

TULPEHOCKEN TIMES



SUMMER ISSUE - MAY 2018



ATTENTION ALL INCOMING KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS JUMP START

Do you need a Jump Start this August? Jump Start is geared for incoming kindergarten students. All incoming kindergarten students are welcome to attend this program. If you are not sure of what you should be doing to help your child prepare for kindergarten, or would like resources to help you as you work with your child please contact the principal of the building your child will attend as an incoming kindergartener in 2018-19.

August Jump Start
August 20 & 21, 2018
9 am until 12 noon

Please call your Building Secretary by August 10, 2018
to Register your Child for this Amazing Opportunity!
Bethel 717-933-4131 Penn Bernville 610-488-6248



Additionally, we are holding a parent resource night in May which will be open to all parents of incoming kindergarten students. The goal is to answer questions, provide support, materials, and anything you feel as a parent would help you with your pre-kindergarten student.

Parent Workshop For Pre-Kindergarten Parents

Penn-Bernville Elementary May 14, 2018 6:00 pm until 7:00 PM
Please call your building secretary by May 7, 2018 to RSVP.

Bethel Elementary May 23, 2018 6:30 PM until 7:30 PM
Please call your building secretary by May 16, 2018 to RSVP.



2ND GRADE WINTER OLYMPICS

During the month of February, 2nd grade students at both elementary buildings participated in an exciting cross-curricular project based around the Winter Olympics. Students kicked off this learning experience by watching the live stream of the Junior High School's Opening Ceremonies. It really got our elementary kiddos pumped to be doing a project in correlation with the Junior High students. Second graders appeared on the morning announcements, researched different countries competing in the Winter Olympics, created flags for that country, and tracked their country's medal count in the hallway. During a STEM challenge, students were tasked with having to design and build their own miniature bobsled to represent their country. On Friday, February 16th, students met at both elementary buildings to hold their own Olympic bobsled event! They raced their bobsleds down the "course" made from 10 foot rain gutters. It was a high-energy event enjoyed by all!



SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER



Happy Spring Tulpy Family!

After a winter filled with 2 hour delays, early dismissals, and too many snow days, we can finally say “Spring is here!” I taught with one of the craziest teachers I have ever met who would get so excited for this time of year. And no, it wasn’t because summer was fast approaching, but because it was graduation time. She would blast “Pomp & Circumstance” down the hallway and get all the seniors pumped up for the end of the year. While I never went to that extreme, I also love this time of year. It is the time when so many of our kids are making major transitions in their lives. Our seniors are about to embark on a whole new world filled with so many exciting unknowns. They will take with them the knowledge and skills acquired at Tulpy and apply their thirteen years of learning. They finally move from the “kid” stage into adulthood and truly begin the life they will make for themselves. I am excited for our seniors! They are an amazing group of young adults who have matured so much in the last three years. I first met them when they were sophomores and they had earned the reputation of being the “good and quiet class”! Today they are no longer the good and quiet class, but instead adults about to go out and do great things.

Our seniors are not the only ones making transitions. Our sixth graders are getting ready to make a huge transition to the junior-senior high school. For the first time they will have a locker and bells to dismiss them from class to class. I know this can be scary for many students and parents, but our staff is amazing and will take good care of them. The seventh and eighth graders mastered the system and did just fine. As a seventh grader, there are so many new opportunities such as athletics, band, chorus, musical, drama shows, as well as new types of classes. Our eighth graders will also make a transition to the high school environment.

Transition and change seem to be a constant in our lives and what makes all the difference is the people that surround us during that transition and change. Our sixth graders have been well prepared for seventh grade and our seniors are ready for the world before them. We have worked as a team and in many ways as a family to move our kids through our schools. It is this relationship between all of us – teachers, administrators, parents, grandparents, guardians, aunts, uncles, etc. that ensures the success of all our kids.

Seniors, best of luck to each one of you! It has been a pleasure getting to know you. John F. Kennedy said, “Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or the present are certain to miss the future.” Embrace the world before you and make the leap forward.

Thank you,
Andy Netznik, Interim Superintendent

SEVENTH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tulpehocken Education Foundation

Date: June 25, 2018

Place: Heidelberg Country Club

Contact: Mimi Shade for more information at 717-933-4611 ext 2118.

**MAKE PLANS SOON!
THIS TOURNAMENT HAD A
FULL FIELD LAST TIME.**



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Students of the Month are Tulpehocken 2017-2018 seniors selected by the faculty and administration for special recognition. Each month, one male and one female student are chosen based on academic performance, school involvement, and community service.

Congratulations to Our Students of the Month

DECEMBER 2017

Jennifer Bazan & Jacob Carles



JANUARY 2018

Michaela Blankenbiller & Coty Emerich



FEBRUARY 2018

Alivia Klopp & Parker Harris



TULPEHOCKEN PARENT MUSIC ASSOCIATION NEWS

The musical "Grease" was enjoyed by many people just a few short weeks ago. This year the students had three performances, Friday and Saturday night and a Sunday afternoon matinee. We are so proud of the cast and crew on a fabulous show! We congratulate the following Seniors in the cast, crew and pit: Rebecca Leshner, Haylee Ludwig, Chad Mohn, Emily Sealer, Dominic Torres, Sarah Wenger, and Melinee Wilson. A big thank you to the staff: Oliver and Amber Blatt, Jocelyn Gross, Alan Bashore, Rebecca Kline, Jody Rhoads, Matthew Shirk, M. Larry Blatt, and Dory Triest. Along with our amazing parents and volunteers, who provided meals, helped with costumes, props, sets, sound and pit. Thank you for all you have done to help our kids shine.

We wish our Senior High and Junior High Show Choirs, Jazz Band, and Jazz Lab good luck during their adjudications in Hershey in May.

We want to invite you to our spring concerts: Senior High - Sunday, May 20th at 3:00 p.m. and Junior High - Monday, May 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Finally, Congratulations to our 2018 Seniors! We wish you all the best!

BCTC STUDENTS OF THE QUARTER

Each quarter, BCTC instructors select a student from their program whose attitude, skills, and knowledge gained during that particular quarter is above and beyond the standard. The student shows initiative and integrity in performing their tasks and is, overall, the best student for that quarter.

The students receive a certificate of recognition and are honored as a group at a breakfast reception for the morning students, and the afternoon students are honored at a luncheon reception. The students are also photographed and their portrait is displayed prominently throughout the school.

BCTC West Campus 2nd Quarter

Jarrod Kissinger

Taylor George

Jaelyn Buck

Allyson Yoder

Coty Emerich

Abigail Vogel

Auto Collision Repair Technology

Cosmetology

Health Occupations II

Health Occupations II

Medical Health Professions

Painting and Decorating

BCTC East Campus 2nd Quarter

None

**Tulpy BCTC
Students
Make Us Proud!!
Keep up the
Great Work!!!**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PENN-BERVILLE?

The 3rd Quarter at Penn-Bernville was busy and exciting! In February, PB got their “old” on and dressed for the 100th day of school. Staff and students dressed up as if they were 100 years old to celebrate! Mr. Greg Ritchie, speaker and author, stopped by to share a presentation on Alaska and the Alaskan Highway. Our 4th grade students are working hard to build an igloo out of gallon jugs in STEM. A big thank you to our STEM teacher, Mrs. Sanders and PTO for the contribution of supplies for this project! This creation, once completed, will be an awesome spot for our students to read! We welcomed the month of March with our Read Across America activities. Basketball players from the high school came to school to read to our students and Kitty Jones Interactive Theater performed for our students and staff. High school performers from the production Grease joined us to highlight a variety of songs and dances from their musical. One of the most exciting initiatives that has taken off at Penn-Bernville is our bus, walker, and car rider shout-outs! Students had a mini-assembly to review the TULPY rules. Our amazing Tulpy bus drivers stopped by to help! These rules are important to the classroom, but also getting to school and preparing to leave for the day. Bus drivers and teachers report on exceptional behavior and students get a “shout-out” for their hard work during their commute to and from school! Finally, Kindergarten Registration was a success at PB. On March 19th, Kindergarten teachers and staff members welcomed the newest members to Penn-Bernville.

BETHEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

As we begin the fourth quarter of the 2017-2018 school year, I would like to highlight some important initiatives that we began at Bethel this year. As the building principal, I set out on a mission this year to do everything I can to make our school a place where students are banging down the doors to get in, and not to get out. With this goal in mind, our staff has joined me in working to make this goal a reality. We realize that we have much more to do, but we are continually working to maintain a positive place where students feel safe and happy to learn and grow.

At the start of the year, I set out to make changes in the way we recognize our students. I wanted to make sure that students were able to set goals and receive recognition for achieving those goals. We have done that through our Power of YET theme. At the start of the year, every student in our building set a goal. Students are recognized by having their goal hung in the hallway and have each been given a certificate for a complimentary slushy from Turkey Hill. In addition, these students also receive 10 Tulpy tickets to shop in our school store. I also wanted to ensure that our students receive recognition for being exemplary students and citizens in our school. To do this, we instituted a system of positive office referrals where students receive a principal’s award and we call home to share positive news with their families. Students also get to sign a special bulletin board located in the office, and have their pictures posted on our Bethel social media accounts. To date we have had over 90 student goals achieved and over 60 positive office referrals.

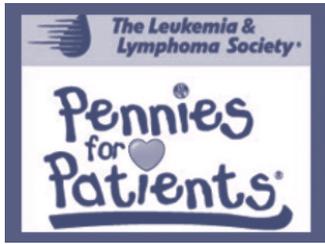
One of the items that I am most proud of is the creation of our student clubs at Bethel Elementary. We would like our school to serve as a resource for our students and the community. Our teachers have graciously volunteered their time to offer before and after school clubs for students. Our first club offerings for the winter had 6 clubs and served 60 students. These clubs included a Spanish club, a dance club, a book club, an arts and crafts club, and a STEM club. Our spring clubs will offer a writing club, a sports club, a running club, a Spanish club, and a sewing club. I am excited to report that these clubs will serve over 90 students! This is approximately 25% of the entire student population at Bethel.

I am proud and honored to lead such an amazing group of students and staff. We will continue to work to ensure that Bethel Elementary School is truly a place where students bang down the doors to get in and not out!

BETHEL ELEMENTARY STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN READERS WIN 2018

During the week of January 14th, students at Bethel Elementary school participated in the Literacy Council of Reading-Berks 2018 Readers WIN campaign. The students raised over \$1600. Bethel Elementary was the third top money raising school in the county! Their efforts raised funds to help people learn to speak English and help adults, who cannot read, learn how to do so. This week was a fun way to promote reading. The students needed to pledge to read a certain number of books or magazines during the week and get their relatives and friends to sponsor them. Thank you to the community for your support and to everyone who participated in this year’s Readers WIN campaign!

**BETHEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RAISES \$830.96 FOR
THE LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA SOCIETY®
Students Participated in Pennies for Patients!!!**



During the month of February, the Students at Bethel Elementary School raised \$830.96 for *The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society® (LLS) by participating in their Pennies for Patients program. This is the fourth time that Bethel Elementary School has participated in LLS's Pennies for Patients program. Each grade level placed a decorated collection box in the cafeteria, and the students were able to choose where to hand in their spare

change! Bethel Elementary School did a wonderful job at promoting their program.

Thank you to those of you who contributed to this great cause! Everyone should be very proud of themselves!



Mrs. Dodge, "Pennies for Patients" Coordinator

* The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) is the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to blood cancer. LLS mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. LLS funds lifesaving blood cancer research around the world and provides free information and support services.

FILLING HOLES

During the 3rd quarter, students in Mrs. Buehler's 5th and 6th grade classes read the novel, *Holes*. Students selected from a menu of options for how to present their final projects. Most students selected to make dioramas, with a couple of students selecting a movie release poster. Students identified their favorite scene from the book and then worked hard to recreate the setting, characters, and explain the plot. They were innovative, creative, and showed great attention to detail. Their projects turned out amazing! Well done 5th and 6th graders!



Participating students were Chrisleidy de la Cruz Mejia, Alexandria Neidig, Heather Grassi, Dominick Fulton, Jacob Leinbach, Skylar Edwards, Katie Stoyer, Michelle Garcia Diaz, Trent Lash, Dilan Ramos Pizon, Eric Blatt, Jasmin Calderon-Gonzalez, Sarah Kirkwood, Tasia Horst, Tadan Horst, and Aliyah Kershner.

WHAT'S SO COOL ABOUT MANUFACTURING VIDEO CONTEST

The Tulpehocken JH team of Makayla Barrett, David Bednarczyk, Alyssa Boyer, Kyla Ebersole, Yusuf Ozturk, and Gabby Sembello won the Outstanding Videography Award (in a tie with Muhlenburg) at the What's so Cool about Manufacturing Video Contest awards night on March 6th at the DoubleTree Hotel in Reading. There were 10 awards presented in different categories including Voter's choice, Outstanding Creativity, and more. Twenty-nine teams from twenty-four School districts in Berks and Schuylkill counties participated in this year's contest. The Tulpy team put in countless hours editing the footage they shot at Misco Products in November to put together a 2 ½ minute video about "what's so cool about manufacturing". Mrs. Kindoll and Mrs. Tworkoski are very proud of the group and the hard work they put in on this project over the last few months. Congratulations team! Also noteworthy: Tim DeAcosta, grade 12, was involved by helping with the production of the award trophies at BCTC.



GUEST TEACHER PROGRAM OFFERED BY BCIU

The Berks County Intermediate Unit offers a Guest Teacher Program for individuals who are interested in serving as substitute teachers. The program is designed to provide participants with limited or no teaching experience with the necessary training required to become day-to-day substitutes. Anyone possessing a bachelor's degree in any field from an accredited college or university is eligible to apply. Upon successfully completing the training program, new Guest Teachers receive an emergency permit through the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) which qualifies them to substitute on a day-to-day basis in both BCIU classrooms and any of the participating Berks County public school entities.

Through the Guest Teacher Program, participants learn about classroom management, lesson-planning, special education, development and behavior of age groups, and how to deal effectively with today's students. After meeting all permit eligibility requirements, successfully completing the two-day training, and submitting all required paperwork, the BCIU will apply for a Type 06 emergency permit on the new Guest Teacher's behalf. Once the permit is approved, the Guest Teacher will be eligible to work as a day-to-day substitute in any subject area and at any grade level for the academic school year in the following Berks County public school entities:

Antietam – Boyertown Area – Brandywine Heights Area – Conrad Weiser Area – Daniel Boone Area – Exeter Township – Fleetwood Area – Governor Mifflin – Hamburg Area – Kutztown Area – Muhlenberg – Oley Valley – Reading – Schuylkill Valley – Tulpehocken Area – Twin Valley – Wilson – Berks Career & Technology Center – BCIU

Please note that the emergency permit sponsored by the BCIU qualifies an individual to substitute in short-term assignments only at the public school entities listed above. Program participants must be able to be present for and complete both days of training in order to secure an emergency permit.

The Guest Teacher training is offered twice a year - September and January - at the main office of the Berks County Intermediate Unit, located at 1111 Commons Boulevard, Reading PA 19605 (directions). The fee for the program is \$25.00, which includes the cost of the two-day training, lunch on the second day, and the initial emergency permit fee.

For more information on the Guest Teacher Program, please contact Monica Willett in the BCIU Office of Human Resources at monwil@berksiu.org or 610-987-8433.

JUNIOR HIGH BAND

Congratulations to 19 of our junior high band students and 9 of our elementary band students who attended the LVC Middle School Band Festival on January 11th at Blair Music Center, Lebanon Valley College. Our students combined with top musicians of 15 area school districts to form two 100 piece concert bands. The event provided our student musicians the opportunity to read new band music and then perform the music for family and friends in an evening concert spectacular!

6th grade students: Ethan Beidler, Aiden Bobo, Landon Davis, Charlie Eckenrode, Meghan Gardula, Lani Hubler, Taylor Lawrence, Seth Palm-Rittle, Rebekkah Unger, Mason Wessner.

7th grade students: David Bednarczyk, Lauren Bryant, Frankie Fantozzi, Dylan Giambalvo, Bella Headley, Peter Jackson, Jayden Manbeck, Megan Norman, Abby Norman, Hayden Nowotarski, Mahala Ruffner,



NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

As a district, we would like to increase community awareness about upcoming school activities. If you are interested in receiving notification of school activities (music, sports, and other programs) please call Mimi Shade at 717-933-4611 extension 2118. You will have an option for any combination of the following for notifications; phone calls, text, or email.

If at any time you would like to stop receiving notification or to change the way you are notified please contact Mimi Shade at 717-933-4611, 2118.

COME VISIT THE BETHEL-TULPEHOCKEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

8601 Lancaster Avenue, Bethel, PA 19507

Exit 13 off I-78

Phone: 717-933-4060 Website: <http://www.berks.lib.pa.us/sbe/>

Facebook: Bethel-Tulpehocken Public Library

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10-8; Friday 10-6; Saturday 10-2

Our big renovation is starting this summer! Stop in to see our plans and find out how you can help.

Join us this summer for special circus-themed events, and track your reading to win prizes. Our summer learning will run from June 11th to August 18th.

SAVE THE DATE! Our carnival will be August 11. Stop by for:

- Games of skill and chance
- A dunk tank
- Cotton candy and shaved ice
- Door prizes
- A prize station for trading in tickets
- Baked goods, hot dogs, snacks and pizza

Adults can also win great prizes this summer! Anyone aged 18+ who reads or listens to audiobooks from June 11 through August 18 can get fun rewards. All adults are eligible. The program is easy, and anyone who reads at least one book can join.

As always, we invite you for monthly family movie nights, teen club, how-to lessons for adults, art and science classes, fitness and health support, computer help, weekly storytime, craft projects, and much more.

We are proud to welcome everyone as your friendly community center. We need your help to keep serving you. All donations are tax-deductible and directly benefit the Bethel-Tulpehocken Public Library. Giving is easy.

1. Mail a check, payable to Bethel-Tulpehocken Public Library and send to the address below.
2. Stop in the library and give your donation to one of our wonderful staff members by check, cash or card.
3. Donate online at www.justgiving.com/betheltulpehockenpubliclibrary.

We have thousands of books for sale. Kids' books cost \$0.25, and adult books are \$0.50 or \$1. Come browse anytime we are open.

ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED INDIVIDUALS PROPERTY TAX REBATE PROGRAM

The deadline to apply for a rebate on property taxes or rent paid in 2017 is June 30, 2018. The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The program income limit is \$35,000 for homeowners and \$15,000 for renters (which excludes half of Social Security income) and the maximum rebate for both homeowners and renters is \$650. In addition, property tax rebates are increased by an additional 50 percent for senior households in most of the state, as long as those households have incomes under \$30,000 and pay more than 15 percent of income in property taxes.

In Berks County alone, 17,731 claimants received nearly \$9 million in rebates from this program in 2016. The average rebate was \$496. Don't miss out on this valuable program. Property Tax/Rent Rebate application forms and assistance are available at no cost from Department of Revenue district offices, local Area Agencies on Aging, senior centers and state legislators' offices. For more information call the PA Department of Revenue at 1-888-222-9190 or visit their website at www.revenue.state.pa.us.

STUDENT WINS SCHOOL NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC BEE Moves One Step Closer to \$50,000 College Scholarship.

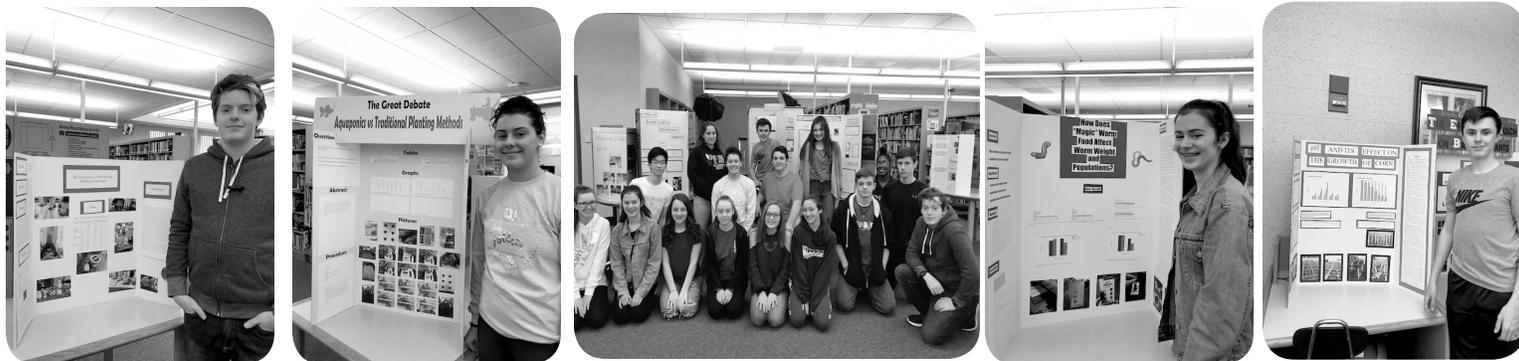
Tyler Cornelius, a 6th grade student at Bethel Elementary, won the school competition of the National Geographic Bee on January 29, 2018 and a chance at a \$50,000 college scholarship. The school Bee, which students answered questions on geography, was the first round in the 30th annual National Geographic Bee, a geography competition designed to inspire and reward students' curiosity about the world. Thousands of schools around the United States and in the five U.S. territories are participating in the 2018 National Geographic Bee. The school champions, including Tyler, will take a qualifying test; up to 100 of the top scorers on that test in each state will then be eligible to compete in their state Bee on April 6, 2018.

Congratulations Tyler and good luck on the qualifying test! Congratulations also goes out to Taylor Lawrence who was the Runner Up! (Pictured: Tyler Cornelius (l) Winner, Taylor Lawrence (r) Runner Up)



SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS

The Honors Biology class competed in the Berks County Science and Engineering Fair. Completing a science fair project is a requirement for this class and students begin their projects in September and finish in March. Winners this year included honorable mentions for Olivia Oxenreider and Clara Hardick in Zoology and Botany. Connor Davis and Alex Henne earned 4th place medals in chemistry and botany. Congratulations to all of the students!



JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS WIN AG DAY ESSAY CONTEST

Seventh and eighth graders in Mrs. Pastor's and Mrs. Shealer's science classes celebrated National Ag Day by competing in The National Ag Day essay contest sponsored by State Sen. Judy Schwank, Berks County, and the Berks Agricultural Resource Network (BARN). The students learned about the Spotted Lanternfly and its connection to agriculture in the county prior to writing their letter. Students then used that background to address the seventh and eighth grade contest essay prompt: "The Spotted Lanternfly was found in Berks County in 2014 and threatens Pennsylvania's grape and wine industries, as well as its hardwoods and fruit tree industries. In 250-300 words, write a letter to Gov. Tom Wolf explaining why Berks County farmers are worried about the Spotted Lanternfly."

Tulpehocken seventh grader Abby Norman, and Tulpehocken eighth grader Madeline Marous, took first place for their grade level in the countywide contest. The winning essays were featured in the March 21, 2018 edition of Berks Country and each student received a cash prize from BARN. A representative from BARN recognized the students and presented them with their awards during a lunch period

From left to right: Abby Norman-grade 7, Sandy Witman-BARN representative, Madeline Marous-grade 8



YOU BE THE CHEMIST COMPETITION

Five Tulpehocken Junior High students competed in the local You Be The Chemist Contest at Penn State Berks on Saturday, March 17th. The competition is sponsored by The Chemical Education Foundation, Brenntag North America, Inc., and Penn State Berks Chemical Society. The nationally recognized competition consists of three rounds of quiz bowl style questions designed to test knowledge of the scientific method, measurement and conversions, the periodic table, matter and energy, chemical equations and formulas, and more.

Students qualify for the county contest by taking in a school-level written test. The top five students at our school are invited to compete at the county competition. This year Makayla Barrett, Madeline Marous, Hayden Nowotarski, Gabriella Sembello, and Wyatt Trommatter represented Tulpehocken at Penn State Berks. The top four students from the county competition move on to the state competition, and the fifth place student serves as an alternate. Gabriella Sembello was Tulpehocken's highest scoring contestant, finishing sixth place out of forty eight contestants. She tied for the fifth place position after forty three questions and endured a grueling six question sudden death round to determine the fifth place contestant. We look forward to returning to the competition next year!

BERNVILLE COMMUNITY POOL

GOOD NEWS for Tulpehocken School District Residents. We are now offering the Discounted Day User rate to ALL Tulpehocken School District Residents. Just show your driver's license or student ID to receive the discounted rate of \$7.00. Family and Individual Season memberships are also available.

HOURS: 12-7 Monday-Saturday and 1-7 Sundays. Moonlight swims on Friday Nights!

Our community pool is run by volunteers and all money from entrance fees help to pay the lifeguards, chemicals, water, electric and insurances. Unfortunately that doesn't allow money for repairs. Like many area pools we are struggling to keep open and rely on volunteers and donations. Each year we are able to make repairs to keep the pool open thanks to a lot of volunteer hours. This year is no exception; we need to replace the main pool pump.

If you would like to help keep this pool open for years to come, please consider helping in some way. We welcome new ideas and suggestions for improving our community pool. We can always use more volunteers to help clean up for opening, painting the pool, maintenance on the buildings, fundraising, or mowing. Also, you could make a monetary donation or a donation of items needed to supply the snack bar-such as paper products, candy, chips, baked goods, etc. We are in NEED of lifeguards for the season; please contact Kelly Groff 610-488-1277 for more information.

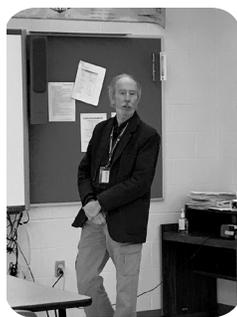
We are planning on special events to celebrate our 60th year. Please watch our Facebook page Bernville Community Pool for membership forms and announcements concerning the pool. We will have a special event during the Community Day celebration on August 4th.

ENGINEERING WEEK GUEST SPEAKERS

For Engineering Week in February, the JSHS hosted five guest speakers from various engineering firms in the area. Pete McGowan from East Penn, Deanna Witzel from Worley Parsons, Gary Grubbs from Worley Parsons, Ann Dietrich from Air Products, and Angelika Forndran from Cowan Associates spent time speaking to students in select science, math and engineering classes. Each shared their experiences and projects they have worked on with students and answered questions about their engineering specialty. Students heard about careers in chemical, electrical, mechanical, and environmental engineering.



Deanna Witzel
Worley Parsons



Gary Grubbs
Worley Parsons



Ann Dietrich
Air Products



Angelika Forndran
Cowan Associates

TULPEHOCKEN JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

2nd QUARTER 2017-2018 HONOR ROLL

Principal's Honor Roll

***Students who have earned 90% or higher in each core subject, and 80% or higher in each special area subject for the marking period.**

7TH GRADE

Beck, Lannie
Bednarczyk, David
Blankenbiller, Kristen
Blouch, Madison
Boyer, Joseph
Bryant, Lauren
Claman, Breanna
Courtright, Sophia
Faut, Arabella
Herrmann, Rebecca
Jackson, Peter
Kreitzer, Regan
Norman, Abby
Ruffner, Mahala
Straw, Jacob
VanTiggelen, Vanessa

Marous, Madeline
Rescigno, Angelle
Sembello, Gabriella
Sowers, Mackenzi
Womer, Evan
Zielinski, Leah

9TH GRADE

Bausher, Madilyn
Burns, Jaclyn
Coleman, Jenna
Forry, Mallory
Gagnon, Bailee
Kershner, Seth
Oxenreider, Olivia

10TH GRADE

Ahner, Ava
Beck, Kyleigh
Boyer, Jordan
Brossman, Bethany
Claman, Autumn

8TH GRADE

Ahner, Ella
Barrett, Makayla
Boyer, Alyssa
Ebersole, Kyla

Cox, Stephen
Eberly, Megan
Elicker, Jack
Faust, Angelina
Grumbine, Natalie
Himmelberger, Tyler
Horne, Carmella
Johnson, Sarah
Jonas, Natalie
Kaur, Mehtab
Keeney, Joshua
Kintzer, John
Paulson, Luke
Philippe, Jenna
Stupp, Lydia
Torres, Jessie
Travis, Katherine
VanTiggelen, Alan
Wojciechowsky, Kaila

11TH GRADE

Bednarczyk, Lydia
Boltz, Brandie

Brown, Gabrielle
Dougherty, Caroline
Elicker, Leighan
Grosko, Jenna
Haws, Caitlin
Hulse, Tyler
Mathias, Jonah
Peiffer, Ashley
Quillman, Kristen
Zhao, Hairuo

12TH GRADE

Blankenbiller, Michaela
Burns, Rebecca
Courtright, Adam
Emerich, Coty
Hartranft, Brittany
Headley, Samantha
Keegan-Smith, Courtney
Loose, Rachel
Ludwig, Jonathan
Osatchuck, Alexis
Wanner, Emily

Students who have earned 80% or higher in all subjects for the marking period.

7TH GRADE

Belles, Tori Ann
Boyer, Jessica
Brungart, Alayna
Bucher, Tyler
Caramanica, Mackenzie
Cox, Rachel
Emerich, Seth
Fantozzi, Frankie
Fidler, Sarah
Fix, Gabriel
Forry, Faith
Fraunfelter, Kameron
Gibson, Brooke
Hager, Rachel
Herrmann, Matthew
Krause, Jenna

Leshner, Vivica
Light, Katie
Lillis, Mason
Mays, Tonya
Morais, Samantha
Murry, Shanyah
Norman, Megan
Reisch, Aver
Schrack, Connor
Sutherly, Harmony
Travis, Jacob
Trommatter, Marley
Trommatter, Wyatt
Vogel, Naomi
Walmer, Regan

8TH GRADE

Adams, Kira
Beck, Heidi
Erb, Bradyn
Folk, Amelia
Henning, Chad
Johnson, Lindsay
Lillis, Logan
Lutz, Nathan
Marez, Monica
Mathias, Chloe
Mays, Adam
Miller, Aidan
Murrin, Alexandra
Ozturk, Yusuf
Risser, Joshua
Seiler, Joseph

Troxel, Shelby
Wenger, Matthew
Zellers, Sydney
Zohn, Hunter

9TH GRADE

Bazan, Carlos
Blankenbiller, Matthew
Bucher, Justin
Christ, Malachi
Clark, Seth
Davis, Connor
Elinsky, Skylar
Fair, Brook
Forry, Lucas
Groff, Mary
Heck, Sabrina

Henne, Alexander
Hulse, Abigail
Kephart, Nickolas
Konoza, Carter
Leininger, Serena
Mathias, Silver
Montgomery, Milo
Reese, Brittlee
Toussaint-Fils, Ashley
Vega, K'drian
Vogel, Isaac
Weiant, Morgan
Whitman, Ethan
Yatchyshyn, Molly
Yenser, Kyle

10TH GRADE

Bazan, Andres
Bender Jr, Edwin
Betz, MacKenzie
Bobo, Alexander
Boylan, Daniel
Bredbenner, Madalynn
Courtright, William
Coy, Ashton
Deck, Austin
Derr, Bradley
Dubbs, Jenna
Evans, Aubrey

Fair, Bailey
Folk, Andrew
Henne, Logan
Howe, Rachel
Kieffer, Mason
Linke, Kevin
Luckenbill, Courtney
Massaro, Chloe
McQuillen, Jacob
Montilla, Keen
Ovid-Velazquez, Juliana
Parmer, Randa
Perilus, Strauss
Pierson, Nathan
Piscanio, Jake
Reed, Alli
Schermerhorn, Kyle
Shepley, Trinity
Strahan, Ravyn
Straw, Joshua
Thomas, Jack
Vogel, Hannah
Walsh, Gerald
Witmer, Andrew
Wolfe, Cameron
Yassine, Anissa

11TH GRADE

Ackerman, Christopher
Angstadt, Kathryn

Baransky, Abigale
Christ, Abigail
Collins, Raelee
Elinsky, Amber
Ferraro, Cassandra
Garcia-Reyes, Eric
Hassler, Sarah
Henning, Caitlin
Hernandez, Isabella
Hinkley, Luke
Kiebach, Riley
Klopp, Devon
McGinity, Dylan
Miller, Austin
Pacilio, Sean
Ransil, Joshua
Reese, Mayce
Rentschler, Julia
Shirey, Savannah
Strahan Jr., Patrick
Stricker, Justin
Thomas, Kristen
Torres, Kiaralyn
Walsh, Michael
Woomer, Joshua
Zimmerman, Catherine

12TH GRADE

Andrews, Marissa

Barker, Brydon
Birisu, Sefora
Burgos, Serena
Carles, Jacob
DeAcosta, Timothy
Eckert, Jacob
Etchberger, Cody
Fils, Kessie
Juraskinski, Priya
Kissling, Dalton
Klopp, Alivia
Koch, Logan
Kramer, Victoria
Michener, Andrew
Miller, Chase
Mohn, Charles
Moser, Karissa
Pedraza, Elysa
Reddig, Beth Ann
Ruffner, Luke
Schies, Madison
Sealer, Emily
Sealer, Hannah
Stoudt, Alexander
Torres, Dominic
Troutman, Alisa
Vogel, Abigail
Wenger, Sarah
Yoder, Allyson

Tulpy Students Make Outstanding Accomplishments !! Keep up the Great work !!!

NEED TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR SCHOOL?

Parents needing to register their child(ren) in the Tulpehocken Area School District can contact Dianne Harchuska in Child Accounting at 717-933-4611 at ext. 2114 to make an appointment.



SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

The Tulpehocken Area School District is looking for individuals who wish to serve as substitutes for nurses, teachers, secretaries, cafeteria workers, custodial workers, and building aides.

Interested individuals should contact Sherry Wessner at 717-933-4611 ext. 2116 for more information. Applications can either be downloaded from the Tulpehocken website (www.tulpehocken.org) or picked up in the district office.

BERNVILLE AREA COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

4th Street at Fox Alley, 2nd floor of Redner's Quick Shop, Bernville. Phone: 610-488-1302

E-mail: bernvillaeacl@berks.lib.pa.us Website: <http://www.berks.lib.pa.us/sbv/>

Hours: Mon-Thurs. 11 am-7 pm | Closed on Friday | Saturday 10 am-2 pm | Sunday 2 pm-5 pm

We have tons going on at the library!

Lego, Crochet, and our new Cosplay clubs are meeting every month. Check with the library for details.

We have story times offered every Monday and every other Thursday for preschool age children, with Baby Lapsit programs occurring every other Tuesday both in the morning and evening, and STEM story times every other Saturday.

We have an American Girl Doll book club and fun activities for families like a Movie Matinee once a month.

Don't forget you can read to a Therapy Dog the first Sunday of each month also.

Our Summer Reading Program will start right after school lets out and our programs for that will be every Monday for ten weeks straight.

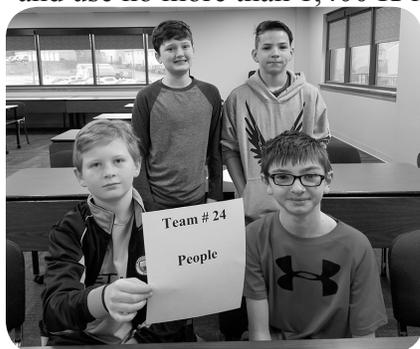
We are CAMPING OUT at the library this summer so join us.

Check our facebook page for dates and times on all the above, and any updates for new and fun activities still in the planning stage at this point.



K'NEX COMPETITION

The Berks County Intermediate Unit and ThermoFisher Scientific sponsored the 2018 K'nex Challenge on Friday March 2nd. Tulpehocken sent two sixth grade teams to compete against students from a long list of Berks County schools. In all, a total of 40 teams ranging from sixth to eighth grade attended to show their hard work. Students were assigned the challenge of developing a new environmentally friendly product for the home. Our teams worked for 2 months on their designs. They designed and built their projects which were required to use at least one motor and use no more than 1,400 K'nex pieces. Teams also kept a daily journal of their progress. On the day of the competition, teams were given two hours to completely rebuild the product using a computerized blueprint, which was required in the competition. Each team was able to present their finished product, journal, and an inventory and total cost to a panel of judges. Our students showed great teamwork, problem solving skills, and innovative ideas in the competition. Congratulations!!



Pictured in the left photo: Seth Palm-Rittle, Aiden Bobo, Gavin Bredbenner, and Dylan Rimby.

Pictured in the right photo: Kaylyn Harring, Lani Hubler, and Yasin Ozturk.

MEBC 6TH GRADE BAND FESTIVAL

On Saturday, March 24, 2018, the annual Music Educators of Berks County was held at Conrad Weiser Middle School. Nine students, from both the Bethel and Penn Bernville Elementary schools, represented the Tulpehocken Area School District at this band festival

The guest conductor was Mr. Rich Miller, band director at Hershey Middle School in the Derry Township School District. Mr. Miller started rehearsal with the students at 9:00 AM. He was both engaging and knowledgeable, and was capable of pulling out a great performance from the 100 students representing ten Berks county school districts.

Parents, friends and family gathered at 3:00 PM that day to enjoy the concert, which featured a varied repertoire that was both accessible and challenging for this level.

Students enjoyed making friends with students from other districts and being able to perform with like-minded peers who enjoy the music making process.

Pictured from left to right are:

Back row: Lani Hubler, Landon Davis, Kallia Brendle, Devon Stothart, Emma Etchberger and Allison Wilson.

Front row: Seth Palm-Rittle, Mason Wesner, Charlie Eckenrode.



PENN BERNVILLE 4TH GRADE VISITS THE READING PUBLIC MUSEUM

The fourth grade students at Penn-Bernville Elementary visited the Reading Public Museum as part of a text dependent analysis series. During the school year, students read about specific topics and then respond to a question that pushes them to synthesize their thinking and answers based on evidence found in the text. Students demonstrate their ability to interpret the meaning behind the evidence and demonstrate this knowledge in a written response.

As part of this TDA series, students used various texts and nonfiction text features to learn about the Lenape Native Americans and effects of habitat change on an organism, in addition to learning about trees and visiting Rentschler's Arboretum.

On Friday, March 23rd, the fourth grade students traveled to the Reading Public Museum to extend their learning on each topic in the text dependent analysis series. The exhibits they saw and interacted with were the Native American exhibit, animal habitats, ancient Egypt and the age of mammals and ice. Students finished off their day with a show in the planetarium.

The museum staff engaged the eager 4th grades in discussion on topics such as biomes, animal conservation, camouflage, adaptations, food chains, and predator/prey relationships. Students explored the world of three groups of American Indians: The Delaware, The Montagnais, and the Inuit. They discovered where each of these groups lived and how they adapted to their environment and surroundings. They even met Nefrina, the museum's 2000+ year old mummy and learned all about mummification. Students entered the Age of the Mammals, a snapshot of the Cenozoic era where they encountered animatronic animals of the Ice Age, meeting life sized carnivores to herbivores. Students explored our night sky and learned all about the different planets.

Overall, this year was filled with learning about specific content standards through English and language arts. Students acquired many new skills and knowledge and had an engaging and interactive year.



THE ONE-TWO PUNCH!!

The 2018 Tulpehocken High School girls softball team will be led by 2 seniors, pitching ace Maddie Schies and catcher Brooke Scheider. These two girls will try to work together to have another successful softball season. Maddie has been a starting pitcher for the past 3 years and Brooke has been a 3 year starter playing mostly 3rd base, but she will be needed behind the plate this year to catch Maddie's fast ball and screw ball! Both girls had great success with the bats in 2017, hoping for more balls over the fences in 2018! Between Maddie's shotgun arm and Brooke's cannon, it should be fun to watch these 2 work together.

Behind Maddie and Brooke are Kristen Quillman (Junior) playing 1st base, Rachel Howe (Sophomore) second base or outfield and Natalie Grumbine (Sophomore) Shortstop. These underclassmen contributed a lot last season to help the girl's softball team make it to Counties and Districts. I know they are excited about this coming season.

Replacing 6 seniors will be no easy task. How well their replacements adapt will play a large part in the success of our season. Everyone is excited for the start of this 2018 season.

TULPY PRIDE ON THE RISE THROUGH YOUTH WRESTLING

On February 3rd Tulpehocken competed at the annual dual tournament hosted by Conrad Weiser. The dual tournament consists of ten teams, with five teams in each pool. The top teams in each pool wrestle each other to determine the top place finishers. It gives the youth a chance to experience what it's like to wrestle as a team for points, just like at the High School level.

The youth team competed at this tournament last year for the first time. Being a very young team, they did not win a single match. Being resilient, as wrestlers are, head coach Frank DeBellis decided we would enter again this year to see if we could improve. They surprised a lot of people. The team went 3 & 1 in their pool, losing only to Governor Mifflin who won the entire tournament. Tulpehocken youth wrestling beat some very competitive teams including Hamburg, Exeter, and Blue Mountain. That set them up for a very exciting show down with the host team, Conrad Weiser, to determine 3rd place. Tulpehocken wrestlers showed up big beating Conrad Weiser 48 to 29 and earning 3rd place.

It is the team's first placement at a team dual in at least 10 years! Great things are happening with the youth wrestling program, as this is a huge accomplishment!

Additionally, the JV squad entered 16 wrestlers each placing 1st through-4th place! Be sure to keep an eye on these young Trojan warriors as they advance to the Junior and Senior High levels in years to come.

Tulpy Pride at its finest!

TROJAN BASEBALL PREVIEW

The 2018 Trojan Varsity Baseball team hopes to improve on last year's 5-15 (4-6 league) overall record and move back into both county and district playoff contention. The Trojans graduated only three seniors from last year's squad so this year's edition has plenty of experience. The strong suit of the 2018 Trojans should be pitching.

Sophomore Josh Nielsen, Senior Jake Eckert, Juniors Riley Kiebach and Trevor Zohn anchor the staff. 4-year starter Jake Carles should lead an improved offense along with senior Dalton Kissling and Junior Josh Woomer. Senior and 3-year starter shortstop Matt Herbert and sophomore outfielder Jack Thomas will lead the defense which will be bolstered by the return of catcher Ryan Thomas. The Trojans promise to be an athletic, hustling, competitive squad who should be fun to watch.

Coach Dave Voigt

BOYS' TENNIS TEAM HOPES TO BE SNEAKY GOOD

This year's boys' tennis team took a heavy hit from graduation- six seniors who were the backbone of the squad. The cupboard is far from bare, however. The team will be laden with juniors eager to prove their mettle and improve on last year's 6-7 record.

Number one player Sean Pacilio returns to the spot he has held since he was a freshman, but he will have his work cut out in a division that features many fine players in the top spot. Juniors Matt Boyer, Jonah Mathias, Josh Rieck, and Noah Wyse will battle for spots in the lineup with seniors Brydon Barker, Chris Kershner, and Chase Bowman. Coach Dave Fake is very happy to have former Tulpy standout Jethro Holzman as an assistant, and hopes this year's team will surprise the rest of the division and compete for a playoff spot.

DID YOU KNOW...

Parents - Kevin Stechman and Carolyn Sue Stechman, of Mt Aetna, are proud to announce their son, **Steven P. Stechman, 2012** Tulpehocken Graduate, has become a PA State Trooper and graduated in December 2017, in the 150th class of the PA State Police Academy.

Following a degree in Criminal Justice, and an extensive evaluation to meet the criteria and standards to enter the PA State Police academy, he graduated December 22, 2017 and has begun his career assigned to Troop H in York.

James D. Bossard, 1998, graduated from Penn State University with a business degree in 2002. On December 16, 2017 he graduated from the University of Alabama with his RN degree and license. James is working in the Emergency Intensive Care Unit at the University of Alabama Medical West in Birmingham. James and his wife, Teri, reside in McCalla, Alabama with their dog Nittany.

Abramm Schaffer is a student and wrestler in Mrs. Lear's 4th grade class at Bethel. He placed 2nd at the PJM State Qualifying Wrestling Tournament at Franklin and Marshall College on March 11th. He is the first elementary wrestler at Tulpehocken to qualify for the State Tournament which was held March 23rd and March 24th at Wilkes Barre.

Blaise Fernandez, 2010, is a production staff member at NBC overseeing sporting events - mostly golf (PGA Tour, PGA Champions Tour, & LPGA) while working on the 2018 PyeongChang Winter Olympic Games in South Korea.

Aidan Seward, 2020, was awarded Reserve Grand Champion for the Hitch Show Competition at the PA Farm Show. He competed for Darkwood Farms with Percherons and placed 1st in western riding, 3rd in decorating, 5th in showmanship, and 5th in cart.

Briana Seward, 5th Grade at Bethel, was awarded Grand Champion & Overall Youth Champion for the Hitch Show Competition at the PA Farm Show. She competed for Living the Dream Belgian's and placed 1st in English riding, 1st in Western riding, 2nd in showmanship, and 1st in cart.



WORKING PAPERS/WORK PERMIT

Any student who would like to obtain employment is required by state law to obtain working papers or a work permit. The student must be at least 14 years of age and must reside in the Tulpehocken School District to receive a permit through the district. Students 14-15 years of age can be issued a non-transferrable permit good for only one job. Students 16-18 years of age can be issued a transferrable permit which can transfer with the student if they change jobs. To obtain a permit, the student must visit the high school office to complete a brief application, they will also need to obtain a parent/guardian signature and provide a copy of their birth certificate. Any questions regarding Working Papers/Work Permits can be directed to the high school office 610-488-6286 M-F 7:00 AM -3:45 PM.



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WE STAND TOGETHER

Despite the challenges and heart-breaking losses to the Tulpehocken family, we stand together. Despite all the change in our district’s leadership team, we stand together. When unthinkable, horrible acts occur across our country, we stand together. We do not stand together because it is expected; we stand together because that is who we are. The quality of our district does not lie in the programs and initiatives we have, but instead lies in the quality and initiative of the people within our district. Throughout the year, there are countless, selfless acts that go unnoticed in the Junior-Senior High School. Student organizations and clubs dedicate their time to organize events that raise money for charities or provide supports for families within our district. Unfortunately, we often do not take time to reflect on all of the great things that are happening within our district until we are faced with challenges. In times of need, our students and teachers at the Junior-Senior High School come together to support one another, but this is not a quality that is only noticed after something bad has happened. Coming together to make a difference is something that happens on a daily basis. As we continue to grow as a district, we need to foster leadership and service experiences for our students. We need to encourage our students to be leaders, take action, make good decisions, and be the change we want to see in the world. As a district, we also need to make a conscious effort to celebrate all of the great things that happen in our district on a daily basis and have pride in who we are and what we represent. #TulpyPride is not a catch phrase that is exclusive to the students in the Junior-Senior High School; it is a mantra for everyone in our district to rally behind and show support in the great things that are happening. I am extremely proud to be part of a school that is supportive of others and am committed to highlighting the great things that are happening in an effort to continuously grow our capacity to impact our students in positive ways that will challenge them to become better versions of themselves. As I challenge our students to grow their capacity to have pride in their school, so do I challenge our community. Show #TulpyPride in some of the great things that are happening. Be a part of the experiences that we provide to our students. Help us come together as one to show our students that they are part of something great, something bigger than themselves, and something they can take pride in. #TulpyPride.

Expect – Believe – Achieve
 Denis P. Quirk
 Interim Principal – Tulpehocken Junior-Senior High School

SPEAK TO THE BOARD

The Board of Directors welcomes comments from the community! Board members’ e-mail addresses as well as dates and locations of meetings are posted on our web-site www.tulpehocken.org under “School Board”.
 Additionally, correspondence may be sent to the Board at: Tulpehocken District Administration Office, 27 Rehrersburg Road, Bethel, PA 19507.
 Please include your name, address, and phone number on all communication so that your remarks and questions may be answered.