# TIGER PRIDE 2022 




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## Tiger Pride 2022

It is with great pleasure that I present to you the 2022 edition of our annual year-end achievement publication, Tiger Pride. Within the pages of this publication, you will get a glimpse of the incredible talent that our students and staff possess. Despite ongoing challenges, the 2021-2022 school year has been one of academic, musical, and athletic accomplishment.

It is said that public education is an investment in the future. We are fortunate to have the continued support of the community as
 well as the Hollidaysburg Area School District Board of Directors. The quality of a school system is a direct reflection of the values of the community. This publication is a testament to the value our community places on education as well as the unwavering commitment of the community to provide life-changing opportunities for our students- a wise investment in our future.

As you peruse the 2021-2022 edition of Tiger Pride, you will no doubt come to a greater appreciation for our talented students and staff, an affirmation of the Hollidaysburg Area School District mission to educate all learners by maximizing the growth of each individual.

I invite you to witness firsthand the great things that are happening by attending a play, concert, athletic event, or simply by becoming a school volunteer. On behalf of the board of school directors, administration, teachers, staff and students, I want to thank you for your ongoing support. If it were not for the support of our community and devoted alumni, we could never continue the tradition of excellence that has become a hallmark of our district.

Sincerely,
Dr. Robert J. Gildea
Superintendent of Schools
Budget
2021-2022 Budget ..... \$52,529,873
Millage Rate ( 1 mill generates $\$ 2,437,798$ ) ..... 9.4326
Funding Sources
Local ..... \$27,887,189
State ..... \$21,675,166
Federal/Other ..... \$1,030,200
Fund Balance ..... \$5,292,932
Enrollment for 2021-2022
Building Number of Students
Charles W. Longer ..... 420
Foot of Ten ..... 532
Frankstown ..... 607
Junior High ..... 816
Senior High ..... 812
Total Enrollment ..... 3,187
School District Personnel
Faculty ..... 251
Support Staff ..... 165
Administrative Staff ..... 22
Faculty Experience
Five years or less ..... 23\%
Six to ten years ..... 16\%
Eleven to nineteen years ..... 35\%
Twenty years or more ..... 26\%

## Mission Statement

The Hollidaysburg Area School District community is dedicated to educating all learners by maximizing the growth of each individual.

## Vision Statement

To maximize the growth of each individual, the Hollidaysburg Area School District will...

- strive to meet the educational, social-emotional, and behavioral needs of all learners through rigorous academics, athletics, arts, and extra-curricular opportunities
- empower learners to discover and develop their strengths and interests to prepare for college, vocational/trade schools, military service, and/ or the workforce.
- promote citizenship and leadership qualities which foster independent and productive members of an ever-changing society.
- maximize the use of technology resources with a focus on creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, and communication for all learners
- cultivate healthy relationships in a safe and mutually respectful learning environment where accountability is fundamental


Emily
Zhu
Valedictorian


Elizabeth
Johnson
Salutatorian


Brooke Langenbacher Top Student at Greater Altoona Career and Technology Center

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## SENIOR HIGH

## Mathematics Competition

The American Mathematics Competitions (AMC) 10 and 12 are the first in a series of competitions that eventually lead to the International Mathematical Olympiad. Students at Hollidaysburg Area Junior and Senior High participated in the Mathematical Association of America's American Mathematics Competitions (MAA AMC). The MAA AMC program leads the nation in strengthening the mathematical capabilities of the next generation of problem-solvers. The competitions prepare students for future careers in STEM fields and help positive attitudes towards analytical thinking and mathematics. The AMC 10 is for students in tenth grade and below and covers the high school curriculum up to tenth grade.

Ten students in the Hollidaysburg Area Junior High School participated in the AMC 10 contest this school year. The highest scoring student was William Zhu, second place was Samuel Blescia, and third place was Felix Xu. William Zhu's score qualified him to participate in the American Invitational Mathematics Examination (AIME). This is an extreme honor for an eighth-grader to qualify for the AIME contest.

The AMC 12 covers the entire high school curriculum including trigonometry, advanced algebra, and advanced geometry, but excludes calculus. This year, Emily Zhu, twelfth-grade, placed in the top 5\% of students in the U.S. who took the AMC 12, making her a qualifier for the American Invitational Mathematics Exam (AIME).

This marks two years in a row that Emily and William have participated in the AIME. Congratulations, Emily and William!


## APPLES Foreign Language Festival

On April 2nd, Ms. Raquel Lemelle and Mrs. Kimberly Pope took Spanish, French, and German students to compete in the APPLES Foreign Language Festival at the IUP Campus. The students had a great day celebrating languages, meeting students from other schools, and competing in a variety of academic and creative categories. Congratulations to the following Junior and Senior High students who placed in their categories, and to everyone who participated:


- Ava Barnes - 3rd place t-shirt design, Spanish
- Shelby Beauchamp - 2nd place model construction, French
- Rebecca Borowski - 2nd place German 3 composition, 1st place German 3 speaking
- Aaralyn Briscoe - 2nd place German literary recitation
- Sammi Heikinen - 1st place Spanish 2 reading
- Nina Meadows - 1st place Spanish 2 speaking, 3rd place Spanish reading, 3rd place Spanish listening
- Allison Melbinger - 1st place French 3 reading comprehension
- Madison Riva - 1st place German literary recitation, 1st place German 3 composition
- Sidra Zammam - 1st place Spanish 2 reading, 1st place Spanish 2 listening
- Jenna Zelem - 2nd place French 1 composition
- Stanley Zheng - 2nd place German composition, 3rd place German reading, 2nd place German speaking, 3rd place German listening
- Anthony Zheng - 1st place German composition, 1st place German reading, 1st place German listening, 1st place German speaking
- William Zhu - 2nd place German speaking, 2nd place German speaking


## SENIOR HIGH

## GACTC Senior Award Recipients

- Cameron Piper - Senior of the Year for Service Occupations
- Nate Stern - Lowes "Gold Hammer Award"
- Brooke Langenbacher - Joseph J. Schamris Memorial Scholarship, Reliance Bank Scholarship, and the Timothy A. Bartek Memorial Scholarship
- Caroline Adams - Senior of the Year for Interior Decorating \& Finishing
- Kyle DeStefano - Franklin M. "Frankie" Finelli Memorial Scholarship and the S. Rodger Walters Memorial Scholarship
- Devyn Amigh - Student of the year for Cosmetology, Daniel A. Clark Memorial Scholarship, and Skills USA Scholarship
- Dennis Hammel - Richard L. McEldowney Scholarship


## Relay for Life Field Day

The Relay for Life Olympic Field Day competition was held on April 29 at the senior high school, Tiger Stadium, and surrounding fields. Over 400 students and faculty either participated or volunteered their time to raise funds for The American Cancer Society. The students participated in games throughout the campus and ended their day by taking part in a choreographed dance and a luminaria walk to honor survivors and remember those who lost their battle with cancer. This year, we had 35 teams participate and raised almost $\$ 5000$ for The American Cancer Society. Team Kazakhstan won the event this year, earning an ice cream sundae party for their efforts.



L to R: Cameron Piper, Nathan Stern Brooke Langenbacher, Caroline Adams, Kyle DeStefano, and Devyn Amigh. Absent from photo: Dennis Hammel.

## Athletic Mural

The high school art students planned, designed, and created an athletic mural to honor our athletes at Hollidaysburg. The students received a grant from the Hollidaysburg Area School District Foundation and Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art to complete this twenty-foot-long mural. The student artists combined efforts with artist-in-residence Deb Bunnell to make this project happen. Inspiration for this mural was French Impressionism, color theory, and the artwork of Georges Seurat. After many hours of painting and dotting, the masterpiece was completed and is showcased in the hallway leading to the gymnasium to celebrate our athletic program at Hollidaysburg.


## SENIOR HIGH

## Esports Team

The Hollidaysburg Esports Team completed their first season in the TEC High School Esports League sponsored by The Esport Company and St. Francis University. The league is made up of teams from central and western Pennsylvania. The league currently has competitions in Valorant, Overwatch and Rocket League and has two divisions for each game. The Tigers placed 1st in Overwatch Division II, 3rd in Rocket League Division II and 4th in Rocket League Division I. This was an impressive showing for the inaugural Esports season in the TEC League where the majority of the teams were in their fourth season. The Hollidaysburg Esports team is currently made up of 27 students and is guided by Esports Director Adam Walstrom, Esports Head Coach Vinny Bonanno and Assistant Coach Doug Spaar.

## German 3 Students Provide Fun Activities for Classmates

This year, the German 3 students at the senior high school wanted to try something new. Once a month, they met in the library with students to provide fun activities that would help them get to know each other better and teach them a little German along the way. Throughout the year, the German 3 students created lessons that involved many songs, especially with dance moves, games, crafts, bingo, and interactive activities. In March, junior high students came over to the high school to participate, too. The students really enjoyed spending time with each other and the lessons were a success!


## 2021 Farm Show

The EcoAction Club won eighteen awards, including Best in Show for their pears in the Youth Fruits and Nuts Categories, at the 2021 Hollidaysburg Farm Show.


## Chemistry Olympiad

On March 28, Katie Burke, Neo Chen, Seddy Clapper, Collin Edgell, Matthew Hargittai, Kendra Jones, Paul Rose, and Gavin Ross competed in the Local Chemistry Olympiad Exam. The top scores for our school were Collin Edgell, first place and Matthew Hargittai, second place. Based on their performance on this exam, they were qualifiers for the National Chemistry Olympiad. This exam will determine the top 20 most promising young chemists in the nation. The test included questions on organic, physical, and traditional high school chemistry. The United States has participated internationally in this event since 1984. The event is sponsored by the American Chemical Society that was founded in 1876.


L to R: Collin Edgell and Matthew Hargittai

## SENIOR HIGH

## AP Art and Design Student Show

The AP Art and Design class hosted its first show of its kind at the Altoona Grand Hotel in late April. Before their art portfolios were mailed to the College Board, the student artists had the opportunity to showcase their work. Students displayed their series of work that included 15 pieces from their yearlong sustained investigations. The event was extremely successful and a great way to show off the professional talent and magnificent pieces that were created this year.


## Holiday of the Arts

The high school art students worked hard to bring back Holiday of the Arts in full spirit for C. W. Longer Elementary School this year. Eighty-five art students helped to plan and prepare holiday crafts for Kindergarten through sixth-grade students. Each elementary student enjoyed the day learning about art and creating two handmade crafts to take home to their family.


## American Council of Teachers of Russian (ACTR) Olympiada of Spoken Russian

The ACTR Olympiada of Spoken Russian is an annual national competition where high school students have the opportunity to demonstrate their Russian language knowledge with other students of Russian and converse with native Russian speakers. Students compete in three commissions-Oral Communication, Area Studies and Reading: Texts and Poems.

This year the competition was held virtually for the Area Studies and Reading: Texts and Poems. The Oral Communication commission required students to meet with Russian professors via Zoom and answer questions. Madison Riva and Erika Salisbury competed in the Level 1 commission. Both were required to create videos of their poetry reading and presentations to submit to the judges by the end of March. On April 20, both met Russian professors via Zoom and had the opportunity to paint Easter eggs with other students in a virtual setting. Congratulations to both young ladies on their achievements in this very difficult competition.

Madison Riva received a Bronze medal. Erika Salisbury received a Silver medal.

## SENIOR HIGH

## Foreign Language in the Community

French, German, and Spanish Clubs have been busy this year, creating lessons and teaching elementary school students about the different cultures.


## Le club de français- French Club

French Club has taught lessons this year at C.W. Longer and Foot of Ten Elementary schools. The senior high French students taught the elementary students how to say colors in French and about the famous example of Gothic architecture at Notre Dame Cathedral. They created "stained glass" out of tissue paper to hang up in their windows at home and played a fun Kahoot game to show what they learned.

In March, French Club students went to C. W. Longer to teach about Mardi Gras with Spanish Club. A variety of classes participated in reviewing French colors, discussing Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday), and traditions during this holiday. The students received snacks to represent the King's Cake. Of course, no French activity is complete without a Mardi Gras mask souvenir. Students had fun making their own with feathers, beads, green and purple designs and sequins.

## El Club de español - Spanish Club

In October, Spanish Club went to C. W. Longer and taught a lesson about Día de los Muertos/Day of the Dead to the 5th grade group. Students learned about this special tradition in México that included Altar de Ofrendas, comida/food, traditional makeup and clothing, parades, music, and how Mexicans celebrate this time before Halloween. Since elementary students were having a culture day of their own learning about Disney's COCO movie, the Spanish students taught the younger kids about Alebrijes,
which are spirit animals in the Mexican afterlife. Students learned about the different kinds of traditions associated with this holiday, key phrases and completed a Kahoot and Quizlet game to test their knowledge. Additionally, students made their own Alebrijes and calaveras (sugar skulls) pictures.

In March, Spanish/French Clubs taught students at C. W. Longer about Carnaval/Lent and Mardi Gras. Carnaval is celebrated in the different regions in Span-ish-speaking countries and most famously in Brazil in South America. Students enjoyed learning about the parades, traditions, and colorful clothing. They learned Spanish colors and how to create papel picado - a paper cutting activity that resembles confetti/snowflakes.

## Deutscher Klub - German Club

Throughout the spring, German Club students have made various trips to the elementary schools. They worked with 5th grade at Frankstown, 1st and 6th grade at C. W. Longer, and 6th grade at Foot of Ten. Elementary students were introduced to to the children's song "Schnappi, das kleine Krokodil" and an Oktoberfest song "Fliegerlied." Lessons included basic vocabulary through song and dance, games, and interactive activities such as hot potato and word match ups. These activities helped the senior high students strengthen their leadership and presentational skills and helped the elementary students develop an appreciation of and interest in learning foreign languages. The lessons were a lot of fun for all students involved.

Our clubs hope this encourages students to take what they learn, teach others, appreciate languages, embrace cultural differences and look forward to taking a foreign language in junior high.

## SENIOR HIGH

## Leadership Blair County Youth

Leadership Blair County Youth, financially supported by the Chamber Foundation, is a program that works to develop the leadership potential of tenthgrade students of high schools in Blair County, as well as educate the students on the county's heritage, culture and workforce opportunities. Four of our sophomore students, Maxwell Baronner, Shelby Beauchamp, Ava Dixon, and Mary McKeegan were accepted into and participated in the program. All four students successfully completed the program and graduated on May 11, 2022.


L to R: Mr. David Herncane - Guidance Counselor, Maxwell Baronner, Shelby Beauchamp, Ava Dixon and Mary McKeegan.

## JUNIOR HIGH

## Art Show

The Junior High held their first Adaptive Art Show this year! The event was held in the Junior High auditorium and had a great turn out. A big shout out to all the students and their wonderful artwork! it was a colorful success!


## Scholastic Quiz Team

The Junior High Scholastic Quiz Team had another fantastic season competing in the Blair/Bedford Regional Competitions, held at Altoona IU8. The Junior High had 15 students competing on two teams in the competition. The Hollidaysburg Team A finished the season in 7th place with a 7-5 record. The A Team included Nathan Trumpbour, Marisa Salisbury, Cael Gerchak, Isaac Tryninewski, Emma Moritz, Blake Kennedy, Olivia Palguta, and Anna Reilly.

The Hollidaysburg B team finished the season in 2nd place with an 11-1 record. The B Team advanced to the playoffs, defeating Tussey Mountain to advance to the championship match. The B Team defeated Bellwood-Antis, winning a best of five series 3-2. This is Hollidaysburg's fifth regional championship in a row! The win qualified the B Team for the National Competition. In National preliminary play, the students had a 4-2 record. This qualified the team for National playoffs! B Team members included Jeff McCoy, Caleb Engle, Sam Blescia, Jack Peterson, Cole Hartman, William Zhu, and Joseph McNicholas. Congratulations to all on a great season!

## JUNIOR HIGH

## MATHCOUNTS®

The Junior High MATHCOUNTS® competition team had a very successful school year. The following students participated in the MATHCOUNTS® Chapter Competition: eighth graders Felix Xu, William Zhu, Stanley Zheng, Sammi Heikinen, and seventh-graders Jenna Zelem, Tyler Rodgers, and Kate Steiner. Results of the chapter competition were as follows: Felix Xu placed first, William Zhu placed second and Stanley Zheng placed $4^{\text {th }}$. These students advanced to the state MATHCOUNTS® competition held on March 19. The Hollidaysburg Team earned first place honors at the chapter competition. Likewise, the students were extremely successful at the State MATHCOUNTS® competition. For the first time ever, a student from Hollidaysburg - Felix Xu - placed in the Top Ten individual students, earning the opportunity to participate in the countdown round. The countdown round is a competition where two students individually compete against each other to be the fastest to correctly answer questions. The student who answers the most correct out of three questions advances to the next participant who is another student from the top ten. William Zhu placed $11^{\text {th }}$ at the state competition and Stanley Zheng placed 53rd. There were 106 students who participated in the state MATHCOUNTS® competition.


L to R, row one: Sammi Heikinen, Stanley Zheng, Tyler Rodgers. Row two: William Zhu, Felix Xu, Jenna Zelem


L to R: William Zhu, Felix Xu, Stanley Zheng.

## Students Compete in Rotary 4-Way Test Speech Contest

Four 9th grade Civics students accepted an additional challenge this year when they competed in the annual Rotary 4 -Way Test Speech Contest. Caleb Engel, Paisley Pearce, Sarah Waldron, and Joulia Wolf participated in the school contest on February 15. Each student applied the 4 -Way Test - Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned? - to their selected topics. The topics included social media's effect on brain development, abortion, the impact of virtual education on low-income students during the pandemic, and the pros and cons of technology in education. The Club Round was held on March 1 at Marzoni's during the regular Rotary meeting with the local Rotarians acting as judges. Caleb Engle and Joulia Wolf placed during this round. Joulia went on to represent the school district at the Regional Round in State College.


L to R: Paisley Pearce, Sarah Waldron, Caleb Engel and Joulia Wolf

## ELEMENTARY

## Buddy Bench

In 2017, two sixth-grade students came up with the idea to permanently place a Buddy Bench on the C.W. Longer playground. The Buddy Bench is a simple idea to help eliminate loneliness and foster friendship on the playground. It helps spread the message of inclusion and kindness. The idea originated in the United States by a little boy from Roundtown Elementary. The idea is that if someone needs a "buddy" on the playground, they will sit on the Buddy Bench where other children will see them and invite them to play. Since 2017, there has been significant wear and tear to our Buddy Bench. Many thanks go out to Ruth Stephens, Zoey Burgan, and their families for restoring our Buddy Bench to its former glory!


## Bus Driver Appreciation

Foot of Ten students, PTO and staff helped to show our appreciation to our bus and van drivers on Monday, September 27 with a "Grab and Go" Breakfast Bag, provided by the Foot of Ten PTO. The students thanked the drivers with signs posted in front of the school.


## Community Service Club Used Book Sale

The Community Service Club collected used books from Foot of Ten families. They held the sale in February 2022. Foot of Ten students had the opportunity to shop for like new books for 25 and 50 cents. They raised $\$ 622$ for The Sitting Bulls, a sled hockey team for people with physical limitations. The remaining books were donated to the Read to Feed program where books are sold at other used book sales and the money goes towards the purchase of food for a local food pantry. This project just kept on giving!

## Scholastic Great Bedtime Story Pajama Drive

Foot of Ten Student Council asked students and staff to participate in the 13th Annual Scholastic Great Bedtime Story Pajama Drive. For every pair of pajamas that were donated, Scholastic matched it with a book. This year, we collected 240 PAIRS!


## Community Service Club Cereal Drive

Foot of Ten Community Service Club asked students and staff to bring in donations of cereal to help the St. Vincent DePaul food pantry. Over 1,300 boxes of cereal were donated to help feed children in our community! Thank you!

## ELEMENTARY

## Artwork on Display

Select artists from Mrs. Mock's art classes at FKS Elementary School were chosen to have their artwork displayed at the District Community Art Show located at the Blair Regional YMCA in Hollidaysburg. Students in grades K-12 created numerous extraordinary pieces during their school art classes. A limited selection was on display at the YMCA during the month of April.


## READBowl in Fourth Grade

Mr. Wessner's English Language Arts Class recently participated in the 2022 READBowl. READBowl is a global reading competition in which PreK to eighth grade classrooms around the globe compete to read for the most minutes. The competition was created by former Super Bowl champion and children's book author, Malcolm Mitchell. During the four weeks of the competition, Mr. Wessner's students read a total of 4,213 minutes. This earned them the Pennsylvania State Championship in the Elementary Conference!


## ELEMENTARY

## Robotics

The Foot of Ten Robotics Club met each week after school in the library to learn about coding and programming. In the fall, students competed in teams and completed the challenges included in the Wonder League Robotics Competition. In the spring, students spent time with several robots including Dash, Cue, Cubelets, LEGO WeDo 2.0, and the Finch Robot. Students worked together to collaborate, problem solve, and use their creativity and critical thinking skills.


## Foot of Ten Elementary Game Club

Kudos to the members of the Foot of Ten Elementary Game Club. They came up with the idea of selling lollipops to raise money to purchase games for kids in the hospital. Thanks to their efforts and leadership, we have 30 board games to donate to UPMC Altoona.


Row one: Front: Jordon Johnsonbaugh. Row two, L to R: Alonna Ratchford, Keegan Henry, Leah Hammel.

## Spruce-Up at Foot of Ten Elementary

The Foot of Ten Community Service Club, led by Mrs. Alyssa Carpenter, Mr. Josh Detrich, Mrs. Kyrah Allender, and Mrs. Jackie Harris, helped to organize a cleanup day at the school. The club worked in conjunction with Boy Scout Troop 30 and their families to spruceup Foot of Ten Elementary School on a beautiful evening in May. The club received donations of bags from ACE Hardware, and Burchfield and Sons Landscaping donated their time to come pick up the bags.


## Gaming Club

Mrs. Breisacher received a grant from PDE's Office of Commonwealth Libraries and Video Game Clubs of America to run a Gaming Club this year for students in grades 4-6. The goals of the club are to promote social and emotional learning through gaming and to create a safe space for students to forge friendships. Club members meet during their recess in the library on Day 5. The group was also involved in Community Service projects.


## ELEMENTARY

## Helping Those in Need

On April 1st, Mrs. Buffone's class at Foot of Ten Elementary School donated food items in the amount of $\$ 75$ to the food drive sponsored by the Hollidaysburg Area Women's Club.

They used money raised from their student-run coffee shop, The Daily Grind. Mrs. Buffone's class has donated hundreds of dollars over the past two years to local families and shelters in need.


## PennCFL Stock Market Challenge

Under the guidance of Stephanie Gutshall and Nicci Stultz, several 5th and 6th grade students at C.W. Longer, Foot of Ten, and Frankstown participated in the statewide Stock Market Challenge sponsored by the Pennsylvania Council on Financial Literacy (PennCFL). For ten weeks, these students learned how to invest in stocks, make trades, analyze markets, and build an individual stock market portfolio. Foot of Ten earned 9th place in the statewide elementary division. Maya Grinberg, a 6th grade student at Foot of Ten, earned the highest portfolio total of our participating students, earning this recognition.

## PaTTAN Grant

During the 2021-22 school year, a team of Foot of Ten teachers was awarded a grant through the Pennsylvania Training \& Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) to improve early literacy outcomes. Team members include:

- Chris Bracken, Kaylyn Massafra, Kyrah Allender (1st Grade Teachers)
- Karly Aiken, Laura Heffelfinger (Reading Specialists)
- Susan Plummer (Special Education Teacher)
- Cheri Grimaldi (ESL)
- Robin Blair (School Psychologist)
- Jaime Hartline (Principal)

Together, the team members participated in four days of training over the summer to learn instructional routines for foundational reading skills, comprehension, and vocabulary.

Throughout the school year, this group of teachers received additional support and training from PaTTAN in regards to improving reading outcomes and improving problem solving strategies for Tier 2 and Tier 3 supports. As part of the team's efforts and results at middle of the year testing, they were asked to participate in a podcast hosted by PaTTAN and to serve as a model school site. In May, the team presented the data collected on reading achievement for first graders to the other school districts who also participated in their cohort.

## MUSIC \& DRAMA

## Keystone String Fest

On March 29, a group of Hollidaysburg Area Junior High orchestra students participated in the Keystone String Fest at Altoona High School. The students had a great time rehearsing with guest conductor, Krista Kriel, from the Harrisburg Youth Symphony. They performed an evening concert for their families after spending the morning and afternoon rehearsing with the combined festival orchestra, which consisted of students from twelve different school districts.


The students who participated were L to R: Michael Waibel-Maharaj, Sebastian Diaz, Jeff McCoy, Kara Pappal, Madison Breton, Laila Panaro, and Christine Diaz.

## PMEA District Orchestra

The Hollidaysburg Area Senior High School was recently represented by 20 students for the PMEA District Orchestra Festival hosted by Juniata Area School District. The festival guest conductor was Dr. Timothy Dixon from Messiah College. Of the 20 participating students, 12 qualified to audition for PMEA All-State Orchestra and of those students, Caleb Frailey and Paul Rose advanced to the PMEA All-State Orchestra.


## The Music Man

The Hollidaysburg Area Repertory Players presented The Music Man in November in the Hollidaysburg Area Sr. High School Auditorium.

The Music Man is the Meredith Willson classic musical that tells of the unlikely romance between Salesman, Harold Hill, (Baret Monahan) and local librarian, Marian Paroo, (Marian Stephens) in River City, Iowa, near the turn of the 20th century.

While Hill cons the town into purchasing band instruments for the town band, he turns the local school board into a barbershop quartet, (Collin Edgell, Alex Garver, Blair Sutton, Jackson Connell) and their wives (the pick-a-little ladies) into a dancing society (Noelle Shenk, Devyn Amigh, Rachel Engle, Isabelle Melito, Evelyn Tang). He tangles with the local Mayor Shinn (Neo Chen) and sets up his daughter, Zaneeta (Orphie Hartman) up with the ruffian, Tommy Djlas (Benjamin Gervinski) while charming Mrs. Paroo (LaRin Walls) and befriending Marian's brother, Winthrop (Jacob Ferris). Hill gets some help from his friend Marcellus Washburn (Gavin Ross). Additional cast members: Piper Weidley, Kiersten Weidley, Summer Dively, Adam Frederick, McKenna Hoover, Brenna Urban, Jack Peterson, Bryan Gearhart, and Paul Rose.

The show was under the direction of Mrs. Stephanie Everett; music direction, Mrs. Wendy Jo Nagy; pit orchestra, Mr. Scott Sheehan; choreography, Melissa Baser; student choreographers, Orphie Hartman and Marian Stephens; set, Mr. Joe Krupka; and costuming, Mrs. Terry Benton-Monahan. Stage managers were Reagan Farringer and Lauryn Conway.


## MUSIC \& DRAMA

## Singin' in the Rain

In March, Hollidaysburg Junior Theatre performed their musical, Singin' in the Rain Jr. in the Hollidaysburg Area Senior High Auditorium. The cast and crew were so excited to be able to perform a live musical, in-person this year! Forty-six junior high students participated in the cast and crew combined. Singin' in the Rain Jr. featured numerous well-known songs and students delighted audiences with their singing, acting, and dancing abilities.


Singin' in the Rain Jr. told the story of Hollywood's most famous movie duo, Don Lockwood (Jack Peterson) and Lina Lamont (Rachel Daras). When the directors, RF Simpson (Gia Mosey) and Dexter (Daniel Cameron) decide that it is time for Monumental Pictures to create their first musical picture, there is a major issue: Lina cannot sing or act. With help from Cosmo Brown (Ben Gervinski) and Kathy Selden (Alice Haslam), it looks like Monumental Pictures can be saved, but this is threatened when Lina finds out about their plan to use Kathy's voice in place of hers. Singin' in the Rain Jr. also featured Ayda Shenk as Dora Bailey, Madi McLaurin as Zelda, Emily Jones as Roz, Bailey Henry as Miss Dinsmore, Olivia Miknis as the Broadway Soloist, Addison McCloskey as the Police Officer, Riley Mackey as Sam, Bailey Mackey as Young Lady, Joulia Wolf, Josie Watt, and Madison Brown as Assistants, and Sophie McClelland, Aran Corey, and Ellie Bettwy as Screening Guests. Holly Mercer directed the musical and Kelly Hartman was the music director and choreographer.

## Music Department Travels to Walt Disney World

The Music Department traveled to Walt Disney World on February 15-20, 2022. The Concert Choir, Orchestra and Jazz Band performed on the Waterside Stage at Disney Springs to an enthusiastic audience! The Marching Band had the honor of marching in the Main Street Parade in the Magic Kingdom. The students, families, and chaperones all had a fantastic time and extend their thanks to the school district and administration for their support in providing this amazing opportunity.


## PMEA Region III Chorus

On March 24 and 25, 13 choral students from the Hollidaysburg Area High School participated in PMEA Region III Chorus at Altoona Area High School. Dr. Ryan Beeken, Director of Choral Activities at Wichita State University, was guest conductor. After two days of preparing a challenging folder of music, students gave an outstanding performance for family and friends. The following high school students participated in Region III Chorus: Marian Stephens, Caleb Frailey, Collin Edgell, Blair Sutton, Mark McCoy, Alex Garver, Adam Frederick, Kristen Pappal, Evelyn Tang, Orphie Hartman, Baret Monahan, and Paul Rose. Congratulations to Evelyn Tang who auditioned and qualified to accompany PMEA District 6 Chorus as well as Region III Chorus on piano.


L to R, row one: Adam Frederick, Kristen Pappal, Evelyn Tang, Orphie Hartman, Baret Monahan, Paul Rose. Row two: Marian Stephens, Caleb Frailey, Collin Edgell, Blair Sutton, Mark McCoy, Alex Garver.

## Music Accolades



The Hollidaysburg Area School District received the designation as one of the "Best Communities for Music Education" by the NAMM Foundation for the 11th consecutive year. This year 738 school districts across the United States were granted this honor. The Best Communities distinction recognizes and celebrates school districts and schools for their support and commitment to music education and efforts to assure access to music for all students as part of a well-rounded education.


## Marian Stephens

Marian Stephens, a senior in our high school choral program, qualified for and participated in the National Association for Music Educators (NAfME) All National Honors Chorus. Marian was one of 240 vocalists selected from around the country to participate in this event held January 22-24. Students in this ensemble prepared several pieces of music. Dr. Geoffrey Paul Boers, Director of Choral Activities at the University of Washington in Seattle was the guest conductor who prepared the students virtually. After participating in designated rehearsals, Marian recorded and submitted herself singing two pieces. A sound engineer compiled all of the recordings from the students in the choir and created virtual choir videos. In addition to preparing this music, Marian had the opportunity to be in sessions with the composers of the music she performed, as well as other guest artists.

Marian has been accepted into the "Sight and Sound Conservatory" Fall class where she will be mentored in acting, singing, and dancing. Marian will be taking other relevant courses and will perform in Sight \& Sound Theatre's Professional Stage Productions.

## PMEA District 6 Chorus

Congratulations to the students who qualified for PMEA District 6 Chorus that was held February 10 and 11 at Northern Bedford High School. Dr. Rachel Cornacchio from Messiah College was the guest conductor. Approximately 180 students were in the choir from 48 different school districts. The following students represented Hollidaysburg: Caleb Frailey, Paul Rose, Collin Edgell, Alex Garver, Blair Sutton, Evelyn Tang, Mitchell Ferris, Mark McCoy, Orphie Hartman, Adam Frederick, Sidra Zammam, Marian Stephens, Kristen Pappal, Cecelia Williams, and Brenna Urban. Missing from the picture is Baret Monahan.


## MUSIC \& DRAMA

## District Band

The PMEA District 6 Band Festival was hosted at Hollidaysburg Area Senior High School on January 27 \& 28. The festival brought together 139 students from 33 different school districts from Blair, Bedford, Cambria, and Somerset counties. Twenty-five students from Hollidaysburg participated in the festival with four of them earning first-chair honors. The band was under the direction of world-renowned conductor emerita from the University of Texas Dr. Paula Crider, and the festival featured a world-premiere of a new composition for band called "Beyond the Gates" by Emmy-winning composer Julie Giroux. The piece was commissioned by the District 6 Band Directors in honor of our students who have persevered through the challenges of the pandemic. Many thanks to all who helped to make the festival a huge success and congratulations to the 17 students who qualified to advance to the Region III Band Festival that was held in March at West Branch High School.


## Songfest

The Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 6 Elementary Songfest was held at Altoona Area High School on May 13, 2022. The guest conductor was Dr. Craig Denison from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP). Approximately 130 fifth-graders from Bedford, Blair, Cambria and Somerset Counties were selected to participate. Participants from our district included Nora Barrett, Zoey Burgan, and Ruth Stephens from C. W. Longer; Aria Dempsie, Lydia Loucks, Draycen Patterson, and Makenna Storm from Foot of Ten; and Julie Caldwell, Sofia Douylliez, Trenton Schmouder, and Chloe Schratzmeier from Frankstown. They were accompanied by their music teachers: Mrs. Lori Stephens, C.W. Longer; Mrs. Mary Villani, Foot of Ten; and Mr. Brandon Harris, Frankstown.


L to R, row one: Ruth Stephens, Zoey Burgan, Makenna Storm, Trenton Schmouder, and Julie Caldwell. Row two: Lydia Louck, Aria Dempsie, Draycen Patterson, Nora Barrett, Chloe Schratzmeier, and Sofia Douylliez.

## PMEA All-State Ensembles/Carnegie Hall Honor's Ensemble

The Hollidaysburg Area Sr. High School was proud to have several students participate in the PMEA All State Orchestra for 2022. Senior, Caleb Frailey - violin; and Junior, Paul Rose - violin performed with the PMEA All-State Orchestra under the direction of Jason Seber who is the Associate Conductor of the Kansas City Symphony.

In addition to the PMEA festivals, Caleb Frailey was also selected to participate in the Carnegie Hall Honors Orchestra, also under the direction of Jason Seber in February of 2022.


L to R: Caleb Frailey and Paul Rose.

## Outstanding Superintendent Award

The Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) selected Dr. Robert Gildea to receive the 2022 Outstanding Superintendent Award. This award is presented to one top administrator for their long lasting support and growth of their school music program. Dr. Gildea was presented the award at the PMEA State Conference in April at the Kalahari Resort in the Poconos.

Senior High Band Director and Music Department Chair, Scott Sheehan, was awarded the PMEA James Stewart Distinguished Service Award at the annual state conference in April for his dedication to further music education throughout Pennsylvania and his commitment to the many program and initiatives PMEA offers its members. Mr. Sheehan was also selected to receive the 2022 Outstanding Bandmaster Award by the Phi Beta Mu International Bandmasters Fraternity. Additionally, Mr. Sheehan and Mrs. Everett received awards for 25 years of music teaching and membership in PMEA.


L to R, row one: Wendy Jo Nagy, Stephanie Everett, Valerie Montgomery, Lori Stephens. Row two: Mary Villani, Scott Sheehan, Dr. Robert Gildea, Phil Stat-tel-PMEA President, Brandon Harris, Deanna Herb.

## Elementary Bandfest 2022

Four students from Frankstown, three students from Foot of Ten, and one student from C.W. Longer represented the Hollidaysburg Area School District at the annual PMEA District 6 Elementary Bandfest. This year's festival was held at Conemaugh Valley School District. These students were selected for their outstanding musical talents.

The students spent the day at Conemaugh Valley Junior/Senior High School preparing for an evening concert under the direction of Dr. Stowman from Messiah College. Students from Blair, Bedford, Cambria, and Somerset counties participated in this annual event. These students should be commended for all their hard work and dedication. What a great opportunity it was for these students to work with other outstanding young musicians from all of central PA.

Hollidaysburg students who participated this year were: Frankstown Elementary - Zachary Blescia (alto saxophone); Silas Wolfe (trumpet); Brooklyn Hemminger (flute); and Sydney Hinish (percussion).Foot of Ten Elementary - Patrick Van Kleunen (trombone); Jada Merriman (trumpet), and Rylan Miller (percussion). C. W. Longer Elementary - Alexis Eardley (alto saxophone).


L to R, row one: Alexis Eardley, Zachary Blescia, Rylan Miller and Patrick Van Kleunen. Row two: Jada Merriman, Silas Wolfe, Brooklyn Hemminger and Sydney Hinish.

## MUSIC \& DRAMA

## Sense and Sensibility

In April, the Hollidaysburg Area Repertory Players presented the Jane Austen classic, Sense and Sensibility, as a play in the Hollidaysburg Area Senior High School Auditorium. The story follows the lives of the charming Dashwood sisters, Elinor and Marianne (Devyn Amigh, Brenna Urban, Noelle Shenk and Orphie Hartman) and their complicated relationships with suitors, Colonel Brandon (Pierce Schlechter) and Edward Ferrars (Baret Monahan.) They are supported by a recently widowed mother (Val Gates and Summer Dively) and their maid, Mrs. Thomas, (Lauryn Conway) and constantly teased by a well-meaning neighbor, Mrs. Jennings (LaRin Walls and Rachel Engle) and her family (Taylor Diniro, Makenna Hoover and Victoria Glass.) Along the way, they are challenged by Lucy Steele's (Chloe Peterman) prior attachment to Edward Ferrars and constantly thwarted by their older brother (Gavin Ross) and his wife, Fanny (Evelyn Tang.)

The show was under the direction of Mrs. Stephanie Everett; set, Mr. Joe Krupka; and costuming, Mrs. Terry Benton-Monahan.


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Girls' Basketball


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## Boys' Soccer



District 6 Class AAA Champions

## Unified League



Regional Champions of Blair County

## ATHLETICS

## Wrestling



Aaron Sleeth
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Cross Country


Ben \& Chris Love qualified for the PIAA Cross Country Championship. Ben Love broke the home course record during the season.

## STAFF

## Jessica Zorger

Mrs. Jessica Zorger, Frankstown Elementary Title 1 teacher and instructional coach, was named a Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year Semifinalist this year. Mrs. Zorger is extremely deserving of this special recognition as her leadership and teaching skills are outstanding. She seeks out best practices and shares her knowledge with others openly. She not only wants to better her students but the district as well. Mrs. Zorger recognizes the importance of the entire school community working together in order to have a more effective and meaningful school experience for all.

Mrs. Zorger has been an educator for 14 years, and she has continued to grow professionally throughout her career. She holds her elementary K-6 certification, English 7-9 certification, reading specialist K -12 certification, and her Master's in education.


L to R, row one: Aubrey Karns, Ava Karns. Row two: Marissa Wyant, Stella Mikolajczyk, Mrs. Zorger, Alex Dively, Micah Layton.

Currently she is going through Point Park's Principal Certification program. Congratulations, Mrs. Zorger!

## Employees Receive Award

Jill Furry, Foot of Ten Health Room Assistant, and Dr. Lisa Surkovich, Reading Specialist, were awarded the Lauretta Woodson Award for outstanding support professionals in Blair County. This award is given annually by the Blair County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees (PASR) to recognize a support professional and an educator for "unselfish dedication and exemplary service on behalf of students and public education." Both will receive recognition at a board meeting this summer.

## STAFF



## Allison Herbaugh

Allison Herbaugh, C.W. Longer Elementary School Counselor, recently obtained her licensed professional counseling credential. Ms. Herbaugh completed 3,000 hours of post-master's degree supervised clinical experience and met the multiple other rigorous state board requirements of the Pennsylvania state board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Licensed Professional Counselors. The state board approved Ms. Herbaugh as a Licensed Professional Counselor in March of 2022. She has been working for years as a Nationally Certified Counselor and a Nationally Certified School Counselor. She now adds Licensed Professional Counselor to her credentials. Congratulations, Ms. Herbaugh!

## Mr. Wessner Hits a Homerun!

Congratulations to Mr. John Wessner, fourth-grade teacher at Foot of Ten Elementary School, recognized as the Altoona Curve/First Summit Bank Elementary Teacher of the Year! Julia Van Kleunen, one of Mr. Wessner's students, nominated him for this award. The Altoona Curve received 150 nominations for this award. The Altoona Curve and First Summit Bank reviewed the nominations and the review panel chose Mr. Wessner.


L to R: Sean McCool, First Summit Bank; John Wessner; Julia Van Kleunen; Loco, Altoona Curve Mascot; Don Yeager, First Summit Bank.

## DISTRICT

## GIANT Support

Over the past two years, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused financial adversity in the lives of many of our children and their families. For many years, The GIANT Company has been actively involved in our community to help families in need. At no other time in recent memory has this assistance been more needed.

In April, The GIANT Company shared the success of the Round Up At The Register Program in support of feeding children throughout our school district. Throughout January and February 2022, community members donated through the Round Up At The Register Program in support of school district food and meal programs. Through the Round Up At The Register Program, The GIANT Company and community members, through the Round Up At The Register Program, supported the Hollidaysburg Area School District with a generous donation in the amount of $\$ 5,540$ !


L to R: Dave Robbins, Store Manager of Martin's in Duncansville, Betsy Snyder, HASD Food Service Director, and Dawn Summerville, HASD Data Management Administrator.

Thank you to The GIANT Company and the Hollidaysburg community for your selfless giving for the benefit of those in need.

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## Remake Learning Days

On May 14, 2022 the Hollidaysburg Area School District (HASD) hosted their inaugural Remake Learning Day at the Senior High School. Remake Learning Days Across America are regional celebrations of innovative educational practices. HASD students K-6 had the opportunity to participate in the various sessions of hands-on, engaging, and innovative learning, such as Science of Slime, Turing Tumble, Effects of Temperature on Glow Sticks, Where Does Electricity Come From?, Exploring Meteorites, Game Commission: Bear Program, Blair Conservation: Live Turtles, Prince Gallitzin State Park: PA Mammals, Blair County Humane Society: Domestic Animals, Cub Scouts: STEM Stations, Juniata College: Science in Motion. Thank you to the HASD Foundation and Appalachia IU08 for sponsoring this event!


Welcome to Remake Learning Day!


Where Does Electricity Come From?


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Science of Slime


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## DISTRICT



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In the 2021-22 academic year, the HASD Foundation administered over $\$ 39,000$ in grants to benefit students. Each spring, the Foundation awards grants to provide additional opportunities within the district and its classrooms. Grant applications are open to all educators and administrative staff.

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## Alumni Association

The Hollidaysburg Area School District Alumni Association would like to congratulate the graduating class of 2022 and welcome them to the HASD Alumni. Best wishes as you move into the next phase of your future!

The Alumni Association held its third Distinguished Alumni Dinner in February, honoring outstanding past graduates from our district. Jim and Peggy Hancuff were recognized as Distinguished Educators for their dedicated careers in Hollidaysburg. Jim was a Math Teacher and Peggy was a Learning Support Specialist. They also gave generously of their time as volunteers. The 2022 Distinguished Alumni were Steve Kuehn, who has traveled the world and started very successful businesses, and Matt Stuckey, owner of Stuckey Automotive and outstanding community member. The first-ever HASD girls' basketball team from 1971 was also celebrated during the evening. Visit www.hasdalumni.org for the full stories.

The Alumni Association awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Madeline Waibel. Madeline's high school resume is filled with volunteerism, student activities and academic success. Madeline plans to attend St. Mary's College of Notre Dame. Congratulations and best wishes!

Visit our website at www.hasdalumni.org to join the Alumni Association and gain access to the alumni directory, submit alumni events, read alumni spotlights and more! Further, we encourage you to submit alumni success stories, which we will post on the page.

The HASD Alumni Board is recruiting new members and looking to engage alumni in building a more active Association group. Interested parties can contact us on our website or at hasdalumni@hasdtigers.com.

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## Foundation Grants

The HASD Foundation awards grants annually to staff and teachers to enhance education and experiences for students in the district. In 2021-22, the Foundation funded over $\$ 35,000$ for a wide variety of projects. The junior high technology education class was able to purchase hand tools to complement their existing power tools, allowing them to complete new projects combining both the past and present through com-puter-aided design (CAD), laser engraving, and most importantly, making something with one's hands. Franktown's Title I reading classes were enhanced by the addition of tools to help students to focus and achieve optimal learning through brain regulation.

Mrs. Luke's chemistry classes at the senior high joined chemistry with creativity with the "Picturing Chemistry: Doodling to Learn" grant. Students interacted with the lessons by coloring and embellishing the note pages. Librarian Adam Walstrom spearheaded another exciting grant funded program at the senior high an eSports team was created to provide a unique team experience for those students that might not otherwise be able to participate in traditional team sports. eSports encourages communication and coordination amongst its members and provides valuable skills and knowledge in our digital world, opening doors for future opportunities in the ever-expanding world of technology and computer-related fields.

For the 2022-23 school year, the Foundation awarded over $\$ 35,000$ for grants such as a Little Art Library at C.W. Longer, DNA Fingerprinting at the senior high, Rug Making for the Crafts 2 class at the senior high and flexible seats and a light table for the art classroom at Foot of Ten. For a complete list of grants or to donate to the HASD Foundation, visit www.hasdfoundation.org.


## FOUNDATION

## Foundation Educators-of-the-Year (EOY) and Impact Awards

Congratulations to the 2021-22 HASD Foundation EOY: Mr. Andrew Tinker, Biology and Anatomy teacher at the Junior High, and Mrs. Alyssa Carpenter, second-grade teacher at Foot of Ten Elementary. The Foundation Impact Award recognizes those staff that have a positive impact on our students and co-workers. The 2021-22 recipients are Leona Engle, Special Education at the Senior High, and Marcy Swisher, Paraprofessional at Frankstown Elementary. The awards are sponsored by the HASD Foundation and Horace Mann Insurance.


Secondary EOY pictured L to R. Row one: Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator; Dr. Penne Edgell, HASD Foundation Board Vice-President; Kim Van Buren, Foundation Board President; Mr. Andrew Tinker, 2021-22 Secondary EOY; Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Dr. Sarah Palazzi, Director of Curriculum. Row two: Mr. Kenneth Krott, Junior High Principal; Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent.


Secondary Impact Award winner pictured L to R. Row one: Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator; Dr. Maureen Letcher, Senior High Principal; Dr. Sarah Palazzi, Director of Curriculum; Leona Engle, 2021-22 Secondary Impact Award recipient; Kim Van Buren, Foundation Board President; Dr. Penne Edgell, HASD Foundation Board Vice-President. Row two: Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent; Mark Harrington, Senior High Assistant Principal.


Elementary EOY pictured L to R. Row one: Alyssa Carpenter, 2021-22 Elementary EOY. Row two: Mr. Jaime Hartline, Foot of Ten Principal; Dr. Sarah Palazzi, Director of Curriculum; Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director; Dr. Robert Gildea, Superintendent; Kim Van Buren, Foundation Board President; Dr. Penne Edgell, HASD Foundation Board Vice-President; Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator.


Elementary Impact Award pictured L to R: Mr. Bill Madden, Frankstown Principal; Dr. Penne Edgell, HASD Foundation Board Vice-President; Leah Fink, Special Education Teacher; Kim Van Buren, Foundation Board President; Marcy Swisher, 2021-22 Elementary Impact Award recipient; Dr. Sarah Palazzi, Director of Curriculum; Dr. Robert Gildea Superintendent; Dawn Summerville, Data Management Administrator; Jodie Albarano, Foundation Executive Director.


