

# Local Scouts Earn Eagle Scout Status

by Tina Harper

*Together in scouting since early elementary school*

**T**roop 17 of Parkwood United Presbyterian Church in Allison Park hosted an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for eight scouts who have earned

Boy Scouts' highest award. The scouts have been involved in scouting together since Cub Scouts, the elementary school-age scouting program. Their original den

leader has been involved with them throughout their scouting career, and is currently the troop committee chair. All

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Troop 17 scouts receive Eagle Scout Award. **Front:** Joey Baker, Andrew Coholich, Jason Hunkele, Regis Colwell. **Back:** Chris Ference, Ethan Knight, Christian Harper, Ryan Michael.

## Gene Kelly Awards -Chicago

by Gail Scott

The Hampton High School production of *Chicago: High School Edition* received four nominations from the Gene Kelly Awards for Excellence in High School Musical Theatre on May 7<sup>th</sup>. This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year that Hampton has participated in the Gene Kelly Awards.

Hampton was nominated in the following categories for Budget Level II: Best Actor – Joseph Fish, Best Costume Design, Best Lighting, and Best All-Student Orchestra. Nominees for the best actor and actress categories will compete

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## Girl Scouts Enhance Park with Gaga Ball Pit

by Kate Baker

On April 26<sup>th</sup>, members of Girl Scout Troop 53245 installed a fun new feature at the Hampton Community Park as part of their Silver Award Project. These seventh and eighth-grade girls have recently been working on their Silver Award, the second highest level of accomplishment in the Girl Scout community. For their project, they built a Gaga Ball pit, between the pavilion by the tennis courts

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John Spiller and Annalise Good are in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade at BTA.

games, which took place on May 7<sup>th</sup> at Sts. Simon and Jude. At the games the kids worked together as a team to compete in relay races, ball tosses, and other events. This year BTA's team came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place! It is always a fun day filled with friendship and a lot of smiles.

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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 are listed below. These incident statistics included, but WERE NOT LIMITED TO, the following between the dates of 4/13/2019— 5/21/2019:


### Theft from Vehicle

 On May 11, 2019 at 9:18 a.m., Hampton Township Police responded to South Villa Drive for a report of a vehicle break-in. Upon arrival, the responding officer observed that the vehicle in question had a shattered driver side window. The vehicle owners stated that sometime during the night, an unknown person broke into the vehicle and stole money from a wallet that had been left in the cup-holder. Residents are strongly encouraged to refrain from leaving anything of value in their unoccupied vehicles and to keep vehicles locked at all times.

### Drug Arrest\Wanted Person

 On April 29, 2019 at 8:13 p.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to the area of Ebonhurst Drive for a male that was causing a disturbance. Upon the officer's arrival, they located the male in the area and detected the odor of burnt marijuana coming from where the male was located. The male fled on foot upon seeing the officers but was quickly detained by one of the responding officers. Upon identifying the male, he was found to have an active warrant for his arrest and was also found to be in possession of drugs.

### Hazardous Conditions\Vehicle Accident

 On May 14, 2019 at 1:53 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Route 8, at Harts Run Road, for a two-vehicle accident. The accident occurred when one vehicle was traveling southbound on Route 8 and

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## Boy Scouts *(Continued from page 1)*

eight scouts are now high school seniors preparing for graduation.

The Eagle Court of Honor took place on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Camp Guyasuta located in Sharpsburg.

Most people know that the Eagle Scout Award is a great honor, even if they're not familiar with the requirements. Since the inception of the Eagle Scout award in 1912, **only 2.01 percent** of eligible Scouts have earned Scouting's highest honor. (<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2015/03/30/what-percentage-of-boy-scouts-become-eagle-scouts/>)

Once progressing with rank advancements and becoming eligible to earn the Eagle Scout Award, scouts must develop a project focused on leadership and service that involves a community sponsor or beneficiary. They engage in fundraising to cover the expenses of their project. Sometimes, the project can take up to a year to complete.

Following are the Eagle Scouts who were recognized at the Court of Honor and brief descriptions of their projects.

**Joey Baker:** constructed and installed benches at Glade Run Lake.

**Andrew Coholich:** constructed a fire pit and benches at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish's youth house.

**Regis Colwell:** built and submerged vertical plank structures to support fish habitats in Glade Run Lake.

**Chris Ference:** at St. Catherine of Sweden Parish, constructed a pergola structure above a memorial that was created as his brother's Eagle Scout Project.

**Christian Harper:** designed, built, and upholstered benches with shelves for Blessed Trinity Academy's remodeled library.

**Jason Hunkele:** renovated the youth room at Ingomar United Methodist Church.

**Ethan Knight:** restored Duncan Heights Cemetery by clearing brush and building and installing a bench

**Ryan Michael:** built a paver walkway and bench for Christ Church Fox Chapel's Columbarium.

All eight Eagle Scouts are members of Troop 17, seniors at Hampton High School in Allison Park, and will be pursuing higher education in a variety of disciplines.

It's unusual to have so many scouts in one troop achieve the highest scouting rank and receive their awards together. The Eagle Scouts and their parents planned the outdoor ceremony, which had attendance of about 150 family and friends.

## Memorial Day Observance

Residents and families from far and wide observed Memorial Day at the Hampton Community Center on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The crowd gathered at 10 a.m. as Hal English welcomed all the attendees. Reverend Ted Martin from Hampton Presbyterian Church opened with prayer followed by Tom Gleason raising the flag as the Hampton High School band played the National Anthem, American Pride, America the Beautiful, Battle Hymn of the Republic and Marches of the Armed Forces. The scouts and American Legion Post 296 affirmed their patriotism with the Pledge of Allegiance. Matthew Gust, a senior at Hampton High School, was asked to participate by speaking and showing his pride and respect for his country. Gust will be attending Ohio State in the honors college for statistics and bio chemistry. The ceremony ended with teacher and retired Lt. Col. from the U.S. Army, Tom Gleason officially retiring the colors with great dignity.

The American Legion Post 296, they would like to thank:

- \* Hampton Township employees, Mr. Chris Lochner and Mr. Kevin Flannery.
- \* All of the Scouts, Scout leaders and their parents for providing their help and guidance in developing and mentoring these fine young men and women into becoming future community leaders and good citizens.
- \* Hampton High School Band and Mr. Chad Himmler.
- \* Hampton High School teacher Tom Gleason, Lt. Col. U.S. Army, retired.
- \* Hampton High School teachers Frau Karen Taylor and Mrs. Jennifer Lavella.
- \* Pasquale's Pizzeria – Owned by Hampton resident, Denny Schlegel, and Matt Schlegel, who served in the U.S. Army in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom 2003/2004, for providing pizza for the troops.

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Left: Daughter Barbara Stetor Mesarosm, Erwin Stetor and Post Commander Mark Hieber.

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2688 Oak Hill Dr	\$622,500	4370 Kilbert Dr	\$385,000	2797 Drake Ct	\$191,000
4802 Oakhurst Ave	\$572,000	2365 Saddle Dr	\$350,000	2324 Linwood Dr	\$162,500
2980 Woodland Ct	\$522,000	4137 Timberlane Dr	\$315,000	2409 W Hardies Rd	\$111,560
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Registration begins **June 1, 2019**. It's simple: read books, get raffle tickets, win prizes! To help encourage children and young adults to read, we will also be offering a variety of programming related to the summer themes. Please check our website for a complete listing and more information:

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**5-4-3-2-1 Blast-Off to Storytime**  
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**Tuesdays from 9:45-10:15 a.m.**  
**OR Weds from 9:45-10:15 a.m.**  
Start your day with an earlybird storytime! Designed for toddlers through age 5, but all are welcome.

**Musical Mornings**  
**June 11<sup>th</sup> thru June 27<sup>th</sup> Only!**  
**Tuesdays and Wednesdays**  
**from 10:30-11:00 a.m. OR**  
**Thursdays from 9:45-10:30 a.m.**  
Let's shake, rattle and hum like twinkling stars as we interact with a galaxy of stories!  
All ages are welcome.

**Techie Tuesday**  
**Tuesdays from 12:45-1:30 p.m.**  
**Starting June 25<sup>th</sup> thru Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>**  
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**Shooting Star Storytime**  
**Tuesdays from 3:00-3:30 p.m. OR**  
**Wednesdays from 12:45-1:15 p.m.**  
**Starting June 18<sup>th</sup> thru August 6<sup>th</sup>**

Don't miss this short and silly storytime featuring 3 of our favorite books and play! Designed for Preschoolers through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade but all are welcome.

**Constellation Café**

**Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**  
**Starting June 19<sup>th</sup> thru August 7<sup>th</sup>**

Get your stardust flowing working as we work on a craft and listen to great audiobooks. Bring your own supplies or use ours to knit, make friendship bracelets, origami, collages and more.  
Programming is planned for tweens, 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Murder by the Book! A Mystery Book Club!**  
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June 19<sup>th</sup> – *The Life We Bury* By Allen Eskens.  
Books available at the library. Make new friends, discover new authors, and get a clue!

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## Who's Looking at our Schools?

Hampton Middle School was notified in December that it had been designated as a 2019 School to Watch. Schools to Watch is a program that rewards exemplary Middle Grades Schools in Pennsylvania and is administered by PA Don Eichhorn Schools in partnership with the Pennsylvania Association for Middle Level Education, Duquesne University, Edinboro University and the Horace Mann Service Corporation. Hampton Middle School is one of three schools for 2019 joining 38 other Pennsylvania middle-grades schools previously recognized.

Hampton Middle School was recognized at the Pennsylvania Association for Middle Level Education State Conference at the Penn State Conference Center in State College on February 24, 2019. They also will be recognized nationally with other Schools to Watch from across the country during the National Forum's National Schools to Watch Conference on June 27-29, 2019.

Mr. Bruce Vosburgh, President of the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grade Reform attended the assembly to officially present and recognize Hampton Middle School as a Schools to Watch.



### Library

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#### Betty's Book Buzz: Thursdays @ 1:00 p.m.

Join Betty as she gives her opinions (both good and bad). June 20<sup>th</sup> – *The Confession*, By John Grisham

#### Who, What, Where Café

##### Thurs. from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Starting June 20<sup>th</sup> thru July 25<sup>th</sup>

Based on the popular *Who Is, What Was, Where Is* books! Discussion and activity will follow. You do not need to read the book first, just bring your lunch and imagination. Grades 1-4.

#### Galaxy Gamers!

##### Thurs. from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Starting June 20<sup>th</sup> thru July 25<sup>th</sup>

Cool off with our Teen Bookends by playing tabletop games (board, card, and dice games) with other teens and families! Everyone can come play! Meet in the Library.

#### Down the Worm Hole Fridays!

##### Fridays from 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Starting June 21<sup>st</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup>

Join the newest member of our team, Miss Eileen B. as we hyperspace into a worm hole of ideas, stories and activities! For grades 1-5.

#### Lego Imagination Exploratorium!

##### Fridays from 1:00 -3:00 p.m. Starting June 14<sup>th</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup>

All ages are invited to stop in and build whatever you can imagine!

### Moon Watchers Party

#### Fridays: June 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00-7:30 p.m.

Join us and enjoy stories featuring some of our favorite nighttime friends: owls, possums and fireflies. Meet in the library. Families of all ages welcome. Consider bringing a flashlight and picnic blanket.

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## Gene Kelly

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for the chance to represent the Gene Kelly awards in the National High School Musical Theatre Awards in New York City on June 24<sup>th</sup>.

The award ceremony was held on May 24<sup>th</sup> at the Benedum Center in Pittsburgh. A large group of cast, crew, orchestra, teachers, and parents attended the ceremony. Unfortunately, Hampton did not receive any awards this year. Everyone involved in the musical *Chicago* said they were honored to be nominated for the Gene Kelly Awards again this year.

Stay tuned this fall for the announcement of the 2020 Hampton High School musical. It is sure to be wonderful.

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began to make a left hand turn onto Harts Run Road. As the operator was making the turn, the rear of the vehicle slid and struck the rear of another vehicle. While on scene,

officers observed an oily substance covering the roadway at that location. Both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene. Officers followed the trail of oil and located a vehicle in Indiana Township that was responsible for the oily substance. The PTO had broken off of the vehicle, causing the hydraulic line to become damaged and leak. Traffic control was provided until the roadway was fully cleaned.


## Pet Struck by Vehicle

On May 14, 2019 at 12:45 p.m., Hampton Township Police received a phone call from a resident who observed a vehicle strike a pet cat on Pere Marquette Drive. The reporting party stated that the driver appeared to be distracted and did not appear to be paying attention to the roadway at the time of the incident. The animal later died from the sustained injuries.


A friendly reminder from Hampton Township Police: When driv-

ing through neighborhoods and local roadways, residents are encouraged to obey the speed limits and pay attention while behind the wheel.

## Dog Bite


 On May 11, 2019 at 1:33 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Hemlock Drive for a report of a dog bite. The responding officers were informed that the reporting party's dog had been attacked by another dog, causing injury. While the complainant was walking their dog, another dog was able to get off of its leash and attacked. The complainant's dog was taken to the vet for evaluation and treatment for the sustained injuries.

## Animal Complaint

 On April 27, 2019 at 11:25 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Route 8 for a vehicle damage report. Upon the officer's arrival, they were advised by the

reporting party that there was a large object in the roadway that caused damage to their vehicle. The responding officer located a deceased black bear in the roadway, which was removed.

## Vehicle Accident

 On April 20, 2019 at 8:45 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Wildwood Road, near Lucy Drive, for a vehicle that struck a utility pole. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the operator, who had sustained a minor injury as a result of the collision. The accident occurred when the operator was momentarily distracted while driving and struck the utility pole. Duquense Light Co. was notified of the property damage. The vehicle had also struck a fire hydrant and Shaler Hampton Water Authority was notified. The vehicle sustained disabling damage and had to be towed from the scene.

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🚓 On April 23, 2019 at 12:00 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Wildwood Road Extension and Talley Cavey Road for a two-vehicle accident with no reported injuries. Upon speaking with both operators, it was discovered that the accident occurred when one operator got distracted by an object blowing around inside the vehicle. This caused the vehicle to drift off of the roadway, striking the front of another vehicle that was stopped at an intersection. The vehicle then struck a guide rail at that location. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene due to extensive damage.

🚓 On April 28, 2019 at 12:06 p.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to South Pioneer Road for a report of a disabled vehicle. While in route to the scene, officers were informed that the vehicle was over a hillside. Upon their arrival, officers located the vehicle over an embankment, with the driver and sole occupant standing outside of the car. The operator stated that they were traveling south on South Montour Road, when they lost control of the vehicle. The vehicle drove over an embankment and had to be removed by a tow truck.

🚓 On May 9, 2019 at 6:03 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Middle Road, at Wildwood Road Extension, for a two-vehicle accident. Upon arrival, both vehicles were found to still be in the roadway. Two of the involved parties initially complained of pain, and medics were requested at the scene. The accident occurred when one vehicle was traveling north on Middle Road and attempted to turn left onto Wildwood Road Extension. A second vehicle was traveling south on Middle Road, and was struck by the other vehicle as it attempted to turn left. One vehicle had to be towed from the scene and two of the involved persons were transported to the hospital by ambulance.

🚓 On May 13, 2019 at 2:39 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Route 8 for a two vehicle accident. Upon arrival, they located both involved vehicles in the area of Aldi. There were no injuries reported at the time of the crash. After

speaking with both involved operators, it was determined that the accident occurred when one operator was attempting to turn left onto Route 8 from a parking lot to then travel south. The operator was waved out by the driver of another vehicle stopped in the northbound curb lane of Route 8, however, failed to see a vehicle traveling in the northbound passing lane. The operator entered Route 8 and struck the oncoming vehicle. One vehicle had to be

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🚓 On May 21, 2019 at 1:33 p.m., Hampton Township Police responded to Route 8, at Craighead Road, for a two-vehicle accident. Upon arrival, officers spoke to both operators and verified that there were no injuries as a result of the collision. The accident occurred when one vehicle operator attempted to merge from the southbound curb lane of Route 8 into the passing lane, striking another vehicle in the process. Both vehicles only sustained minor damage and were able to be driven from the scene.

## Vehicle versus Motorcycle

🚓 On May 4, 2019 at 6:47 p.m., Hampton Township Police were dispatched to Ferguson Road for a two vehicle accident involving a motorcycle. One person was reported to be down on the ground, with observed injuries. Upon the officer's arrival, they located the two involved vehicles in the roadway. EMS personnel were already on scene tending to the injured party that was laying in the roadway. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene due to damage. The injured party was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

## Traffic Advisory - Route 8 Corridor Traffic Signals

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**H**ampton Boys' Basketball Head Coach Joe Lafko and staff will offer a Boys' Summer Basketball Skills Improvement Camp the week of June 24-28 at Hampton High School. The camp will run Monday through Friday from 9-noon. This Skills Camp is offered for boys entering grades 4 through 9. The coaching staff will also offer a skills specific Basketball Shooting Camp June 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> from 1-3:30 pm as well as July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9-11:00 am for boys and girls entering grades 6-10, An Introduction to Basketball Camp will also be offered for beginners (girls and boys entering grades 1-3). Please see Hampton schools building pages for applications or email questions to [lafko@ht-sd.org](mailto:lafko@ht-sd.org).

The Hampton staff will also offer a Summer 3 on 3 league for Boys entering grades 3-11. The league will run Monday through Thursday the weeks of June 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, and July 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, and concluding the week of July 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. Each team is guaranteed 6 games plus playoffs during the course of the league. Make your own teams or sign up as individuals. Register and get information at Summer Slam 3 on 3 at <https://sites.google.com/view/summerslambasketball3on3>.

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This year was filled with sing-a-longs and Discovery Fairs, science experiments and storytellers, field trips and handbells. We got messy with finger paints and glue, moon sand and shaving cream, slime and water beads. The mission of HPCCC is to provide a quality early childhood program that offers a pattern for Christian living, support for young families and integrated developmentally appropriate experiences for young children that will lay a

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## Girls Win Section and Fedell is Honored as Coach of the Year

by June Gravitte

The Hampton Girls softball team had a tremendous year and the coaches are so proud of the girls for winning their section. They won the section championship and a first round playoff game. The team set a school record for wins with 16. Started the season 13 wins in a row, also a school record. Annelise Probeck, Lydia Quaglia, and Maddie Wanner made the all section team. Annelise, our pitcher, ended the season with 13 wins and 3 losses. Freshman catcher, Bella Henzler, made second team all section.

Assistant Coach Lynn Zdinak said, "This truly was a fine example of "everyone playing an important role". We have never seen a team that plays and works

like this one. The girls never gave up. It didn't matter if we were down by one run or four, the girls always fought back. They always clinched the win because of their perseverance. We couldn't have been prouder!"

In other exciting news, Head Coach Ron Fedell was named "Coach of the Year". Assistant Coach Zdinak commented, "He is such an amazing coach. He works so hard and has done it for so long. I am so proud that he has finally been honored for his hard work. I have worked with him for 16 years and I proud to be by his side. I have learned so much from him and so have 20 years of players. Hampton is lucky to have him!"

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## Coach of the Year's Team Wins Section; Falls Short in Playoffs

by June Gravitte

Hampton High School Varsity Head Coach, Kellen Wheeler was named "2019 Coach of the Year". But that wasn't the only season highlight. Wheeler remarked, "The team had a great year that ended too soon. I'm very proud of the whole team,

top to bottom, and of their work in winning their section (5A, section 2)." The overall standing was 12-7 and the section was recorded at 8-2.

Of the 5 seniors pictured below, 3 of them were selected to first team all section: Burke Camper, Tyler Bischke, & Casey Marshalwitz. The other seniors are Shaun Mikulan, and Jon Ibinson. Mikulan led the team in PO's and sported a .985 field-

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Seniors Left to Right with parents: Jon Ibinson, Casey Marshalwitz, , Shaun Mikulan, Tyler Bischke, Burke Camper

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# Girls' Lacrosse Is One of the Best in the Region

by Gail Scott

**H**ampton Girls Lacrosse had a fantastic year. The team finished the year as Western Pennsylvania runners up in the WPIAL Final match against Oakland Catholic. The girls gave it their all in the WPIAL championship but lost with a score of 12-15 at RMU stadium. The team played round 1 on May 28<sup>th</sup> of the PIAA state playoffs and lost to York Catholic.

A few days earlier, the team won the WPIAL semi-final match against Quaker Valley with the winning goal scored in the last second of regulation play by Nikita Corbelli. Final score 12-11. Senior attacker

Katie Cyphers led with 4 goals followed by sophomore middle Megan Cook with 3 goals. Goalie Annaliese Winklosky had 9 saves. The teams regular season record was 15-3 with a section record of 8-1.

There are 10 seniors on the team: Nikita Corbelli, Katie Cyphers, Riley Killian, Andi Reiser, Katelyn Sullivan, Abby Wolf, Elizabeth Dolan (captain, committed to Allegheny College), Melinda Maers (captain, committed to Walsh University), Sarah Rech (captain, committed to University of Akron), and Molly Wojcik (committed to Allegheny College). The team is coached by Kelsey Viets with assistant coaches Christine McGrath, Breanne Vodde, and goalie coach Nate Meade.

Coach Viets commented on the sea-

son; " This is the first year we've not only had multiple players committed to NCAA collegiate programs, but having all three senior captains committed. This is also the first year we've had a NCAA Division I commit with Sarah Rech. Having three seniors out all season due to injuries, captain Melinda Maers, Katelyn Sullivan, and Andi Reiser, definitely challenged us early on with revising our line-ups and game strategy. But our two captains on the field, Sarah Rech and Liz Dolan, have been instrumental in leading the charge. Another standout has been sophomore Megan Cook. She scored 4 goals in our WPIAL Championship victory against Quaker Valley last year and is top goal scorer for

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Photo by Madia Photography

## Stennett Selected as May Athlete of the Month

Congratulations May Athlete of the month, Jillian Stennett! Jillian tied 2<sup>nd</sup> on the girls varsity lacrosse roster for shot on goal percentage (60.3%). She was recently selected as the only player from Hampton to compete in the US Lacrosse U19 National Tournament as a member of the US Lacrosse Western PA Regional Team. This is a competitive roster of 20 players from the WPIAL selected through a formal tryout day. Congratulations to Jillian on making the US Lax team. Athlete of the month is sponsored by Wahlburgers!

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## Boys' Lacrosse Makes it to States

by Gail Scott

It's June and the Hampton Boys Lacrosse team is still working hard as they play in the quarter finals of the state championships. On June 1<sup>st</sup> they will be playing against Strath Haven in Mechanicsburg with hopes of moving on to the semi-finals.


The boys team has had a great year and ended the regular season with a record of 18-3. The team got their first state playoff win in program history on May 28<sup>th</sup> against Meadville, 11-3. A few days earlier, the team lost in the final round of the WPIAL Championship game in overtime to Mars 9-8. The team coach is Jim Vollberg. "This team is one of the hardest working teams I have had the pleasure of coaching in my 10+ years as a head coach. The team has a chemistry between the staff and the players that has been unique, and has re-energized our program, all the way down to the youth levels. The future of Hampton Lacrosse will be bright, and this team has set the benchmark for years to come," the coach says.



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There are 8 seniors on the team. Pictured back row: Jake Schwarzbach (Midfielder-Committed to Allegheny College), Mike Manganaro (Midfielder-attending Ohio State), Will Meglio (Attackman-4 year letter award winner), Max Fiehrer (Defenseman -will be attending Penn State), Andrew Coholich (Attack and Midfield-committed to St. Vincent), kneeling: Max Obenrader, (Defenseman-Captain-going to Duquesne for Pharmacy), Brandon Stephany (Midfielder-will be attending the University of Dayton), Alex Winklosky (Long Stick Midfielder-Captain-Committed to Allegheny College) and Harper Cook (Midfielder-Captain-Playing soccer for American University next year).

Congratulations to the following who were selected to the WPIAL 2019 Division AA All-Section team and All WPIAL team:  
 All-Section: Max Saltrelli-Attack, Harper Cook-Midfield, Alex Winklosky-Long Stick Mid, Max Obenrader-Defense, Jake Schwarzbach-Faceoffs.  
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## Rowing Team Finishes Amongst the Top in Championship

by June Gravitte

The Hampton High School Rowing Team recently competed in the Midwest Scholastic Rowing Championship that was held at Dillon Lake in Nashport, Ohio on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>,

2019. The event hosted 49 high school teams from 8 states in 40 events with over 530 boat entries. Hampton entered 6 boats that raced in the semi-finals that were held on Saturday. Two of the boats qualified for and raced in the finals on Sunday.

The rowers who made finals at Midwest were Camie Peters

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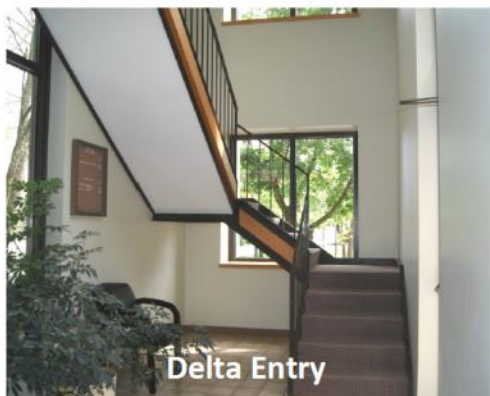
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## Gaga Ball Pit

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and the new basketball courts. A Gaga Ball Pit is an octagonal structure used to play a variation of dodgeball.

The Silver Award is meant to solve a problem in the community, and the solution must have a sustainable impact. The girls recognized that there was a lack of activities in the parks that adults and children could play together, and they chose Gaga Ball because they have always enjoyed playing the game at Girl Scout camps. Each girl on the team had to put in at least 50 individual work hours on the project to fulfill their Silver Award requirements.

Prior to building the Gaga Pit, the four girls on the troop's "build team" - Abi Green, Kate Baker, Lucy Modlin and Anna Weisbrode - had to seek approval from the Township to construct the pit. Once approved, the girls made project plans, recruited volunteers, solicited donations, and planned build day. On build day, the girls, with the help of their adult volunteers, organized building materials, operated saws and nail guns, and even live-streamed parts of the day for the Hampton Gaga Ball pit page on Instagram.

The Gaga Pit is open and ready for use. If you don't know how to play, don't worry. Four other members of the troop are working together to teach the community how to use the Gaga Pit. They will be hosting a booth at the community celebration on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Kate Baker, Lucy Modlin, Abi Green, and Anna Weisbrode inside the Gaga pit they built. *Photo by Karen Baker*

## Baseball

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ing average. Ibinson earned starting second base position his junior high school year due to the hard work he put in during the offseason. In addition, 2 juniors were selected to 2<sup>nd</sup> team all section: Adam Stroud and Brendan Erka. Stroud commented, "I was happy to be able to support my team in any way that I could this year while working on getting my arm healthy to be back out there on the field. Luckily, I found my role in the DH spot and had great support from all of my teammates throughout the season. We had a great season and everyone seemed to really band together and all work toward a common goal. I'm looking forward into the future I plan on being back out there on the mound for my senior year and helping my team win WPIALs."

## Goodman Continues to Succeed at a Collegiate Level

*by Gail Scott*

**J**ason Goodman found the perfect university after graduating from Hampton High School in 2017. He just finished his sophomore year at Slippery Rock University, (SRU) majoring in exercise science. His high school days competing in track and field and soccer, lettering three times in outdoor track and twice in indoor track, and placing multiple times in WPIAL championships proved he had what it takes to continue in college. In 2018 Goodman competed in seven meets. He recorded a season-best in the long jump during the PSAC championships, clearing 6.59m and tallied a season-best in the triple jump at 13.59m. He also placed third in the triple jump at the Coastal Carolina invite at 13.32, and earned PSAC Scholar Athlete.



This is his 2<sup>nd</sup> year participating in the Decathlon for SRU. Slippery

Rock competed in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Championships at Mansfield University in early May. Jason finished very strong and took 8<sup>th</sup> place in the PSAC Championships. SRU placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the overall team standings. Jason's parents Steven and Susie Goodman both attended SRU in 1986, and feel it's a perfect fit for Jason.

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Route 8 BBQ appetizers are very popular. Starters have the theme of SMOKED. The whole wings are some of the best wings you will find on Route 8. Two popular starters are the "Smoked Brisket Burnt Ends" and "House Cured Pork Belly". Route 8 BBQ has affordable daily food and drink specials. The restaurant has some very talented bartenders who have created tasty drinks. Todd says, "Two popular drinks are the Smokin Paloma where we smoke the grapefruit juice, and our Smoked Bloody Mary where we smoke the bloody mary mix."

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More information available for AXA achievement scholarships: <https://us.axa.com/axa-foundation/docs/2019-AXA-Achievement-Award-Winners-2500.pdf>

## Current Events

### Farmer's Market Kicks Off

The Township of Hampton Farmers Market is set to open its 2019 season on Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The market, which takes place in the Community Park in Hampton Township (upper Community Center lot), will operate on Wednesdays from 3 to 7 pm. The market is a rain or shine event that continues through mid-October (no market July 3).

A recent poll by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) concluded over 85% of Americans believe access to locally grown fresh produce, including farmers markets, is important. The idea for the market originates from Hampton residents and the benefit to residents is access to locally grown, farm fresh produce and homemade or baked goods.

Mr. Ryder, Program Supervisor, says "Our first season will have a nice selection of products and goods from vendors who will showcase their products and sell directly to consumers. Several local farms, a winery, and a homemade soap maker are a few of the vendors ready for opening day."



2019 Memorial Day Service American Legion Post 296

## North Hampton Fire

### Chief John Schwend's April Report

#### Monthly Incident Summary:

Brush Fire	1
Commercial Fire Alarm	2
Commercial Structure Fire	1
Fire Police Detail	1
Gas Odor	1
Odor / Smell of Burning	3
Other	1
Residential Fire Alarm	6
Residential Structure Fire	2
Vehicle Accident No Entrapment	10
Vehicle Fire	2
Wires down or on Fire	7

#### Total Incidents for the Month

37

#### Total Incidents for 2019

145

#### Noteworthy incidents and events:

- NHVFD was dispatched to the report of a basement fire on Sample Court. Crews arrived to find a fire in the laundry room. Units used 200 gallons of water to extinguish.
- NHVFD was dispatched as mutual aid to McCandless for an apartment building on fire on Durham Court. Crews assisted with Operations Command and with water supply and salvage and overhaul.
- NHVFD was dispatched to a residential structure fire as mutual aid in West Deer Twp. Crews assisted with extinguishment and used the air truck to refill firefighter SCBA.

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**Brush Fire**

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**Burning Complaint**

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**Pennsylvania House of Representatives**

State Rep. Lori Mizgorski will be hosting “Seniors For Safe Driving”, a first time senior course on Thursday, July 18th and Friday, July 19th from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Northern Tier Library.

The course is for drivers 55 years or older. The fee is \$16.00 payable to Seniors for Safe Driving. Participants who successfully complete the driving course will receive a minimum 5% discount on their auto insurance. The course is classroom instruction only, no exam will be given.

The class will take place in the Richland Community Room, 4015 Dickey Road, Gibsonia, PA. Call 1-800-559-4880 to register or online at [www.sfsd-pa.com](http://www.sfsd-pa.com). If you have additional questions, please contact Representative Mizgorski's office at 412-487-6605.

**Row Team**

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and Ksenia Suddeth in the Women's Junior Double event. Camie is a junior and Ksenia is a sophomore. They placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the final with a time of 7:01.150 on a 1,500 meter course. Head coach, Steph Sholhead, remarked, “I was really happy with how this boat performed because they have been rowing together since the fall and are very dedicated to making this boat fast, even after facing setbacks over the winter with injuries.”

Ronnie Misencik is a rower who made finals at Midwest in the Men's Varsity Single event. Ronnie surprised

many of his competitors because he was competing in a varsity event as only a sophomore. After placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the time trial with a time of 6:07.74 he was extremely excited, as were his coaches and teammates! “On Sunday, conditions were a little windy, but Ronnie had a strong race, and he finished 5<sup>th</sup> in finals. Ronnie has had significant personal growth over the past year. As one of three boys on the team, he has taken up a leadership role and he is always helping the other boys develop into strong rowers and competitors, even if it means slowing himself down for a practice or two”, further commented Sholhead.

The rowing team thanks you for your interest in the Hampton Rowing team and their regional competition! While the team is affiliated with the high school, they are fully self-funded via fundraising and team dues. Many do not realize that the rowing shells can cost as much as cars! Not to mention, storage fees and transportation to and from the river add up quickly! Coach Sholhead explains, “With the team's numbers lower than usual this year has been a tough one so I am so glad that we were still successful. Over the summer we hope to increase interest in the school district by running summer rowing camps for anyone in the district in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and older.” If anyone is interested in rowing we will be holding the learn to row camps the week of June 24<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup>. Interested individuals can find more information at [www.hhsrowing.org](http://www.hhsrowing.org).



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Matthew Gust and Hal English on Memorial Day

## WQED Writers Contest Finalists

First grader Elijah Wharton and third grader Lily Haberman have been named finalists in the 2019 WQED Writers Contest. They are two of 27 finalists in this year's contest for students in grades K-5. The contest is sponsored by the EQT Foundation.

Elijah's story is titled "Blades the Skate" and Lily's story is "Bob's Chicken Dance." Viewers can click on each story to hear the authors read their stories.

All finalists' stories are available on the website: [www.ht-sd.org](http://www.ht-sd.org). The finalists have the chance to be named "Reader's Choice Winner" in their category.

The winners will be announced at the Winners Red Carpet celebration, held on Friday, May 31, at WQED's Fred Rogers Studio. Prizes will be awarded, including the opportunity to record their winning story. Recordings will be broadcast on [iQ Kids Radio](#) and featured on [Saturday Light Brigade](#). Visit [www.wqed.org/education/writers-contest/2019-winners](http://www.wqed.org/education/writers-contest/2019-winners).

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### Girls' Lacrosse

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our current season with 48 goals and 6 assists."

The WPIAL has released All-Section honors. This designation goes to the top (12) players from each AAA and AA section as voted on by coaches within that section. Coaches cannot vote for their own players. Three Hampton players were named **2019 WPIAL Division AA Section 1 All-Section Honors**: Sarah Rech ('19), Liz Dolan ('19), Megan Cook ('21). Following the All-Section announcement, the WPIAL combines the lists for All-Section winners for Division AAA and AA and coaches vote for final All-WPIAL honors: this is the highest recognition of the top 20 players in AAA and AA divisions. **2019 WPIAL All-WPIAL Division AA Honors**: Sarah Rech ('19) and Liz Dolan ('19).

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## Poff Hosts Dance for Charitable Cause

by Gail Scott

Poff Elementary School held its first "All School Dance" with grades Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> attending on May 10<sup>th</sup>. A circus theme made the night even more interesting with students attending with an adult of their choice. There was a great turn-out with over 200 guests in attendance.

The high school cafeteria was decorated for the circus. Refreshments included hot dogs, popcorn, lemonade, and cotton candy. A photo booth with fun props was a popular spot at the dance. Fun activities included the limbo, a conga line, a hula hoop game, and the chicken dance. The dance floor was crowded with students and parents dancing all night.

In partnership with the North Hills Community Outreach (NHCO), Poff collected non-perishable food items to donate for National Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day. They collected 350 items for the food bank. The kindergarten students donated the most food

items of the night at 75 and they were treated with dancing the final song of the night which was *Cotton Eyed Joe*.

The All School Dance Committee and the PTO will be working hard to make next year's event even better. They give special thanks to the parents that made food, donated time and money. The committee said that without their help and support they could not have pulled it off. Sponsors for the dance event were: Poff PTO, Wildwood Sports Complex, Katie's Clay Studio, Caliente Pizza, Great Clips, The Clubhouse Gibsonia, Threading The Needle, Climb North, Thirty One by Tiffany Paga, Planet Bounce, Applebee's and Target, Gibsonia.



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  - July 14 Stephen Marley w/special guest DJ Shacia Payne
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