



Harpursville Central School District

HORNETS' NEWS



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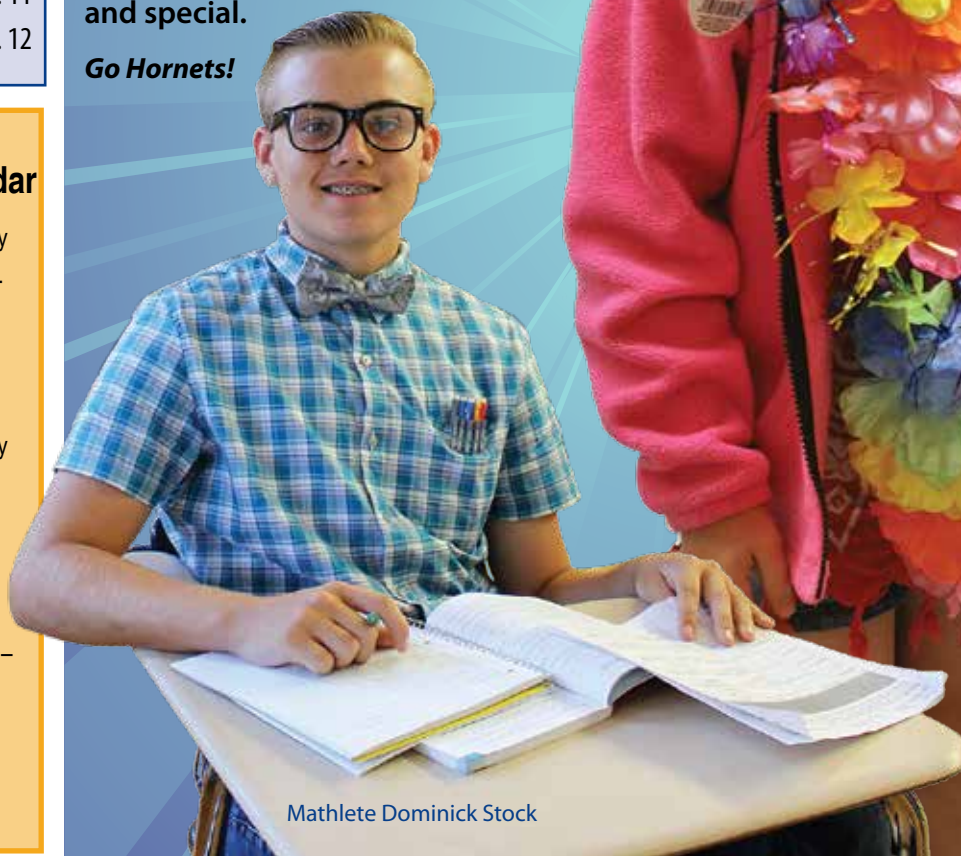
- 2 Senior picture make-up day
- 9 11th Grade to Farmer's Museum, Cooperstown
- 10 ASVAB's – 10th grade
10-week reports
11:30 a.m. dismissal
- 11 **No School** – Veterans Day
- 16 Mathlete's competition at Johnson City High School
- 18 **NO SCHOOL** –
Staff conference day
- 19 Syracuse University
Band day at Carrier Dome –
Halftime show
- 21 Picture make-up day
- 23- 25 **No School** –
Thanksgiving recess

SPIRIT WEEK!

Spirit Week is a time for savoring the feeling of oneness that binds a school community, a time for coming together and sharing traditions and activities unique to that community, and a time for friendly competition, for laughing and for simply being silly.

Cheers to all who made this year's Homecoming Week memorable and special.

Go Hornets!



Mathlete Dominick Stock

Young Hawaiian
Kendall Hinman



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	Director of Operations	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	Director of Operations	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	Dir of Special Programs	Superintendent
Transportation	Head Bus Driver	Director of Operations	Business Official	Superintendent

Harpursville Central School District directory

District Office693-8112

Board of Education
Michael Rullo, Superintendent
Darlene Noyes, Admin. Asst./District Clerk

Business Office693-8120

Joseph McLaughlin, Business Official
Cheryl Hamilton, Payroll

Special Education693-8104

Holly Sloan, Director, Special Education
Audrey Warner, Admin. Asst.

Athletics693-8101

Joshua Quick, Director of Operations

Jr./Sr. High School693-8105

Kristine Conrow, Principal
Tabaitha Rhodes, Admin. Assistant
James DiMaria, Assistant Principal

Guidance Office.....693-8108

Karen Slesinsky, Counselor
Sara Wahila, Counselor
Charla Starliper, WAO Counselor
Jill Andrews, Secretary/Attendance Clerk

W.A. Olmsted Elementary693-8115

Pamela Horton, Principal
Allison Chantry, Admin. Asst.

Health Office693-8118

Elementary.....693-8119

Food Services693-8126

Norene Tasber, Director of Food Services

Transportation693-8100

Joshua Quick, Director of Operations
Danielle Maxim, Head Bus Driver
Sandy Schnurbusch, Admin. Assist.

Buildings & Grounds693-8121

David Johnson, Director of Facilities



Make someone's winter a little warmer

The National Honor Society at Harpursville will be conducting its annual coat drive through the end of November. Donated items will be distributed to children in our school as well as to the Colesville ambulance squad's food pantry. Please look through your closets for any gently worn coats, hats, or mittens that could help make a community member's winter a warmer one. Clean donations may be delivered to the school. Please contact Kim Rusnak (693-8105 or krusnak@hcs.stier.org) with any questions.



College options explored at annual event

By Karen Slesinsky, guidance counselor

On October 19, several juniors and seniors attended College Day at the Veterans Memorial Arena in Binghamton. There were more than 150 post-secondary institutions represented. Students had the opportunity to talk with admissions officers from colleges they are interested in to learn more about the schools and what they have to offer. Students did some planning ahead of time to make the most of the visit and asked questions about class sizes, majors offered, internship and research opportunities, and sports teams.

Juniors should be continuing their college research and planning to attend open house events in the spring at schools they are considering.

Seniors should now be in the process of submitting college applications and beginning the financial aid process by completing the FAFSA. Please feel free to stop in the guidance office for assistance with any college-related tasks or questions. We are here to help!



Hornet golfers enjoy successful season

Congratulations to the varsity golf team for placing third in the MAC Tournament. Special recognition went out to JT Havens, who received awards for finishing 5th individually as well as making the 2nd Team All-Stars. Good job on a great season and a great team effort.



Pictured (l-r) - Back: Coach Kelly, Jacob Peterson, Mike Bennett, JT Havens, Colin LaDue, Ernie Cutting, Robbie Ayers. **Front:** Jack McCormack, Sara Young, Camaron Smith, Logan Culver, Lucas Nichols **Unavailable for photo:** Wyatt Ellsworth, AJ Ahner

Congratulations to Ashlyn LaClair



Congratulations to Ashlyn LaClair, who is leaving Harpursville for elite gymnastics training in New Jersey. Ashlyn will be training twice a day and schooling online in preparation for a college team commitment. She is well on her way to fulfilling her dream of attending the University of Alabama and becoming an Olympic gymnast.

Best wishes to you, Ashlyn! You have made us proud.

Jr. Sr. High School Student of the Month for September 2016

Student Name	Subject
Sarah Young	ELA 7
Dylan Robinson	ELA 11
Amber Birt	Honors ELA 11
Shania Swan.....	Mythology
Breanna Hoover	English 12
Hunter Sakowsky	Career & Financial Management
Rocco Arduini	Computers 8
Noah Dann	Business Law
Bradley Wilson.....	Personal Finance
James Hoover	Jr. Band
Matthew Lyon	Sr. Band
Rheanna Wilcox	Life Science
Tanner Hanson	Living Environment
Wyatt Ellsworth.....	Social Studies 8
Ena Race	Algebra 1
Zachary Huizinga	Algebra 1A
Brandon Hoover	Algebra 1B
Ryan Akulis	Math 7
Justin Fargo	Honors Math 7
Robert Bertram	Photography
Sara Brown.....	Art 8
Slater Collins –	
Zachary Huizinga	DDP
Camaron Smith	Ceramics
Charles Huizinga	Academic Support
Ben Williams.....	Social Studies 7
Josiah Niles.....	Participation in Government

Student Name	Subject
Michael Bennett	Current Affairs
Makenna Hagerman	French III
Troy Neer	French I
Dominick Stock.....	French II
Kyle Grose	Career Exploration
Thomas Van Vorce	Health 7
Kayleigh Cluck.....	Home and Career Skills 7
Danielle Grausgruber	Home and Career Skills 8
Daniel Cower	US History and Government
Amber Birt	College US History
Jacob Lupka	Colesville History & Government
Taylor Rutherford	English Language Arts 8
Elijah Rogers	Jr. High PE
Devon Ritter	Sr. High PE
Emma Vankuren	Technology 7
Phillip Combs Jr.	Technology 8
Devon Ritter	World of Technology
Timothy Bezouka	Transportation Systems
Hunter Sakowsky	Earth Science
Riley Livermore	English 9
Natalie Brown	Academic Writing II
Brittany Hrehor	English 12
Robert Hosmer.....	Regents Physics
Rachelle Coddington	Foundations of Geometry
Saleen Medovich.....	Math 8
Sara Brown.....	Algebra 8

Event enables students to explore construction industry opportunities



A group of Harpursville students joined hundreds of their counterparts from around the region Oct. 5 at the annual Southern Tier Construction Career Day conducted at the Broome County Highway Department facility in Chenango Bridge.

The event features exhibits by a variety of organizations and schools associated with the construction industry as well as trade displays and heavy equipment demonstrations. For many students, the hands-on experience included the opportunity for supervised operation of equipment such as bulldozers, backhoes and dump trucks. Construction Career Day is designed to introduce high school students to the career opportunities and unlimited potential for advancement within the construction industry.



Rube Goldberg inspires students pursuing ups and downs of STEAM project

Ann McDonald's Drawing and Design for Production class combined science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) to design and build marble roller coasters. Inspired by the magic of Rube Goldberg's machines, students designed and created marble roller coasters using recycled materials, PVC, Legos and miscellaneous wood and cardboard. The photos below show the creative process. We look forward to sharing our completed works with you next month... hang on, it will be a super ride!

P.S. Many thanks to Mr. Culver for his generous donation of card stock paper from the Parlor City Paper Box Company. He donated enough for now and years to come. Thanks for supporting us.



New 'Pumpkin Run' combines fall wonders with healthy, outdoor fun

The first annual Pumpkin Run was held October 6 during the after-school program. Approximately 100 students (grades K-6) participated on a beautiful fall afternoon.

The run started at the gate to the nature trail behind the elementary school and finished on the playground. Running on the nature trail made the event more challenging and the students got to enjoy the beautiful scenery.

Lexi Cutmore and her family donated some pumpkins that some of the students were lucky to take home.

Thank you to Coach Tibbits and the cross country team for volunteering to help during the event. The team members ran next to the young students encouraging them and making sure everyone was safe. We look forward to next year's event and hope to include the rest of the students.





Lowe's offers art exhibit

Amanda Villecco, human resources director for Lowe's on Front Street, has invited area schools to adorn the walls of a hallway in their store with school logos. Harpursville's National Junior Arts Honor Society students jumped at the chance to show some school spirit and creativity. Eighth-graders Payton Villecco and Taylor Rutherford, both 8th grade NJAHS members, with art teacher Ann McDonald, exhibited their artistic abilities by beginning to paint a Harpursville Hornet on the wall at Lowe's. Later, they were joined by other NJAHS members who helped complete the painting. Next time you are at Lowe's, check out the bathroom hallway at the back of the store. Go Hornets!



Let's Build Something Together™



Pictured (l-r): Taylor Rutherford (with the glasses) and Payton Villecco.

Afton pool trip a big splash with after-schoolers *By Amanda Fabrizi, special education teacher*

During the first five weeks of our after-school program, the sixth-graders have had the opportunity to go swimming at Afton's pool. Each day, they get to learn different skills and then apply those skills through games and a free swim. The swimmers have been enjoying themselves and the program has made a big splash!



Pictured (l-r): Alayna Thomas-Atkinson, Trena Byers, Anickin Sprague, Harley Berry, Jonathan Gillette, Mikel Hill, Dominick Franklyn, Nathan Fletcher, Kaitlyn Jones





Spirit Week punctuated by laughter, comradery, and just plain fun

By Morgan Fleming and Nicole Cole

If you happened to be around the school during the week of September 26 through October 1, you probably noticed some weird dressing, extra loud Harpursville-loving students.

The Student Council kicked off Spirit Week with five dress-up days. This year's themes included **America Monday, Mathletes vs. Athletes Tuesday, Tie-dye Wednesday, Hawaiian Thursday** and **Blue & Gold Friday**.

Each year, students in the various grade levels fight to win the infamous "Spirit Stick." Grades earn points by having students dress up in each theme, win pep rally games, decorate a class banner, and by demonstrating school spirit by cheering at the pep rally.

Spirit week results

GRADE	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
America Monday	52%	35%	45%	46%	45%	48%
Mathlete vs. Athlete	52%	79%	45%	49%	46%	46%
Tie-Dye	51%	30%	48%	34%	45%	52%
Hawaiian	59%	55%	54%	45%	50%	30%
Blue and Gold	81%	61%	79%	66%	64%	65%
Class Banner *(Overall winner 7-12)		WON*		WON		
Pep Rally Game: Human Snake		WON		WON		
Pep Rally Game: Plunger Race		WON			WON	
Spirit Cheer		WON				WON





At the end of the week, and even though the 7th grade had the most points for the Spirit Week dress-up competition, the 8th grade took home the Spirit Stick for the overall Homecoming victory.

In the high school, things became complicated as the senior class usually wins Spirit Week. But by Friday, they were in 3rd place behind the freshman and sophomore classes. The sophomore class won the senior high class banner contest and human snake game, while the juniors won the plunger race and the seniors the spirit cheer. When the dust settled, the sophomore class took home the coveted Spirit Stick, upsetting the senior class for the first time in a long while.

On Tuesday, the junior and senior classes played the annual powder puff game. Students decorated their jerseys and took to the field with their helpful coaches to entertain us with an enjoyable exhibition. The senior class women walked away with the win by a touchdown scored late in the game with help from their coach, Mr. Buczek.

On Friday, the junior class and national Jr./Sr. honor societies hosted a dodgeball tournament. There were seven teams in the 9-12 grade bracket (won by "Formation H:" Greg Akulis, Madison Hoover, Brock Weist and Josh Wilson) and 11 teams in the 5-8 grade bracket (won by "The Bomb Squad:" Alex Hoyt, Jamie McWherter, Justin Fleming, Colton Sakowsky and Rocco Arduini.) Everyone really enjoyed this activity and the NHS and junior class will be looking forward to running another tournament in February.

Saturday morning, the graduating class hosted the annual senior breakfast. As tradition continues, members of the senior class and administrators served community families with a tasty, hot breakfast. The Class of 2017 would like to thank the community for supporting them at the homecoming breakfast. The class raised more than \$2,000 to put toward their senior year.

At 1:30 p.m., the pep band played the National Anthem to start the varsity football game against Oxford. While the Hornets were trampling Oxford 34-0, the Theater Club, Rotary Club, Tech Club, Ski Club, Art Honor Societies, 9th and 10th grade classes ran the concessions and face painting booth.

Saturday evening, the Student Council hosted two

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homecoming dances. The first began at 6 p.m. for the 7th and 8th grade. Around 7:15 p.m. the Homecoming Court was announced and the prince and princess were crowned. The prince and princess Homecoming Court for 2016 (grade 8) included Dalton Sheldon, Rocco Arduini, Olivia Weist, and Allison Kelley. The prince was Justin Fleming and the princess was Victoria Whidden

At 8 p.m., the senior high students arrived and had a blast dancing the night away and making memories. At 9:45 p.m. the Homecoming Court was announced and the king and queen were crowned.

The King and Queen Homecoming Court for 2016 (grade 12) included Colby Hendrickson, Dylan Koranka, Mitchell Weist, JT Havens, Ashlee Howell, Kayli Smith, Sabrina Gates, and Chloe Dodd. The king was Madison Hoover, the queen was Brynn Crocker.

A great weekend was celebrated by all. We enjoyed visiting with all of the alumni and making memories that will last a lifetime.

HORNETS



NOVEMBER 2016 MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch prices: K-5 - \$2.10/ 6-12 - \$2.30 Breakfast all schools - K-6 FREE 7-12 \$1.30 <i>Cereal & fruit offered daily</i>	1 <i>Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Tacos on a Shell w/Assorted Toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Mixed Fruit Milk	2 Choice of Two: <i>Cinn. Bun,</i> <i>Cereal or Yogurt</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> National Eating Healthy Day! Marinated Chicken Sandwich w/Lettuce & Tomato Oven Roasted Potatoes Fresh Broccoli Fresh Banana / Milk	3 <i>Frudel</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Beans Veggie Cruncher Cup w/Dip Chilled Peaches Milk	4 <i>Hornet Muffin</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Stuffed Crust Pizza Garden Salad w/Chickpeas Assorted Fresh Fruit Milk
7 <i>Mini Waffles</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Homestyle Chicken on a Bun Wheat Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Fresh Apple / Milk	8 <i>Bagel Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Orange Popcorn Chicken Brown Rice Steamed Broccoli Chilled Mandarin Oranges / Milk	9 Choice of Two: <i>Cinn. Bun,</i> <i>Cereal or Yogurt</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Brunch at Lunch! French Toast Sticks Sausage Patty Potato Puffs Fresh Orange / Milk	10 <i>Hornet Muffin</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Homemade Pizza Cheese, Pepperoni or Garlic Garden Salad w/Chickpeas Assorted Fresh Fruit / Milk	11  <p>Thank You</p> <p>★ VETERANS' DAY ★ NOVEMBER 11</p>
14 <i>Mini Pancakes</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Cheeseburger on a Bun Seasoned Potato Wedges Baby Carrots w/Dip Fresh Apple / Milk	15 <i>Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Taco Salad w/Assorted Toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Mixed Fruit / Milk	16 Choice of Two: <i>Cinn. Bun,</i> <i>Cereal or Yogurt</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Breaded Mozz. Sticks w/Dipping Sauce Side of Pasta w/Sauce Veggie Cruncher Cup w/Hummus & Dip Fresh Banana / Milk	17 <i>French Toast Sticks</i> <i>w/Syrup</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Thanksgiving Lunch Turkey & Gravy Wheat Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes / Corn Cranberry Sauce Chilled Peaches Fruit Crisp / Milk	18 Superintendent's Conference Day NO SCHOOL TODAY!
21 <i>Mini Cinnis</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Popcorn Chicken Wheat Dinner Roll Oven Baked Fries Glazed Carrots Fresh Apple / Milk	22 <i>Bagel Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> School's Choice Pizza Assorted Fresh Vegetables Assorted Fresh Fruit / Milk	23	24	25  <p>Happy Thanksgiving!</p>
28 <i>Mini Pancakes</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Chicken Nuggets w/Dipping Sauce Wheat Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Fresh Apple / Milk	29 <i>Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Chicken Soft Taco's w/Assorted Toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Mixed Fruit / Milk	30 Choice of Two: <i>Cinn. Bun, Cereal or Yogurt</i> <i>Assorted Fruit / Milk</i> Grilled Cheese Sand. Tomato Soup Fresh Broccoli w/Dip Fresh Banana / Milk	Sandwich choices: M: ham & cheese T: Turkey & cheese W: salad of the week (No yogurt on Wed.) Th: turkey & cheese F: tuna <i>P.B. & jelly offered daily</i>	Yogurt meal Now served M,T,TH,F (NOT Wednesdays!) Assorted fruit offered daily All meals served with 1% or less milk Cereal is available daily for breakfast. Menu subject to change



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Hornets' News wins state-wide award

For the second time in three years, "Hornets' News" has been recognized for excellence in educational journalism by the New York School Public Relations Association.

"Hornets' News" received an award of merit in the community newsletter category of NYSPRA's 37th Annual Communications Contest. The Harpursville newsletter received a similar award in the 2014 contest.

"Hornets' News" is produced by Broome-Tioga BOCES' Office of Communications & Development. It is designed and edited by Paul Marinaro, graphic artist, and Don Sbarra, communications coordinator, working with a dedicated team of teachers, administrators, support staff and others at the district.

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engage parents, staff, community residents, partners in education and other stakeholders.

