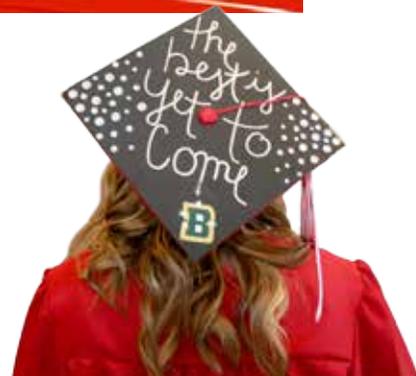


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Congratulations to Holley's Graduating Class of 2016



Eighty-four seniors graduated from Holley Middle School/High School (MS/HS) on June 25. The boys wore black caps and gowns and the girls wore red as they filed onto the field in the Holley Hawks Stadium. Sixty-one graduates will head off to college and vocational school, one will obtain vocational training, 12 will join the workforce, six will join the military, three are undecided and another will return to his home country of Argentina. Graduates received \$19,000 in local and community scholarships and awards, and \$400,000 in specific college scholarships.

Class of 2016 President Xander Apicella started the ceremony and Vice President Brady Smith presented the high school with a monetary donation to Unified Sports as their class gift. Salutatorian Apicella and Valedictorian Smith gave their speeches to an audience that filled the bleachers and grounds surrounding the stadium. Graduates

were acknowledged with awards from Senior Class Advisor Suzanne Lepkowski. John Grillo, Holley MS/HS Physical Education Teacher and Coach, gave the commencement address. He told the class to be on the attack and move forward to prepare for their career. "Being a Holley Hawk has given you the wings to fly," said Grillo. He received a standing ovation.

After Holley staff announced the graduates' names and future plans, Board of Education President Brenda Swanger posed with the graduates while giving them their diplomas. Superintendent Robert D'Angelo and Principal Susan Cory, along with the rest of the Board of Education members, offered handshakes to the graduates on their way back to their seats on the field. Graduates adjourned to the corner of the field by the scoreboard for the traditional cap toss photo.



Holley Student Surprised with Special Honors at School Assembly

Monday, May 23, started out as a normal day of school for 18-year-old Nick Pifer, but it would end in a remarkable way. Nick, a special needs student, graduated from Holley last year, but he remains in the Service Learning Program at Holley so he can receive job training. He cheerfully works in the MS/HS Dining Hall making sandwiches, and he was a player on the district's Unified Basketball team this year. He has also befriended Officer Shawn O'Mara, a police officer from the Gates Police Department, who works part-time for the Holley School District as a C.O.P.S. security officer. Nick is fascinated by law enforcement and constantly talks to Officer O'Mara about his job.

From left, Nick Pifer, shares a moment with his dad, Bill Pifer.



Holley student Nick Pifer is sworn in as an honorary police officer as Gates Police Chief James VanBrederode holds the Bible and Gates Town Supervisor Mark Assini performs the ceremony.

"We don't talk about sports or anything else," said Officer O'Mara. "We just talk about police work. We watch police takedown videos in the security office and Nick loves it. At one point, he asked to see my badge and ID to confirm my identity. Nick always has a smile on his face and it's just contagious. I can come in from having a tough day, but he instantly cheers me up. He's been asking if he could do a ride along all year and I told him we'd see."

Nick was part of the crowd of students who filed into the High School Auditorium for a surprise assembly on May 23. There was a lineup of law enforcement officials on the stage, many of them Holley alumni. Officer O'Mara

called Nick up to the stage and Nick calmly sat down at the end of the row of law enforcement officers like he was already part of their community. Nick was called over to the podium by Officer O'Mara and told that he would finally have his wish granted: Nick would be sworn in as an honorary police officer for the day and ride along with Officer O'Mara in a Gates Police Department vehicle. Nick would even receive an official uniform, complete with his name, "Officer Nick," embroidered on the shirt, and wear a hat and badge. The students erupted in applause and cheers for Nick when he reappeared on stage in the uniform and tipped his hat to the audience. Nick was then sworn in by Gates Town Supervisor Mark Assini while Gates Police Chief James VanBrederode held the Bible. Once Nick was sworn in, students, faculty and staff gave him a standing ovation.

After posing for some photos onstage and being interviewed by the media, Nick happily waved from the front seat of Officer O'Mara's police car as they hit the siren and left the Holley school campus. Nick spent the day with Officer O'Mara answering calls; making stops in Gates; and most importantly, visiting Dunkin' Donuts to eat as many free donuts as he wanted.



BLAST Program Offered to School Athletes This Summer

Holley Central School District is pleased to announce that the BLAST program (Biomechanical Learning And Stability Training) will return to Holley MS/HS this summer to help students in grades 7-12 stay conditioned for sports. Leroy Physical Therapy is pleased to offer this program on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8-9:30 a.m. from July 5 to August 11. This session is offered for free to Holley students as part of the Carol M. White PEP grant.

Sessions will be held on the Holley School District campus. Students will meet at the HS Gym each day.

Transportation to school for this session is not provided. Students can enjoy a free breakfast in the HS Dining Hall after each session.

Enrollment forms are available from John Grillo (jgrillo@holleycsd.org) and must be returned to him for registration prior to participation.



Baseball players on the joint Holley/Kendall team, from left, Nick Passarell and Colton Breslawski, at the All Star Senior Baseball Game on June 2.

Biggest Winner Contest Declares Winner

Pam Coopenberg was declared the “Biggest Winner” in Holley’s Biggest Winner Contest that ended on June 7. Coopenberg, a Holley cafeteria staff member, lost 12 percent of her body weight since the contest started in November 2015, but gained a new 32-inch Samsung TV for her efforts. Total weight loss for the 51 participants was 239.9 pounds.

This is the fourth time the Holley Central School District has hosted the Biggest Winner weight loss challenge, which was open to residents of the community and district employees. Participants met monthly in the elementary school cafeteria to weigh in. Each monthly meeting had a different focus and they included a fitness demonstration by Agapé, activity nights with S & S Fitness and Martial Arts Center, and nutrition seminars with Orleans County Cooperative Extension. During these sessions, prizes were raffled off from local businesses, with grand prizes handed out in June. To be eligible for the grand prizes, participants must have missed no more than two meetings and had the greatest percentage of weight lost. The top seven grand prize winners are listed below:



Place	Name	Prize
1	Pam Coopenberg	32" TV
2	Laura Ellsmore	Rochester Airport Marriott Hotel package
3	Amy Ellsmore	Wegmans gift card
4	Amie Callen	Dollinger's Inn & Suites package
5	Dan Scroger	Beary Good Friends Catering gift card
6	Lisa Campbell	Beary Good Friends Catering gift card
7	Trina Lorentz	Memorial Art Gallery of the University of Rochester

In addition to the grand prize suppliers at left, other business supporters include: Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo Bisons, Christopher Mitchell Funeral Homes, Inc.; Darien Lake Amusement Park, Explore & More Children's Museum, Heath & Martin, Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum, Mark's Pizzeria, Inc.; National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House, Palm Island Indoor Waterpark, Rochester Museum & Science Center, Sam's Diner, Save-A-Lot food stores, Seabreeze Amusement Park, Sonnenberg Gardens & Mansion State Historic Park, The Whole Approach and Tillman's Historic Village Inn.

In the past four years, 203 participants have lost a grand total of 1,140.9 pounds in the Biggest Winner Contest.

Coopenberg’s motivation to participate in the contest was a diabetes diagnosis. She made diet changes this year, including cutting down on carbohydrates and sugar, and started exercising more by walking and coaching basketball. She would encourage others to join the program next fall. “It’s worth it, we had a good time,” said Coopenberg. “I looked forward to the meetings every month.”

Holley Budget Passes and Two Board Members are Elected

On May 17, Holley voters passed the budget with 373 yes votes and 207 no votes. Both propositions passed - one for the purchase of buses with 368 yes votes and 213 no votes, and the other to support the Community Free Library with 418 yes votes and 166 no votes.

Holley voters also elected two members to the Board of Education, each with three-year terms: John Heise (370 votes) and Brenda Swanger (423 votes).

The District congratulates the members of the board on their election and thanks voters for supporting our budget and propositions.

FIT4U! Summer Sessions Offered

Holley Central School District is pleased to announce the next round of free physical fitness activities for our students this summer. They are offered as part of the Carol M. White PEP grant and incorporate fitness and nutrition into each FIT4U! session offered. The sessions are as follows:

- Tumbling and Apparatus - June 27-29 - 9:30-11:30 a.m. and noon-1:30 p.m.; July 1 - 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the High School Utility Room - grades 1-6; open to boys and girls; gymnasts will receive a free lunch in the HS Dining Hall from 11:30 a.m.-noon
- Summer Adventures - July 5-Aug.4 - 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; grades 4-12; students meet at the HS at 9:15 a.m. and will be transported by bus to activities and return back to the HS around 12:45 p.m.
 - o Bowling at Oak Orchard Lanes in Albion - July 5-7, 19-21
 - o Swimming at SUNY Brockport - July 12-14
 - o Miniature Golf at Fishers in Medina, Driving Range at Red Oak in Holley, and Par Three Golf Course at White Birches in Lyndonville - July 26-28
 - o Adventure Landing in Greece and Altitude Trampoline in Henrietta - August 2-4
- Cardio Activity and Games - July 19-20, 26-27, August 2-3, 9-10 - 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the High School Utility Room/ Fitness Room/Outdoor Fields - grades 2-6; open to boys and girls - meet in the HS Dining Hall (if student participates in the Summer Recreation Program, they will be walked to the HS for a free lunch before each session)

Transportation to school for each session is not provided.

Students may enroll in more than one session as appropriate to their grade level. Enrollment forms are available from Lisa Campbell (lcampbell@holleycsd.org) and John Grillo (jgrillo@holleycsd.org) and must be returned to them for registration.

Holley Wins a Continuance Award of PEP Grant

by Lisa Campbell, Physical Education Teacher

Holley recently received a continuance award for the third year of the Carol M. White Physical Education Program (PEP) grant in the amount of \$128,612. Over the past three years, Holley has been awarded a grand total of \$781,643 for health and physical education (PE) programs. Due to this grant, Holley has obtained state-of-the-art fitness room equipment for both the Middle School/High School (MS/HS) and Elementary School Fitness Rooms. PE staff has purchased a variety of supplies and equipment for their programs, too. Chefs have been able to work with our cafeteria staff and a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) has provided feedback on school meals. We've been able to offer yearlong before and after school FIT4U! programs at no cost to our families.

All training for our PE and health staff is completely funded through this grant. Our PE staff infuses nutrition and fitness into their curriculum. Some of the new activities our students will see in the upcoming school year include inline skating, orienteering and mapping skills, First Tee golf program and DrumFIT. PEP Project Director Lisa Campbell stated, "PE staff has worked tremendously hard to provide the data that the federal government requires in order to be awarded a continuance each year. This data comes from having our students wear the movable bands to track their physical activity, providing surveys, and administering pre- and post-tests pertaining to nutrition and health. It is a ton of extra time and work, but I commend and thank the PE staff for their fine efforts that have enabled us to win the continuance award each year!"

Holley Staff Receives Food Tips from Chef

by Lisa Campbell, Physical Education Teacher and Vickie Scroger, Food Service Director

On May 26, Chef Kevin McCarthy from Personal Touch Food Service provided a culinary camp for our district kitchen staff. Personal Touch is the food vendor for the Holley Central School District. McCarthy showed the staff how to use fresh vegetables to make a healthier homemade salsa that was delicious! He suggested using different spices to make foods taste better to increase participation in the purchase of school meals. He also discussed proper food handling and temperature control. This event was funded by the Carol M. White PEP grant.



FIT4U! Cooking Class Showcases Their Dishes in HS Dining Hall

Students in the FIT4U! Cooking Class, led by Food Service Director Vickie Scroger, gave their fellow classmates a chance to sample the food they made during lunch periods on May 13. Parker Walker, Sebastian Bartholomew, Arianna Ratchford, Hailey Rowley and Johnathon Schultz each prepared a recipe for students to try. There was a strawberry-banana smoothie made with pineapple and oats, a gluten-free chocolate chip cookie bar, chocolate zucchini cake, kale chips and veggie pizzas on pitas for students to enjoy free samples of during their lunch periods. Hailey, a junior, said the class was small, but she'd participate again. "I loved learning to cook these recipes and trying different foods," she said. Participants decided what recipes they wanted to make and they sampled each other's recipes. They all went home with copies of the recipes so they can make them on their own. Most students surveyed during fifth period lunch preferred the gluten-free chocolate chip cookie bars, not realizing that they were even gluten-free. The zucchini cake and smoothie were other favorites cited by students.

The cooking class was made possible by the Carol M. White PEP grant that Holley has participated in since 2014. Physical Education Teacher John Grillo, who coordinates FIT4U! classes at the MS/HS, fully supported the program after sampling the recipes. "If we educated five kids through this class, that's the point," Grillo said. "If they tell their friends about the class or share the recipe with them, then we've impacted some more students and taught them how to eat healthy. Vickie did a great job with the class and went above and beyond like she always does with her food."



From left, Parker Walker, Sebastian Bartholomew, Arianna Ratchford, Hailey Rowley and Johnathon Schultz.

MEMORIAL DAY ASSEMBLY

On May 27, elementary students participated in a Memorial Day assembly in the Intermediate Gym to honor those who lost their lives serving our country. The local veterans helped out by posting and retiring the colors. The Elementary Chorus and Concert Band, and High School Band performed several patriotic songs. Students from Crystal Elliott and Tara Bannister's class recited poems. Plaques were dedicated to Holley residents Theodore "Ted" Broekhuizen, an Army veteran, and Salvatore "Sam" DeLuca, Sr., who served in the Navy. The plaques were placed in the courtyard off the main foyer.



Family Fun Fair a Success at Holley

The Holley Teachers Association (HTA) Public Relations (PR) Committee sponsored its second Family Fun Fair at Holley Elementary on May 18. Students and their families paid a \$1 entry fee and had a chance to participate in fun activities at eight stations inside and outside the school from 3:45-5 p.m. Each student received a stamp once they completed an activity. They had opportunities to make a bookmark; go bowling; play BINGO, golf, ladder golf, Twister and parachute games; and make banana boat parfaits out of fruit and yogurt. Each student left the Fun Fair with a free book. Proceeds from the Fun Fair went to the Holley Community Free Library to purchase new children's books.



PRE-K REGISTRATION

Holley is currently accepting Pre-K registrations for the 2016-17 school year. To be eligible for Pre-K registration, a child must be four years old by December 1, 2016.

In order to register your child, you must bring **your child's birth certificate, immunization record and proof of residency (utility bill, tax bill, etc.)** to

school at the time of registration. You will **not** be able to register your child without these documents. Contact Karen Bower at kbower@holleycsd.org or 585-638-6391, extension 2580 to register your child.

Pre-K medical physicals are **required** to be completed by September 1, 2016.

Chancellor of the Chapel Fundraiser

The Holley Elementary School Student Council devised a unique fundraiser this year to help raise money to restore the stained glass windows in the Hillside Cemetery Chapel. They held an animal election to decide who the "Chancellor of the Chapel" would be. Voters paid \$1 to cast their vote for one of four candidates: M&M the goat, Scarlett the hedgehog, Samson the dog and Gamma the dog. The Student Council hosted a "Meet the Candidate Night" on May 24 on the front lawn of Holley Elementary School where community members had a chance to interact with the candidates. Each candidate had an adult campaign manager, but students helped with the election promotions, parading through the Elementary School on May 31 with signs for each candidate. Sixth grade student Erik Lang even made a t-shirt to support his candidate choice (M&M). Voters cast their ballots at the offices of the elementary and high schools or at businesses in Holley. Donations were also accepted via PayPal and election updates were posted on the Facebook page of the Hillside Cemetery. Elementary students cast their votes during lunch on June 2, with the winner announced at the Flag Day ceremony on June 14. Congratulations to Gamma!

The Student Council was able to donate \$2,651.65 to the Hillside Chapel Restoration fund at the end of the year.



Holley Students Attend Teen Book Festival

by Lisa Osur, School Library Media Specialist

Nineteen Holley students attended the Eleventh Annual Teen Book Festival (TBF) at Nazareth College on May 14. The students wore matching TBF t-shirts to represent our community with pride. Visiting authors autographed the students' t-shirts with Sharpie markers. The students had a wonderful day watching the Parade of Authors; attending author, writing and cartooning sessions; eating from the food trucks; purchasing books; and obtaining their favorite authors' signatures. Students also attended the Opening Ceremonies, where classmate Diana Yaroshchuk won an award for Program Design. It's wonderful to see teens so excited about authors and their stories. This is a truly memorable and fun literary event supported by Holley!



Back row, from left, Alex Brimacombe, Becky Payton, Jazmin Mounts, Shashona MacPhee, Amanda Valerio, Dawson Moy, Emma Morlino, Jake Greenman, Emily Bibby, Randi Gergely and Victoria Rich. Middle row, from left, Rebecca Kinsey, Melea Towsley, Autumn Moy, Ruth Miller, chaperone Kristen Bless, Jade Simons and Yasmin Heldson. Front row, from left, Lexi Seewagon and Rachel Miconi.



Back row, from left, Jake Greenman, Amanda Valerio, Jazmin Mounts and Shashona MacPhee. Front row, Dawson Moy.



Holley junior Diana Yaroshchuk (center) with Stephanie Squicciarini, Teen Book Festival founder and chair, on left, and the shared winner of the Program Design Contest from Mercy High School.

Holley Students and a Staff Member Honored at Youth Recognition Banquet

Five Holley students were honored at the 34th Annual Youth Recognition Banquet on May 12. Jessica Mandigo, Natalie Mrzywka, Damian Schoonmaker,

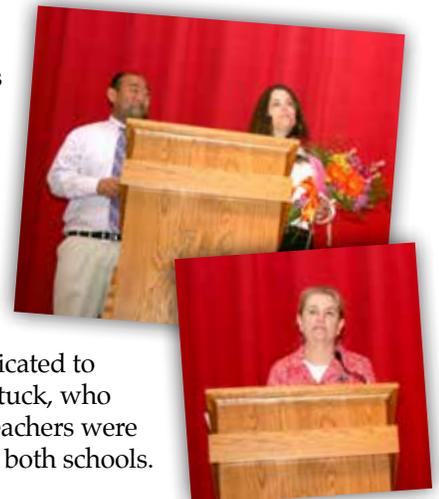


Austen Vroman and Angela Weaver received the 2016 Youth Recognition Awards from the Orleans County Youth Board for their outstanding or extraordinary contributions to their communities or families. Students were nominated for this award by a member of the Holley faculty or staff or by an agency in partnership with the school.

Holley Teacher's Aide Bob Brice was honored with the 2016 Eileen Heye Adult Volunteer Award at the banquet. Brice was recognized for his extensive volunteer work with the Holley Sports Boosters program. He attends every soccer, football and basketball game, preparing food and selling it for the Boosters while also cheering on the student athletes. He has ensured that the needs of Holley athletes are met, whether it's supplying them with properly maintained playing fields, handing out scholarships and senior plaques, or finding ways to meet the demands of the athletic programs. Brice is retiring from the school district this year, but will remain involved in the Holley community.

Yearbook Dedications

On June 2, Holley MS/HS students dedicated their yearbooks to two teachers who are passionate about their profession. The Holley Middle School Yearbook was dedicated to Family and Consumer Science teacher Colleen Milner and the Holley High School Yearbook was dedicated to English teacher Julie Wantuck, who is retiring this year. The teachers were nominated by students in both schools.



Students of the Month for April

Holley Central Schools is changing its recognition program for Students of the Month in grades K-12 this year. While students from each classroom at the elementary level will continue to be nominated each month, students at the middle and high school levels will be nominated monthly in each subject area. Each student will receive a certificate with their photo on it and the nomination from their teacher written on it. The certificates will also be displayed in the glass display case outside the MS/HS Library and then filed in a binder that will be kept in the MS/HS Main Office. Pictures of the elementary students will be displayed in the hallway near the Elementary Library and archived in a binder in the library.

Once a month, students of the month from grades K-12 will have breakfast together with the principals in the MS/HS Dining Hall. Breakfast will be supplied by Food Service Director Vickie Scroger and her cafeteria staff.

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized as students of the month for May: Olivia Huffer, Archer Hills, Owen Legan, Emma Logsdon, Tessa Hazzard, Aiden Robins, Ella Alcott, Noah Patten, Cooper Wolf, Madison Lowell, Luca Szepetyk, Aaliyah Stephens, Logan Stoick, Camden Mosier, Wayne Moyer, Zoey Wolf, Jason Fichter, Maya Kipp, Toby Haag, Samantha Bates, Madison Schicker, Tessa Santelle, Drew Carlston, Erin DeFrank, Angelin Rosario, Collin Capurso, Rachel Kinsey, Grace McKeon, Jesse Reome, Dawson Moy, Michael Stoll, Amya Cancino, Bradley Kingdollar, Erik Balys, Damyan Famoly, Arianna Ratchford, Brianna Colucci, Dakota Thompson, Camron LaBarge, Hunter McMillion, Jacob Lutz, Jordan Zumbo, Zachary Day, Jessica Mandigo, Makenzie Ferranti, Jeffrey VanOrden, Clarence Moyer, Gillian Gallets and Nick Pifer.



Three Holley Students Inducted into the NTHS

Three Holley students were inducted into the Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES (BOCES 2) Career and Technical Education (CTE) Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) on May 17.



Carpentry I student Jason Kimmel and Early Childhood Education students Veronica Mendoza and Mika Vazquez-Pulcino received their NTHS

From left, Mika Vazquez-Pulcino, Veronica Mendoza, Jason Kimmel

stoles, certificates and tassels from BOCES 2 NTHS advisor Marguerite Killip. To be a member of NTHS, a student must have a 90 or above average, an excellent attendance record, a CTE teacher recommendation and be graduating with a local, Regents or Regents with Distinction diploma. The students must adhere to the seven tenets of the NTHS: skill, honesty, service, responsibility, scholarship, citizenship and leadership.

Theatre Guild Performance

On June 2, Holley Elementary Theatre Guild students performed the first act of a play entitled "Monster in the Closet" for half of the student body in a morning assembly. Directed by Alexa Downey and Jennifer Morgan, students acted out the story of a monster that comes out of the closet to play in a child's room, not realizing that the child can see him, and the trouble he gets into with his monster boss. Students performed a monster dance together during the intermission, choreographed by Corrinna Shepherd. Family and friends viewed the entire play during the evening performance.



Bennage Receives GCC Scholarship

by Kristina Tese, Guidance Counselor

Senior Cameron Bennage has received the Presidential Scholarship from Genesee Community College (GCC). Presidential Scholarships are awarded to students who have maintained high academic standards while in high school, and whose extracurricular activities and community involvements have formed the beginning of a lifelong pursuit of achievement. Cameron has been awarded two free years of college education. Way to go, Cam!



On May 26, art teachers Evin Neadow and Brandi Zavitz took Holley art students on a walking tour of WALL\THERAPY murals in downtown Rochester, led by Erich Lehman of WALL\THERAPY.



High School Photography students went to the Elementary School to read to the younger students.



Holley's Beginner Band playing at their May 17 Spring Concert.



Completed art tiles done by this year's sixth graders (the future Class of 2022).



Holley MS/HS students had their artwork on display in the showcases in the MS/HS Foyer and Library on May 17. Students were recognized in several categories as their artwork included photography, painting, drawing, sculpture and ceramics.



The Genesee-Orleans Regional Arts Council (GO ART!) student art show featured artwork by three Holley students. Alex Klaver received second place for her painting, and Alex Edwards and Diana Yaroshchuk received honorable mentions for their photograph and painting, respectively.

Rainforest Comes to Life in the Classroom

Students in Karen Quaranto's class have been working on creating a rain forest in their room. With the help of Art Teacher Brandi Zavitz and retired art teacher Larry Dabney, students made animals, trees and plants. Quaranto's students have been studying the rain forest biome, reading books about this environment, and completing an animal research report.



Sixth graders planted shrubs along Hawk Drive as a community service project.



Kellie Marciano's sixth grade homeroom won first place for stumping the expert at Conservation Field Days. They received a blue jay birdhouse and will place it in the courtyard of the Elementary School.



Amie Callen's Pre-K class explored the Butterfly Garden at The Strong National Museum of Play on a recent fieldtrip.



Holley fourth graders took a fieldtrip to the Lockport Locks to learn more about the Erie Canal.



Holley Elementary Chorus and Band performed at the Rochester Lilac Festival in May.



Holley Students Witness the Results of Unwise Decisions

On June 3, Holley seniors attended an assembly and mock accident scene to understand the results of driving while under the influence of alcohol. After watching a video of a party that their classmates attended, students transferred to the parking lot, where two vehicles had collided. One student had crashed through the windshield of one vehicle and the remaining students were trapped and appeared unresponsive in both vehicles. Students portraying the victims of the accident were made up to look like they were injured. The Holley police, ambulance and fire departments responded, along with a helicopter from Mercy Flight. The emergency responders enacted what they would do at the scene of a two-car motor vehicle crash with injuries and a fatality. The fire department worked to free the victims from the vehicles by removing doors on both vehicles and the roof of one of the vehicles. The driver of one car was questioned by police and went through a sobriety field test before he was handcuffed and placed in the back of a police car. Several students



were evaluated by ambulance personnel while one was loaded onto a stretcher and placed in an ambulance. Another student was extracted from her vehicle and loaded onto the Mercy Flight helicopter. A hearse from Christopher Mitchell Funeral Home was also onsite to transport the “dead” body. The coroner had the deceased’s mother identify him before he was zipped into the body bag.

Holley Police Chief Roland Nenni talked to the students about making bad decisions, whether it was texting while driving, drinking or taking drugs and then driving, driving while drowsy, or not buckling their seatbelt. He

encouraged students to call someone for a ride rather than make a risky decision. Principal Susan Cory told students it took 20 minutes to extract the student who had to be loaded onto the helicopter; the student told her it felt like it took much longer. “Studies have shown that watching an assembly like this only affects students for 24-48 hours after the event,” said Cory. “Since tonight is your prom, I want you to use your heads and make smart decisions. I want to see you at graduation. This is the time of year where we hear about accidents daily and I don’t want to hear that one of you was involved.”



The NED Show visits Holley Elementary in May

Holley elementary students met NED during The NED Show, a character education assembly on May 25. NED is a cardboard cutout of a boy who is the focus of the assembly, along with his human co-star, Channing. Channing carried on a conversation with NED while she performed yo-yo tricks and told the students a story, complete with sound effects. She talked to the students about being a champion in life and at school by doing the right thing, having a good attitude and setting goals. She explained that NED stands for:

- Never give up
- Encourage others
- Do your best

Channing encouraged audience participation by asking the students questions. She shared that champions love to help people. Together, they coined the phrase “championocity” (act like a champion and encourage others to do it,

too) which she encouraged the students to do, following the NED principles. She told students it’s okay to make mistakes because they can learn from them and it shows that they are trying. Channing instructed students to apologize when they’ve done something wrong. She encouraged students to start small by working on one task, whether it be learning to yo-yo or working on their spelling, then move on to bigger goals once they’ve mastered the smaller ones.

After the assembly, students received order sheets to purchase NED gear. By buying these products, they help pay it forward so that the same assembly can be held at another school, at no cost to that school. Teachers receive free resources from The NED Show that they can use in their classrooms to improve student behavior and increase the focus on instruction time.



Prom 2016 at Deerfield Country Club on June 3



KINDERGARTEN YEAR END PROGRAM



Sixty-seven students in Kris D'Angelo's, Meg Schubert's, Leigh Weaver's and Cathy Mason's kindergarten classes participated in a year end program on June 17. They performed a variety of songs and poems. Good luck in first grade!



PRE-K GRADUATION

Amie Callen and Lori Passarell's Pre-K class held their graduation ceremony on June 13. Seventeen students performed 12 songs. Congratulations to the Pre-K graduates!

SIXTH GRADE GRADUATION



Sixty-two sixth graders received certificates of graduation on June 21 as they left their elementary school days behind. They proudly crossed the stage to shake hands with Superintendent Robert D'Angelo and nervously smiled for photos. They also received numerous awards for their involvement in school activities and academic achievements. The students received memory books put together by Principal Karri Schiavone that reflected their years at Holley Elementary. Congratulations to these students and keep an eye on the future Class of 2022!



★ Flag Day Celebration ★

You may have seen a parade of Holley Elementary students and staff dressed in red, white and blue walking through the village on June 14. They were headed to the grounds of the former train depot to celebrate Flag Day for the 59th year. The Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Elementary Chorus sang patriotic songs and the Beginner and Concert Bands played their tributes to the flag. The American Legion Honor Guard ended the ceremony with a gun salute.

Good Citizen Awards were handed out to students at all grade levels. Alumna Nicole Boyle, Class of 2015, announced the Catherine B. Press Award winners, Roman Odeychuk

and Lydia Sprague. Boyle has a special connection to this award, since Press, a Holley graduate and long-time elementary school secretary, was her great-grandmother.

The Elementary Student Council presented Clarendon Historian Melissa Ierlan with a check for \$2,630.53, the final result of their year-long "Repair the Window" fundraiser. Throughout the year, students conducted a donation drive, Read-a-Thon and Chancellor of the Chapel competition to raise funds to replace the stained glass window in the Hillside Cemetery Chapel.



Holley seniors completed their first "Senior Walk" on Friday, June 10. Wearing their graduation gowns and a sign listing their post-graduation plans, seniors walked through the halls of the MS/HS one last time, cheered on by the underclassmen, faculty and staff. Seniors also walked through the hallways of the Elementary School, receiving high fives from the younger students and greeting their former teachers.

Senior Breakfast



The parents of the senior class hosted a breakfast for the graduating students on June 23 in the MS/HS Dining Hall. The parents also put together a slideshow of photos of the seniors over the years and gave each of them a personalized can koozie with candy in it. Many of the staff from both the Elementary and Middle/High Schools dined with the students.

At the breakfast, senior athletes received plaques from the Sports Boosters. The Sports Booster Scholarships were announced, with Mikala Smith and Nick Passarell as the recipients. Class president Xander Apicella announced all the graduates.

T. Kelly Sworn in to Air Force



Senior Thomas Kelly Jr. was sworn into the Air Force recently. He will depart for San Antonio, TX in July for basic training, followed by tech school and then on to a job in Aerospace Ground Equipment. Congratulations, Thomas!



FIT4U! instructor Hannah Bock leads students through a lesson on healthy meals during Fitness Club.

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.

Correction

We apologize for the error, but Anna Brasted was left off the 11th grade high honor roll list for the third marking period that was published in the June issue.

Soaring Awards

Sixth grade student Rubie Maxwell received the "Soaring to New Heights" award at the Holley Board of Education meeting on June 20. This award is given monthly to deserving students and adults who go above and beyond expectations and who lend their skills and abilities to help others. Rubie received the Soaring award from Elementary School Principal Karri Schiavone for acting as the school's sole Pre-K Safety Patrol Officer and her kindness, dedication and willingness to participate in this role. Known as "Miss Rubie" to the Pre-K students, Rubie helps the afternoon class get on and off the bus and dress for the weather. "She is patient and kind, never missing a shift, and Rubie is an invaluable resource to the Pre-K teachers," said Schiavone. "She takes time away from her own sixth grade classes to help our youngest students. She will be greatly missed next year when she moves up to the MS/HS."

The Top 10 Seniors were also honored with a Soaring award at the June meeting. These 10 individuals have the highest academic averages among the senior class.



Back row, from left, Kristen Nenni, Anne Jewell, Melanie Klossner and Gaje Papponetti. Front row, from left, Cameron Bennage, Brady Smith and Xander Apicella.



From left, Rubie Maxwell and Karri Schiavone

Sports Booster News

by Bob Brice, Alternative High School Instructional Aide and Sports Booster

Our number one Booster, Michael Sander, is home recuperating from emergency surgery. He will be out of commission for some time. Sander has been an integral part of maintaining our soccer facility for well over 20 years, long after his children have graduated. The Woodlands facility would not be the elite soccer facility it is without all of his hard work and dedication to the sports program at Holley. Well-wishers can visit the Holley Sports Boosters Facebook page and leave "get well" messages for him. Let's fill the page up with thanks and well wishes for him. Let him feel the STHL (small town Holley love)!

Orienteering



A student finds a control



From left, Linda Kohn and Rick Worner from the Rochester Orienteering Club instruct Holley elementary students on orienteering/mapping skills during physical education classes. Students used their new skills to find 15 controls on the Holley campus. Their visit was made possible by the Carol M. White PEP grant.

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District Calendar

The Board of Education approved the following dates for the 2016-17 school year:

- School Opens – Sept. 7
- Half Day for Staff Development – Oct. 7
- Columbus Day – No School Oct. 10
- Staff Development – No School Nov. 8
- Veteran's Day – No School Nov. 11
- Thanksgiving Recess – No School Nov. 23-25
- Holiday Recess – No School Dec. 26-Jan. 2
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day observed – No School Jan. 16
- Midterm & Regents exams (all students report) – Jan. 24-27
- Half Day for Staff Development – Jan. 27
- Mid-Winter Recess – No School Feb. 20-24
- Staff Development – No School March 17
- Spring Recess – No School April 14-21
- Memorial Day – No School May 29
- Regents exams – June 14-22
- Half Days for Elementary Students – June 19-22
- Last day of school for students – June 22
- Regents rating day/last day for teachers – June 23
- High School Graduation – June 24



A view of the Elementary School Courtyard with flowers in bloom as taken from the roof.