

Luncheon rises above pandemic Annual Ho

Harpursville staff and our partners at Eastern Broome Senior Center once again proved that the old saying "Where there's a will, there's a way" holds true in our community.

On December 11, we conducted the annual staff holiday luncheon senior center despite the many challenges presented by the pandemic.



With modifications to address all required precautions, delicious holiday meals with all the fixings were created by our amazing food service department staff and then divided into take-out containers for COVID-safe distribution.



Many thanks to Kim Rusnak, Barb Hendrickson, Nicole Cole, the Eastern Broome Senior Center, the National Honor Society



and the Student Council, Paul Peterson, Angie Bough, and, most especially, our food service department for their hard work.

It was absolutely delicious!

Stomachs were filled and gratitude was in the air! In the spirit of the season, food and monetary donations were also collected for the Colesville Community Pantry.

There was holiday cheer aplenty in spite of the unusual circumstances, all thanks to an abundance of "Hornet Pride."





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Dear residents,

Happy Holidays! On behalf of the board of education and myself, I want to begin by taking a moment to wish everyone in the school community all the best for an enjoyable, blessed holiday season.

This year, maybe more than ever, it is important to let people know just how valued and appreciated they are. Thus, we want to extend our most sincere gratitude for the cooperative work that we've done together to provide the best school year that we can for our students under the circumstances. It's been a challenge for all of us, to say the least, but together we've continued to provide outstanding opportunities for our students to continue learning and growing. In this traditionally joyful holiday season, it seems fitting to reflect on the joy that our students bring us each and every day we get to work with them. Our Harpursville Hornets are simply the best!

I want to take a moment to recognize our National Honor Society and Student Council students and advisors who worked to maintain an important tradition in our school district – our annual holiday luncheon for members of the Eastern Broome Senior Center and our staff. On December 11, these student-led organizations, with the support of Mrs. Rusnak, Mrs. Hendrickson, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Bough, and Mr. Peterson, delivered a delicious holiday meal with all of the fixings to our community. Thanks to our amazing food service staff members who prepared the meal, everyone was able to enjoy a delicious lunch. Furthermore, it was a reminder of our appreciation for our community and an opportunity for our students to give back a little bit. I am so proud that our students found a way to safely provide the "to-go" meals for everyone, maintaining this important tradition while providing a glimpse of normalcy during this crazy time in our lives. At the same time, our staff provided monetary or food donations to help support the Colesville

Food Pantry. This event absolutely captured the spirit of the holidays. Thank you to everyone who had a part in making sure we had a successful luncheon. Your work and care are sincerely appreciated.

Looking ahead to the new year, we continue to plan for the future of our district. One of those areas that we must pay annual attention to is our transportation fleet.



Michael Rullo, Superintendent

Together, with the board of education, we've worked to develop a sound fleet replacement plan that enables us to leverage our transportation aid ratio of approximately 90% while maintaining high trade-in values of the buses being replaced. I sincerely appreciate the support we've received in the past for ensuring that our bus fleet remains up-to-date and safe for our students while, at the same time, promoting fiscal stability in this area of our budget. The board of education has endorsed a bus vote scheduled for February 16, 2021, from 1:30 – 8 p.m. Please mark your calendars. If you have any questions related to the upcoming bus vote, please be sure to contact me or Joe McLaughlin, school business administrator, in the district office.

In closing, I would like to wish each and every resident a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends. I hope it's a season marked by many, many blessings!

Yours in education,

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Michael J. Rullo Superintendent *Go Hornets!*

HELP WANTED

School district election clerks and inspectors

If you are interested in becoming a school district election clerk and inspector, please contact Tabby Rhodes at 693-8112. Previous vote experience preferred, but not required. Thank you!



Congratulations to Kyler Meisner on his college acceptance to SUNY Cobleskill

Juniors will be taking the PSAT in person here at school on January 26. The PSAT is practice for the SAT, a standardized college entrance test designed to show your strengths and demonstrate readiness for college level work. It is expected that all juniors will participate, whether hybrid or remote, unless opted out in writing by a parent/guardian prior to the test date. Further details on test times, transportation, etc. will be sent home to junior families in the coming weeks.

District communication guidelines

Frequently, parents and other community members request help in knowing the best way to communicate with the school. The chart below will serve as a helpful resource. By contacting the following people in the prescribed order, you can be assured that your questions will be answered.

For questions about	1 st contact	2 nd contact	3 rd contact	4 th contact
Academics	Teacher	Guidance Counselor	Building Principal	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Athletic Director	Jr/Sr Principal	Superintendent
Behavior	Teacher	Assistant Building Principal	Building Principal	Superintendent
BOE policies	District Clerk	Superintendent	Board of Education	
Budget	Business Official	Superintendent		
Building Use	Administrative Assistant	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Cafeteria	Director of Food Services	Business Official	Superintendent	
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Assistant Building Principal	Building Principal	Superintendent
Bus Behavior	Bus Driver	Head Bus Driver	Asst. Principal/Principal	Superintendent
Co-Curricular	Advisor	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Facilities	Director of Facilities	Business Official	Superintendent	
Health Office	Building Nursing Office	Grade Level Principal	Superintendent	
Scheduling	Guidance Office	Jr/Sr Principal	Superintendent	
Special Education	Teacher	Grade Level Principal (academics)	CSE/CPSE Chairperson	Superintendent
Transportation	Head Bus Driver	Business Official	Superintendent	

District directory

W.A. Olmsted Elementary 693-8115 Jim DiMaria, Principal Katie Ives, Admin. Assistant

Social worker 693-8115 ext. 3313 MaryOlevia Clark-Byrnes/Social Worker

Buildings & Grounds693-8121 David Johnson, Director of Facilities

Family & Children's693-8123 Molly Soljan, Counselor

Community Schools Coordinator .422-1631 James Saunders



Getting by with a little help from my friends.

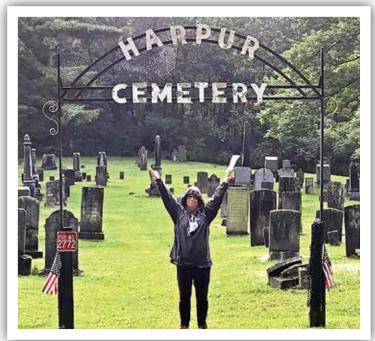
by Kim Rusnak, social studies teacher

Do you need anybody?

"I sure do," I thought to myself this past August as I tried to figure out how to teach my hands-on, fieldtrip-rich elective, Colesville History, in a hybrid world.

It appeared to be a daunting task. How could I bring the places and people of Colesville to my students in a digital format? That is when my sister offered to help make videos and launched me down a road of discovery and volunteerism by so many for which I will be forever grateful.

Pat Dalpiaz offered to create and then executed a recorded field trip to Harpur Cemetery where she told the stories of those interred there, including the children of John Warren Harpur. Next, on the very same day of that taping, came a contact from Beth Klutts (secretary of the Old Onaquaga Historical Society) who connected me with the president of the organization, Eileen Rugierri.



Pat Dalpiaz

We met at St. Luke's Museum and they helped map out a variety of offerings for the students. Over the course of several weeks, Eileen and I recorded the history of Rebecca Kellogg Ashley, an interpreter for the missionary at Onaquaga in the mid-1750s. The Klutts' duo taped a wonderful reading that paralleled the life of the earliest white settlers in the area. All three also helped me to launch the "Artifact of the Week," which highlights one piece from the museum that I reveal each Friday.



Kim Rusnak

The connections with the museum and organization have yielded wonderful products and relationships that will help this course moving forward. Most recently, Amedo and Carol Cimini have visited the class virtually to present the Binghamton University's archaeological dig on their property, which is located where the Unitaria post office once stood. In addition, they shared their research on the Rockwell Hurlburt Equestrian troupe and its tragedy in the Pacific Northwest. These projects have been well received by the students.

All of these friends have made a class that seemed somewhat impossible come to life. It reminded me of that well-knowing saying "it takes a village to raise a child." I now know that it sometimes takes a community to help a teacher do justice to her remote-learning curriculum during a pandemic – a lesson I will always treasure.



Letter from the elementary school principal

Our kids continue to amaze me each day.

They continue to bound off buses each morning with smiles and enthusiasm despite the drastic changes they have experienced this school year. I know we all are looking forward to the time when we can have our students back into school on a full-week schedule.

At W.A. Olmsted Elementary School, our teachers have been working tirelessly to keep moving our students with positive academic and social-emotional growth. We are also continuing to work on our goal of improved school attendance and the reduction of students who are chronically absent from school (18 or more missed days of school per year). Regular school attendance plays a significant role in enabling our students to achieve their best. This includes attendance for both in-person and remote learning models. Instruction and learning are occurring each day in all classrooms. A regular learning pattern plays a vital role in a student's education. I want to take this opportunity to wish all our families a happy and healthy holiday season. Please keep in mind that I am here to support your children, so let's continue working together to make that happen.

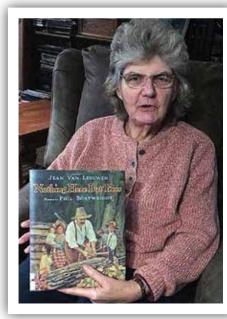
Please visit our district's webpage and school page for announcements and other school updates.

Thank you for your continued support at home.

Jim DiMaria Principal WA Olmsted Elementary School



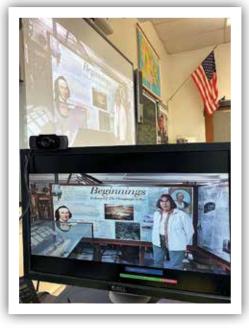
Jim DiMaria, Elementary Principal



Beth Klutts



Eileen Ruggieri







Darryl Klutts, Beth Klutts, Eileen Ruggieri



Honor Roll First Quarter 11/13/2020

Grade 7

Cyrick Brown Justice Craig Trenton Franklyn Emily Gillette Hope Kolb Jaime Prince Madison Stevens Davin Warren

Grade 8 Karlee Gross Jonathan Prentice

Grade 9

Emily Higgins Logan James Hunter Smith

Grade 10

Aarron Clinton Joseph Florance Mikel Hill William Locke Jr. Sawyer Lusk Jaylyn Merrill Hanna Whitman **Grade 11** Nico Hadlick Alexandra Hosmer Jesse LaDue Ghia Medovich Vincent Pergola Jacob Risoli-Clark Dominic Schwartz

Grade 12

Tyler D. Backus Sara Boyer Cross Brown Philip Combs JR Danielle Grausgruber Alexander Hoyt Audrey Locke Stephen McKnight Jamie McWherter JR Kyler Meisner Dalton Sheldon Shyanne Stilson

Principal's List First Quarter 11/13/2020

Grade 7 Abbygayl Baburchak Iyanna Backus Jayden Deleon **Elijah Fellows** Adriana Hartman **Brianna Hopkins Emilv Kane** Gabrielle Pawela Jessalyn Powell Aiden Quick **Charlotte Quick** Xander Quick Myrakle Ray Amber Tyler Leigha Wolbert Nathaniel Wright

Grade 8

Abigail Afify Jaelin Brown Lloyd Byers Jr. Marcus Daniels Abigail Fargo Elizabeth Ives Emma McWherter Jonathan Prince Vincent Risoli-Clark Devon Rowe Ephram Rowe Molly Stack Jeanette Steele

Grade 9

Angel Austin Bradley Bennett Aliyah Campbell Aubree Eberly-Robinson Addison Lawrence Casey Lusk Kylee Noyes Brendan Pike Liam Quick Brayden Sakowsky Matthew Sanchez Jacob Wolbert

Grade 10

Trena Byers Sadielyn Combs Madison Fleming Sophia Konidis Keira Licata Alana Nannery Gabrielle Riewerts Allena Rowe Morgan Rutherford Jayden Yereb

Grade 11 **Ryan Akulis Cayden Brown Kayleigh Cluck Kyle Colsten** Justin Fargo **McKena Giles Connor James** Madison Kelly Makayla Kelly Hailey Lancaster Makenna Lowe Abigail Lyon Emma Marvin Mackinze Meisner Chelsea Merrill **Nelson Merrill** Zachary Pike Joshua Powell **Elijah Rogers** Caidence Rvder **Brandi** Thorne Thomas VanVorce Cheyanne Wallace **Benjamin Williams** Sarah Young

Grade 12

Majesti Brown Sara Brown Imani Harris Alyssa Hart Saleen Medovich Taylor Rutherford Colton Sakowsky Kasey Shoop Paige Smith Courtney Waterman Victoria Whidden Sasha Whitney Joshua Wolbert



Congratulations!

Jr. Sr. HS Student of the Month October 2020



Name	Subject		
Gabrielle Riewerts	.French I		
Jayden Yereb	French II		
Joshua Powell			
Colton Sakowsky	French IV		
Adriana Hartman	Health 7		
Caidence Ryder	Sr. High PE		
Molly Stack	Jr. High PE		
Leigha Wolbert	ELA 7		
Lukas McKnight	ELA 7-Reading & Writing		
Dalton Sheldon	English 12		
Jacob Wolbert	Geometry		
Joshua Powell	CL Statistics		
Taylor Rutherford	CL Calculus I		
Abigail Lyon	ELA 11 Honors		
Elijah Rogers	ELA 11		
Emily Gillette	ELA 7		
Sophia Konidis	Career & Financial Mgmt		
Colton Sakowsky	CL Business Law		
Elizabeth Ives	Computers 8		
Trena Byers	Health		
Adriana Hartman	Music 7		
Gaidyn Dahlgren	Music 8		
Brianna Hopkins	Jr. Chorus		
Alana Nannery	Sr. Chorus		
Jordan LaVergne	Piano		
Gabrielle Pawela	Science 7		
Emily LaClair	Science 8		
Casey Lusk	Living Environment		
Jessalyn Powell	Social Studies 7		
Jonathan Prince	Social Studies 8		
Sawyer Lusk	Global 9/10		
Alana Nannery	Global 10		
Saleen Medovich	Current Affairs		
Victoria Edwards	Foundations of Geometry		
Abbygayl Baburchak	Math 7		
Nicholas Rooker	Pre-Algebra		
Emma McWherter	Algebra I		
Nathaniel Wright	Art 7		
Abigail Fargo	Art 8		

Kylee NoyesCreative Crafts Vincent Pergola
Hunter Smith3D Studio
Hannah LivermorePhotography
McKena GilesReal World Science
Sarah YoungPhysics
Mikel Hill Construction Systems
Aarron ClintonDDP
Jessalyn PowellTechnology 7
Zachary Pike World of Technology
Jenna PierceGlobal Studies
Kyler Meisner Participation in Gov't
Alexander HoytColesville History
Abigail LyonCL US History
Abbygayl BaburchakSocial Studies 7
Vincent PergolaUS History & Government
Jordan LaVergneCollaborative Time
Morgan RutherfordChemistry
Abigail FargoScience 8
Paige SmithCollege Biology
Madison FlemingHS Health
Sarah YoungSr. High PE
Ephram RoweJr. High PE
Shaelynn BeardFood, Nutrition & Wellness
Abbygayl BaburchakHealth 7
Emily Gillette Home & Careers 7
Jeanette Steele Home & Careers 8
Majesti BrownHuman Dev./Parenting
Caidence RyderCareer Exploration
Jacob WolbertEarth Science
Jacob WolbertELA 9
Victoria WhiddenAcademic Writing II
Louis Sophie
Jayden YerebEnglish 10
Aubree Eberly-Robinson Algebra I
Marcus DanielsMath 8
Nathaniel WrightMath Honors 7
Jonathan PrenticeMath 7/8
Elizabeth Ives ELA 8

Art News



Art room creativity blooms even in a COVID world.

The birds have arrived! The "Angry Birds" that made an appearance last month have flown the coop, so to speak. They are no longer roosting in the back room. The 3D Studio class made sure they now have eyes and beaks and feathers and are ready to fly. Or at least try!





Cody Randall



Gary Petroshi



Hunter Smith



Nick Rooker

Mackinze Meisner



Angel Austin



Aubree Eberly-Robinson

The 8th Graders went under the sea to find a variety of creatures, large and small. They used a crayon resist technique for this project. Everything under the sea, except the water, was colored with crayon. Once everything was colored, a watercolor wash was applied over the entire picture. The wax in the crayons repels the watercolor. The excess is wiped off with a sponge revealing a brightly colored under the sea creation in a sea of blue water.



Abby Fargo work in progress, before the wash



Daniel Clapper





Emily LaClair



Madalyn Willumson



Ephram Rowe

Gaiden Dahlgren



The 7th graders were busy at work on their 3D letters. Emily Kane made a G for her dog Gracie, Brayden and Ryan honored their favorite author Stephen King.



Brayden Osborne and Ryan McCormick



Hope Kolb



Summer Rutherford



Emily Kane



National Art Honor Society students kept themselves busy with their own artwork. Mackinze Meisner drew a Zentangle elephant and Morgan Rutherford used a cat for inspiration in her painting. Well done ladies.

Next month, watch for our photography class' "water adventure." Here is a sneak peek.



Morgan Rutherford



Mackenzi Mizner









Health News

Harpursville families,

As cold and flu season approaches, please remember to keep your kids home whenever they are sick. The return to school process has changed this year due to the pandemic, however, if you have any questions or need some clarification as to what your child will need to provide to the health office in order to return in person, we encourage you to reach out to us.

Elementary families should be on the lookout for our new "Healthy Hornets" newsletter, which contains fun little ideas and information on how to stay healthy. Also, please

remember that even in the snow, we often have outdoor recess, so send your kids with hats, gloves and snow pants to wear while playing outside.

Last, please be sure to update your emergency contact list so that in the event that the school needs to get a hold of you, we are able to do so. Feel free to reach out to Katie lves in the main office or your child's teacher to make sure that the phone numbers on file are up to date.

Thank you and have a safe, healthy and wonderful holiday season!

-Your friends in the Harpursville Central School District's health offices



Alana Nannery

2D Studio Art explored Aboriginal Dot Paintings. The Aboriginal people are indigenous to Australia. Their culture and art have existed for thousands of years. The first evidence of Aboriginal culture is evident in the still visible rock art which dates back more than 20,000



Gary Petroski



Tehya Garrow

convey knowledge of the land, events, and beliefs of the Aboriginal people. Many people believe that dots were used to hide information from white men when the Aboriginal people became afraid that they would be able to see and understand their sacred,



Mackinze Meisner

Art News

years. There is no evidence of a written language for Australian Aboriginal People. They conveyed their important cultural stories through symbols in their artwork. Indigenous art was and is centered on story telling. It is used as a chronical to private knowledge. The dots were used to obscure the secret symbols or iconography underneath.

Ms. McDonald's 2D Studio class drew, and painted animal images surrounded with dots in patterns and designs, reminiscent of the Aboriginal paintings.



Cooper Smith



Addison Lawrence

January 2021 In School Menu							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
4 ZeeZee Bar/Juice Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Carrots NY Apple NY Milk	5 Cereal Bar/Fruit Chicken Patty/roll NY Fries Peaches NY Milk	6 Yogurt/Juice Fr. Toast Sticks Sausage Patty Tator Tots Banana NY Milk	7 Cereal/Juice Tangerine Chicken Rice Broccoli Orange NY Milk	Cereal/Fruit Cheese Pizza Fresh Veggies Fresh Fruit NY Milk			
11 <i>ZeeZee Bar /Juice</i> Cheeseburger/roll Sw. Potato fries NY Apple NY Milk	12 Bread SI./Fruit Taco Salad Corn Mixed Fruit NY Milk	13 <i>Yogurt/Juice</i> Chicken Spiedie Veggie Cup Banana NY Milk	14 Cereal/Fruit NY Chicken Mac & Cheese Broccoli Breadstick NY Apple NY Milk	1 Cereal/Juice Wild Mikes Pizza Bites Carrots Fresh Fruit NY Milk			
18 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. •••• DAY •••	19 Bread SI./Juice Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots NY Apple NY Milk	20 Cereal Bar/Juice Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Cucumbers Orange NY Milk	21 Cereal/Fruit Marinated Chicken Sandwich Corn Peaches NY Milk	22 Cereal/Juice Cheese Pizza Carrots Fresh Fruit NY Apple			
25 ZeeZee Bar /Juice Chicken Patty/Roll Sw. Potato Fries NY Apple NY Milk	26 Bread SI./Juice Tacos w/ lettuce & cheese Pears NY Milk	27 Yogurt/Juice Chicken Gravy & mashed potatoes Mixed Veggies Banana NY Milk	28 Cereal/Fruit NY Sloppy Joe NY Corn NY Brownie NY Peaches NY Milk	29 Cereal/Juice Wild Mikes Pizza Fresh Veggies Fresh Fruit NY Milk			





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Guidance welcomes new staff member

Hi, my name is Amy Walker. I am excited to be a part of the guidance office as the new secretary. I have lived in Harpursville since the age of eight. I am a 1995 graduate of Harpursville and am excited to be roaming the halls once again. I am the proud mother of two children, my son, Christian, who is also a



Harpursville graduate and my daughter, Hannah, who is a W.A. Olmstead student. During our free time, my husband, Paul, and I along with our children love to travel and go camping. I look forward to meeting everyone and working with the students.



Bonjour!

Andrea Shields is excited to be part of the Harpursville community as a French teacher. She is currently working with Mrs. Giblin's students. She is a native of the area and, after some overseas adventures with her family, returned to the area to go to school to become a teacher. She'll graduate from



Binghamton University next month. She lives with her husband of 25 years and her three children.

FIRE Inspection

Notice is hereby given that the annual inspection of the Harpursville Central School District buildings for fire hazards that might endanger the lives of students, teachers and employees therein, has been completed and the report thereof is available at the office of the Harpursville Central School District for inspection by all interested persons.