas Badgular (Junior). Senior Riley Kuhn was selected to go as an alternate. Ted Donegan said, "I was a little nervous at first, but then everything was fine once we got going!"

Library

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Murder by the Book! A Mystery Book Club!

Wednesday, Jan. 17th, 6:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss, *House of Silk*, By Anthony Horowitz.

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, January 25th - *Skinny Treats!*

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.

HCL CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, January 27th, 4:00 P.M.—7:00 P.M.

Doors open at 3:30 p.m.

An afternoon in the Great Room filled with chili tastings, a basket raffle, a bake sale, some music and lots of fun!

Chili Masters: Bring on your best! Entry fee is only \$10. Prepare your best chili, and bring enough for 20 people to taste (along with all necessary condiments and a heating source, such as a crock pot). Applications available at HCL, or on the website.

Chili Fans: You be the judge! People's Choice Awards, with winners announced at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is \$5 in advance, or \$8 at the door. Beverages will be available (BYOB Wine or Beer w/corkage fee).

Library Hours (September through May)

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Friday: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday: Closed



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Hampton Wrestling is a Force to be Reckoned With

There is still a chance to catch a home match of Hampton wrestlers. The next home match is on Wednesday, January 3rd against North Allegheny at 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday, January 17th against Indiana (conference match) then on Monday, February 12th against Mars. The 2018 roster is: Noah Barnes, Zachary Boggs, Joshua Campbell, Stephen Carr, Dawson Dietz, Gage Galuska, Conrad Harold, Justin Hart, Liam Helon, Tyler Kocak, Cameron Rakar, Thomas Rangers, Chad Scherer, Corey Scherer, Vince Schmitt, Nathan Tabon, Stephen Tabon, and Zachary Wright.

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. As always, this program is **100% FREE** to every public and private high school in Western

PA. We are looking forward to getting in nominations from all over the state again this year and growing the program even larger than last year. Last year, over 1,100 nominations were made from 150+ high schools! We encourage you to nominate at least 1 student-athlete. Nominating a student athlete only takes 10-15 minutes, and will make them eligible for the thousands of dollars in scholarships that we will give away this year. Visit ht-sd.org and click on Athletics.



Hampton Talbots Varsity wrestling team took first place out of 30 schools at the West Mifflin Tournament on December 27th & 28th

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Collins Hits 1000 Point Mark

by Gail Scott

Alison Collins hit a milestone in December when she scored her 1000th point during the Talbot's basketball game against Indiana. Allison is a senior guard for the Talbots.



Alison and her parents Carla and Jeff Collins.

Alison was 17 points shy of 1000 points heading into the game against Indiana High School. She hit a 3-point shot to hit the 1000 point mark. Indiana stopped the game to make the announcement that she had reached this milestone in her career. Alison finished the game that night with 21 points as the Talbots won the game with a score of 60-39. The Talbots are 3-1 on the season with 2-0 in section play. She averages

22 points per game. The Talbot's next game in December was against Arm-

strong and she was honored that night before the game started.

Collins has signed a national letter of intent to play basketball at Seton Hill University next fall where she will receive a scholarship. Also, she was named All-Tournament Team at the Seneca Valley Tip-off Tournament.




Baseball and Softball Registration

Registration is now open for Spring season of baseball and softball on the HAA website! The season officially begins in mid-April and runs thru late June (15U and above softball and Pony and above baseball will play into July). Teams will be assigned in February and coach introductions and teams assignments will be announced in early March.

Registrations are being accepted for all players in tee ball (age 3) through high school. If you are registering a middle school and/or high school slow pitch softball player please register through the Hampton School District Girls' Slow Pitch Softball Club.

Registration is open until January 31st, 2018. If you have any questions please consult the HAA website at hamptonathleticassociation.org

If registering a baseball player please note: Ages have changed— Pay attention to the new guidelines when registering your child/children.




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Girls Basketball

Hampton girls basketball were on a roll in December only losing to Kennedy Catholic and Upper St. Clair. Their next scheduled home games in January and February are on Monday, January 8th against Burrell, Thursday, January 11th vs. Kiski Area, Monday, January 22nd vs. Indiana, Monday, January 29th vs. Franklin Regional, Monday, February 5th vs. Baldwin and Thursday, February 8th against Mars. These home games are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the high school. Mark your calendar and come out to support the Talbots. Team Roster: Katie Baker #44, Olivia Bianco #12, Alison Collins #11, Laryn Edwards #2, Arianna Erka #31, Brooke Fuller #35, Alisha Januck #24, Kayla Januck #23, Madison Long #33, Julia Powers #20, Cassandra Reinert #30, Adrianna Rossetti #10, Grace Rydzak #5, Natalie Rydzak #25, Kate Schmitt #3, Maria Schrecengost #32, Maddie Stevens #15, and Meghan Welch #21.

“It’s About the Warrior Fund” Benefits from Tae Kwon Do Tournament



Pictured left are students from the Young Brothers Tae Kwon Do- Hampton School who recently competed at the Young Brothers Tae Kwon Do Inter-School tournament held on November 11th, 2017. The students train under the Hampton School Head Instructor, Master Dee Cottage. Grandmaster Kong Young Bo, founder of Young Brothers, donated \$10,000 of the tournament proceeds to the "It's About the Warrior Foundation" which helps Pittsburgh and Tri-State veterans.



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Grob presented with the Bob Johnson Memorial Scholarship

The Pittsburgh Penguins honored Hampton High School graduate Daniel Grob as the 2017 Bob Johnson Memorial Scholarship winner at Wednesday's game against Columbus. The scholarship, valued at \$5,000, is co-sponsored by the Pittsburgh Penguins Booster Club.

The Johnson scholarship was created in 1992 and is presented annually to a western Pennsylvania high school senior for academic excellence, community service and for providing leadership, sportsmanship and a positive attitude as a member of their school's hockey program. Students must have a minimum grade point average of 3.2 to qualify for the scholarship. The late Bob Johnson was a legendary NHL and college coach who led the Penguins to the 1991 Stanley Cup.

Grob, now a student at the University of Michigan, played forward for the Hampton High School varsity hockey team and served as the team's alternate captain. During his varsity career, he recorded 18 goals and 51 points in 59 games. He received a multitude of honors including the Talbot Award, Academic Athletic Award, Lady Byng Award and was named a Scholar Athlete.

Along with his success in hockey, Grob excelled academically. He was a member of the National Honor Society, an officer with Future Business Leaders of America, an AP Scholar with Distinction, PA Merit Scholar, a United

States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Awardee and a Harvard Book Award Recipient.

Active in his community throughout his high school career, Grob volunteered for a medical mission trip to Honduras where he assisted in providing medical care for over 2,500 people. He also traveled to Appalachia for a mission trip with his church, providing a variety of home repairs for those in need. At Hampton Middle School, he volunteered as a tutor at the school's math lab.

He is pursuing a degree in economics at the University of Michigan. He is the son of Dan and Carla Grob of Hampton.



Daniel Grob accepting the Bob Johnson Memorial Scholarship award



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Admission per child: \$15/\$12 members

Space is limited, so register soon. For more information, call 412) 486-0563 the Museum.

This event is geared to children, without adult assistance, however one adult per family is invited to stay, at no charge, and observe the festivities, or children may be dropped off and picked up an hour later.



Hampton High School will be hosting a January Blood Drive on Wednesday, January 31st, from 1:30 to 7:30 PM in the Hampton High School Auxiliary Gym. To schedule your appointment, or obtain more information, please contact the school nurse, Melanie Haynes at (412) 492-6384 or email hamptonhsblooddrive@gmail.com.

Opioid Epidemic Roundtable

The Hampton Community Opioid Partnership will host an opioid epidemic roundtable discussion at 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 18th, 2018 at the Hampton Community Center, 3101 McCully Road, Allison Park, PA.



This event is sponsored by the Hampton Community Opioid Partnership, which consists of representatives from the Hampton Township School District, Hampton Township, the FBI's HOPE Initiative, local ministerium, and medical professionals with both UPMC Health Network and Allegheny Health Network. The partnership is committed to offering several events throughout the year, with the purpose of spreading awareness about the growing opioid epidemic.

A complete schedule for the January 18th event will be available on the school district website. This event is free and open to the public.

A Presentation with Dr. Peter Franzen on School Start Times

When: Monday, January 22, 2018

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: Hampton High School Auditorium
2929 McCully Road, Allison Park, PA 15101

Details

At the request of the Hampton Township School Board of Directors, Dr. Peter Franzen will provide a comprehensive overview of the research surrounding later school start times for high school students. Dr. Franzen is an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

His 45-minute presentation will be followed by a 15-minute Q&A session for audience members.

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Presents from Police

by Gail Scott

The Hampton Township Police Department partnered with 18 other local police agencies to collect presents for children this holiday season. For the seventh year, the Presents from Police program collected gifts at various locations and then delivered them to kids at Children's Hospital and the Children's Institute of Pittsburgh.

Officer David Nemec of the Aspinwall Police Department started the program in 2011 to give gifts to kids who couldn't be home for the holidays. Officer Nemec wanted to bring joy to the children who were in the hospital and also to alleviate some of the pressure that parents feel at this time of year. The parents can focus on their children's health and leave the gift-getting to the police departments.

The program collected gifts then a fleet of police cars delivered all the

gifts to the children on December 21st. This is a great way for local law enforcement agencies to come together during the holiday season and to help children and their parents feel the joy of Christmas. Chief Tom Vulakovich said, "It is truly amazing to see the generosity of the people who came

out and placed presents in the boxes for the kids. After seeing what these children have to face and try to overcome in their young lives, it makes you think how small your own troubles really are. I wish I could personally thank everyone for their generosity this holiday season."



Officer Sarah Hoffman, Chief Tom Vulakovich, Officer David Mitchell & Officer Aaron Zola

Al's Bike Drive Exceeds Expectations

by Gail Scott

2017 was the biggest year yet for Al's Bike Drive, as Al and his team collected 1093 bicycles for children in need! Earlier this year, Al set a lofty goal of collecting 1000 bicycles. When all the bikes were counted and loaded on December 7th, Al reached his goal and surpassed it. "I am truly humbled and overwhelmed at the support of 260 donors from six states. In this, our tenth year, we truly accomplished something special. I offer a very sincere THANK YOU to all who helped us achieve this tremendous goal. You've really provided Christmas joy to many children," says Al.

Al's Bike Drive supports two local Marines' Toys for Tots groups who distribute the bicycles to underprivileged children throughout our area.

A big thanks goes out to Hampton Fire Stations 164 and 165, who helped the group achieve its goal! Not only did they spur others to donate through Facebook posts, they escorted the 75 car caravan to the luncheon at the Wildwood Country Club where the bikes were presented to the Marines. Another big thanks goes out to Thrivent Community-Three Rivers who provided a bike lock and a backpack for each of the 1093 bikes.

The team behind Al's Bike Drive is a 100% volunteer group. Al said, "A great big thank you goes out to my colleagues who stepped up and ran the program this year. They are really great people!" Also, the managers and staff of Walmart in Gibsonia were incredibly generous and helpful, and Al said he could not have achieved this goal without them.

Mark your calendar for next year on December 6th, 2018 as Al's team will hold this event again to collect and distribute bikes. Follow the group on www.alsbikedrive.org as Al gets ready to collect even more bicycles next year.



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Act 537: What does it Mean to You?

A Letter from the Municipal Manager Regarding the Act 537 Plan:

Recently, KLH Engineers, the Township's sanitary operations engineer, presented to Township Council a new Act 537 Plan identifying proposed upgrades to the Water Pollution Control (sewer) Plant. A notice was then placed in the Post Gazette as well as the Township's website and Facebook page for public comment. This presentation has raised a number of resident questions and concerns that I would like to take this opportunity to address.

What is an Act 537 Plan?

An Act 537 Plan is a special study of a sanitary sewerage system's facilities. In Hampton's case, it is a special study to develop and evaluate options to strategically upgrade the existing Allison Park Water Pollution Control Plant (the Township's sewer plant) and to allow for better efficiencies in the operations and compliance of the plant with current as well as

future demands and regulatory requirements.

Why is an Act 537 Plan necessary?

An Act 537 Plan is necessary for two basic reasons: First, and most importantly, it presents a comprehensive plan of identified system needs or upgrades so that the public can see the big picture; and, second, it presents alternative solutions in a strategic format that takes into account present, future and anticipated operational as well as environmental requirements. It is, if you will, a road map into the current as well as future operations of a sanitary sewer system.

Okay, but is it true that the Hampton Plan says that my sewer rates are going up in 2018?

NO, it does not! It identifies an estimated cost for the sewer plant upgrades and an estimated cost of what these upgrades translate into for the individual customer. NOTHING REGARDING RATES HAS BEEN DECIDED OR EVEN PROPOSED TO TOWNSHIP COUNCIL.

Yes, but rates will go up if this plan is implemented, correct?

Correct; at some point some amount of a sewer rate increase will have to be considered by the township. When and how much of an increase has yet to be finalized, however, the Act 537 Plan does identify an estimated rate increase of \$.89 per day or \$27 per month to offset the \$45.1 million in system upgrades.

A possible rate increase. Will there be an opportunity for public input?

ABSOLUTELY! In conjunction with an Act 537 Plan, there is a requirement for public input. Besides normal monthly Council meetings, at least three (3) special public hearings will be held during the upcoming year alone; most likely one in late summer, one in the fall, and one in early winter. Residents are also encouraged to contact the Township at their convenience to become better informed with regard to the Act 537 Plan process and/or to offer their opinions as they desire.

REMEMBER, the presentation of the Act 537 Plan is not the end of the process, but the beginning of one. Please follow

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Upcoming Events

HHS Spring Musical Announced

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 rumrunners 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 13, 14, 20, and 21 at Hampton High School. Stay tuned for more details.

Another exciting event coming in February is called "Crash Course Theater Fest". This is a completely stu-

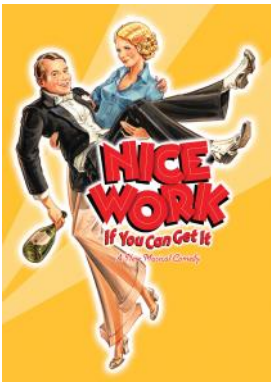
dent run fundraiser for the HHS Spring Musical. Designed to be a "Black Box Theater" type event, the students will write, direct, act, and stage 5-6 one act plays in different genres: comedy, drama, sci-fi, and more. The event will take place on February 10th at Hampton High School. There will be refreshments for sale as well as auction basket raffles. Admission will be \$8 for adults and \$5 for students. Doors open at 6pm. All proceeds support the production of the HHS spring musical. For additional details and information, go to Hamptoncats.org or contact Michelle Horvat at rhov373@hotmail.com.

Make sure to pencil in all of these dates on your calendar so you don't miss a single minute of these fun theater events!

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.

"A Taste of Hampton" will feature the music of local band Austin Drive. Also, Hampton restaurants will serve a variety of appetizers. Local personalities will be guest bartenders to add an element of fun to the evening. Wine and beer will be available for purchase at the event. Residents can purchase tickets at the community center. Tickets are \$25 each and include 2 drink tickets, appetizers, and admittance to see the live band. Doors will open at 6:30pm at the Hampton Community Center. Watch for more details on the Hampton Township website! Please note, this is an "over 21" event.



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Monthly Chief John Schwend's Report
November 2017

Monthly Incident Summary:

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Other	6
Residential Fire Alarm	2
Residential Structure Fire	2
Smoke Scare / Odor	5
Vehicle Accident No Entrapment	6
Wires Down / Transformer Problem	4
Total Incidents for the Month	37
Total Incidents for 2017	398

Noteworthy incidents and events:

NHVFD was dispatched as mutual aid to Richland Township to assist with a residential structure. Crews arrived on scene to find fire coming from two stories and the roof. Crews worked to extinguish the fire and perform salvage and overhaul operations.

NHVFD was dispatched to assist West Deer VFD with a residential structure fire. Crews arrived to find the house filled with smoke and a fire in the basement bedroom. North Hampton crews assisted with fire attack and water supply.

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the Township's website, Facebook page or Twitter account for more information as this process evolves.

In the meantime, should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at the Township office by telephone at 412-486-0400 or by e-mail at chris.lochner@hampton-pa.org.

Thank you,
W. Christopher Lochner,
Municipal Manager

Christmas Tree Recycling Program

The county is again offering its annual Christmas Tree Recycling Program this holiday season. County residents can drop off their Christmas trees now through Tuesday, January 16th, 2018 at nine regional parks during regular hours of operations (dawn to dusk). All lights, decorations, tinsel, and stands must be removed from trees prior to drop-off. The trees will be mulched and used in the parks.

Deer Lakes—Parking lot by the soccer fields, Hartwood Acres Park—Parking lot at the mansion, North Park—Parking lot at the swimming pool. During the 2016-2017 program, more than 2,000 trees were received and recycled, with the resulting mulch used for various purposes throughout the park system's 12,000 acres.

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Upcoming Event

Twilight Night

A Starry Preview of local high school musicals called "Twilight Night" will take place on Friday, February 2nd, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Memorial Park Church in Allison Park (McCandless). High school musical cast soloists will present songs from their upcoming musicals and give an exciting sneak peek of their shows in the spring. The event is called "Twilight Night" because twilight is when stars first start appearing. Admission to the evening concert will be a give-what-you-can donation to North Hills Community Outreach, which provides food and financial help to those most in need in northern Allegheny County communities.

"Last year over 600 musical lovers, friends, neighbors and teachers came out to see the young performers! There was a real sense of camaraderie in the air," says Jim Lueers, Arts Director at Memorial Park Church.

Sharon Wolf, executive director of North Hills Community Outreach said, "The students are incredibly talented. We can't wait for another fun event this year!"

Participating schools include Avonworth, Fox Chapel, Hampton, North Allegheny, Northgate, Pine Richland and Shaler school districts and Eden Christian Academy. All are invited to come enjoy watching the stars come out! Check out the website at www.memorialparkchurch.org for more info or to sponsor corporate program ads. For more information call 412 364-9492.



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