

DIMENSION



Holley Central School District | October 2014

Homecoming/Spirit Week at ES and MS/HS



Special events at the ES and MS/HS took place in the week leading up to Homecoming. Each day, students in both schools dressed in class colors and in themed clothing. Then, on Friday, Sept. 19 several events took place at the MS/HS including a hula hoop relay and dizzy bat races. There was a pep rally, hoops shot and four square games played in the gym; board games and cards played in the library; and breakfast sandwiches served in the dining hall. On Friday evening, students participated in the annual Homecoming parade and float competition. Floats designed by students in grades 7-12 were featured, showcasing a fairy tale theme, and the PTSA judged the competition and awarded prizes. The seniors won the float competition with their "Shrek" floats.



Fitness Center To Open In Holley School District

Holley Central Schools has been awarded a Carol White Fitness (PEP) Grant to promote good nutrition and physical fitness among the students, staff and community. Part of this grant is dedicated to the creation of a fitness center in the elementary school, including the purchase of state of the art fitness equipment for use by students, staff and the community. Lisa Campbell, the district's Director of Physical Education, was instrumental in securing this grant for the district. I am proud to offer you the opportunity to enjoy what the fitness center has to offer. I anticipate that the center will open in late fall, early winter. Initially, it will be open two nights per week from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and supervised by a Holley staff member. Depending on community demand, it may be open on additional evenings. For safety reasons during the evening hours, children under the age of 10 will not be permitted to use the equipment. All participants will be asked to sign a waiver form in order to use the equipment. Rules regulating safety will be clearly posted in the fitness center. For your safety, Holley Security Officers will be on duty throughout the community use hours. Once the fitness center opens, I hope that you will stop by and see all that it has to offer. I also invite you to use the fitness center as your schedule permits, as it is just one more service that the school district provides the community, and we are very proud to do so. Thank you.

Robert C. D'Angelo

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Superintendent of Schools

Spirit Week Leads Up to Homecoming

Elementary students participated in spirit week daily themes just like their middle and high school counterparts. Each day of the week leading up to Homecoming, students voluntarily wore clothing that matched the theme of the day. Monday was Sports Day (wear sports team gear), Tuesday was Crazy Clothes Day (wear mismatched clothes), Wednesday was Class Color Day (each class wore a designated color), Thursday was Superhero Day (wear superhero logo), and Friday was Spirit Day (wear Holley school colors). The third graders had the most participation by the end of the week (almost 84 percent). They were declared the 2014 Holley Elementary School Homecoming Champions and received a special treat from the cafeteria.

In the MS/HS, the spirit week themes were Fashion Disaster Day, Camouflage Day, Color Day, Animal Day, and Spirit Day. The juniors won the Spirit Week competition and Homecoming games.



Homework Lab and Extended Day Sessions In Full Swing at the MS/HS



Holley MS/HS has begun their afterschool Homework Lab program in the library. Most of the students use the computers, but a few use the time to work together on homework at the tables or relax in a chair to get their reading done.



Extended Day sessions have also begun after school in the MS/HS. Junior Austen Vroman spent time in Mrs. Burke's ELA classroom reading "When the Game Stands Tall" by Neil Hayes.

Extended Day and Homework Lab began on Sept. 22 in the Elementary School.

FROM THE MS/HS Counseling Office

The **Young Entrepreneurs Academy** is an exciting year-long program that transforms students into real entrepreneurial success stories. The Academy is geared toward students, ages 11-18, and it focuses on teaching them how to launch their own business.

As part of the experience, students gain access to legendary entrepreneurs, attorneys and accountants; they learn how to pitch to investors for real funding; open bank accounts; and compete for college scholarships. The Academy is offered at the University of Rochester, SUNY Geneseo and at locations in downtown Rochester. Visit www.yeausa.org to learn more.

The **PSAT/NMSQT** will be given at the Holley MS/HS on Saturday, Oct. 18 from 7:45 a.m. to noon. All college bound juniors and sophomores are encouraged to take this exam. Students must register in the High School Counseling Office with Mr. Ruff. The cost of the exam is \$14.00 and may be paid by cash or check made payable to Holley High School.

Seniors should have toured colleges over the summer break and now be narrowing their search. They should register to take the **SAT and/or ACT** sometime in the fall. Online registration is available for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com and for the ACT at www.actstudent.org. Seniors should be working on their college applications and aim to complete them by the end of **November**. Check the application deadline of the particular college you are applying to, since it may differ.

Senior interviews begin on Oct. 6. The purpose of the senior interview is to review high school graduation requirements and credits, confirm the student took or is taking the classes needed to graduate, and discuss post-graduation plans, such as college, military or employment.

Please visit the counseling web site for additional information.

Scholarships are listed as they are received. Feel free to review these scholarships and pay particular attention to the deadline dates. For questions, contact Mrs. Tese (ktese@holleycsd.org).

Scholarships

\$21,000 Horatio Alger Scholarship - applications due Oct. 25



To be eligible to apply for the Horatio Alger Scholarship Program, applicants must be on course to graduate from a high school in the U.S. by 2015 with plans to enter a college no later than the fall following graduation. Applicants must exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree at an accredited non-profit public or private institution in the U.S. Applications can be found online at www.horatioalger.org.

West Point Leadership Award for High School Juniors – applications due Nov. 11

Holley juniors, who are class officers, members of student government, officers of clubs and organizations, captains of teams and others who have demonstrated their leadership potential in other ways, are urged to submit an application for the Fall Cycle Leadership Award Program presented by The West Point Society of Rochester. This organization is affiliated with West Point, the U.S. Military Academy, which was recently ranked No. 2 among top schools on the prestigious *U.S. News & World Report* list of best undergraduate engineering programs in the country. The Academy was also recently ranked by *Forbes Magazine* as No. 3 on the list of best colleges and No. 1 for best college value.

Interested students need to submit their application by **Nov. 1**. Applicants must first submit their application to their High School Guidance Counselor, who will forward an electronic copy of the student's complete application to the organization by Nov. 1. In addition to a typed application, a transcript, resume, letters of recommendation and copies of awards, articles and other information should be submitted. To receive an application, email Mark E. Preston at MARKUSMA77@aol.com.

New Member on Holley Board of Education

Mark Porter was appointed as the newest member of the Holley Board of Education in September. He replaces Kellie Spsychalski, who left the board in August. Porter, a village resident for 23 years, is employed as a Communications Lieutenant at Monroe Ambulance, where he oversees the day-to-day operations of the communications center. He and his wife, Rose, have three children: Jennifer, Lori and Joshua. His daughters have graduated from Holley and his son is currently a senior. Porter was one of the founders of the Holley Volunteer Ambulance, Inc., a fire chief for over five years, and a trustee on the Holley Village Board. He was also a volunteer coach for wrestling and baseball at Holley. Porter said, "As a member of the Board of Education, it is my hope to work together as a team with the board and school administrators to ensure that every child in this district has the chance to be successful in education and anything else they wish to be involved in, such as athletics and school clubs, as well as being financially responsible to the taxpayers, students and staff."



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.

Middle School/High School UPDATE

We have had a wonderful start to this school year. Students seem to be back in the routine of school and enjoying both the academics and social aspects of a new school year.

It is hard to believe that we will be approaching the five week progress report point in a short time. Again this year, the five week progress reports will not be mailed home for students in grades 7-12. The progress reports will be available online through our student management system, SchoolTool. Many of you are already familiar with SchoolTool and access it regularly to check on your students' day-to-day grades, assignments, discipline and attendance. If you already use SchoolTool, you will just need to login and click on the View Progress Report to see your child's five week progress report. The first progress report will be viewable on Oct. 12. If you have not signed up for access

to SchoolTool, please complete the Access Letter on the Holley Central School District website and send it to Susan Cory, MS/HS Principal or email it to scory@holleycsd.org. If you do not have computer access or wish to receive a paper copy of the progress report, please call Penny Cole in the MS/HS Guidance office at 638-6335 x5510. We hope that the electronic versions will provide quick feedback as to your child's progress. As always, feel free to contact your child's teacher either by phone or email if you have questions or concerns.

Is all of your contact information correct and up-to-date? It is really important to check that information annually to make sure that we can contact you when necessary. If you need to make changes, you can send them to my email address noted above or contact Penny Cole with your changes.

Good communication between home and school is a key to student success. Please let us know how we can help you and your family. We have a great mental health team that you may utilize as a resource for academic, social and family support. Feel free to contact the counseling center at any time for any support we can help you with.

Fall sports and activities are in full swing. Are you are looking for something to do? Check out the athletic calendar on the school website for the full schedule of weekly events. The students love it when they are able to compete in front of a packed crowd. Come and show your positive HOLLEY SPIRIT! GO HAWKS!

As always, please contact the school with any questions or concerns we can assist you with.

Susan R. Cory
Middle School/High School Principal

Snack and Food Fundraiser Guidelines Change

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has recently published nutrition standards for snack foods and beverages sold to children at school during the day. These nutrition standards are called Smart Snacks in School. According to the USDA, these standards are required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 and are meant to allow schools to offer healthier snack foods to children, while limiting junk food.

Guidelines:

- Smart Snacks applies to all foods and beverages **sold** to students outside of the school meals programs - including vending machines, a la carte, school stores, snack carts and in-school fundraising.
- Smart Snacks is in effect all school day (midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the school day) across the whole school campus.
- Some fundraising is affected. Foods and beverages sold to students **as fundraisers during the school day** have to meet the Smart Snacks guidelines (unless they are part of a state exemption).
- Non-food fundraisers or fundraisers that include foods and beverages that meet the standards are **not** limited in any way.
- Smart Snacks do **not** apply to foods served, such as classroom celebrations, and during evening, weekend or community events.

The standards state that any food sold in schools must be at least one of the following: a "whole grain-rich" grain product;

have as the first ingredient a fruit, vegetable, dairy product or protein food; be a combination of food that contains at least ¼ cup of fruit and/or vegetable; or contain 10 percent of the Daily Value of either calcium, potassium, vitamin D or dietary fiber. Additional nutrient requirements are also part of the standards, including calorie, sodium, fat and sugar limits.

Standards for beverages allow schools to sell plain water (with or without carbonation), unflavored low-fat milk, unflavored or flavored fat-free milk or milk alternatives, 100 percent fruit or vegetable juice, and 100 percent fruit or vegetable juice diluted with water (with or without carbonation), and no added sweeteners. Portion sizes are also limited for milk and juice: up to eight ounces for elementary schools and up to 12 ounces for middle and high schools. There is no portion size limit for water. The standards do allow for additional beverage options for high school students.

Students around the country are seeing a difference in their school meals, including more fruits, vegetables and whole grains. By providing healthier foods and beverages outside of the cafeteria, this creates a consistent message for what students should be eating in order to fuel their bodies for healthy learning, growth and play.

Information for this article was taken from the USDA publication "Smart Snacks in School: USDA's All Foods Sold in Schools" Standards and the Alliance for Healthier Generation Smart Snacks Resource tool found on their website (https://www.healthiergeneration.org/take_action/schools/snacks_and_beverages/smart_snacks/). For additional information, visit the USDA website at www.usda.gov.

First Day of School



Calling all Student Writers and Artists!

The Daily News, Genesee County History Department and Genesee-Orleans Regional Arts Council (GO ART!) are hosting the 2014 Ghost Tales Writing & Art Contest. This contest is open to students between the ages of 11 and 18, who reside in Genesee, Orleans or Wyoming counties. It is an excellent opportunity for young writers and artists to have their work recognized and published. The deadline for submissions is Friday, Oct. 3. Chosen winners will have their stories and artwork published in *The Daily News* on Oct. 25. Artwork will also be displayed at Go ART!, 201 East Main Street, Batavia from Oct. 24 through Nov. 7. The top ten winners will receive free passes to Holiday Hollow in Batavia. Grand prize winners will receive cash prizes. For submission details and an application form, visit www.goart.org or www.thedailynewsonline.com to learn more.

School bus safety and the law

Did you know that an estimated 50,000 motor vehicles illegally pass New York State school buses every day? Don't become one of them! In New York State, it is illegal to pass a bus when its red lights are flashing. Drivers must come to a complete stop at least 20 feet away from the bus when they see the red lights flashing so that the bus driver can pick up or discharge students. This rule applies even when a bus has its red lights flashing in a parking lot, on school grounds, on a multi-lane highway, or on the opposite side of a divided highway. Drivers must stop, whether they are approaching the bus from the front or the rear. When the red lights stop flashing or when the bus driver signals, drivers may resume driving. Drivers must yield to flashing yellow lights on a bus, slow down, and be prepared to stop.



Penalties for passing a school bus involve fines, points added to your license, and possible jail time. Refer to the table below.

By Conviction	Minimum Fine	Maximum Fine	Possible Imprisonment
First conviction	\$250.00	\$400.00	Up to 30 days
Second conviction (within 3 years)	\$600.00	\$750.00	Up to 180 days
Third or subsequent conviction (within 3 years)	\$750.00	\$1,000.00	Up to 180 days

For more information, visit <http://www.safeny.ny.gov/opsafstp.htm>.

PTSA NEWS

The annual PTSA Halloween party for Pre K – third grade is Friday, Oct. 17 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Elementary School cafeteria.

There will be music, games and trick or treating. Admission is \$5 per family and it includes glowsticks.



The Halloween social for students in grades 4-6 is

Friday, Oct. 24 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Elementary School cafeteria.

There will be a costume contest. There will be candy, chips and pop for sale. Admission is \$3.



The MS 7-8 grade dance is

Friday, Oct. 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the MS/HS cafeteria.

Students can dress up and pictures will be taken. Cost for pictures is \$3 or two pictures for \$5. There will be candy, chips and pop for sale.

Please join us at our next PTSA meeting on

Oct. 8 at 5 p.m. in the Elementary School café

We are looking for parents and students to help plan the Halloween party. Students can get involved by sharing ideas for games, music and activities.



PTSA has a new mail:
Holleycsdpts@gmail.com

The Biggest Winner Contest

Counting calories, eliminating bread, pasta and potatoes, and following a run/walk routine helped Connie Nenni become the “Biggest Winner” this year. Nenni, the district clerk and administrative assistant to the superintendent, lost 18 percent of her body weight in four months, but gained a new 32-inch Samsung TV for her efforts. Total weight loss for all the participants was 701.6 pounds, which beat last year’s record of 84 pounds lost by 26 participants.



This is the second time the Holley Central School District hosted the Biggest Winner weight loss challenge, which was open to residents of the community and district employees. Nenni was one of 45 participants in the program, who met monthly in the elementary school fitness room to weigh in. Each monthly meeting had a different focus and they included a fitness challenge, a healthy cooking session, an educational seminar with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and a food myths discussion. During these sessions, prizes were raffled off from local businesses, with grand prizes handed out in June. The top five grand prize winners are listed below:

Place	Name	Prize
1	Connie Nenni	32" TV, 2 fitness DVDs
2	Gary Radford	free night at Rochester Airport Marriott, plus brunch
3	Janet Klossner	free night at Dollinger's Inn & Suites (Brockport) in Jacuzzi suite
4	Diann Hillabush	free party for 8 at Laser Quest Rochester
5	Teri Bibby	three months free at Fit Club 24/7, plus key

Nenni used an app to track her calories and exercise and weighed herself several times a week to track her progress. When the weather was nice, she used the MS/HS track. Initially, she didn't think her weight loss goal was attainable, but as she kept going, she found it not to be as hard as she thought it would be, or as painful. She did return to eating bread, pasta and potatoes, but she no longer eats them daily, just occasionally. During the challenge, she increased her protein and fruit intake. She hopes the habits she picked up during the challenge will be lifetime habits. Nenni looks forward to the new fitness center opening.

The next session of Biggest Winner will begin in November, meeting on the first Tuesday of each month, and ending in June. Sign up forms will be sent home with students, available in school offices and posted on the district website by Oct. 1. Contact Lisa Campbell (lcampbell@holleycsd.org) or Michelle Williamson (mwilliamson@holleycsd.org) for details.

Monetary donations from sponsors were put towards the television purchase.

Business supporters: 58 Main, Adventure Landing (Greece), Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Batavia Muck Dogs, Brockport Bowl, Brockport Optometry, Buffalo Sabres, Country Treasures, Daniel W. Schiavone, DDS, Dollinger's Inn & Suites (Brockport), Econo Lodge, Explore & More Children's Museum, Fit Club 24/7, Glenside Auto Sales & Service Center, Hair Affair, Hairport Hair Styling, Hampton Inn Brockport, Heath & Martin, Herschell Carousel Factory Museum, Holley Cold Storage Fruit Co Inc., Horizon Fun flx, Jessica Defazio, Laser Quest Rochester, Lift Bridge Book Shop, Mary Kay, National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House, Palm Island Indoor Waterpark, Peebles, Ralf Kurzowski, Rochester Airport Marriott, Rochester Rhinos, Salon Dia, Sam's Diner, Save-A-Lot food stores, Seabreeze Amusement Park, Steven Thompson, Subway (Brockport), Sun Kiss Tanning, Tan for Less, The Whole Approach, Thee Cutting Edge, Tillman's Historic Village Inn, Unique Gift Boutique, Wegmans and Woodcliff Hotel & Spa.



REMINDER:
Elementary School Pictures are Oct. 7

What It Means to be a Sports Booster

By Bob Brice, Holley Sports Booster President

I have been a Holley Sports Booster for almost two decades. If you want to support Holley athletics, it is a great way to do so. A lot of you are aware of what Boosters provides, but not all of you, so I want to tell you about the contributions we make to Holley athletics.

First, the Woodlands complex, where the soccer field is located, is maintained by volunteers from Sports Boosters. We lease the property from the school and maintain it as part of that lease. We do all the mowing, painting of lines on the field, and maintaining the buildings and field equipment. The complex was built by volunteers from the Boosters, community members and local businesses. The tackle sled for the Football team, a ball cart for the Basketball team, dugouts, outfield fence, and foul poles on the Varsity Baseball field are all contributions from Boosters. We are currently working on procuring a tent for the track team. For the first time since I have been a Booster, we have purchased something for the Soccer team - the newly installed goals on the JV/Varsity Field.

We are currently in the midst of a membership drive. Being a Booster means coming to a meeting once a month. Once you

attend three meetings, you become a voting member. We're all volunteers. No one is expected to put in as many hours as some of us do, but the work does need to get done. Some of us spend a lot more time at the complex than others. That is by choice and we do not expect everyone to spend the same amount of time there. Some of the members donate their time by working the concession stand during soccer games. We sell concessions at Basketball and Football games, too. We also sponsor a Varsity Baseball Tournament in the spring.

We welcome new members as our membership has dwindled and we are often short-handed. As of right now, the members whose children have graduated out-number the members whose children are still in the school system. Please consider becoming a Holley Sports Booster; we are a fun group and we really enjoy what we do. Ask any current member about joining. Feel free to like our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/HolleySportsBoosters!>

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Luann Rettig

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Connie Nenni

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Security Keeps Holley Safe

The men walking the hallways and grounds of the Holley campuses are there to serve one purpose: to keep everyone safe. They are the security force at Holley, employed by C.O.P. Security. The six men are retired deputies and officers from local law enforcement agencies. They spend their days, evenings and weekends patrolling the Holley school properties inside and out, monitoring the security cameras and supervising the various events on campus. They enjoy working with the students and staff and may soon be more visible in the classrooms, counseling students on bullying, proper use of 911 and the safe use of social media. The officers who keep our schools safe are:



Mike Radler

ES

Radler is a retired commander with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office with 25 years of service.



Chris Vigliotti

ES

Vigliotti is a retired lieutenant with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office with 25 years of service.



Bob Duff

ES and MS/HS

Duff is a retired sergeant of the Firearms Training Unit of the Rochester Police Department. In all, he has

34 years in law enforcement experience including work with the Village of Brockport Police Department.



Mike Roffe

MS/HS

Roffe is a retired sergeant from the Greece Police Department with 24 years of service, including 12 years as a criminal investigator.



Adam Mesiti

MS/HS

Mesiti is a retired sergeant with the Brockport Police Department with 22 years of service.



Stanley J. Williams

MS/HS

Williams is a retired officer with the Rochester Police Department with 27 years of service.

Basketball Intramurals



The intramurals program kicked off at the Elementary School with a basketball program on Sept. 23. Boys in grades 4-6 are eligible to play basketball in the primary gym from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays. Girls in grades 4-6 will have a basketball intramural session during the winter. The schedule was sent home with students. Students must wear gym attire to participate. Students don't have to attend every session. Students work on their basket shooting skills and enjoy non-competitive game play.

FLU CLINIC, OCT. 8

There will be a Flu Clinic sponsored by the Orleans County Health Department on Wednesday, Oct. 8 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary School cafeteria. Bring your insurance card if you have one. Traditional Medicare cannot be billed for this immunization. For more information on what types of shots are available and which insurances are accepted, contact Cheryl Mills at Orleans County Health Department at 589-2874.



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Pre-K Hosts Grandparents Day

Amie Callen's Pre-K class celebrated Grandparents' Day on Sept. 12 by inviting the students' grandparents to a tea of juice and cookies in the Elementary School café. Callen and Lori Passarell, a teacher assistant, taught the children songs and dances that they performed for the grandparents. The grandparents sang and danced to one of the songs their grandchildren had taught them. The children presented keepsakes to their grandparents, which included a photo, a bookmark with their footprint on it, and a card with their handprint on it. The class has been learning about families.



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- 7 ES Picture Day
- 8 PTSA meeting, 5 p.m. ES café
- 8 Flu Clinic, 3:30-6:30 p.m. ES café
- 11 SAT
- 13 No School, Columbus Day
- 17 Pre-K - Gr. 3 Halloween Party, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 18 PSAT, MS/HS, 7:45 a.m. to noon
- 20 Board of Education meeting, 6 p.m.
- 24 Grades 4-6 Halloween Social, 6:30-8 p.m. ES café
- 24 Grades 7-8 Dance, 7-9 p.m. MS/HS cafeteria
- 25 ACT
- 30 MS/HS Picture Retake Day
- 31 Blood Drive, MS/HS

Check the district calendar online for additional detail.

Team Holley Makes Strides Against Breast Cancer

There's still time to join Team Holley for the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk at Frontier Field on Oct. 19 at 10 a.m. You can participate as a walker or sponsor a member of the team. To register, go to makingstrideswalk.org/rochesterny and select Team Holley. If you are walking or donating to support a loved one and want their name added to the Wall of Hope, please contact Tammy Menzie at tmenzie@holleycsd.org. Also contact Menzie if you are walking in memory of someone.

Holley Hawk Soars into Atrium

A new sculpture has landed in the Atrium at Holley MS/HS. Brandi Zavitz, K-12 Art Teacher, recently completed her sculpture of the Holley Hawk. She dedicated it to Roxanne Wagner, MS/HS secretary, who gave her the idea to create it. The sculpture is made out of recycled pop cans, honeycomb chicken wire, yardsticks and plaster of paris. Zavitz started the project in October 2013 and finished it in September 2014. She used the project as a way to teach her students how to: make good use of space, examine their environment, use found materials and construct a sculpture.

