

TULPEHOCKEN TIMES

CHORAL MUSIC STUDENTS EXCEL

We are very fortunate in the music department to have many opportunities outside of the classroom for students to enrich their lives in the arts. The high school vocal department is proud to announce that two of our students have auditioned and been accepted to perform at choral festivals.

We would like to congratulate Courtney Luckenbill (pictured left) for being selected to perform with the Berks Senior County Chorus.

In addition Senior Melinee Wilson (pictured right) auditioned and will be performing with the District 10 Chorus.

Both of these are extraordinary accomplishments and we wish Courtney and Melinee the best of luck.



TULPEHOCKEN STUDENTS SPOT INVASIVE PEST

Did you know that highly destructive aliens are destroying crops, killing trees, and affecting wildlife in Pennsylvania? You may be picturing evil aliens from outer space, but these aliens are called Spotted-Lanternflies, small insects called planthoppers that are native to China, India, and Vietnam. The Tulpehocken Envirothon Team went to Nolde Forest on Tuesday, November 7th for a Junior High Environmental Forum, and we were able to successfully catch around fifty of these invasive insects. Guest Speaker, Taylor Moyer, of the Berks County Conservation District, talked about Spotted-Lanternflies and other invasive species.

We also learned about watersheds, which are land areas that supply water to major sources, such as rivers and streams. We participated in a macroinvertebrate survey in Angelica Creek in order to compare data on various locations over time. We observed the ongoing data collection at Nolde and compared temperature fluctuations over the years in Berks County and connected it to climate change, and human influences on the environment.



Kyla Ebersole, Alyssa Boyer, and Camden Gehris
(8th Graders)



Kyla Ebersole, Maddie Marous, and Amelia Folk
(8th Graders)

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER



Greetings Tulpy Family!!

I am excited to have this opportunity to introduce myself to the entire district. While many of you have known me as the Junior-Senior High School Principal, I recently took on a new role of Interim Superintendent this past January as our district begins the search for a new superintendent.

First, I would like to thank Dr. Schultz for his service to the district. During his tenure as superintendent, we were able to accomplish a lot of great things. As he begins his new role as superintendent at Lower Dauphin School District, I wish him lots of success.

I believe the key to any great organization is the concept of family. When I first became the Junior-Senior High School Principal, I could tell that there was something different at Tulpehocken that I had never really experienced before at a school district. It was a sense of family. The Tulpy Family, as I have come to know it by, is a close group of students, staff, administrators, board members, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and community members. This family entity is supportive of its schools in every aspect and continues to promote the importance of academics, athletics, arts, music, drama, etc. Our students are some of the most gifted and talented students I have ever seen.

I am honored to serve as the interim superintendent at Tulpehocken because we have great schools, great staff, and most importantly great students. Each and every day I am proud to walk through the doors of our schools and anxiously wait to see what our students will accomplish. That list of accomplishments includes academic success, art and music success, as well as athletic success. For us, there are never any limits to what our students can achieve.

As I serve in this new capacity I have three goals that I would like to share with you:

1. Getting to know family and community members, staff, and students of our elementary schools. While I know many of you at the secondary level, there are many that I still need to meet as well.
2. Continue to foster a family environment within our schools that promotes the importance of learning.
3. Continue to foster our Tulpy Pride within our schools and students district wide.

Please know that my door is always open and I welcome the dialogue as I lead Tulpehocken through this transition.

Thank you,

Andy Netznik, Interim Superintendent

WHAT IS HAPPENING AT PENN-BERNVILLE?

Penn-Bernville has been very busy during the second quarter. In November students in grade, four enjoyed a potato bar with the help of JSHS FFA students. Students enjoyed the potatoes that they planted last year at the Mor-Dale farm. Students in grades three through six attended a Music in the School assembly, which is sponsored through the Reading Musical Foundation. As a culminating activity to our Joe Corbi Fundraiser, students attended a mini drifter race in the gym. The race began with Mr. Shirk and Mr. Stepenaskie racing in the gym. Mrs. Cipolla raced the winner, Mr. Shirk and won at the very last turn.

During the month of December, students participated in a variety of holiday activities. Our fourth, fifth and sixth grade chorus and band students performed an assembly for both PB and Bethel and evening concerts for families and the community. A huge thank you to Mr. Bernat and Mrs. Mazurek for all of their hard work to prepare our students for the concerts and assemblies.

Thank you to our PTO for sponsoring the 5th and 6th grade G. A. G. Night and the Holiday Movie.

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.

NEW PENN-BERVILLE PRINCIPAL

Dear Penn-Bernville Families,

My name is Stacy Linderman and I am so excited to introduce myself as the new principal of Penn-Bernville Elementary School. Over the past 15 years, I have worked as a teacher and elementary education consultant. I earned a BA in Elementary Education from Alvernia University, a Masters degree in Education from Cabrini College, and my principal certification from Drexel University. I started my career in the Reading School District as a Reading First Literacy Coach, with a focus on grades K-3. During this time, I was not only in the classroom with teachers and students, but I also provided support to parents in early literacy skills. I then taught in the Governor Mifflin School District where I taught Kindergarten for the past 9 years. Additionally, when I have the opportunity, I travel along the east coast presenting to other teachers on a variety of classroom topics for Staff Development for Educators. However, my greatest achievement comes not professionally, but personally, as I am mother of 2 amazing children: Bradley (12) and Magdaly (9).



In the coming year, I will spend a lot of time getting to know your children and their personalities, learning styles, and interests. I cannot wait to celebrate all of their successes. My goal is to guarantee that all children are happy and safe, so they can learn to their greatest potential. This has been my philosophy since beginning my career in teaching and will continue to be my focus as your children's principal.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to join the Tulpehocken School District. I look forward to getting to know you and your children.

Warm Regards,
Stacy Linderman

VETERANS CELEBRATED AT TULPEHOCKEN

On Friday, November 10th the Tulpehocken High School hosted the first annual Veteran's Day Ceremony to honor our veterans. Mr. Minnich's AP Government class was challenged with putting together this inaugural event. The ceremony included various student speeches, a poem, emotional patriotic videos, a visit and speech from our U.S. Congressman Charlie Dent, and recognition of all the veterans present. The high school band played many different patriotic songs, while the high school show choir performed our National Anthem.



Veterans Left to right: Anthony Rodig, Barry Himmelberger, Congressman Charlie Dent, Kristan Beloso, John Leshner, and Dominga Pedraza.

The veterans received a warm welcome from staff and students. Victoria Kramer, a student at Tulpehocken stated, "They served our country, and I'm just grateful they did this." Mr. Minnich is looking forward to celebrating the courage and sacrifice of our veterans again next year on Friday, November 9, 2018. If you are a veteran or know a veteran, please spread the word for them to attend next year's ceremony. If you are interested in attending, please call the high school office at 610-488-6286 or email Mr. Minnich at mminnich@tulpehocken.org. Tulpehocken would like to thank U.S. Congressman Charlie Dent for attending this ceremony. Once again, we thank all active and retired military for their continued sacrifice for the United States of America.

BAND STUDENTS

Congratulations to our band students Lydia Bednarczyk, Priya Jurasinski, and Devon Klopp! These three students auditioned for and were accepted to perform at the Berks County Music Festival along with 100+ Berks County High School instrumentalists. Lydia will perform on violin, Priya on clarinet, and Devon on alto saxophone. The festival will take place on Saturday, February 20th at Twin Valley High School



BETHEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

This year has been a year of change at Bethel Elementary School. We have welcomed 5 new teachers to our building as well as one long term substitute during the first half of the school year. We have also welcomed Mrs. Spencer as a lunch/recess aide and Miss Kline and Mrs. Fiorentino as aides in our special education department. With so many new faces, our seasoned staff has done a great job of adapting and welcoming these staff members to our Bethel Family.

Along with staff changes, a team of teachers gathered with Mr. Brown over the summer to assist in creating a new vision statement for our school. Our vision statement was shared with families during back to school night and with the students on their first days of school. Posters with our vision statement can be seen posted in every classroom and throughout the halls. This vision statement is at the core of our instructional decisions and explains where we are going and why we want to get there.

BETHEL ELEMENTARY VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is for students to thrive in a safe and inviting place where respect, kindness, and caring is expected. Students will become their best selves who grow into leaders and embrace the challenges of learning through collaboration, creativity, and critical thinking, while being fully supported by staff and community as they reach their highest potential.

As part of our vision to develop students into leaders, we have also implemented a program called Peacemakers. Thirty-three students have been chosen by their peers to be trained as Bethel Elementary Peacemakers. Our Peacemakers program focuses on teaching students conflict resolution skills. Students in conflict are guided through a Peace Path where they learn how to peacefully resolve conflicts with the help of a student Peacemaker and staff.

In conjunction with all of these changes, many of our teachers are participating in a book study on the book *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success*. We are using the strategies learned from this book to change students' perceptions of ability and reinforce that all things are possible through goal setting and hard work.

The changes at Bethel have been very positive and we are excited to bring them to our students and the community. We are creating an atmosphere of student leadership and pride in our school. Our students are seizing opportunities to excel and achieve their goals. We are proud of our students and staff. We will continue to implement meaningful change in order to provide a positive and safe learning environment for our students.

4TH GRADE VISITS THE RENTSCHLER ARBORETUM

The fourth grade students at Penn-Bernville Elementary visited the Rentschler Arboretum in Penn Township as part of a text dependent analysis series. During the school year, students read about a specific topic 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.

The Rentschler Arboretum is a beautiful 34-acre tract of land on a high vista in the foothills of the Blue Mountains near Bernville. It is owned and maintained by the Blue Mountain Eagle Climbing Club. The property includes gardens, wildflower meadows, a walking trail, farm fields, a nature sanctuary, and two pavilions. The grounds are open to the public during daylight hours. You can find more information about the Rentschler Arboretum by visiting their website. <http://www.bmecc.org/about.html#arboretum>

As part of this TDA series, students used various texts and nonfiction text features to learn how to identify differences in the life cycle of trees and describe different resources that trees need to live. They read about different characteristics and adaptations of some trees, which help those populations survive and reproduce in greater numbers. After students read about specific trees, they visited the arboretum and learned about 18 different tree species while collecting leaves for identification. Students brought their leaves back to school and classified them according to the physical characteristics that they share by identifying observable patterns.

In March, the 4th grade students will travel to the Reading Public Museum to extend their learning on each topic in the text dependent analysis series. The topics include Native Americans, space, animal habitats, ancient Egypt and the age of mammals and ice.



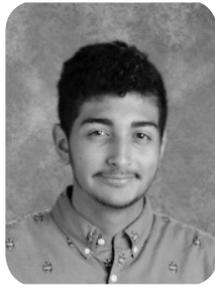
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

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

SEPTEMBER 2017

Rebecca Burns & Dominic Torres



OCTOBER 2017

Brittany Hartranft & Chase Miller



NOVEMBER 2017

Priya Jurasinski & Charles Mohn



TEACHER RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The purpose of the Tulpehocken Area School District Teacher Recognition Program is to recognize and reward those teachers who consistently demonstrate excellence in their classroom teaching. The program shall serve to honor those teachers who utilize teaching methods and strategies that are proven to be effective and those who advance the goals and objectives of the school district. Teachers recognized through this program will be those who have demonstrated a commitment to the teaching profession and to enhancing the status of the profession.

Nominations can be made by parents, administrators, and fellow teachers. Applications can be found in the office at each building or online at www.tulpehocken.org. Applications are due by April 1, 2018. All completed applications must be sent to Andrew Netznik, Interim Superintendent, Tulpehocken Area School District Office, 27 Rehrersburg Road, Bethel, PA 19507.

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 1ST Quarter

Trinity Shepley

Painting and Decorating

BCTC East Campus 1ST Quarter

Emily Sealer

Early Childhood Education

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

SENIOR CITIZENS' DAY

March 7, 2018

On Wednesday, March 7, 2018, the 31st annual Senior Citizens' Day will be held at the Tulpehocken Area Jr/Sr High School. The program will begin with a potpie dinner being served in the cafeteria at 4:00 p.m. There will be a minimal charge of \$4.00/person at the door for the optional dinner. To accommodate transportation needs, please do not arrive earlier than 3:30 pm. At 4:45 p.m., the students will be presenting the musical rehearsal of *Grease*. Please contact Dory Triest at 717-933-8524 after 9:00 am or go online to: musicaltickets@tulpehocken.org.

TULPEHOCKEN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT IS PROUD TO PRESENT



Friday, March 9th and Saturday, March 10th at 7:00 PM

and SUNDAY, MARCH 11th at 2:00 PM

in the Junior/Senior High School Auditorium

Sandy Dumbrowski, the new girl in town, and Danny Zuko, the school's coolest greaser, have a secret summertime romance - but when they get back to school, everything is different. Sandy attempts to navigate the tricky Rydell High School social waters and catch Danny's attention again, but Danny is chiefly concerned with maintaining his tough-guy reputation. In the end, the Pink Ladies help Sandy figure out how to win back the leader of the Burger Palace Boys. The production features over 70 cast members, technicians, and musicians. The cast includes:

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| Miss Lynch..... | Emily Leshar | Sonny Latierra..... | Jordan Baer |
| Patty Simcox..... | Kyleigh Beck | Frenchy..... | Jenna Grosko |
| Eugene Florczyk..... | Bradyn Erb | Sandy Dumbrowski..... | Julia Rentschler |
| Jan..... | Sarah Wenger | Danny Zuko..... | Bastian Gerena |
| Marty..... | Caitlin Henning | Vince Fontaine..... | Phillip Rodig |
| Betty Rizzo..... | Melinee Wilson | Johnny Casino..... | Jacob Bowers |
| Doody..... | Dominic Torres | Cha-Cha Digregorio..... | Caroline Dougherty |
| Roger..... | Kyle Yenser | Teen Angel..... | Dominic Torres |
| Kenickie..... | Josh Ransil | | |

ALL SCHOOL MUSICAL FOR THE COMMUNITY

All Seats are Reserved! Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students. Anyone wishing to reserve a seat should complete the form below and return it with the correct amount of money and a SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE so your tickets can be returned to you. Please indicate any special seating requirements due to hearing or visual impairment. All ticket sales are final! There will be no refunds or exchange of tickets. Tickets are issued on a first come, first serve basis. Golden Age Passes will be honored; however, you will need to request tickets ahead of time in order to be assured a seat. Golden Age Passes are for Tulpehocken School District residents only. Please return the form along with your payment and self-addressed stamped envelope to: Dory Triest, 101 Wintersville Road, Womelsdorf, PA 19567.

Checks should be made payable to: Tulpehocken All-School Musical. Your tickets will be returned to you in your self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____

Friday Evening: _____ Adult, _____ Student, _____ Golden Age Tickets

Saturday Evening: _____ Adult, _____ Student, _____ Golden Age Tickets

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.berkslibraries.org/branch/bethel-tulpehocken>

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

The New Year is here, and it's a great time to get a jump start on your resolution to read more! Visit us for all the bestsellers Santa didn't bring, and the obscure titles too.

Didn't resolve to read? Stop by to study, use our high speed free WiFi, borrow a blockbuster BluRay, or learn a new skill at a free class.

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 much more.

Come watch us grow in 2018! This is the year we are finally remodeling and expanding the library.

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 above.
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.



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The 6th grade students from Bethel Elementary would like to thank the entire student body & families of Bethel Elementary for their support of their food drive. With the food that we collected this year, we fed **96 local families (286 people)**. Everyone at Bethel should feel very proud of themselves for helping to put food on the table for many in our area who might otherwise go hungry.

WAY TO GO BETHEL!

THANKS FOR BEING SUCH A CARING & GIVING SCHOOL!

ELEMENTARY STEM NIGHT

Written by: Mrs. Engelbert, Mrs. Ritter, and Mrs. Sanders

On Wednesday, November 15th, Bethel Elementary hosted a STEM night to showcase our newly redesigned elementary STEM program. Parents and students from both elementary buildings who attended traveled through 3 different rotations where they participated in various STEM activities. Mrs. Engelbert gave participants the opportunity to explore coding through robots including, Dot and Dash, Bee Bots, and Ozobots. Students and parents also got to experience what it is like to be on the morning announcements using the green-screen technology. Mrs. Ritter gave an overview of the elementary math program being used in classrooms. She also had Daily 3 rotations set up for parents to see what math instruction looks like in their child's classroom this year, as well as resources to help parents with math at home. Mrs. Sanders opened up the Makerspace to parents and students and provided a variety of activities for everyone to "tinker" with such as snap circuits, 3D Doodlers, logic puzzles, variety of blocks and construction materials, and a tower challenge using 100 cups. She also gave a brief overview to parents of STEM education, what our model is at the elementary level with year, and community resources available for students in related STEM areas. STEM night was a huge success, with more than 70 people attending from both of our district's elementary buildings. It was a great opportunity for our STEM area teachers to share the importance of integrated instruction for our students and to allow parents to experience that learning first-hand. Due to the success of our fall STEM night, we are hoping to hold another one in the spring at Penn-Bernville.



O.R.E.O PROJECT 2017!

On Tuesday October 10th, the students in Mrs. Dodge's 6th Grade math class at Bethel participated in a special event to reinforce math skills in their classroom. This gave them a chance to share and work as a team and then submit their results to a global project.

The project is called the O.R.E.O. Project – which stands for “Our Really Exciting Online Project” – and is hosted by a teacher in Southern California. This will be her 19th year of hosting this project. Since 1999, students from every state in the US, almost every Canadian province, and several other countries have participated in this project and submitted their results online to share with each other.

Each student had 2 chances to stack as many Oreos as they can. (There were certain rules involved that were explained when we hosted the project in our classroom.) After every participant recorded their stack counts, we took everyone's highest count and averaged them together for **ONE CLASS AVERAGE**.

As a result, the 16 students stacked a total of **448** Oreos with an average stack of **17**. The highest amount stacked was by **Taylor Lawrence, Samuel Fidler, Francisco Dietrich, and Daniel Gettis**, each with a total of **21**. We then submitted our results online. There were a total of 265 classrooms participating (**7,578 participants**) with an average stack of **14**. You can see from our results that we did a **SUPER JOB!**

Mrs. Dodge, 6th Grade Teacher



2ND GRADE ART CLASSES VISIT READING PUBLIC MUSEUM

In October, all of the 2nd grade classes in the district went on their first art field trip with elementary art teacher Ms. DeFilipps and their classroom teachers to the Reading Public Museum. Many students had never been to a museum, arboretum, or planetarium before.

The museum guides were very knowledgeable about each area that they viewed. Students visited the Hands on Harley interactive area, met Nefrina the real Egyptian mummy, learned about the ginko trees in the arboretum and enjoyed learning about the stars through the eyes of Delphinia.

We are hoping to offer this trip to second grade students in the years to come. Grants from both the Tulpehocken Education Foundation and the Reading Public Museum made this trip free for all students.



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 ext. 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, ext. 2118.

A PARENT WORKSHOP

Transition from High School to College and Career

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

6:00 PM in the JSHS Library

Presenters include Andrea Merrick from the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), Jackie Nagle from Abilities in Motion, Jennifer Woods from Service Access & Management (SAM), and MacKenzie Krott from Career Link.

Find out what all of these organizations have to offer to assist students in transitioning successfully from high school to college or a career.

A light dinner will be provided.

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity!

Contact: Lisa Kiss at lkiss@tulpehocken.org to RSVP.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Penn-Bernville Elementary School Kindergarten Registration is being held on Monday, March 19, 2018. The Bethel Elementary School Kindergarten Registration is being held on Wednesday, March 21, 2018. Sessions are available by appointment only. Parents of children who turn five years of age prior to August 1, 2018 should receive an informational letter from the Tulpehocken Area School District sometime in February. If your child will be the appropriate age by August 1, 2018 and you do not receive a letter, please contact Mrs. Dianne Harchuska at the Tulpehocken Area School District office immediately (717-933-4611 ext. 2114) to obtain the information necessary to schedule your child for registration.

A "WILD" EXPERIENCE

by Maddie Marous

Some people think of Wildwood as a dream destination to the Jersey shore, but any Tulpehocken Envirothon member will tell you otherwise. The Wildwood Park and the Benjamin Olewine III Nature Center is a beautiful 210-acre park located in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, that Envirothon students had the privilege to visit. On their trip, they addressed biodiversity and the delicate, critical balance of the organisms in an ecosystem. After this discussion, they ventured outside and identified waterfowl thriving in the 90-acre Wildwood Lake while hiking a portion of the park's 6-mile trails. They also evaluated the quality of a local stream by collecting samples and tested the nitrates, turbidity, phosphates, dissolved oxygen, temperature, pH, and coliform, as well as identifying macroinvertebrates. After they had lunch beneath the trees, the students ended their visit by identifying native trees. The Tulpehocken Envirothon thanks Wildwood for this amazing opportunity!



THE NATURE PLACE

by Madeline Marous

Tulpehocken Envirothon had the privilege of visiting Berks Nature's, The Nature Place, located at Angelica Park in Reading on Monday, December 4th, 2017. The students previously visited the property and building while it was under construction, and were impressed with the finished product. Completed in September 2017, The Nature Place is decked with both educational and eco-friendly supplies and practices. From large, bird safe windows that utilize as much sunlight as possible and reduce electric use, to informational decals that stretch across the walls, the structure truly reflects Berks Nature's mission to educate visitors and encourage children to connect with nature rather than staring at screens. The students also embarked on a nature walk and enjoyed lunch on the 90 acre property, which includes a Nature Play Zone, Teaching Garden, nature preschool that will be opening soon, outdoor classroom, healthy stream, and a mile of trails. Overall, Tulpehocken Envirothon appreciated their visit to the environmentally responsible complex.



TULPEHOCKEN JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

1st 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, Jessica
 Boyer, Joseph
 Bryant, Lauren
 Claman, Breanna
 Courtright, Sophia
 Faut, Arabella
 Fidler, Sarah
 Giambalvo, Dylan
 Gibson, Brooke
 Herrmann, Matthew
 Herrmann, Rebecca
 Jackson, Peter
 Krause, Jenna
 Kreitzer, Regan
 Lillis, Mason
 Norman, Abby
 Reisch, Averil
 Ruffner, Mahala
 Straw, Jacob
 VanTiggelen, Vanessa

8TH GRADE

Ahner, Ella
 Boyer, Alyssa
 Ebersole, Kyla
 Marous, Madeline
 Smith, Gillian
 Sowers, Mackenzi

9TH GRADE

Burns, Jaclyn
 Coleman, Jenna
 Gagnon, Bailee
 Groff, Mary
 Hulse, Abigail
 Kephart, Nickolas
 Kershner, Seth
 Oxenreider, Olivia
 Vega, K'drian

10TH GRADE

Ahner, Ava
 Bazan, Andres
 Beck, Kyleigh
 Bobo, Alexander
 Boyer, Jordan
 Brossman, Bethany
 Claman, Autumn

Cox, Stephen
 Eberly, Megan
 Elicker, Jack
 Faust, Angelina
 Grumbine, Natalie
 Henne, Logan
 Himmelberger, Tyler
 Jonas, Natalie
 Kaur, Mehtab
 Keeney, Joshua
 Kintzer, John
 Luckenbill, Courtney
 Maciejewski, Orion
 Massaro, Chloe
 Montilla, Keen
 Ovid-Velazquez, Juliana
 Paulson, Luke
 Philippe, Jenna
 Ruffner, Zachariah
 Shepley, Trinity
 Travis, Katherine
 VanTiggelen, Alan
 Vogel, Hannah
 Wojciechowsky, Kaila

11TH GRADE

Boltz, Brandie
 Dougherty, Caroline

Elicker, Leighan
 Elinsky, Amber
 Grosko, Jenna
 Kiebach, Riley
 Mathias, Jonah
 Quillman, Kristen
 Thomas, Kristen

12TH GRADE

Blankenbiller, Michaela
 Burgos, Serena
 Burns, Rebecca
 DeAcosta, Timothy
 Emerich, Coty
 Etchberger, Cody
 Hartranft, Brittany
 Headley, Samantha
 Jurasinski, Priya
 Keegan-Smith, Courtney
 Loose, Rachel
 Miller, Chase
 Miller, Dixie
 Mohn, Charles
 Ruffner, Luke
 Sanchez, Giselle
 Wenger, Sarah

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

7TH GRADE

Belles, Tori Ann
 Berg, Juliette
 Brungart, Alayna
 Bucher, Tyler
 Caramanica, Mackenzie
 Cox, Rachel
 Edwards, Liliana
 Ellis, Evelyn
 Emerich, Seth
 Evans, Taylor
 Fantozzi, Frankie
 Fix, Gabriel

Forry, Faith
 Fraunfelter, Kameron
 Garrison, Kelly
 Grassi, Autumn
 Hager, Rachel
 Hartman, Hailey
 Headley, Isabella
 Heller, Sarah
 Herbst, Romero
 Latshaw, Skyler
 Light, Katie
 Manbeck, Jayden
 Matias, Janae

Mays, Tonya
 Moquete, Jayleen
 Morais, Samantha
 Norman, Megan
 Nowotarski, Hayden
 Ritchie, Trenton
 Schrack, Connor
 Sutherly, Harmony
 Swope, Marissa
 Trommatter, Marley
 Trommatter, Wyatt
 Walmer, Regan
 Woolf, Nicholas

8TH GRADE

Adams, Kira
 Barrett, Makayla
 Beck, Heidi
 Erb, Bradyn
 Folk, Amelia
 Henning, Chad
 Seiler, Joseph
 Sembello, Gabriella
 Smith, Reagan
 Thierwechter, Gavin
 Troxel, Shelby
 Zelek, Brianna

Zielinski, Leah
Zohn, Hunter

9TH GRADE

Aparicio, Diego
Bausher, Madilyn
Bazan, Carlos
Bazan, Guadalupe
Blankenbiller, Matthew
Bowers, Jacob
Brown, Alek
Christ, Malachi
Clark, Seth
Davis, Connor
Elinsky, Skylar
Fair, Brook
Forry, Lucas
Forry, Mallory
Hardick, Clara
Headley, Theodore
Heck, Sabrina
Henne, Alexander
Hopwood, Swaye
Hubler, Adrian
Konoza, Carter
Lash, Adrienne
Leininger, Serena
McDermott, David
Montgomery, Milo
Oberly, Hanna
Reese, Brittlee
Stull, Jonah
Tartaglia, Olivia
Toussaint-Fils, Ashley
Vogel, Isaac
Weiant, Morgan
Yatchyshyn, Molly
Yenser, Kyle

10TH GRADE

Betz, MacKenzie
Boylan, Daniel
Colon, Victor
Courtright, William
Coy, Ashton
Deck, Austin
Derr, Bradley
Dixon, Angel
Dubbs, Jenna
Etchberger, Seth
Evans, Aubrey

Fair, Bailey
Feaser, Aaron
Folk, Andrew
Hollenbach-Gonzalez, Alexis
Howe, Rachel
Johnson, Sarah
Kieffer, Mason
Kline, Devin
Linke, Kevin
McQuillen, Jacob
Medina, Sylvana
Parmer, Randa
Perilus, Strauss
Pierson, Nathan
Reed, Alli
Schermerhorn, Kyle
Strahan, Ravyn
Straw, Joshua
Stupp, Lydia
Torres, Jessie
Torres, Kiaralyn
Walker, Abigail
Walsh, Gerald
Witmer, Andrew
York, Ethan

11TH GRADE

Ackerman, Christopher
Aparicio, Jennifer
Avila, Andrea
Baransky, Abigale
Bednarczyk, Lydia
Blatt, Alex
Boyer, Matthew
Brown, Gabrielle
Fair, Austin
Fantozzi, William
Ferraro, Cassandra
Haws, Caitlin
Henning, Caitlin
Hertzog, Justin
Hill, Dasani
Hill, Dashear
Hinkley, Luke
Hulse, Tyler
Klopp, Devon
Mace, Austin
McColgan, Daniel
McGinity, Dylan
Miller, Austin

Morris, James
Pacilio, Sean
Peiffer, Ashley
Philippe, Jeremy
Ransil, Joshua
Reese, Mayce
Rentschler, Julia
Rodig, Phillip
Shirey, Savannah
Spatz, Marissa
Strahan Jr., Patrick
Stricker, Justin
Torres, Kiaralyn
Walsh, Michael
Woomer, Joshua
Zhao, Hairuo
Zimmerman, Catherine

12TH GRADE

Althouse, Shanon
Andrews, Marissa
Barker, Brydon
Bazan, Jennifer
Bressler, Jennifer
Carles, Jacob
Coleman, Brenden
Courtright, Adam

Cox, Jacob
Cox, John
Eckert, Jacob
Emerick, Matthew
Fils, Kessie
Gorman, Abigail
Huey, Kaitlyn
Kershner, Christopher
Klopp, Alivia
Koch, Logan
Ludwig, Jonathan
Moser, Karissa
Osatchuck, Alexis
Pedraza, Elysa
Reddig, Beth Ann
Schies, Madison
Sealer, Emily
Sealer, Hannah
Shafer, Aimee
Torres, Dominic
Troutman, Alisa
Troutman, Leshane
Vogel, Abigail
Wanner, Emily
Wolf, Richard
Yoder, Allyson

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

LIFE SKILLS STUDENTS

Our Life Skills students participated in a community outing as part of their community based instruction. The students were taken to the Berkshire Mall on Monday, December 11, 2017 where they were instructed on how to purchase presents for their families. This was a great learning experience for all involved.

Pictured Left to Right: Naomi Vogel, Bethann Reddig, Samantha Morais, Austin Mace, Jacob McQuillen, Brook Fair, Isaac Vogel, Bradley Derr, Michael Walsh



BERNVILLE AREA COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

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

E-mail: bernvillleacl@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 would like to remind everyone that we have **Hotspots** here for rent. These devices provide internet access through a wi-fi system. Please call the library or stop by for more information and availability.

Also, we invite everyone to visit our **Perpetual Book Sale**, located in our back room. Our selection will be updated in the first few months of the year and no one can beat our prices!

The Bernville Library has schedules for **Story Times** with Miss Debe on Mondays @11:15 am, and our **Story Rider**, Miss Kim, who will be on Thursdays @11:15 am starting in February. Check with the library for dates and times.

We also have **Baby Lapsits** for infants to toddlers with Miss Debe; scheduled for 11:00 am and 6:00 pm, every other Tuesday, having begun January 9th.

The **Lego Club** will resume on March 12, 2018, and continue on the second Monday of each month.

The **Crochet Club** will be reorganizing in March as well. Come by the library and sign up.

Miss Alicea has plans for **Mystery and Science Evenings of Exploration**, focusing on the 8-12 year old age group; please check with the library for dates and times.

The **American Girl Book Club** will meet every month, so please come to the library and find out more.

Our plans for the New Year include finding **Friends** for the library. We need library lovers to join forces and collaborate in fundraising activities. The library system is in the middle of an evolution that needs help and support from the community to enable our library to move forward and grow. We ask everyone to stop by the library and sign up for our Friends group.

TULPEHOCKEN ACADEMIC ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

The Tulpehocken Area School District has graduated thousands of individuals who have gone on to have rewarding careers. These individuals have touched the lives of many people. The Tulpehocken Academic Alumni Hall of Fame is our district's way of recognizing their impact on society. It also shows that the Tulpehocken School District provides a solid foundation based on strong values and academic success. We would like to recognize these outstanding individuals with the newly established Tulpehocken Academic Alumni Hall of Fame, an annual awards program. You can help make this event a success. If you feel that you know of an individual that meets the criteria below, contact Andrew Netznik, Interim Superintendent at (717) 933-4611, ext. 2118, or e-mail him at anetznik@tulpehocken.org.

To receive the Alumni Hall of Fame Award the recipient must have:

1. Graduated from Tulpehocken Area School District for a minimum of at least ten years ago.
2. Given time, effort, and talent for the enhancement of his/her society and chosen profession. A graduate that goes above and beyond the normal standards.
3. Demonstrated leadership and high standards in his/her profession.
4. Demonstrated commendable citizenship.
5. Demonstrated a willingness to volunteer in the community.

PEACE POSTER WINNERS

The decision time at the Frystown Lions Club Peace Poster judging event was difficult. There were so many good entries from the Tulpehocken Junior High School visually defining this year's Lions International Lions Peace Poster competition with the theme: The Future of Peace.

That competition had over 120 entries as it was incorporated into the 7th grade World History classes taught by Mr. Michael Mulholland, the club's cooperating teacher for the Frystown Lions' hosted project.

When the judging was complete, the three top posters belonged to Abby Norman, Rebecca Herrmann, and Zoe Conahan,

First-place winner Abby Norman's poster was then taken to the District competition where a tough round of judging required a run-off. There Abby Norman's poster took third place, making her one of three District winners to be invited to the April 2018 Lions District 14-P convention. Those posters were judged on originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the contest theme. Abby explained that the flags in her poster "represents unity" adding that "We need to work on our relationships."

She chose different hairstyles "to show diversity and different cultures and skin colors," adding the rainbow for the LGBT community, because "they don't have the rights that they should have, but they are still people and deserve as many rights as everyone else."



"I was very surprised at first," was her reaction to the first place win at the school, adding "I was very honored to represent the school," in terms of her win at District's.

The three local winners were recognized by the Frystown Lions Club with a small monetary gift and other tokens of appreciation.

Rebecca Herrmann, second-place winner also used flags of the world on her poster and a light bulb with the dove of peace in it to visually fulfill the theme: The Future of Peace.

Third place winner, Zoe Conahan, also had flags on her poster and used the peace symbol in honor of her teacher, Michael Mulholland, "because he is such a very caring kind of guy." She added that he says "race doesn't matter," and that prompted her to include the hands

around the border having different color fingernails. She was also inspired by her previous art teacher.

Mr. Michael Mulholland
7th Grade World History

TURKEY BOWL CHAMPIONS

On Wednesday, November 22nd, twenty-eight teams took part in the 19th annual Community Service Club Turkey Bowl. The Turkey Bowl was divided up into two leagues-The 16-team National League was for older, more experienced squads while younger players generally participated in the 12-team International League. Each team consisted of 5 players with a minimum of 2 females on the field at all times.

In the National League the Dan Louviaux squad which consisted of Casey Rightmyer, Dylan Shipe, Tim Hassler, Kevin Berry, Kyle Gaynor, Dylan Louviaux, John Catchmark, and Ian Schaeffer defeated the defending champion Gradwells 6-5 in a thrilling down to the wire contest.

In the International League the Hoops squad consisting of Josh Nielsen, Chandler Mellen, Cassandra Mellen, Grace Eckert, Matt Herbert, Trevor Zohn, and Strauss Perilius defeated the Jake Eckert/Jake Carles squad 4-2.

Over \$500 was raised for the Wounded Warriors Charity. Special thanks to Justin Stricker for chairing the committee.

Dave Voigt, Community Service Club Director

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.



WHAT'S GOING ON IN NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY?

On November 16th, Tulpehocken's Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 16 new members. This is a tremendous honor and is attained through hard work and dedication to their school and community. This year's event was held in the cafeteria and our guest speaker was Lisa Priebe who is the owner of Health Options LLC and Everybody Pilates located in West Reading. Both are fitness based companies. The following students were inducted based on their Scholarship, Service, Character, and Leadership: (all are pictured except Melinee Wilson).

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| Abigale Baransky | Dasani Hill | Lydia Bednarczyk | Tyler Hulse |
| Brandie Boltz | Devon Klopp | Matthew Boyer | Jonah Mathias |
| Caroline Dougherty | Sean Pacilio | Amber Elinsky | Ashley Peiffer |
| Jenna Grosko | Justin Stricker | Caitlin Henning | Melinee Wilson |

On December 8th, our newly inducted group along with our senior members of NHS traveled to Berks Heim for their annual Santa's Corner. NHS students helped residents pick gifts for loved ones or themselves and then had it wrapped. Students also spent time talking and visiting with the residents. This has become one of our favorite service activities and our Tulpehocken chapter has been volunteering at Berks Heim for over four years.

If you have a community event and need volunteers, please contact Susan Weidenheimer (NHS adviser) at the high school and our NHS chapter will do our best to help.

Susan Weidenheimer, NHS Adviser



JUNIOR HIGH CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

The Junior High Cross Country team had another fabulous season with 9 wins and 3 losses. The team placed 4th at the Schuylkill Haven Invitational with two athletes placing in the top 20 and receiving ribbons. Many of our athletes participate in dual sports and excelled at both.

At the Junior High XC Fall Invitational put on by the Pagoda Pacers we had 3 athletes medal. Four of our athletes will move to high school next year and we wish them well in whatever they decide to pursue. We look forward to next season with the athletes who will move up to 8th grade. Our team consisted of the following 8th graders: Ryland Osatchuck, Christopher Wolfe, Brayden Erb, and Ethan Shartle. We also had the following 7th graders on our team: Jayden Manbeck, Bryson Erb, Hayden Nowotarski, David Bednarczyk, Jacob Straw, Gabriel Fix, and Trenton Ritchie. We look forward to next season. Keep Running!

Pictured are three who medaled at the Jr High XC fall invitational from left to right: Bryson Erb, Jayden Manbeck and David Bednarczyk.



SENIOR HIGH CROSS COUNTRY

Tulpehocken cross country finished fifth place at districts. Junior Phillip Rodig had a great race at districts and missed states by only 14 seconds. The team improved their league record this year by one win. Our top four runners that brought home a lot of hardware this year were Jacob Cox, John Cox, Phillip Rodig, and Patrick Strahan. The team is planning to work hard in the off season and come back in 2018 stronger and faster than ever. We also encourage more girls to join the cross country team. We have two hard working girls, Brandie Boltz and Lisa Rubright, but the team needs at least 5 girls to be considered a full team. Cross country is a great way to challenge yourself and learn lifelong strategies for staying healthy. Please consider joining and helping girls cross country return to the powerhouse it once was!

TULPEHOCKEN STUDENTS, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY MAKES THE BLOOD DRIVE A SUCCESS

Here are the results from the November blood drive:

We had 68 willing donors and
62 successful units of blood donated.

Thanks to Sarah Johnson, Alivia Klopp, Haley Evans, Allyson Yoder, and Aubrey Evans

And MANY thanks to all of you for your support and donations!!

This cannot be done without all of us working together

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONORS FOR ROUND 2!!!

Thursday, March 1, 2018 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

To register for the March Drive: Please call the High School Office (610-488-6286)

or

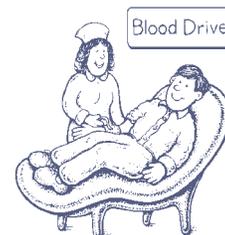
E-mail Jessica Moyer at jmoyer@tulpehocken.org

You may also register online at Giveapint.org

Give your name, phone number and/or e-mail address, date and time you would like to donate.

We are hoping to make this round equally successful!!

Congratulations Tulpehocken on our first round of the blood drive for this school year!!



HELP US WIN THE WHAT'S SO COOL ABOUT MANUFACTURING VIDEO CONTEST!

A group of junior students have been working on creating a 2-2 ½ minute video for the What's so Cool about Manufacturing video contest featuring an assigned business. Our business this year is Misco Products. The group shot video footage and conducted interviews with employees on November 9th. Now we are diligently working on editing all the footage to finalize our video before the voting opens. Voting for the Berks-Schulykill region of the contest will be open at the end of February and beginning of March. Please stay tuned to the TASD website for a link to vote to help our team win! Students participating in the Misco trip: Makayla Barrett, David Bednarczyk, Alyssa Boyer, Kyla Ebersole, Yusuf Ozturk, and Gabby Sembello.



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. The student 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.

Mr. Anthony Netznik
 Interim Superintendent

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Brian D. Booher
 Interim JSHS Principal

My name is Brian Booher and this is my 12th year in education and my 7th in Administration. Prior to joining the Tulpehocken Family, I served as Assistant HS Principal at Ephrata Area School District, Assistant Middle School Principal in the Solanco School District, and Building Principal in the Upper Darby and Solanco School Districts. My classroom experiences include 3 years at Dauphin County Prison and 5 years in the Regular Education classroom at Antietam School District and Central Dauphin School District. I am looking forward to meeting the students, parents, staff, and community members of our esteemed Trojan Family. In my personal time, I enjoy spending time with my wife Brittney, my yellow lab Bronson, and 6 month old son Knox. I am currently writing my doctoral dissertation through Widener University, have earned a Masters in Education from Marietta College (Ohio), and an undergraduate degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

COMPOST AVAILABLE

The Agriscience Department at the Tulpehocken Junior Senior High School will have compost available in the spring. It will be available outside of the ag department, located next to the west end of the parking lot.

Compost is a versatile product resulting from composting - the biodegradation of organic waste, industrially, commercially or domestically produced. The basic use is conditioning and fertilizing soil by the addition of humus, nutrients and beneficial soil bacteria, with a wide range of specific applications. Compost can be mixed with sand, clay, aged sawdust, and other materials to create an enriched mix for landscape beds or raised-bed gardens. Compost should be no more than 30 percent of the total mix.

Two or more inches of compost can be used alone or in conjunction with conventional mulch products to keep root zones cool, conserve moisture, and act as a slow-release fertilizer, provided the product is coarse textured and mature.

First Come, First Serve! Please call 610-488-6286 to make sure all the compost isn't gone.



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.