

### **Comic Artist Shares the Science of a Superhero**

To draw superheroes, one doesn't I need to be a mutant or have an Alfred at their disposal. Pencil and paper combined with math and science can turn anyone into a super artist. On Jan. 13, Marvel comic artist Jerry DeCaire visited the Holley MS/HS auditorium and showed elementary, middle and high school students how he uses math and science to draw popular comic book characters. After he completed pencil sketches of various characters, he signed them and gave them away to students in the audience. He left his Wolverine and Hulk portfolio pieces behind to be posted in the main office and in the art room at Holley MS/HS.

DeCaire's workshop, entitled "Science of the Superhero," showed students how he sketches various characters from the Avengers and X-Men series using different visual perspectives. He explained that the worm's eye view is when you view a character from the bottom up, while a bird's eye view is looking at a character from the top down. When drawing, as you change perspective on a character, you need to change the proportions of the body in relation to one another.

Most of DeCaire's drawings started with a geometric shape, which he then divided up into segments using fractions, before adding body parts to each segment, starting with the eyes. He showed the students how his knowledge of anatomy enabled him to draw body parts in the correct size and proportion to each other. He used shading to give definition to the muscles on characters such as Captain America, Batman and Thor. "Real artists use erasers ... it's your best friend," DeCaire told Nicole Rowley's Drawing and Painting class. The eraser is key to getting rid of the grid lines he starts his drawings with. The students loved guessing which character he was drawing next and a few were able to guess correctly within just a few strokes of DeCaire's pencil.

DeCaire gave the example of Leonardo DaVinci as an artist who combined math and science in his art. While most modern day artists don't use a mathematical approach to art, DeCaire does. He told the students that math shows him where to put the features of a character, not how to do them. He said the "how" comes with experience and practice. He related the story of when he was trying to break into comic books, he showed his artwork to existing comic artist John Buscema, who told him his work was "garbage." DeCaire kept working at his versions of the classic comic book characters and when he showed Buscema his work two years later, Buscema told him he was "as good as the best in the business." DeCaire told the students to apply themselves to whatever they are passionate about and to do their best in school.



Jerry DeCaire shows his portfolio to Nicole Rowley's Drawing and Painting class



From left, Jerry DeCaire and Grace Cary with his sketch of Batman she received

#### Our District's Mission

We, the students, parents, staff and community of the Holley Central School District, will work together to provide the opportunity and means for all students to acquire the skills, knowledge and attitudes to become responsible and productive citizens in a diverse and changing society. The ideal is to instill a passion for lifelong learning.

# **Holley Website Has New Look**

The Holley Central School District website recently went through a template change to give the site an upgraded feel. The website contains all the same information and resources, but the site has a fresh look that highlights news, events and other important content on the front page for the district and each school. Check it out at http://www.holleycsd.org/index.cfm.

### **Superintendent's Message**

Dear Holley Families and Community,

It is hard to believe that we're nearly halfway through the school year and that the holidays are behind us. It's a busy time in the district as we meet with our architects, construction managers and the capital project committee to plan the next level of activities as a result of the approval of Phase III of our capital project. We will submit plans to the state soon for work that will be performed during the summer of 2015. This work involves the replacement of floor tiles and exterior doors at the elementary school. Once approved by the state, the work will go out to bid. The remaining work will be performed in 2016 and 2017. The project was designed so that the district could capture the maximum amount of aid from the state. This will enable us to complete the entire project with zero tax impact to the

community. I will continue to update you on the project as we move it along.

Our family fitness center at the elementary school has been a tremendous success as approximately 20-25 community members make use of the facility each evening. The fitness center is open to residents of the district on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-8 p.m. and is supervised by a trained staff member. I invite you to visit the fitness center and enjoy all that it has to offer.

Our students and staff have begun work on this year's school musical, which will be presented in March. Additional announcements will be forthcoming and I am confident that Dan Burke and his entire cast will produce an enjoyable and entertaining musical. As we prepare for the various activities associated with the second semester, especially the state tests/assessments, please work closely with your child's teacher(s). Both schools will be offering numerous and varied opportunities for students to prepare for the tests. I hope that you will encourage your child to take advantage of them. When home and school work closely together, the student becomes the ultimate winner. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher or make an appointment to meet with the teacher(s) or counselors. Our parents are always welcome in our schools. As always, thanks for your support of our schools. Let's continue to work together so that each and every child can succeed.

Tunt (. ) Syclo

Robert C. D'Angelo Superintendent of Schools

# **Soaring Awards**

The Girls on the Run (GOTR) team L at Holley Elementary were the recipients of the "Soaring to New Heights" award at the Holley Board of Education meeting on Dec. 15. This award is given monthly to deserving students and staff who go above and beyond expectations and who lend their skills and abilities to help others. The girls received this award from Elementary School Principal Karri Schiavone for their donation drive for Orleans County Animal Shelter (PAWS). The girls collected pet food, toys, blankets, towels, kitty litter, etc. for PAWS as part of their community service project requirements for the GOTR program. Schiavone cited the girls' character qualities of commitment, charity, and dedication as their reasons for receiving the award.

Samantha Barniak and Claudia Drechsel were the recipients of the "Soaring to New Heights" award at the Holley Board of Education meeting on Jan. 12. Barniak received her award from Principal Sue Cory for "doing the right thing." Barniak found a wallet on the bus and turned it in, along with a dollar she found in the hallway. Cory also cited Barniak for "making others feel good about themselves" as another reason she received the award. Barniak knew of a classmate who was going through a difficult family situation and the student's family had forgotten their birthday. Barniak used a gift certificate she had received for Hawk merchandise and bought the student a sweatshirt for their birthday. She also shopped for a Christmas present for this student during the Holley Days of Shopping in December and continues to check in on the welfare of this student.

Drechsel received the award from Cory for "giving freely of her time to make the lives of others a bit easier." When Drechsel learned that the Holley Rotary Club annually adopts a family during the holidays, she contacted the Club to find out how she could help. She organized a shopping trip for that family and made sure each child had age-appropriate gifts.



Front row, from left, Lena Hayes, Sara Kingdollar, Loretta Sorochty, Ruthie Patton, Iris Capurso and Kira Gantman. Back row, from left, Ava Hayes, Tia Hoffarth, Halee Passerall, Kayleigh Neale, Callie Updike and Mya Hayes. Missing from photo: Rachael Howard and Emily Gemerek.



From left, Claudia Drechsel, Sue Cory and Samantha Barniak.

#### HOLLEY DIMENSION | February 2015

# COUNSELING News

#### **Attention: Juniors**

What are your plans for after graduation? Attending college? Working full-time? Now is the time to start thinking about the direction you would like to take. Counselors recently met with juniors to discuss their PSAT results, create their accounts on www.collegeboard.com and do some career exploration in order to get them thinking about life after high school. If you haven't registered for the SAT/ACT, now would be the time to do so. Many four-year colleges require the exams as part of the admission process. Don't delay!

#### **Attention: Seniors**

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is now available at www.fafsa.gov. The FAFSA is the source of all federal and state aid, loans and work study programs. The form must be completed online and submitted to each college before their due dates in order to be eligible for these programs. Additionally, worksheets can be printed out from the FAFSA website to assist in this process. As a reminder, do not mail the worksheets to the colleges. If you need additional assistance in completing these forms, please see your counselor or contact **FAFSA** directly at: 1-800-4-fed-aid (1-800-433-3243) or federalstudentaid.ed.gov.

If you are planning to attend a four-year institution, you will need to complete the application as soon as possible. Those students who have applied to two-year institutions should be making appointments to take placement tests. If you have already applied and been accepted to a two-year institution, you should be meeting with your advisors.

#### Scholarship opportunities

This time of year, scholarships are added to the list weekly. Keep an eye on new scholarships; they are located in the counseling office, at the attendance desk and at www.holleycsd.org/scholarships. Please pay attention to the deadlines. Apply early! Please see Kristina Tese for more details.

Don't forget to attend the College and Career Readiness Workshop on March 3 at Spencerport High School. This workshop is open to grades 8-12.

ACE registration deadline for spring semester classes is due on Feb. 20!

### **Financial Aid Assistance**

State University of New York (SUNY) is offering a Financial Aid Day to assist prospective students and their families in applying for financial aid and completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This workshop is free and available at various colleges throughout the state on Feb. 28. To see a list of participating campuses and register for the workshop, visit www.suny.edu/studentevents. You may also register by calling SUNY Recruitment Response Center at 800-342-3811.

# Upcoming Musical 🗞 at Holley MS/HS

olley MS/HS will be hosting several performances Tof "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" from March 13-15. The musical tells the biblical story of Joseph and his coat of many colors, which signifies him as his father, Jacob's, favorite son out of 12 boys. Joseph has the ability to interpret dreams and often has dreams that foretell the future. His jealous brothers sell him into slavery. After a series of adventures, Joseph lands in jail. When Joseph's abilities reach the ears of the Pharaoh, he is released from jail and promoted to the Pharaoh's second in command. When a famine drives Joseph's brothers to encounter him later in life, they do not recognize him, so Joseph turns the tables on them to test their loyalty. This popular musical has lyrics written by Tim Rice and music written by Andrew Lloyd Webber. The musical has very little spoken parts, but hosts a variety of engaging musical styles.

Matthew Skehan plays the role of Joseph, with Cole Quiter, Nathan Towne and Ronnie DeWaal sharing the role of his father, Jacob. Kayla Thrower, Cole Quiter, Matt DeSimone, Collin Papaj, Will Harrington, James Skehan, Nina DiLella, Kohl Morgan, Nick Smith and Ema Stevic share the roles of Joseph's brothers. Luke Silvis and Ronnie DeWaal share the role of the Pharaoh. Many more students make up the cast of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," so attend a performance to spot more stars in Holley's musical production. To purchase tickets to a performance, visit https://www. showtix4u.com/boxoffice.php?submit=Search+for+Eve nts&begin=1542968&current\_client=0656051401221790& ts=1421332568.

# **College Acceptances**

We are pleased to announce that Faith Battaglia was accepted to Erie Community College, Taylor DeSimone was accepted to St. Bonaventure University, Breanna Hagberg was accepted to Genesee Community College (GCC), Mikayla Hargreaves was accepted to Rochester Institute of Technology, Josh Porter was accepted to GCC, Niagara County Community College and Mohawk Valley Community College, Adrianna Shepherd was accepted to St. John Fisher College and Andrew Spychalski was accepted to George Mason University. Samantha Barniak was accepted to Roberts Wesleyan College with a Special Achievement Scholarship. Lucas Silvis was accepted to Hofstra University with a \$50,000 scholarship and SUNY Brockport.

**Congratulations!** 

# FIT4U! Winter **Sessions Underway**

The next session of FIT4U! activities began on Jan. 12 and will run through March 13. Sharon Gross is offering Cardio Strength Training in the Elementary School Fitness Center on Mondays through Wednesdays from 3:30-5 p.m.to third through sixth graders. Sally Martin is offering African Dance classes in the chorus room on Thursdays for students in grades 3-6.

Students in grades 7-12 can participate in Jason Cole's Early Morning Fitness classes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6-7 a.m. in the High School Gym. Dawn Trask is offering Co-Ed Volleyball to students in grades 7-12 on various dates in January, February and March. Flyers are posted in the MS/HS. Lori Passarell is offering Flash Mob Dancing classes to students in grades 7-12 in the High School Gym and Multi-Purpose Gym from 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. during mid-winter recess and on Saturdays in March.

There is still time to sign up for these classes. Contact Lisa Campbell or John Grillo to obtain permission slips.

#### **Elementary Theatre Guild Performance**

oming soon to the elementary school stage this spring, a comedic skit about social responsibility entitled "Who me? Yes you!" Directed by

Alexa Downey and Jenn Morgan, the skit will be performed by actors in grades 3-6. Performance dates will be announced soon.

Coming

Soon

# **December Programing** in the Elementary School Library by Julie Bader, School Library Media Specialist

ewey, the library elf, spent most of December teaching the elementary students about different parts of the library and where special collections of books are found. Each day, classes



went on a hunt for Dewey and his props. The elf was located in a different part of the library each day, accompanied by a poem to show what types of books are found in that section. Students were met with rhymes such as:

"I'm here, I'm here," cried Dewey the Elf, sitting upon the DINOSAUR shelf, "567.9 is a hoppin' place, to read, read, read about this prehistoric race!"

Through these trips to the library, classes were taught where certain authors' books are found, where the Graphic Novels are housed, and the proper way to use

a shelf marker. The library is such a special place with so much to offer the students. This exercise helped everyone become comfortable with finding all types of books in the library. On any given morning, students were found

rushing to the library to find the sneaky little elf. For those who could not make it to the library, photos were sent to all teachers so they could post them on their classroom smart boards. Advertising of Dewey's latest hiding spot was also done via bulletin board postings, "Wanted" posters positioned around the school, and morning announcements!

Great fun was had and an immense amount of learning was done, thanks to the help of Dewey the library elf. Just before jumping into Santa's sleigh, Dewey promised the students of Holley Elementary that he'd be back again someday!

### Box Tops Collection at MS/HS and Elementary School is Underway

Box Tops for Education collections are currently underway at both Holley Middle School/High School and Elementary School. The Box Tops labels can be found on hundreds of products. Simply clip them and send in unexpired labels to school. Each label is worth 10 cents. With the money collected through Box Tops, schools can use it to buy materials needed, such as books and playground equipment.

The collection at the MS/HS helps pay for the academic field day on June 15. This is a free event for students in grades 7-12 to celebrate all the hard work they've done throughout the year. Seven hundred dollars has been collected so far, with the goal to collect \$1,000 by March 1. Box Tops can be turned in to the first period teacher. Monthly winners of the collection receive candy bars and the end of the year winners

receive a pizza party in June. Michelle Roman is the Box Tops coordinator in the MS/HS.

In the Elementary School, Box Tops can be deposited in collection jars in the main office or intermediate art room. They can also be dropped off at Holley Post Office. Six hundred dollars has been collected so far, with the goal to collect \$1,000 by March 1. The collection helps pay for assemblies for elementary students. Mimi Reyngoudt is the Box Tops coordinator in the Elementary School.

Parents can monitor the progress of the Box Tops collection at each school and view the promotions that Box Tops is offering at http://www.boxtops4education.com/. There are opportunities on the website

to sign up for free sample offers, coupons and bonus Box Tops offers.



### Chef Schools Students in the Power of Food

Dr. Robert Dell'Amore involved Holley students in his cooking sessions during their regularly scheduled gym classes to show them how to fuel their bodies with salt- and preservativefree food. He involved the students in caramelizing vegetables in the skillet and showed them how to prevent burning through constant stirring. The students had a chance to try a variety of vegetables in a simply dressed salad that was served over pasta mixed with the caramelized vegetables. Most students declared that the salad was something they'd eat again and were willing to try the vegetables that were mixed up in it that they had never tasted before.

Dell'Amore's visit to Holley consisted of two days each spent in the Elementary School and MS/HS physical education classes, a two-hour culinary camp taught to the cafeteria staff, and a parent academy cooking and sampling session in the evening. He said making the learning fun and providing tasting opportunities are key ingredients. "With great programming, (such as the handson cooking demonstrations he offers) you can change behavior," Dell'Amore said. "This is an opportunity for students to come in with one perception of healthy food and leave with another, such as 'I tried kale and it was pretty good.""

Dell'Amore demonstrated how to select a variety of colorful vegetables, slice them thinly to keep them crunchy, and season them with cracked black pepper and apple cider vinegar to add more flavor to their salads. "Food has the power to heal and the power to harm," he said. He urged the students to eat food without a lot of preservatives and salt so they can put the healthiest fuel into their bodies. He used the example of how



Dr. Robert Dell'Amore with the third graders

ranch dressing is full of preservatives, with the only natural ingredient being buttermilk, and a sample size cup actually contains three servings of the dressing, not one.

The goal of Dell'Amore's sessions was to show families that making healthy food together is a chance to connect and talk about their day while creating a meal together. His demonstrations showed the students how they can select and prepare healthy food while experimenting with different ingredients and seasonings until they arrive at a dish that the whole family enjoys. By providing students with the nutrition information, cooking tools and techniques, and a hands-on way to engage their senses of sight, smell and taste, he gave the students the confidence to bring the lessons and recipes home to replicate the same success of incorporating more vegetables into their family meals. Two of his recipes are posted on the Holley website: http://www.holleycsd.org/files/1919248/recipes\_ dellamore1.docx.

### African Dance Group Performs at BOE Meeting

Twelve girls in Sally Martin's African Dance class performed a dance for the December Board of Education (BOE) meeting. Dressed in African head scarves and black clothing, the students performed a choreographed dance to tribal music. The students learned the dance moves by participating in an afterschool FIT4U! session this past fall.



First row, from left, Jasmine Apicella, Julia Scroope, Ryleigh Weader, Catalina Solis, Lydia Sprague and Ava Buzard. Second row, from left, Lily Sprague, Cora Bennage, Cecilia Merriam, Rubie Maxwell, Leigha Walker and Layne Walker.

# Holley Athletes Help Out the Salvation Army



The Boys' and Girls' JV and Varsity Basketball teams visited the Salvation Army distribution center in Rochester and distributed toys, hats, gloves and Christmas meals to families in need. This is the third year that the team has volunteered at the Salvation Army during the week before holiday recess. Four coaches and 44 students participated in the event.

# **Foreign Exchange Students at Holley**

Niracha (My) Pramchuen and Ema Stevic are spending their senior year at Holley High School as participants in the foreign exchange program. Pramchuen, who is from Thailand, and Stevic, who is from Serbia, have found that school is easier in the United States and the teachers are much nicer. They have both been speaking English since they were seven years old, so other than learning slang and understanding accents, they have not found language to be a barrier.

The girls enjoy all the extracurricular activities that Holley offers. Stevic enjoys participating in the musical. Pramchuen enjoyed playing basketball until she broke her ankle and had to quit the team. Stevic's favorite class is history, while Pramchuen likes math. Pramchuen has been very surprised by the snow and cold in Western New York, since she is not used to that climate at all in Thailand. Stevic is used to snow in Serbia and finds that living here is very similar to her life in her home country, other than the fact that "everything is giant" in the U.S.

### Upcoming Fundraising at the MS/HS

Tn February, the MS/HS students will have many items for sale as class fundraisers.

- The Spanish Club will offer an Easter Candy Sale from Feb. 2-13.
- The National Junior Honor Society will sell carnations for Valentine's Day from Feb. 9-13.
- The sophomore class will offer Zap a Snack products for sale from Feb. 16-27.
- The senior class is sponsoring the Winter Ball on Feb. 27; for more information, contact Kelly Marzano at kmarzano@holleycsd.org or Suzanne Lepkowski at slepkowski@ holleycsd.org.

For questions on the other fundraisers, please contact Michelle Roman at mroman@holleycsd.org.

Both students miss home and say it's hard to be separated from their family and friends, but they try to stay in touch as often as they can. Stevic's brother is attending a boarding school in Maine and she said he's not having as much of a social life as she is. They would recommend the foreign exchange program to others and Pramchuen said her sister will participate in the program, too. Both students must pass a test and pass English this year to complete their enrollment in the program.

Pramchuen and Stevic are enjoying staying with their host families since their arrival to the U.S. in August. Pramchuen cooks Thai food for her host family, while Stevic prepares Serbian pancakes for hers. Pramchuen likes collard greens as her favorite American food and Stevic loves peanut butter, a food she never tasted in Serbia. They will leave their host families in June to return to their home countries, but Stevic plans on moving to the U.S. to attend college and pursue her dreams of being an actress. She had taken some courses in Serbia to use towards a

SPANISH ELUB

pharmacy degree, but found she didn't like the medical field. Pramchuen will pursue a degree in business since that is expected of her, but said if she had her choice, she would prefer marketing.

The girls are enjoying their first trip to the States. Pramchuen is looking forward to a trip to New York City and hopes to visit various forts in Canada and Niagara Falls before she leaves. Stevic hopes to visit New York City before her year is over.

Both girls have found that they are able to educate their fellow Holley students about what it's like to live in their home countries. They look forward to bringing their knowledge of living in

America back to their friends and family in Thailand and Serbia. They are happy to participate in a true cultural exchange.

From left, Niracha (My) Pramchuen and Ema Stevic



by Tammy Menzie and Kathy Monks, Spanish Club Co-Advisors

The Holley Spanish Club hosted their 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Fiesta on Dec. 10. The students started preparing for this event in November and were given From left, Megan Fribance more than 80 Hispanic recipes to look over. Spanish Club members, working with a partner or alone,

and Heather Ramsey get ready to serve

selected their favorite recipes. The students prepared many wonderful foods for their invited guests to sample such as enchiladas, Mexican wedding cookies and children's sangria. Everything was "muy deliciosa."

After the food sampling, the Spanish Club entertained their guests with three Spanish Christmas songs. Their favorite was "Feliz Navidad" and they learned the entire song in Spanish. We were very grateful to Kelly Marzano for her piano accompaniment. The evening ended with a Christmas raffle. First prize, a candy filled piñata, went to eighth grader Amanda Valerio. Spanish Club members received a Christmas gift bag filled with fun surprises at the end of the event.

Spanish teachers Tammy Menzie and Kathy Monks were so proud of everyone! The weather was very challenging, but over 100 people braved the snow and enjoyed a delightful evening.

#### HOLLEY DIMENSION | February 2015

# Holiday Happenings at Holley Elementary

Second graders made gingerbread houses in the Elementary Café on Dec. 15, with help from the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) members.



From left, Cora Hudzinski, Sloane Kruger, Gabriel Stevens and McKayla Malone work on their gingerbread houses

On Dec. 17, kindergarteners from Kris D'Angelo, Leigh Weaver and Meg Schubert's classes celebrated the holidays making holiday crafts to take home and share with their families. They enjoyed frosting and taste-testing cut-out cookies, along with making ornaments to hang on the tree.



From left, Noah Patten and Zachary Thomas frost cookies (and eat them, too!)



Dakota Arnold with her wreath On Friday, Dec. 19, students and staff gathered to celebrate and sing holiday songs at our annual singalong. Sally Martin, choral director, and Hannah Bock, band director, played several pieces for the kids to listen to and sing along. One of the kids' favorite songs was the "12 Days of Christmas." Holley staff members were selected from the audience and they brought along a student to hold up picture cues to help the audience sing all the verses of the

song. Another favorite song was "Must be Santa"; chorus members sang and signed the song for the students to sing along.



Teacher's Aide Toni Barber and student Isla Schultz participate in "Must be Santa"



From left, Kayleigh Neale, Deanna Schubmehl and Michael Stoll perform as a saxophone trio



Santa surprised the kindergarten and first grade students in the Elementary Café by showing up to read them a story and talk about being kids who have character. The kindergarteners and first graders had opportunities to visit with Santa one-on-one and tell him what they wanted for Christmas.

Madison Lowell with Santa

### Kindergartners Carol through the Village of Holley

The kindergarten classes caroled through the Village of Holley in December, bringing the gift of song to residents and business owners. At several stops, they handed out and received presents. Under the guidance of Kris D'Angelo, Leigh Weaver, Cathy Mason, Denise Johnstone, Meg Schubert and Paula Sanford, they performed "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer," "Up on the Housetop" and "Jingle Bells." Next year, keep an eye out for a bunch of pint-sized Santas on the streets of Holley; you never know what you might receive from them!



A group of kindergarteners serenades a resident of Holley

#### Holley Central School District 7

#### HOLLEY DIMENSION | February 2015

Superintendent of Schools

Robert C. D'Angelo

#### **Board of Education**

Brenda Swanger, *President* Robin Silvis, *Vice President* Salvatore De Luca, Jr. John Heise

Mark Porter

John C. Welch, Jr.

Anne Winkley

Holley Dimension is produced with the assistance of the Communication and Technology Services (CaTS) Department at Monroe 2–Orleans BOCES.

Editor: Beth Nash, 585-349-9028 bnash@monroe2boces.org

Layout & Design: Lisa Constantine



### Interim School Business Administrator Information

On Sept. 22, 2014, William Domm was approved as the Interim School Business Administrator. He was employed until Dec. 26, 2014 at a total salary of \$19,300. Domm was a retired School Business Administrator at his time of employment with the District and was within his rights to receive his pension payments while employed by the District.

### Alumni Stories for Newsletter

Holley is looking to feature alumni news in future issues of the *Dimension*. We are especially interested in hearing from those who can tell us how the courses and experiences at Holley helped prepare them for their careers. We are looking for stories of traditional and non-traditional routes of success, as well as emerging careers. Please fill out the form located at http://www. holleycsd.org/forms.cfm?myForm=27715 to submit your story for consideration. Feel free to share this link with your fellow alumni on social media.

# PTSA News

The next meeting of the PTSA is on Feb. 11 at 5 p.m. in the Elementary Café.

The winter social for grades Pre-K-6 is on Feb. 13 from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Elementary Café. Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase.

# FEBRUARY 2015

- 2 Budget Workshop, HS Conference Room 6 p.m.
- Biggest Winner Meeting, ES Fitness Center 6:30 p.m.
- 3 Sports Boosters Meeting, HS Library 7 p.m.
- 6 Report Cards sent home
- 6-7 All County Competition for ES Band, MS Chorus & HS Band, Kendall HS 2 p.m.
- 7 ACT Exam
- 9 Board of Education, District Office 6 p.m.
- 11 PTSA Meeting, ES Café 5 p.m.
- 13 Pre-K-Grade 6 Sweetheart Dance, ES Café 6:30-8 p.m.

#### 16-20 No School - Mid-winter Recess

27 Sweetheart Dance Snow Date

Check the district calendar online for additional detail.

# MS/HS Students Play the Stock Market

Students in Jim DiSessa's Personal Financial Management and Investment Analysis class participated in the *Democrat and Chronicle's* Stock Market Simulation Game. Over 50 teams participated in the high school division and one of Holley's teams placed eighth in the competition. The winning team members were Trevor Farrow, John Heinlein, Ethan Jutrowski, Stephen Mallett and Jared Payton. The team was recognized at an awards ceremony at the Memorial Art Gallery on Dec. 17.



From left, Trevor Farrow, John Heinlein and Ethan Jutrowski attend the awards ceremony.