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From the Principal . . .

From three HHS art students earning Region-at-Large Gold Keys in the Scholastic competition and qualifying for Nationals, to our boys' basketball team winning their division and playing in the PIAA State Tournament, Hanover High School students continue to distinguish themselves. Special thanks goes to our outstanding fan base which represented Hanover and proudly supported our student-athletes in venues from Carlisle to South Philadelphia. As Spring begins we look forward to maintaining this enthusiasm, confidence, and necessary work ethic in the classroom, in our spring concerts, our oratorical competition, and in our in our athletic programs. Well done, Hanover!

On Monday, March 1, 2010, seniors Carley Muntz and Brittany Weckesser completed the requirements to graduate from the HACC Certified Nurses Aide (CNA) Training Program. These two aspiring nurses, along with students from South Western High School, were required to attend 104-hours of class work, plus a 4-day clinical at the Homewood at Plum Creek Retirement Community in Hanover. Upon successful completion of the necessary exam through the State of Pennsylvania, both students will be licensed Certified Nursing Assistants.



The purpose of this course is to provide the long-term care nurse aide trainee with a basic level of knowledge and skills needed to care for an elderly resident/client as set forth by the profession of nursing and regulated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This program is offered in both the fall and spring to seniors at Hanover High School.

Congratulations to Carley and Brittany on all their hard work! If you would like more information on this program, please contact Mr. David Harnish, Transition Coordinator at Hanover High School: 637-9000, Ext. 318; dharnish@hpsd.k12.pa.us

“Drive Safe PA” Radio PSA Contest



Two Hanover High School seniors are taking part in PennDOT's public service announcement contest that encourages motorists to drive safely. As part of their speech and communication class, Ashley Carr and Rebecca Grim wrote and produced a 30-second PSA that warns drivers about the dangers of texting and using cell phones while behind the wheel. Winning students will travel to Harrisburg to have their PSA professionally recorded and distributed to radio stations. Good luck, ladies. We applaud your efforts!

Senior Culminating Projects Completed

On Monday, January 18th, over 100 seniors at Hanover High School presented their graduation projects to a panel of teachers and administrators. Students chose to create a project of their own, or complete 30-hours of community service at an approved location. The Class of 2010 put on an excellent display of talents:

--Approximately 40% of the senior class completed community service, totaling over 1,200 hours.

--Students went on trips to El Salvador, Uganda, and Alaska

--One student raised over \$20,000 by organizing an MS Walk

--Another student has been raising and racing homing pigeons

--Patios and pathways have been built at homes and in memorium at Mt. Olivet Cemetery

--Baseball dugouts were restored and a variety of sports camps provided for our elementary and middle school students to enjoy

--Books were written, prom dresses made, cars repaired, and documentaries filmed.

Congratulations to the Class of 2010!

If you would like more information on the Culminating Project, please go to the "Culminating Project" link on the high school homepage (<http://www.hpsd.k12.pa.us/?q=node/532215>) or contact Mr. David Harnish, Transition Coordinator: 637-9000, Ext. 318; dharnish@hpsd.k12.pa.us.

Introduction to Manufacturing Program Presentation

On Wednesday, January 20th, 2010, two students from Hanover High School, Troy Schrum and Tyler Yohe, along with classmates from South Western High School, impressed a record crowd of business leaders at a Hanover Chamber of Commerce breakfast. The students had recently completed the Introduction to Manufacturing course, offered through HACC-Gettysburg during the fall to local high school seniors. Congratulations to both Hanover students who displayed their knowledge and leadership skills.



The Introduction to Manufacturing Program (ITM) is a collaboration between the Hanover Chamber, HACC-Gettysburg, local businesses and local schools. ITM educates students about today's business environment and career pathways that exist in manufacturing. The students complete 5-weeks of coursework, followed by 10-weeks of on-site learning within local businesses, followed by more coursework. Students earn high school credit and may choose to take the course for college credit as well.

The high school would like to thank not only the Hanover Chamber and HACC, but also the following businesses for their participation in this program: Elsner Engineering Works, Leonhardt Manufacturing, McClarin Plastics, R.H.Sheppard, Snyder's of Hanover, SKF, and Utz Quality Foods, Inc.

You can find more information about this program under the "Credit Programs" link within the "Career Development" section of the high school homepage, or enter: <http://www.hpsd.k12.pa.us/?q=node/540519>. You may also contact Mr. David Harnish, Transition Coordinator: 637-9000, Ext. 318; dharnish@hpsd.k12.pa.us

Spring Musical

Congratulations to the cast and crew of our spring musical, *Once Upon A mattress*, for delighting audiences on Friday, March 26th and Saturday, March 27th. Special thanks to Director Ron Schloyer for his efforts in making this production a memorable one.

Assembly

On Monday, March 8th our student body assembled in the auditorium to hear Mr. Milton Creagh talk about making responsible choices concerning drugs, alcohol, violence, and money. Big Milt's message was well received by students and faculty alike. Special thanks to the National Drug Awareness Program of the Pennsylvania Elks for bringing this speaker to Hanover.

Youth Arts Month...

March is designated as Youth Arts Month and Hanover High School celebrated this event in several ways.

During the month of March the Hanover Area Arts Guild, located at 32 Carlisle St hosted the 29th annual student art show. Artwork from local middle and high schools was on display the entire month of March. Bermudian, Delone, South West, Fairfield, Gettysburg, Littlestown, New Oxford, Spring Grove and Hanover school districts all had work in this show. The following students from Hanover High school had their work on display at the guild:

Rachael Kuhn
Courtney Carbaugh
Doug Leese
Linsey Bowersox
Tanner Bowersox
Dona Tolic

Kayla Kelly
Brittany Weckesser
Ashley Hull
Molly Steinmetz
Morgan Wernet

Annie Pope
Ali Baublitz
Wyatt Trump
Gabi Rosenbrien
Charissa Morgan



HHS is participating in another show at the Susquehanna Arts Museum, in Harrisburg. Unlike the guild show, in it's 29th year, this will be the first show for this event. Stephen Koons, an art teacher at Hershey High School, conceived Artistic Expressions. Mr. Koons was upset after losing Strawberry Square for the annual Scholastic Art show. National Scholastics had restructured their competition two years ago and in doing so lost the Patriot News as a sponsor. With no sponsor, individual schools could enter the competition as a region-at-large but they had no local venue to display their student's artwork. In the fall of 09, Mr. Koons attempted to locate and gather as many high school art teachers as possible. Mrs. Sara Little attended several of these meetings and it was then decided that the first show would be comprised of art from the schools that were represented at these meetings. There are approximately ten schools represented from Hershey to Fairfield and many in between. We were fortunate to secure the S.A.M. to hold this show. S.A.M. is a professional gallery and we are thrilled that the following students will have their work displayed in such a beautiful facility: Dona Tolic, Gabi Rosenbrien, Charissa Morgan, Morgan Wernet and Veronica Ibanez.

Artistic Expressions opened on March 3rd and will run until the end of April. The artist's reception is to be held on Sunday, April 11 from 1-4. The Susquehanna Art Museum is located at 301 Market Street, Harrisburg. You can visit their site at www.sqart.org.

As mentioned earlier, after the Scholastic competition went to their new format, many art teachers in the surrounding area, stopped submitting work. During the 08-09 school year, HHS did not submit any student work because of a misunderstanding of the process. This year, after figuring out the new entry requirements, six works of art from three art students were sent digitally for adjudication to National Scholastic in the region-at-large category. We were informed by letter in late February that all three students each received a Gold Key in the regional competition. Out of more than 165,000 entries only 639 artworks from the Region-at-Large earned Gold Key recognition this year. The following Hanover High School students received a Gold Key:



Charissa Morgan- Painting,
Gabi Rosenbrien- Drawing,
Molly Steinmetz- Design/Illustration

These three pieces are now automatically forwarded to the national-

HHS Saturday Work Day

Join us Saturday, April 24th, from 8:30 to noon for our Spring Work Day (mulching, painting, landscaping, and general cleanup). Please contact Mrs. Lori Smith at 637-9000, ext. 303 if you wish to join us.

Winter Sports Wrap Up....

As many are aware the winter season was very exciting for the Nighthawks. Our district was represented well throughout the season as well as in the post-season. So before we dive headlong into spring let's take a look back at what transpired during the winter sports season here at HPSD.

The varsity wrestling team under new head coach Neal Dutterer had a team record of 8-13. The season was highlighted by a team win at Delone Catholic High School. While the record may not be the norm for Hanover Wrestling it is merely a stepping-stone for a young team that has many electrifying wrestlers joining the varsity ranks next year. The future indeed looks bright for Hanover Wrestling. Senior Tyler Yohe had a great year with a 19-5 overall record, but fell one win short of qualifying for District 3 competition. Sophomore's Zack Martin and Derek Wolford both finished third in Sectional Competition and qualified for District 3 Championships. Zack finished the season with a record of 18-9, while Derek finished with a team high 22 wins and a record of 22-6.

The varsity girls' basketball team was under the gun early this season. Not having a coaching staff in place since last school year the team was behind other area programs that had been honing their skills through the summer and fall months. The girls' did not let this dampen their fighting spirit as they showed improvement both as individuals and as a team throughout the year under first year head coach Jim Abbott.

Two independent athletes also put their skills on display representing Hanover. Junior Cody Shoemaker qualified, again, for the District 3 Bowling Championships, and finished in 14th place overall. Freshman, Zach Miller, took his talent to the pool where he was one of only three freshmen to qualify for District competition in the 100m where he set a personal best time of 51.91 seconds.

Finally, the varsity boys' basketball team, coached by Nate Myers, finished the season 18-7, won their first Division Title since 1978, finished third in District 3, and qualified for the PIAA State Tournament for the first time in 22 years. Perhaps the only thing that comes close to topping the overall success of the team was the fact that they also beat rival Delone Catholic three times in the same season. Lead by seniors Ben Connor, Brandon Wentz, and Shea Staub the Nighthawks posted their most winning season in program history bringing the school and community together in support behind them!

It was truly an exciting winter for Nighthawk Nation, beating Delone a total of four times, winning championships, and qualifying for District competition, all while maintaining a tradition of class and respect. I want to thank all of our athlete's, coaches, and fans for a memorable winter season, and I can hardly wait to see what the spring may bring to Nighthawk Country.

2010 "Career Camp" Registration

During the summer of 2009, Hanover High School and South Western High School collaborated with one another, as well as over 30-local businesses and business leaders to provide high school students with a free, 2-week "Workplace and Career Readiness Camp" during the month of June.

We are happy to announce the dates for the 2010 Career Camp:

Dates: Monday-Thursday, June 21-24 & June 28-July 1.

Times: 9am-2pm

Locations: High school classrooms, local businesses, and area colleges

Cost: \$0

We are planning a very exciting agenda that will focus not only on job skills and careers within the local community, but also "green careers" and emerging technology throughout the region. More information on this program will be provided in the near future.

If you are interested in learning more about the camp, please contact David Harnish, Transition Coordinator at 637-9000, Ext. 318 or dharnish@hpsd.k12.pa.us