

Longhorn Post

The Hyannis Schools Newsletter



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Fast Shoes for the State Runners

By Morgan Spurlin

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Congratulations to Evan and Levi Merrihew on a great cross-country season. Evan competed on the Alliance Varsity cross country team and Levi competed on the Junior High Alliance cross country team. At Districts, Evan and his team qualified for State Cross Country, which took place in Kearney on October 20th. What a great feat by Evan and the Bulldogs. It has been two decades since the Alliance cross-country team qualified for state as a team. The Alliance cross-country team worked very hard to prepare for the state competition and was able to come home with an 8th-place finish.



Longhorn Football Comes to a Close

By Parker Provost

The Longhorn football team played 3 games in the month of October. To start the month off, the Longhorns traveled to Anselmo-Merna for another district matchup. The Longhorns started off strong, however, some unfortunate events occurred and they were not able to come out on top with the win.

The following week, the Longhorns had a cold and wet matchup against the Leyton Warriors to close the season. The seniors recognized prior to the game for senior night were Grady Fecht, Kadon Woerner, Rylee Anderson, Cash Davis, Trevor Kohl, and Luke Durfee. The Longhorns took the first lead of the game and did not stop there. Though there were many adversities with the cold and rain, that did not stop them. At halftime, the score was 22-0. With the halftime momentum, the Longhorns did not stop there and won the game with a final score of 34-0.

The next week was the first round of the playoffs where the Longhorns would face their neighboring rivals, the Mullen Broncos. The game started off slow. But, unfortunately, the Broncos slowly started to pull away with the win. The final score was 34-8.

We would like to congratulate the Hyannis Longhorn football team for their successful year and wish everyone luck with their winter activities!

Thanksgiving Traditions

By Kilee Parks

I asked a couple of students in the school what their Thanksgiving traditions were. Some said watching the Macy's Day Parade. Others said they watch the football games and eat dinner. Hearing what people's traditions are is pretty interesting. Knowing that there are a lot of similarities in the Thanksgiving traditions was fascinating because there could be a lot of different traditions out there. For my family's Thanksgiving tradition, my grandma comes over and we watch the Macy's Day Parade then play a bunch of games while the food is cooking. For some teachers, their traditions are relaxing and spending time with their family. Another tradition that has been popularized is eating pizza because most families might be busy. One family at our school learned the love of pizza and companionship.



Red Ribbon Week

By Kylee Lee

Here at Hyannis Area School we like to make sure that we are being healthy individuals who value our futures. So, from October 23-27 celebrate Red Ribbon Week! We had a door decorating contest for all the elementary through high school teachers/ classes. In the end, the elementary door was won by the Fifth grade and their "It" inspired door. High school was Mrs. Jones, and her door was Snapchat-themed which the kids loved! Support staff was also awarded with Mrs. Lee, with the help of the wonderful Miss Lacy and Miss Jessica, with a Waterboy-themed door. Hyannis is Proud to be DRUG FREE!!



Longhorn Lady Volleyball Comes to a Close

By: Kylee Lee

October was the closing month for volleyball and the end for the Longhorn Ladies. They started off the month with a Triangular at Arthur County, with South Platte, and finished the day 0-2 losing to South Platte in 2 and having a very close battle with Arthur. The next week we went to Hay Springs for a triangular conference with Morill. We were keeping up with Morill in the first set and then couldn't come back is what some of the girls would have described the game. Going into the Hay Springs game the girls were fired up. But unfortunately lost 0-2, and had more faith going into the Conference weekend. This was the first time that Hyannis was back in the Panhandle Conference and they came to prove that they belonged there. Once again the Longhorns were seeded next to Hay Springs and they couldn't bounce back when it started going and lost the match 0-2. The next match was a consolation match. The girls were hopeful that they could win, they were playing Crawford who they had yet to lose to, their energy was up, but at the end of the day lost 0-2 to the Lady Rams, coming home as 7th in the tournament. The next week was senior night, Kylee Lee and Regan Anderson were two Lady Longhorns that were honored. Potter-Dix and Creek Valley also rolled into town, with the first game against Potter-Dix the girls were ready to rumble. They had electric energy but that sadly wasn't enough and lost 0-2 to the Lady Coyotes. Next up though was Creek Valley, the girls had found their groove, they were moving as a team and feeling it. They came out with the win 2-0, ending the regular season play. Next up, Sub-district, the Lady Longhorns were put forth in the district against the fifth in the district, the hated Mullen Broncos. This game was electric, you could feel how badly these girls wanted it, both teams giving it everything they could but in the end, the Longhorns were defeated, 2-3, ending their season. We would like to congratulate the Hyannis Longhorn volleyball team for their successful year and wish everyone luck with their winter activities!

NEW TEACHER SPOTLIGHT:

Caroline Durfee

By: Gary Brennamann

We are happy to have Mrs. Caroline Durfee at Hyannis Area Schools as the new third-grade teacher. Her favorite part of teaching is doing fun things like reading books, doing science experiments, and having her students be happy about learning. Caroline Durfee grew up in Camarillo, California, and went to Adolfo Camarillo High School. After high school, she attended Ricks College, University of Idaho, and Western Governors University. Mrs. Durfee picked Elementary ED as her career field because she enjoys helping kids learn to read, write, and have a good base in math. Caroline also enjoys helping little kids have good days. She strives to have a good classroom atmosphere and to have fun. Mrs. Durfee has been teaching for three years. She enjoys teaching at Hyannis because of the people and the nice classroom with the big windows. Lastly, Mrs. Durfee is looking forward to seeing her classes progress in understanding how each of the subject's curriculum works.

Fire Prevention Presentation

By: Kilee Parks

Jhet Holthus came back from Kansas to do a fire prevention presentation for the preschool and elementary school. While Jhet was explaining to the preschoolers what the ax was for, the preschoolers knew that it was used for chopping ice out of the tanks. When he was talking to the elementary school he was explaining to them about the fire truck and the tools on it. After that, they went inside and he told them what the smoke alarms were for and that he recommended that all of them have one in their house. After he explained those things he told them what firefighters do and how protecting them is the most important part of the job. He said that it is important to practice fire safety often. Toward the end of his presentation, he told the kids to sleep with their door shut. Thank you Jhet Holthus for coming to talk to the students about safety.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT:

Luke Durfee

By Kylee Lee

Luke Durfee was raised in Nebraska, by his supportive parents Myron and Caroline Durfee, with his siblings Emily Giffing, Ty, and Kyle Durfee. He is a loving uncle to his one nephew Clayton. His future plans are simple: go to college for at least two years in agribusiness, then work on some sort of beef cattle operation, preferably on a seed stock operation. Right now he has 2 schools that he would like to go to. He says “I haven’t been able to decide between the *University of Wyoming* and *Sheridan College* in Sheridan, Wyoming.” His favorite class at the moment would probably have to be *Large Animal Management*. This is because He says “I enjoy hanging out with Mr. Davis and arguing with him about replacement heifers.” In 5 years he sees himself working somewhere in Wyoming. When what animal describes him best he answered Hyena. Mostly because they are unpredictable and can sometimes be really hostile but they're always smiling. His classmates said they would have to agree.



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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT:

Grady Fecht

By Kylee Lee

Grady Fecht was raised in Nebraska, by his loving parents Zach and Tenda Fecht, with his younger brother Kyle. When he graduates he plans on joining the military police academy and then attending NCTA in Curtis. When he goes to NCTA he plans on studying Ranch or Ag Management. He enjoys participating in Football and Track, and in his free time, he likes to read, ride his horse, and play fetch with his dog, Sam. In 5 years, he sees himself as an accountant or a police officer. When asked what his favorite classes were this is what he had to say, “My favorite classes are American West and English because, in the American West I am learning how Americans came to grow in the West and in English I am learning about Anglo-Saxon history.” He also mentioned that the animal he would like to say describes him best is the wolf. Grady enjoys learning about laws and wars, especially World Wars 1 and 2. Over the summer he traveled to England and says the next place he wants to go is Germany. His favorite things include pizza and Mountain Dew, and his favorite movie *1917*. We wish Grady good luck in his senior year. Go Longhorns of 2024!



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KINDERGARTEN SPOTLIGHT:

Jasper Duffield, Regan Garrity

By Dillon Hebbert

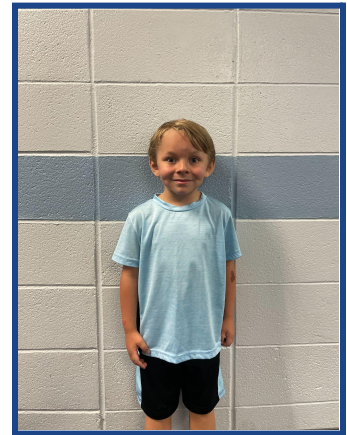
When Reagan gets a million dollars she would give it to her mom, and her mom would buy a toy for her. Reagan also wants to go on a vacation and go rock climbing. Her favorite hobby is painting and her favorite color is blue. Her favorite food is chicken nuggets. When she grows up she wants to be a cop.

Jasper is 5 years old and he already knows what he wants to do when he grows up. He wants to be a zoo keeper, like in Jurassic Park. He wants to have a tiger in his zoo. He has already started on his zoo career, he has 3 dogs and 1 cat. Jasper's favorite animal is a dinosaur and loves to wear dinosaur shirt.

Reagan Garrity



Jasper Duffield



Aulick Manufacturing Day

By Randy Hiemstra

On Wednesday, October 4th, a cadre of Hyannis Area Schools students made their way to Scottsbluff to take part in Aulick Industries Manufacturing Day. Aulick Manufacturing is a multi-faceted industry established in 1952 that employs over 140 full-time workers in their Scottsbluff locations. The purpose of this event was to serve as an educational opportunity through a video presentation, a tour of facilities conducted by the Human Resources manager, and a competition assembling a grain gate by teams from each school. The students were apprised of career and job opportunities offered by Aulick Industries, as well as information and tips on applying and interviewing for positions within the company.

Students participating in this event included Max Leth, Kade Olson, Kadon Woerner, Trey Brown, Chase Huffman, and Zach Spencer. The guys participated in the grain gate assembly competition forming two groups of 3 during the morning session and after lunch provided by the hosts took a tour of the complex. Areas of employment included sales, manufacturing, assembling products, sandblasting, painting, plasma welding, computerized lathe work, and general maintenance and groundskeeping.

Mr. Tim Davis served as an advisor for the group and Mr. Randy Hiemstra sponsored the trip.

LUNCH MENU

NOV. 1 - NO LUNCH - REMOTE DAY
 NOV. 2 - BREADED BEEF PATTY (HS), BREADED BEEF STICKS (GS), MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, HOT ROLL, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT
 NOV. 3 - TACO BURGER, CHIPS & SALSA, LETTUCE & CHEESE CUP, MIXED VEGETABLES, COOKIE, FRUIT
 NOV. 6 - CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP, TOASTED CHEESE SANDWICH, CARROTS & CELERY, FRUIT
 NOV. 7 - PIZZA ROLLS, POTATO ROUNDS, LETTUCE SALAD, FRUIT
 NOV. 8 - PORK CHOP, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, CORN, CHOC. CHIP MUFFIN, FRUIT
 NOV. 9 - HOT HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH, TRI-TATERS, PEAS, FRUIT
 NOV. 10 - SLOPPY JOE ON A BUN, CHIPS, BBQ BEANS PICKLES, FRUIT, BUNNY GRAHAMS
 NOV. 13 - RIB-E-QUE ON BUN, FRENCH FRIES, COOKED CARROTS, FRUIT
 NOV. 14 - CHEESEBURGER PIE, POTATO SALAD, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT TURNOVER
 NOV. 15 - SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN, RICE, BROCCOLI, EGG ROLL, FRUIT
 NOV. 16 - TATER TOT CASSEROLE, BBQ BEANS, BLUEBERRY MUFFIN, FRUIT
 NOV. 17 - CHICKEN PATTY ON BUN, CURLY FRIES, FRESH VEGGIES, FRUIT, COOKIE
 NOV. 20 - CHILI, CORNBREAD, CARROTS & CELERY, FRUIT
 NOV. 21 - HOMEMADE HAM & CHEESE POCKETS, MAC & CHEESE, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT
 NOV. 22 - NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK
 NOV. 23 - NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK
 NOV. 24 - NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK
 NOV. 27 - SUB SANDWICH, CHIPS & SALSA, LETTUCE & TOMATO, POTATO SALAD, FRUIT
 NOV. 28 - CHICKEN STRIPS (HS) CHICKEN STICKS (GS), MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, CORN, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
 NOV. 29 - HOT DOG OR CHILI DOG, SMILEY FRIES, BABY CARROTS, PISTACHIO SALAD, FRUIT
 NOV. 30 - BEEF & CHEESE PIZZA, TATER GEMS, LETTUCE SALAD, FRUIT
 MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

November Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	National FFA	National FFA	1. PAC Music No school K-6 Remote Learning 7-12 National FFA	2. JH Wrestling @ Sutherland National FFA	3. National FFA	4.
5. Daylight Savings Time Ends	6.	7. JH Wrestling @ Hershey	8.	9.	10.	11.
12.	13. FFA	14.	15.	16. PAC Play Production	17. JH Wrestling @ Mullen	18. G/JH Basketball @ Alliance
19. Holiday Showcase	20.	21. JH Wrestling @ Perkins County	22. No School	23. No School	24. No School	25.
26.	27. B/G Basketball Jamboree @ Home	28. JH Wrestling @ Thedford	29. District One Acts @ Thedford	30.		