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ACA DECA GOES TO STATE!

By Eli Van Renan

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Well the geniuses have shown up. This year's Acadeca team has made it to the state Acadeca meet. Acadeca was all online this year. It was an overall good-scoring team. This year's team consisted of Juliana Merrihew, Eli Van Renan, Dylan Frye, Rylee Anderson, Cash Davis, Evan Merrihew, Abbi Rath, Zack Lee, Kilee Lee, and Emily Gentry. This team has been working very hard for a state-bound trip. Students were tested in 7 different areas: Art, Music, Math, Economics, science, social science, and literature.

This year's placings:

Art: Juliana-1st Ely-2nd Rylee-3rd Evan-1st

Music: Dylan-2nd Cash-3rd Rylee-3rd Evan-1st Abbi-2nd

Math: Dylan-1st Zack-1st Rylee - 3rd

Economics: Kylee-3rd Zack-1st Cash-2nd Juilana-1st Ely-3rd Rylee-1st Evan-3rd

Science: Kylee-1st Dylan-3rd Juilana-3rd Rylee-2nd
Abbi-2nd

Social Science: Cash-1st Emily-1st Juilana-3rd
Ely-3rd Rylee-1st Evan-2nd

Art (New): Cash-1st Juilana-1st Evan-1st Abbi-3rd

Literature: Dylan-3rd Cash-1st Zack-2nd Juilana-2nd
Ely-1st Abbi-3rd

Top scorer - Juilana Merrihew

The team as a whole got 2nd at Regionals.

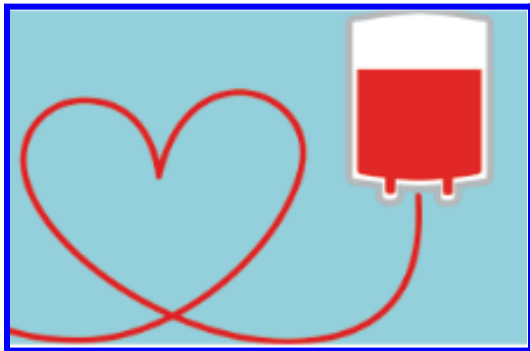
Thank you to the team leaders Mrs. Volz and Mrs. Lee
for making this happen!

HYANNIS BLOOD DRIVE

By Kadon Woerner

The senior class put on a blood drive on January 17th at the Winters building. Many people from the school and the community showed up to give blood. Giving blood is a great way to help people in need because hospitals are constantly in need of blood for transfusions and other medical operations.

Many patients require blood transfusions after losing large amounts of blood in accidents and surgeries. Without blood drives, these patients would not be able to get the blood they need. Please consider donating blood at the next blood drive on April 19th! You can sign up on the Red Cross website, by contacting the school, or by emailing Cheyanne Volz at: cheyannevolz@hyannislonghorns.org.



AMERICAN WEST FIELD TRIP

By Mr. Austin Casper (7-12 History)

In December, the American West class traveled to Chadron to visit the Museum of the Fur Trade and Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center on the campus of Chadron State College to see local elements of the American West firsthand.

The Museum of the Fur Trade is a world-class museum that covers the whole story of the fur trappers, from the beginning to the end of the Hudson's Bay Company in the mid-20th century. Students observed and learned about clothing, processes, and more in the various regions of the west.

The Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center has two permanent collections, the first being the life and time of the center's namesake, Mari Sandoz, and the second being the C.F. Gallery dedicated to the ranches and cattlemen of northwest Nebraska. The Sandoz center has a temporary exhibit hall that plays host to many traveling exhibits and displays from the center's archives. Students learned about Mari's life on the Niobrara in Sheridan county and the works she authored later in life.

The day was enhanced with a trip to Far West Crusine for lunch and everyone got to pick lunch off of their large and diverse menu. Students enjoyed the trip and learned a number of things about some unique parts of our regional history.



Jax Ayer and Emily Gentry

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL GETS ROLLING

By Kanen Grant

Junior High basketball is going strong, and the kids have been busy! To start off the season, the boys and girls played Minatare and Cody. The girl's team beat Minatare 13-11. Unfortunately, after a close game, they lost against Cody-Kilgore 17-24. The boys beat Minatare 33-3. They also beat Cody 45-25! The next week, the teams faced off against Arthur County. The girls played hard, but couldn't quite scrape out a win. After four nailbiter quarters, the boys also lost 49 to 51. Mullen was the next challenge the junior high athletes faced. The kids were also supposed to have a game against Creek Valley on January 26th. Due to weather conditions, however, the game was postponed. Finally, the teams played Sandhills Valley on January 30th to end the month.

Krysta Hampton is coaching the girl's team this year, assisted by Max Kostman (12th grade). Dan Schroer is coaching the boy's team. Both teams have been working extremely hard during practice every day. They are working on accomplishing their goals one dribble at a time. It is going to be a good season. Good Luck Longhorns!



Kash Provost shoots a free throw.

THE TAKEDOWN OF HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

By Danny Taylor

The Hyannis Longhorn wrestling has had a great season. Ezekiel Heaton has had many suitable matches; his record is 25-4, Trevor Kohl is 50/50 right now, being 9-9, and Daniel Taylor has had to wrestle many good matches and is 7-18. Right after Christmas break, they went straight to Tryon and wrestled a triangular. Then after that, they went to Dundy County Zeke placed second. Finally, they went to Garden County on the third day, where Zeke placed second again. After the short week of practice, they had their first home triangular of the year, where Garden County, Thedford, and Hyannis faced off. It was very nice to see everyone cheering for the Hyannis wrestling team. After that day, they went to Mullen, where they hosted a triangular where Mullen, Hemingford, and Hyannis competed. Then on the final day, they went to Thedford, where they hosted a tournament, and many teams were there. Zeke placed 1st in Thedford, and Daniel Taylor placed 2nd. Hyannis wrestlers practiced for the last week of January and went to Doniphan where Zeke placed 2nd. We hope everything goes great and everyone does fantastic in their upcoming meets.



Trevor Kohl (photo taken by Starla Spurlin)

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL ENTERS MNAC

By Jorja Grover

The lady longhorns had a great start to their season. The longhorn played Creek Valley, Hemingford, Gordon Rushville, Mullen, Wallace, South Platte, Banner County, Twin Loup, Crawford, and Stapleton. The Lady Longhorns lost to South Loup during the first round of MNAC. They didn't give up though! They went on to beat Mullen in overtime! The longhorns are having a great season and are ready to take on the Cody- Kilgore Cowboys, Hay springs Hawks, and the Leyton Warriors this week. Next week the lady longhorns take on the Garden County Eagles. The lady longhorns are ready to get their wins these next games. They have 4 weeks of basketball left in their regular season. We wish the longhorns well wishes on finishing out their season. They had a victory against the mullen broncos for the second time. So we are very proud of our longhorns for staying positive throughout the ups and downs.



Juliana Merrihew drives to the hoop during the game against South Platte. (Photo by yearbook)

BOYS BASKETBALL DOMINATES

By Kade Olson

Wow, look how fast time has flown. We are now in MNAC basketball!! We are working our tails off every night at practice. We ended 2022 with a 3-2 record. We had a few open gyms during this Christmas break to improve on the things our coaches wanted to see out of us.

We started off the new year by playing South Platte. We came out with a win of 76-60. We then played Banner County. The Longhorns dominated Banner County with a score of 67-35. Next, we played Twin Loup. We came out with a win 70-35. Later that week we played Crawford. We came out with another win 62-28. The next day we played the Sandhills Valley Mavericks and won 59-52. We then played Sanhills Valley in the first round of MNAC. We won with a score of 49-40. We then played Mullen. We lost with a score of 20-49. We then played that Saturday against Sandhills Thedford and lost with a score of 37-45. We closed out the month of January playing against Cody-Kilgore and winning 59-27.



Max Kostman looks to pass the ball to Parker Provost
(Photo by yearbook)

SCIENCE FAIR

By Gary Brennemann

On Monday, January 16 the student body at Hyannis High School took to the gym to enjoy the Science Fair. There were many great projects that Mr. Spurlin's science students presented to the kids and spectators. Some interesting projects included a working robot, co2 car, a wind tunnel, trick shots, and many others. The elementary students had a fun time learning about science at the Science Fair.

All pictures by yearbook



Dillan Frye and Kade Olson set off their co2 car.



The 5th Grade group plays with Oobleck



Collin Woerner explains Newton's Cradles to the kindergarteners.



Kutter and Gary explain their wind tunnel



Danny Taylor, Ely van Renan, and Bailey Leonard show off their homemade solar oven.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

By Ben Connell

On January 30th Hyannis High School had its annual Christmas Program. After being postponed for almost two months, Hyannis music, band, and choir students were finally able to showcase their talents in front of a full house in our auditorium. Mrs. Anderson said she was inspired to change the lyrics to “I’m Dreaming of a Green Summer” while shoveling snow. The elementary performed lots of classic Christmas-themed songs such as “Deck the Halls” and “When Christmas Comes to Town”. The band performed “Pachelbel’s Christmas” and “Sweet Caroline”. Finally, the Hyannis choir performed “Silver Bells” and “Hallelujah”. This was also the first event where our newly renovated auditorium chairs were put to use. The program was a great success and the kids are finally excited to work on some new songs! We can’t wait to see what Mrs. Anderson and the music students have in store for us at the Spring Concert!



The 2nd and 3rd graders sing while Rylee Anderson leads and Mrs. Anderson accompanies.

WATER DAMAGE

By Parker Provost

On December 23rd, 2022, Hyannis High School experienced an indoor water leak. With the freezing cold weather rolling through town, the water in the pipes above the west entrance froze and burst. Water gushed out across the western side of the high school and into the gymnasium. The floor around the trophy case near the west entrance was covered in along with, Mr. Casper’s room, Mr. Spurlin’s room, Mrs. Spurlin’s room, and Mrs. Morrell’s room which got it the worst.

Fortunately, the leak was found soon enough before any terrible damage occurred. It is thought that the water was running for about 30 minutes. Luckily the water was able to be cleaned off the gym floor by the janitors, Cindy, Jose, and Aurora before it was damaged too terribly. Emergency Water Restoration from Scottsbluff arrived the next morning to assist.

We would like to give a big thanks to all those who came and helped during the holiday time.



Water damage in Mrs. Morrell's room

SENIOR FUNDRAISER

By Juliana Merrihew

The senior class of 2023 wants to thank the community for supporting them this year. During November, the seniors sold greenery to raise money to pay for graduation. The greenery was sold through Sherwood Forest Farms, and participants could buy a variety of wreaths and centerpieces.

All wreaths came live, were pieced together, and then hand delivered by the seniors. Mrs. Volz headed up the fundraiser, helping with organizing and distributing the products and reminding the seniors to keep selling! The money will go towards graduation costs such as caps and gowns and flowers.

Thanks to the generous people of the community, the seniors were able to meet their fundraising goal. Thank you everyone for supporting this year's senior class!



ROBOTICS TEAM GOES TO STATE

By Juliana Merrihew

This year's robotics season is off to a great start. The team this year consists of Joia Merrihew (7th), Lila Brennemann (7th), Dylan Hebbert (6th), Brecken Cover (4th), Waylin Hebbert (4th), and Talon Minor (4th). The team has been working very hard! For the past couple of months, they have been meeting for 2-hour practices several times a week to prepare for the competition.

For those who don't know, robotics consists of four parts: A speech, robot games, an innovation project, and a community service project. The robot games are where the "robotics" part of the competition comes in. The kids have been working hard to build and program their bot to complete missions at the competition. They have to build the right attachments, decide which missions to complete, and practice to make sure their robot will succeed. For the innovation project, the team is given a theme. This year's theme is energy. The team must come up with a problem and a solution that has to do with the theme. Then, they present their problem and solution to the judges. Finally, they plan a community service project. This year, the team ran a bake sale and donated the money to the school improvement fund. They raised over \$600! They presented Anita Ferguson with the check during halftime of the basketball game. The team did great at Regionals and is now set to compete at State Robotics in Columbus. We wish them and their robots luck at the competition!



The robotics team with their trophy

KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

By Juliana Merrihew

This year's kindergarten class is full of many bright children. To help the community get to know them, we're starting a segment to spotlight a few kindergarteners each month.

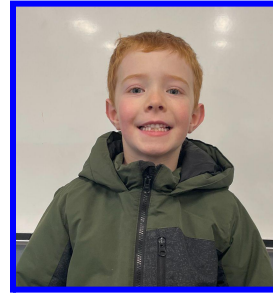
Starting us off is Skeet Brennemann. Skeet is 6 years old and has two siblings: Gary (10th grade) and Lila (7th grade). He also has a horse named Gus. Skeet's favorite thing about school is math and his favorite color is green. He loves to eat steak.

Next is Audrey Burgess, who is also 6 years old. Audrey doesn't have a favorite thing about school, but she does love the colors pink and purple. She has two dogs, Rip and Roxy. Audrey has three other siblings: Molly (7th), Bo (5th), Sadie (3rd), and Katharine (born in the fall of 2022).

Elizabeth (Lizzy) Cogar likes the color blue and eating steak. She is 6 years old. She has a goat for a pet. The goat's name is Freyah.

Margot DeGanahl is 5 years old. She doesn't have any siblings, but she does have 3 dogs. She loves the colors purple and pink, and her favorite food is tacos!

Thanks for taking the time to get to know Margot, Audrey, Elizabeth, and Skeet. They are great kids and Hyannis Area Schools is lucky to have them as part of the kindergarten class.



Skeet Brennemann



Audrey Burgess



Elizabeth Cogar



Margot DeGanahl

TEACHER'S CORNER:

3RD GRADE SCIENTISTS

By Miss Kelsey Carr (3rd Grade)

This past semester the third grade class has been working very hard on a variety of subjects, but Science has been their favorite so far! We started off the year with learning about physical sciences such as how objects move, how magnets work, and how heavy objects can be. We then did a unit on weather and climate. We set up a weather station outside of the school and collected weather data for six weeks. They really enjoyed visiting the weather station each day (even when it was cold and windy out). We are now starting a unit on living organisms and will be caring for Wisconsin Fast Plants and Painted Lady butterflies. We will observe how both the plants and the butterflies go through their life cycles. We have some pretty awesome third-grade scientists!



TEACHER'S CORNER:

MATH ROOM ADVENTURES

By Mrs. Robin Jones (7-12 Math)

While I am sure everyone says it is hard to believe how fast the school year has gone, it truly is hard to believe that. For those of you who don't know me; Hi I am Mrs. Jones! I teach 7-12 math here at Hyannis Area School, and I am really enjoying it so far. The community has been nothing but welcoming, I enjoy the staff and the students are all so fun to be around.

One class I teach is geometry. A class that can be very hands on! During the first semester I had my class create a golf course in my room. They were really creative! We used desks on their sides, books as obstacles, a large circle as the hole, and the yardstick as the golf club. One student brought in a golf ball and we also borrowed a wiffle ball from Mr. Schroer. It was such a fun experience for everyone.

For the geometry final I had the students write a paper. I know it's crazy writing a paper in math class, but it was fun and enlightening. I get asked several times a week 'how will I ever use this math in my real life?' So I did just that. I had the student tell me how they would use math in the future. The students wrote an essay explaining how they would use not only geometry but also all the math they have learned up to this point in their future careers. I really enjoyed reading the essays for a few reasons.. I cannot wait to see what the future holds for these students!



MARK YOUR CALENDERS FOR MISSOULA!

By Austin Casper

Hyannis Area Schools is excited to announce the return of Missoula Children's Theater March 20-25! Auditions for Students K-8 will be held after school on Monday and the performance will be held Saturday, March 25th. This year's residency will include workshops for all Hyannis students on Wednesday and the production of the classic children's story, The Frog Prince.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: STETSON MATTESON

By Jorja Grover

Stetson Matteson is a senior at Hyannis High school. He is the son of Jeremy and Tiffany Parks. He has two siblings Chance Parks and Kilee Matteson [11 grade]. Stetson was born on March 10, 2005.

Matteson lived in Gillette Wyoming and was born in Billings Montana. He is going to a Farrier school when he is out of high school. Stetson's dream job is to work and own his own ranch. He also plans to go to college after farrier school for AG business. He participated in Football, FFA, and Basketball.

Now some fun facts about Stetson! Stetson's favorite color is mint green. He doesn't have any favorite movies or tv shows. His favorite subject in school is work study. His favorite food is shrimp and his favorite drink is Original monster. Stetson's favorite dessert is a Lemon bar. His favorite candy is Sweet tart ropes.



Photo by Harley Davis and TeJay Lee Fenster

HONOR ROLL

The honor role for the first semester has been released, and students have been working very hard. There are several requirements to be on honor roll. Firstly, students must be enrolled in a minimum of seven classes. Secondly, four of those classes must be core classes. Finally, students must have an average of 94% or above with no classes lower than a 90%. Congratulations to those who accomplished being on the honor roll!

7th Grade

Ian Anderson
Adee Arnold
Lila Brennemann
Molly Burgess
Joia Merrihew
Kash Provost

8th Grade

Ella Lincoln
Lydia Smith
Paige Vinton

9th Grade

Faith Ferguson
Orabella Heaton
Kevin Hernandez
Evan Merrihew
Abbigail Rath
Danny Taylor

10th Grade

Gary Brennemann
Ben Connell
Parker Provost

11th Grade

Cash Davis

12th Grade

Juliana Merrihew
Rylee Anderson

FFA PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

By Rylee Anderson (12th Grade)

On Wednesday, January 11th, four Hyannis FFA members traveled to Wallace to compete in the District FFA Speech Contest. Faith Ferguson received a purple ribbon in the FFA Creed Speaking Contest, placed 4th overall, and is an alternate for the State FFA Creed Speaking Contest. Evan Merrihew also received a purple ribbon in the FFA Creed Speaking Contest and placed 6th overall. Regan Anderson received a red ribbon in the Senior Prepared Public Speaking Contest and Lydia Smith received a red ribbon in the Junior High Discovery Speaking Contest.



L to R: Regan Anderson, Evan Merrihew, Lydia Smith, and Faith Ferguson.

LUNCH MENU

FEB. 1 - CHICKEN FAJITA ON SOFTSHELL, SEASONED RICE, LETTUCE & CHEESE, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT
FEB. 2 - HAYSTACKS WITH FIXINS, LETTUCE SALAD, PEAS, FRUIT
FEB. 3 - PHILLY STEAK SANDWICH, CURLY FRIES, COOKED CARROTS, FRUIT, RICE KRISPIE BAR
FEB. 6 - CHICKEN ALFREDO, GREEN BEANS, GARLIC BREADSTICK, FRUIT
FEB. 7 - TATER TOT CASSEROLE, CALIFORNIA BLEND, DONUT, FRUIT
FEB. 8 - CHICKEN STRIPS, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, CORN, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
FEB. 9 - PIZZA ROLL (HOMEMADE), TATER GEMS, PEAS, FRUIT
FEB. 10 - PULLED PORK SANDWICH, CHIPS, BBQ BEANS, FRUIT, COOKIE
FEB. 13 - CHICKEN SOUP, TOASTED CHEESE SANDWICH, FRESH VEGGIES, CRACKERS, FRUIT
FEB. 14 - BBQ MEATBALLS, CHEESY HASHBROWNS, CALIFORNIA BLEND, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
FEB. 15 - CHEESEBURGER PIE, GREEN BEANS, FRUIT TURNOVER
FEB. 16 - FRENCH DIP SANDWICH, POTATO SALAD, BBQ BEANS, FRUIT
FEB. 17 - TACO BURGER, CHIPS & SALSA, LETTUCE & CHEESE, FRUIT, ICE CREAM CUP
FEB. 20 - NO SCHOOL - TEACHER IN-SERVICE
FEB. 21 - CHICKEN NUGGETS, MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY, CORN, DINNER ROLL, FRUIT
FEB. 22 - ASH WEDNESDAY: HAM OR TUNA SALAD SANDWICH, CHIPS, POTATO SALAD, PISTACHIO SALAD, PINEAPPLE
FEB. 23 - GOLDEN GOULASH, GREEN BEANS, COFFEE CAKE, FRUIT
FEB. 24 - CHICKEN OR FISH SANDWICH, FRENCH FRIES, CALIFORNIA BLEND, FRUIT
FEB. 27 - SUB SANDWICH, CHIPS, MAC & CHEESE, FRUIT
FEB. 28 - BEEF STROGANOFF, MIXED VEGETABLES, GARLIC BREAD, FRUIT
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February Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 JH Quiz Bowl @ Anselmo Merna	2 HS Forum	3 HS Bball vs. Hay Springs @ Home	4 HS Bball @ Leyton JH Bball Tournament Speech @ Chadron
5	6	7 HS Bball @ Garden County	8 JH Bball vs. Sandhills Thedford @ home HS Quiz Bowl @ Anselmo Merna FFA CDE @ North Platte	9	10 District Wrestling (TBD)	11 District Wrestling (TBD) HS Bball vs. Potter Dix @ Home Speech @ North Platte
12	13	14 Girls Bball Subdistricts (TBD)	15	16 State Wrestling Girls Bball Subdistricts (TBD)	17 State Wrestling State Academic Decathlon	18 State Wrestling Sharp Shooters (3pm - 1pm in Gymnasium) Speech @ Hemmingford State Academic Decathlon
19 Sharp Shooters (8am - 5pm in Gymnasium)	20 Boys Bball Subdistricts (TBD) No School	21	22	23	24	25 Youth Bball Tournament MNAC Speech @ Mullen
26	27 Quiz Bowl	28	28			